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## EVENTS

### First-Year Orientation Program for Batch 2024

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized the First-Year Orientation Program from July 16-25, 2024. The inauguration ceremony was graced by the esteemed presence of Hon'ble Justice Ms. S.G. Gokani from High Court of Gujarat, who highlighted the importance of legal education in her distinguished address, Dr. Anup Singh, Director General, Nirma University and Dr. Madhuri Parikh, Director and Dean (I/c) Institute of Law, Nirma University welcomed the new batch of students to the university.

Spanning over ten days the Orientation Program included several external and internal expert speakers orienting the students on topics ranging from Clinical Legal Education, Mental Health Awareness, Importance of Nutrition, Cyber Security, Law & AI to Gender Sensitization. The First-Year batches were also introduced to various students' committees and centres for co-curricular activities, rules and regulations regarding academic and administrative processes, alumni interaction and internships & placement opportunities.

The comprehensive orientation program was principally co-ordinated Dr. Arun Prasad, Area Head, Humanities & Commerce, Institute of Law, Dr. Mamta Pillai, Assistant Professor in English and Ms. Shriya Bhojwani, First-Year Convener with five student volunteers and assistance from other faculty members and administrative staff from the institute. The program equipped the new batch with essential information for a smooth beginning at the institute.



# EVENTS

## Faculty Development Program 2024

Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a 15-Day Faculty Development Programme titled 'Course on Wheels: Faculty Immersion Programme: Learning Through Field-Based Interventions' from July 1-15, 2024.

The first-part of the program included expert sessions on New Criminal Laws, Labour Law Reforms, Insights into Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), Group Dynamics, Environment & Society delivered by esteemed speakers from different backgrounds namely Dr. Jyotsana Yagnik (Retd. Judge & Clinical Professor, Institute of Law, Nirma University), Dr. D.C. Baxi (Adjunct Professor, ILNU), Shri. Ajay Kumar Tomar (Senior IPS Officer), Ms. Nupur Sinha (Senior Activist, Centre for Social Justice, Ahmedabad) and Dr. Mahesh Pandya (Founder, NGO- Paryavartan Mitra) respectively.

Since the emphasis was on simulation-based learning for the teachers, the second-part of the program included extensive field visits to various NGOs, Legal Institutions such as NGO-Paryavaran Mitra, Human Kind, DLSA and State Human Rights Commission, which gave practical insights to the faculty members in their research domain. The final assessment entailed learning logs, presentations, group writing of a research paper based on their learnings, which provided a holistic teaching-learning experience.



## Post-graduate Program (L.L.M) organized its Orientation Program

The Orientation Program for the new academic session 2023-24 of L.L.M. was held on August 5, 2024. The event was attended by all newly admitted L.L.M. students and commenced with a welcome address from Prof. (Dr.) Madhuri Parikh, Director of the Institute of Law. Dr. V.K. Upadhyay outlined the structure of the LL.M. program, while Ms. Swati Mawandiya, Head of the Exam Section, provided an overview of the examination policy for Continuous Evaluation and Trimester End Exams. Dr. Devang Chhatrapati, Faculty Coordinator of the Anti-Ragging Committee, discussed anti-ragging rules. Dr. Shivani Mehta, Faculty Coordinator of the Equal Opportunity Cell, introduced the cell's activities, and Dr. Nikita Karodia, Faculty Coordinator of the Anti-Drug Committee, covered the University's anti-drug policies. Dr. Kshama Parikh, Librarian (I/c), oriented students about library resources. Additionally, Ms. Pratiksha Leheri, Ms. Rekha Rani, and Ms. Dhimahi Buch shared their experiences as alumni of the institute.



# EVENTS

## 18th Foundation Day Celebration at the Institute of Law

The Institute of Law, Nirma University, celebrated its 18th Foundation Day on August 20, 2024. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Prof. Bhavani Prasad Panda, Former Vice Chancellor of Maharashtra National Law University, Mumbai, who highlighted the pivotal role of legal education in addressing societal struggles and urged students to actively contribute to justice and positive societal change. The occasion also witnessed presence of Prof. (Dr.) Madhuri Parikh, Dean and Director (I/c), ILNU, who reflected on the Institute's journey since its establishment in 2007 and acknowledged the significant contributions of faculty, staff, and students in its success. The event aimed to honour the Institute's growth and achievements, recognizing faculty for their research and doctoral work, and celebrating students' academic and extracurricular accomplishments.



Chief Guest Prof. Bhavani Prasad Panda Address-Foundation Day



Inaugural Ceremony-ILNU Foundation Day



Student Felicitation on Foundation Day



## Hindi Diwas Celebration

The Institute of Law at Nirma University celebrated Hindi Diwas on September 13, 2024. The day entailed students in traditional attires adorning the campus and the dance stage with various performances, followed by a Kavi Sammelan where many students and faculty members recited their own creation in Hindi, highlighting the cultural richness that has thrived through Hindi music and cinema.



# EVENTS

## Academic Audit Conducted at Institute of Law by IQAC

An academic audit was conducted at the Institute of Law on August 16-17, 2024, led by Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kumar Sinha, Vice-Chancellor of DNLU, Jabalpur, as the External Auditor, and Prof. (Dr.) Paresb Patel as the Internal Auditor. The audit reviewed the Environmental Law (2BL664) and Entrepreneurship (2BBL642) courses for the 6th semester of the B.A./B. Com LL.B. (Hons) program, including faculty and student interactions and a guest lecture by Prof. Sinha for LL.M. (1st Trimester) students. The objective was to assess course effectiveness, evaluate interactions, and gauge the impact of the guest lecture. The audit positively assessed the courses and academic practices, noting that both Environmental Law and Entrepreneurship were well-structured and delivered. Faculty interactions were commendable, student feedback was largely positive, and the guest lecture significantly enhanced the LL.M. program.



## NILSAC

The Nirma Institute of Law Student Achievements Committee (NILSAC) was formed in June, 2024. Prof. Dr. Madhuri Parikh, of the Institute of Law Nirma University is the Chief Patron of NILSAC, with Dr. Devang Chhatrapati as the Faculty Advisor, further strengthening the committee and ensuring a well-rounded approach to student initiatives. For the 2024-2025 academic year, Ms. Kinjal Shah (21BAL186) serves as President, and Mr. Priyansh Gera (22BAL043) serves as Secretary. The committee provides students with the opportunity to grow, excel and showcase their talents in an environment that celebrates both academic and cultural pursuits.





## AI PARA LAUNCH

The Institute of Law, Nirma University (ILNU) organized the launch of the AI-based search bot "AI PARA," developed by UNADA Lexilegal India Pvt. Ltd., on [Date]. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Senior Advocate Mihir J. Thakore as the Chief Guest, who highlighted the importance of integrating advanced technology into legal research to enhance societal stability. The AI PARA initiative, incubated in collaboration with Team ILNU under the guidance of Prof. Madhuri Parikh, Director and Dean, ILNU. The event aimed to bridge the gap between law, technology, and AI. Supported by the student teams of the Lawyers Incubation Clinic, Pro Bono Club, and Student Research Cell, the AI PARA bot has been systematically trained and tested to ensure high efficacy. The objective of the event was to promote innovation in legal research and education through AI tools, demonstrating ILNU's commitment to fostering advancements in legal technology. The project also features ILNU alumnus Advocate Mr. Nisarg Vyas as part of the incubation team, making it a proud "Make in India" initiative for advancing legal education and research.



## RESEARCH CENTRE ACTIVITIES

### Forest Rights Act Research Team at Field Visits in Panchmahal & Godhra Districts

A research related field visit was scheduled on September 12, 2024 with three researchers Dr Neeraj Kumar Gupta (Co-PI) and Dr Deba Ranjan Hota (Co-PI) and Dr Bharat Rathore (Co-PI) at TSP office Godhra. A meeting took place by the officer, in charge of FRA implementation. The data collection began from Talukas like Goghamba and Sahera covering more than 15 villages and Faliyas located in the districts of Panchmahal.

A structured questionnaire was filled and discussion with all the stakeholders was completed in the first part of the visit. It was one of the most significant rigorous field visits for empirical research to gain new insights into the implementation of FRA in the state of Gujarat.



# RESEARCH CENTRE ACTIVITIES

## Major Research Project Field Visit

The research team headed by Dr. Madhuri Parikh Director & Dean I/c Institute of Law, Nirma University for a Major Research Project on Forest Rights Act (FRA) visited the district of Tapi during last week of September 2024. The team included three assistant professors Dr. Deba Ranjan Hota from Sociology, Dr. Neeraj Gupta and Dr. Bharat Rathore from Law, one Research Assistant and two foreign national students on ILNU campus this semester. The visit was yet another breakthrough in terms of data collection and key takeaways for the project.



## Internalization at ILNU

Ms. Africa Carrillo de Albornoz Carricas and Ms. Rosa Jimenez Leon have been invited for a research-based internship on “Impact of Climate Change and Building Community Resilience with Specific Reference to the Role of Local Self-Government in Gujarat: An Analytical Study”, under the MOU between Nirma University and University of Navarra (UPNA). The internship is from August to November 2024. The internship entails development of survey instruments and observation protocols for data collection; fieldwork on climate change impacts and compilation of findings into reports and recommendations for stakeholders and policymakers.





## Expert Lecture on Law and Justice in the Globalized World

The Institute of Law, Nirma University, organized a guest lecture titled "Law and Justice in the Globalizing World" on August 17, 2024. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kumar Sinha, Vice-Chancellor, DNLU, Jabalpur. Prof. Sinha highlighted the evolving dynamics of law and justice in a global context, providing valuable insights into contemporary legal challenges and trends. The objective of the guest lecture was to deepen LL.M. (1st Trimester) students' understanding of global legal issues and their implications, thereby enhancing their comprehension of the interconnected nature of law and justice in a globalized world.



## Guest Lecture on the Importance of Legal Education

The Institute of Law, Nirma University, organized a guest lecture on The Importance of Legal Education on August 21, 2024. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Prof. Bhavani Prasad Panda, former Vice-Chancellor of Maharashtra National Law University, and Mumbai. Prof. Panda emphasized the role of legal education in shaping effective advocates and leaders, discussing its profound impact on justice delivery and governance. He highlighted the responsibilities of good leadership and engaged with students on the life lessons of the legal profession. The objective of the event was to deepen Semester-I students' understanding of the importance of legal education and its significance in their professional development.



## Expert Lecture on Energy Law

The Centre for Environmental Law organized a guest lecture in the area of energy law for semester IX students on September 9 and 11, 2024. Mr. Kaushik Sanyal, Adjunct faculty and an Expert in the Energy sector was invited for the session which comprised of two lectures that provided an overview of the Energy Sector and Power Purchase Agreement (PPA).



# EXPERT LECTURES

## Expert Lecture on Public Interest Litigation: Manner & Craft

An Expert Session on 'Public Interest Litigation: Manner and Craft' was organized by The Lawyers Incubation Clinic on September 12, 2024. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Advocate Udayan Vyas. The session focused on the three key parts of PIL providing valuable insights on the importance of understanding its qualification, evolution and structural elements. The highly educational session guided the participants through the complexities of PIL, equipping them with practical skills and knowledge.



## Expert Lecture on Constitutional Law

The Institute of Law, Nirma University, organized a guest lecture on 'Exploring the right to know: Transparency Access, and Accountability on Electoral Matter' by Mr. Parindu Bhagat, an alumnus and a practicing lawyer on September 17, 2024. The lecture built a deeper understanding of the genesis and growth of Right to Know in India.







## Expert Lecture on Advanced Perspectives on Juvenile Justice and Child Protection

The Centre for Child Rights Advocacy hosted a guest lecture on 'Advanced Perspectives on Juvenile Justice and Child Protection: An In-Depth Analysis of the Juvenile Justice Act and POCSO Act in India' on September 16, 2024. The event was graced by the presence of Mr. Shubham Jharjharia, advocate at the High Court of Gujarat. The lecture provided an advanced understanding of the Juvenile Justice Act and POCSO Act, emphasizing the balance between protection, accountability and rehabilitation of minors within the Indian legal system.



## Expert Lecture on Private Defence in Criminal Law and Subjective Interpretation

The Centre for Child Rights Advocacy, Institute of Law, Nirma University organized an expert session on 'Private Defence in Criminal Law and Subjective Interpretation' on September 23, 2024. The event was graced by the presence of Dr. Prof. Anjani Singh Tomar, professor of law at GNLU. She provided in-depth knowledge and deep analysis of the subject matter.



# EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

## Expert session in the area of corporate insolvency

An expert lecture on the Role of Resolution in CIRP and Process of Approval and Implementation of Resolution was organized on September 27, 2024 at Institute of Law, Nirma University. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Mr. Swarnendu Chatterjee, Advocate on Record, Supreme Court of India. The expert highlighted provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and how resolution plans are formed and implemented. At the end of the session, five students were offered internships based on their performance and interaction during the session.

## Expert Lecture on 'Writ Jurisdiction under Article 32 and 226 of the Constitution of India'

An Expert Lecture on 'Writ Jurisdiction under Article 32 and 226 of the Constitution of India' was organized on September 21, 2024 for the Fifth-year Students (Semester IX). The invited Expert Speaker was Senior Advocate Asim Pandya (Practicing Lawyer, High Court of Gujarat). This lecture was organized as a part of the clinical aspects of the Law of Writs and Public Interest Lawyering Course. The lecture dealt with the nuances of power of judicial review under Article 226 and Article 32. The lecture was divided into two parts and discussed the importance of legal remedies, ordinary nature of Constitutional remedies, traditional remedies and constitutional remedies of Article 226 & 32. The lecture oriented the students to the basic concepts of judicial review and writ jurisdiction. The lecture was attended by approximately 40 students.



## Expert Session on 'Consumer Mediation'

An Expert Session on 'Consumer Mediation' was organised in the virtual mode on August 31, 2024 for semester-I students of Consumer Law at ILNU. Dr. Mohammad Umar- Lead Trainer and Chief Consultant, SAMVAD Mediation Centre, Lucknow conducted the session. The session covered introduction to Alternative Dispute Resolution mechanism and Principles of Mediation- Neutrality, Self-Determination and Confidentiality. The various sections of Mediation Act, 2023 related to Consumer Protection Act, 2019 were explained at length and the expert focused on the role of Mediator. He stressed that after the enactment of the Mediation Act, 2023 mediation is poised to grow significantly as a practice.





## Seminar by Dr. Devchand Vahoniya

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a seminar. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Dr. Devchand Vahoniya, MSW, Ph.D., Research Officer at the Gujarat Tribal Research and Training Institute (TRI Gujarat).

With over 22 years of experience, including handling 15 research projects and conducting officer training sessions, Dr. Vahoniya shared his extensive insights. He emphasized the critical role of accurate caste certificate verification and the impact of the FRA Act in ensuring justice for tribal communities.



## Faculty Seminar by Prof. Bhavani Prasad Panda

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a Faculty Seminar. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Prof. Bhavani Prasad Panda, Former Vice Chancellor of Maharashtra National Law University, Mumbai, who highlighted the pivotal role of legal education in addressing societal struggles and interacted with the faculty.

The objective of the seminar was to enhance the understanding of the evolving landscape of legal education and to foster academic discourse among the faculty members.



## RESEARCH PUBLICATION

- Dr. Ashish Porwal, Assistant Professor in Financial Accounting and Dr. Arun B. Prasad, Associate Professor in Economics, published an article title 'An Investigation of Financial Literacy Among Under-Graduate Students of Selected Universities of Ahmedabad' in the Scopus indexed journal 'Business, Management and Economics Engineering' Volume No. 22, Issue No. 01, ISSN 2669-2481, in June 2024.
- Dr. Bini B.S., Assistant Professor in English, published an article titled 'The Lives of Aithiyamala: Textuality, Region, History' in the compilation, A Cultural Poetics of Bhasha Literatures: In Theory and Practice, edited by Professor E. V. Ramakrishnan and published by Orient Blackswan with ISBN: 9789354429873 in September 2024.
- Ms. Shriya Bhojwani, Assistant Professor in Law, co-authored a book chapter titled 'Corporate Social Responsibility: Reviving the Socialistic Spirit of the Constitution' in the book 'Managing Corporate Social Responsibility for Paradigm Shift' published by Himanshu Publications, Udaipur with ISBN-9789387201088 in July 2024.

## RESEARCH PRESENTATION

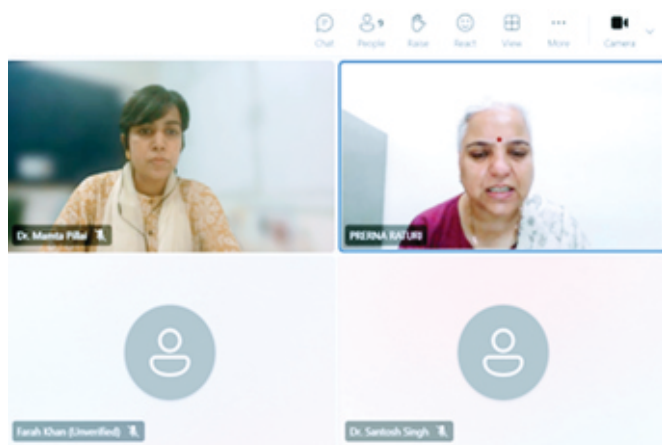
- Dr. Vikas Trivedi, Assistant Professor in Law presented a paper titled 'Child Consumers and Product Liability Regime: Where to draw the line?' at the Virtual Protect and Serve: The 2024 International Conference on Product Safety and Consumer Advocacy hosted by Dr. D.Y Patil Law College, Pune in collaboration with The Safety Chic, Nigeria and Ramakrishna Law Firm and Research Centre September 20-21, 2024.
- Dr. Mamta Pillai, Assistant Professor in English virtually presented a research paper titled 'Reviewing the use of Generative Artificial Intelligence in Language Learning,

Teaching and Assessment of English as a Second Language' at a Two-Day International Conference ANANT 2024: Perspectives from Humanities, Management & Social Sciences' organized by DIT University, Dehradun on September 25-26, 2024.

- Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, Assistant Professor of Law, presented a research paper titled 'The Comprehensive Role of Ethical and Moral Considerations n Higher Education: A Global Perspective on Legal Profession and Beyond' in the 5th International E-Conference on "Emerging Issues in Legal Aspects – 2024 (ICEILA-2024)" Emphasizing the Comprehensive Role of Ethical and Moral Consideration in Higher Education Globally Pertaining to Legal Profession and Other Disciplines organized by IPEM Law Academy, IPEM University in collaboration with Rai University, Ahmedabad.
- Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, and Dr. Nikita Koradia, Assistant Professors of Law, presented a research paper titled 'Adopting an Intellectual Property Securitization Model for Financing the Creative Industry – Creating an 'Opportunity' within a 'Challenge' in the 1st Postgraduate International Conference on Law, Technology and Society (The 1st Postgraduate ICLTS) hosted by Faculty of Law, Universitas Islam Indonesia and co-hosted by Dicle University, University Kebangsaan Malaysia, and UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta.
- Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, along with Dr. Nikita Koradia and Ms. Taruna Jakhar, Assistant Professors of Law, presented a research paper titled 'From Hans Zimmer to A.R. Rahman: Does Copyright Law Protect Musical Parody and Humour?' in the 13th REDLAS Conference on the theme 'Intellectual Property in the Service Sector' organized by REDLAS in collaboration with the University of Chile (Faculty of Law and Institute of International Studies), Santiago.

## INVITED AS RESOURCE PERSON

- Dr. Madhuri Parikh, Dean and Director (I/c), Institute of Law, Nirma University, was invited as a resource person at the Asian Regional Summit and Philippine National Conference on the BIICL Global Toolbox on Corporate Climate Litigation. Her talk was on 'Pecuniary Remedies: Benefits and Pitfalls' under the track titled 'Concretizing Outcomes in Climate Change Cases' organized by Malcolm Theatre, UP College of Law, Quezon City, Philippines on July 8-9, 2024.
- Dr. Parna Mukherjee, Associate Professor in Law, was invited as a resource person on the topic 'Introduction to





the Law of Tort' during the orientation week for the new batch of 2024 - 25 at GLS Law College, Ahmedabad on July 3, 2024.

- Ms. Taruna Jakhar, Assistant Professor of Law, Nirma University was Invited as Expert Speaker by IIMT College of Engineering, Greater Noida, IT Department for Faculty Development Programme on IPR on the topic "Generative AI and IPR Protection" on July 19, 2024.
- Dr. Shivani Mehta, Assistant Professor, was invited as resource person at the Seven Day Faculty Development Programme on Advanced and Emerging Trends in Academic Research Writing & Publication jointly organized by VVM's G. R. Kare College of Law, Margao-Goa & Law Teachers India on topic "Impact of IPR on Academic Research Writing & Publication from August 26, 2024 to September 1, 2024.
- Dr. Parna Mukherjee, Associate Professor in Law, chaired a technical session in the 22nd International Seminar on 'Emerging Frontiers of Intellectual Property Rights' at PF Kerala Law Academy Law College, Trivandrum on September 28, 2024.
- Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, Assistant Professor of Law, chaired a Technical Session at the 5th International E-Conference on "Emerging Issues in Legal Aspects – 2024

(ICEILA-2024)" Emphasizing the Comprehensive Role of Ethical and Moral Consideration in Higher Education Globally Pertaining to Legal Profession and Other Disciplines organized by IPEM Law Academy, IPEM University in collaboration with Rai University, Ahmedabad

- Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, Assistant Professor of Law, was invited as a Speaker on the topic 'Intellectual Property in the Age of Generative AI' at the 37th LAWASIA Conference, the flagship event of LAWASIA organized in collaboration with Malaysian Bar in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

## DOCTORAL DEGREE CONFERRED

- Mr. Abhas Srivastava, Assistant Professor in Law defended his thesis titled 'Restorative Justice and Criminal Justice System: Exploring the Need and Possibility of Restorative Justice in Criminal Justice Administration from JECRC University, Jaipur on September 28, 2024.
- Ms. Shriya Bhojwani, Assistant Professor in Law defended her thesis titled 'Media Ownership and Democracy: Exploring the Legal and Ethical Regulatory Framework for Media Control' from JECRC University on September 28, 2024.

## STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS

### INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT ACHIEVEMENTS

#### Dr. TMA Pai International Investment Arbitration Moot Court Competition

The team comprising Vansh Ved (20BAL148), Harshvardhan Singh Rathore (20BBL024), and Devang Dwivedi (20BAL171) has been adjudged as the winners of the Dr. TMA Pai International Investment Arbitration Moot Court Competition, 2024, held from March 29-31, 2024, at Manipal Law School, Bengaluru, and Karnataka.



# STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS

## NATIONAL MOOTS ACHIEVEMENTS

### Justice U.P. Singh Memorial 3rd CNLU-CCI National Moot Court Competition

The team comprising of Angel Jimmy George (21BAL169), Ananya Choudhary (20BBL072), and Ashmit Sharma (21BBL158) were adjudged the winners at the Justice U.P. Singh Memorial 3rd CNLU-CCI National Moot Court Competition, 2024, organized by Chanakya National Law University, Patna, from March 21-23, 2024, and April 6, 2024.



### 15th NLUJ-CCI Moot Court Competition

The team comprising of N. Pompei Devi (22BAL164), Rucha Mulay (22BAL114), and Kriti Raj (22BBL038) participated in the 15th NLUJ-CCI Moot Court Competition, 2024, organized by National Law University Jodhpur. The team advanced to the Quarter-Finals, ranked 3rd in the Preliminary Rounds, and secured 2nd place in the Octa-Finals.



### 3rd Trilegal NALSAR-CCI Antitrust Moot Court Competition

The team comprising Ananya Singh (22BAL009), Nandini Srivastava (22BAL099), and Srinanda Chatterjee (22BAL131) achieved the distinction of being Quarter-Finalists in the 3rd Trilegal NALSAR-CCI Antitrust Moot Court Competition.



### XIII All India Moot Court Competition for Justice T. Ramachandran Memorial Competition 2024

The team comprising of Nitya Agarwal (23BBL107), Nirav Shailesh Kumar Dave (23BAL030) and Varad Upadhyay (23BAL132) participated in the XIII All India Moot Competition for Justice T. Ramachandran Memorial Ever rolling Trophy, 2024 hosted by Government Law College, Thrissur, Kerala. The team was amongst the top 20. Nitya Agarwal was awarded the second-best researcher overall.





## FDI International Arbitration Moot Court Competition

The team consisting of Anchal Kanthed (20BAL008), Ashutosh Shukla (20BAL015) and Juhi Bhayani (20BAL184) had participated in FDI International Arbitration Moot Court Competition, South Asia Regional Rounds 2024 conducted by Lloyd Law College from 22 August - 25 August 2024. The team emerged as Octa-finalist and Juhi Bhayani (20BAL184) has received an Honourable Mention for her outstanding performance as one of the top 10 speakers.



## DEBATE ACHIEVEMENTS

### The Delhi Debate 2024

The team comprising of Yashi Saraf (23BAL060) and Riya Mirchandani (23BAL181) were declared the Novice Semi-Finalists at The Delhi Debate 2024, an ABP fundraiser debate organized by Delhi University on July 13-14, 2024. They were also declared 6th and 7th Best Novice Speakers respectively. The tournament saw participation from more than 80 teams and adjudicators.



### Vivaatam: Pre-ABP Parliamentary Debate 2024

The team comprising Shaunak Saha (23BAL190) and Srinivas Iyer (23BBL059) emerged as the Novice Champions of the debate, with Shaunak Saha (23BAL190) being declared as the Best Speaker of the Novice Finals at Vivaatam Pre-ABP Parliamentary Debate 2024 held by Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Vellore was held online between July 20-21, 2024. More than 50 teams participated in the competition.



# STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS

Anchal Kanthed (20BAL008) has been selected for a fellowship with Ohio Innocence Project, University of Cincinnati, USA for the months of June and July, 2024. This incredible



opportunity, partially sponsored by the University of Cincinnati, comes after she successfully navigated a rigorous round of interviews. Her accomplishment is not only a personal triumph but also marks a significant milestone as the first student from ILNU to receive this prestigious fellowship. From June to July 2024, she will focus her efforts on researching the right to innocence across the globe—an area critical to understanding and advocating for justice reform internationally. Her work promises to contribute valuable insights into wrongful convictions and the protections needed to ensure fairness in legal systems worldwide.

## Research Paper Publication

- Khushi Sahu (23BBL097), published a research paper on the topic, 'An Analysis of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita on Juvenile Law' in the Amikus Qriae portal in August'24. s

## Article Publication

- Anmol Prakash Jain (22BBL004) published an article on Live Law titled 'Addressing applicability consumer protection act advocates' in July 2024.
- Palak Lunkad (21BAL042) co-authored, an article on the topic 'Saving the High the High Seas' published in the Current Conservation 18.2 magazine, on July, 1 2024.

## Blog Publication

- Aishwarya Agnihotri (23BAL002) published a blog titled 'The National Litigation Policy: Examining the Evolution, Need and Jurisprudential Stand' in the Jus Corpus Law Journal on July 9, 2024.
- Aishwarya Agnihotri (23BAL002) published a blog titled 'Exploring the Concept of Stridhan: Women's Property Rights and Legal Status of Stridhan' in the International Journal of Advanced Legal Research on July 6, 2024.
- Aishwarya Agnihotri (23BAL002), published a blog titled 'Analysing India's Anti-Conversion Laws in Light of Rajasthan's Consideration of the Law: A Review of Historical Attempts and Legal Precedents' in the International Journal of Advanced Legal Research on July 12, 2024.
- Manasvi Pant (23BAL112), published a blog titled 'Intersection of Arbitration and Judicial Review' on the Legal Quorum portal.
- Manasvi Pant (23BAL112), published a blog titled 'Marital Rape Through the Lens of Religious and Social Belief' in the journal titled Centre for Social Justice at Nirma University.

## OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Moyesha Sharma (23BAL175) and Priyanshee Pranav Dave (23BBL112) won Poster-Making & Meme-Creating Competitions respectively organized by Centre of Environmental Law on the occasion of World Ozone Day on September 16, 2024.

# STUDENT CORNER

## Participation at the Inter-Institute Patriotic Singing Competition Deshraag'2024 by Student Welfare Board, Nirma University

The Institute of Law, Nirma University participated in the Deshraag: Patriotic Song Competition on August 3, 2024, an inter-institute event organized by the Student Welfare Board of Nirma University. The competition celebrated the spirit of patriotism and provided a platform for students from various institutions to showcase their talents. The team represented the institute and, engaged in activities that highlighted the rich cultural diversity and patriotic fervor of the nation and upheld the values of unity, creativity, and national pride.







## Anti-Ragging Week Celebrated: Poster-Making Competition

The Anti-Ragging Committee at the Institute of Law, Nirma University, successfully organized a Poster-making competition on August 13, 2024, as part of the Anti-Ragging Week celebrations to underscore the critical need to raise awareness against ragging and foster a safe educational environment. The competition aimed to inspire both students and faculty to creatively express their commitment to eliminating ragging. The winners were recognized for their exceptional contributions in the Faculty & Staff category, Mr. Mayur Rathod secured the first prize, followed by Ms. Kavita Thakkar and Ms. Taruna Jakhar at second and third positions respectively. In the Students category, Ms. Harshita Agarwal (23BBL092) won first prize, with Ms. N Pompei Devi (22BAL164) and Ms. Harishita Baid (24BAL161) secured the second and the third prize respectively.



## Disceptatio 2.0: The Inter-Institute Debate Competition hosted by Institute of Law

The Nirma University Debate Club successfully concluded its annual conventional debate tournament, Disceptatio 2.0, on 31st August, 2024. This one-day event showcased the exceptional debating skills of 32 teams representing various institutes within the university. After intense preliminary rounds, semi-finals, and finals, the winners were announced: Nandini Zunder and Shreya Bharti from the Institute of Law emerged as champions, while Sarthak Gupta and Anand Singh from the same institute secured



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the runner-up position. The debate was judged by a panel of esteemed experts including Mr. Mahor Nagda, Mr. Keshav Mohan, Mr. Ojas Date, and Mr. Rajyawardhan Singh. Their insightful feedback and guidance significantly contributed to the overall quality of the debates. Disceptatio 2.0 provided a valuable platform for students to hone their oratory skills, engage in intellectual discourse, and develop critical thinking abilities. The event showcased the vibrant debating culture at Nirma University and the dedication of its students to academic excellence.

The success of Disceptatio 2.0 can be attributed to the meticulous planning and execution by the Nirma University Debate Club and the admin staff of Nirma University. The tournament's positive impact extends beyond the competition itself, as it fosters a culture of intellectual curiosity and debate within the university community. Disceptatio 2.0 serves as a testament to the Nirma University Debate Club's commitment to nurturing the next generation of eloquent and persuasive speakers.

## Logo Designing Competition

The Newsletter Committee organized a 'Logo Designing Competition' on September 10, 2024. The objective of this competition was to provide the students a platform to showcase their creativity on skills like graphic designing, editing and more. The winner was Saanjhi Nagar (24BAL107).



# EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

## NSS Unit Participated in an International Youth Conclave

The NSS Unit at the Institute of Law, Nirma University, attended the Impact with Youth Conclave on August 12, 2024, organized by UNICEF India, YuWaah, and Elixir Foundation, on the occasion of International Youth Day. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Hon'ble Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports, and Labour & Employment, Government of India, among other dignitaries. Dr. Mandaviya emphasized the importance of youth engagement in shaping the future and addressing contemporary challenges. The objective of the event was to provide a platform for youth to voice their perspectives and participate in discussions on impactful solutions

## The Theatre Committee organized an Awareness Program on Increasing Cyber-Crime in India





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### Alumni Interaction by Campus Recruitment Cell

The Campus Recruitment Cell at Institute of Law, Nirma University hosted a session on Alumni Interaction in collaboration with Nirma University Institute of Law Alumni Association (NUILAA) with the new batch 2024 – 2029 on July 23, 2024. The Cell invited Ms. Deepika Bahirwani, Principal Associate at Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas and alumna of batch 2013 – 2018 batch as a guest speaker of the session.

### Annual Corporate Engagement Drive

The Campus Recruitment Cell at Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a visit to Mumbai on July 24-26, 2024 as part of Annual Corporate Engagement Drive. Dr. Amit Kumar Kashyap, Assistant Professor in Law and Mr. Aman Anand, Manager, Corporate Relations, Institute of Law, Nirma University met experts from different Law Firms/Companies and those who are Practicing Advocates. The drive aimed to explore the possible internships opportunities and placements for 2020 -2025 batch and collaborations on academic fronts.



# INITIATIVES BY CAMPUS RECRUITMENT CELL

## First-Year Students' Orientation on Placement Opportunities

The Campus Recruitment Cell at Institute of Law, Nirma University hosted a session with the new batch 2024 – 2029 on July 19, 2024 with Dr. Amit Kumar Kashyap, Assistant Professor in Law and Faculty Advisor and Mr. Aman Anand, Manager, Corporate Relations, ILNU, enlightened students about their internship journey in the five-year course and provided valuable insights into how recruitment works from internships and career services. Dr. Kashyap discussed the importance of early preparation for internships and job placements, learning effective communication skills and building a network that will support career growth and academic success.



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## Pre-Placement Talk organized by Campus Recruitment Cell

The Campus Recruitment Cell at ILNU organized a Pre-Placement Talk for the 2025 batch on August 14, 2024. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Mr. Gaurav Sharma, Regional Lead, and Ms. Jinder Kaur, Recruitment Manager at Teach for India. Mr. Sharma delivered a detailed presentation on the various fields of work within Teach for India and the opportunities available to students, providing guidance on selection criteria and sharing his personal experiences with the organization. The aim of the event was to inform students about career opportunities at Teach for India and to offer insights into the organization's recruitment process, helping them prepare for future roles.



## EY visit to institute for final placement

EY conducted the recruitment process of 2025 batch on 18th September 2024 at the Institute of Law, Nirma University. Ms. Akanksha Yadav (20BAL005), Ms. Shreshtha Khatri (20BAL134) was selected after rigorous selection process.



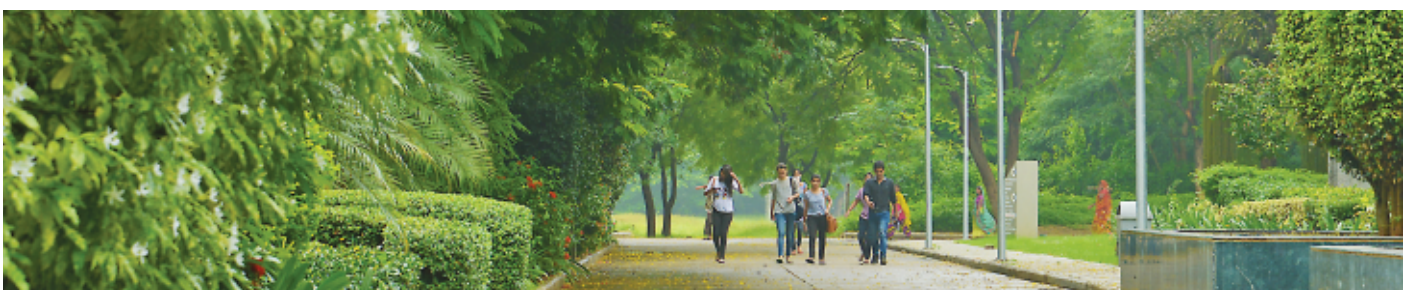
# INITIATIVES BY CAMPUS RECRUITMENT CELL

Ms. Akanksha Yadav (20BAL005), Ms. Shreshtha Khatri (20BAL134) and Ms. Jyeshtha Mishra (20BAL185) have received campus placements from Ernest and Young (EY).

## ADMISSION OUTREACH

### Session for admission outreach

A session on admission outreach for students preparing for the CLAT exam was held at LawPrep Jodhpur. The session was graced by the presence of Dr. Neeraj Gupta, Dr. Arprit Sharma and Mr. Aman Anand who conducted an interactive session helping students with a clearer and deeper understanding on their legal education and career pathways.





## Alumni Meet 2024 at Mumbai

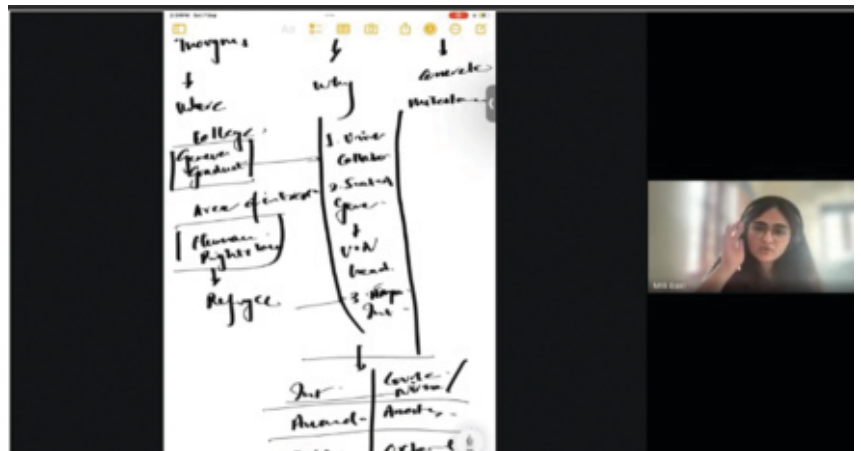
The Campus Recruitment Cell in collaboration with Nirma University Institute of Law Alumni Association (NUILAA) hosted Alumni City Meet - Mumbai Chapter on September 21, 2024 at Lucy Lou, Andheri East.

Mr. Nitesh Chaudhary, Assistant Professor, Dr. Amit Kumar Kashyap, Assistant Professor and Mr. Aman Anand, Manager of Corporate Relations were part of the Meet. The meet was attended by 68 Alumni from different batches.



## Session Report on Writing an Effective SOP

The Campus Recruitment Cell (CRC) at Institute of Law, Nirma University conducted an enriching session on 'How to write an Effective SOP'. Ms. Mili Bixi, alumna of Batch 2013-2018 was invited to conduct the session. The workshop provided valuable guidance for students aspiring to study their master's degree abroad by identifying motivations in align to the university values and crafting a well-structured SOP.



## Alumni Achievements

- Ms. Surbhi Pareek, alumna Batch 2010 – 2015, promoted to Partner in Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas.
- Mr. Divank Tripathi, alumna Batch 2008 – 2013, joined Ratnaafin Capital as Assistant Vice President.
- Ms. Shanelle Umarwadia, alumna of Batch 2016 – 2021, has been selected in National University of Singapore for Master of Laws.
- Ms. Ishita Sharma, alumna of Batch 2016 – 2021 & Mr. Shashwat Shah, alumna of Batch 2018 – 2023, joined

Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas, a tier 1 Law Firm, as an Associate.

- Ms. Shreya Sinha, alumna of Batch 2011 – 2016, has been selected as Assistant Prosecution Officer under Government of Bihar.
- Mr. Harshad Joshi, alumna of Batch 2014 – 2019, has been empanelled with IIFL Finance.
- Ms. Vanya Rakesh, alumna of Batch 2010 – 2015, has started a new role at Meta as Privacy Strategic Program Manager.

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- Mr. Arun Chauhan, alumnus of Batch 2014 – 2019, has been selected at Bucerius Law School in Hamburg for his Master of Law and Business (MLB).
- Mr. Dushyant Banke, alumnus of Batch 2010 – 2015, joined Kotak Mahindra Bank as Senior Manager Legal.
- Ms. Pooja Shah, alumnus of Batch 2008 – 2013, joined Outsourced as Legal Counsel.
- Mr. Aditya Pandey, alumnus of Batch 2018 – 2023, promoted to Senior Executive in Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company.
- Mr. Sanket Gupta, alumnus of Batch 2012 – 2017, promoted to Principal Associate in Lakshmikumaran & Sridharan.
- Ms. Shruti Khanna, alumnus of Batch 2017 – 2022, promoted to Senior Associate in Lakshmikumaran & Sridharan.
- Ms. Ektaa Mathur, alumnus of Batch 2010 – 2015, officially admitted as a Lawyer in the Supreme Court of New South Wales, Australia.
- Mr. Chirag Mangal, alumnus of Batch 2015 – 2020, joined Khaitan & Co., a tier 1 Law Firm, as a Senior Associate.
- Ms. Himanshi Patwa, alumnus of Batch 2017 – 2022, promoted to Senior Associate in Amlegals.
- Ms. Neti Jhatakia, alumnus of batch 2013 – 2018, joined EY - Toronto Office as Senior Tax Staff in the Indirect Tax team.
- Mr. Devesh Singh Tomar, alumnus of Batch 2010 – 2015, has started a new role as Assistant Manager – Legal in Digital India Corporation, under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- Mr. Shubham Khandelwal, alumnus of Batch 2013 – 2018, has started his secondment at Mori Hamada & Matsumoto in Tokyo, Japan.
- Ms. Rashi Verma, alumnus of Batch 2014 – 2019, promoted to Senior Associate in Panag & Babu Law Offices.
- Mr. Mridul Poddar, alumnus of Batch 2015 – 2020, promoted to Senior Executive - Legal at QX Global Group.
- Mr. Akash Srivastava, alumnus of Batch 2011 – 2016, have been appointed as a Young ICCA Regional Representative.
- Ms. Pankti Khandelwal, alumnus of Batch 2014 – 2019, has been selected at Boston College Law School for her Master of Law (LLM).

## PH.D ADMISSION

The Institute of Law, Nirma University is pleased to announce the admission of 23 scholars into its Ph.D. programme in the disciplines of Law, Humanities, and Commerce. This programme is designed to promote advanced research and contribute to the academic enrichment of these fields. The initiative underscores ILNU's dedication to fostering scholarly excellence and nurturing future academicians and

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| • First-Year Freshers' Party | October 5, 2024  |
| • Alumni Meet in Lucknow     | October 18, 2024 |
| • Parent-Teacher Meeting     | October 19, 2024 |
| • Series of Expert Lectures  | October, 2024    |

