



FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATIONS

In order to help the faculties in understanding the concurrent developments in the subject and new pedagogical tools, the Institute has initiated a system of mentorship in specialist branches of study.

AREA	MENTORS
Political Science	Prof. Dinesh Shukla
English Language	Dr. Y.P. Hathi
Sociology	Prof. Vidyut Joshi
Economics	Prof. Rohit Shukla
Marketing Management	Prof. A.C. Brahmhatt
General Management	Prof. Pestonji
Constitutional Law	Justice C.K. Thakkar
Business Law	Shri Saurabh Soparkar
Criminal Law	Shri Prakash Thakkar



DIGNITARIES AT THE INSTITUTE

- Hon'ble Justice M. B. Shah, Former Judge of Supreme Court of India, Visited the Institute after the flag hoisting on 15th August 2010 and interacted with the faculties.
- Shri Dushyant Dave, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India visited the institute and interacted with the faculties and shared his valuable suggestions.
- Mr Chandiook Luthara, Partner Luthara and Luthara

COMMITTEES AT INSTITUTE OF LAW

Following committees have been set for the Academic Years 2010-2011 for its smooth functioning:

- Moot committee: Members: Dr Tarun Arora and Mr Rhishikesh Dave
- Literary and Debate committee: Members: Ms Dhara Chotai, Mr Nitesh Chaudhary and Ms Rupa Pathakji
- Disciplinary Committee: Ms Madhuri Parikh, Dr Kiran Gardner and Mrs Parna Mukherjee
- Newsletter Committee : Dr Kiran Gardner, Mr Ravi Saxena
- Website Committee: Ms Madhuri Parikh, Mr Chaitanya Vyas, Mr. Shailesh M. Lohiya
- Report Committee : Dhara Chaotai
- Student welfare Committee: Dr Kiran Rai [Coordinator]. Mr Chaitanya Vyas and Ravi Saxena Members.
- Student Magazine Axiom Incharge : Mrs Parna Mukherjee
- Organizing Secretaries for National seminar:Dr Kiran Gardner, Ms Bindiya Soni
- Placement Coordinating Committee: Mr. Rhishikesh Dave [Coordinator], Mrs. Parna Mukherjee, Ms. Bindiya Soni, Mr. Chaitanya Vyas , Dr. Krishna Pal Malik and Mrs. Asha Verma



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Laws: We know what they are, and what they are worth! They are spider webs for the rich and mighty, steel chains for the poor and weak, fishing nets in the hands of the government. ~Pierre Joseph Proudhon, quoted in The Match!



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FROM THE EDITORIAL BOARD

Killing in the name of Honour whether justified?

Recently there has been an increase of Honour killing in northern states of our country. Government is concerned and is deliberating on the possibility of enacting a law to restrict such heinous crime.

Honour Killing is death awarded to a woman for marrying against her parent's wishes, having extra marital or pre- marital relationships, marrying within the same gotra or outside one's caste or marrying a person from the same village.

A large number of honour killings remain unreported because of prevalence of patriarchy and casteism, and low social status of women in India. Moreover it does get the backing of Caste Panchayats.

There is a need of joint effort by civil society; judiciary and Politicians in halting such heinous and barbaric practices. As an aware and responsible members we at Institute of Law have taken up responsibility of bringing legal awareness and forming a public opinion against such barbaric killings

I. NEW JOINERS

Institute of Law welcomes following faculties who have joined the Institute in this quarter:

- Mr. Arun Prasad, Asst. Prof., Economics
- Ms. Bindiya Soni, Asst. Prof., Management
- Dr. Krishna Pal Malik, Asst. Prof., Law
- Mr. Rajesh Thumar, Asst. Prof., Sociology
- Mrs. Asha Verma, Asst. Prof., Law
- Mr. Anand Shindhe, Asst. Prof.,
- Mr. Rhishikesh Dave, Asst. Prof., Law and Academic Coordinator
- Mr. Tinku Punjabi, Asst. Prof., Accountancy
- Ms. Jigisha P. Meshri, Junior Assistant

II. VISITING FACULTIES

It is our pleasure that following eminent advocates and Academicians have consented to be associated to the Institute of law on regular basis:

- Advocate Shorab Sopalkar, [Corporate Law]
- Shri Pranit Nanavati, [Intellectual Property Rights]
- Shri Divyang Majumdar, [Corporate Law]
- Shri Himanshu Shah, [Taxation]
- Shri Udayan Vyas, [Corporate Law]
- Shri Kashyup Joshi, [Civil Procedure Code]
- Shri Jigar Patel, [Taxation Law]
- Ms. Shivangi Joshi [Intellectual Property Law]

"It is well-nigh obvious that those who are in favor of the death penalty have more affinities with murderers than those who oppose it."
- Remy de Gourmont

- Prof. (Dr.) Purvi Pokhariyal has delivered a lecture on "Human Rights and Mental Health" as a resource person in a refresher course organized by Academic Staff College, Gujarat University on 28th June, 2010.
- Ms. Madhuri Parikh attended an UGC sponsored refresher course in Human Rights (Law and Other Social Sciences) with A grade, held at Gujarat University, Ahmedabad, from 21st June to 11th July 2010.
- Dr. Tarun Arora's, article on 'Thayer's Doctrine of Judicial Review: Judicial Exposition in India', is published in Orient Journal of Law and Social Sciences, Vol IV Issue 07 p 19-26, June, 2010.
- Dr. Tarun Arora's article on 'Laxmi Mandal v. Deendayal Harinagar Hospital and others: An Appeal of Indian Judiciary to Bureaucratic Conscience', published in Orient Journal of Law and Social Sciences, Vol IV Issue 08 p 30-39, July, 2010.
- Dr. Tarun Arora's article on 'Appraisal of Doctrine of Vicarious Liability under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974', has been published in Gujarat Law Reporter, Vol (2), p 121, July, 2010.
- Dr. Tarun Arora's article on 'Suchita Srivastava and Anr v. Chandigarh Administration paving the way for

recognition of Reproductive Rights of Mentally Retarded Women', have been published in Legal News and View, June 2010.

- Mr. Nitesh Chaudhary, participated in 5th summer school on "Idea of Justice" from July 1-15, 2010, at Manipal University, Karnataka. This course was organised by Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities.
- Mr. Ravi Saxena, presented a research paper on "Folk in Indian Consciousness: A political reading in the Era of Globalization" in a National Seminar on "Traditions of Folk in Literature", organized by SOH, IGNOU, New Delhi held on 30-31st August, 2010. His paper is accepted for publication.
- Dr. Krishna Pal Malik, participated in Regional Conference on "Workers in the 'unorganized Sector' and the Role of Legal Services Authorities" Organized by Gujarat State Legal Services Authorities in association with the National Legal Services Authority, held on 28th & 29th Aug, 2010 at SPIPA, Ahmedabad. He has presented a paper on "Labour Laws and Migrant Workers: Special Reference to Identification and Recognition of Migrant Workers".

INDUCTION TRAINING FOR THE FACULTIES

7th June, 2010 to 19th June, 2010 faculty orientation programme for newly joined faculties was convened by the University. Ms Rupa Pathakji, Mr Chaitanya Vyas, Mr Ravi Saxena, Mr Arun Prasad and Mrs Bindiya Soni for Institute of law, attended the programme. It helped in enhancing their efficiency and efficacy towards learner centric teaching environment.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

On 25th and 26th June, 2010 Faculty Development Programme was organized for the faculties. It was great time for interaction and sharing. Personnel's from the University were the speaker for the various sessions.

Shri D. P. Chhaya shared the vision and mission statement. He sensitized the faculties about the expectations of the management. Dr. H. V. Trivedi emphasized on imparting quality education. He encouraged the faculties to strive for evolving culture of continuous improvement. Dr. Purvi Pokhariyal discussed the roadmap for quality legal Education. She shared her expectations from the faculties. Dr. P. N. Tekwani guided the faculties in the area for academic counseling whereas; Mr. Vincent Vaz shared his views on personal counseling.

Dr. Tarun Arora brought to the notice of faculties the importance of Internal Quality Assurance Cell and explained its functions and need. Dr. Kiran Gardner emphasized the importance of Classroom management for effective teaching learning process. Term assignment is an important component of continuous evaluation at the institution. Ms. Rupa Pathakji, Mr. Nitesh Chaudhary and Mr. Arun Prasad discussed the innovative methods of planning, conducting and evaluating term assignments. In each subject periods for tutorials are assigned. Ms. Parna Mukherjee explained the objective of conducting tutorials and shared her ideas on- how effective the whole exercise can be conducted. Dr. Kiran Rai being the coordinator of student welfare activities discussed her plans for co-curricular and extra curricular activities. Dr. Tarun Arora, Ms. Bindiya Soni and Mr. Nitesh Chaudhary discussed the quality of question paper. Dr. Kiran Gardner coordinated the programme.



Semesters III, V and VII commenced their session from 1st July 2010. Mr. Mukesh Patel inaugurated the orientation session with his inspirational lecture. The lecture was highly motivating for the audience. He encouraged the students to set their goals in life and pursue the same with hard work and determination. Shri Ambubhai M. Patel, Vice President, Nirma University, presided over the function.

Orientation VII semester:

On 2nd July, 2010, the day of commenced with a session by Advocate Nandish Chudgar, Gujarat High-Court being and expert in the field oriented the students in the subject of Banking and Insurance.



Advocate Nandish Chudgar orienting students for Banking Laws



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Hon'ble Justice C. K. Thakkar [Former Judge Supreme Court of India] orienting students for Interpretation of Statutes



Advocate M. I. Merchant orienting students for Trust Laws

Hon'ble Justice C. K. Thakkar, former judge of Supreme Court of India, explained the importance of Interpretation of statutes in law. This was followed by lecture by Senior Advocate Y. J. Trivedi, who very vividly explained the practical aspects of the subject Intellectual Property Rights. Advocate M. I. Merchant efficiently highlighted the important provisions of the Trust Laws.

Dr Kiran Gardner coordinated the programme.

ORIENTATION V SEMESTER

Hon'ble Justice Shri R. A. Mehta, explained the importance of Administrative Law. Shri Udayan Vyas, Advocate Gujarat High Court, introduce the subject Corporate Governance. Ms. Sonia Gokani, Registrar (Recruitment), High Court of Gujarat addressed the students on Law of Evidence and its importance in administration of justice. Mr. Mehul Shah, Advocate, Gujarat High Court discussed the intricacies of Transfer of Property law. Shri Kashyap Joshi, Advocate Gujarat High Court, introduce the subject Code of Civil Procedure. Dr Tarun Arora coordinated the programme.

ORIENTATION III SEMESTER



Dr Ami Yajnik, Advocate, Gujarat High Court explaining the working of Family Courts

- Experts in the respective areas were invited to explain the importance of the subjects to be studied in III semester. Prof. (Dr.) Yogesh Mehta, gave the insight into the importance of Constitutional Law. Dr. Pushpa Bhist, from H. L. College of Arts, introduced the course of International Relation in the subject of Political Science and threw light on its importance in the changed political scenario in the world. Dr. Ami Yajnik, Advocate, Gujarat High Court, introduced the students to the working of family courts.
- Mr. Tehmtan Nanavati, Advocate Gujarat High Court, explained the importance of Indian Penal Code in the light of important cases. Shri Aseem Pandya, Advocate, Gujarat High Court, discussed the relevance of Contract Law. Dr Kiran Rai Coordinated the programme.

ORIENTATION I SEMESTER

- 15th July, 2010 to 17th July 2010 orientation programme for I semester students was organized. The eminent lawyers Academicians and Experts were invited from different walks of life to deliver lectures on various subjects ranging from 'Building Self Confidence', 'Positive Attitude', 'Power of Mind', 'Thinking out of Box', 'Legal Profession: Challenges and Opportunities', 'Sharpening Your Communication Skills', etc.
- Mrs Parna Mukherjee delivered a talk on 'Prologue to the Institute of Law' to acquaint the students with the culture of the Institute. Student representatives of various committees shared their experiences with the freshers. Mr Vincent Vaz guided the students on 'Building Self Confidence'.
- Shri Devang Nanavati, Advocate, Gujarat High Court delivered an oration on the dignity of Indian Culture, Indian Identity and Indian Legal fraternity, and inspired the students to pursue the profession with zeal, enthusiasm and passion.
Prof. Y. P. Hathi pointed out the importance of 'Sharpening Your Communication Skills' While Prof. A.S. Rande discussed, 'Seven Habits of Highly Effective People' and encouraged the students to imbibe those habits. Shri Hasit Dave talked on 'Thinking out of Box'. The day ended with a skit from senior students who brought awareness about different aspects of legal profession.
- On 17th July, 2010, Hon'ble Shri Kamal Trivedi, Advocate General, Government of Gujarat, inaugurated the "Life Skill Series" sessions for the day. He pivoted his speech on the intersection between Life and Law. He cited the example of life of the luminaries of the Legal Profession who marched on this intersection and churned out excellence with their perspirations. His words of wisdom inspired students to work hard. Shri Ambubhai M. Patel, Vice President, presided over the session as quintessential source of inspiration and guidance. Shri Rohit Patel set the ball rolling with his discourse on, 'Positive Attitude'. Dr.H. Trivedi, guided the students on the topic 'Unlock your Learning Potential'. The programme ended with a lecture by Shri Hansal Bhachech on 'Power-Mind'. The programme empowered the students to be a pilot of their future and carve an inch for themselves in the arena of Legal profession. Ms Dhara Chotai was the coordinator of the Programme.



Shri Devang Nanavati, Advocatae, Gujarat High Court delivering a lecture



Shri Ambubhai M. Patel, Hon'ble Shri Kamal Trivedi, Dr. Purvi Pokhariyal

EXPERT LECTURES

Prof. H. C. Dholakia and Prof. Yogesh Mehta shared their vast knowledge with the students who have opted for Constitution Law as their Honours programme.

ANNUAL PUBLIC LECTURE

Dr. Rajeev Dhavan, Sr. Advocate, Supreme Court of India, delivered a lecture on Indian Constitution: 60 Years On as a 3rd lecture of Institute's Annual Lecture series on 31st July 2010. Dr. Dhavan's lecture critically evaluated the growth of Indian Constitution and how it has stood the test of time.

Hon'ble Justice C. K. Thakkar [Former Judge Supreme Court of India], Shri S. N. Shelat, Senior Advocate, graced the occasion with their presence. Dr. Tarun Arora and Mr. Rhishikesh Dave coordinated the event



Dr Rajeev Dhavan, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India, during the interactive session

GUEST LECTURES

On 7th August, 2010, Shri Mihir Thakore, Sr. Advocate High Court of Gujarat, was kind enough to give an elaborate picture of the Constitutional History on the topic of 'Amendability of the Constitution: The right to property and basic structure of Constitution'. Right from the Government of India Act of 1935 to the Keshvanand Bharti case, he sketched the turn of events in a crystal clear stream of thoughts.

It was rather a matter of awe as to how Judiciary and Politics have intertwined through out these years.



Shri Mihir Thakore, Senior Advocate High Court of Gujarat



FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATIONS



Shri K.K. Patel Hon'ble Justice Bhagwati Prasad, Judge High Court of Gujarat, Hon'ble Justice C. K. Thakkar former Judge Supreme Court, Shri D.P. Chhaya, Dr. Purvi Pokhariyal Foundation day at 18th August 2010

On 18th August 2010, Institute of Law Celebrated its Foundation day by inaugurating the newly constructed MOOT COURT HALL. On this day various activities were organized like Legal Literacy on Right to Information, Blood donation Camp, Tree plantation, Antakshri competition, Collage and Poster Competition on the theme, "Women Empowerment" Dumbsherads. Students enthusiastically participated in all the activities. On this day outstanding students were felicitated Felicitation. The Chief Guest of the function was Hon'ble Justice Bhagwati Prasad, Judge High Court of Gujarat. The function was presided over by Hon'ble Justice C. K. Thakkar, former Judge Supreme Court of India. Other dignitaries who graced the occasion were Mr. B. N. Karia, Member-Secretary, Gujarat State Legal Services Authorities, Shri K. K. Patel, Chief Executive Officer of Nirma University, and Shri. D. P. Chhaya, Executive Registrar

FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS!

Various competitions were held on the day and the following students were declared winners:

■ ANTAKSHARI

- I Kartikeya Sharma, Chitrakshi Singh, Varnali Purohit
- II Madhur Verma, Nikhil Pandwal, Himanshu Meena.

■ POSTER

- I Monika Deol, Kristy Baptist, Apurva Vohra.
- II Deval Patel, Shivani Trivedi, Nisarg Shah

■ COLLAGE

- I Gunjan Jadwani, Sanjivani Singh, Sahana Rajan
- II Ekta Mathur, Lazza Mehta

■ DUMSHERADS

- I Rashi Gupta, Meetali Agrawal, Charu Singh
- II Priya Swami, Shija Thomas, Swati Singhal

FOLLOWING STUDENTS WERE AWARDED MEDALS:

▶ (A) GOLD MEDALS FOR SCHOLASTIC PERFORMANCE (ACADEMIC YEAR 2009-10)

- 1. Mr. Qureshi Ekrama Hashim (for III Year)
- 2. Ms. Bairathi Surbhi Mahendra (for II Year)
- 3. Ms. Aashka Vora Prasad (for I Year)

▶ (C) BEST SPEAKER

- Ms. Shivranjani Ralawata

▶ (E) AWARD FOR DEBATE AND ELOCUTION.

- 1. Divyangana Jhala, 2. Mr. Qureshi Ekrama Hashim
- 3. Swarnabh Dutta 4. Devanshi Popat, and
- 5. Natasha Sutaria 6. Radhika Jagtap
- 7. Apurva Vohra and 8. Aprajita Sinha

▶ (B) AWARD FOR THE MOOT WINNERS :

- 1. Mr. Swarnabh Dutta
- 2. Tarpit Patni
- 3. Vijita Mohanan

▶ (D) BEST MEMORIAL.

- 1. Mr. Aditya Chopra 2. Ms. Swati Vijayvargia
- 3. Mr. Raheel Patel 4. Mr Anuj Jhaveri
- 5. Mr. Raj Trivedi 6. Ms. Shivranjani Ralawata

▶ (F) AWARD FOR BEST PAPER PRESENTATION.-

- 1. Sneha Singh
- 2. Shatakshi Johri
- 3. Himani Baid
- 4. Abhilasha Jindal

THE DAY ENDED WITH LOTS OF FUN AND FROLIC.

Dr Krishna Pal Malik, Ms Rupa Pathakji and Mrs Asha Verma Co-ordinated the Event



INTRA- MOOT COMPETITION

15th to 17th July, 2010, an Intra Class Moot Court competition was held. The purpose of this competition is to select and screen the teams of students for participation in external moot court competitions. The Competition was adjudged by Shri Udayan Vyas, Shri P. P. Banaji, Shri Amit J. Shah, Shri Anshuman Mohapatra, Mrs. Nidhi Buch, Ms. N. Laxmi, Shri Trushil Vohra and Shri Nirav Mishra.

Dr Tarun Arora and Mr Rhishikesh Dave coordinated the event.



STUDENTS' SECTION

All work and no play make Jack a dull boy.' We at Institute of Law emphasize on all round development of the students. Around the year Students' Welfare Committee organizes various Co-Curricular and Extra Curricular activities for the students.

Dr. Kiran Rai is coordinator of Students Welfare Committee

SPORTS

• TABLE TENNIS

On 26th July, 2010, event of Table Tennis Competition was held for girls and boys. Devanshi Popat of VII semester won all the rounds of the first tournament for girls. After further selection Devanshi Popat of VII semester and Heli Pathak of III semester have been selected for the University team.

• CHESS

On 27th and 28th July, 2010 Chess competition was organized. Nihar Vellani from III semester stood fourth.

• SOCCER- FRESHER'S CUP

Institute of Law organized its Fresher's Cup for I semester soccer. Qualifying rounds were conducted on 14th August, 2010 between (i) Sec. A and Sec. B (ii) Sec. D and Sec. C. Section A defeated section B and Section D defeated Section C. Final between Sec A and D was held on 18th August, 2010 in which Section D defeated A and won the Cup.



Soccer- Fresher's Cup match in progress

Winning Team Constituted of 1. Maunas Shastri(Captain), 2. Parth Patel, 3. Utsav Parikh, 4. Manthan Patel, 5. Chinmay Bhatt, 6. Ranjit Nair, 7. Sharukh Khan, 8. Aditya Khandewal, 9. Adhiraj Rathore, 10. Dhruv Thakker (Goal Keeper) and 11. Rohan Mehta

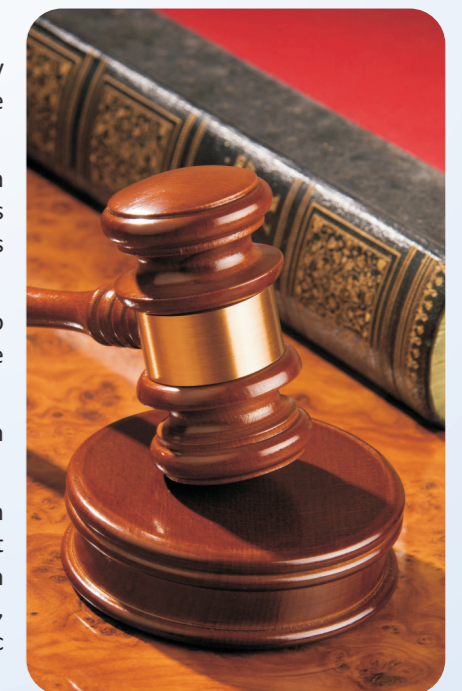
Substitutes were 1. Vivek Firoda 2. Nahush Patel 3. Vinay Arora 4. Aman Raja

• PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE

In the month of July and August, 2010 Parliamentary Debate was conducted for III, V, VII semester students. Selected students would represent the institute at various competitions.

• PUBLICATION/WORKSHOP/ SEMINAR

- Mayur V. Dhotre, article on, "Res Judicata, Its general Notions and Applicability in Writ Proceedings" was published in Gujarat Law Reporter , in Vol (2) [Issue No 7] of July, 2010.
- Shriya Jain, Venu Nanavaty and Radhika Jagtap presented a paper on "Emergence of Refugees in Non International Armed Conflict: Its implications on the host state and the role of UN" at International Law Students Association Annual Summer Conference, held from 7th to 10th July 2010.
- Natasha Sutaria and Tirth Nayak's article on 'Competition law in relation to energy sector' for Licito Concursa 2010 organised by India Law Journal won the 7th position.
- Natasha Sutaria and Abha Manaktala attended 10 days summer course in international law at ISIL, Delhi
- On 26th August, 2010, students namely Prannoy Shekhar , Dwip Rachchh, Yash Sampat , Rushabh Shah and Garima Prakash represented Institute of law at Ahmedabad Management Association in an event organized by Research Foundation for Governance in India. Chaired by D.R. Kartikeyan (Former DG, Central Bureau of Investigation and Former chairman of NHRC) on the topic "Paradoxical Indian Legal System - The root cause of unabated corruption".



I am further of opinion that it would be better for us to have [no laws] at all than to have them in so prodigious numbers as we have. ~Michel de Montaigne, translated