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Special Events in the month of January 2009.

- Adv. Pranit Nanavati's lecture on- *Intellectual Property Rights*
- *Intra Moot Competition* to decide the panel for the semester.
- Guest lecture by *Prof. Avadhesh Kumar Singh* on- *Knowledge, Law and Literature.*
- Interactive Workshop on - *"Quest for better Legal Education."* Inauguration of the workshop by *Hon'ble Justice C.K. Thakker* (retd.)
- Lecture on- *"Legal Process Outsourcing"*
- Guest lecture by *Prof. Dilip Ukey* on- *"Constitutional Amendments."*

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State level interactive workshop on: "Quest for better Legal Education".

24th January 2009, Saturday. State level interactive workshop was organized to discuss -What could be done further to improve the quality of legal education in India. The workshop aimed to deliberate on recommendations of the National Knowledge Commission. *Hon'ble Justice C.K. Thakker* (retd), Judge, Supreme Court of India delivered the key note address at the inaugural session of the work shop.

Today Bar Council plays a major role in maintaining the quality of the legal Education. National Knowledge commis-

sion recommendations dilutes the role of Bar Council. *Adv. Vijay Patel*, Chairman, Bar Council of Gujarat chaired the First Session of the workshop wherein- '*The role of Bar council in the improvement of legal Education*' was discussed.

Prof H.C. Dholakia, chaired the second Session. During this session the role of other controlling bodies like U.G.C., Universities, etc were discussed.

Academics, lawyers and legal stalwarts participated and shared their valuable suggestions.

Guest lecture on Intellectual Property Rights.

10th January 2009, Saturday. *Adv. Pranit Nanavati* delivered a lecture for the law students on - *"Over view of Intellectual Property Rights and its relevance in today's Era."*

Intellectual Property Rights is an emerging field. Students attended the lecture with keen interest. *Adv. Pranit Nanavati* explained the concepts, origin and history of IPR. He also discussed about the present and



Above: Inaugural Session
L-R: Shri. D. P. Chavhan, Prof. Yogesh Malik, Hon'ble Justice C.K. Thakker, Shri. Sanubhai Patel & Dr. Parag Pathak
Below Interactive Session
L-R: Prof. Yogesh Malik, Hon'ble Justice C.K. Thakker, Shri. Sanubhai Patel & Prof. H. C. Dholakia



emerging forms of IPR with apt illustrations. Lecture was not only informative but was also interactive. Students queries were taken up after the lecture and they were duly addressed by the speaker.

Intra Moot Competition

10th January 2009, Saturday . was the day for Intra Moot Competition. *Adv. Ameer Yajnik* and *Adv Kashyap Joshi* both advocates of The Gujarat High Court did the honour of judging the students and deciding the panel. In all six teams qualified.

Qualifying Teams

- (a) Radhika Jagtap
 - (b) Shriya Jain
 - (c) Shatakshi Johari
2. (a) Varsha Rajora
- (b) Mansi Trivedi
 - (c) Ruchita Jain
3. (a) Niral Oz
- (b) Devanshi Popat
 - (c) Avni Pandya
4. (a) Swarnabh Dutta
- (b) Palak Jagtiani
 - (c) Tarpit Patni
5. (a) Swati Vijayvergiya
- (b) Aditya Chopra
 - (c) Niharika Chaturvedi

6. (a) Kaash Thakkar
(b) Jayneel Parikh
(c) Jaldhi Dave

Congratulations!!!

and
All the Best

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Prof. Avadhesh Kumar Singh

Guest Lecture by Prof. Avadhesh Kumar Singh

16th January 2009, Friday, was the day for inspirational lecture by *Prof. Avadhesh Kumar Singh*, Vice Chancellor, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad. His discourse was on, "*Knowledge, Literature and Law.*"

The lecture opened up new

avenues of understanding Literature and Law, as the two inter-dependent disciplines, and how both of them plough the field of language to ripe the fruits of knowledge. Both the disciplines use language, but in a different manner; the first aims at the plurality of meaning whereas the latter

aims at the singularity of meaning. This is aptly manifested in the words by Prof Avadhesh Kumar Singh, "The law students must read non-legal texts by the best legal minds of the world." this avails the students to adopt the inter-disciplinary approach towards their studies.

Republic Day Celebration

26th January 2009, Monday, *Republic Day Celebration.* Common Republic Day celebration was organized for the entire University. *Hon'ble Justice J. N. Bhatt* was the Chief Guest for the occasion. In his motivational address, after flag hoisting, he encouraged the students to perform well.

Legal Process Outsourcing

26th January 2009, Monday, Legal Process outsourcing is a growing field. This is yet another option for the legal professionals. In collaboration with IGNOU a lecture was organized for students of Institute of Law, Nirma University, as well as for the students of other Universities.

The lecture aimed at acquainting the students about the skills required for the LPD. The lecture also provided information about the course launched by IGNOU to equip students with the required skills needed for LPD. *Prof. K. D. Rao*, Director School of Law IGNOU graced the event.

Constitutional Amendments: Guest Lecture

30th January, 2009, Friday, Prof. Dilip Ukey, Dean, Faculty of Law, Pune University, who is also the member of Board of Studies of Institute of Law, Nirma University, shared his expertise in Constitution with the students of IV Semester. His skills to interweave the events is quite remarkable.

Students were surely benefited by his sound knowledge and articulation skills. It is his mastery over the subject that made the technical subject like constitutional Amendments interesting.

Firstly he discussed the ways of amending the Constitution of India. It was followed by proce-

dures of amending the Constitution. Thereafter he discussed at length the politics behind amendment of Constitution of India in context of S.R. Bommai's Case, Rajnarayan v. Indira Gandhi's Case and Union of India v. State of Rajasthan.

Faculties Participation Students Representations in various Events.

8th January 2009, Thursday, Dr. Purvi Pokhariyal, Asst. Prof. attended a seminar on, "Terrorism, Human Securities and Human Rights" organized by O.P. Jindal Global University and Dr. Benjamin Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University, New York, USA. She presented the view on the topic.

31st December to 4th January 2009, Ms Dhara Chotai attended and participated in a National workshop on *Encyclopaedia of Hinduism* at Rishikesh, organized by Indian Heritage Research Foundation, USA

Sports Updates

January was the month for institutional level sports events. Enthusiasm was infectious. It seemed every one was busy participating in one event or the other. Institutional Level Competitions were held for following events.

Cricket: Girls And Boys team of IV semester beat the II semester team.

Kshitij, Techno-Management fest, IIT, Kharagpur
Apurva Vora, Jay Trivedi, Radhika Jagtap, Darshak Shah represented the institute.

The team of **Apurva Vora & Radhika Jagtap** stood 2nd in the event "SENATE" amongst 42 teams across the country.

Moot Courts

1) 9th International Jessup Competition UILS, Chandigarh, Punjab University.
Jagruiti Dekavadiya, Kritika

Basket Ball: Boysteam of IV semester won, where as Girls team of II semester beat the Girls of IV semester.

Volley Ball: IV semester boys team beat the team of II semester where as Girls of II Semester seems to be better sport persons and they beat the team of IV Semester Girls.

Pande and Sowbhagya Rao and performed well.

2) The 12th M. M. Singhvi International Moot Court Competition at NLU Jodhpur.

Aditya Pandya, Divyangna Jhala and Shashank Bhansali IV semester students represented the Institute of Law in the competition.

Quiz

NIFT, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
Abhisht Thakker, Shivranjani Ralawata, Aprajita Sinha, Niral Oza. They stood fourth in the competition.

Football: It seems II semester boys are better in foot ball than IV semester as they won the football match.

Chess Winners: Vidity Sharma
Deval Patel

Carrom: Anand Patel & Kunal Vyas
Deval Patel & Shivani Trivedi

Table Tennis: Himanshu Purohit & Sandeep Bansiwala

*Salus populi
suprema est lex.*

The good of the
people is the chief
law.

-Cicero



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The academic ambience of the institute provides full scope for group activities which are plenty, as also to individual pursuits for development on preferred tracks. Students of Institute of Law gets opportunity to interact with the students of other institutions on the campus. Exposure to such an environment helps the student to develop interdisciplinary approach, an integrated personality and a greater competitive spirit.

*Higher Education stands for
Humanism and for adventure of
ideas through constant
research. If these functions are
performed well, then all is well
with the nation and the people.*

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