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EVENTS

National Conference on Labor and Industrial Law

The Centre for Social Justice (CSJ) of the Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a National Conference on Labour Laws on the theme: "Contemporary Issues and Challenges in Labour and Industrial Laws" on October 18-19, 2024.

At the conference's inauguration, Hon'ble Mr. Justice M.C. Patel was the Chief Guest, and Shri. Ajay Tomar, Retd. IPS Officer from Surat was the Guest of Honour. The conference consisted of total four technical sessions on themes such as industrial relations; wages; social security; and occupational safety, health and working conditions followed by a panel discussion on the main theme Contemporary Issues and Challenges in Labour and Industrial Laws.

The conference provided a dialogue for government representatives, trade unions and employers' representatives to discuss various contemporary issues relating to Labour and Industrial laws.

The valedictory session was chaired by Dr. Rekhakumari Singh, Dean (I/c) of Faculty of Law, Sardar Patel University and Shri. Vipul Pandya, President, Bandhkam Mazdoor Sangh along with Prof. (Dr.) Madhuri Parikh, Director and Dean I/c ILNU and Prof. (Dr.) Dharmang C. Baxi, the Conference Convener. The conference was coordinated by Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, Assistant Professor in Law at ILNU.

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EVENTS

The Freshers' Meet for Batch 2024

Nirma Institute of Law Students Activities Committee (NILSAC) and Anti-Ragging Committee, ILNU organized the Freshers' Meet on October 5, 2024. This annual event at the Institute of Law, Nirma University aims to encourage first-semester students to showcase their talents and interact with the faculty and senior students. The first-semester students participated with great enthusiasm, demonstrating their skills in dancing, singing, and poetry. The event took place in the open area of C and D Lawn of Nirma University in the evening, and the students thoroughly enjoyed it. Tanish Sheth (24BAL118) and Anushka Singh (24BBL079) were declared winners of the talent hunt, and the prizes were awarded by Prof. (Dr.) Madhuri Parikh and Dr. Arun Prasad. Faculty and staff members of ILNU were also present to grace the occasion.





IP Conclave 2.0

The Centre of Intellectual Property Rights at Institute of Law, Nirma University, successfully organised IP Conclave 2.0 on November 22, 2024. Esteemed speakers, including Mr Pranay Bali (Partner, ALG India Law Offices LLP), Mr Abhishek Gurbani (Partner, Saikrishna & Associates), Ms. Ankita Sabharwal (Senior Associate, Chadha & Chadha), and Ms. Sunaina Brahma (Senior Associate, Khaitan & Co.), shared their insights.

The conclave covered various contemporary topics including effective enforcement strategies for trademark protection, legal challenges of content creation from an IP perspective, ethical and legal boundaries in data processing done by the businesses and comparative advertising agencies. The conclave enriched the students' understanding of modern intellectual property issues through expert insights.





EVENTS

33rd Annual Convocation Ceremony

Nirma University proudly hosted its 33rd Annual Convocation Ceremony on November 22, 2024, marking a significant milestone for the institution. The event was graced by the presence of Hon'ble Shri Sanjib Kumar Behera, Executive Director & State Head (Gujarat) of Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The ceremony was presided over by Dr. Karsanbhai K. Patel, President of Nirma University.

The ceremony celebrated the achievements of 2,780 graduating students from various disciplines across the university. The Law students' convocation took place in the Seminar Hall of the Institute of Law, where 235 students were awarded degrees in B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) and B. Com., LL.B. (Hons.), 21 postgraduate students received LL.M. degrees, and one scholar was conferred with a Ph.D. degree.

Prof. (Dr.) Madhuri Parikh, Director and Dean (I/c.) of the Institute of Law, Nirma University, conferred the degrees, recognizing the hard work and dedication of all the graduates. It was truly a momentous occasion celebrating their academic journey and success.

The following students received gold medals for their academic performance:

LL.M. Programme

Vishal Singhal (23MLC012) for Constitutional and Administrative Law

Mansi Jain (23MLS009) for Criminal and Security Law

B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) Programme & B. Com., LL.B. (Hons.) Programme

Akshat Mehta (19BAL005) Rudransh Nanda (19BAL042)

Mahak Agarwal (19BAL088) Km Anjali Tripathi (19BBL014)

Sakshi Agarwal (19BBL047)



Constitution Day Celebration

The Institute of law, Nirma University Celebrated the Constitutional day on November 26, 2024. The celebration aimed to deepen students' understanding of the Constitution and foster intellectual discussions on its relevance in contemporary society.

The day's events included an Essay Competition on the theme "Exploring Writ Jurisdiction in India," organized under the guidance of Dr. Abhas Srivastava. Students also participated in a Constitutional Law Quiz Competition led by Dr. Swati Mawandiya, testing their knowledge of constitutional principles. An Extempore Debate on a Constitutional Law proposition, conducted by Dr. Vikash Upadhyay, allowed students to showcase their oratory and critical thinking skills.

Additionally, a Judgment Discussion on the AMU Minority Status Case, supervised by Dr. Abhas Srivastava, facilitated deep discussions on the constitutional implications of the case. The events highlighted the students' ability to reflect on and engage with the core values enshrined in the Indian Constitution, demonstrating their oratory skills, reflective thinking, and appreciation for the Constitution's role in shaping the nation.

RESEARCH CENTRE ACTIVITIES

Field Visit on Impact of climate change and building Climate Resilience with specific reference to the role of local self-government in Gujarat: An Analytical Study.

A field visit was conducted in the Tapi District of Gujarat by the students of Nirma University. Two international students, Ms Rosa Jimenez and Ms Africa Carillo de Albornoz from the Public University of Navarre, Spain, being part of the student exchange program, also accompanied the students on this visit. The purpose of this visit was to collect data by conducting interviews of officials and other stakeholders who were concerned with the Impact of Climate Change with reference to their internship in Impact of climate



change and building Climate Resilience with specific reference to the role of local self-government in Gujarat: An Analytical Study.

Field Visit Update: Major Research Project on TRI

The visit commenced on September 23, 2024, with two researchers, Dr. Neeraj Kumar Gupta (Co-PI) and Dr. Deba Ranjan Hota, traveling to the TSP office in Vyara. The fieldwork in the Tapi district was divided into two phases. The initial phase involved a meeting led by the officer responsible for the implementation of the Forest Rights Act (FRA) in Vyara. Data collection began in the Talukas of Songarh and Nijar, encompassing over fifteen villages within the Tapi District. Upon completing the first phase, the second phase of the field visit began, with additional members of the research team joining the effort. Dr. Madhuri Parikh (PI), Dr. Bharat Rathor (Co-PI), Ms. Stuti Pradhan, Ms. Rosa Jimenez, and Ms. Africa Carrillo de Albornoz arrived in Vyara and initiated fieldwork following discussions with local officials. The research teams were divided into two groups, each covering different villages in the Vyara and Uchchhal Talukas. Structured questionnaires were administered, and discussions were held with all stakeholders involved in the research project. The insights gained from the field revealed diverse perspectives that challenged the understanding of tribal society. The challenges encountered varied according to the tribes residing in these areas, particularly concerning the presence of non-tribals. This field visit was deemed one of the most significant and rigorous empirical research endeavours, providing valuable insights into the implementation of the FRA in Gujarat, as expressed by the team. With the successful conclusion of the field visit in Tapi, the empirical phase of this research study has now been completed.





Field Visit Update: Minor Research Project

Dr. Foram Patel, Assistant Professor and Principal Investigator in the project conducted a visit to the lower courts in the Ahmedabad district as part of her Minor Research Project titled "A Critical Study on the Digitalization of Judicial Proceedings Post-COVID in the District of Ahmedabad" on October 10, 2024. During this visit, she targeted lawyers as the primary group for data collection. The session began with a discussion and an introduction to the subject matter, followed by the completion of questionnaires. This experience proved to be enriching, allowing her to gather valuable insights from stakeholders and understand their issues at the grassroots level.

RESEARCH CENTRE ACTIVITIES



Mundra Port Visit for ILNU Students

The Projects and Infrastructure course students visited Mundra Port on October 9-10, 2024, gaining insights into its operations. Mundra Port, India's largest private port developed by Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone (APSEZ), is crucial for logistics and trade. At Adani Wilmar, students learned about the company's oil refining operations, processing over 5,000 tonnes daily with minimal waste through automation and quality control. The Adani Port visit highlighted its logistics hub role, with seven jetties and efficient cargo handling services. Overall, the visit provided valuable insights into large-scale infrastructure operations and the importance of logistics in India's trade and energy sectors.

Visit to Jambughoda Forest and Wildlife Sanctuary

As part of the course on Forest Law, a group of students from IX semester were taken out on an excursion to Jambughoda Forest and Wildlife sanctuary (Gujarat). The Dean and Director (I/c, ILNU), Dr. Madhuri Parikh along with Dr. Parna Mukherjee, Dr. Neeraj Gupta, Dr. Deb Ranjan Hota, Dr. Arpit Sharma and Dr. Bharat Rathore guided the group of students.

INTERNALIZATION AT ILNU

A Delegate from University of Cincinnati USA Visits Institute of Law, Nirma University

A delegate from the University of Cincinnati, USA visited the Institute of Law, Nirma University on October 21, 2024. The purpose of the visit was to gain an understanding of Internationalization at ILNU. For this purpose, Dr. Madhuri Parikh, Director & Dean I/c, ILNU gave a brief presentation of the MoUs the institute has with various universities across the globe; the student exchange programme for incoming and outgoing students at ILNU; and, the flagship event of the International relations Cell at ILNU- The International Teaching Month. The outcome of the



meeting was to explore the possibility of signing an MoU with the University of Cincinnati, USA.

Distinguished Lecture Series on Air and Space Law

Prof. Dr. Ricky J. Lee, a leading expert in Space Law and International business Law visited the Institute of Law, Nirma University, on October 18, 21, and 22, 2024, to conduct specialized sessions on Air and Space Law for Semester IX students. During his visit, he conducted a total of six sessions, with two sessions held each day.

The sessions provided students with an in-depth understanding of various aspects of Air and Space Law, covering topics such as international regulations, treaties, and the legal implications of emerging technologies space exploration. Prof. Dr. Lee's extensive expertise and engaging teaching style enriched the learning experience, fostering critical discussions and enhancing students' knowledge in this specialized field.

Certificate Course on Air and Space Law by Professor Ricky Lee

The Institute of Law, Nirma University hosted Professor Ricky Lee, Senior Lecturer at the University of Canterbury, New Zealand from February 3-13, 2025. He conducted a certificate course on Air and Space Law, covering international air and space law, their intersection, the Chicago Convention, and carrier liability, which was attended by 30 participants. Additionally, Dr. Lee delivered lectures on Cross-Border Mergers and Acquisitions with a focus on Australian and EU jurisdictions and mentored four moot teams preparing for international competitions.

INTERNALIZATION AT ILNU

Interactive Seminar on Impact of Climate Change in Gujarat by International Students at ILNU

The interactive seminar on the impact of climate change in Gujarat, with a focus on the social, economic, and cultural aspects, provided a comprehensive overview of the region's vulnerability to climate shifts. Two international students, Ms Rosa Jimenez and Ms Africa Carillo de Albornoz from the Public University of Navarre, Spain, being part of the student exchange program, who accompanied the students on this project gave their insights in this faculty seminar. The key topics covered included Gujarat's projected climate scenarios, highlighting the rise in sea levels, extreme weather events, and water scarcity issues, which affect both urban and rural communities. Emphasis was placed on the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) and Gujarat's State Action Plan on Climate Change (GSAPCC), which aim to address these challenges through sustainable agriculture, water resource management, and the promotion of renewable energy.

The seminar also discussed the socio-economic implications of climate change, particularly its disproportionate impact on vulnerable groups, such as coastal communities and the agricultural sector. Additionally, cultural issues, including heritage preservation and gender-specific challenges, were explored. Attendees actively engaged in the dialogue, raising questions about the effectiveness of existing policies and the need for localized, inclusive strategies to ensure climate resilience





Seminar on Intellectual Property by Professor Jonathan D'Silva

The Institute of Law, Nirma University hosted Professor Jonathan D'Silva, Assistant Professor of Clinical Law at Penn State, USA from November 11-13, 2024. He conducted seminars on Intellectual Property Considerations for New Entrepreneurial Ventures and Protecting Intellectual Property – an International Perspective. Attended by Semester VIII students, the sessions provided valuable insights into intellectual property rights, particularly in the context of startups and business development.





Seminar on Separation of Powers by Professor Stephen Barnes

The Institute of Law, Nirma University hosted Professor Stephen Barnes, Associate Dean at Penn State Law, USA from November 11-13, 2024. He conducted a seminar on Separation of Powers in Light of Judicial Review, discussing the limits of legislative power and the evolving role of the executive. Attended by postgraduate and constitutional law honours students, the session offered valuable insights, especially in the context of the recent U.S. elections, fostering a comparative perspective with India.



EXPERT LECTURES

Expert Lecture on Mental Health Awareness for First-Year Students

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized an insightful session 'Mental Health Awareness' on October 9, 2024 for Semester-I students. This session was organised to help in deepening students' understanding of mental health challenges, particularly those they may face as they embark on their legal careers. The guest speaker Ms. Pinkal Panchal, a practicing therapist based in Los Angeles, USA, conducted the session, sharing valuable knowledge on how stress can be identified and managed using various coping mechanisms. The programme stood out for its interactive format, ensuring that students were actively engaged by using an online app called Mentimeter, participants could reflect on their personal stress levels in real time, helping them recognize the factors that may be contributing to their mental well-being. A significant focus of the session was on mindset formulation and raising awareness about how the mental health of law students is critical for their future professional lives. The overarching takeaway emphasized the interdependence of different aspects of life—personal, academic, and professional—and their collective influence on mental health. The session empowered students to consider their mental health as an integral part of their well-being, encouraging them to explore personal strategies for managing stress, which will be crucial for their journey in the legal profession.





Expert Lecture on Forest Law

An expert lecture on 'Forest Law' was organized on October 10, 2024 at Institute of Law Nirma University. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Shri Dr. Tyagi, retired Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Director of the Gujarat Forestry Research Foundation, Gandhinagar. The lecture focused on acquiring an in- depth knowledge of the various classifications of forests as delineated in Indian Forest Law and augmenting understanding and fostering critical analysis among students through a comprehensive approach and engaging teaching style.





Expert Lecture on Drafting an Agreement

An expert lecture on 'Drafting an arbitration agreement' was organized by the Centre for Alternate Dispute Resolution on October 25, 2024 by Dr. Ajay Rab from a reputed law firm. The lecture focused on reinforcing the value of practical learning in ADR highlighting the critical role of arbitration clauses in the legal landscape, encouraging students to reflect on them and guiding them on effective drafting practices.

Expert Lecture on Recent Trend in Auditing

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organised an expert lecture, delivered by CS Abhishek Chhajed on 'Recent Trends in Auditing' on October 17, 2024. The lecture highlighted the Internal control system and Red Flag identification in respect of Accounting Fraud. He further highlighted the requirement of forensic Accounting and Fraud Detection using AI and Blockchain, and explained with the various computer-based auditing techniques and real example. Overall, the session provided the practical aspect of the auditing.







Expert Lecture on Capitalism

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized an Expert Lecture on "Capitalism" on October 15, 2024 by Dr. Lajwanti, Professor of Political Theory from MSU Baroda. The lecture opened with a fundamental inquiry into the nature of capital and capitalism. The objective of the event was to provide second-year students with a comprehensive and nuanced understanding of political theory through the lens of capitalism. By engaging with the works of various influential philosophers, the students were encouraged to think critically about the historical and philosophical underpinnings of capitalism, as well as its socio-economic impact. This lecture aimed to deepen their grasp of how capitalist systems operate, how they have evolved, and the role they play in shaping modern political and economic landscapes.



Expert Lecture on Legal Aid in India-Mandate and Procedure

On October 10, 2024, an expert lecture was organized on the topic 'Legal Aid in India-Mandate and Procedure' by Legal Aid Clinic ILNU. The expert session was enlightening, offering profound insights and valuable perspectives that significantly deepened the understanding of the topic. A thorough analysis of current trends and challenges were also discussed that often go overlooked and need research.





Expert Sessions on Public Interest Litigation

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a series of expert sessions titled PIL Expert Sessions with Ms. Nupur Sinha from the Centre for Social Justice. Across four sessions, Ms. Sinha shared her insights on legal aid, gender equality, and women's land rights. Her sessions inspired participants to contribute to social justice, highlighting the power of collective action in promoting gender equality and sustainable development.



A Session by an Alumnus for First Year Students

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organised an interactive session by an alumnus Mr. Amol Sharma (Batch 2021) on the theme 'Relevance of Social Sciences and Humanities for Law students on October 1, 2024. Mr. Amol has been associated with Teach India Program for last four years.

Expert Lecture on One Nation One Election

A session for the members of the Lawyers Incubation Clinic was organized on "One Nation, One Election on October 24, 2024 which provided a comprehensive understanding of One Nation, One Election policy and its implications. The session was led by Mr. Parindu Bhagat and was divided into several crucial parts, focusing on the brief history of Indian politics, the election system in India, and merits and demerits of this "One Nation, One Election" policy.

Expert Lecture on Market Delineation in Competition Law

An Expert Lecture on 'Market Delineation in Competition Law' was organized on October 17 2024, for fourth year students in virtual mode at ILNU. The invited Expert Speaker was Mr. Hariprasad Govinda who is a Principal Economist at the Competition Commission of South Africa. This lecture was conducted as a part of the institute elective Competition Law course. The speaker covered the nuances of market delineation in digital markets, including fundamental concepts like multi-homing, and provided real-life examples from the hotel industry. The lecture offered students an indepth understanding of this multifaceted aspect of competition law.



Expert Lecture on Law and Politics of Knowledge

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized an expert talk featuring Prof. Manindra N. Thakur, Associate Professor at the Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, on October 16, 2024. The theme of the talk was 'Law and Politics of Knowledge' within the framework of Indian knowledge traditions. Prof. Thakur engaged with 1st semester BA.LLB. students, discussing emerging challenges for future law practitioners. The session offered valuable insights into the intersection of law, politics, and knowledge, preparing students for the evolving landscape of the legal field.







Expert Session on Public Interest Litigation (PIL)

The Institute of Law, Nirma University held an expert session with Advocate Amit Panchal on Public Interest Litigation (PIL) on October 19, 2024. Advocate Panchal highlighted the role of PILs in addressing societal issues, holding authorities accountable, and promoting justice. He emphasized the need for clear intentions and adherence to procedures when filing PILs to ensure judicial attention. Advocate Panchal also discussed the decline in private litigation and the importance of contempt petitions for enforcement. He stressed the need for well-researched petitions focused on genuine public causes, noting that misuse of PILs for personal gain is closely monitored by courts. The session offered valuable insights into PILs as tools for meaningful societal change.





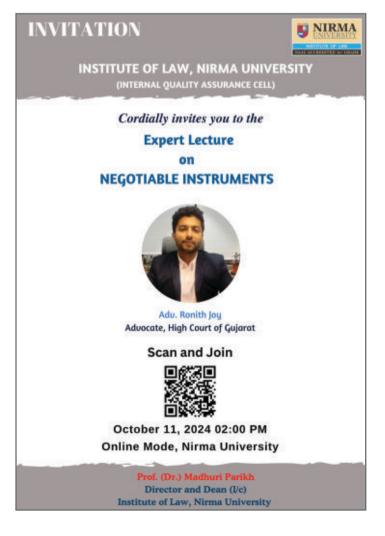
Expert Lecture on Negotiable Instruments

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized an expert lecture on 'Negotiable Instruments' on October 11, 2024 by Mr. Ronith Joy, an esteemed alumnus and legal expert specializing in arbitration, the session focused on the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

Mr. Joy discussed key aspects, including promissory notes, bills of exchange, and cheques, while emphasizing practical implications such as the dishonour of cheques and available remedies. He also covered recent amendments to enhance transparency and curb fraud along with interactive discussions on crossed cheques, providing valuable insights for attendees.

Guest Lecture on Research Proposal and Hypothesis

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a guest lecture on 'Presenting a Research Proposal and Hypothesis' on November 18, 2024. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Prof. (Dr.) Amar Pal Singh, Vice Chancellor of Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia National Law University, Lucknow. Prof. Singh provided a deep insight into the systemic inquiry process and the significance of research in academic field. The lecture also emphasized on narrowing broad topics into focused, manageable problems.



Expert session on Right to Information: Understanding, Procedure, and Drafting

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a session on 'Right to Information: Understanding, Procedure, and Drafting' on October 19, 2024. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Adv. Aum Kotwal, who provided



valuable insights into the relevance and application of the RTI Act in India. Adv. Kotwal highlighted the constitutional basis of RTI and the importance of understanding its statutory framework. The objective of the event was to enhance participants' knowledge about the Right to Information as a tool for accountability and transparency in governance, emphasizing its significance in empowering citizens to seek information from public authorities.

Expert Lecture by VC of NLSIU Bangalore

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organised an expert lecture by Dr. Sudhir Krishnaswamy, Vice chancellor of the NLSIU, Bangalore on October 22, 2024. The session was attended by the students of 3rd semester.



Faculty Seminar on AI and Academic Writing



The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a Faculty Seminar on "Al and Academic Writing". The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Dr. Arpit Sharma, who delivered an insightful lecture on the transformative role of artificial intelligence in academic research. Dr. Sharma discussed how Al-powered tools like Scopus.ai, Dimension.ai, and Consensus.ai are reshaping the research landscape by enabling researchers to efficiently find, analyze, and cite sources. The seminar aimed to highlight Al's potential to streamline the research process, enhance accuracy, and ultimately improve the quality of academic writing.

Expert Lecture on Frauds in the Indian Capital Market

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organised an expert lecture on 'Frauds in the Indian Capital Market: A Legal Perspective' on November 16, 2024. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Executive Director (Retd.) SEBI and Senior Advocate Ms. Dharmistha Raval. The lecture focused on the proactive roles of SEBI in ensuring transparency and accountability and the cases dealt by SEBI. The insightful lecture provided a comprehensive understanding of the vital and crucial aspects of SEBI.





Expert Lecture on Overview of Civil and Criminal Litigation

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organised an Expert Lecture on "Overview of Civil/Criminal Litigations: A Professional's Perspective" on November 11, 2024. The event was graced by the presence of Senior Advocate Mr. Hriday Buch and Advocate Mr. Jaimin Dave, both from the High





Court of Gujarat. The speakers enlightened the first semester students on the procedural intricacies of criminal law and litigation. The speakers also explained the crucial stages of civil litigation as well as importance of tribunals.

Expert Lecture on Enhancing Practical Competencies and Professional Development

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized an expert lecture on "Enhancing Practical Competencies and Professional Development" on November 13-14, 2024. This lecture was organised as a part of the clinical aspects of the Skill Lab course for the First-year students. The event was



graced by the esteem presence of International Trainer and Motivational Speaker Mr. Rakesh Chopra. He conducted an enlightening session on effective communication through interactive activities, illustrating the nuances of communication.

Expert Lecture on Technology and Law

The Institute of law, Nirma University organized an expert lecture on "Technology and Law" on November 15-16, 2024 and November 18-19, 2024. The lecture was delivered by an expert in the field, Prof. Dr. MK Bhandari, law tech influencer and Founder Directory GALTER (Global Academy of Law-Tech Education and Research). The core issues covered in this lecture were Al and Blockchain, Data Privacy in the age of Al, Al and Virtual World and its impact on Trademark Law and Generative Al.

Expert Lecture by the esteemed former Commissioner of Police, Shri Ajay Kumar Tomar

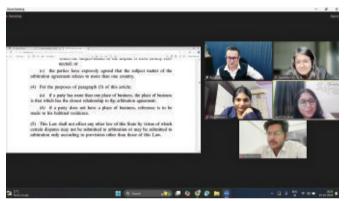
The Institute of Law at Nirma University hosted an engaging expert lecture on November 25, 2024, for Semester I students. The session was graced by the esteemed former Commissioner of Police, Shri Ajay Kumar Tomar. The lecture drew from his own personal anecdotes and inspiring examples. Shri Tomar articulated that success is not reserved for a select few; rather, it is accessible to anyone willing to embrace challenges and maintain unwavering faith in their abilities. His core message resonated deeply with the students, highlighting that through relentless effort and steadfast commitment to one's goals, individuals can transcend limitations and achieve remarkable feats.

Guest lecture on Entrepreneurial Venture

The Institute of Law, Nirma University invited a panel of speakers to speak on Entrepreneurial Venture, on November 25, 2024. Prof. Gopal Balachandran, Associate Clinical Professor of Law; Director, Criminal Appellate & Post-Conviction Services Clinic) and Director, Externships Program, Law, USA; Prof. Medhavi Singh Assistant Professor Jindal Global Law School; and, Mr. Parth Jain, Founder, Legal ToolKit, India, were the distinguished panel members. Prof. Gopal Balachandran discussed the technicalities of murder cases with special reference to the decision of Commonwealth v. Subramaniam Vedam. The discussion was exciting and insightful for the students. Prof. Medhavi Singh discussed her journey through Penn State Law and beyond. This was encouraging for the students. Mr. Parth Jain, a first-generation lawyer, spoke about his entrepreneurial venture Legal Toolkit. He discussed the challenges faced by the first-generation lawyers and how the services of his community-based platform address the requirements of law students the necessary resources.

Expert Lecture on Drafting an Arbitration Agreement

The Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) at Institute of Law, Nirma University organised an expert Lecture on 'Drafting an Arbitration Agreement' on October 25, 2024. The event was graced by an esteemed expert, Dr. Ajar Rab. He emphasized on the significance of arbitration clauses in modern legal frameworks, urging students to consider their implications, including the selection of neutral venues and familiarity with institutional rules. Dr. Rab illustrated the importance of exclusive jurisdiction clauses in cross-border disputes and demonstrated how generative Al can enhance the clarity and accessibility of arbitration provisions.



Expert lecture on Immigration Laws in India

Mr. Sukrit Garg, Assistant Professor at National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU), delivered a lecture on the topic "Immigration Laws in India" to the students at the Institute of Law, Nirma University.

Expert Lecture on Research Methodology by Prof. (Dr.) Amar Pal Singh

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized an expert lecture by Prof. (Dr.) Amar Pal Singh, Vice Chancellor of RMLNU, on Research Methodology for LL.M. (One Year) students, on November 18, 2024. He provided insights into identifying and formulating research problems, designing hypotheses, and ensuring their quality. The lecture served as a foundational guide to research methodology, equipping students with essential skills for academic research.

WORKSHOPS

Workshop on Mediation Theory

The Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) at Institute of Law, Nirma University organised a two-day Mediation Workshop on November 23-24, 2024. On November 23, 2024 the workshop featured Adv. Amar N. Bhatt, Adv. Hriday Buch, Adv. Priyadarshini A. Vakil, Adv. Nishant Lalakia, Adv. Manan Bhatt, and Adv. Archit Jani. The esteemed professionals highlighted a comprehensive understanding of mediation principles and practical techniques. The objective of the event was for students to engage deeply, gaining insights into real-world dispute resolution challenges and strategies.

One-Day Workshop on Child Rights Legislation

The Centre for Child Rights Advocacy and Centre for Social Justice, Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a workshop on "Child Rights Legislation" in collaboration with the United Nations International Children Education Fund (UNICEF) and Sauhard (NGO) on November 14, 2024. The event was graced by the presence of Shri Rahul Trivedi, Secretary of Gujarat State Legal Service Authority; Dr. Dharmang Baxi, Professor of Law, ILNU; Shri Divya Bhagia, CEO of Sauhard, Mr. Indrajeet Chauhan,

WORKSHOPS



Representative, Prayas (NGO), and Ms. Prita Jha, Representative, Peace and Equality Cell (NGO), as the key speakers of the event. The core issues covered by the event were key Issues of Child Rights, Understanding the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015, Understanding of the POCSO Act, 2012, Orientation of the Child & Adolescent Labour Act, 1986, and Understanding of the Prohibition of Child Marriage & other recent Judgements.





FACULTY CORNER

RESEARCH PUBLICATION

- Dr. Gunjan Arora, published a research paper titled 'Steering a Techno-Legal Approach against Online Digital Piracy: Reworking Protection standards for Cinematograph works' in NLU Assam Journal of Intellectual Property Rights, Volume 3, Issue 1.
- Dr. Foram Patel, published her paper in the journal named 'Agathos: An international review of the humanities and social sciences' volume 15, issue 2(29)/2024- which is a web of science indexed journal.
- Dr. Amit K. Kashyap presented paper, "International Finance Service Centre in India as a Model for Blended Finance: Advancing Sustainable Development in South Asia" at the Annual International Scientific Conference 2024 - A Multidisciplinary Approach to Sustainable Development Goals, hosted by the University St. Kliment Ohridski in Bitola in the Republic of North Macedonia on November 15-16, 2024.
- Dr. Nikita Koradia, Assistant Professor of Law at Nirma University in co-authorship with Dr Sudhanshu Kumar (NLSIU, Bengaluru), published an article titled 'VFS Global needs to be scrutinized by the competition regulator' on the website of 'Money Control'.
- Dr. Vineet Chouhan, Assistant Professor at Institute of Law, Nirma University, published his research paper titled "Leveraging Industry 5.0 for Achieving SDGs: An Empirical study on Feasibility, Human-Centered Approaches, and Implementation Barriers" in Scopus Indexed (ISBN 978-3-031-71213-5)

- Dr. Amit Kumar Kashyap, Assistant Professor at Institute of Law, Nirma University, published a research paper titled "AI and Business law: Navigating New Frontiers" December 3, 2024 in the California Managment Review.
- Dr. Nikita Koradia, Assistant Professor at ILNU published her paper titled, "The impact of WhatsApp's 2021 update on users' privacy in India" in the journal of Data Protection & Privacy Vol. 7, 1 98-112, 2398- 1679(2024), a Scopus Indexed journal.

BOOK PUBLICATION

- Dr. Amit K Kashyap, Assistant Professor in Law, published a book chapter on "Central Bank Currency in India: Policy and Regulatory Aspects," in the book titled "Global Developments in Central Bank Digital Currency," edited by Dr. Peterson K. Ozili and published by IGI Global, USA.
- A book titled "Social legal Challenges for Social Justice Continuum: Perspectives from India and South Africa" (ISBN-9781032910772), co-authored by Dr. Varsha Ganguly, Professor, Institute of Law, Nirma University, Prof. (Dr.) Madhuri Parikh, Director and Dean (I/c.) of the Institute of Law, Nirma University, and Dr. Meghan Finn, University of Johannesburg, was published.
- Prof. (Dr.) Madhuri Parikh, Director and Dean (I/c) of the Institute of Law, Nirma University, Dr. Varsha Ganguly, Professor at the Institute of Law, Nirma University, and Dr. Meghan Finn of the University of Johannesburg coauthored a book titled "Social Legal Challenges for Social Justice Continuum: Perspectives from India and South Africa" (ISBN: 9781032910772).

FACULTY CORNER

RESEARCH PRESENTATION

- Dr. Foram Patel, Assistant of Law presented a paper titled 'Industrial Relations in Gujarat: A hub for peaceful industrial investment' in a National Conference on 'Contemporary issues and challenges on Labour and Industrial Laws' held in Institute of Law, Nirma university on October 18-19, 2024 and was awarded with best paper in theme.
- Dr. Amit K Kashyap, Assistant professor of law, presented a paper titled "Manipulating Reality in IA: Addressing the Legal Vacuum of Deepfake Technology" at the Postgraduate International Conference on Law, Technology & Society (ICLTS) held at Universitas Islam Indonesia on September 21, 2024.
- Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, along with Dr. Nikita Koradia and Ms. Taruna Jakhar, Assistant Professors of Law, presented a research paper titled 'Adopting Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Technologies for Content Moderation, Film Censorship and Rating' in the 2024 2nd Asia Conference on Knowledge and Innovation Management (ACKIM) in Bangkok, Thailand.
- Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, Assistant Professor of Law, presented a research paper titled 'National Education Policy 2020: Opportunities and Challenges to Legal Education' 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, 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, Assistant Professor of Law, presented a research paper titled 'Extending IP Laws to Commercial Activities in Space: Addressing the Dichotomy between Territoriality and Non-Territoriality Debate' in the 3rd International Conference on Air & Space Law organized by V.S. Mani Centre for Air and Space Law, Gujarat National Law University (GNLU), Gandhinagar.

- Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, Assistant Professor of Law, presented a research paper titled 'Parental Rights and Responsibilities in the Age of Consumerism' in the Protect and Serve: The 2024 International (Virtual) Conference on Product Safety and Consumer Advocacy organized by Dr. D.Y. Patil Law College, Pimpri, Pune India in collaboration with The Safety Chic, Nigeria and Ramkrishna Law Firm and Research Centre, Chikodi, Karnataka, India.
- 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, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, and UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta.
- Ms. Taruna Jakhar, along with Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, and Dr. Nikita Koradia, Assistant Professors of Law, presented a research paper titled 'Intellectual Property Law and International Arbitration: Proposing a 'Universal' Model for Resolving the Arbitrability of IP Disputes' in the 10th International Conference on International Law organized by the Indian Society of International Law (ISIL).
- Dr. Gururaj Devarhubli, Assistant Professor of Law, presented a research paper titled 'Arbitrability of Intellectual Property Disputes in India: A Critique' in the 8th Annual Conference on The Future of the Commercial Contract in Scholarship and Law Reform organized by The London Centre for Commercial and Financial Law, Westminster Law School, London.
- 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, Director and Dean I/c, ILNU was invited to be a panellist for the session titled 'Forest Conservation: A Community Model' organized by Vibgyor N.E. Foundation in collaboration with Prajna Pravah, NIT Raipur, and Amity University, Chhattisgarh on October 3, 2024

FACULTY CORNER



- 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.
- Dr. Amit K Kashyap, Assistant professor in Law, delivered a session on "IP Issues with the Advent of AI" during the Faculty
 Development Program titled "From Discovery to Protection: IP Laws Shaping the Future of Science and Technology,"
 organized by the School of Law, Graphic Era Hill University, Dehradun, from September 16 -20, 2024.
- Dr. Varsha Ganguly (Professor & Research Head, ILNU) was invited as a panellist/speaker at a workshop jointly organized by ActionAid Karnataka Projects and the Council for Social Development, titled "Property Rights for Women: Gender Justice in Laws & Customs Related to Property & Inheritance in India, on November 8, 2024. Her presentation was on 'Judicial review of customary law and tribal women's land rights' under the track titled "Understanding the complex legal landscape of land and property inheritance in India: Customary & Personal Laws". The presentation was well received by about 40 participants.



Lecture Room I, India International Centre Annexe, Max Meuller Marg, New Delhi

 Dr. Amit K Kashyap, Assistant Professor of law at Nirma University, was invited as a distinguished speaker at "Samvaad", a multidisciplinary symposium organized by Silver Oak University on December 6, 2024 on the topic "Teaching & Research in Law: Using Al and Being Ethical".

DOCTORAL DEGREE CONFERRED

• Dr Neelesh Shukla, Assistant Professor of law at Nirma University completed his PhD as he successfully defended his thesis titled- "An Analysis on the Protection of Intellectual Property Rights under International Investment Agreements", from G.D. Goenka University, on November 9, 2024.

NATIONAL MOOT ACHIEVEMENTS

Justice Bodh Raj Sawhny Memorial Moot Court Competition

The team comprising Harsh Panjwani (22BBL011), Pakhi Jain (22BAL169) and Alok Pandey (22BBL035) has achieved the distinction of being Quarter-finalists in the 17th edition of Justice Bodh Raj Sawhny Memorial Moot Court Competition, 2024.



12th UFYLC Ranka National Moot Court Competition

The team comprising Katyayini Rana (23BAL102), Shreeja Mitra (23BAL127), and Rishit Paliwal (23BAL120) won the 12th UFYLC Ranka National Moot Court Competition, organized by the University of Rajasthan on october 5-7, 2024.

Dharmashastra National Law University National Moot Court Competition

The team comprising Lakshita Mahajan (23BAL111), Shreyanshi Bhutra (22BBL108), and Parth Gupta (23BAL117),



has been adjudged as semi-finalists in the Dharmashastra National Law University National Moot Court Competition, 2024, and has also won the best memorial for the petitioner.

National Moot Court Competition on consumer protection law

The team comprising Aagam Bakliwal (23BBL071), Bhumika Agarwal (23BBL019) and Som Sharma (23BBL124) emerged as the winners at the National Moot Court Competition on consumer protection law, 2024 organized by NUSRL Ranchi in collaboration with the ministry of Consumer affairs and food and public welfare. Bhumika Agarwal emerged as the best speaker at the competition.



DEBATE ACHIEVEMENTS

14th NALSAR Intervarsity Debating Championship



The recent 14th NALSAR Intervarsity Debating Championship, 2024, India's second largest British Parliamentary debating event which took place from September 20- 22, 2024 hosted 90 teams.



- Tanshi Tiwari (21BAL225) and Partha Singh (21BAL123) placed 13th on tabs and advanced to the Open Quarter Finals.
- Yashi Saraf (23BAL060) and Riya Mirchandani (23BAL181), though listed as novices on the tabs placed 14th and advanced to Open Quarter Finals of the tournament.
- Riya Solanki (23BBL04) broke as an adjudicator and was selected as a Panellist for the Novice Semi-Finals.

17th IIT Bombay Parliamentary Debate

- Srinivas Iyer (23BBL059) and Shaunak Saha (23BAL190) won the Novice Championship at the 17th IIT Bombay Parliamentary Debate 2024, organized by IIT Bombay from October 18-20, 2024. They were the top-breaking novice team, and Shaunak Saha (23BAL190) was awarded Best Speaker for the novice finals.
- Deshna Agarwal (23BBL021) and Sambhavi Saxena (23BAL122) qualified as the third-ranked novice team and reached the Novice Semi-Finals at the 17th IIT Bombay Parliamentary Debate 2024.
- Tanshi Tiwari (21BAL225) and Shivangi Sharma (21BAL211) reached the Open Quarter-Finals at the 17th IIT Bombay Parliamentary Debate 2024.
- Partha Singh (21BAL123) and Eshita Adhiveeraj (23BBL025) qualified as breaking adjudicators at the 17th IIT Bombay Parliamentary Debaten2024, with both judging the Open Quarter-Finals. Partha Singh was also a Subsidized Adjudicator at the tournament.

IIT Kanpur Asian Parliamentary Debate

- Partha Singh (21BAL123) was invited as an Adjudicator and selected to the Novice Finals Panel and Open Grand Finals panel at the IIT Kanpur Asian Parliamentary Debate (IITK APD), conducted from October 26, 2024 to October 28, 2024.
- Tanshi Tiwari (21BAL225) was invited to serve as an Adjudicator at the IIT Kanpur Asian Parliamentary Debate (IITK APD).
- Nirav Dave (23BAL030) was selected as a panelist for the Open Semi-Finals at the IIT Kanpur Asian Parliamentary Debate (IITK APD).
- Shiv Jani (23BBL052) was selected as the Open Grand Finals panelist and as the Chair for the Novice Finals at the IIT Kanpur Asian Parliamentary Debate (IITK APD).

Eristic British Parliamentary Debate

- Yashi Saraf (23BAL060) and Riya Mirchandani (23BAL181) reached to the Novice Finals at the Eristic British Parliamentary Debate conducted on November 2, 2024 and November 3, 2024. Riya and Yashi were ranked the 6th and 10th Best Novice speaker of the tournament, respectively.
- Partha Singh (21BAL123) was selected as a Subsidized Adjudicator at the Eristic British Parliamentary Debate conducted on November 2, 2024 and November 3, 2024.
- Partha Singh (21BAL123) became a part of the Core Adjudication Panel (CAP) under the prestigious umbrella of the Indian Schools Debating Society (ISDS). He also took center stage as a panelist in the Senior Finals of IDSC Jabberwocky.

Q.E.D BITS Pilani Debate Competition

- Anishq Nair (23BAL081), Deshna Agarwal (23BBL021) and Eshita Adhiveeraj (23BBL025) reached to Open Quarter Finals at Q.E.D BITS Pilani Debate Competition held between November 15-17, 2024.
- Kriti Mehta (23BAL106), Nirav Shaileshkumar Dave (23BAL030) and Sambhavi Saxena (23BAL122) reached to the Open Pre-Quarter Finals at Q.E.D BITS Pilani Debate Competition held between November 15-17 2024.
- Deshna Agarwal (23BBL021) was declared as 8th Best Speaker at the Q.E.D BITS Pilani Debate Competition held between November 15-17, 2024.
- Nirav Shailesh Kumar Dave (23BAL030) was declared as the 11th Best Speaker at Q.E.D BITS Pilani Debate Competition held from November 15, 2024 to 17, 2024.

Article Publication

Ashutosh Pandey (23BBL015) published an article titled
 "The Overlooked Cost of Urban Neglect: Flooding,



- Health Hazards, And Infrastructure Mismanagement in New Delhi" in the Indian Journal of Law and Legal Research, ISSN: 2582-8878, Volume VI Issue V on November 10, 2024.
- Khanak Himanshu Bharadwaj (23BAL018) published a short article titled 'AFSPA: A Draconian Concept or a Boon?' in the Indian Journal for Research in Law and Management.
- Manul Singh (23BAL026) published short article titled "Hesitance in Enforcing Intellectual Property Rights in India" in The Indian Journal for Research in Law and Management, ISSN: 2583-9896.
- Ms. Manvi Mandiwal (21BBL172) in co-authorship with Rachit Jain (21BBL109) have published an article titled "Creditor Classification and Third-Party Assets: IBC's Unresolved Challenges" in Manupatra.

Blog Publication

- Khanak Himanshu Bhardwaj (23BAL018) published a blog titled 'Albinism and Stigmatization' in the Indian Journal for Research in Law and Management.
- Manul Singh (23BAL026) published a blog titled 'Rights of People of Unsound Mind' in the Indian Journal for Research in Law and Management.
- Sanya Singh (23BAL040) and Aishwarya Agnihotri (23BAL002) were awarded a Certificate of Merit for securing a position among the Top 15 blogs for their blog titled 'Legal Barriers and Breakthroughs: Addressing Gender-Based Violence through Criminal Law' in LawQuest organized by NMIMS Kirit P. Mehta School of Law's Centre for Research and Conferences, Mumbai.



- Ashutosh Pandey (23BBL015) published a blog titled "Recent Development in Sports Law" on the website of Khurana and Khurana Law Firm.
- Naquiya Saifee (22BAL166) published a blog titled 'Unveiling Freedom: Analysing the Societal Impact of Section 377 Repeal in BNS' under the Centre for Criminal Law and Justice of Institute of Law, Nirma University.
- Aryan Agarwal (23BAL004) published a blog titled 'Emerging Modern Indian Criminal Jurisprudence: BNS, BNSS, and BSA' under the Centre for Criminal Law and Justice of Institute of Law, Nirma University.
- Khushi Sahu (23BBL097) published a blog titled 'From Ignominy To Dignity: The Pedestal of Sex Workers Finally Gets Cleaned' under the Centre for Criminal Law and Justice of Institute of Law, Nirma University



- Sarthak Gupta (24BAL188) published a blog titled "Neurotechnology and legal personhood: Navigating the new frontier" in the Student Research Council of Institute of Law, Nirma University.
- Anand Singh (24BAL144) published a blog titled "Waqf (Amendment) Bill 2024- A Missed Opportunity?" on the blog platform of the Student Research Council (SRC) of Institute of Law, Nirma University.

CASE COMMENTARY PUBLICATION

 Khanak Himanshu Bhardwaj (23BAL018) published a case commentary on X v. Union of India in the Indian Journal for Research in Law and Management.



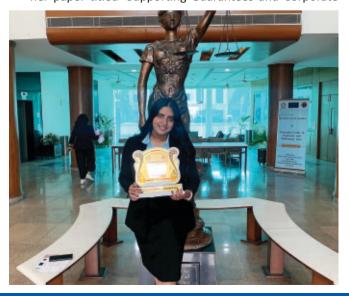


 Manul Singh (23BAL026) published a case commentary on 'Bombay Hospital and Research Centre vs Asha Jaiswal and Ors' in the Indian Journal for Research in Law and Management.



RESEARCH PRESENTATION

- Prabhav Tripathi (21BAL196) and Kshitij Srivastava (21BBL027) secured the 4th position at the 2nd NLUJ-IndusLaw Corporate Law Review Summit 2024, organized by National Law University Jodhpur in collaboration with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI). Their research article, titled "From Speculation to Stability: Sailing Through SEBI's Regulatory Index Derivatives Framework Proposal," was selected through a rigorous three-stage blind review process, with only 15 entries shortlisted for presentation. Their paper will also be published in the upcoming volume of the NLUJ Journal on Corporate Law & Governance (Volume VII, Issue 2).
- Kim Korwani (21BAL185) won the Best Paper Award for her paper titled 'Supporting Guarantees and Corporate



Insolvency: IBBI's Proposed Overhaul and a Comparative Exploration of Global Insolvency Paradigms' at the 4th Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala at Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co. Conclave on Emerging Trends in Insolvency & Bankruptcy Laws organized by the RGNUL Financial and Mercantile Law Review (RFMLR) in October'24

 Tanisha Gupta (23BAL053) presented her research paper titled "Breaking the Silence: Evaluating the Need & Effectiveness of Menstrual Paid Leave Policies in the Workplace" at the 3rd International Virtual Conference on October 19, 2024.



- Kim Korwani (21BAL185) presented her research article titled "Supporting Guarantees and Corporate Insolvency: IBBI's Proposed Overhaul and a Comparative Exploration of Global Insolvency Paradigms" at the prestigious 4th RGNUL-SAM Conclave 2024 in collaboration with Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas and emerged as the WINNER in the Conclave
- Aniruddha Kishore (23BBL069) and Akshay Nasi (23BALl076) presented a paper at the 4th SAM Conclave, organised by RGNUL Patiala. This event provided an excellent platform for academic exchange.



- Prawar Agrawal(22BAL041), Aarya Tyagi(22bal133) and Gurjot Singh(22BBL079) presented a research paper Titled "Revisiting the Dilemma of Danube Navigating State Practices and International Law to Ensure a Robust Blue Economy" at the 10th International Conference on Law and Economics organized by Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur.
- Niteen Kumar Jethani (24bal099) presented his research paper titled 'Expanding Access to Justice through Hybrid ADR Models: Combining Arbitration, Mediation and Online Dispute Resolution' in the CRC National Research

- Conference conducted by the Centre for Research and Conferences, NMIMS School of Law, Mumbai.
- Dipti Ojha (23BAL158) presented her paper titled "Beyond Human Hands: Rethinking Copyright Law for the Age of Al Creation" at the National Conference on "Navigating IP Challenges in the Digital Age: Focus on Artificial Intelligence and Emerging Technologies" organized by DPIIT-IPR CHAIR, at Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University, Lucknow on November 09, 2024.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

 Sanya Singh (23BAL040) and Aishwarya Agnihotri (23BAL002) has secured a position among the top 15 participants in Blog Writing Competition organized by NMIMS Kirti P. Mehta School of Law, Centre for Research and Conference (CRC), Mumbai. Their blog titled 'Legal

- Barriers and Breakthroughs: Addressing Gender-Based Violence through Criminal Law'.
- Khushi Sahu (23BBL097), a second-year student at the Institute of Law, Nirma University, has been elected as the Vice President of the Uttar Pradesh Legal Rights Consortium under WICCI. She will work for the recognition of women's rights throughout the state.
- Avani Girish Marudwar(21BAL013) won AIR 1 in the subdomain of "Law with IP" in the 7th edition of IPTSE -"Intellectual Property Talent Search Examination" conducted from October 14, 2024 to October 17, 2024. She was invited to the IPTSE Conclave held in Delhi on November 19, 2024.
- Aanshi Dagli (23BBL072) has received recognition for her essay titled, "Gender diversity at work: Striving for a diverse environment" among the Top 10 submissions in the NLIU-GJC Essay Writing Competition, 2024.

STUDENT CORNER

The Concert in Blue 6.0 by Music Committee

The Music Committee at the Institute of Law, Nirma University organized the Concert in Blue, a yearly musical showcase exclusively featuring first-year students on October 20th, 2024. The objective of this event was to encourage the first-year students to demonstrate their music talent and to create a vibrant atmosphere among them. A team of 14 students performed at the concert, and were selected through an audition process by the selection panel. Additionally, committee members from 2nd to 5th years were also selected for some special performances. The concert in Blue 6.0 was a successful event, inculcating a glorious musical spirit among the students.







STUDENT CORNER



Heritage Photo-walk by Photography Club

Avlokan, the Photography club of ILNU organized an exclusive Heritage Photo-Walk for first-year students on 5th November 2022. Total fifty-five students participated in the walk. The Heritage Walk started from Swaminarayan Temple, Kalupur at 8:00 am and finished at Jama Masjid at 10:30 am which was followed by breakfast at the iconic Chandravilas restaurant and an exciting jamming session by the members of the Music committee. The students were divided into groups and assisted by the respective tour guide assigned by the "Heritage Walk Ahmedabad". The participants were guided to the old architecture and structure of Ahmedabad and were amazed by them. Conclusively, it was an exhilarating activity that led to the creation of multiple memories.





Learner's Moot Court Competition

Moot Court Committee Internals (MCCI) of the Institute of Law, Nirma University (ILNU), successfully hosted the Learners' Moot Court Competition (LMCC) on November 16-17, 2024. The event introduced first-year law students to mooting and legal advocacy.

The competition consisted of three phases: Researcher's Test, Memorial Submissions, and Oral Rounds. A five-day preparatory workshop preceded the event, equipping participants with essential skills. Out of 62 teams, Team comprising Nandini Zunder (24BAL177), Prisha Jain(24BBL034), and Shreya Panchariya(24BBL042) emerged victorious, showcasing exceptional teamwork and legal expertise. The competition also recognized individual excellence, with Sonakshi Arya(24BBL046) and Shivansh Agrawal (24BBL041) winning the Best Memo award, Gitanshi Premchandani(24BAL159) and Khushbu Menghani(24BBL021) being declared Best Speakers, and Bhumi Mehta (24bbl084) and Sakshi Kashyap(24BAL186) receiving the Best Researcher award.







STUDENT CORNER

ILNU represents at Inter-College Sports Fest-Virudhaka at Bhopal

The Institute of Law, Nirma University participated in the 14th inter-college sports fest, Virudhaka, organized by the National Law Institute University, Bhopal, from October 10-13, 2024. Competing in Badminton (Men's Category) and Basketball (Men's and Women's), the 18-member contingent included 10 female and 8 male athletes.

The Boys' Basketball team, led by Captain Kuldeep Lohar (23BBL100), emerged victorious, with Kuldeep also recognized as the highest scorer of the tournament. The Girls' Basketball team, captained by Ziya Mansuri (21BBL167), secured 3rd place. Sanya Yadav (24BAL044)



performed notably, challenging top teams from prestigious law schools.

Theatre Workshop

The Institute of Law, Nirma University organized an engaging Theatre Workshop under the guidance of the esteemed director and writer, Mr. Sahil Khan. The workshop aimed to enhance students' skills in theatrical expression, specifically for a One Act Play, while providing a foundational understanding of theatre history. The workshop successfully combined theoretical and practical aspects, leaving attendees enriched with a profound understanding of theatre.

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

NSS Education Drive

NSS Unit of Institute of Law, Nirma University organized an education drive for children of construction workers from October 16, 2024. The drive is conducted daily. The main objective of the drive was to help the underprivileged children and try to teach them the very basics. Along with this the importance of education was emphasized. Lastly, the team engaged with the kids by playing fun games to make them comfortable and build a connection.

Legal Aid Visit to Jamiyatpura

The Legal Aid Clinic of the Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a field visit to the village of Jamiyatpura on October 5, 2024. The purpose of this visit was to spread awareness and information about topics such as cyber awareness, good touch-bad touch, awareness about women's rights, etc. The objective of the event was to help students understand and interact with the village panchayat and the Talati and to understand the complexity of the working process in the village.





EXTENSION ACTIVITIES



Visit to Gujarat High Court

The Lawyers Incubation Clinic at the Institute of Law, Nirma University, organized a visit to the Gujarat High Court on November 19, 2024. A team of 15 students, under the guidance of Advocate Kashyap Joshi, participated in this initiative aimed at offering practical insights into judicial processes and litigation. Emphasizing the importance of internships and grassroots-level experience, Adv. Joshi also reassured students that non-Gujarati speakers can thrive in the Gujarat High Court since English is the official language for arguments and judgments. The students concluded their visit by observing proceedings in specialized courtrooms, including Family Court (Courtroom No. 8) and the Service Court. The event was a valuable learning opportunity,



reinforcing the importance of practical exposure and continuous learning in the field of law.

INITIATIVES BY CAMPUS RECRUITMENT CELL

CRC ILNU organized Resume Building Master Class by Vahura

Campus Recruitment Cell, Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a Masterclass on Resume Preparation on October 14, 2024. Participants gained critical skills and insights into internship and legal career application processes. The interactive format promoted active involvement and deeper understanding of fundamental topics. It included tips on tailoring CVs for specific roles, formatting for clarity and professionalism, and effective cover letter structure and tone. Also, the interactive exercise encouraged peer collaboration through critiquing sample CVs.





INITIATIVES BY CAMPUS RECRUITMENT CELL

CRC ILNU organized Alumni City Meet in Lucknow

Campus Recruitment Cell, Institute of Law, Nirma University in collaboration with Nirma University Institute of Law Alumni Association (NUILAA) hosted Alumni City – Lucknow Chapter on October 18, 2024 at Awadh's Dastarkhwan in Lucknow. The meet was attended by 10 Alumni from different batches along with Mr. Nitesh Chaudhary, Assistant Professor, Dr. Arpit Sharma, Assistant Professor, as the event aimed to reconnect former students with the institution, celebrate their achievements, and foster networking opportunities among alumni. Mr. Nitesh Chaudhary opened the event, emphasizing the importance of alumni contributions to the Institution's growth. Alumni also expressed their participation in Institute events and they wanted to have regular engagement like this in future as well. Mr. Nitesh and Dr. Arpit concluded by expressing their appreciation to all participants for their presence and encouraged them to join future events with the same enthusiasm and engagement.



CRC ILNU organized Mock Interview and Individual Counselling Session

Campus Recruitment Cell, Institute of Law, Nirma University organized Mock Interview and Individual Counselling Session from October 14-19, 2024 which specially focused on each student's area of interests and competencies. The interviews offered a valuable preview and a realistic experience of engaging with potential employers. Subsequently, participants received individual feedback and counselling sessions.

Interaction with Alumni

The Campus Recruitment Cell, Institute of Law, Nirma University organised an engaging interaction with Ms. Deepika Bahirwani, an alumnus from the 2013-2018 batch, who currently serves as Principal Associate at Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas. During the session, Ms. Bahirwani shared her experiences and insights on internships, placement strategies, and the dynamic legal market. This interaction provided students with valuable perspectives on excelling in their legal careers.

Discussion with Alumni

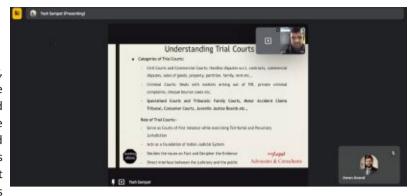
On December 11, 2024, the Campus Recruitment Cell, ILNU had the opportunity to converse with Mr. Yash Sampat, an alumnus from the 2010-2015 batch and currently working as an independent lawyer. The discussion included insights on internships, hiring and placement strategies and the evolving paradigm of the legal market mainly in litigation.



INITIATIVES BY CAMPUS RECRUITMENT CELL

Session on the "Importance of Trial Court Internship"

The Campus Recruitment Cell of the Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a session on the "Importance of Trial Court Internship" for first and second-year students on December 27, 2024. The session featured Mr. Yash Sampat, an esteemed alumnus from the batch of 2010-2015, who shared his valuable insights on the significance of internships at trial courts. This session aimed to provide students



with a deeper understanding of practical legal experience, enhancing their knowledge of the judicial process and preparing them for their future careers. The event proved to be an enriching experience for aspiring legal professionals.

Session on 'Law School Journey'

On December 20, 2024, the Campus Recruitment Cell (CRC) at Institute of Law, Nirma University conducted an enriching online session on 'Law School Journey' for 1st year students, along with Ms. Sristi Gautam, an alumnus of the 2014-2019 batch, an advocate at the London Holistic Advocacy Wrap Around Service under the NIA Project.

Ms. Sristi Gautam began by emphasizing how the knowledge and skills gained over five years lay a strong foundation for the future. A key takeaway from the session was the transformative nature of the law school experience. The speaker pointed out that the five years of intensive academic and extracurricular engagement reflect in the personality and professionalism of every graduate and beyond acquiring legal knowledge, students would develop essential skills such as critical thinking, communication, and self-representation.



Discussion on Institute's Strategic Planning

The Campus Recruitment Cell of the Institute of Law, Nirma University organized a meeting on December 10, 2024, to discuss the various opportunities available for law graduates. The invited speaker for the session was Mr. Santosh Mane, Head of Legal and Compliance at Zydus Wellness.

Additionally, the meeting also served as a platform to deliberate on the Institute's Strategic Planning for the period 2025–2030. Mr. Mane was invited to contribute as an external expert, providing his valuable insights, suggestions, and feedback to help shape the future direction of the Institute.

INITIATIVES BY CAMPUS RECRUITMENT CELL

Pre-placement Talk

Salot and Shah Associates conducted a Pre-Placement Talk for final-year students on December 7, 2024. During the session, Mr. Bhaumik Shah, Co-Founder of the firm, provided an overview of the firm's profile and shared insights into the nature of the work they engage in. Out of the 13 students



who participated in the process, 3 students were extended final internship offers.

Session on NGO Internship

The Campus Recruitment Cell, ILNU organised session on NGO Internship Orientation for 1st year students on December 5, 2024. Mr. Uttam Sharma, Founder, Humankind

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NGO was invited to conduct the session. Mr. Sharma shared his journey and valuable experience he got while working with needy people. He also outlined the internship program he offers and explained how students can apply to it.

Dr. Anviksha Pachori, Assistant Professor and Placement Coordinator explained the students about the importance of NGO internship. She also guided students about the kind of work and exposure that will be given if students choose Legal Service Authority Internship.

Mr. Aman Anand, Manager Corporate Relations, briefed students about the LinkedIn and its importance in a professional journey. He encouraged them to set up an account and initially navigate the platform for a fundamental understanding.

Career Guidance Seminar at Jaipur

Admission Team from Institute of Law conducted a Career Guidance Seminar in Jaipur on October 5, 2024 which was attended by many CLAT aspirants/prospective law students. Dr. Neeraj Kumar Gupta, Head Admission Cell, ILNU spoke about the diverse opportunities within law—spanning litigation, corporate law, public policy, and academia—while emphasizing the profession's societal impact and the importance of contributing to justice and reform. Following this, Dr. Arpit Sharma, Assistant Professor in Law discussed the need for law graduates to be practice-ready, highlighting skills like critical thinking, adaptability, and ethics. He encouraged students to gain practical experience through internships, moot courts, and hands-on learning to bridge theory with real-world application.



PLACEMENT UPDATE



Internships

- Priyanshi Jain (20BAL045), Suchetana Chakraborty (20BAL058), Shivani Bothra (20BAL133), Shreya Shukla (20BAL135), Archi Aditya (20BAL162), Ashish Dash (20BAL164), Dushyant Rathore (20BBL018), Ritika Sundrani (20BBL048) and Payodhi Agrawal (20BBL098) have received the internship from Dentons Link Legal.
- Vagmee SK Mishra (20BAL146), Yashika Mishra (20BAL074), Priyamvada Kaushik (20BAL043) and Aritra Ghosh (20BBL012) have received the internship from Arvind Limited.
- Aashay Jain (20BBL066) and Yash Gupta (20BBL130) have received the internship from Chelson Gordon Consultancy.
- Vinay Kella (20BAL072) and Sejal Gupta (20BBL108) have received the internship from Sagus Legal.
- Ayushi Chauhan (21BAL015), Pratishtha Shrivastava (21BAL049), Saakshi Annajigar (21BAL057), Sanskruti Makwana (21BAL060), Yashi Gupta (21BAL078), Falak Hooda (21BAL102), Anshika Singh (21BAL171), Aditya Sharma (21BBL006), Prakhar Ratnesh(21BBL044), Geethika P M (21BBL091), Kanika Saxena (21BBL144), Anjali Varandani (21BBL157) have received the Online Running Internship from The Law Reporters.
- Angel Guleri (22BAL010) has received the internship from Zydus Wellness.
- Osheen S (20BAL198) has received the internship from Arvind Limited.
- Sujan Shah (20BAL218) and Jay Parihar (20BBL025) have received the internship from Trivedi's Law Advocates and Associates.
- Ms. Divyanshi Singhai (20BAL022), Ms. Khilansha Mukhija (20BBL029) and Ms. Shrishti Sinha (20BAL217) have received the internship from Salot and Shah Associates.
- Prashant Dubey (20BAL210) has received the internship from Wadia Ghandy & Co. (Mumbai Office).
- Anushka Chand (20BAL012) has received the internship from Piramal Pharma Limited.

 Priya Prajapati (20BBL102), Suhani Tiwari (20BAL062), Shraddha Jain (20BBL112) and Somya Jain (20BAL216) have received the Internship from Arjun Sheth & Associates.

Alumni achievements

- Ms. Priyanka Bajpai, a graduate from Batch 2017 – 2022, has achieved the 8th Rank in the Rajasthan Judicial Services Examination 2024 on her first attempt
 - in the Services er first as Batch Senior
- Ms. Anugya Jain, alumnus Batch 2016-2021, promoted to Senior Associate in Nanavati and Nanavati Advocates.
- Mr. Yashovardhan Dixit, alumnus Batch 2013-2018, promoted to Senior Associate in MZM Legal LLP.
- Mr. Nihar Velani, alumnus Batch 2010-2015, cleared IRM's Level 1 Examination.
- Ms. Chaitali Sdayet, alumnus of Batch 2012 2017, has been promoted to Lead - Legal Compliance and Governance at LearningMate.
- Mr. Abhishek Vaidya, alumnus of Batch 2015 - 2020, has joined NITI Aayog, India's apex think tank, in its law vertical, contributing to policy development and governance for the Government of India.



Ms. Kriti Shekhawat and Ms. Aditi
 Fageria, alumnus of Batch 2015 – 2020, have cleared the
 Rajasthan Judicial Services Examination 2024 with rank
 80 and 105 respectively.

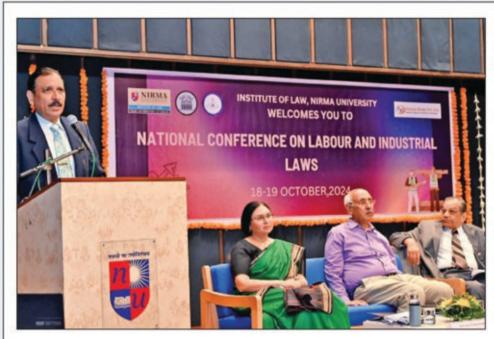


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Conf on Labour & Industrial Laws at Nirma

A 2-day national conference on Challenges in Labour and Industrial Laws started at the Institute of Law, Nirma University, on Friday, Justice BC Patel, former J&K and Ladakh HC Chief Justice was the chief guest. Dr Anup K Singh, DG of Nirma University. retired DGP Ajay Kumar Tomar, Dr Dharmang Baxi, Dr Madhuri Parikh, Director and Dean (1/c) of the Institute of Law, were present on the occasion.

નિરમા ઇન્સ્ટિટ્યૂટમાં મેડિટેશન પર વર્કશોપ



નિરમા ઇન્સ્ટિટ્યૂટના લૉ વિભાગ દ્વારા સેન્ટર ફોર અલ્ટરનેટીવ ડિસ્પુટ રીઝોલ્યુશન ખાતે 'વર્કશોપ ઓન મેડિટેશનઃ થિયરી એન્ડ પ્રેક્ટિસ' થીમ આધારિત વર્કશોપનું આયોજન કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું. આ વર્કશોપમાં નિષ્ણાંતોએ વિદ્યાર્થીઓને બે દિવસ મેડિટેશન વિશે માર્ગદર્શન આપ્યું હતું. મેડિટેશન વર્કશોપમાં પ્રેક્ટિકલ અને થિયોરોટીકલ ઊંડાણપૂર્વકની સમજ, સિદ્ધાંતો અને પદ્ધતિઓનું શિક્ષણ આપવામાં આવ્યું હતું. મેડિટેશનનો ઉપયોગ યુવાનોમાં રોજિંદા જીવનના સંઘર્ષમાં શાંત રહીને કરિયર પર ફોકસ કરવાનું શીખવવામાં આવ્યું હતું. આ સાથે વર્કશોપમાં વિદ્યાર્થીઓએ એક્સપર્ટ પાસેથી યોગ્ય પ્રેક્ટિકલ મેડીટેશન પદ્ધતિ શીખી હતી.



નિરમા યુનિવર્સિટીમાં બંધારણ દિવસની ઉજવણી કરાઇ હતી, જેમાં ક્વિઝ, જજમેન્ટ ડિસ્કશન જેવી કોમ્પિટિશમાં સ્ટુડન્ટ્સે પોતાના મંતવ્ય આપ્યા હતા.

ભાગાન સ્કૂલઓફ ઇન્ડિયા યુનિવર્સિટી, બેંગલોરના ઉપકુલપતિ પ્રો. સુધીર કૃષ્ણસ્વામીએ કહ્યું. બંધારણનો અભ્યાસ કરતી વખતે ન્યાયતંત્રની ભૂમિકા સમજવી અત્યંત મહત્ત્વની છે

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સિટી લાઇક ! નિરમા યુનિવર્સિટીના કાયદા સંસ્થા (ILNU) એ તાજેતરમાં બંપારશ કાયદા પર એક વ્યાખ્યાનનું આયોજન કવું હતું. આ સત્તના મહાન પ્રવક્તા તરીકે નેશનલ હો રફ્ક ઓક ઇન્ડિયા યુનિવર્સિટી (NLSIU),બંગલોરના ઉપકુલપતિ, પો. (ડૉ.) સુધીર કૃપ્લાસ્વામી ઉપસ્થિત રહ્યા. આ પરંગે વાત કરતા પો. સુધીર કૃપ્લાસ્વામીએ કહ્યું કે,બારતનું બંધારશ લાંભા ઐતિહાસિક પ્રક્રિયાનો પરિશામ છે, જે વિવિધ ઘટકો, જેમ કે બ્રિટિશ સરકાર, ભારતીય નેતાઓ, અને રજવાડા રાજ્યો દારા થડાયું છે. ૧૯૪૯માં ડ્રાફ્ટિંગ પરિચા શરૂ થઈ હતી અને ૧૯૫૦માં પૂર્ણ થઈ હતી, લે કે તેનું મૂળ એક સદીથી લપુ સમય પહેલાં છે, બંધારણના ચર્ચાઓના આકાઈપણ, આઘદાના પાઠયપુર્સ્સાઓની બહાર, બંધારણનો સમજવામાં મહત્ત્વપૂર્ણ ભાગ ભજવે છે, જેનાથી નિયમો પાછળના ઈરાદા અને તેમના સતત પ્રભાવને સમજવાની મહત્તા પ્રકારિત થાય છે. તેમણે બંધારણ કાયદાના મૂળ સંસોપન પર ભાર મૂક્લો, જેમ કે કોન્ડિટ્સ્યુસન ઓક ઈન્ડિયાનેટ અને સુધીમ કોર્ટ ઓબ્ઝવંર જેવા સ્ત્રોતા તેમની મુખ્ય ફૃતિઓ છે અને કાયદા જગતમાં બંધારણ કાયદા અપડેટ્સ માટે શેષ્ઠ





કોર્ટીએ સમયાંતરે બંધારણનો અર્થ પણ બદલ્યો છે

બંધારણનો અભ્યાસ કરતી વખતે ન્યાયતંત્રની ભુમિકા સમજવી અત્યંત મહત્ત્વની છે. ખાસ કરીને બંધારણના સિલ્ફાંતોને ઘડવામાં ન્યાયાલયે ભજવેલી ભુમિકા. કોર્ટોએ બંધારણને માત્ર અનુવાદિત જ ન કર્યું છે. પણ સમય દરમિયાન બંધારણનો અર્થે પણ ઘણો ભદયો છે. જેનાની કેસ કાનુન ભારતીય બંધારણની વિધાનભાજાની વિકાસ પ્રક્રિયામાં મહત્ત્વપૂર્ણ બને છે. સિદ્ધાંત વાંચનોથી બંધારણ કાયદાનો પુરો વ્યાપ સમજવો પુરંતું નથી. કેમ કે ન્યાયાલયોના નિર્ણયોમાં આ સિદ્ધાંતોના વાસ્તવિક અસર અને તેઓ પાસનને કેવી રીતે ઘડે છે તેની શંદાજ મળે છે.





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