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## DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2020

### 1. INTRODUCTION

This Annual Report on the working of the University has been prepared by the Executive Council for presentation to the General Council in pursuance of the requirement under Section 12(2)(iii)(a) of the NALSAR University Act, 1998. The period covered is the calendar year **from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.**

### 2. CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY

**Hon'ble Shri Justice Raghvendra Singh Chauhan**, Chief Justice of High Court for the State of Telangana was Chancellor from April 3, 2019 to January 6, 2021.

**Hon'ble Smt Justice Hima Kohli**, Chief Justice of High Court for the State of Telangana is the current Chancellor of the University w.e.f. January 7, 2021.

### 3. MEETINGS OF THE UNIVERSITY BODIES AND OTHER COMMITTEES

During the period under report, meetings of the following University bodies were held on the dates noted against each:

Academic Council	March 28, 2020 (Online); and May 16, 2020 (Online)
Executive Council	January 25, 2020; March 28, 2020(Online) and July 1, 2020
Finance Committee	January 25, 2020; March 28, 2020(Online) and July 1, 2020
General Council	The meeting was scheduled to be held on April 4, 2020 and meeting notice was also sent to all the Hon'ble members. As per the instructions of the Hon'ble Chancellor, the meeting was postponed due to the COVID-19 health emergency and subsequent lockdowns announced by the Central and State Governments.
Building Committee	January 25, 2020
Faculty Meetings	January 22, 2020; March 11, 2020; May 30, 2020 (Online); October 4, 2020 (Online); and December 9, 2020 (Online)
Research Committee	December 3 – 5, 2020 (Online)

Academic & Examination Committee	All the Academic & Examinations committee and PG Committee meetings were held online periodically. Particularly due to COVID-19 number of online meetings / discussions were held during the year with regard to conduct of online classes and change in the evaluation pattern.
PG Committee	
Scholarship Committee	January 11, 2021 and January 25, 2021
IT Committee	January 15, 2020; February 19, 2020
IQAC Meetings	March 4, 2020, May 14, 2020 (Online), September 27, 2020 (Online), October 3, 2020
CIQA Meetings	April 25, 2020 (Online), June 21, 2020 (Online)

#### **4. COVID-19: UNIVERSITY CHALLENGES AND RESPONSES - A BRIEF REPORT**

The sudden onslaught of COVID-19 pandemic leading to suspension of classes from 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 and lock-down of the university right in the middle of the semester had the full potential to derail the academic programme and pushed the university into deep crisis and uncertainty. However, due to the collective efforts of the students, teachers, staff and administration after a short suspension of three days, classes were resumed in an online mode. There were some initial struggles in selecting the platform for the online classes, as well as in getting accustomed to the platforms; however, both faculties and students settled down with online classes and the remaining classes of the semester were successfully conducted. In recognition of the fact that all students may not have internet bandwidth once they were back home, recordings of the classes were made available on class groups. In a show of solidarity, students posted class notes and pen drives to their batch mates situated in remote areas of the country where internet access was not available. Thus, the university could successfully complete all courses of the January-April 2020 semester as per its earlier notified schedule.

Cognizant of the personal and familial difficulties that students may be encountering at home, the Academic Committee shared the design of the June-October 2020 semester with the students and faculties before finalizing the same. The semester schedule, mode of execution of the classes, evaluation was settled after close consultation with the SBC as also other students who raised concerns on equity and fairness of online education. The semester design essentially was prepared in recognition of the fact that the nature of the problem that any member of the university community could face could not be completely predicted or addressed.

### **A) Waiver of mandatory attendance**

In recognition that not all students have the internet access or adequate bandwidth or limiting home environment, the mandatory attendance of live classes was not insisted upon. However, to ensure that students keep abreast of the developments in classes the pattern of continuous assessment was followed.

### **B) Online classes and supportive measures**

In an endeavor to make access to online classes as equitable and inclusive as possible, the following actions were taken:

- The University opted for CISCO-Webex instead of Zoom because it has a phone-in facility, making the classes accessible to many more people.
- The University continued with its policy of recompensing students and faculty for the upgradation of their data packs
- Pen drives carrying the recordings of the classes of the week were sent to all students who were unable to watch and listen in all the classes.
- Laptops were procured and loaned to students who were in need of them.
- In order to lessen students screen time, hard copies of the study materials were couriered to all students except those who had opted out of the scheme due to ecological preferences. The special needs of students with low vision were kept in mind in creating the materials.
- The classes were live recorded and such recordings made available so as to ensure that even students who could not attend the class or classes have the benefit of watching and listening in to class discussions.
- University invested around 3.43 crores on 1,74,503 e-Books so that students can have remote access to the library.

### **C. Nalsar Forums**

The Student Academic Committee created The FORUMS, a platform which served as repository of classes, reading materials and facilitated interactions and posting of questions and discussion forums for each course offered. DGV Rithvik played a leading role in conceiving and running these forums.

### **D. Tests and Evaluation**

- Four weekly tests and optional project submission was the evaluation pattern followed for mandatory courses.
- In the face of uncertainty that everyone was exposed to at the time, no student was compelled to take any test. Students were allowed to avail an option to write few tests during the ongoing semester and a few in December. No questions were asked or explanations sought from students who opted to stagger their tests in December.

The university was guided by equity and empathy in designing the academic program for the semester and these two values coupled with a spirit of

cooperation and collaboration helped us to navigate the January-April and July-October 2020 semesters.

Flexibility without compromising on the learning experience guided us in designing the semester for the newly admitted LLB first year and LLM first term students. University did not compromise on the number of classes required for each course but instead of asking the LLB students to do one project for each subject, they were asked to do one research project for one credit so that the skills of writing and research could be cultivated. University also opted for an intense semester for the new batches so that the academic calendar could come at par for the entire university. Consequently, for the earlier batches the University closed in October 2020 and for the new batches the class ended in December 2020 and examinations were conducted in January 2021. The university reopened for all batches on 18th January 2021 and the academic session is now on schedule.

Overall the University could avert a major crisis and delay in semester schedules by a collective effort of all the stakeholders in the system.

During this period, for the first time, the Student Bar Council (SBC) elections were also held seamlessly in an online mode.

As per the instructions of the Hon'ble Chancellor, the the Regular Faculty selections, Ph.D presentations and all the important meetings were held online without compromising on the University's procedures.

#### **E. Welfare measures**

University has tried its best to extend its helping hand to the Students and Staff during the unprecedented Covid-19 emergency:

- University gave 'COVID-19 Financial Assistance' to the tune of 3.74 crores to all the students including the students admitted in the academic year 2020-21 during the year under report.
- Scholarship amounts were drastically increased from from 40 lakhs to 75 lakhs.
- University Staff were paid full salaries during the entire period of lockdown.
- Full Wages were paid to House Keeping, Horticultural, Civil workers, and STP AMC staff.
- Minimum required security staff was deployed by providing them free accommodation and food at Campus and the remaining security staff were paid full wages.
- Rice & Vegetables were supplied to Construction Labours who were staying in Campus.
- University additionally compensated the Essential Services Staff members like Cooks, Electricians, Plumber, Carpenter & other cleaning staff etc. by paying Hardship allowance for their duties during the lockdown period.
- Mediated with the State Government Officials for sending the Construction Labours to their native places during lockdown period.

- To put all safety protocols in place at the campus, Sensor based Sanitizers, Sensor Type Bib Cocks, Pillar Cocks and Urinal Sensors are installed in some of the rest rooms in Administration Building, Academic Block, Library and Dining Hall. Stand Sanitizers were provided in all the buildings. Hand sanitizers & Vitamin Tablets were supplied to staff. Sanitization on regular intervals is being done using Hydroxychloroquine chemical based Spray sanitizers at Campus.
- University has initiated the construction of University Health Clinic with an estimated cost of 4.50 crores.

#### **F. NALSAR for Migrant Workers**

During COVID-19 pandemic situation, NALSAR alumni and students have come together to raise funds for the relief efforts to help migrant workers stranded across the country. This unprecedented crisis has caused several millions of workers to put their lives at risk to reach home. The collective, NALSAR for Migrant Workers, collaborated with government, transport service providers and civil society and helped the workers reach their homes safely and provided access to food and medical supplies.

The collective was involved in relief efforts in and around Bengaluru, Delhi, Chennai, Hyderabad, Coimbatore and many other areas from where requests for assistance have come in from – Asind (Rajasthan), Palakkad (Kerala), and Karimnagar (Telangana) amongst others.

### **5. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS, TEACHERS AND OTHER STAFF**

#### **A) Appointment of Professor Emeritus**

The Executive Council considering the academic experience, publications and other research contribution of Prof. Amita Dhanda and also considering her contribution to the University in various capacities, unanimously recommended to the Hon'ble Chancellor to appoint Prof. Amita Dhanda as Professor Emeritus w.e.f. December 1, 2020, after her superannuation as Professor at NALSAR.

As the admissions for the 2020-21 academic year were delayed due to the COVID-19, the semester for the said batch was scheduled between October 2020 – January 2021. As per the instructions of the Hon'ble Chancellor, the term of Prof. Amita Dhanda's was extended till January 31, 2021.

Prof. Amita Dhanda has joined as Professor Emeritus on February 1, 2021 after her superannuation on January 31, 2021.

#### **B) Appointment of Faculty on regular / contractual basis**

The advertisement inviting applications for various positions in Department of Law, Department of Social Sciences and Humanities & Department of

Management Studies was issued during May, 2018. As per the directions of the UGC, regular selection process was not held in any University during the year 2018-2019. In the meantime, the UGC notified new Regulations on Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and Other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education in July, 2018.

Due to some changes in the said Regulations, the University adopted the Regulations and prepared the revised application form and the formats for direct recruitment as well as for CAS. Accordingly, all the candidates who had applied earlier were asked to resubmit their applications. On the instructions of Hon'ble Chancellor, it is decided to hold online selection process.

Based on the academic record, teaching experience, performance before the Selection Committee, the following candidates **were appointed on regular basis** in consultation with the Hon'ble Chancellor in December, 2020:

Department of Law:

S.No.	Name	Qualification	Designation
1.	Dr. Yogesh Pratap Singh	LLM; M.A.; Ph.D. ; UGC NET (Law)	Professor (Law)
2.	Prof. L. Pushpa Kumar	LL.M. (Labour & Administrative Law); UGC NET; Ph.D. Post Doctoral Research; JRF ;	Professor (Law)
3.	Dr. Pathakji Neha Amit	LL.M; Ph.D.	Associate Professor (Law)
4.	Dr. Anirban Chakraborty	LL.M.; M. Phil.; Ph.D.	Associate Professor (Law)

Department of Mangement Studies:

S.No.	Name	Qualification	Designation
1.	Dr. Pinaki Nandan Pattanaik	MBA ; MBA ; International Business; Ph.D. 2013	Associate Professor (Marketing)
2.	Dr. Y.V. Ramana Murthy	MBA, Finance ; Ph.D. Commerce & Management Studies 2014	Associate Professor (Finance)

3.	Dr. Mahendra Kumar Shukla	B. Tech ; Ph. D – Business Management	Assistant Professor (Business Analytical)
4.	Mr. Praveen Munukutla	B.Com; CA- Final; NET	Assistant Professor (Finance)
5.	Dr. Asish Kumar Panda	B.Sc- Engineering; PG Diploma in Management; Ph.D	Assistant Professor (HRM)
6.	Dr. A. Kishore Kumar	B.Sc; MHRM; MBA (Mktg); M.Sc., Psychology; NET –Personal Management; M. Phil – HRM; Ph. D - HRM	Assistant Professor (HRM)
7.	Dr. Rahul Gandhi Burra	B.Tech; MBA- International Business; Ph.D –Management; NET – Management	Assistant Professor (Operation Management)

As per the recommendations of the Executive Council, the following Faculty Member from Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi was appointed on contractual basis for a period of two years:

S.No.	Name	Qualification	Designation
1.	Dr. Manisha Sethi	M.A.; M.Phil.; Ph.D.	Associate Professor (Sociology)

Besides, the following teachers / officers were appointed on contractual basis with consolidated pay / pay scale based on the recommendations of the Selection Committee and / or performance at mock classes or keeping in view their outstanding academic career and experience:

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification
1.	Ms. Akansha Singh	Assistant Professor	M.A. English, UGC NET
2.	Ms. Prerna	Assistant Professor	LL.M. (NALSAR); UGC NET
3.	Ms. Bishakha Ghosh	Assistant Professor	M.Sc. (Economics); PG Diploma in Financial Economics; M.Phil.

4.	Ms. Niharika Salar	Assistant Professor	LL.M. (NUS Singapore)
5.	Mr. Gumparathi Vivek Pani	Assistant Professor (Marketing)	M.B.A. (NALSAR) Pursuing Ph.D (IIM, Kashipur)

**C) Appointment of Research Staff on contractual basis:**

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification
1.	Ms. Shreya Padukone	Research Associate	B.Sc., LL.B.(Hons.) from GNLU

**D) Appointment of Non-Teaching Staff on contractual basis:**

S. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Mr. Simhachalam	Attendant- cum-Driver
2.	Mr. B. Jaihind	Attendant
3.	Mr. D. Nani Babu	Attendant
4.	Mr. S. Nagesh	Attendant
5.	Mr. Anand	Record Assistant
6.	Ms. S. Kalpana	Cleaner

**6. ELECTIVE / SEMINAR COURSES, SPECIAL LECTURES, GUEST LECTURES BY EXTERNAL EXPERTS**

**A) External Experts invited for offering of Elective Courses / Seminar Courses**

The COVID-19 Pandemic situation did not drastically affect the University's efforts in offering courses by eminent academicians, judges, professionals, industry experts. Actually speaking, the University has taken the advantage of online classes and invited number of experts for offering of elective / seminar courses of varying credits during this period. Following are the details of elective/seminar courses offered by domestic / international experts during the year under report:

S. No.	Course Title	Offered by
1	Advanced Course in Patents	<b>Dr Anindya Sircar</b> is currently engaged in consulting, strategizing, teaching and training programs in the field of Intellectual Property management. Dr. Sircar had been Associate Vice

		<p>President and Head of IP with Infosys Limited for over five years and was responsible for all IP activities of Infosys Limited and its subsidiaries. Prior to this he was heading the IP Department Biocon Group – a premiere biotechnology company in Bangalore, India and was instrumental in setting up the IP practices for the Biocon Group.</p> <p>Additionally, he has been a Visiting Professor to several NLUs and Management Institutes.</p> <p><a href="https://in.linkedin.com/in/anindyasircar">https://in.linkedin.com/in/anindyasircar</a>&gt;</p>
2	Ambedkar's Preamble: A Secret History of the Constitution of India	<p><b>Mr. Aakash Singh Rathore</b> is author of eight books and Series Editor of <i>Rethinking India</i> (14 vols, Penguin/Vintage) and also editor of its first volume, <i>Vision for a Nation: Paths and Perspectives</i> (with Ashis Nandy). Rathore's 20 authored and edited books range from political philosophy, law, and religion to literature, sports, and wine. He is the Series Editor of <i>Ethics, Human Rights and Global Political Thought</i> (Routledge) and <i>Religion and Democracy: Reconceptualizing Religion, Culture, and Politics in Global Context</i> (Oxford University Press). Among his new and forthcoming books are <i>Ambedkar's Preamble: A Secret History of the Constitution of India</i> (Vintage/Penguin, 2020) and <i>B. R. Ambedkar: The Quest for Justice</i> (5 vols, Oxford University Press, 2020), as well as <i>B. R. Ambedkar: A Definitive Biography</i> (Macmillan, forthcoming).</p>
3	Suffering	<p><b>Ms. Amulya Purushothama</b> is a recent graduate of the Stanford Programme in International Legal Studies (SPILS) (J.S.M. 2019). Prior to that she worked as a graduate fellow at Azim Premji University in Bangalore (2015-2017). And before that she graduated with a B.A. LL.B (Hons.) from NALSAR in 2015.</p>
4	Locating Texts: Methods and Forms (Social Science Seminar)	<p><b>Ms. Akansha Singh</b>, holds a Master's degree in English from Centre for English Studies, JNU with specialization in Narrative Studies, Law &amp; Literature, Translation Studies. She has taught subjects like Introduction to Critical</p>

		Thinking at Ashoka University and Basics of Academic writing, Tracing patterns in Acts of Resistance etc. at NALSAR.
5	Basics of Academic Writing (Social Science Seminar)	<b>Ms. Akansha Singh</b>
6	Documents & Bureaucracy (Social Science Seminar)	<b>Dr. Shagufta Bhangu</b> is a PhD Research Scholar in the Department of Sociology, Shiv Nadar University. Her research is ethnographic in nature and explores the emergence of pain medicine and pain clinics in India. Ms. Bhangu has previously taught at Shiv Nadar University and at Hindu College, University of Delhi. In 2017-2018, she was awarded the Fulbright-Nehru Doctoral Fellowship and spent a year in UCSF and UC Berkeley's Medical Anthropology programme.
7	Documents and Bureaucracy (Social Science Seminar)	<b>Dr. Shagufta Bhangu</b>
8	Ethnographies of Labour (Social Science Seminar)	<b>Dr. Shagufta Bhangu</b>
9	Political Ecology (Social Science Seminar)	<b>Dr. Lavanya Suresh</b> is an Assistant Professor at BITS-Pilani, Hyderabad campus. Her areas of research interest are political ecology, decentralisation and public administration. Her work has been published in journals of repute like the <i>Economic &amp; Political Weekly</i> , <i>South Asia Research</i> among others. Her most recent publication is a book titled "Decentralised Democracy: Gandhi's Vision and Indian Reality" co-authored with Prof. M.V. Nadkarni and N. Sivanna published by Routledge in 2018. She has a PhD in Political Science from the Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC). Prior to working at BITS, she was an Assistant Professor at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Hyderabad. She was also awarded the visiting research scholar fellowship under the Graduate Development Program of the Watson Institute of International Studies' at Brown University, USA in 2012.
10	Corporeality and Culture (Social Science Seminar)	<b>Dr. Shilpaa Anand</b> has a PhD in Disability Studies from the University of Illinois at Chicago and an MA in English from the University of Hyderabad. Her

		<p>research interests include literary and cultural disability studies, historiography of disability and culturally different concepts of corporeality. In her doctoral work she explored the conceptual history of disability in the Indian context.</p> <p>Having worked at different universities in Hyderabad since 2009, she has previously taught courses in literary theory and criticism, cultural studies, comparative literature, nineteenth century fiction as well as American literature.</p> <p>Her papers have been published in edited volumes on disability studies in India and South Asia as well as in scholarly journals. She moderates a lively email list called Disability Studies India and has co-edited multiple issues on disability of the web magazine <i>Cafe Dissensus</i>. She has recently become associated with the Centre for Disability Studies at NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad as Distinguished Research Fellow. She presently serves on the editorial board of the journal <i>Disability Studies Quarterly</i>.</p>
11	Emergency Jurisprudence (Social Science Seminar)	<p><b>Dr. Manisha Sethi</b>, is a Sociologist by training. Her research interests encompass a wide range: from gender and religion, to law and counterterrorism. Her doctoral work was an ethnographic study of the nuns of the Jain tradition. She has written extensively on the discourse of counterterrorism and the legal regimes that accompany it. Her current work examines the relationship between religion and law.</p> <p>She is the author of <i>Escaping the World: Women Renouncers among Jains</i> (Routledge, 2012) and <i>Kafkaland: Law, Prejudice and Counterterrorism in India</i> (Three Essays, 2014).</p>
12	Civil Litigation & Arbitration: A Primer	<p><b>Dr. Amit George</b> is a practicing Advocate of High Court of Delhi. He has appeared as an arguing counsel in various matters resulting in reported judgments in diverse areas of law such as contract, arbitration, administrative, property, service and labor law.</p>

		<p>He also frequently appears before various arbitral tribunals in <i>ad-hoc</i> and institutional arbitrations, with a special focus on infrastructure disputes. He has been appointed as an arbitrator on various occasions by the High Court of Delhi and the Delhi International Arbitration Centre.</p> <p>Dr. George is the author of the book titled '<i>Minority Rights in a Cosmopolitan World</i>' [Media House: 2018], and frequently contributes opinion pieces and articles on issues of contemporary legal relevance. He has also held guest lectures at the National Law University, Delhi, the Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi, the Jindal Global Law School, Sonapat and the Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussorie.</p>
13	Affirmative Action and the Constitution of India	<p><b>Mr. Abhinav Chandrachud</b> is an advocate who practices at the Bombay High Court. He is the author of numerous books, including <i>Republic of Rhetoric: Free Speech and the Constitution of India</i> (Penguin 2017) and <i>Republic of Religion: The Rise and Fall of Colonial Secularism in India</i> (Penguin 2020). He has written for several leading newspapers in India including The Hindu and The Indian Express, and is presently a columnist with Bloomberg Quint. He graduated from Harvard Law School (where he was a Dana Scholar) and Stanford Law School (where he was a Franklin Family Scholar).</p>
14	Transfer Pricing and Taxation of Digital Economy	<p><b>Ms. Ananya Kapoor</b> graduated from Law School in 2013, from New Delhi and thereafter did her BCL from University of Oxford, UK on a full scholarship awarded by Mr. Harish Salve, and graduated with a distinction. She was also awarded the TATA Trust Foundation Scholarship.</p> <p>Her area of expertise is corporate taxation, international taxation and Transfer Pricing. She litigated at the Tax Tribunal, High Court and Supreme Court and also did tax planning and advisory work. In February, 2020, She was also awarded the 'Best Rising Star in Tax' award.</p>

15	Commercial Remedies in the times of COVID-19	<p>The instructors are practising advocates at the Bombay High Court, with practise areas extending to arbitration, insolvency, commercial disputes and writ remedies.</p> <p><b>Mr. Dhruva Gandhi</b> is a graduate of NLSIU, Bangalore. He completed his BCL from the University of Oxford, where he read Commercial Remedies and Constitutional Theories.</p> <p><b>Ms. Vinodini Srinivasan</b> graduated from NLSIU Bangalore in 2014. She was, previously, a Senior Associate at Keystone Partners, Mumbai and a Business Analyst at McKinsey &amp; Co, where she consulted with India's leading automobile manufacturers, IT companies and banks on business strategy.</p>
16	Base Erosion and Profit Sharing (Seminar)	<p><b>Ms. Prerna Peshori</b> is a Chartered Accountant and Tax Lawyer. She has been associated with the large consulting firms in International tax advisory and litigation. She had developed and taught International tax course for CA Final Students at all India level. She did her LL.M in International Taxation from Vienna University as FIT Scholar 2019.</p>

## B) Scholars in Residence

The University invited the following eminent scholars from different countries to offer courses during the year under report:

S. No.	Course Title	Offered by
1	Regulatory Governance	<p><b>Timothy D. Lytton</b> Distinguished University Professor &amp; Professor of Law; Associate Dean for Research &amp; Faculty Development, Georgia State University College of Law, Atlanta, Georgia, United States. Having 28 years of experience in teaching postgraduate legal education and conducting academic research.</p> <p>Worked in Albert &amp; Angela Farone Distinguished Professor of Law, Albany Law School, Albany, New York, United States (2000-2015), Associate</p>

		Professor of Law, New York Law School, New York, New York, United States (1997-2000), Assistant Professor of Law, Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, United States (1991-1993)
2	Law and Religion: National, International and Comparative Perspectives (Social Science Seminar)	<p><b>Prof. Cole W Durham Jr.</b>, Founding Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies at BYU, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah 84602 U.S.A.</p> <p>A graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School, where he was a Note Editor of the Harvard Law Review and Managing Editor of the Harvard International Law Journal.</p> <p>He served as the Secretary of the American Society of Comparative Law, and he is also an Associate Member of the International Academy of Comparative Law in Paris</p>
3	Comparative Constitutional Law	<p><b>Professor Tony Blackshield AO</b> Emeritus Professor of Law, Macquarie University (Australia); Visiting Professorial Fellow, University of NSW (Australia); Honorary Professor, Indian Law Institute (New Delhi) Worked in Dept of Jurisprudence &amp; Int'l Law, University of Sydney, LaTrobe University: Professor of Legal Studies, Macquarie University: Professor of Law,</p>
4	Text and Context in the Study of Law and Literature (Social Sc. Seminar)	<p><b>Dr. Rosemary Huisman</b> Having 42 years at The University of Sydney in undergraduate and postgraduate courses and postgraduate thesis supervision and examination. After formal retirement occasional teaching and supervision at Macquarie University, Sydney.</p> <p>Author of <i>The Written Poem, Semiotic Conventions from Old to Modern English</i> (Cassell 1998; Continuum 2000); co-author of <i>Narrative and Media</i> (Cambridge U.P., 2005); numerous chapters/papers on legal</p>

		language and literary language, most recently: "The discipline of English literature from the perspective of SFL register," <b>Language, Context and Text (2019)</b> 1.1:102-20. Also a published poet.
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### C) 'I-TALK' SESSIONS FOR THE MBA STUDENTS BY INDUSTRY EXPERTS

The Department of Management Studies organizes 'I-Talk' sessions with industry experts on various functional areas of management as a part of its academia-industry coalition. These endeavors' enable students learn contemporary business practices. Details of the I-Talk sessions and other events conducted during the year under report are presented below:

S. No	Date	Topic	Industry Expert	Description of the Program
1	23/05/2020	Changing workplace realities and Careers: Expectations from Campus hires.	Mr. Prasanna Kuthe Vice President - Human Resources - AVINEON Hyderabad	The activities pertaining to the imbibing skills essential for future managers and how to develop necessary attitude/skills to cope up with Covid scenario
2	07/06/2020	How to Emerge As a Preferred Recruit in Post COID -19 Job Market	Mr. Nilanjan Mukherjee, Deputy General Manager- HR at Relaxo Group	The activities pertaining to the imbibing skills essential for future managers and how to develop necessary attitude/skills to cope up with Covid scenario
3	11/07/2020	Career in Sales & Marketing: prospects and Challenges	Mr. Rounaq Garwa, Cluster Manager at Aditya Birla Sun Life	Importance of Sales and Marketing roles and how to develop the necessary skills to excel
4	18/07/2020	Acing a Sales and marketing Protfolio Interview	Mr.Kuldip Sarma, Associate Vice President at Bharti Axa Life Insurance	Importance of Sales and Marketing roles and how to develop the necessary skills to excel
5	25/07/2020	Career Mapping Post MBA: What you need to do today?	Ms. Surya Sharma, Assistant Manager	Importance of being knowledgeable about the current happenings in the

S. No	Date	Topic	Industry Expert	Description of the Program
			(Corporate & Digital Strategy) at Tata Coffee Limited	corporate world and changing one's self in accordance to it to last in the ever-changing business environment.
6	01/08/2020	Career Mapping Post MBA: What you need to do today?	Ms. Nandini Ghosh, Managing Consultant at VAHURA	Insights on implementation of education curriculum in the work place.
7	08/08/2020	Career Mapping Post MBA: What you need to do today?	Ms. Aditi Chandani, Senior Manager at Stakeholder Empowerment Services	Insights on different job roles and practicality of business environment and its requisites.
8	16/08/2020	Career Mapping Post MBA: What you need to do today?	Ms.Surbhi Chawla, Business Operations Manager at Classic Informatics	Importance of Networking, research orientation, understanding customer face, learning by being open.
9	22/08/2020	Career Mapping Post MBA: What you need to do today?	Ms.Ritika Gupta, Associate at Natwest Group	Importance of external and introspective aspects towards the business environment to sustain in the current era's business world. Also, insights on current finance sector.
10	12/09/2020	Leadership for New Millennium	Mr.Kanishka Das, Head Shared Services HR at IKS Health	Insights on concepts like 'Myth of sovereignty of customers,' 'customer bureaucracy,' 'Stockdale paradox,' 'essentials for leaders of this era' in ever changing and dynamic business environment.
11	19/09/2020	Career Mapping Post MBA: What you need to do today?	Ms.Krishna Deepika Koduri, Consultant at KPMG	Insights on Credit rating, Credit risk analysis sector along with Fintech and its latest role in financial sector.

<b>S. No</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Industry Expert</b>	<b>Description of the Program</b>
12	03/10/2020	Career Mapping Post MBA: What you need to do today?	Ms.Lakshmi Jyothi Gandham, Product Marketing Manager at Netcore Solutions	Insights on new emerging marketing tools and their impact on management graduates. Also insights on B2B, B2C marketing and cloud computing
13	07/11/2020	How to emerge as a preferred recruit in the post COVID Job Market.	Mr. Anand Kumar, Co-Founder at Bluetech Agro Pvt Ltd	Importance of existing job markets, interviews, resumes, email-writing, reskilling and upskilling for management graduates for better future.
14	22/11/2020	How to emerge as a preferred recruit in the post COVID Job Market.	Mr. Abhijeet Farane, R&D QA Manager at Dassault Systemes Solutions Lab	Kind of strategies required for a management graduate to cope with the challenges of Covid 19 and how to emerge as a successful professional.

**D) Special Lectures / Guest Lectures/ Panel discussions / Webinars organized by the University (offline / online)**

During the year under report, eminent academicians and professionals across the globe delivered Special / Guest Lectures / Talks. Some of the important among them are:

- Dr. Srinivas Yanamandra (Chief Compliance Officer, New Development Bank, Shanghai) delivered lectures related to the field of Law and Technology on February 10-11, 2020. They covered topics such as 'Digital Payments, Distributed Ledgers and Deep Learning' and 'Environmental Crime, Money Laundering and Artificial Intelligence.
- Delegates from University of Nottingham including Prof. Bernd Justin, Assistant Professor visited NALSAR and interacted with the students on February 17, 2020.
- Dr. Prabhash Ranjan (Assistant Professor, South Asian University, Delhi) delivered a talk based on his book 'India and Bilateral Investment Treaties: Refusal, Acceptance and Backlash' (Oxford University Press, 2019) on March 5, 2020.
- The Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR organised a panel discussion on the theme 'Aerospace and Defence Education: Need of the Hour' on July 2, 2020.

- The Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR organised a panel discussion on the theme 'Mapping India's Defence and Security Challenges: A Way Forward' on July 8, 2020.
- The Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR organised a panel discussion on the theme 'Impact of COVID-19 on the Indian Aviation Sector' on July 12, 2020.
- Mr. A.S. Kiran Kumar (Former Chairperson, Indian Space Research Organisation & Padma Shri Awardee) delivered an online lecture titled 'Unlocking India's Private Space Sector: Legal and Policy Challenges' on July 24, 2020.
- The Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR organised a panel discussion on the theme 'Application of GIS and Remote Sensing Technologies: Trends and Prospects' on July 25, 2020.
- The Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR organised a panel discussion on the theme 'India As A Maritime Power: Contemporary Perspectives' on July 31, 2020.
- Dr. Tarunabh Khaitan (University of Oxford) gave an online interview to the 'Law and Other Things' Blog Student Editorial team, providing suggestions for students interested in academic legal writing on August 6, 2020.
- Jawahar Raja (Advocate, New Delhi) gave a talk on the 'Misuse of the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA) against the Students Islamic Movement of India', at the invitation of the Centre for Criminal Justice Reform and Research on August 11, 2020
- Justice Abhay M. Thipsay (Former Judge, High Court of Bombay) gave a talk titled 'Terrorism Trials and Reflections on Fundamental Rights', at the invitation of the Centre for Criminal Justice Reform and Research on August 18, 2020.
- Vanya Kumar (Legal Officer, Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons) gave an online talk on 'Careers Prospects in International Law', at the invitation of the NALSAR Society of International Law on August 16, 2020.
- An Interactive Session with Ms. Vrinda Bhandari Vrinda Bhandari on 'Contact Tracing Apps and Privacy' in December 2020.
- Defending Capital Punishment Cases by Payoshi Roy (Advocate, Bombay High Court)
- Prosecution in Trap Cases by Justice G.R. Swaminathan (Madras High Court)

#### **E) Lectures / Panel Discussions organised by Student Groups (offline / online)**

##### Public Policy Lecture Series:

- Ram Madhav (General Secretary, BJP) gave a talk on India's Foreign Policy on February 6, 2020.
- Dr. Dhvani Mehta (Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy) gave an online talk on 'Patient Rights in a Pandemic and Beyond' on May 3, 2020.

- Meeta Sengupta (Centre for Education Strategy) gave an online talk titled 'Achievements and Challenges: An Overview of the New Education Policy, 2020' on August 9, 2020.
- Dr. Kancha Ilaiah (Former Professor, Osmania University) gave an online talk titled 'Regional Language in New Education Policy-Medium of Instruction or Tool of Exclusion', on August 25, 2020.
- A **panel discussion** titled 'Discussing Queerness and Law: Stories from South Asia' was organised along with the NALSAR Legal Aid Cell on September 6, 2020. The speakers included Dr. Dhiren Borisa (JGLS Sonapat), Aritha Wikramasinghe (iProbono, Sri Lanka), Rukshana Kapali (Nepal), Muhammad Salman Khan (Pakistan), Ho Chi Minh Islam (Bangladesh) and Tashi Tsheten (Bhutan). The panel was moderated by Vyjayanti Vasanta Mogli, a well known Transgender Rights Activist (Hyderabad, India).
- A **panel discussion** titled 'Constitutional Paraphernalia and Constitutional Fascism' was organised on September 23, 2020. The speakers included Dr.Noam Chomsky (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), Dr. Amita Dhanda (NALSAR Hyderabad) and Saurabh Bhattacharjee (WBNUJS Kolkata).
- Dr. Sujata Patel (Savitri Bai Phule Pune University) gave an online talk titled 'Risk and Trust: On the Sociology of the Pandemic', on October 3, 2020.
- A **panel discussion** on the theme 'Understanding the Agrarian Crisis in 2020' was co-organised in collaboration with the Public Policy and Governance Committee (School of Law, Christ University, Bangalore) on November 21, 2020. The speakers included Prof. R. Ramakumar (Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai), Dr. Soma Kishore Parthasarathy (Expert on Water Rights) and Mr. Kiran Kumar Vissa (Association for India's Development). The panel was moderated by Dr. Sapna S. (Head of Department, School of Law, Christ University)

#### Lecture Series on Constitutionalism :

- A **panel discussion** on the theme of 'The Environment and the Indian Constitution' on March 4, 2020. The speakers included Dr. Geetanjoy Sahu (Associate Professor, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai), Dr. Lavanya Suresh (Assistant Professor, BITS Pilani Hyderabad) and Mr. Ashish Kothari (Founder, Kalpavriksh, New Delhi). Mr. Jagteshwar Sohi (NALSAR) was the moderator.
- Gopal Subramaniam (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India) delivered an online lecture on 'Labour and the Constitution' on June 17, 2020.

#### Nyaya Forum for Courtroom Lawyering:

- Justice N. Anand Venkatesh (Judge, High Court of Madras) gave an online talk on the 'Structuring of Pleadings' on April 29, 2020.
- Justice Nagamuthu (Former Judge, High Court of Madras & presently Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India) gave an online talk on the

'Law of First Information Report (FIR) and Investigation' on April 30, 2020.

- Rebecca Mammen John (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India) gave an online talk on 'Cognizance to Framing of Charges' at the invitation of the Nyaya Forum for Courtroom Lawyering on May 1, 2020.
- Asim Pandya (Senior Advocate, High Court of Gujarat) gave an online talk on the 'Law of Writs: Article 226 and 227' on May 2, 2020.
- Mr. Sourav Roy (Advocate-On-Record, Supreme Court of India) gave an online talk on the 'Practice and Procedure of the Supreme Court' on May 4, 2020.
- Vikas Pahwa (Senior Advocate, High Court of Delhi) gave an online talk on 'Demystifying Economic Crimes Under the Indian Penal Code' on May 9, 2020.
- Shri Singh (Advocate, New Delhi) gave an online talk on 'Decoding Anti-Money Laundering Laws' on May 12, 2020.
- Bharat Chugh (Advocate, Luthra & Luthra) gave an online talk on the 'Law of Bail and Drafting of Bail Applications' on May 12, 2020.
- Justice R. Basant (Former Judge, High Court of Kerala & presently Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India) gave an online talk on 'Appreciation of Evidence in Criminal Cases' on May 13, 2020.
- Sidharth Luthra (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India) gave an online talk on the 'Theories of Punishment and Variance in Sentencing' on May 22, 2020.
- Justice D.Y. Chandrachud (Judge, Supreme Court of India) delivered an online lecture titled the 'Future of Virtual Courts and Access to Justice in India' on May 24, 2020.
- Nakul Dewan (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India) gave an online talk on 'Litigation Strategies in Cross Border Disputes' on May 25, 2020.
- Avani Bansal (Advocate, New Delhi) gave an online talk titled 'Explorations of the New Normal: Implications for the Legal System' on May 31, 2020.
- Swathi Sukumar (Advocate, New Delhi) gave an online talk on 'Patent Litigation' on June 5, 2020.
- Pramod Kumar Dubey (Advocate, New Delhi) gave an online talk titled 'How to Approach a Sexual Harassment Case: Law, Procedures and Ethics' on June 9, 2020.
- Malak Bhatt (Advocate-On-Record, Supreme Court of India) gave an online talk titled 'Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO): Powers, Procedure and Practice' on June 13, 2020.
- Akshay Bhan (Senior Advocate, High Court of Punjab and Haryana) delivered an online lecture on 'The Art of Oral Advocacy' on June 16, 2020.
- Sriram Panchu (Senior Advocate, High Court of Madras) gave an online talk on the 'Future of Mediation and the Need for Mediation Legislation in India' on June 18, 2020.
- Justice Abhay Oka (Chief Justice, High Court of Karnataka) spoke about his career as a lawyer in an online talk in collaboration with RootsResource on July 15, 2020.

- A Webinar on Judicial Clerkships was jointly organised by the Alumni Cell. The speakers were Rakshanda Deka and Karan Gupta B.A.,LL.B.(Hons.) Graduates from 2018 batch on August 4, 2020.
- Ashif Shaiq (Jan Saahas, NGO) gave an online interview, speaking about his experiences in working with victims of forced labour, trafficking and sexual abuse on August 7, 2020.
- Nitya Ramakrishnan (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India) gave an online talk titled 'The Defence of Justice at Trial', in collaboration with RootsResource on October 30, 2020.
- Bernard Hibbitts (University of Pittsburgh) gave an online talk titled 'Global Lawyering: The Public Role of Law Students in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century', at the invitation of the Nyaya Forum for Courtroom Lawyering (November 28, 2020).

## **7. ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES**

### **A) Consortium of National Law Universities**

The Consortium of National Law Universities conducted (CLAT-2020) smoothly during the COVID-19 pandemic situation on September 28, 2020. A total number of 75,183 candidates had applied for this test and 68,833 candidates had downloaded the admit cards in which 59,443 candidates finally appeared for the test. The attendance was 86.36% which was high compared to the attendance at JEE (Mains) / JEE (Advanced) which were held during the same period. 300 Test Centres were provided for this year. The Question Paper along with the Provisional Answer Key was uploaded on the Consortium Website within two hours after the Test. All the response sheets (answer sheets) of all the candidates were also uploaded on the website which were made accessible to the candidates through their login ids.

### **B) Role of NALSAR in conduct of CLAT – 2020**

Prof. Faizan Mustafa, Vice-Chancellor was the President of Consortium of NLU's during the year 2018-2019. As Vice-Chancellor, NALSAR, he is Ex-Officio member of the Executive Committee of CLAT as per the Bye-Laws. Due to Covid-19, the CLAT -2020 was postponed number of times keeping in mind the safety of the candidates. The NLSIU, Bangalore issued a separate admission notification on September 3, 2020 for the conduct of separate test i.e., NLAT – 2020. The notification further stated that NLSIU will not accept CLAT Scores for admissions during 2020. The emergency meetings of the Executive Committee and the Governing Body of Consortium of NLUs were conducted on September 3 & 4, 2020 respectively and as per the directions of the Executive Committee and Governing Body, Prof. Faizan Mustafa, Vice-Chancellor of NALSAR, was asked to discharge the duties of the Secretary in place of the Vice-Chancellor, NLSIU. Accordingly, Prof. Faizan Mustafa discharged the duties of Secretary and extended full support and cooperation to Prof. Balraj Chauhan, Convenor, President, Executive Committee and Governing Body of Consortium of NLU's for the CLAT – 2020 test, which was

eventually conducted successfully. Prof. Faizan Mustafa also led the legal battle in the Supreme Court and finally Consortium won the case and NLSIU was directed to admit students only through CLAT-2020. NLSIU-NLAT was quashed by the Supreme Court.

During the said period number of meetings of Executive Committee and Governing Body were conducted by NALSAR and each and every decision was taken in consultation with all the members of the concerned bodies. Further, NALSAR extended its support to the Convenor in various matters including conducting the Expert Committee meetings on the objections raised by the candidates which were resolved within the timeline. NALSAR also extended its co-operation in preparation of results and declaration of the same as per the schedule. Due to Covid-19, there was loss of more than four months in the admission process during the year 2020-2021. To prevent spread of corona virus, it was decided to have the online admission process. The Executive Committee was forced to make a very tight schedule to cover the loss of time and completed the admission process online on time. NALSAR after number of meetings with the service providers and the members of Executive Committee developed suitable guidelines for the online admission process and the total admission process by CLAT for 23 NLUs was completed within a short period of 10 days by releasing three lists. It was due to NALSAR's efforts that CLAT-2020 admissions were completed by October 10, 2020 as was directed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court. Due to NALSAR's efforts for the first time online centralized counselling was done in CLAT. The members of the Governing Body of Executive Committee placed on record their appreciation for the support extended by NALSAR in conduct of CLAT-2020 successfully even during the medical emergency situation and even after the NLSIU walked out of CLAT-2020 in the last minute.

**C) Provision of Reservation for OBC under State Quota and Creation of Supernumerary Quota for Foreign Nationals:**

The University was graded as Category – I University as per the UGC (Categorization of Universities (Only) for grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018. The University can admit foreign students on merit subject to a maximum of 20% over and above the strength of its approved domestic students. Accordingly, the General Council at its special meeting held on December 14, 2019 based on Clause 4.7 of the said UGC Graded Autonomy Regulations, 2018 had approved provision of 20% of the total seats for admission of foreign nationals to the 5-Year B.A., LL.B., (Hons) and One Year LL.M. programme over and above the sanctioned intake of 120 and 60 respectively. Accordingly, 24 seats for B.A, LL.B., (Hons) and 12 seats for LL.M. programme were offered for foreign nationals during the academic year 2020-2021. The admissions through CLAT for the domestic students were made to the extent of 123 and 63 for the B.A., LL.B., (Hons) and LL.M. programme respectively. It is further stated that among the foreign nationals category seats, separate seats were earmarked for ICCR/ Government of India nominees. The following is the breakup of seats for various categories under foreign nationals category:

Particulars	B.A., LL.B., (Hons)	LL.M.
SAARC	04	04
NON-SAARC	10	04
ICCR / GOVT OF INDIA NOMINEES	10	04
<b>Foreign Nationals (20% over and above the domestic students)</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>12</b>

Further, the General Council at its special meeting held on December 14, 2019 considered and approved providing reservation for the OBC candidates within the seats allocated for Residential Students of Telangana category. Accordingly, the following number of seats were offered to the OBC candidates for the B.A., LL.B., (Hons) and LL.M. programme during the year 2020-2021:

No. of seats for Resident Students of Telangana OBC	B.A., LL.B., (Hons)	LL.M.
Category (A) 7%	02	01
Category (B) 10%	02	01
Category (C) 1%	01	01
Category (D) 7%	02	01
Category (E) 4%	01	01
<b>Total seats for Resident Students of Telangana OBC (29%)</b>	<b>08</b>	<b>05</b>

Further, the University implemented the percentage of reservation for SC and ST under the Residential Students of Telangana quota as per Government of Telangana State.

#### **D) 5-Year B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) Degree Programme**

##### Admissions (2020-21)

The admissions for the twenty third batch were made through Common Law Admission Test-2020 conducted by Consortium of National Law Universities on September 28, 2020. 139 students were admitted to the B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) degree programme including 61 girls. Out of 139 students, 123 students were admitted through CLAT, 14 students through Foreign National category and 02 students from ICCR. Among the students admitted under Foreign National category, three students are from Nepal, one student from Bangladesh, one student from Malaysia, one student from Canada, one student from Ireland, three students from UK and six students from USA. The remaining 110 students admitted to the course are from 21 different States in the country. The academic session started on October 19, 2020.

### Examinations (2015-2020 Batch)

Due to unprecedented COVID-19 the University was closed from March 14, 2020 in view of the lockdown declared by the Central Government and State Government. The students were requested to go home and the online classes were conducted to complete the pending classes.

At the meeting of the Academic Council held on March 28, 2020, it was decided to conduct online examination for the students but some students expressed their inability to take the online examination.

Considering the situation and in view of the *UGC Guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar for the Universities in view of COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdown* on April 29, 2020, the Vice-Chancellor constituted three Committees for the B.A.,LL.B.(Hons.), LL.M. and MBA consisting of Faculty Members along with student representatives to deliberate and recommend the examination and evaluation pattern for the semester January-April, 2020.

The recommendations made by the Committee were placed before the emergency meeting of the Academic Council held on May 16, 2020 and it was resolved that as NALSAR follows a system of continuous evaluation through the semester by requiring students to appear in two exams and do one research assignment in all mandatory courses. And since total evaluation of several Elective Courses and Seminar Papers was already completed, for the remaining subjects, as the evaluation for the 50% marks was already completed, it was resolved to scale up the marks for the remaining 50%. It was also decided that if the upscaling of marks adversely affects the students CGPA, it was decided to consider the overall performance of the students till the previous semester for the award of the marks for the end-semester portion.

The UGC had made two sets of regulations: one in relation to the junior classes and the other for the graduating class. The conduct of the final exam was held essential for the graduating class. Since NALSAR does not have a final exam system of evaluation, the evaluation of all the courses was done on the strength of the offline exams and assignments students had completed before the lockdown combined with exams and assignments which they undertook on an online basis after the lockdown. Subsequently BCI too allowed online examinations.

The B.A.,LL.B.(Hons.) degrees will be awarded to the eligible candidates during the ensuing Convocation of the University.

### **E) One Year LL.M. Degree Programme**

#### Admissions (2020-2021)

Admissions for the 19<sup>th</sup> batch (8<sup>th</sup> batch of the one year LL.M. programme) of the LL.M. Degree programme were made during the year under report through the Common Law Admission Test- 2020 conducted by **Consortium of**

**National Law Universities** on September 28, 2020. 70 students including 33 Girls were admitted at NALSAR. Out of 70 students, 63 students were admitted through CLAT, 01 student through Foreign National category and 06 students from ICCR. The students admitted are from 20 states across the country. Among the students admitted under Foreign National category, two students are from Afghanistan and one student each from South Korea, Srilanka, Ethiopia, Botswana and Guyana.

#### Examinations (2019-2020 batch)

In the Emergency Academic Council meeting held on May 16, 2020 to discuss the UGC Covid- 19 Guidelines of April 29,2020 on the Examination pattern to be adopted by the Universities, for the LL.M. programme, it was decided to conduct the online exam for the mandatory papers and to permit the students online submission and presentation for the seminar courses. The dissertation submission was made online and the same was to be evaluated by the internal examiner appointed by the Vice-Chancellor followed by viva-voce examination. External examiners were appointed wherever necessary.

The LL.M. degrees will be awarded to the eligible candidates during the ensuing Convocation of the University.

#### **F) 2-Year M.B.A. Degree Programme**

The two year full-time campus based M.B.A. Program is offered through Department of Management Studies with major specialization in 'Court Management'/'Corporate Governance'/'Financial Services and Capital Markets' / 'Innovation and Sustainability Management' / Operations Management and minor specialization in 'Marketing Management' /'Human Resource Management' /'Business Regulations'.

Admissions for the 8<sup>th</sup> batch of the MBA for the year 2020-22 were done through CAT/XAT/ CMAT/GMAT/GRE and also NALSAR's Management Eligibility Test – 2020(N-MET). 44 students were admitted including 28 Girls. The classes for the current batch (2020-22) commenced on September 01, 2020.

The Department of Management Studies aims at crafting & delivering "Impact-Driven Education" that provides learners essential skills to solve managerial problems through the application of theory, technology and presence of mind. At the heart of our effort, exists, a drive towards invoking experimentation and the spirit of inquiry. To that effect, the DoMS faculty engages in learner centric pedagogical innovation. Expectation mapping and structured outcomes form the foundation of all programs offered by DoMS, NALSAR.

The Department has acquired an Academic Information System (AIS) to improve student engagement with the course curriculum. The AIS covers features of Notice Board, Online Learning Pedagogy, Online Quizzes and

Forum Board among many other student engagement tools. The Faculty is actively engaged in preparing content to suit the online Pedagogy. The same platform was used during the COVID period to facilitate online teaching and learning.

Under the ongoing '**i-Connect**' Program, the Department has organized 14 '**i-Talk**' sessions with Industry experts covering various functional areas of the management to connect the students with industry to enable them to learn contemporary and relevant business practices.

Progress is a continuous process and it takes effort, dedication and thought. Department of Management Studies in its endeavor for the same has appointed after a rigorous intake procedure some of the best minds to help us achieve our goal of creating thought leaders.

#### EXAMINATIONS (2018-20 BATCH) :

Examinations for the sixth batch of students of MBA 2018-20 were conducted during April, 2020. A total of 50 candidates have become eligible for the award of the MBA Degree.

#### **G) Integrated LL.M.,Ph.D. Programme**

The University received 18 applications for admission to LL.M., Ph.D. Program for the academic year 2020-2021. Out of the 18 candidates, 14 candidates appeared for online exam held on August 1, 2020. NALSAR never compromises on the quality. As none of the candidates qualified the exam, there were no admissions for the LL.M., Ph.D. during the academic year 2020-2021.

#### **H) Ph.D. Degree Programme**

The University received 165 applications for admission to Ph.D. Program for the academic year 2020-2021. Out of the 166 candidates, 105 candidates have qualified UGC NET / JRF and hence, they were exempted from writing the entrance exam. Remaining 60 candidates appeared for written test and only 38 candidates qualified the exam.

There were 22 candidates who had passed the Ph.D. Admission Test in 2019, but their proposals were rejected in the interview. As per the Ph.D. Regulations, the candidates are given one more chance to submit their proposals.

105 candidates who were exempted from taking the Admission Test, 38 candidates who have qualified the Admission Test, 22 candidates of 2019 and 3 candidates of LL.M.,Ph.D. (2019) were asked to submit the Preliminary Proposals. Out of 168 candidates, only 133 candidates submitted their Preliminary Proposals. 1 candidate's proposal was rejected after plagiarism check. Out of the 132 submitted proposals, the Research Committee approved 26 proposals and the selected candidates were asked to give

online presentation before the Research Committee during December 3-5, 2020. **Total 21 candidates were admitted including one Foreign National.**

Research Methodology Workshop organized for the Ph.D. Scholars.

Prof. Amita Dhanda, Prof. N. Vasanthi, Dr. N. Manohar Reddy and other faculty members organized a 2-week long Research Methodology Workshop from February 21-27, 2020. It was attended by 16 scholars. Resource Persons for the said programme include Prof. Faizan Mustafa, Prof. Amita Dhanda, Prof. N. Vasanthi, Dr. T. Kannan, Dr. Manisha Sethi, Dr. Neha Pathakji, Dr. N. Manohar Reddy, Dr. Murli Karnam, Ms. Shagufta Bhangu, Mr. Jagteshwar Singh Sohi, Prof. Tony Blackshield, Prof. Rosemary Huisman, Prof. Bhangya Bhukya, Dr. Shilpaa Anand, Dr. Harathi Vageeshan, Prof. Sheela Prasad, Ms. Anindita Mukherjee & Ms. Aakansha Kumar.

Ph.D. Thesis submitted:

University converted Covid-19 emergencies into an opportunity and speeded up completion of several Ph.Ds. Accordingly Ms. Poorvi Ganjoo, Ms. Prateeksha Sharma, Ms. Chandramathi, Mr. Sudhanshu Kumar and Ms. Ritika Kishore submitted their thesis and on the recommendation by the external examiners, the viva-voce examination were conducted for them and the candidates successfully defended the thesis in the public viva-voce and became eligible for award of the Ph.D. Degree. The Ph.D. Degree will be awarded to them in the ensuing Annual Convocation.

## **I) Directorate of Distance Education**

NALSAR University of Law established as an Institute for Excellence in Law, ranks as a premier Institute in the country with a multidisciplinary approach to Law, offering Graduate, Post Graduate and Research Degrees. The University apart from its residential programmes has established a niche for itself in outreach programmes offering diploma and degree programmes since 2001.

To disseminate knowledge and to provide avenues for the working professionals, the University through its Directorate of Distance Education (NALSAR Proximate Education) has been offering Master's and PG Diploma programmes through Open and Distance Learning mode on emerging and contemporary areas from almost last two decades.

University has been entitled under Category-I as per UGC (Categorisation of Universities (Only) for grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018 to offer programmes through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Mode in 2018 without approval of the UGC, provided it satisfies all the conditions laid down under UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 and amendments from time to time.

During the reported year, **Prof. Faizan Mustafa** continued as Officiating Director for DDE.

DDE, NALSAR introduced three new Course Programmes during the Academic Year 2020-21 in addition to the existing thirteen Programmes which were offered in the previous academic year.

The following Faculty members continued / were appointed as Course Coordinators for the following Courses as mentioned against each for Programme monitoring, review and management.

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Course Coordinators</b>
1.	M.A. (Aviation Law and Air Transport Management)	Prof.V.Balakista Reddy
2.	M.A (Security & Defence Laws)	Prof. V.Balakista Reddy
3.	P.G. Diploma in Patents Law	Mr.Sourabh Bharti
4.	P.G. Diploma in Cyber Laws	Dr.K.V.K.Santhy
5.	P.G. Diploma in Media Laws	Prof.Faizan Mustafa
6.	P.G. Diploma in International Humanitarian Law	Mr.Syed Ashfaq Hussain
7.	P.G. Diploma in Alternative Dispute Resolution	Mr. Rajesh Kapoor
8.	P.G. Diploma in Family Dispute Resolution	Mr. Rajesh Kapoor
9.	P.G. Diploma in Animal Protection	Mr.Vivek Mukherjee
10.	P.G. Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management	Dr.S.N.A.Shafi
11.	P.G. Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws	Prof. V.Balakista Reddy
12.	Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science	Dr. K.V.K. Santhy
13.	P.G. Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations	Dr. Y.V.R. Murthy

New programmes during the year under report:

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Course Coordinators</b>
1	2-Year M.A. (Space & Telecommunications Law)	Prof.V.Balakista Reddy
2	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in GIS & Remote Sensing Laws	Prof.V.Balakista Reddy
3	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Drafting, Negotiation and Enforcement of Contracts	Mr. Rajesh Kapoor

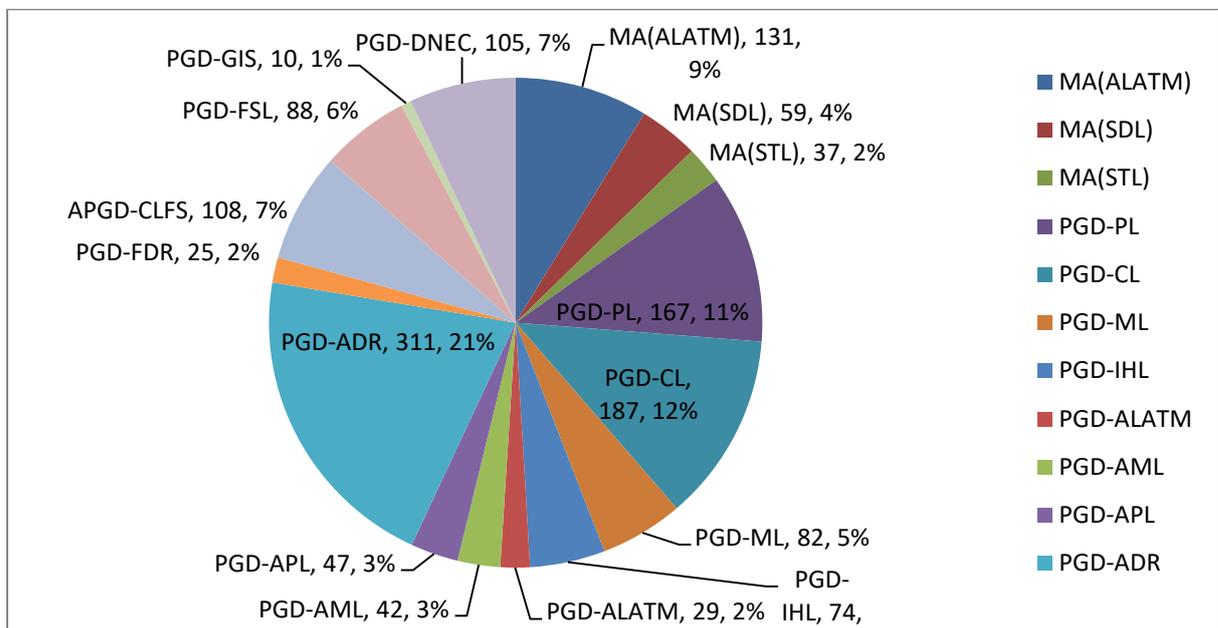
**Admission Notification** was released in the month of May 2020 for the academic year 2020-21.

The breakup of admissions for the various courses fro **2020-21 Batch** is as under:

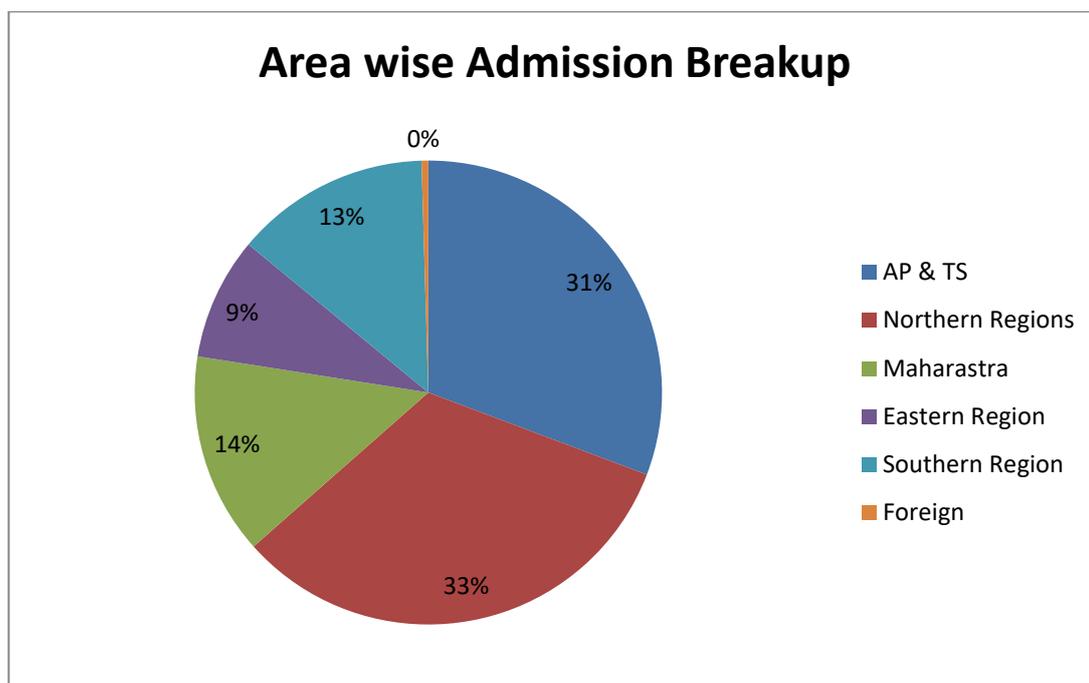
S.No.	Course	No. of admissions
1.	M.A. (Aviation Law and Air Transport Management)	131
2.	M.A. (Security & Defence Laws)	59
3.	M.A. (Space & Telecommunications Law)	37
4.	P.G. Diploma in Patents Law	167
5.	P.G. Diploma in Cyber Laws	187
6.	P.G. Diploma in Media Laws	82
7.	P.G. Diploma in International Humanitarian Law	74
8.	P.G. Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management	29
9.	P.G. Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws	42
10.	P.G. Diploma in Animal Protection Laws	47
11.	P.G. Diploma in Alternative Dispute Resolution	311
12.	P.G. Diploma in Family Dispute Resolution	25
13.	Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science	108
14.	P.G. Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations	88
15.	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in GIS & Remote Sensing Laws	10
16.	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Drafting, Negotiation and Enforcement of Contracts	105
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1502</b>

This is the highest ever admissions in Distance Mode for the University.

### **COURSEWISE ADMISSION BREAKUP**



Candidates from all parts of the Country enrolled for the courses. The area wise breakup of the admissions is as below:



#### Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA)

During the year under report CIQA meetings were held twice, one on April 25, 2020 and another on June 21, 2020. Both the meetings were held online. During the meeting held in April 2020, the CIQA discussed in detail with regard to the process to be adopted in the unprecedented COVID-19 situation for conduct of online classes and online examinations. The CIQA recommended to the Vice-Chancellor to conduct the classes online only for all the courses offered through DDE till the situation becomes normal. The CIQA considering the fact that the students are not very familiar with the online examination and the University does not have the required infrastructure or expertise to conduct online home proctored examination, the University may consider conduct of the examination as 'take home examination'. The CIQA further recommended that some of the courses where semester pattern is followed, the 30 marks assigned for submission of project / assignment may be scaled up to 50 marks and the end term examination to be conducted as 'take home examination' and be evaluated for 50 marks. In case of the annual pattern examination, the take home examination may be evaluated for 100 marks.

The CIQA further recommended to the Vice-Chancellor that the admission notification may be issued during May or June, 2020. Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Director, CADL requested the CIQA to recommend offering of the following two courses from the academic year 2020-2021 which were approved by the University Bodies earlier:

- P.G. Diploma in GIS and Remote Sensing Laws
- 2-Year M.A. in Space and Telecommunications Laws

The CIQA recommended to the Vice-Chancellor that the aforementioned two courses may be offered from the academic year 2020-2021. Accordingly, the said courses were offered during the year.

The CIQA meeting was conducted again on June 21, 2020 to consider the proposal of Mr. Rajesh Kapoor to offer the P.G. Diploma in Drafting Negotiation and Enforcement of Contracts from the academic year 2020-2021. The CIQA has considered the proposal and the draft PPR along with the curriculum and recommended to the Vice-Chancellor and the University bodies to approve offering of the said programme from the academic year 2020-2021 after following due process and review of its curriculum by the Expert Committee.

#### Grievance Redressal Committee

University constituted a '**Grievance Redressal Committee (GRC)**' for Directorate of Distance Education, as per the guidelines of UGC (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

During the year under report the University received six grievances through the Grievance Redressal form which was uploaded on the website of DDE and all the Grievances were resolved by the University within reasonable time limit. The grievances submitted were mainly with regard to the grant of extension of time for admission, permission for late submission of required documents etc. One of the grievances also include non-receipt of diploma certificate issued by the University on time which was due to the change in the address of the candidate.

Following **Personal Contact Programmes** were held:

<b>II Semester / II Round of PCP Classes – 2019-20 Batch</b>		
S.No	Course Name	Dates
1	2-Year M.A. (Aviation Law and Air Transport Management)	Feb 4-10, 2020
2	2-Year M.A. (Security & Defence Laws)	
3	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management	Feb 4-8, 2020
4	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws	
5	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Patents Law	Feb 13–16, 2020
6	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Cyber Laws	Feb 13–16, 2020
7	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Media Laws	Feb 13–16, 2020
8	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma on Animal Protection	8-10 May & 16 May, 2020 (Online on Zoom Platform)

9	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in International Humanitarian Law	14– 17 May, 2020 (Online on Zoom Platform)
10	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations	14-18 May, 2020 (Online on Zoom Platform)
11	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Family Dispute Resolution	28-31 May, 2020 (Online on Zoom Platform)
12	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Alternative Dispute Resolution	28-31 May, 2020 (Online on Zoom Platform)
13	One-Year Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science	13-17 June, 2020 (Online on Zoom Platform)

<b>III Semester PCP Classes – 2019-21 Batch</b>		
S.No	Course Name	Dates
1	M.A. (Aviation Law and Air Transport Management)	August 17-23, 2020
2	M.A. (Security & Defence Laws)	August 24-30, 2020

<b>First Round / I Semester PCP Classes – 2020-21 Batch</b>		
S.No	Course Name	Dates
1	M.A. (Aviation Law and Air Transport Management)	October 05-11, 2020
2	P.G. Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management	October 05-09, 2020
3	M.A. (Security & Defence Laws)	October 12-18, 2020
4	P.G. Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws	October 19-23, 2020
5	2-Year M.A. (Space & Telecommunications Law)	October 26-November 01, 2020
6	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in GIS & Remote Sensing Laws	October 26- 30, 2020
7	P.G. Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations	October 14-18, 2020
8	Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science	November 07-11, 2020
9	P.G. Diploma in Patents Law	November 19-22, 2020
10	One-Year Post Graduate Diploma in Drafting, Negotiation and Enforcement of Contracts	
11	P.G. Diploma in International Humanitarian Law	
12	P.G. Diploma in Alternative Dispute Resolution	November 26-29, 2020
13	P.G. Diploma in Cyber Laws	

14	P.G. Diploma in Family Dispute Resolution	November 27-29, 2020 & December 12, 2020
15	P.G. Diploma in Media Laws	December 10-13, 2020
16	P.G. Diploma in Animal Protection Laws	

Course Coordinators for the respective courses planned the comprehensive Programme schedule for the Personal Contact programmes and invited various **subject experts from the relevant industry, academicians and practicing Professional** to deliver lectures during the classes.

**Special lectures to enhance writing skills** for writing Project Assignments and Case Studies were delivered during classes. Lectures on the use of **web based Legal Research Tools and Techniques** were also delivered during the classes.

Further to strengthen the learner support services as suggested by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance members, the **Live web streaming and recorded videos** of the classes are being made available to the candidates who could not attend the classes in person due to various professional and personal reasons. The videos can be accessed with login credentials on DDE website. **Total 520 no.s of lectures were recorded and made available on the website for the enrolled candidates during the year reported above.**

DDE Candidates are also provided with **web based E-platform for remote accessibility of e-resources** subscribed by the university library.

**Feedback** from the enrolled candidates on the Personal Contact programmes and the recorded lectures was collected **through Google Form**.

The Second Round / II Semester Classes are scheduled in Feb-April 2021.

Due to the COVID 19 Pandemic situation in the country and the lockdown restrictions imposed by the Central/State Governments, as per UGC guidelines, University adopted the 'Take Home' mode of examination for the examinations scheduled for the 2019-20 academic session. The following **Examinations** were conducted during the year under reported:

S. No.	Details	Courses	Dates
1	I Semester Repeat Examinations (2019-20/21)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M.A. (Aviation Law and Air Transport Management)</li> <li>• M.A. (Security &amp; Defence Laws)</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws</li> </ul>	February, 08-09 2020

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations</li> </ul>	
2	II Semester Examinations (2019-20/21) (Take Home exams)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M.A. (Aviation Law and Air Transport Management)</li> <li>• M.A. (Security &amp; Defence Laws)</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws</li> </ul>	July 17-20, 2020
3	Annual Examinations (2019-20) (Take Home exams)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P. G. Diploma in Media Laws</li> <li>• P. G. Diploma in International Humanitarian Law</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations</li> </ul>	August 07-10, 2020
4	Annual Examinations (2019-20) (Take Home exams)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P. G. Diploma in Patents Law</li> <li>• P. G. Diploma in Cyber Laws</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Alternative Dispute Resolution</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Family Dispute Resolution</li> <li>• Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science</li> </ul>	August 14-17, 2020
5	Annual Examinations (2019-20) (Take Home exams)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Animal Protection Laws</li> </ul>	August 28-31, 2020
6	II Semester Repeat Examinations (2019-20/21) (Take Home exams)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M.A. (Aviation Law and Air Transport Management)</li> <li>• M.A. (Security &amp; Defence Laws)</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws</li> </ul>	October 02-05, 2020
7	II Semester Repeat(2019-20/21) (Take Home exams)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science</li> <li>• P.G. Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations</li> </ul>	November 20-23, 2020

The following no. of candidates completed their courses and are eligible for **award of Degrees / Diplomas** in the ensuing Annual Convocation / Award Ceremony. The Provisional certificates were issued to them. University is planning for the virtual convocation soon to award the degrees/diplomas.

<b>Courses (Year of admission)</b>	<b>Admitted</b>	<b>Applied</b>	<b>Appeared</b>	<b>Passed</b>	<b>Pass %</b>
M.A. (Aviation Law and Air Transport Management) – 2018-20	59	42	42	41	97%
PG Diploma in Patents Law (2019-20)	156	229 (incl. 39 of 2018-19 & 34 of 2017-18)	183 (incl. 34 of 2018-19 & 28 of 2017-18)	141 (incl. 22 of 2018-19 & 13 of 2017-18)	77%
PG Diploma in Cyber Laws (2019-20)	114	170 (incl. 24 of 2018-19 & 32 of 2017-18)	137 (incl. 20 of 2018-19 & 26 of 2017-18)	121 (incl. 19 of 2018-19 & 3425 of 2017-18)	88 %
PG Diploma in Media Laws (2019-20)	65	79 (incl. 9 of 2018-19 & 5 of 2017-18)	64 (incl. 7 of 2018-19 & 4 of 2017-18)	45 (incl. 4 of 2018-19 & 2 of 2017-18)	70%
PG Diploma in IHL (2019-20)	57	75 (incl. 6 of 2018-19 & 10 of 2017-18)	48 (incl. 6 of 2018-19 & 6 of 2017-18)	39 (incl. 6 of 2018-19 & 5 of 2017-18)	70 %
PG Diploma in ADR (2019-20)	178	177	157	130	75%
PG Diploma in FDR (2019-20)	30	29	24	22	92%
PG Diploma on Animal Protection (2019-20)	62	62	50	30	58%
P.G. Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management (2019-20)-IISemester	37	37	29	26	86%
P.G. Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management (2019-20)-II Semester-Repeat	-	6 (incl. 1 of 2018-19)	6 (incl. 1 of 2018-19)	6 (incl. 1 of 2018-19)	100%

P.G. Diploma in Aviation Law and Air Transport Management	-	-	-	26 (incl. 2 of 2018-19)	
Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science (2019-20)-II Semester	81	81	57	56	98%
Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science (2019-20)- II Semester Repeat	-	9	7	7	100%
Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Law and Forensic Science	-	-	-	56	
P.G. Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations (2019-20)-II Semester	71	71	53	36	68%
P.G. Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations (2019-20)-II Semester Repeat	-	13	12	10	83%
P.G. Diploma in Financial Services and Legislations (2019-20)	-	-	-	34	
P.G. Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws 2019-20)-II Semester	19	19	15	15	79%
P.G. Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws 2019-20)-II Semester Repeat	-	2	1	-	-
P.G. Diploma in Advanced Maritime Laws	-	-	-	14	
<b>Total</b>	<b>929</b>		<b>885</b>	<b>699</b>	

**J. Advance Post-Graduate Diploma in Industrial Security, Law and Management to the trainee Assistant Commandants of NISA**

As per the MoU entered into by NALSAR and National Industrial Security Academy-Central Industrial Security Force on December 6, 2017 the Advance Post-Graduate Diploma in Industrial Security, Law and Management was offered to the trainee Assistant Commandants of NISA.

In the Second batch, 13 Trainee Assistant Commandants were admitted to the Advance P.G. Diploma Programme in September, 2019. The training and the examinations for the said batch were completed by June, 2020.

11 candidates have completed the requisite course requirements and the training and have become eligible for the award of the Advance P.G. Diploma in Industrial Security, Law and Management in the ensuing Annual Convocation.

**K. Post-Graduate Diploma in Industrial Security, Law and Management to the Trainee Sub-Inspectors**

As per the MoU with NISA-CISF, the Post-Graduate Diploma in Industrial Security, Law and Management was offered to the Trainee Sub-Inspectors of NISA.

Admissions for the second batch were made during September, 2019 and a total of 53 Trainee Sub-Inspectors were admitted to the P.G. Diploma Programme. 58 candidates (including six candidates of first batch) have completed the course requirements and also the training and have become eligible for award of the P.G. Diploma in Industrial Security, Law and Management.

**L. Programmes offered by Cyber Forensic Lab (Ctrl-Z)**

“CTRL-Z” is a state-of-the-art Cyber Forensics academy at “NALSAR” that was established in collaboration with “Cycops Information Security Services”, for conducting long and short term certification courses, seminars and workshops in the fields of Cyber Laws, Cyber Crimes and Cyber Forensic studies for students, police officers and judicial officers etc.

CTRL-Z is equipped with advanced Cyber Forensic equipment, both hardware and software, to help law enforcement authorities and judiciary in the process of digital evidence retrievals, analysis and documentation.

During the year under report, Ctrl-Z conducted the following Certificate programmes/courses:

- 10 days course on Hands on training on Cyber Technologies and Crimes was held from January 12-22, 2020 at National Industrial Security Academy (NISA), CISF

- 3-day course on Hands on Forensic (HOF) was held from February 26-28, 2020.
- 3-day course on Application and Email Forensics (AEF) was held from March 6-8, 2020
- 3-day course on Cyber Investigations Forensics was held from March 13 to 15, 2020

## **8. INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC)**

During the year under report, the term of the IQAC was extended by the Vice-Chancellor for one more year w.e.f. April 11, 2020.

### **A) Meetings of the IQAC**

During the year under report the IQAC of NALSAR met four times on March 4, 2020 (physical meeting), May 14, 2020 (Online), September 27, 2020 (Online), October 3, 2020.

The IQAC deliberated on augmentation of research score for the research papers. The IQAC recommended that the University may continue the existing provision wherein the research score may be augmented with some points if the papers published are in the journals ranked by SCImago/ SCOPUS / Web of Science / peer reviewed journals listed by UGC with impact factor (the Impact factor to be determined as per Thomson Reuters / SJR list). The IQAC also recommended that the University should have exclusive research positions to strengthen its research activities.

Due to Covid-19 and subsequent lockdowns declared by Central and State governments, the University was closed in March, 2020. On the recommendations of the IQAC, the University immediately took a decision to conduct online classes so that there will not be any academic loss for the students. The IQAC deliberated in detail on the reports submitted by various Committees appointed by the Vice-Chancellor and recommended the evaluation pattern for the semester January – April, 2020. The IQAC made recommendations to the Academic Council for their approval.

Due to Covid-19 pandemic situation the CLAT – 2020 was postponed number of times by the Consortium of NLU's. However, on the directions of Supreme Court the CLAT -2020 was conducted on September 28, 2020 and the admissions took place during the second week of October 2020 for the first year BA., LL.B., (Hons) and LL.M. Programmes. The IQAC met during September and considering the decision taken by the Core Committee of the Consortium of NLU's recommended conduct of the classes online even for the students of first year BA., LL.B., (Hons) and first year LL.M. Programme. The IQAC also recommended that the as far as possible, the time period lost due to the delay in admissions may be covered by increasing the number of hours in a day and also conducting of classes during Saturdays and holidays to enable to start the second semester during January, 2021 as per the regular schedule. It also recommended the tutorial classes to be used for class lectures.

On the recommendations made by the Vice-Chancellor's of all NLU's and also the Consortium of NLU's, NAAC invited all the Vice-Chancellor's to participate in an online meeting conducted to discuss on the modifications required to give credit to the work undertaken by the NLU's. Accordingly, the IQAC has considered and discussed in detail on the parameters for accreditation mentioned in the existing NAAC manual and made suitable recommendations to the Vice-Chancellor with regard to the modifications required in the NAAC manual. As per the recommendations of the IQAC, NALSAR suggested some modifications in the NAAC manual which were later submitted to NAAC for their consideration.

### **B) Faculty Seminars as part of IQAC**

The following faculty seminar was organized by the IQAC:

- Óutbreak: Foodborne Illness and the Struggle for Food Safety'by Prof. Timothy D. Lytton, Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Development, Distinguished University Professor & Professor of Law, Georgia State University College of Law on January 22, 2020.

### **C) Submission of Annual Quality Assurance Report**

The IQAC prepared the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) for the year 2018 – 2019 and the same was submitted to NAAC in March, 2020. The link of the AQAR on the website is

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ACELPo1oZ-SOb1yAB6fW0hsf8f\\_HxtpW/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ACELPo1oZ-SOb1yAB6fW0hsf8f_HxtpW/view)

## **9. ANNUAL CONVOCATION**

**Due to Covid-19 pandemic situation, the Annual Convocation of the University could not be held in the year 2020.**

## **10. CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT**

Though during lock down, civil work had to be stopped for several months yet during the year under report, the University has undertaken and completed the following works along with attending to daily complaints received from the students:

- Painting works (Internal & external) Boys Hostel-v & Girls Hostel –V & New Class Rooms, Administrative Block and Academic Block.
- General servicing to all electrical transformer yards and Generators
- Construction of Ramps in front of all Boys Hostel with provisioning of Stainless-Steel Railing to friendly challenged personals.
- Provision of Ground Cables to girls Hostel and faculty quarters
- Renovation of toilets & kitchen in faculty quarters (partly)

- Provision of Air Conditioners to 11 class rooms (i.e., Academic Building – 4 nos, SAARC Law Building – 01, New Class Room-6 Nos) including of provision of separate UG cable from DG Room to Class Rooms.
- Provision of Chain link fencing and improvement electrical infrastructure at Boys Hostel & Girls Hostel Transformer yards.
- Up gradation plantation in Road dividers from main gate to Neem tree jungle.
- Repair / replacement of Electrical, plumbing, wire meshes in hostels and other buildings
- Provision of Seasonal trees in lawn areas in the campus.
- Repairs/Cleaning Sanitary, plumbing and sewage lines in boys and girls hostels
- Repairs to Electrical fitting and fixtures in boys and girls hostels.
- Repairs to Damaged steel cots, tables and chairs in boys and girl hostels
- General maintainace to STP
- Digital display boards were procured and fixed at different places on campus.

**The following major works undertaken by the University are under progress and may be completed by March 2021:**

- Construction of Boys Hostel-VII (multi storied) at NALSAR University of Law, Shameerpet, Hyderabad with capacity of 155 rooms of double occupancy.
- Construction of Girls Hostel-VII (multi storied) at NALSAR University of Law, Shameerpet, Hyderabad with capacity of 183 rooms of double occupancy.
- Construction of expansion of dining hall at NALSAR University of Law, Shameerpet, Hyderabad
- Construction of Primary Health Centre G+2 floors at NALSAR University of Law, Shameerpet, Hyderabad
- Supply of installation of 315 KVA (2nos) transformer's to BH-VII & GH-VII at NALSAR University of Law, Shameerpet, Hyderabad

## **11. LIBRARY**

The NALSAR Library has an independent building in the heart of the campus. It comprises three floors spread across an area of 54,323 Sq. Ft. The ground floor is accommodated with Special Reference, Reference, Loan, Search tools, Bare Acts, Current Journals and reading space. The second floor is accommodated with Bound Back Volumes, reading space and enclosure with carrels for students. The third floor is accommodated with MBA books on one side and reading space on other side. All the house keeping activities are automated and are powered by VIRTUA of VTLS Inc. The library upgraded from traditional based server to cloud computing, which gives the flexibility to connect to our database from anywhere at any time. The Library has adopted Radio Frequency Identity (RFID) based solutions for its circulation, management, inventory and security systems. The students are provided with RFID equipped identity cards. The Library is also equipped with an Orientation Room with Projector, Discussion Rooms

and Moot Court Rooms on the first floor. Information about various sections, resources, services and facilities is available at the Library Portal: <https://library.nalsar.ac.in>

## **ACQUISITION**

The total acquisition by the end of this December 2020 was **46343** which includes the regular collection, e-books, MBA, CJHR, CES, Bare Acts, bound back volumes of Periodicals and Donations.

- **Printed Books**

There has been significant growth in the collection of printed resources during the last year. The growth in the printed resources was largely due to the books exhibition held in the month of January. The Publisher like Asia Law House, Oxford University Press, Book Syndicate from Hyderabad and Mohan Law House and Aditya Books from Delhi participated in the exhibition.

New print acquisitions during the last year was **1948** which includes our regular collection, MBA collection, back volumes and donations.

- **E-Books**

The library's acquisition of Electronic books had grown tremendously during the year, and this collections had been very much useful for the students and faculty during the lock down period. The total collection of e-books during last year was **3111**. Apart from the collection of e-books, we also purchased EBC Reader and Proquest on annual renewal bases, which include nearly 2 lakhs e-books.

- **Donations**

The Library expresses its gratitude for generous donations received from its patrons UNHCR, Delhi; NLU, Delhi; Prof. R. K. Mishra , Director IPE Shameerpet; ICRC, Geneva; NALSAR Faculty Members and students etc.

- **Print Periodicals / Journals**

Library continued its renewal of Indian and International periodicals, apart from it existing renewals it also updated its collection with new journals like "**Aviation Update**" and "**Indian Military Review**".

- **E-Databases**

The University renewed its electronic resources like Harvard Business Review, Kluwer Arbitration, LegitQuest, Lexis Advance India Research, Manupatra, Arbitration International 2020, Oxford Arbitration International Archives 1985-1995, Oxford Competition Law (OCL), Oxford Legal Research Library (OLRL), Oxford Report on International Law (ORIL), Oxford Constitutions of the World, SCC Online, Taxmann, Westlaw India,

Westlaw International. Apart from the above E-resources the University subscribed to **Legit Quest**.

- **E-Journals**

The University renewed 11 e-journals like Aviation week, Bar and Bench, Live Law, Contribution to Indian Sociology, Economic and Political weekly, Ex-Cus (CD-rom), Harvard Business Review, Indian Economic and Social History Review, Seminar, Social Scientist and Vikalpa. Apart from the above e-journals we also subscribed to six e-journals, which includes **OUP Arbitration Journal, OUP Arbitration Journal Archieve, Oxford Legal Research Library, Oxford Competition Law, Oxford Constitutions of the World and Oxford Report on International Law** . NALSAR now has best e-resource collection amongst all National Law Universities with an investment of over 6 crores.

The above e-databases and e-journals can be remotely access through web based Ezproxy tool from anywhere in the world.

- **NEWS Papers**

Apart from the above periodicals and journals we are also procuring 15 News papers in three different languages (English, Hindi and Telugu).

- **UN Collection**

As a Depository Library of UNCollection, it has received substantial resources of major organs of UN. The collection is housed in an exclusive location in the first floor.

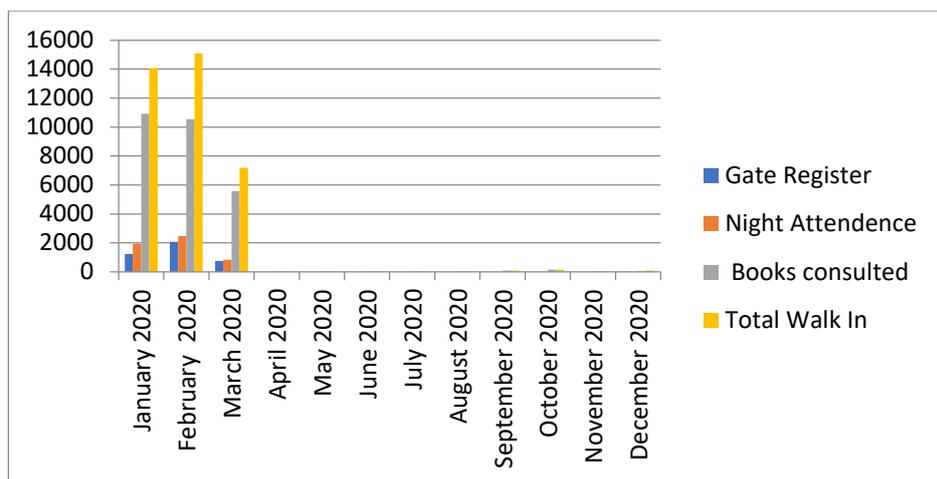
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- **Basic Circulation Statistics**

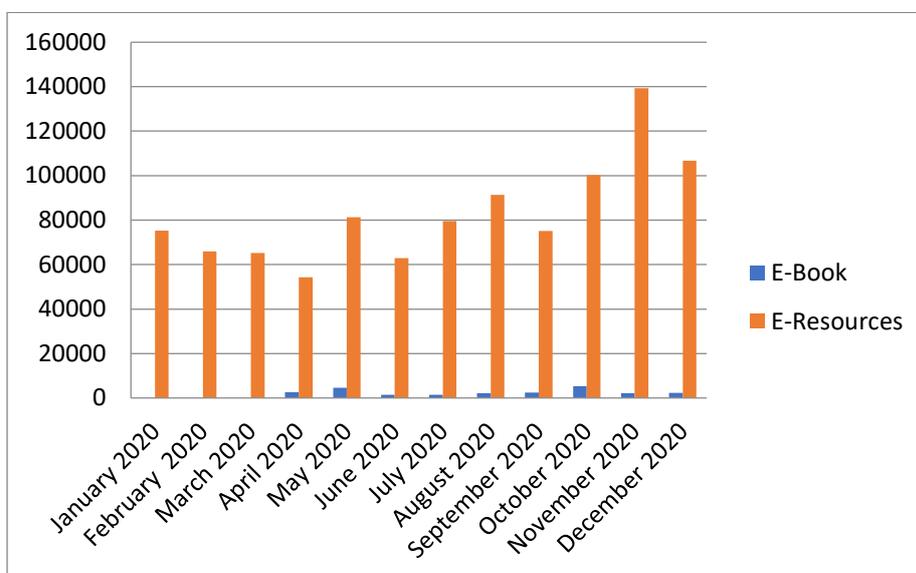
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	Student (ST)	Faculty (FC)	Ph.D Student (PHD)	Moot Court (MC)	Staff (SF)	LLM / MBA Student (LLM)	Total
<b>Books (100)</b>	580	256	44	24	7	95	1006 (100.0%)
<b>Total</b>	580 (57.7%)	256 (25.4%)	44 (4.4%)	24 (2.4%)	7 (0.7%)	95 (9.4%)	1006 (100.0%)

- **Average No. of Faculty and Students usage graph of off line resourses during January 2020- December 2020**



- **Average No. of Faculty and Student usage graph of on line resources during January 2020- December 2020**



## MEETINGS

- **Library Committee Meeting**

Library Committee meetings are usually held twice a every year. In the month of March 2020, we had two meetings for the procurement of the print books, e-books and e-databases.

As per the suggestion of the committee, old newspapers were disposed in the month of November 2020.

- **Library Internal Meetings**

Library internal meetings are held before starting of semester wherein we discuss about strengthening the library resources, the developments, pest control, changes to be done, Library timings, duties of staff and cleanliness in the library etc.

## OTHER LIBRARY SERVICES

- OPAC Terminals are available in the Library to facilitate browsing of online catalogue, E-Resources etc.
- Bays for Laptops, there are a separate bay for laptop users on the first floor. All the tables are equipped with power sockets for the users.
- Updated list of E-Resources/ Digital resources/Databases are made available online/offline
- The Library is equipped with photocopying, scanning and printing services.
- Locker facility is provided to the users where they can leave their valuable belonging.

The Library with the help of academic committee had procured e-books and e-resources worth more than Rs. 3 crores under the reported year.

## 12. IT INFRASTRUCTURE

### Online Classes using Cisco, WebEx and Google Meet

Due to Covid Lockdown, all the online classes were conducted through Cisco WebEx and Google Meet licenses.

All the said conducted classes were uploaded in centralized database platform called Nalsar forums interface with thread discussion facility for each video uploaded by the teacher.

The Nalsar forums is device independent, responsive and Augmented reality platform which collates and populates the responses on the thread to the already clustered courses and programmes

Live streaming of Cisco WebEx and Google Meet classes/webinar/conferences/meetings are integrated with university social media handles like Facebook, YouTube and live streamed concurrently for farther outreach of the university programmes on digital space.

### NALSAR YouTube Channel

Continuing the initiation of enhancing the digital presence of the University, the official YouTube channel bearing the name 'NALSAR University of Law' has been updated by uploading recordings of guest lectures as well as sessions that are part of conferences, workshops, training programmes. Some of the guest lectures were planned with the help of student groups. It must also be highlighted that the University also uploaded the recordings of the short courses taught by foreign experts. As of now, there are more than 600 videos available on this channel, with nearly **40,000 subscribers and Two Million views. In the year 2020 itself, there were 12,000 new subscribers and One Million views to the channel.** We are thus helping students of other law schools and colleges and contributing to Continuing Legal Education even for lawyers and judges. In the coming years, the University aims to upload more content which will help us in the dissemination

of legal knowledge. The links of the lectures / programmes uploaded during the year under report are given below:

### **LINKS OF PUBLIC POLICY LECTURE SERIES**

Understanding the Agrarian Crisis in 2020 | The NALSAR Public Policy Group  
|Nalsar University Of Law  
[https://youtu.be/SMzWpC4ez\\_o](https://youtu.be/SMzWpC4ez_o)

### **LINKS FOR NYAYA FORUM LECTURE SERIES**

Structuring of Pleadings | Justice N Anand Venkatesh | Nyaya Forum  
<https://youtu.be/mhKR2NSAcBE>

Law of FIR and Investigation | Justice Nagamuthu | Nyaya Forum  
<https://youtu.be/X7HPbQ20cjs>

Cognizance to Framing of Charges| Sr. Adv. Rebecca John | Nyaya Forum  
[https://youtu.be/i\\_ULsINqtP0](https://youtu.be/i_ULsINqtP0)

Law of Writs: Art. 226 and Art. 227 | Sr. Adv. Asim Pandya | Nyaya Forum  
<https://youtu.be/1y2MSbMFzTM>

Practice and Procedure of the Supreme Court | Mr Sourav Roy (AOR,  
Supreme Court) | Nyaya Forum  
<https://youtu.be/EhBT-m1crQ>

Demystifying Economic Crimes under the IPC | Sr. Adv. Vikas Pahwa | Nyaya  
Forum  
<https://youtu.be/IM5oAfxV2aI>

Decoding Anti-Money Laundering Laws | Adv Shri Singh (Supreme Court) |  
Nyaya Forum  
<https://youtu.be/mo9tnf13Jol>

Law of Bail & Drafting Bail Applications | Mr Bharat Chugh (Former Judge;  
Partner, L&L)| Nyaya Forum  
[https://youtu.be/8w\\_su1Dsnlg](https://youtu.be/8w_su1Dsnlg)

Appreciation of Evidence in Criminal Cases| Senior Adv. R. Basant | Nyaya  
Forum  
<https://youtu.be/dw1qYZJFH5s>

Theories of Punishment and Variance in Sentencing | Senior Adv. Sidharth  
Luthra | Nyaya Forum  
<https://youtu.be/MVcNIEU9KF0>

Justice D.Y. Chandrachud | Future of Virtual Courts and Access to Justice in India | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/15nxZwNJsBM>

Litigation Strategies in Cross Border Disputes | Mr. Nakul Dewan (Senior Advocate) | Nyaya Forum

[https://youtu.be/aGOzeTw\\_w4Q](https://youtu.be/aGOzeTw_w4Q)

Exploration of the 'New Normal' : Implications for the Legal System | Avani Bansal | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/RYmVrR-A8mc>

Patent Litigation : A hypothetical Saga (Carimo V. Invido) | Ms Swathi Sukumar| Nyaya Forum

[https://youtu.be/2UJ\\_IRV1hnl](https://youtu.be/2UJ_IRV1hnl)

How to approach a sexual harassment case:Law, Procedures and Ethics |Pramod Kumar Dubey |Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/m4NxKPXOjt0>

SFIO: Powers, Procedure and Practice | Mr Malak Bhatt, AOR Supreme Court of India | Nyaya Forum

[https://youtu.be/hL7\\_uhR9KGs](https://youtu.be/hL7_uhR9KGs)

Art of Oral Advocacy | Mr. Akshay Bhan | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/xmH-uCFOBf8>

Future of Mediation and Need for Mediation Legislation in India | Mr. Sriram Panchu | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/nR1EoH9mOn8>

Conversation with Justice Oka on Lawyering | Nyaya Forum and RootsResource

<https://youtu.be/BeTz72F8INc>

Judicial Clerkships Webinar | Nyaya Forum & Alumni Cell NALSAR

<https://youtu.be/tFKabNpzNts>

The Defence of Justice at Trial: In Conversation with Nitya Ramakrishnan | Roots Resouce & Nyaya

<https://youtu.be/WDCYYSYQXoM>

Global Lawyering : The Public Role of Law Students in the 21st Century | Nyaya Forum & JURIST

<https://youtu.be/0uH-zkzQQKY>

Lecture No 1 : Practical Aspects of Civil Litigation and Arbitration | Adv Amit George | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/bQVkXA4hjq>

Lecture No 2 | Practical Aspects of Civil Litigation and Arbitration | Adv Amit George | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/qNR0ZKpy8w8>

Lecture No 3 | Practical Aspects of Civil Litigation and Arbitration | Adv Amit George | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/cXjF9-KPu04>

Lecture No 4 | Practical Aspects of Civil Litigation and Arbitration | Adv Amit George | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/yhc29I4UziQ>

Lecture No 5 | Practical Aspects of Civil Litigation and Arbitration | Adv Amit George | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/7JhX5vewfnU>

Lecture No 6 | Practical Aspects of Civil Litigation and Arbitration | Adv Amit George | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/ajeOmH1mJ24>

Lecture No 7 | Practical Aspects of Civil Litigation and Arbitration | Adv Amit George | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/Ln93lad7npg>

Lecture No 8 | Practical Aspects of Civil Litigation and Arbitration | Adv Amit George | Nyaya Forum

<https://youtu.be/49WJOz7FSJM>

### **LINKS OF OTHER PROGRAMS / LECTURES**

The 1st INTERNATIONAL LEGAL AND POLICY CONFERENCE ON THE FUTURE OF TRANSPORT | NALSAR University

<https://youtu.be/QckAzb4wmY>

Dr. Dhvani Mehta's talk on "Patient Rights in a Pandemic and Beyond"

<https://youtu.be/43Q83Jp1BGQ>

Labour and the Constitution | Mr. Gopal Subramaniam

<https://youtu.be/q-64mMLJL3w>

Aerospace and Defence Education Need of the hour | NALSAR University of Law

[https://youtu.be/uJwaD48Db\\_g](https://youtu.be/uJwaD48Db_g)

Mapping India's Defence and Security Challenges A Way Forward

[https://youtu.be/9RUj\\_A4hMZs](https://youtu.be/9RUj_A4hMZs)

Impact of COVID-19 on the Indian Aviation Sector

<https://youtu.be/B7rrr2cLQ0s>

Unlocking India's Private Space Sector: Legal and Policy Challenges | Padma Shri A.S. Kiran Kumar

<https://youtu.be/BRmhhRg8QLE>

Application of GIS and Remote Sensing Technologies: Trends and Prospects

<https://youtu.be/EGEjDCvnAn4>

India as a maritime power: Contemporary perspectives-

<https://youtu.be/U7MK7ed2-IU>

LAOT interviews Prof. Tarunabh Khaitan on Writing, JFF and more!

<https://youtu.be/ZohEwXdU74I>

Nyaya Ki Awaaz, Jan Sahas Se Samvad

<https://youtu.be/ZLNnWjxcEXk>

Achievements and Challenges: An Overview of the New Education Policy 2020 | Ms. Meeta Sengupta

[https://youtu.be/F\\_mf\\_Kv9I9E](https://youtu.be/F_mf_Kv9I9E)

Valedictory Ceremony | 13th NALSAR-Justice B.R. Sawhny Memorial Moot Court Competition 2020

<https://youtu.be/cTYwqFKGqNU>

Discussing Queerness and Law: Stories from South Asia

<https://youtu.be/DvwXmFh9NSw>

Risk and Trust On the Sociology of the Pandemic: Professor Sujata Patel

<https://youtu.be/nquW5ubRrjw>

Introduction to Academic Legal Writing - Session 1 By Sidharth Chauhan

<https://youtu.be/ulUmcAGc72s>

Introduction to Academic Legal Writing - Session 3 by Sidharth Chauhan

<https://youtu.be/sgpLOkclACA>

Introduction to Academic Legal Writing - Session 2 by Sidharth Chauhan

<https://youtu.be/Y0gOdWNdyMQ>

### **LINKS FOR NALSAR LITERARY FEST**

Changing Realities: Stories, Experiences and their Expression | Panel Discussion | NALSAR LitFest

[https://youtu.be/YR1Qv8Ca2\\_s](https://youtu.be/YR1Qv8Ca2_s)

Journalistic Freedom & Free Speech | Panel Discussion | 6th NALSAR Literary Festiva

<https://youtu.be/Tv5k5hwAZZw>

### **LINKS FOR THE COURTS AND CONSTITUTION 2020**

Session III-Federalism and the Constitution- The Courts & The Constitution 2020

<https://youtu.be/1BNaa4NTB2c>

V-Citizenship, Residency and the Constitution | The Courts & The Constitution 2020

[https://youtu.be/1jyP6X4Q\\_tg](https://youtu.be/1jyP6X4Q_tg)

Session VII-Developments In Equality Jurisprudence – The Courts & The Constitution 2020

<https://youtu.be/YOuiYdWJEEw>

Session VIII-On Reforming Tribunals – The Courts & The Constitution 2020

<https://youtu.be/l-XXZzspXVY>

### **LINKS FOR NALSAR SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW LECTURES**

Career Prospects in International Law | Vanya Kumar | NALSAR Society of International Law.

<https://youtu.be/09y6g9ogYM4>

### **LINKS FOR WEBINAR**

Webinar - Regional Language in NEP - Medium of Instruction or Tool of Exclusion- Dr. Kancha Ilaiah

<https://youtu.be/w8zq4oSazHQ>

## **13. HEALTH CENTRE**

Due to Covid-19 pandemic situation and subsequent lockdowns, the students were sent back to their homes from campus from March 2020. Foreign Nationals and only few students facing difficulty in accessing online classes were allowed on campus. From March 16 to July, 2020 except Health centre the entire institution was closed.

During this period health staff was engaged to educate the staff members and their families regarding Covid-19 infection and its prevention. Under the guidance of the Health Centre the campus was sanitized with Sodium Hypo chloride. The face masks and hand wash sanitizer were supplied to the staff members and visitors.

Total patients treated in the OPD : 3204

Inpatients in the Health Center	: 120
Physio Therapy	: 125
Electro cardiogram	: 17
Covid-19 RAT Tests	: 18
Covid-19 detected and referred to govt hospital	: 07
General referred cases to other higher centres	: 13
Laboratory tests total	: 859
Dental	: 33
Gynic OPD	: 29

#### **14. COUNSELING CENTRE**

The NALSAR Counseling Center has two qualified and experienced Counsellors who conduct individual counseling sessions for the students and staff. In addition, the Counsellors also conduct Art Therapy sessions for the students to help the students to get in touch with their creative energy and distress.

Prior to the pandemic, individual Counseling services were provided to the students on campus. Students were able to approach the counselors with their personal difficulties pertaining to adjustment to college life and academics.

The Covid-19 pandemic is unprecedented for all of us and presented some unique challenges hitherto unknown. As the situation continues unabated, the impending crisis of the Students Mental well-being is a challenge for many educational institutions.

As the uncertainty grew students faced a decrease in resiliency, a decrease in wellbeing and lower motivation. It was natural for students to develop feelings of distress, heightened anxiety and fear, owing to concerns over their health, studies, Internships and social isolation with no clear end in sight.

University reached out to its students by extending online counseling services on audio/video, email or chats during the COVID -19 periods. Online art therapy sessions were also conducted.

The total number of students who reached out for support in the year 2020 to the Counselors were around 115 including staff.

In addition to the individual sessions Counselors provided Covid related workshops to the MBA students. Two different sessions were conducted for first year students on Mental health. One workshop was open to all nalsar students to interact with the counselors to provide coping strategies for their difficulties.

## 15. ADVANCE RESEARCH CENTRES / CHAIRS

### **Revision of the existing centres and establishment of new research centres & designating the faculty members assigned the research centres**

The Academic Council and the Executive Council at their meetings held on March 7, 2017 and March 15, 2017 respectively reviewed and revised the then existing centres and approved establishment of 15 (Fifteen) Centres and 04 (Four) Departments. Further, the Councils also approved designating the Professors / Associate Professors who are assigned to the Centres as Centre Head and the Assistant Professors who are assigned to the Centres as Centre Incharge.

During the year under report, the Executive Council at its meeting held on July 01, 2020 approved designating the persons appointed for Research Centres as Director. Further, as authorised by the Executive Council, the Vice-Chancellor approved designating the Assistant Professors appointed for the Centres as Centre Coordinators. Hence, the Professors and Associate Professors appointed for Research Centres are designated as Director and the Assistant Professors are designated as Coordinators.

Further after reviewing the existing centres and after considering the fact that there is a need to have separate centres for Consumer Laws to undertake the activities of the Consumer Chair and for Tax Laws for undertaking in depth research activities in the Tax Laws, the Centre for Corporate Law and Taxation Laws & Centre for Consumer and Competition Laws were bifurcated and the following Centres were established in their place:

- 1) Centre for Consumer Laws
- 2) Centre for Tax Laws
- 3) Centre for Corporate and Competition Laws

In addition, the following Centres were also established for undertaking researches and also to offer courses in the relevant areas of specialisation:

- 1) Centre for Cyber Laws and Forensic Sciences
- 2) Centre for Law, Entrepreneurship and Action Research
- 3) Centre for Commercial Law and Dispute Resolution
- 4) Centre for Management Studies (as part of Department of Management Studies)

#### **A) Centre for Disability Studies (Centre Head: Prof. Amita Dhanda, Professor of Law)**

- Two day online workshop conducted by both Centre for Disability Studies and BITS – Pilani, Hyderabad campus on “Fostering Research in Disability: Winter workshop on the ‘*Theme Accidents, Emergencies, Disasters and Disability*’ 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> December 2020

**B) Centre for Legal Philosophy and Justice Education  
(Centre Head: Prof. Amita Dhanda, Professor of Law)**

- The project by Ford Foundation entitled *Incubating a Discourse for Cooperation, Contentment and Care to Enable Justice for All*, has been extended to 2022 with small additional funding.  
The following pieces of work being done under the auspices of the project continue
  - Dr. Ananda Amritamaharaj, Principal, Sophia College for Women, Mumbai is writing a status paper on "values of cooperation, contentment and care have been addressed across religions".
  - Dr. Murali Karnam on Making Sense of Punishment : In search of a framework for Just Punishment and on Teaching Knowledge Democracy

Doctoral Work is being done on the following topics under the auspices of the project

- Ms. Malavika Prasad : Incubating Commons Thinking : A Proposal
- Mr. Josh Dalrymple: Evaluating immigration policies to initiate cooperation, contentment and care
- Mr. Ayyagari Subrahmanyam: An Inquiry of Incongruity: A Study of Statelessness and Citizenship in India
- Ms. Astha Saxena – The Use of Non-Obstante Clauses to Shift Legislative Paradigms
- Mr. Shree Rahul - Vagrancy and Beggary in India: A Socio-Legal Critique

**C) Centre for Constitutional Law, Policy and Good Governance  
(Centre Head: Prof. N. Vasanthi, Professor of Law)**

- During the year, the centre finalised the **IJCL Journal Vol. 9** for publishing on 14th Aug 2020
- The Centre **organized a Conference on 'The Courts and the Constitution – 2019 in Review' on January 25-26, 2020**. This conference was organised collaboratively by the 'Centre for Constitutional Law, Policy and Good Governance, NALSAR', the 'School of Policy and Governance, Azim Premji University' and the editorial team of the 'Law and Other Things' Blog. Spread over two days, the conference consisted of seven substantive sessions and featured presentations by 25 invited speakers that included several legal practitioners, academics, journalists and independent researchers. The main objective was to review developments in the field of Indian Constitutional Law during the calendar year 2019. The proceedings were attended by an audience of nearly 150 participants, which included students from NALSAR, APU, SLS-Hyderabad, Osmania University and several other external visitors.

#### D) Centre for Animal Rights

(Centre Head: Dr. Aruna B Venkat, Associate Professor of Law)

(Mr. Vivek Mukherjee, Assistant Professor, Co-ordinator, P.G. Diploma in Animal Protection Laws)

- The Centre organised an online webinar series on Animal Laws in India on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 with the theme “Illegal Wildlife Trade and its Role in Zoonotic Disease Transmission”. The speakers for the webinar were: Mridula Vijayraghavan who works with WCS-India as the Legal Director with a focus on wildlife law and Sumanth Bindumadhav who is the Campaign Manager for Wildlife at Humane Society International/India and has more than 20 years of experience in the field. More than 50 participants from different backgrounds participated in the webinar.

#### Research Projects

The centre is currently involved in 3 research projects:

- A project on ‘**Legal Personhood of Elephants in India**’ in collaboration with Nonhuman Rights Project, USA.

**Description:** The main objective of the project is to file a petition for the recognition of the personhood of our client in a suitable High Court or the Supreme Court. At this stage, we are yet to decide who our client (most probably an elephant or a chimpanzee) will be and which court is most suitable for our petition. Mr. Raj Panjwani (who is a senior advocate at the Supreme Court and has been a champion of animal rights for decades) has agreed to be the lead counsel.

**Funding agency:** NhRP, USA.

**Duration:** 1.5 years approx.

**Status:** Ongoing.

- A funded project on ‘**Illegal Wildlife Trade and Zoonotic Diseases**’ with Harvard Animal Law and Policy Program;

**Description:** One primary goal of our paper is to provide a sense of the diversity in types and cultural functions of markets, as well as the regulatory frameworks that govern them. We are selecting, as part of this process, a handful of countries to serve as “case studies” that capture this detail and allow for a deeper dive into the specifics of a particular country’s markets. We hope these case studies, when taken together, will prove the reader a sense of how animal markets may vary from one region to the next as well as what types of regulatory schemes and policies govern markets around the globe. NALSAR has signed a general MOU which includes this project and future projects that ALC & ALPP, Harvard may take up collaboratively.

**Collaborators:** This project is led by the Harvard Animal Law & Policy Program, New York University’s Center for Environmental and Animal

Protection, University of Denver's Sturm College of Law, Lewis & Clark Law School's Center for Animal Law Studies, the University of Toronto Faculty of Law, the University of Victoria Faculty of Law, and Yale Law School's Law, Ethics & Animals Program. It is funded by the Brooks Animal Studies Academic Network. Outside of North America, we will be working with collaborators across the world who will oversee the country-specific "case study" portion of the research. It is our hope that collaborators will share information and ideas amongst themselves, such that one of the lasting effects of this project will be a closer network of dedicated professionals working on One Health issues.

- A funded research project on '**Farm Animal Protection**' in collaboration with Humane Society International, India.

**Description:** This paper series aims to increase insight into the following: How the current system of battery cages and treating the birds as —production unitsll leads to immense harm not only to the birds but also to the labour and other humans in and around the poultry farms on a regular basis. How intensive confinement has an adverse impact on not only the animals but also causes a wide range of problems for our environment. The waste is released to our water bodies without any treatment. Our water and air quality are drastically compromised because of these industries. Studies have found that the workers of poultry farm report a more frequent occurrence of —headache, runny nose, sore throat, excessive coughing, diarrhoea, burning eyes, chest tightness. The prevalence of child labour, bonded labour and other labour rights violation in the visited poultry industries. What are the immediate measures that the poultry industry would need to take in order to improve the working conditions and address the existent human rights violations?

**Status:** This year we have completed two papers: **Environment Paper:** Studying the ecological risk associated with egg production through insights gained from 20 to 30 facilities. To study sustainable models of egg production to show a way forward for the sector. To produce a chemical and carbon footprint profile for eggs in two major cities (Hyderabad and Vizag). **Public Health Paper:** Studying the Public health risks associated with egg production by building a health profile of people living in and near the facilities. To build a health profile of people living in zones where egg production is concentrated by partnering with public health agencies and local doctors. To produce a biological threat profile of egg production.

#### The Research activities undertaken by the Shreya Padukone, Research Associate at the centre

- True Cost of Eggs Series:
  - Conducted legal analyses for three papers- Environment, Animal Welfare and Public Health.
  - Literature Review for Animal Welfare and Public Health papers.
  - One round of Internal and External review for the Environment paper.

- Live Animal Markets Project:
  - Conducted review for the working drafts.
  - Prepared questionnaires and attended interviews of 25 experts in the field of law, policy, and public health.
  - Drafted and edited the first draft for submission.
  
- Social Media
  - Content and graphic creation for ALC and legal updates.
  - Engagement to successfully double follower count.
  - Simplifying animal laws through fun and interactive content such as quizzes.
  
- Miscellaneous
  - Preliminary research on fish welfare and attending India's first Roundtable on Fish Welfare and Aquaculture 2021.
  - Successfully completed the five-day NLSIU-CPCB Training Programme in Environmental Legislations and adjudged Best Participant.
  - Developed two Animal Law Handbooks scheduled to be released in April 2021 and October 2021.

The Research activities undertaken by the **Ravi Teja Sangeetha**, Research Associate at the centre

- Finished drafting the first draft of the True cost of eggs - Animal Welfare paper.
- Hosted as well as helped in coordinating and organising the second round of PG-D classes online through Zoom
- Worked with Shreya Padukone in communicating and following up with Allywyn Sebastian and Gubbala Ramakrishna Rao in bringing out the the first drafts of the Animal Law Handbooks.
- Sent the first draft of the labour paper for internal and external review.
- Worked with spreading the press releases across the Print media about the Animal Protection Law PgD program of 2020-2021.
- Co-ordinated with the IT department and reached out to prospective students over follow-up calls to ensure that their admission process is streamlined. Also coordinated with the team in processing and following up with students who were offered scholarships.
- Worked on adding citations and refining the references for the true cost of eggs - Labour paper
- Began restructuring the Labour paper into the requisite format.
- Worked with the IT team and coordinated with the students leading up to the first round of classes for the APL 2020 - 2021 batch. Made sure that the contact classes went through without hurdles across the four days.
- Began Restructuring the True cost of eggs - Animal Welfare paper by integrating recent research carried out in the field.
- Started coordinating the Animal Law webinar series with SNHP collaboration and ensured that the communication between the conversers and the speakers were going as per schedule. Also helped in collating and doing secondary research for the "First Strike" white paper.

**E) Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws  
(Centre Head : Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Professor of Law)**

**Launch of CADL Website:**

In March 2020, the Centre has launched its official website with the following URL: [www.cadl.nalsar.ac.in](http://www.cadl.nalsar.ac.in)

**Activities of the Centre with regard to the Courses**

In addition to the Two Master's Programmes and Two Diploma Programmes offered earlier, during the year 2020-2021, the following new courses were introduced by CADL and offered during the year under report through Open and Distance Learning Mode:

- (a) Two-Year M.A. in Space and Telecommunications Law
- (b) One-Year P.G. Diploma in GIS and Remote Sensing Laws

The Self Learning Materials for various subjects for all the courses offered by CADL were prepared / revised and distributed to the enrolled candidates. The online / onsite lecture sessions and consultations for project assignments were conducted for all the courses. Due to Covid-19, the examinations were conducted online during the reported year.

**Internships:**

In the year 2020, CADL provided internships to six candidates.

**Publications:**

- Indian Journal of Air and Space Law (IJASL) Volume VIII- IX, January 2019- January 2020, ISSN No: 2394-6091  
The Centre has a full-fledged bi-annual Indian Journal of Air and Space Law (IJASL); peer reviewed with ISSN (No. 2394-6091) accreditation. The VIII & IX volume (January 2019-January 2020) of the same was published and released during the International Legal and Policy Conference on the Future of Transport held on February 2-3, 2020 at NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad.
- Teaching and Research Activities of Air and Space Law at NALSAR: A Journey of Two Decades  
The Centre published the "*Teaching and Research Activities of Air and Space Law at NALSAR: A Journey of Two Decades*" by Prof. (Dr.) V. Balakista Reddy, which was released during the International Legal and Policy Conference on the Future of Transport held on February 2-3, 2020 at NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad.
- Conference Souvenir:  
The Centre published the "*Conference Souvenir*" edited by Prof. (Dr.) V. Balakista Reddy and Mr. Sagar Singamsetty, which was released during the International Legal and Policy Conference on the Future of Transport held on February 2-3, 2020 at NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad.

- CADL Newsletters:  
In the year 2020, the following are the two Newsletters published by the Centre-
  - Report of International Aerospace Conference held on February 02-03, 2020 at NALSAR
  - COVID-19 Pandemic: Its Impact on Civil Aviation Industry

### Conferences:

- International Legal and Policy Conference on the Future of Transport: Opportunities and Challenges in Aviation and Space Industry:  
The Centre in collaboration with the University of Mississippi School of Law, United States of America, GMR Group Hyderabad, Sarin & Co. and Indian Journal of Law and Public Policy has organized a two-day International Conference on February 2-3, 2020. The theme of the conference was “*Opportunities and Challenges in Aviation and Space Industry.*” This conference aimed at debating a wide range of legal and policy issues relating to the aviation, space, and transport sector in general by experts coming from government, industry, legal and policy analysts, and academicians.
- Wings 2020:  
CADL has participated in “*Wings India 2020: An International Exhibition and Conference*” held on March 12-15, 2020 at Begumpet Airport, Hyderabad. International Exhibition and Conference on Civil Aviation sector, providing a congenial forum catering to the rapidly changing dynamics of the sector, focusing on new business acquisition, investments, policy formation and regional connectivity. CADL has put a stall in this exhibition in which, we have showcased the activities of the Centre, CADL Courses Brochure and various publications done by the Centre. Along with that CADL has released its special edition Newsletter on the International Legal and Policy Conference on the Future of Transport held in February, 2020.

### Webinars:

- (a) Aerospace and Defence Education: Need of the Hour  
Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL) had organized a webinar series, “Aerospace and Defence laws Lecture series”, which brought together academics, legal practitioners, and experts from the field, to critically examine the education in Aviation, Defence and Space Laws, and explore the current trends in these sectors. It was held on June 30, 2020.
- (b) Mapping India’s Defence and Security Challenges: A Way Forward  
As part of “Atmanirbhar Bharat”, and to push towards self-reliant India, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, has announced significant structural reforms in major Sectors including the Defence. An inevitable outcome of these reforms is the Private Participation in the Defence Industry. Subsequent to the hugely successful inaugural session on June 30, 2020, the 2nd Webinar of the series titled “Mapping India’s Defence and Security Challenges: A Way Forward” was organized on July 7, 2020.

(c) Impact of COVID-19 on the Indian Aviation Industry

The impact of COVID-19 is for real and this unprecedented health crisis is pushing the global economy into a turmoil. The aviation sector, predominantly airlines and airports are very badly hit due to this pandemic. The International Air transport Association estimates that the global aviation industry will lose \$252 billion in 2020. Some analysis shows that the overall drop in global GDP is 6% due to this pandemic and because of the several restrictions imposed by the governments. With these circumstances in mind, CADL has scheduled its 3rd Webinar in “Aerospace and Defence Law Lecture Series” titled “*Impact of COVID-19 on the Indian Aviation Industry*” on July 12, 2020, at 3:30 PM IST.

(d) Unlocking India’s Private Sector Legal and Policy Challenges

With the aim to attain long-time technological, economic and industrial gains, the Indian government has opened its space sector to private players and also intends to set- up a new organisation, namely, The Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (In-Space). In addition, the discussions on the Space Activities Bill of 2017 is still ongoing. This means that going forward we could expect an economic contribution from this sector to the GDP as these legal and policy initiatives may enable growth of the space sector activities in India. To further look into this development and get insights from the prominent persons from the Space sector, CADL has scheduled its 4th Webinar in “Aerospace and Defence Law Lecture Series” titled “*Unlocking India’s Private Space Sector: Legal and Policy Challenges*” on July 19, 2020 at 3:30PM IST.

(e) Application of GIS and Remote Sensing Technologies: Trends and Prospects

This spatial component is used in various sectors including the location-based infrastructure, Disaster management, agriculture, environment assessment, health care, e-governance and many more. Research reveals that the global spatial market has an estimated value of USD 78 million, thriving at a CAGR of 16.6% during the assessment period from 2016 through 2022. With this in mind, CADL, NALSAR University of Law held webinar in “Aerospace and Defence Law Lecture Series” titled “Application of GIS and Remote Sensing Technologies: Trends and Prospects” on Saturday, 25th July 2020 at 5:00 PM IST.

(f) India as a maritime power: Contemporary perspectives

With all the contemporary issues, Our panellists in the Webinar “India as a maritime power: Contemporary perspectives”, the last of the “Aerospace and Defence Laws lecture series”, addressed some of them on 31st July 2020 at 5:00 PM.

**Launched Defence and Maritime Law Journal:**

The *Indian Journal of Defence and Maritime Laws (IJDMML)* is the official publication of Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR University of Law, and is dedicated to research, practice, advocacy, education and policy in security and maritime sectors.

The Journal publishes Doctrinal, Legal, Policy, empirical, theoretical, methodological and practice-oriented articles and book reviews covering topics relevant to Defence, Security (Homeland and International), Military, Armed forces, cyber-security, armed conflicts, diplomacy, conflict resolution, and related legal and policy aspects; Maritime safety and security, admiralty law, marine environment aspects, legal and policy issues relating to ships and shipping, passage issues, Law of sea, and other related aspects.

#### **F) Centre for Tribal and Land Rights**

**(Centre Head : Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Professor of Law)**

- Guided the Farmers association namely Radhakrishna Kuruma Sanghamam of Mangole Village of Kondapaka Village of Siddipet District, an extent of Ac 50.10 gts of land was acquired for Mission Bagheeratha purpose by Telangana State Government through Telangana State Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Rules, 2014 in this regard made them to aware of legal provisions and their rights with regard to the property accordingly compensation was negotiated with the appropriate officials and enhanced compensation was being awarded peacefully without any chaos and agitations.
- Gadila Lakshmi W/ o Gadila Shankariah land around 2.00 Acres of land situated at Baswapur ijara Vilage of Mulugu Mandal of Siddipet District, a poor old aged widow lady cultivating land without having proper documents in her hand, there were several disputes since last 3 years, there were many provocations and tensions by few of same villagers were tried through illegal means and force to grab the land and enjoy, but timely suggestions and legal actions made them to protect their land, on behalf of them several applications was drafted and filed before appropriate authorities to take necessary actions, still those were pursuing on time to time basis.
- New Narsimha Nagar Cooperative Society of Mallapur of Nacharam, Hyderabad it's been almost 30 years since they have been fighting for their land ownership right, as a Residential Zone from Railway Transportation Zone and thereby can help nearly 800 households, more than 5000 people in the region. While it is thoroughly noticeable that, every single owner has been paying Property Tax, Electricity & Water bills quite persistently and also paid payments towards LRS in the recent times, yet their survey number has been classified as a non-residential zone by the HMDA and their Survey numbers are not included in recently developed Dharani Portal. In this regard CTRLR given initial steps to be followed accordingly applications were drafted and helped the residents of association.
- Guided Several High Court Civil Litigation Matters to Tahsildars of Telangana State with regard to subjudice matters, Bindover cases during Election Code, Contempt Petitions, against Tahsildars and helped them to understand the nature of litigation and grounds of facts with legal relevance.

- Centre for Tribal and Land Rights (CTLR), NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad is continuously guiding the illiterate, poor, and needy people who approach the CTLR on their property matters, legal and litigation matters on time-to-time basis. Further drafting the legal petitions and applications to the illiterate poor people.
- Centre for Tribal and Land Rights (CTLR), NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad is trying hard to bring out its Exclusive Activities Report under the esteemed stewardship of Centre Head Prof. (Dr) V. Balakista Reddy, which contains the CTLR's various unique initiatives and activities since its inception from 2005 to till today.

**G) Centre for Child and Youth Justice  
(Centre In-Charge: Dr. D. Balakrishna, Assistant Professor)**

Exper Committee Member

- Government of Telangana vide G.O. No. 92 dated: September 3, 2020 constituted an Expert Committee to provide suggestions and inputs for strengthening of CCI (Child Care Institutions), Child Welfare Committees (Statutory Bodies) and ICPS system.

Member in State Level Selection Committee (Statutory Body)

- Government of Telangana constituted State Level Selection Committee under Juvenile Justice Act, 2015 with an extraordinary gazette issued on dated October 29, 2020. Centre represented as an academic body (Member).

Course Offered

- A course was offered on Criminal Law and Juvenile Justice for the Officials of Department of Prison, Government of Telangana.

Expert Opinion to US on PCA

- Participated in a round table meeting with Ms. Karin King, Deputy Assistant Secretary from USA meeting held at US Consulate General, Hyderabad on February 14, 2020. The Consulate Chief Mr. Eric Alexander moderated on the discussion of Parental Child Abduction and NRI Marital Disputes.

**H. Centre for Criminal Justice Reform and Research  
(Centre In-Charge: Dr. Manisha Sethi, Associate Professor)**

The Centre has been newly established in 2020 with the objective to explicate the link between citizenship, rights and processes of law. It will also seek to identify systemic and structural problems within the criminal justice system, and to act as a platform for policy and reform initiatives in this regard. Some of the key areas of research at the Centre will be in the following fields:

- Special legislation, more specifically anti-terror and public detention laws
- Wrongful prosecution and convictions; evolving framework of compensation and rehabilitation
- Death penalty
- Prison studies

The Centre is intended to be home to a range of taught courses that will provide students a theoretical foundation to engage with these issues. With this in mind, two social science seminar papers were introduced: 'Emergency Jurisprudence' (Jan- April 2020) and 'Terrorism Trials' (July-November 2020).

In order to supplement these theoretical discussions with insights from the everyday world of the criminal justice system, a series of invited lectures was initiated. These included:

- '*Unlawful Activities Prevention Act and the Pathologies of Law*' by Adv. Jawahar Raja, August 11, 2020. Raja has represented terror accused, as well as defended organisations that were banned under UAPA. Raja's talk focussed on the problematic of the executive's power of proscribing organisations and its consequences for the right to freedom of speech and association.
- '*Terrorism Trials and Reflections on Fundamental Rights*' by Justice (Retd.) Abhya Thipsay, August 18, 2020. Justice Thipsay, whose landmark observations in the Kabir Kala Manch bail order have been hailed as 'transformative' and the most lucid judicial resistance to the executive tendency to abridge civil liberties in the name of exception, deconstructed UAPA and MCOCA.
- '*Guilty until Proven Innocent: A view from the Dock*' by Wahid Shaikh, August 26, 2020. Shaikh spent close to nine years in prison on terror charges and has authored 'Begunah Qaidi' (Innocent Prisoners), and has recently completed another book, *A Fair Trial?* which will take us through the nitty gritty of a MCOCA court. In his talk, Shaikh drew upon his own experience as an accused to demonstrate how all legal maxims are parodied and vitiated in a terrorism trial. His talk also indicated how, even in the face of apparent prejudicial legal process; we must also focus on what Annelise Riles has called the 'technicalities of law'.

The lecture series will be continued over the current semester.

The Centre will also serve as a repository, and the task of collecting records, reports and documents pertaining to all aspects of the functioning of the criminal justice system – produced by both governmental and non governmental sources – has already begun. The archive will be a valuable source for scholars.

## **16. OTHER RESEARCH PROJECTS / SEMINARS / CONFERENCES / WORKSHOPS / TRAINING PROGRAMMES / MOOT COURTS / OTHER PROGRAMMES**

### **A) DRAFTING OF CENTRAL / STATE LEGISLATIONS**

- Revamping the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 / Revisiting the provisions of Merchant Shipping Bill, 2016 – Preparation of a Draft Merchant Shipping Bill, 2020 sanctioned by Ministry of Shipping for an amount of Rs. 22,50,000/- (Rupees twenty two lakhs fifty thousand only).
- Drafting of Central Legislation for Lighthouses - drafting a new Lighthouse Act for enactment in place of the existing Lighthouse Act, 1927 sanctioned by Director General of Lighthouses and Lightships, Ministry of Shipping for an amount of Rs. 7,50,000/- (Rupees seven lakhs fifty thousand only).
- Project on 'Assistance in introducing the Indian Ports Bill, 2020 in Parliament' sanctioned by Ministry of Shipping (Sagarmala Cell) for an amount of Rs. 4,00,000/- (Rupees four lakhs only).

### **B) CONFERENCES / SEMINARS / WORKSHOPS ORGANISED**

International Conference on “The Future of Transport – Opportunities and Challenges in Aviation and Space Industry” was organized by NALSAR on 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2020.

### **C) COURSES OFFERED**

Online course on Indian Constitution in collaboration with Ministry of Law & Justice

On the directions of the Government of India, NALSAR University of Law in collaboration with Department of Law, Ministry of Law & Justice, Government of India is offering Online Course on Indian Constitution. The interested candidates can register for the course and access the videos online. The videos will be available in two languages, Hindi and English.

### **D) COMPETITIONS / FESTS ORGANIZED BY STUDENTS:**

- The 13<sup>th</sup> NALSAR B.R. Sawhny Memorial Moot Court Competition 2020 was organized by the Moot Court Committee from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020. The competition was successfully organized in an online format.
- ADR Committee organized the internal Client Counselling Selections on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020. The event was conducted on campus.
- Debating Committee organized multiple practice debate sessions for NALSAR students in an online format.

## **E) MANAGEMENT FEST – WINNOW – 2020**

The student body of DoMS, NALSAR University has organized fest one-day program which began with the Business Plan Competition on February 15, 2020. The fest showcased the talents of groups and individuals with start-up/Business ideas. Besides the above, the groups showcased the dancing, comedy, miming etc. Students of DoMS have additionally taken an interest in 'The executives' Fests' sorted out by presumed organizations where the program and the understudies have gotten awards. Along with the gift prizes and a chance to be incubated at Department of Management Studies incubation Centre, Synergy.

## **17. MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING WITH FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES**

University has signed Memorandums of Understanding with 33 foreign universities in different countries all over the world. As part of the MoU, the Faculty Members and the students visit the foreign universities under the exchange programme. The details of the faculty members and students who visited the foreign universities and those who visited NALSAR from Host Universities during the year are given below:

### **A) Faculty Exchange Programme**

Mr. Jagteshwar Singh Sodhi, Assistant Professor, NALSAR to Tel Aviv University, Israel

- Mr. Jagteshwar Singh Sodhi offered a course on '*Environmental Justice – stories and struggles*' as Visiting faculty at The Buchmann Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University (Israel). See details: [Visiting Faculty | The Buchmann Faculty of Law | Tel Aviv University \(tau.ac.il\)](https://www.tau.ac.il/~buchmann/). Due to Covid19 related restrictions he was unable to physically travel to Tel Aviv. Classes were instead offered on Zoom. The course ran during November 2020.

### **B) Student Exchange Programme**

Under the MoUs for Faculty-Student Exchange Programmes, a number of NALSAR students undertook one semester study at different foreign universities and some students from foreign universities spent one semester at NALSAR. The details are as under:

Santa Clara University, U.S.A.

One student from NALSAR selected for study for the semester January-April, 2020.

The Radzyner School of Law, Israel

Four students from NALSAR selected for study for the semester February-June, 2020.

University of Illinois College of Law, U.S.A.

One student from NALSAR selected for study for the semester January-April, 2020.

University of Lucerne, Switzerland

One student from NALSAR selected for study for the semester January-April, 2020.

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Lewis & Clark Law School, U.S.A.

One student from NALSAR selected for study for the semester January-April, 2020.

The School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, UK

Two students from NALSAR selected for study for the semester January-April, 2020.

Macquarie University, Australia

One student from NALSAR selected for study for the semester January-April, 2020.

The Buchman Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University, Israel

One student from NALSAR selected for study for the semester January-April, 2020.

## **18. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED WITH OTHER INSTITUTIONS IN INDIA DURING THE YEAR**

In addition, to the MoU with foreign universities, NALSAR also signed MoU with different Universities and institutions in India for sharing of academic and infrastructural facilities, exchange of students and faculty, to offer joint programmes, to establish Centres, to organize conferences, seminars, workshops etc.:

- Center for Human Security Studies (CHSS), Hyderabad

## **19. RECRUITMENTS / INTERNSHIPS**

### **A) Undergraduate Programme**

NALSAR graduates enjoyed an outstanding placement record. International and national law firms, corporates, PSUs and government agencies came for campus recruitments with highly attractive pay packages.

The students of the batch were placed with national / international law firms, banks, and corporates. Job placement for all graduates who opted for it has been 100%.

## Internships

NALSAR believes that learning is not done in the classroom alone but also at place of work. To give practical insight, the University has systematic student- run winter and summer internship programmes. The students of the B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) and LL.M. Degree Programmes went for internships with government and non-governmental organisations, national and international legal corporates, senior lawyers and law firms. Some students worked as interns (Law Clerks) with the Hon'ble Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts. Internship Placement is made keeping in view the preferences and aptitudes of the students in terms of what sort of employment they look for. Orientation training is given to the students to prepare them for placement with different organizations and the type of work which they are supposed to do as interns. After the internship is over, the students submit their reports to the University and these reports are taken into account for next internships.

During the year under report, the University had earmarked an amount of Rs.5,00,000/- as financial support for the economically disadvantaged students to undertake their internships.

## **B) Master's Programme – MBA**

The alumni of DoMS, NALSAR are presently working with reputed organizations like Byju's, Karvy, ICICI, Vodafone, SCSA Governance, Axis Bank, Modor Intelligence, Infinity Research, Avetti Commerce, Stratagem, Core Compete, Franklin-Templeton, Shemford Schools, TCS, Eco System Talent sprints and Lemon Tree Hotels etc. During this Year, the placement committee elections were held in September in the presence of concerned Faculty Members and students. The Office Bearers from the batch 2019-21 are Kasaram Harish Rithin Sai, Pottola Kranthi Kumar, and Kanakala Navya Nischala.

The Department of Management Studies has started a Training & Placement Advisory Cell. The Department faces various difficulties due to COVID 19 however more than 20 companies participated for final placements. Companies like Jaro Education, Byzu, Valuemomentum, The Hacket Group, Invesco, Axis Bank, Awfis Solution, Gold Plus, Locuz Solutions, Axiscades, Impact Guru, People Tech Group, Teltonica, Grey Campus, Edureka, Y-Axis, Bharti Axa, Camptra Technologies etc. and few more visited for Final Placements.

## 20. PUBLICATIONS

During the year under report, the University has brought out the following journals / publications:

- NALSAR Student Law Review (Vol. 13, 2020)
- Indian Journal of Air and Space Law (IJASL) Volume VIII- IX, January 2019- January 2020, ISSN No: 2394-6091
- The Indian Journal of Constitutional Law (IJCL) (Vol. 9, 2020)
- “*Teaching and Research Activities of Air and Space Law at NALSAR: A Journey of Two Decades*” by Prof. (Dr.) V. Balakista Reddy
- CADL Newsletters:
  - Report of International Aerospace Conference held on February 02-03, 2020 at NALSAR
  - COVID-19 Pandemic: Its Impact on Civil Aviation Industry

## 21. FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### **Prof. Faizan Mustafa, Vice-Chancellor**

#### Foreign Visits:

Visited U.S. from 13<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2020

- Delivered lecture at Fletcher School, Tufts University on the topic – “Indian Judiciary Post 2014, Minority Rights” on February 14, 2020.
- Delivered lecture at Harvard Kennedy School on the topic – “Who is Indian? Implications of the National Register of Citizens and The Citizenship Amendment Act.” and also at MIT, Boston on the topic “The crises of Identity in India” on February 15, 2020.
- Participated in the Panel Discussion at Yale University on the topic “Constitutional Attacks in India” on February 17, 2020.
- Delivered lecture at Kendall Square on the Topic “CAA & NRC” On February 17, 2020
- Delivered lecture at Harvard Law School on “Constitutional Challenges – Secularism in the contemporary world.” on February 18, 2020.

#### Conference Organized:

- Organized G-20 Interfaith Conference on Freedom of Religion in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (2020).

#### Publications:

- The Policy of Neutrality and International Law with Critical Overview of Malaysian Context, Journal of International Law and Islamic Law with Nehaluddin Ahmad and Gary Lilienthal.
- The Live Animal Export Trace: An Egregious Violation of the Public Trust, European Food and Feed Law Review with Nehaluddin Ahmad and Gary Lilienthal.

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- Elected as President of Consortium of National Law Universities (2020-2021)
- Member, Search Committee for the appointment of Vice-Chancellor of National Law University Odisha.

- Member, Search Committee for the appointment of Vice-Chancellor, TERI University, New Delhi
- Member, Search Committee for the appointment of Vice-Chancellor Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala.
- Chairmanship of Legal Services Sectional Committee, SSD 17 of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), New Delhi
- Member, Editorial Board of the CCI Journal, Competition Commission of India, New Delhi.
- Advisory Board Member of the 'TISS Journal of Disability Studies & Research' (TJDSR), Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai.

#### Lectures Delivered:

- Delivered Manthan Lecture on the Topic "The State of the Citizen" at Vidyaranya School on January 3, 2020.
- Delivered Lecture at Doctor's Association, Mehdipatnam on January 5, 2020.
- Delivered lecture at colloquium "Truth & non-Violence: Gandhi in the post-Truth Era" at IIT, Guwahati on January 8 & 9, 2020.
- Delivered 24<sup>th</sup> Memorial Lecture of IPS Officer Late Shri K.S.Vyas at Telangana Police Academy on January 27<sup>t</sup>, 2020.
- Lecture delivered to IAS Officer trainees on Constitutionalism and Rule of Law at MCR-HRD Institute, Hyderabad on February 4, 2020.
- Lecture delivered to IAS Officer trainees on "Constitution, Human Rights and Policing" at MCR-HRD Institute, Hyderabad on February 5, 2020.
- Delivered lecture at the inaugural session of the training programme of Ph.D. Scholars on Research Methodology on February 21, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on Art.370 and Federalism to the students at SAARCLAW Centre on March 5 & 6, 2020.
- Lecture delivered online on Constitutionalism to IAS Trainees at LBSAA, Mussoorie on October 21, 2020.
- Delivered Motivational Lecture Online to the New batch of students of Central University of Kashmir on December 23, 2020.

#### Other Conferences / Meetings / Seminars:

- Participated in the Interaction with M.Ps. on 'Strengthening the Justice Delivery System" on January 15, 2020 at Hyderabad.
- Delivered welcome address at the inaugural session of the NHRC Conference on "Integrating Women's Development with Nation's Development: Role of Stakeholders" organized at NALSAR on January 17, 2020.
- Participated in the conference on "The Courts and the Constitution – 2019 in Review" organized by NALSAR in collaboration with Azim Premji University, Bangalore on January 25-26, 2020.
- Participated in the Panel Discussion on the Environment and the Indian Constitution on March 4, 2020.

- Participated in the Online Indian Member Council & Annual General Meeting of the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute on May 20, 2020.
- Participated in the Online G20 Interfaith Advisory Council Meeting on May 29, 2020.
- Participated in the online conference on “The Republic of Letters: Groundbreak 2020” and Chaired a session on Navigating the Pandemic: The Professional Institution Perspective” on June 25, 2020 organized by Ashoka University.
- Participated in a webinar on UAPA and Pathologies of Law on August 11, 2020.
- Participated and judged the virtual final rounds of the 13<sup>th</sup> B.R. Sawhny Moot Court Competition on August 16, 2020.
- Participated in the webinar on India Foundation Dialogue with Education on August 19, 2020.
- Participated in the Online meeting on Project 39A – Death Penalty Report organized by Dr. Anup Surendranath on October 10, 2020.
- Participated in Online meeting of the National Seminar on Accreditation for Law Institutions organized by NAAC on November 4, 2020.
- Participated online as Keynote Speaker at the “First International Conference on Equality, Religious Harmony and Peace” on November 19, 2020 organized by International Islamic University, Malaysia.
- Participated in a webinar on the topic ‘A year since the historic movement against the CAA-NRC’ on December 16, 2020.
- Participated in an Online AMU Centenary Celebration organized by AMUAA, Riyadh on December 18, 2020.
- Participated in an online General Council Meeting of the MNLU, Aurangabad on December 19, 2020.

**Prof. V. Balakista Reddy, Professor of Law and Registrar**

Seminars / Conferences / Workshops / Training programmes / Moot Court Competitions Organised:

- Chaired a technical session on “Dispute Settlement Mechanism & International Investments” as part of the Two-day International Seminar on “International Trade and Investment Law: Emerging Trends”, held at ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad on January 11, 2020.
- Panelist for a Two-day International Conference on “North-South Imbalances: Global Perspectives and Challenges”, held at Osmania University, Hyderabad on January 12, 2020.
- Chief Guest for the Valedictory Session of a Two-day International Conference on “North-South Imbalances: Global Perspectives and Challenges” held at Osmania University, Hyderabad on January 13, 2020.
- Coordinator for a Two-day International Legal and Policy Conference on “The Future of Transport - Opportunities and Challenges in Aviation and Space Industry”, organized by NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad in collaboration with the University of Mississippi School of Law, United States of America, GMR Group Hyderabad, Sarin & Co. and Indian Journal of Law and Public Policy on February 2-3, 2020.

- Resource Person for a One-week training program for IAS officers and delivered a Lecture on “International Financial Institutions and their impact on India” on February 24, 2020.
- Chief Guest for the Inauguration Ceremony of a National Seminar on “Crime Prevention and Control”, organized by the Centre of Criminology and Criminal Justice of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad on February 29, 2020.
- Chief Guest for the Legal Awareness Program on “Criminal and Civil Law & Women and Reproductive Health Rights”, sponsored by National Commission for Women, New Delhi, held at Centre for Women’s Studies, St. Ann’s College for Women, Hyderabad on March 7, 2020.
- Participated in the Global Aviation Summit - “Wings India 2020: An International Exhibition and Conference” held at Begumpet Airport, Hyderabad from March 12 – 15, 2020 and presented a paper on “Aviation Business Opportunities in India: Legal Issues and Challenges”.
- Chief Guest for the National Conference on “Status of inclusive Education in India”, organized at the National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Hyderabad on March 14, 2020.
- Conducted an Online Webinar on “Aerospace and Defence Education: Need of the hour” through the Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR on June 30, 2020.
- Resource Person for an online technical session on “Emerging Trends of Research in International Law” as part of the 5-Day Online Faculty Development Programme on "Research and Development in Legal Pedagogy in Post Pandemic India", organized by Amity University, Kolkata on July 6, 2020.
- Conducted an Online Webinar on “Mapping India’s Defence and Security Challenges: A Way Forward” through the Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR on July 7, 2020.
- Conducted an Online Webinar on “Impact of COVID-19 on the Indian Aviation Industry” through the Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR on July 12, 2020.
- Participated in a web-conference on “Flying Again: India's preparedness for domestic and International Air transport”, organized by FICCI Karnataka State Council in association with Bangalore International Airport on July 14, 2020.
- Conducted an Online Webinar on "Unlocking India's Private Space Sector: Legal and Policy Challenges" through the Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR on July 19, 2020.
- Resource Person for a Webinar on "Law as a Career" organized by Career Launcher on July 19, 2020.
- Resource Person for a Webinar on "Environmental Resources Management Towards Sustainability" for M.Tech, PhD scholars and engineering college faculty, organised by Department of Civil Engineering, A U College of Engineering (A), Andhra University, Visakhapatnam on July 22, 2020.

- Conducted an Online Webinar on “Application of GIS and Remote Sensing Technologies: Trends and Prospects” through the Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR on July 25, 2020.
- Resource Person for a Webinar on “Emerging Issues and Challenges in International Trade Law: Post Covid-19”, organized by IFIM Law School, Bangalore on July 30, 2020.
- Conducted an Online Webinar on “India as a Maritime Power: Contemporary Perspectives” through the Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR on July 31, 2020.
- Resource Person for a Ten-Day Online Workshop on “Advanced Legal Research Methodology” (sponsored under the scheme of RUSA 2.0), organized by University College of Law, Osmania University from August 4-14, 2020.
- Conducted Online Session on “Teaching and Research of Contemporary International Law – Covid-19 Pandemic Perspective” through the Centre for Aerospace and Defence Laws (CADL), NALSAR on August 6, 2020.
- Speaker for the Webinar on “Perspectives about National Education Policy 2020 and a Road Map for Telangana”, organized by Hon’ble Governor’s Office, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad on August 13, 2020.
- Resource Person for a Webinar on “Aerospace Defence Startups: Legal Challenges”, organized by Center for Human Security Studies (CHSS), Hyderabad on August 14, 2020.
- Resource Person for a Session on “Teaching of Contemporary International law - Pandemic Challenges” organized as part of the Ten-Days Online Workshop on ‘Effective Teaching, Learning and Research in Law: Covid-19 Challenges’ at Department of Law, Osmania University on August 17, 2020.
- Resource Person for a National webinar on, “Implications of National Policy on Education - 2020”, jointly organised by Internal Quality Assurance Cell and School of Education and Training, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvavur on August 20, 2020.
- Resource Person for a 5-day Training Programme and delivered online lectures on “International Aviation Laws”, organized by Indian Aviation Academy, New Delhi from September 7-11, 2020.
- Key Panelist for an online session on “Reforms in the Indian Space Sector and the Opportunities therein” as part of the International Space Conference on “Ushering the new era for Indian Space Sector”, organized by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in association with the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) and the Antrix Corporation Limited (ANTRIX) and New Space India Limited (NSIL) on September 15, 2020.
- Resource Person for an online technical session on “Inter-disciplinary approach in International Law and Technology” as part of the Ten days Faculty Development Programme on Interdisciplinary Research and Teaching in Law and Social Sciences: Emerging Trends”, organized by PG College of Law, Osmania University, Hyderabad on September 16, 2020.
- Resource Person for a Two week Online Interdisciplinary Refresher Course on 'Legal Provisions and Social Transformation” and delivered a lecture on “Social Transformation in International Legal Order: A Covid-19 Pandemic Perspective”, organized by Institute of Law, Kurukshetra University,

Kurukshetra (India) in collaboration with University Grants Commission Human Resource Development Centre, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra on September 22, 2020.

Academic Honors / Awards / Fellowships:

- Member of Board of Studies (BoS) of VIT-AP School of Law (VSL), Hyderabad.
- Member of the Committee to recommend the nominee for IPR Chair Professor, Osmania University.
- Member of the Academic Council, Malla Reddy University, Hyderabad.
- Member of the Screening Committee for the post of Professor of Law, National University of Study and Research in Law, Ranchi.
- Expert Member of the Board of Studies, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad.
- External Expert for the Research Degree Committee of University (RDCU), HNLU Raipur
- Member of the Board of Affiliation and Recognition of the Rajiv Gandhi National Aviation University (RGNAU), New Delhi.
- External Member of the Selection Panel for the post of Associate Professor/ Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Law, National Law University, Jodhpur.
- Member of the Insurance Advisory Committee, Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India, Hyderabad.
- Panel Member of the Selection Committee, Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies (NMIMS), Hyderabad.
- Member of the Board of Studies, School of Law, Bennett University, Greater Noida.
- Member of the Doctoral Committee (Ph.D.) of Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi.
- Member of the Board of Studies in Law, Mahatma Gandhi University, Nalgonda.

**Prof. Amita Dhanda, Professor of Law**

Book chapters and articles:

- “The process of State Party Reporting to the CRPD Committee: the Indian Experience” E J Karkoulis and K Johnson (ed) Recognizing Human rights in Different Cultural Contexts (Palgrave Macmillan 2020)
- “Establishing a Disability Studies Centre in a Law University: Recounting the CDS NALSAR Experience” in Nilika Mehrotra (ed) Disability Studies in India ( Springer 2020)
- With Gabor Gombos “Make the last first: In Triage Policies and to Prevent Denial of Emergency Care Services” <https://validity.ngo/projects-2/tackling-torture-against-persons-with-disabilities-in-the-context-of-the-covid-19-pandemic-webinar-series-2/>

## Participation in International / National conferences / Seminars

- Keynote Address on State level conference NT Act Amendment Bill conducted by Indian Social Institute, Bengaluru on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb, 2020
- Delivered lecture on “Paradox of Judicial Activism” at Mari Chenna Reddy Institute on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2020
- Speaker at panel on “Pandemic: its Effect on Productivity, Creativity and Mental Health” organized by Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020
- Speaker at panel on “Constitutional law, the Global South and Covid 19: Comparing Columbia, South Africa and India” organized by Institute for Advanced Constitution, Public Human Rights and International Law, Johannesburg on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2020.
- “How to do Original Research in Law” at Online Workshop on “Advanced Legal Research Methodology” at University College of Law, Osmania University on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2020.
- ‘Unsoundness of Mind, Mental Illness, Psychosocial Disability and the Law’ at Faculty Development Program on Law and the Vulnerable conducted by Karnataka State Law University, Hubli on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020
  - Lecture on “Pedagogy for Inclusive Inclusion” at Interdisciplinary Refresher Course on Changing Perspectives in Pedagogy during October 08 – 22, 2020 organized by Teaching Learning Centre, Tezpur University
  - Speaker at panel on “The Challenges within the Contours of the Legal Framework Guiding Mental Health” organized by NUSRL, Ranchi on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020
- “The Idea of Law School during and after Covid-19” at Global Virtual Conference on “Reimagining & Transforming the Future of Law Schools and Legal Education: Confluence of Ideas During & Beyond COVID-19” organised by Jindal Global Law School of O.P. Jindal Global University to be held during 25-27 Nov 2020
- Moderated Panel on “The CRPD: Looking Backward to Looking Forward” organized by BAPU Trust Pune on 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020
- Delivered lecture on “As Exclusions Boom: Reflecting on the Human in Human Rights” organised by School of Law, VISTAS Chennai on 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020.
- Lecture on “Human Flourishing and Me Time: Reflecting on the Human Right to Privacy” at “Winter School on Privacy and Public Laws”, organized by Lloyd Law College, Greater Noida on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021.
- Delivered Lecture on “The Constitution as a Living Document” organized by Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2021
- Delivered Lecture on “Gender and the Law : A Critical Perspective” organized by Sophia College Mumbai on 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021.
- Delivered Lecture on “Mental Health and Law” organized by Ambedkar University, Delhi on 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021.
- Speaker at panel on “Ethics, Academic Freedom and Politics” organized by Institute of Law, Nirma University on 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021.

- Speaker at Panel on “Incubating an Alternative Theory of Justice” organized by St Xaviers College, Mumbai on 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2021
- Delivered Lecture on “Scientific Temperament in Public Policy: Social Engineering Lives” organized by Faculty of Law, Parul University, Ahmedabad on 1<sup>st</sup> Mar 2021.

## **Prof. N. Vasanthi, Professor of Law**

### Programmes organized

- Organized Conference '**The Courts and the Constitution – 2019 in Review**' (January 25-26, 2020)

### Chapters in edited books

- The Right to Work for Persons with Disability in India: A Critical Disability Theory Perspective. In: Mehrotra N. (eds) Disability Studies in India. Springer, Singapore pp 243-259  
<https://www.springer.com/gp/book/9789811526152>

### Development of e-content

- Resource person, Indian Judicial System: Legal Aid and Environmental Protection, swayam course, started on July 27, 2020. It has 2942 learners registered.
- Course coordinator along with Prof Amita Dhanda: Online Refresher Course in Law, 2019 organised under the MHRD ARPIT (Annual Refresher Program in Teaching) Programme. 2355 learners were registered completed in May 2020. This program is being rerun as ARPIT 2020 from January 1, 2021 with 1387 learners registered.

### Content prepared:

- i. Panel Discussion: Reflections on being a Teacher | Amita Dhanda, Faizan Mustafa, N. Vasanthi  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1X2zFlrR3AF5mORZYHV5xrE9AW5O8B7ds/view?usp=sharing>
- ii. Defining the Worker | N. Vasanthi  
<https://youtu.be/NNNb8SgHmIY>
- iii. Impact of Globalisation, Liberalisation, Privatisation on Labour Law| N. Vasanthi  
<https://youtu.be/Sss4eXDLA2ELaw>
- iv. Understanding the Power Dynamics of International Law | Interview of Judge Neeru Chadha by N. Vasanthi  
<https://youtu.be/fqfCyWTJAB8>
- v. Critically Reading Labour Legislations | N. Vasanthi  
<https://youtu.be/jGDn5WMgxjE>

- vi. Critiquing the New Codes of Industrial Relations and Wages | N.Vasanthi  
<https://youtu.be/mgOBxaREK4M>
- vii. Evaluating the New Codes of Social Security and OHS | N. Vasanthi  
[https://youtu.be/n7\\_KKJ8BOFc](https://youtu.be/n7_KKJ8BOFc)
- viii. Interface between Labour and Competition Law | N. Vasanthi  
<https://youtu.be/yQxpXjYjFql>

Participation in International / National conferences / Seminars

- Speaker, Panel titled REGULATORY APPROACHES TOWARDS PAID DOMESTIC WORK, Paid Domestic Work as “Decent Work”: Inter-disciplinary Conversations in the Indian Context, Organised by the Dickson Poon School of Law, King’s College London August 18-20, 2020.
- Panellist, panel titled 'Conundrums of Compensation' at Disability Research Workshop: Fostering Research in Disability with the Theme: Accidents, Emergencies, Disasters and Disability scheduled on December 19-20, 2020 organised by Centre for Disability Studies, Nalsar University.

Any other activity / achievement undertaken during the year

- Resource Person for Session: Women Migrant Workers and Labour Law/Identifying gaps and exploring remedial measures, Virtual Regional Consultation on “Reviewing laws related to Inter-State Women Migrant workers” on April 25, 2020, National Commission for Women.
- Resource person on the topic Contribution of the discipline of Law to Gender Studies for the participants of a Short-term Course on Gender Studies on July 14, 2020 from 3.40pm to 5.10 pm organised by UGC-HRDC, Osmania University
- Resource person on Constitutional Perspectives on Gender Discrimination, Short Term Program on Gender Sensitization conducted by HRDC, University of Hyderabad on July 29, 2020
- Resource Person at the ONLINE Refresher Course in Gender Sensitization on August 4, 2020 organised by the UGC– HRDC, Osmania University, Hyderabad.
- Resource person, Effective Teaching in Labour Laws and Challenges, Ten-Day Online Workshop on “Effective Teaching, Learning and Research in Law: Covid-19 Challenges” (sponsored under the scheme of RUSA 2.0) on August 26, 2020 Dept of Law Osmania University.
- Resource person, Online Interdisciplinary refresher course on Legal Provisions and Social Transformation, October 1, 2020 organised by Institute of Law, Kurukshetra University.

- Panellist, Safe City Talks organised by Hyderabad City Police: Talk 1: POSH Act Implementation (Discussion on Learnings, Best Practices and areas of collaboration among stakeholders), organised on zoom Saturday October 24, 2020.
- Member, High Level Committee to look into women harassment issues pertaining to the Film and Television Industry in the State of Telangana.
- External Expert in reviewing the course curriculum for the academic session 2020-21 in the area of "Labour Law" NLU Jodhpur.

### **Dr. Manisha Sethi, Associate Professor**

#### Research Projects

- **Religion and Urban Planning: A Study of NCT of Delhi (Lead PI)**  
Funding Agency: IMPRESS Grant of ICSSR (Rs 15 Lakhs)  
Duration: 2019-2021  
(It is currently affiliated to my home institution Jamia Millia Islamia and I am in the process of transferring it to NALSAR)

#### Chapters in edited books:

- **"The Violence of Law"**, in Tanweer Fazal (ed.) *The Minority Conundrum: Living in Majoritarian Times*, Penguin India, 2020.

#### Research papers published in Journals by SCImago / Scopus / Web of Science:

- **"Jainism in Danger? Temple entry and the rhetoric of religion and reform in post-colonial India"**; *Modern Asian Studies* (First view, pp 1-37; <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0026749X20000402>)

#### Research papers published in other Journals

- **"A Model Minority: Jains and the Muslim Problem"**, *Seminar Magazine*, No. 727, March 2020

#### Paper presentations in International / National seminars/ conferences etc.,

- **'Gender and Religion: Sociological Dimensions'**, Panelist, NHRC-NALSAR Conference on 'Integrating Women's Development with Nation's Development', NALSAR, on January 17, 2020.
- **'Anti-Conversion Laws and Reservations'**, Panelist, Law and Religion Conference, NALSAR, on March 1, 2020.
- **'Terrorism Trials and the Question of Justice in India'** (Invited lecture; Law, Society and Crime Webinar Series, School of Law, Governance and Citizenship, Ambedkar University Delhi), on September 25, 2020.
- **'Life and Death: Defending Sallekhana in the Courts'**, paper presentation at the UC Riverside Jain Studies Symposium on Illness, Medicine and Healing in the Jain Tradition, Department of Religious

Studies and Asian Studies Program, UC Riverside, USA, on December 13, 2020.

- 'Terror Laws, Suspect Communities and the Question of Citizenship', paper presentation, Citizenship Discussion Series, US India Policy Institute, on December 17, 2020.

### **Dr. Pinaki Nandan Pattnaik, Associate Professor**

#### Research Projects

- Project on 'Assistance in introducing the Indian Ports Bill, 2020 in Parliament' sanctioned by Ministry of Shipping (Sagarmala Cell) for an amount of Rs. 4,00,000/- (Rupees four lakhs only).

#### Chapters in edited books

- Pandey, S. C. & Pattnaik, P. N. (2020). *Teaching Sustainable Entrepreneurship and Leadership: Case of a Taught Course under Innovation and Sustainability Specialization*. Book Chapter. In *Building an Entrepreneurial and sustainable Society*. **IGI Publications**. ISSN: 2330-3271
- Pattnaik, P. N. & Shukla M. K. (2020). Understanding Indian Political Parties through the Lens of Marketing Management: Towards a Conceptual Political Marketing Model. Book Chapter. In *Current Challenges and Trends in Political Propaganda, Advertising and Public Relations*. **IGI Publications**. ISSN:2475-6644

#### Research papers published in Journals by SCImago / Scopus / Web of Science

- Pattnaik, P. N., Shukla, M. K. & Pandey, S. C. (2020). Fostering Innovation through Design Thinking in Technology Startups: A Case of T-hub, Hyderabad, India, *Rutgers Business Review*, 5(3), 365 – 383, Rutgers Business School Publication

#### Drafting of Central / State Legislations

- Drafting of Central Legislation for Lighthouses - drafting a new Lighthouse Act for enactment in place of the existing Lighthouse Act, 1927 sanctioned by Director General of Lighthouses and Lightships, Ministry of Shipping for an amount of Rs. 7,50,000/- (Rupees seven lakhs fifty thousand only).

### **Dr. G. Balakrishna, Assistant Professor**

#### Lectures delivered

- Guest Lecture delivered at Telangana State Police Academy on Modern Crime in July, 2020
- Guest Lecture on Child Rights at Telangana Judicial Academy in July, 2020
- Guest Lecture on Role of Stake Holder under Juvenile Justice JJ Act, 2015 at District Legal Services Authority, Rangareddy in December, 2020.

#### Course Offered

- A course offered on Criminal Law and Juvenile Justice to the Officials of Department of Prison, Government of Telangana.

#### Academic Awards / Honors

- Expert Committee Member - Government of Telangana vide G.O. No. 92 dated: September 3, 2020 constituted an Expert Committee to provide suggestions and inputs for strengthening of CCI (Child Care Institutions), Child Welfare Committees (Statutory Bodies) and ICPS system.
- Member in State Level Selection Committee (Statutory Body) - Government of Telangana constituted State Level Selection Committee under Juvenile Justice Act, 2015 with an extraordinary gazette issued on dated October 29, 2020. Centre represented as an academic body (Member).
- Expert Opinion to US on PCA - Participated in a round table meeting with Ms. Karin King, Deputy Assistant Secretary from USA meeting held at US Consulate General, Hyderabad on February 14, 2020. The Consulate Chief Mr. Eric Alexander moderated on the discussion of Parental Child Abduction and NRI Marital Disputes.

#### **Dr. G. Mallikarjun, Assistant Professor of Law**

##### Research Papers published:

- "The Increasing Trends of Cyber Crimes Against Women: An Indian Perspective", International Journal of Emerging Technologies and Innovative Research ([www.jetir.org](http://www.jetir.org) | UGC and ISSN Approved), ISSN: 2349-5162, Vol.7, Issue 12, page no. pp657-663, December-2020, Available at : <http://www.jetir.org/papers/JETIR2012288>.
- "The Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Law: A Human rights Perspective" published in a book 'Human Rights and Disability Law: Global Perspective', Bharti Publisher .

#### **Dr. T. Kannan, Assistant Professor**

##### Participation in International / National conferences / Seminars

- Delivered a lecture on the topic "Law and Sociology (Inter-Disciplinary Approach)" on September 15, 2020 in the "**Ten days Online Workshop for Faculty Development Program on Inter-Disciplinary Research and Teaching in Law and Social Sciences: Emerging Trends**" organized by PG College of Law, Osmania University, Hyderabad, which was **sponsored by Department of Law under RASHTRIYA UCHCHATAR SHIKSHA ABHIYAN (RUSA 2.0)**

## **Dr. Shaik Nazim Ahmed Shafi, Assistant Professor of Law**

### Research Projects

- Undertaken International Project: The natural persons' capacity to do legal acts – interdisciplinary approach being completed in cooperation with the Higher School of Criminology and Penitentiary Sciences in Warsaw on the basis of the agreement with the Polish State Treasury represented by the Minister of Justice. Poland.

### Participation in International / National conferences / Seminars

- Paper presented in Webinar on “Quarantine A Step Towards the Safety of International Passengers: A Focus on Aviation Industry” Organized by the “Global Strategies to Fight Pandemic-COVID-19” organized by ILTES and Satoshicon (Austria, USA and UAE) on May 9 & 10, 2020.
- Participated through webinar on “Online Internship on Blockchain, Crypto Assets and Data Protection-Policy and Regulatory Ecosystem, Organized by ILTES & Satoshi Infocon (Austria, USA and UAE)” from June 11-20, 2020.
- Participated through webinar on “Artificial Intelligence and Application of AI in Indian Legal System” organized by IQAC 3 Days National Webinar by Nari Gursahanai Law College from June 22-24, 2020.
- Participated through webinar on “Innovation Ideas and Protection of Intellectual Property Rights”; Organised by Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology, in association with Indian Institute of Engineers on July 10, 2020.
- Participated through webinar One Week Faculty Development Programme on “Law and Vulnerable” organized by Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi from August 18-25, 2020.
- Participated through webinar on “Challenges and Opportunities before Youth in Agriculture” organized by Central University, Imphal on September 4, 2020.
- Participated through webinar on “The Art of Legislative Drafting – Practice and Procedures” organized by KLEF, School of Law on October 10, 2020
- Participated through webinar on “Consumer Rights in the Digital Era – Challenges and Development” organized by KLEF, School of Law on October 17, 2020.
- Participated through webinar on “Digital and Crypto Assets-Need for Regulatory Framework in India” organized by KLEF, School of Law on October 31, 2020.
- Participated through webinar on “Cyber Crimes – Technological and Legal Challenges” organised by KLEF, School of Law on November 6, 2020.
- Participated through webinar on “Consumer Protection Act, 2019 – A Game Changer” Jointly organized by Centre for Consumer Studies, Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi and Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur on November 17, 2020.

Any other activity / achievement undertaken during the year

- Delivered lecture on 'Hotel Laws' at Culinary Academy of India, Hyderabad on January 4 & 11, 2020
- Delivered lecture on 'Law of Contracts, Property Law at MNLU Nagpur on January 13-14, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Legal Ethics & Hotel Industry' at Culinary Academy of India, Hyderabad at January 18 & 25, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Law of Contracts' at Engineering Staff College of India, Hyderabad on January 28, 2020
- Delivered lecture on 'Law Governing Unfair Practices etc.' at NALSAR Proximate on January 31, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Property Law' at Telangana State Judicial Academy, Secunderabad on February 4, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Fundamentals of Contract Law' at NALSAR Proximate on February 6, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Aviation Law' at NALSAR Proximate on February 7-9, 2020
- Delivered lecture on 'Labour Laws' at Culinary Academy of India, Hyderabad on February 14, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Muslim Law of Inheritance' at MNLU Nagpur on April 21-25, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Labour Laws in Hotel Industry' at Culinary Academy of India on April 30, 2020
- Delivered lecture on 'Muslim Law on Wills' at MNLU Nagpur on May 1, 2020
- Delivered lecture on 'Labour Laws' at Culinary Academy of India on May 2, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Hotel Laws in India' Culinary Academy of India on May 13-22, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Aviation Laws' at NALSAR Proximate on August 18, 19 & 23, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Indian Partnership Act' at Narsimunji Institute of Management Studies, Hyderabad on September 23, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Indian Contract Act' at Engineering Staff College of India, Hyderabad on September 14, 2020.

**Mr. Jagteshwar Singh Sohi, Assistant Professor**

Development of e-content

- Contributed services as a subject expert, script writer, and presenter for the *Online refresher course in law* sponsored by the Department of Higher Education, MHRD under ARPIT scheme 2020 (AICTE approved FDP course). See details [Online Refresher Course In Law - Course \(swayam2.ac.in\)](http://swayam2.ac.in). Course runs between December 1, 2020 –April 30, 2021.

### Foreign visits

- Visiting faculty at The Buchmann Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University (Israel). I offered a course on *Environmental Justice – stories and struggles*. See details: [Visiting Faculty | The Buchmann Faculty of Law | Tel Aviv University \(tau.ac.il\)](http://www.tau.ac.il/~buchmann/). Please note that due to Covid19 related restrictions I was unable to physically travel to Tel Aviv. Classes were instead offered on Zoom. The course ran during November 2020.

### Participation in International/National conferences/seminars

- Moderated a panel on *Environment and the Indian Constitution* at NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad on March 4, 2020. The panelists were Dr. Ashish Kothari, Dr. Geetanjoy Sahu & Dr. Lavanya Suresh, and was organized as part of the NALSAR Lecture Series on Constitutionalism.

### Academic Honors / Awards / Fellowships etc.

- Awarded and accepted the *York Fellowship* worth CAD 95,564 (Rs. 54,87,000 approx.) to pursue doctoral studies at the Osgoode Hall law school, Toronto (Canada).
- Awarded and accepted the *Harley D. Hallett Scholarship* worth CAD 30,000 (Rs. 17,22,000 approx.) to pursue doctoral studies at the Osgoode Hall law school, Toronto (Canada).
- Awarded, but declined, the *Warwick Law Research Scholarship* worth GBP 1,02,255 (Rs. 1,02,19,000 approx.) to pursue doctoral studies at the Warwick law school, Warwick (England).

### Any other activity/achievement undertaken during the year

- Deliver a three-part seminar series titled *Divorcing the people from environmental governance in India* at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Hyderabad in October 2020.

## **Mr. Rajesh Kapoor, Assistant Professor**

### Publications

- Published a paper titled "Decriminalisation of Adultery, The Indian Experience and Experiment: How Much Shine in the Joseph Shine Verdict?" was published in (2020) 5 SCC J-25.

## **Mr. Sidharth Chauhan, Assistant Professor**

### Conference Organised

- Co-ordinator for the 'Courts and the Constitution–2019 in Review' Conference hosted by NALSAR University of Law on January 25-26, 2020. This conference was organised collaboratively by the 'Centre for Constitutional Law, Policy and Good Governance, NALSAR', the 'School of Policy and Governance, Azim Premji University' and the editorial team of

the 'Law and Other Things' Blog. Spread over two days, the conference consisted of seven substantive sessions and featured presentations by 25 invited speakers that included several legal practitioners, academics, journalists and independent researchers. The main objective was to review developments in the field of Indian Constitutional Law during the calendar year 2019. The proceedings were attended by an audience of nearly 150 participants, which included students from NALSAR, APU, SLS-Hyderabad, Osmania University and several other external visitors.

#### Publications

- 'Crisis in Legal Studies in India', Frontline Magazine, Volume 37, Issue 6 (March 13-27, 2020).

#### Development of e-content

Designed and delivered two online courses as part of the 'Virtual Law School' project, a private initiative to teach courses electronically for the benefit of law students all over India. I taught these online courses on a purely voluntary basis. Their respective titles were:

- 'Introduction to Legal and Political Philosophy' (May-June 2020, 15 sessions).
- 'Theories of Adjudication and Interpretation' (July-August 2020, 20 sessions).

#### Any other activity/achievement undertaken during the year

- Delivered a lecture titled 'Political Obligations During a Public Health Emergency' as part of the NUJS Online Lecture Series on May 12, 2020.
- Participated in an online panel on the 'Present and Future of Legal Education' organised by JustLearning on June 3, 2020.
- Participated in an online panel on 'Legal Education as A Career Choice- Where Is It Headed?' organised by LegitQuest on June 11, 2020.
- Delivered a talk on 'Should you do an LL.M. after a LL.B.?' organised by Finology Legal on July 4, 2020.
- Delivered an online lecture on 'Overview of Indian Federalism' for Jindal Global Law School on October 6, 2020.
- Conducted an online workshop titled 'Introduction to Academic Legal Writing' for undergraduate students at NALSAR. It consisted of three sessions November 16-18, 2020.

#### **Mr. P. Ashwini Kumar, Assistant Professor**

##### Research papers published in other Journals

- Ashwini Kumar Pendyala has authored an article titled "Interrelationship Between Liberty and Necessity" in the double-blind peer reviewed book on "Liberty: New Facets and Changing Dimensions" (ISBN: 978 81 945680 1 8) published by the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Law Reforms (CPLSR), The National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi.

Paper presentations in International / National seminars/ conferences etc.,

- Ashwini Kumar Pendyala has authored and presented a paper titled “Interrelationship between Liberty and Necessity” in the International Webinar on “Liberty: New Facets and Changing Dimensions” held from August 12-14, 2020, organized by the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Law Reforms (CPLSR), The National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi.

Participation in International / National conferences / Seminars

- Ashwini Kumar Pendyala has actively participated in the International Webinar on “Liberty: New Facets and Changing Dimensions” and Round table on “Liberty” organized by the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Law Reforms (CPLSR), The National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi from August 12-14, 2020.

**Mr. Syed Ashfaq Hussain, Assistant Professor**

Any other activity/achievement undertaken during the year

- Delivered a Lecture on “International Humanitarian Law and Diplomacy, Conflict Resolution and Peacekeeping” for the enrolled candidates of M.A. in Security and Defense Laws, at DDE, NALSAR University of Law on October 14, 2020.
- Delivered a Lecture on “International Mechanisms to Combat International Crimes and War” for the enrolled candidates of M.A. in Security and Defense Laws, at DDE, NALSAR University of Law on October 17, 2020.
- Delivered a Lecture on “Maritime Security and Passage and Military Activities” for the enrolled candidates of Advance Maritime Laws Post-Graduate Diploma, at DDE, NALSAR University of Law on October 22, 2020.
- Delivered a Lecture on “Armed Conflict and Naval Warfare” for the enrolled candidates of Advanced Maritime Laws Post-Graduate Diploma, at DDE, NALSAR, University of Law on October 23, 2020.
- Delivered a Lecture on “Human Rights – An Overview & Principles of Natural Justice, Pre-Promotion course” for Assistant Commandants, NISA - National Industrial Security Academy, Hakimpet, Hyderabad on November 10, 2020.
- Delivered Lectures on “Human Rights and International Order” at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, on September 10 & 11, 2020.
- Delivered Lectures on “Human Rights Law and Practice” at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, on November 3, 5, 6, 7, 9 & 10, 2020.

## **Dr. Mahendra Kumar Shukla, Assistant Professor**

### Chapters in edited books

- Pattnaik, P. N., & Shukla, M. K. (2020). Understanding Indian Political Parties Through the Lens of Marketing Management: Towards a Conceptual Political Marketing Model. In *Political Propaganda, Advertising, and Public Relations: Emerging Research and Opportunities* (pp. 170-190). IGI Global.

### Research papers published in Journals by SCImago / Scopus / Web of Science

- Pattnaik, P. N., **Shukla, M. K.**, & Pandey, S. C. (2020). Design Thinking and Startup Incubators: Towards a
- Co-Creation Model for Humanizing the New Product Development Process. *Rutgers Business Review*, 5(3), 365-380.
- Pattnaik, B., & **Shukla, M.K.** (2020). Creating a participative global workplace: A DEMS based approach. *Strategic Direction*, 36(3), 8-10.
- Pattnaik, B., & **Shukla, M.K.** (2020). Diversity and Equality Management System and Perceived Organisational Performance: A Mediating Role of Organisational Citizenship Behaviour. *Business Perspectives and Research*. (November), 1-20.

### Paper presentations in International / National seminars/ conferences etc.,

- Pattnaik, P. N., & **Shukla, M. K.** (2020). Mapping Conscious Business Practices at Ecologically Conscious Architectural Studio: A Case of Mr. Zero. INDAM 2020 organized by IIM Trichy on January 1-4, 2020.

## **Dr. Uma Maheshwari Chimirala, Assistant Professor**

### Research Project-in-progress

- Project on 'Literacy engagement and task performance as a function of Task Complexity and Multilingual Proficiency: A study with young multilingual tribal learners of Pota-Cabin Schools (Chhattisgarh)' funded by Indian Council of Social Sciences Research (ICSSR) for an amount of Rs. 8,60,000/- (Rupees eight lakhs sixty thousand only).

### Publications

#### **Translation and adaptation works undertaken in Indian Languages**

**Name of the Tool:** MAIN: Multilingual Assessment Instrument for Narratives – Revised

- **Languages Translated:** Hindi (as a part of the ICSSR funded project)  
Gagarina, N., Klop, D., Kunnari, S., Tantele, K., Välimaa, T., Bohnacker, U. & Walters, J. (2019). MAIN: Multilingual Assessment Instrument for

Narratives – Revised. Materials for use. *ZAS Papers in Linguistics*, 63. **Hindi version for use with Gondi-Hindi and Halbi-Hindi bilinguals. Translated and adapted by Chimirala, U. M., Rao, S.**

[https://www.leibniz-zas.de/fileadmin/media/Dokumente/ZASPiL/ZASPiL\\_63/MAIN\\_Hindi\\_for\\_use\\_with\\_Gondi-Hindi\\_and\\_Halbi-Hindi\\_bilinguals\\_2020\\_New.pdf](https://www.leibniz-zas.de/fileadmin/media/Dokumente/ZASPiL/ZASPiL_63/MAIN_Hindi_for_use_with_Gondi-Hindi_and_Halbi-Hindi_bilinguals_2020_New.pdf)

- **Languages Translated:** Gondi (as a part of the ICSSR funded project)  
Gagarina, N., Klop, D., Kunnari, S., Tantele, K., Välimaa, T., Bohnacker, U. & Walters, J. (2019). MAIN: Multilingual Assessment Instrument for Narratives – Revised. Materials for use. *ZAS Papers in Linguistics*, 63. **Gondi version. Translated and adapted by Chimirala, U. M.**  
[https://www.leibniz-zas.de/fileadmin/media/Dokumente/ZASPiL/ZASPiL\\_63/MAIN\\_Gondi\\_2020\\_new.pdf](https://www.leibniz-zas.de/fileadmin/media/Dokumente/ZASPiL/ZASPiL_63/MAIN_Gondi_2020_new.pdf)
- **Languages Translated:** Halbi (as a part of the ICSSR funded project)  
Gagarina, N., Klop, D., Kunnari, S., Tantele, K., Välimaa, T., Bohnacker, U. & Walters, J. (2019). MAIN: Multilingual Assessment Instrument for Narratives – Revised. Materials for use. *ZAS Papers in Linguistics*, 63. **Halbi version. Translated and adapted by Chimirala, U. M.**  
[https://www.leibniz-zas.de/fileadmin/media/Dokumente/ZASPiL/ZASPiL\\_63/MAIN\\_Halbi\\_2020\\_New.pdf](https://www.leibniz-zas.de/fileadmin/media/Dokumente/ZASPiL/ZASPiL_63/MAIN_Halbi_2020_New.pdf)

Research papers published in Journals by SCImago / Scopus / Web of Science

- Chimirala, U. M. (2020). Towards a convivial tool for narrative assessment: Adapting MAIN to Gondi (Dantewada, India), Halbi and Hindi for Gondi- and Halbi-Hindi speaking bilinguals. *ZAS Paper in Linguistics*, 64, 77-99.  
<https://zaspil.leibniz-zas.de/article/view/543/534>
- Chimirala, U. M. (accepted/forthcoming/2021). Is narrative macrostructure by Gondi-Hindi bilinguals on Multilingual Assessment Instrument of Narratives (MAIN) different between Gondi and Hindi and Mode of Narration? In Pappuswami, U; Sahoo, A.; & Singh, S (Ed) "Narrating Linguistic and Ethnic Diversity through the Lens of Multilingual India", Central Institute of Indian Languages Publication Press.

Paper presentations in International / National seminars/ conferences etc.,

- Chimirala, U. M. (2020). Prerequisites for Linguistically Inclusive and Sensitive Pedagogy: Some theoretical Musings (and some findings from an ongoing project). Keynote address at a national seminar entitled "Inclusive Education for an Inclusive Society: The Way Ahead" organized by Ananda Chandra Educational Training College, Jalpaiguri, West Bengal, 27 September, 2020.

## Mr. Vivek Mukherjee, Assistant Professor

### Seminars / Conferences / Workshops / Training programmes / Moot Court Competitions Organised

- Started the online webinar series on Animal Laws in India on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 with the theme “Illegal Wildlife Trade and its Role in Zoonotic Disease Transmission”. The speakers for the webinar were: Mridula Vijayraghavan who works with WCS-India as the Legal Director with a focus on wildlife law and Sumanth Bindumadhav who is the Campaign Manager for Wildlife at Humane Society International/India and has more than 20 years of experience in the field. More than 50 participants from different backgrounds participated in the webinar. The webinar is supported and organized by ALC, Nalsar.

### Research Projects

Currently involved in 3 research projects:

- A project on Legal Personhood of Elephants in India in collaboration with Nonhuman Rights Project, USA. **Description:** The main objective of the project is to file a petition for the recognition of the personhood of our client in a suitable High Court or the Supreme Court. At this stage, we are yet to decide who our client (most probably an elephant or a chimpanzee) will be and which court is most suitable for our petition. Mr. Raj Panjwani (who is a senior advocate at the Supreme Court and has been a champion of animal rights for decades) has agreed to be the lead counsel. **Funding agency:** NhRP, USA. **Duration:** 1.5 years approx. **Status:** Ongoing.
- A funded project on Illegal Wildlife Trade and Zoonotic Diseases with Harvard Animal Law and Policy Program; **Description:** One primary goal of our paper is to provide a sense of the diversity in types and cultural functions of markets, as well as the regulatory frameworks that govern them. We are selecting, as part of this process, a handful of countries to serve as “case studies” that capture this detail and allow for a deeper dive into the specifics of a particular country’s markets. We hope these case studies, when taken together, will prove the reader a sense of how animal markets may vary from one region to the next as well as what types of regulatory schemes and policies govern markets around the globe. NALSAR has signed a general MOU which includes this project and future projects that ALC & ALPP, Harvard may take up collaboratively. **Collaborators:** This project is led by the Harvard Animal Law & Policy Program, New York University’s Center for Environmental and Animal Protection, University of Denver’s Sturm College of Law, Lewis & Clark Law School’s Center for Animal Law Studies, the University of Toronto Faculty of Law, the University of Victoria Faculty of Law, and Yale Law

School's Law, Ethics & Animals Program. It is funded by the Brooks Animal Studies Academic Network. Outside of North America, we will be working with collaborators across the world who will oversee the country-specific "case study" portion of the research. It is our hope that collaborators will share information and ideas amongst themselves, such that one of the lasting effects of this project will be a closer network of dedicated professionals working on One Health issues.

- A funded research project on Farm Animal Protection in collaboration with Humane Society International, India. **Description:** This paper series aims to increase insight into the following: How the current system of battery cages and treating the birds as —production unitsll leads to immense harm not only to the birds but also to the labour and other humans in and around the poultry farms on a regular basis. How intensive confinement has an adverse impact on not only the animals but also causes a wide range of problems for our environment. The waste is released to our water bodies without any treatment. Our water and air quality are drastically compromised because of these industries. Studies have found that the workers of poultry farm report a more frequent occurrence of —headache, runny nose, sore throat, excessive coughing, diarrhoea, burning eyes, chest tightness. The prevalence of child labour, bonded labour and other labour rights violation in the visited poultry industries. What are the immediate measures that the poultry industry would need to take in order to improve the working conditions and address the existent human rights violations? **Status:** This year we have completed two papers: **Environment Paper:** Studying the ecological risk associated with egg production through insights gained from 20 to 30 facilities. To study sustainable models of egg production to show a way forward for the sector. To produce a chemical and carbon footprint profile for eggs in two major cities (Hyderabad and Vizag). **Public Health Paper:** Studying the Public health risks associated with egg production by building a health profile of people living in and near the facilities. To build a health profile of people living in zones where egg production is concentrated by partnering with public health agencies and local doctors. To produce a biological threat profile of egg production.
- Invited as an expert member in a funded research project on Welfare of Bees in collaboration with ICALP, University of Barcelona and Spanish Ministry. The project is scheduled to start in 2021.

#### Chapters in edited books

- Contemporary Environmental Concerns: Multi- Disciplinary Aspects of Environmental Law, Published by Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab. ISBN: 978-93-84166-31-1

Paper presentations in International / National seminars/ conferences etc.,

- Selected for and presented a paper entitled “Indian Perspectives on Animals in the Indian Constitution” in a workshop for emerging scholars organized by Animals and Society Research Initiative, University of Victoria, Canada held in December 2020.
- Presented a paper entitled “The issue of land grabbing: A south-south tale of exploitation” in the Fifth Annual Global Strategy and Emerging Markets (GSEM) Conference organized by Cornell S.C. Johnson College of Business, New York held on November 8, 2020.

**Dr. Murali Karnam, Assistant Professor (Political Science)**

Seminars / Conferences / Workshops / Training programmes / Moot Court Competitions Organised

- Taught criminology and penology (15 hours) in Refresher Training Program in January and February 2020 at State Institute of Correctional Services-Hyderabad.
- Taught Criminal laws, human rights and penology (15 hours) in May-July 2020 at State Institute of Correctional Services-Hyderabad
- Taught Sociological Theories of Crime and Social Control, Practical Psychology and Ethics in Policing, Contemporary trends in crimes in India, History of Prison reforms, role of NHRC and Supreme Court in the protection of human rights, policing attitude in democracy are the themes taught (15 hours) Trainee Sub-Inspectors and IPS trainees at Telangana State Police Academy (TAPS) in April and June 2020.
- Keynote address delivered on Constitutional values and Fundamental Principles of Indian Constitution on 26<sup>th</sup> November at National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj-Hyderabad

Research Projects

- "Teaching Knowledge Democracy" as part of '*Incubating a Discourse for Cooperation, Contentment, and Care: to Enable Justice for All*', Ford Foundation Project that is being hosted at NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad. Two years duration. Continuing.
- "Making Sense of Punishment: In Search of a framework for Just Punishment": as part of '*Incubating a Discourse for Cooperation, Contentment, and Care: to Enable Justice for All*', Ford Foundation Project that is being hosted at NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad. Two years duration. Continuing.
- A research on "Abuse of Power: Implementation of Preventive Detention Acts in Telangana": funded by Thakur Family Foundation for January to May 2020. The research report is completed and submitted.

### Research papers published in other Journals

- Labour Laws: What is being done in the name of National Economy?  
<https://m.thewire.in/author/Murali-Karnam>
- Losing out on the right to privacy in the public domain in the name of surveillance  
Read more at: <https://www.deccanherald.com/opinion/losing-out-on-the-right-to-privacy-in-the-public-domain-in-the-name-of-surveillance-903156.html>
- Why it won't be easy to end custodial violence in India  
Read more at: <https://www.deccanherald.com/opinion/why-it-won-t-be-easy-to-end-custodial-violence-in-india-855008.html>
- Edit page article in Telugu on the Constitutional Status of Working Class in India: <https://epaper.andhrajyothy.com/m5/2710414/Telangana/12-06-2020#page/4/1>

### Development of e-content

Annual Refresh Program in Teaching (ARPIT): AICTE Approved FDP course  
**Module 4 | Intersections in Criminal law**

- Conceptual Underpinnings of Criminal Law;  
[https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/arp20\\_ap08/unit?unit=29&lesson=30](https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/arp20_ap08/unit?unit=29&lesson=30)
- Philosophical Justifications of Criminal Law;  
[https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/arp20\\_ap08/unit?unit=29&lesson=31](https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/arp20_ap08/unit?unit=29&lesson=31)
- Critical Teaching of Criminal Law:  
[https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/arp20\\_ap08/unit?unit=29&lesson=35](https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/arp20_ap08/unit?unit=29&lesson=35)

### Any other activity / achievement undertaken during the year

- Faculty –In-Charge of Internship Program of Nalsar-CID-AP Police: As the Faculty-In-Charge I have shortlisted four candidates out of large pool of students for internship with Andhra Pradesh Police, oriented them, visit and liaising with the department, accompanied students to field visits in Rajahmundry and Kakinada, developed reports and I undertake review of the work of students once in two weeks. The internship is most productive in terms of learning to students. They are developing policy papers on police manual, data privacy, status of implementation of SC and ST PO Act 1989. In addition, they provide research support as and when the police department makes a request on urgent basis. The internship is highly valued by the government of Andhra Pradesh.

### **Dr. Asish Kumar Panda, Assistant Professor**

#### Research papers published in Journals by SCImago / Scopus / Web of Science

- Panda, A. (2020). MSME in Odisha: Opportunities and Challenges in General and Post-Covid Scenario. *Journal of Xidian University* 14 (6) (Scimago SJR score of Journal 0.183 – Digital Object Identifier <https://doi.org/10.37896/jxu14.6/199>)

- Panda, A. (2020). Firm size & sustainable performance. Aegaeum 8 (6) (Scimago SJR score of Journal 0.217 – Digital Object Identifier <http://aegaeum.com/gallery/agm.j-3310.99-f.pdf>)

#### Participation in International / National conferences / Seminars

- National Webinar on “Scaling or Scoping – Dilemma for Sustainable Business” was delivered by me online as sole speaker on October 29, 2020 at 3:00 PM for 90 Minutes, organized by National Productivity Council (Under DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India).

#### **Mr. Alok Verma, Assistant Professor**

##### Publications

- Investment Funds in India: A Legal Handbook, Thomson Reuters, ISBN-10: 9390218896, ISBN-13: 978-9390218899, Foreword by Ganesh Prasad, Partner, Khaitan & Co. Reviewed by Ganesh Rao, Partner Trilegal published on Indiacorplaw.

#### **Ms. Sahana Ramesh, Assistant Professor**

##### Research papers published in Journals by SCImago / Scopus / Web of Science

- Sahana Ramesh, ‘Third-Party Finding in International Arbitration: Ownership of the Claim, Consequences for Costs Orders, and Regulation’ (June 2020) Volume 36 Issue 2 Arbitration International pg. 275-295. [Oxford University Press]

## **22. STUDENTS ACCOMPLISHMENTS / ACHIEVEMENTS**

### **A) Student Bar Council**

The elections to the Student Bar Council were held on January 2, 2021. Eleven functional committees, viz., Academic, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Moot Court, Literary and Quizzing, Cultural and Fine arts, Mess and Hospitality, Hostel and Campus welfare, Debating, Sports, Social Responsibility and Student Welfare and the Board of Auditors were elected. The new office bearers for the year took oath of office on January 2, 2021.

Usually, the elections to the Student Bar Council take place in a physical format. Students cast votes in ballot boxes in their respective classrooms and the indirect elections to the posts of Executive Council and Convenor of each committee are held post this.

This year, due to the Pandemic, the University is functioning in an online format. The elections to the SBC could not be carried out in a physical format. Student Bar Council plays an important part to ensure constructive

dialogue between the university administration and the students and it represents student interests to the administration, thus it is necessary to conduct elections to the SBC. The university adapted to the situation and the entire process was conducted online. The university made required changes to the SBC Election Notification to accommodate the online election process. After analysing different methods by which the election could be conducted online, the university decided to do it via Google Forms.

The university collected the email IDs of each student and the election was conducted via Google Forms. A form for each contested post was released and students were to vote accordingly. The indirect elections to the post of Convenors were conducted on a Google Meet call. **The entire procedure followed in normal elections was complied with, and the process was successfully conducted online.**

The office bearers of the SBC for the year 2020-21 are Sushrut Kaplay (President), Nikhil Chainani (Vice-President), Ashish K James (General Secretary-Male), Ankita Gupta (General Secretary-Female), Aviral Agrawal (Joint Secretary-Male), Aditi Nazre (Joint Secretary-Female) and Mohit Kala (Treasurer).

## **B. ACADEMIC COMMITTEE**

During the year under report (2020-21), the Academic Committee undertook the following activities:

- The Academic Committee has worked with the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and the Library Committee to purchase books and e-resources worth Three Crores for 2020-21.
- The Academic Committee has worked together with the IT Department and the Library to launch an upgraded website for the Library, known as the "NALSAR e-Library" which can be accessed at [library.nalsar.ac.in](http://library.nalsar.ac.in).
- The Committee has procured access for Coursera for the University for the year 2020-21 and has given access to the courses offered under the same to the student body.
- The Committee has built the "NALSAR Forums" Website, in order to facilitate online teaching and learning. The same can be accessed at [nalsar.ac.in/forums](http://nalsar.ac.in/forums). The Committee, along with the SRSWC has also established the "NALSAR Forums Committee", an ad-hoc committee under Article 25 of the SBC Constitution.
- The Committee has worked with the administration to dispatch pen drives for students with internet access difficulties for the Even and the Odd Semesters of 2020, and has worked with the administration to iron out the issues.
- The Committee has worked with the administration and has attempted to represent the interests of the student body as a whole in policy matters relating to the online semesters.

- The Committee has made recommendations to the Draft of the New Academic Regulations after collecting feedback from the student body.
- The Committee is currently working with the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and the Library Committee for the procurement of additional e-resources and books, and has collected the suggestions from the student body. The Committee has also constituted the "Library Development Sub-Committee", an ad-hoc committee under Article 25 of the SBC Constitution for the same.
- The Committee has undertaken the task of updating the Project Repository.
- The Committee had held an Essay Writing Competition for all batches. The winners of Topic 1 | Category 1 were Aditya Matolli and Aradhya Trivedi (Batch of 2024). The winner and runner up for Topic 2 | Category 1 were Oshin Malpani (Batch of 2023) and Isha Tandon and Sanjana Manusnipalli (Batch of 2023). The winner and runner up for Topic 1 | Category 2 are Dayaar Singla (Batch of 2021) and Roopam Dadhich (Batch of 2022). The winner of Topic 2 | Category 2 is Yash Jain (Batch of 2021).

#### Academic Achievements by Students

##### **Shourya Jain (2017-5LLB-107)**

- Authored a chapter titled "Is Hyperandrogenism the correct criteria to prevent athletes from competing?" in the book titled "Sports & Law: Contemporary Challenges"; ISBN - 978-81-9485-860-7

##### **Mustafa Rajkotwala (2018-5LLB-95)**

###### Publications

- Sports Sponsorship Contracts and the Pandemic: Addressing the Uncertainties - Journal of Sports Law, Policy and Governance (JSLPG), Volume II, Issue I, December 2020, Accessible on [HeinOnline](#).
- Future-Amazon Case and the Bumpy Road to Emergency Arbitrations in India – IndiaCorpLaw. (2020)
- Compulsory Licensing or Patent Pools – What is the Intellectual Property Answer to COVID-19? - TradeRx Report, Texas A&M University School of Law. (2020)
- Regulating Over-the-Top (OTT) Content in India – What Changes After The Pandemic? - Gujarat National Law University Centre of Law and Society (GCLS). (2020)
- Sports Sponsorship Contracts Amidst Covid-19: What Lies Ahead? - Law School Policy Review, National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bangalore. (2020)
- Rise of Xenophobia: The Aftermath of a Pandemic - Indian Journal of Law and Public Policy (IJLPP). (2020)
- Lockdown Woes: The Dismal State of Domestic Workers in India - JURIST, University of Pittsburgh. (2020)
- Xenophobia and the COVID-19 Pandemic – International Policy Digest (IPD). (2020)

- Bollywood's Toxic Proclivity for Islamophobia - Journal of Intersectional Analysis (JIA). (2020)

Paper Presentations:

- The Epidemic of Invisibility: Inclusion Rider in Bollywood Director's Chairs, National Seminar on Gender & Media - Maharashtra National Law University (MNLU), Mumbai.

**Shamik Datta (2020-5LLB-125)**

- Published (co-authored with Sayan Bhattacharya) Whatsapp Privacy Row- How messaging app's new privacy policy impacts legal rights of Indian citizens- Firstpost

**Ankush Rai (2017-5LLB-04)**

- Published in EPW Vol 50 Issue No 26&27
- Published on India Constitutional Law and Philosophy (May 2020)

**Shruti Avinash (2020-5LLB-62)**

- Publication in 'The Jurist' (which is a legal commentary blog in collaboration with the University of Pittsburgh) titled ' The Tremors of Dissent in the Indian Democracy'.  
URL: <https://www.jurist.org/commentary/2020/12/shruti-avinash-dissent-india/>

**Yashasvi Raj (2018-5LLB-58)**

- Co-authored "Need for Application of Judicial Mind in Granting Remand: Discerning the Nexus between Remand Periods and Media Pressure", The Criminal Law Blog, NLU Jodhpur. Co author: Tanmay Gupta (IInd year)

**Ajitesh Arya (2019-5LLB.064)**

Publications

- Frauds are Arbitrable. What's Next?, Taxmann, [2021] 123 [taxmann.com](http://taxmann.com) 336 (Article).
- Who Saves the Saviour Child?, Jurist
- The Human Rights Crisis that comes With Health Crisis, Indian Review of Advanced Legal Research.
- Right to Food and Mid-day Meals, Child Rights Blog, CNLU.
- Cybercrimes and Women, Lex Forti (Vol I. Issue V), ISSN (2582-2942).
- Sword of Damocles Hanging on the Environmental Rights: A Critical Assessment of EIA Draft, 2020, Vidhitvam.

**Sanchit Khandelwal (2018-5LLB-43)**

- Co-authored an article titled "Assessing Competition and FDI Policy Concerns over Cloud Kitchens" for The Centre for Business and Commercial Law (CBCL) Blog, NLIU Bhopal.

- Authored an article titled “The Indian Legal Fraternity is Failing at the Premise of its Own Existence” for the Nyaya Forum for Courtroom Lawyering, NALSAR University of Law.
- Authored an article titled “At the Decadal Anniversary of The Right to Education Act: Critiquing the Act and Analysing How Its Failure Has Resulted in Inequalities Being Reinforced” for the GNLU Law and Society Centre.
- Co-authored an article titled “Fair Disclosure: An Antidote to Wrongful Prosecution in Indian Criminal Legal System” for The Jurist, University of Pittsburgh.
- Authored an article titled “Staying Home is not Always Safe: Rise in Domestic Violence under Lockdown” for the Contego Humanitas.
- Authored an article titled “An Analysis of the Indian Competition Law Regime During the COVID-19 Pandemic” for the RMLNLU Law Review Blog.
- Authored an article titled " Rethinking the Essential Facilities Doctrine in the Context of the Digital Economy" for the NALSAR Tech Law Forum.

#### **Rhea Reddy L (2017-5LLB-42)**

- Authored "The Anti-Competitive Effects of Price Controls: Study of the Indian Pharmaceutical Industry", published in vol. 43(2) of the SCImago-indexed World Competition Journal.
- Authored "Monitoring food safety: Why BBMP, not Central authorities, should be in charge", published in CitizenMatters, Bengaluru.

#### **Aditi Nazre (2019-5LLB-61)**

- Judicial Activism and Judicial Overreach: Crossing the Fine Line of Separation of Powers (Parts 1&2) published in Progressive Constitutional Law Society - HNLU Chapter - PCLS Blog  
Co-author- Tanmay Gupta (II year)

#### **Aviral Agarwal (2018-5LLB-71)**

##### Publication:

- Indian Supreme Court Arbitrarily Limits Children's Rights to Protest - Human Rights Blog, University of Oxford.

##### Citation:

- My paper titled 'Legal Aid In India Amid The Covid-19 Lockdown' published at the Jurist Blog, University of Pittsburgh was cited by the American Bar Association Centre for Human Rights in their report about detention of Safoora Zargar.

#### **SPECIAL NOTE ON NALSAR FORUMS:**

- NALSAR Forums [<https://nalsar.ac.in/forums/>] is a website which is currently being used by both the B.A.LL.B (Hons.) and the LLM batches for accessing the recordings of the classes, course materials, as well as for any discussion with professors and students, both academic and

otherwise. As of writing this report, Forums currently has 765 registered users, and more than 5000 media files, which includes classes, course materials as well as discussions on topics as diverse as philosophy and Maggi recipes.

- NALSAR Forums is the brainchild of the SBC Academic Committee of 2019-20 and has been completely built in-house, and is built on the Wordpress platform and hosted on NALSAR's servers. While the administration was preparing a plan for the online semester, the SBC Academic Committee was looking at various options to bridge the gap between the teachers and the students, both in terms of communications and discussion, in an attempt to make up for the lack of physical interaction due to the online mode of education. Work on this site first started on the 13th of May 2020, where a trial run was conducted on NALSAR's eLibrary Website ([library.nalsar.ac.in](http://library.nalsar.ac.in)) and the SBC Academic Committee received the permission and the current home of Forums was granted to the Committee on the 16th of May 2021. Within three days, the Committee had managed to set the basic structure of the Forums, with rudimentary designs, and many of the features which were released over the course of time, still missing.
- On the 19th of May 2020, the Committee decided to bring on board some of our fellow students as Beta Testers, so that the Committee could get in suggestions, and also check the website for bugs. For one tireless month, both the Committee and the Beta Testers worked on the website, adding more capabilities, and necessary features and functionalities for an online semester.
- The first ever public Forum went live for the ICC discussions for the Batch of 2022 on 25th June 2020 at 8:15 PM. Final preparations were made for its official release to the whole of student body, and each student and faculty was given their own Forums Account using their NALSAR Email IDs, and Forums were created for every subject, including the Electives and the Social Science Seminars, with dedicated topic threads for the easy uploading of material. The website was finally released to the public on the 30th of June, 2020. An Android Application was also developed and released on the Google Play Store. A Progressive Web App was developed and released for iOS and iPadOS users.
- Despite *initial hiccups*, students and teachers had accustomed themselves to the structure of Forums. Students could subscribe to the courses which they were enrolled in, and would receive email notifications whenever new content was put up in the particular subject. Due to increasing use of the Forums, the Committee had also worked with the IT Department to upgrade our servers, to a higher capacity one, to meet with the increasing demands.
- The Forums has various features which helps reach its objective, such as multiple file uploading, threaded replies, private messaging, user

notifications, email communications when subscribed, as well as dedicated Forums for the various Committees under the Student Bar Council for announcements and other Committee related materials. Forums has also been used by Committees for discussions with students surrounding policy consultations which were hosted by the Committees.

- By the end of the online semester of July - October 2020, approximately 3000 files were uploaded onto Forums. Due to the increasing usage of Forums, the SBC Academic Committee along with our friend at the Social Responsibility and Students Welfare Committee [SRSWC] established the NALSAR Forums Committee for the Batch of 2025 on 17th November 2020, with five members to deal with the uploads and the technical aspects of the Forums. Soon, looking at the success of this model, the NALSAR Forums Committee was soon expanded to add students from all batches, and currently has a strength of 19 students, including two volunteers from the LLM Batch.
- Currently, the NALSAR Forums is being maintained by the SBC Academic Committee, the SRSWC and the NALSAR Forums Committee, along with help from the IT Department of NALSAR as well as our Server Team at Flying Stars.
- The creation of the website would not have been possible without the hard work, effort and dedication of some of our fellow students such as Mr. DGV Rothvik, Ashish K James and others and staff at NALSAR. Mr. B. Mohd Irfan and Mr. Tariq Ali from NALSAR's IT Department have helped the Committee set up the website on the server end, helped by Mr. Navneet Deshpande from the Server Team. Prof. Amita Dhanda, the former Convenor of the Academic Examination Committee has helped tremendously in the adoption of Forums amongst the teachers, tirelessly working with the SBC Academic Committee. Ashish K James and DGV Rithvik from the SBC Academic Committee had conceptualised and had set up the website. Yashwanth Samayam from the SRSWC has been a constant support for the SBC Academic Committee for the maintenance of the website.
- The Beta Testers include - Aditi Nazre, Aachman Shekhar, Anuraag Bukkapatnam, Chendhil, Doma Koushik, Eeshan Sonak, Harshavardhan Dheerawat, Hrishikesh Pillai, Karthik Subramaiam, Krishnanuuni U, Mustafa Rajkotwala, Pival Peddireddi, Preetham, Rohil Deshpande, Shalika, Shivam Agarwal, Sugosh Joshi, Tilak Dangi, Ujwal Chowhan, Vaibhav Laddha, Yash Dodani and Yashwanth Samayam.
- The NALSAR Forums Committee consists of Abhishek Singh, Vaishnavi Srivastava, Krishna Mohan, Pushpesh Paliwal, Tathagata Ojha, Nitya Ravichandra, Sanjana Manusanipalli, Karthik Subramaniam, Aditi Goyal, Satvik, Shivansh Shukla, Yash Dodani, Ruchika Prabhu, Kartheek Vegesana, Prakruthi Jain, Shruti Avinash and Suhani Paruvelly.

- As the online semester continues, NALSAR Forums remains to be one of the crucial components of NALSAR's Online Education during the pandemic and beyond, and despite "initial hiccups and various issues", the Committees have worked together to keep the website running, and will continue to work on the website till the end of the online semesters.

### **C. ALTERNATE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE**

The following ADR achievements were secured by students of NALSAR in the year 2020:

#### Competitions:

- Aachman Shekhar, Isha Tandon, and Shrudula Murthy were adjudged Second Runners Up (Ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> internationally) in 'The Negotiation Challenge', EADA Business School, Barcelona, 2020.
- Prateek Hatwalne, Saksham Agrawal, and Suneha Kasal were Octa-Finalists at the ICC Paris Mediation Competition, 2020.
- Harshvardhan Tripathi, Pooja Bharadwaj, Prerana K H, and Shravani Shendye were Preliminary Finalists at the 4th Annual ADC-ICC Asia Pacific International Commercial Mediation Competition 2020. They were adjudged with the highest score and ranked 1<sup>st</sup> among 22 participating teams based on the preliminary rounds. They also won the 'Best Team Work' prize.
- Rithvik Mathur, Swini Khara, and Yashasvi Raj were ranked 5<sup>th</sup> among 22 participating teams 4th Annual ADC-ICC Asia Pacific International Commercial Mediation Competition 2020, based on the preliminary rounds.
- Karthik Subramaniam, Prateek Ramesh, Rudraksh Singh, and Shrudula Murthy were awarded a special mention for Best Acknowledgement of Cross-Culture Differences in the ICC Hong Kong International Commercial Mediation Competition, 2020.
- Swini Khara won the impromptu speech award at the 4th Annual ADC-ICC Asia Pacific International Commercial Mediation Competition 2020.
- Roshni Mulchandani emerged as a Gold Medalist (Mediator) at the 2nd International Mediation Singapore (IMSG) 2020, organized by Singapore International Mediation Institute.
- Roshni Mulchandani was a Finalist (Mediator) at the 2nd RGNUL Sports and Entertainment Law National Mediation Competition, 2020.
- Saksham Agrawal and Yashasvi Raj were shortlisted for the IBA-VIAC CDRC Vienna Mediation and Negotiation Competition, 2020 among top 11 Mediator Teams Globally (subsequently cancelled due to COVID).
- Karthik Subramaniam, Prachi Tripathi, Unnnayan Mishra, and Vivek Krishnaswamy were shortlisted for the IBA-VIAC CDRC Vienna Mediation and Negotiation Competition, 2020 among top 22 Negotiator Teams Globally (subsequently cancelled due to COVID).
- Anu Sagar won at the RMLNLU Mediation Competition, 2020 (Negotiation category).

- Aviral Agrawal won the UPES School of Law Mediation Competition 2020, and was adjudged as part of the Best Client-Counsel Pair.
- Karthik Subramaniam won the Best Mediator at the UPES Mediation Competition, 2020.
- Ansh Jain, Neharika Chhabra, and Shravani Shendye were Finalists at the 7<sup>th</sup> NLUO International Maritime Arbitration Moot, 2020.
- Jahnavi Singh won the Best Opening Statement Award at the ILSCA – PACT National Community Mediation Competition, 2020.
- Harshvardhan Tripathi and Prerana Raya won the Runner-Up Award at the 2nd NUJS Khaitan Client Consultation Competition (2020) organized at NUJS Kolkata.
- Karthik Subramaniam won the Runner-Up Mediator Award at the ICFAI Lex Knot Mediation Competition, 2020.
- Pooja Bharadwaj and Tripti Bhushan were adjudicated as part of the Top Three Client-Attorney pairs at the GLC National ADR Triathlon 2020.
- K. Swathi Reshmitha and Pival K Peddireddi were Semi-Finalists at the 1st Nyayshastram's Ratan K. Singh National Negotiation Competition, 2020. K. Swathi Reshmitha was adjudged as the best counsel in quarter-finals.
- Isha Tandon and Shrudula Murthy were Semi finalists at the ICFAI Law School, Lex Knot Mediation-Negotiation Competition, 2020.
- Aviral Agarwal was as a quarter finalist (4th best negotiator after preliminary rounds) at the RMLNLU Mediation Competition, 2020.
- Aditi Nazre and Shalika were quarter finalists at the 2nd RGNUL Sports and Entertainment Law National Mediation Competition, 2020.
- Ansh Jain and Yashasvi Raj were quarter finalists, won the Best Negotiators (Preliminaries) and Best Opening Statement in their pool at the 1<sup>st</sup> Online Dispute Resolution Competition, 2020.
- Karthik Subramaniam and Shurdula Murthy were quarter finalists and won the Best Opening Statement in their pool at the 1<sup>st</sup> Online Dispute Resolution Competition, 2020.
- Shravani Shendye coached a team from University of Lagos, Nigeria for the ICC Bucerius Mediation Competition, 2020.

#### Academia:

- Harshvardhan Tripathi was a Research Assistant to Professor Dr. Ingeborg Schwenzer for Oxford University Publication's *'Global Sales and Contract Law'* by Ingeborg Schwenzer, Christopher Kee, and Pascal Hachem.
- Harshvardhan Tripathi published "Which direction is the Unruly Horse of Public Policy headed in India" in the Arbitration and Corporate Law Review Blog.
- Harshvardhan Tripathi published "Taru Meghani v. Shree Tirupathi: Separating Causes of Action in Suit for Reference to Arbitration" in the Indian Arbitration Blog.
- Shravani Shendye published 'Insolvency Mediation in India: A Stone Unturned' in the Ex Curia International Blog.
- Pooja Bharadwaj completed a course offered by Yale University – "Introduction to Negotiation: A Strategic Playbook for Becoming a

Principled and Persuasive Negotiator” and received a 100% grade. (May 2020).

- Anushka Borkar completed courses on Successful Negotiation: Essential Strategies and Skills (University of Michigan) and Commercial Mediation for the 21st Century Lawyer (Mediator Academy).

#### **D. DEBATING COMMITTEE**

- Mehreen Mander (2019-5LLB-83), Bishesh Joshi (2019-5LLB-15), Dhananjay Dhonchak (2019-5LLB-17), Khushi Mittal (2019-5LLB-79), Shrey Chhabra (2019-5LLB-46), Devarshi Paul, Arjun Nayyar (2019-5LLB-66), Abhijit Vadavalli (2019-5LLB-01), Sanskar Jain (2019-5LLB-100), Eeshan Sonak (2019-5LLB-104), Pranay Bhardwaj (2019-5LLB-93), Harsh Jain (2019-5LLB-73), and Aratrika Brahmachari (2017-5LLB-08), participated in the Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad Parliamentary Debate 2019. Mehreen Mander and Bishesh Joshi won the competition, and Harsh Jain and Aratrika Brahmachari were runners-up. Dhananjay Dhonchak and Khushi Mittal were finalists. Arjun Nayyar, Abhijit Vadavalli, Eeshan Sonak, Pranay Bhardwaj, Shrey Chhabra and Devarshi Paul were semi-finalists. Abhijit Vadavalli was adjudged the best speaker and Arjun Nayyar the 2<sup>nd</sup> best speaker. Sanskar was adjudged the 2<sup>nd</sup> best adjudicator.
- Abhijit Murthy (2017-5LLB-63) and Yash Mittal (2017-5LLB-118) were semi finalists and top 20 speakers at MIT PD 2019.
- Aratrika Brahmachari (2017-5LLB-08) and Yash Mittal (2017-5LLB-118) were winners at ICFAI PD 2019. Yash was also adjudged the best speaker.
- Aratrika Brahmachari (2017-5LLB-08) and Yash Mittal (2017-5LLB-118) were semi-finalists at IIT Bombay PD 2019.
- Aratrika Brahmachari (2017-5LLB-08) and Yash Mittal (2017-5LLB-118) were ESL Quarter Finalists at Monash Australasian Championships, 2020
- Abhijit Vadavalli (2019-5LLB-01) was the winner and 3<sup>rd</sup> best speaker in GGSDS PD 2020 in a cross team.
- Oorvi Mehta (2015-5LLB-121), Aratrika Brahmachari (2017-5LLB-08) and Yash Mittal (2017-5LLB-118) were winners of the ILNU Round Robin PD 2020.
- Aratrika Brahmachari (2017-5LLB-08) and Yash Mittal (2017-5LLB-118) were semi-finalists in BRACS PD 2020, Dhaka.
- Abhijit Vadavalli (2019-5LLB-01), Aratrika Brahmachari (2017-5LLB-08) and Yash Mittal (2017-5LLB-118) participated in the India Open Debate. Aratrika and Yash were Semi Finalists, while Abhijit was a quarter finalist and the 15<sup>th</sup> best speaker on tabs
- Abhijit Vadavalli (2019-5LLB-01) was declared the best adjudicator at IIT BHU PD 2020.
- Harsh Jain (2019-5LLB-73), Dhananjay Dhonchak (2019-5LLB-17), and Bishesh Joshi (2019-5LLB-15) were novice runners-up at ILS PD 2020. Abhijit Vadavalli (2019-5LLB-01) was an invited adjudicator.
- Abhijit Vadavalli (2019-5LLB-01) was the finalist and third best speaker at IIT Bombay Pro-Am Asians 2020

- Abhijit Vadavalli (2019-5LLB-01) was a finalist and best speaker at Phillippines Online Debate 2020
- Aratrika Brahmachari (2017-5LLB-08), Yash Mittal (2017-5LLB-118), Khushi Mittal (2019-5LLB-79) and Harsh Jain (2019-5LLB-73) participated in the COEP PD 2021. Aratrika and Yash broke to the quarter finals, and Aratrika was the 10<sup>th</sup> best speaker on tabs.

## **E. MOOT COURT COMMITTEE**

### Mooting Achievements:

- Second Runners Up (Government Counsel) at the Asia-Pacific Friendly Rounds of the International Criminal Court Moot Court 2020. Team: Ankita Gupta, Aratrika Brahmachari, Rhea Reddy, Gayatri Gupta, Sayan Bhattacharya, Harsh Thakur, and Oorvi Mehta (coach).
- Quarter-finalist at GMU Maritime Arbitration Moot 2020. Team: Anikait Vasantvada (Batch of 2024), Sparsh Khosla (Batch of 2024) and Pulkit Khare (Batch of 2024). Vasantvada Anikait was adjudged the Best Speaker.
- Winner of the NLS-Trilegal International Arbitration Moot Competition. Team: Ajith Kidambi (Batch of 2023), Shanthan Reddy (Batch of 2023), Khushi Mittal (Batch of 2024) and Abhi Uday Singh Gautam (Batch of 2023).
- Quarter Finalist, at the 18th Surana and Surana National Corporate Law Moot Court Competition 2020. Team: Kessia Kuriakose (Batch of 2023), Awantika Yash (Batch of 2023) and Pooja Bhardwaj (Batch of 2023)
- 17th Willem C. Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moot 2020 [Hong Kong]
  - Ranked 6<sup>th</sup> worldwide (Quarter- Finalists). Team: Himanshu Raghuwanshi, Prisha Tejani, Umang Bhat Nair and Rahil Chetan Mehta
  - Honorable Mention for the Best Respondent Memo.
  - Rahil Chetan Mehta received an Honorable Mention for the Best Oralist.
  - 2nd (Runners-Up) at the 10th Indian Vis Pre-Moot 2020 (hosted by Jindal Global Law School and SAARC Arbitration Council).
  - Award for the Best Respondent Memo at the 4th AIAC Pre-Moot 2020 (Kuala Lumpur)
  - Honourable Mention for Best Oralist in Willem C. Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moot 2020- umang bhat nair
- Quarterfinalists in the RMLNLU International Media Law Moot Court Competition, 2020. Teammates: Abhishek Mishra (Batch of 2023), Aviral Agarwal (Batch of 2023) and Abhishree Sabharwal (Batch of 2023)
- Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2020
  - Winner of the National rounds
  - Won Alona E Awards for Combined Memorial, 23rd place
- Quarterfinalists in the Jindal Pre-Moot and Round of 64 at Vis Vienna Moot Court Competition. Team: Aditi Ramakrishnan (Batch of 2021),

Aparajita Kaul (Batch of 2021), Abhijit Murthy (Batch of 2022) and Yash Mittal (Batch of 2022)

- 3<sup>rd</sup> position in the Global Rounds of the International Trademark Association Moot. Team: Aachman Shekhar (Batch of 2022), Nirupan Karki (Batch of 2022), Abhishek Malik (Batch of 2022) and Hamir Singh Shekhawat (Batch of 2022)
- Runners Up in NLUO IMAM 2020. Team: Shravani Shendye (Batch of 2023), Ansh Jain (Batch of 2023) and Niharika Chhabra (Batch of 2023)
- Semi-Finalists in the RLC Rizvi Criminal Law Moot Competition 2020. Team: Yashwanth Samayam (Batch of 2023), Aaryan Wasnik (Batch of 2023) and Aditya Khandelwal (Batch of 2023).
- Quarter Finalists in D.M. Harish Memorial Moot Court Competition 2020; Team: of Pooja Agarwal (Batch of 2022), George P Reji (Batch of 2023) and Diya Dave (Batch of 2023)
- Quarter Finalists in the NUJS-HSF Moot Court Competition 2020. Team: Tejas Vijayraghav (Batch of 2023), Pranav Mihir Kandada (Batch of 2023) and Aniket Singh (Batch of 2023).

During the year under report, the NALSAR teams also participated in the following Moot Court Competitions

- The team comprising of Vishakha Ramesh (Batch of 2021), Malay Pranadi (Batch of 2023), Vishesh Bhatia (Batch of 2020) and Priyamvada Shivaji (Batch of 2020) participated in Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition.
- The team comprising of Aditi Ramakrishnan (Batch of 2021), Aparajita Kaul (Batch of 2021), Abhijit Murthy (Batch of 2022) and Yash Mittal (Batch of 2022) participated in Vis Vienna Moot Court Competition
- The team comprising of Himanshu Raghuvanshi (Batch of 2023), Prisha Tejani (Batch of 2023) and Umang Bhat Nair (Batch of 2023) participated in Vis East Moot Court Competition
- The team comprising of Aryan Khanna (Batch of 2022), Aachman Shekhar (Batch of 2022) and Abhishek Malik (Batch of 2022) participated in Skadden FDI Moot court competition
- The team comprising of Tanay Goyal (Batch of 2023), Pranshu Goyal (Batch of 2023), Naman Padalia (Batch of 2023), Viraaj Gaur (Batch of 2023), Ritvik Singh Tolia (Batch of 2023) participated in International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot Court Competition.
- The team comprising of Aachman Shekhar (Batch of 2022), Nirupan Karki (Batch of 2022), Abhishek Malik (Batch of 2022), Hamir Singh Shekhawat (Batch of 2022) participated in International Trademark Association (Team 1)
- The team comprising of Ankita Agarwal (Batch of 2020), Harseerat Kaur (Batch of 2021), Nishtha Gupta (Batch of 2023), Sankalp Jain (Batch of 2022) participated in International Trademark Association (Team 2)
- The team comprising of Krishna Sumanth (Batch of 2022) Sriram Kashyap (Batch of 2022) Raghunandan Sriram (Batch of 2023) participated in the Annual Oxford International Intellectual Property Law Moot Competition.

- The team comprising of Amishi Aggarwal (Batch of 2024), Arjun Nayyar (Batch of 2024) and Tanmay Gupta (Batch of 2024) participated in the XIII Amity Lucknow Moot Court Competition.
- The team comprising of Sanjana Manusani (Batch of 2023), Medha Puvvala (Batch of 2023) and Shrudula Murthy (Batch of 2023) participated in the Frankfurt International Moot Court Competition 2020 (National Rounds).
- The team comprising of Rhea Reddy (Batch of 2022), Sayan Bhattacharya (Batch of 2021), Ankita Gupta (Batch of 2022), Gayatri Gupta (Batch of 2022), Aratrika Brahmachari (Batch of 2022), Oorvi Mehta (Batch of 2020) and Harsh Thakur (Batch of 2023) participated in ICC International Moot Court Competition 2020 (National Rounds).
- The team comprising of Kessia Kuriakose (Batch of 2023), Awantika Yash (Batch of 2023) and Pooja Bhardwaj (Batch of 2023) participated in Surana & Surana Moot Court Competition
- The team comprising of Pragya Dhanjika (Batch of 2023), Priyanka Dhage (Batch of 2023) and Samruddhi Chiplunkar (Batch of 2022) participated in the SP Sathe Moot Court Competition,
- The team comprising of Abhishek Mishra (Batch of 2023), Aviral Agarwal (Batch of 2023) and Abhishree Sabharwal (Batch of 2023) participated in the RMLNLU Media Law Moot Court Competition
- The team comprising of Yashwanth Samayam (Batch of 2023), Aaryan Wasnik (Batch of 2023) and Aditya Khandelwal (Batch of 2023) participated in the RLC Rizvi Criminal Law Moot Competition.
- The team comprising of Maladi Pranay (Batch of 2023), Niharika Chhabra (Batch of 2023) and Harsh Thakur (Batch of 2023) participated in the RGNUL Moot Court Competition.
- The team comprising of Tejas Vijayraghav (Batch of 2023), Pranav Mihir Kandada (Batch of 2023) and Aniket Singh (Batch of 2023) participated in NUJS HSF Moot Court Competition 2020.
- The team comprising of Sanchit Khandelwal (Batch of 2023), Prakhar Bhatnagar (Batch of 2021) and Amritesh Anand (Batch of 2023) participated in NUJS CCI Court Competition.
- The team comprising of Ajith Kidambi (Batch of 2023), Shanthan Reddy (Batch of 2023), Khushi Mittal (Batch of 2024) and Abhi Uday Singh Gautam (Batch of 2023) participated in the NLS Trilegal Arbitration Moot Court Competition
- The team comprising of Alena Jamal (Batch of 2023), Lakshaya Grover (Batch of 2023), Mustafa Rajkotwala (Batch of 2023) and Hrithwik Singh (Batch of 2023) participated in the NLIU Tankha Moot Court Competition,
- The team comprising of Aaryan Wasnik (Batch of 2023), Devarshi Paul (Batch of 2023) and Tilak Dangi (Batch of 2022) participated in IM Nanavati Moot Court Competition.
- The team comprising of Anikait Vasantvada (Batch of 2024), Sparsh Khosla (Batch of 2024) and Pulkit Khare (Batch of 2024) participated in the GMU Maritime Law Moot Court Competition (Team 1)
- The team comprising of Aryan Raj Kashyap (Batch of 2024), Unnat Akhouri (Batch of 2024) and Govind Singh (Batch of 2024) participated in the GMU Maritime Law Moot (Team 2).

- The team comprising of Pooja Agarwal (Batch of 2022), George P Reji (Batch of 2023) and Diya Dave (Batch of 2023) participated in the DM Harish Moot Court Competition
- The team comprising of Ayush Goyal (Batch of 2022), Aryan Garg (Batch of 2024) and Tilak Dangi (Batch of 2022) participated in BCI Moot Court Competition
- The team comprising of Nikita Bansal (Batch of 2023), Kinjal Sharma (Batch of 2023) and Kathi Swathi Reshmitha (Batch of 2023) participated in GIMC Moot Court Competition
- The team comprising of Akanksha Agrahari (Batch of 2024), Aishwarya Rautela (Batch of 2024) and Bishesh Joshi (Batch of 2024) participated in Amity National Moot Haryana.
- The team comprising of Rajat Raghuram (Batch of 2022), Ruchika Prabhu (Batch of 2024) and Kruttika Lokesh (Batch of 2022) participated in the NUJS B.P Saraf Tax Law Moot.
- The team comprising of Shravani Shendye (Batch of 2023), Ansh Jain (Batch of 2023) and Niharika Chhabra (Batch of 2023) participated in NLUO IMAM 2020
- The team comprising of Raavi Mishra (Batch of 2023), Tejas B. Naik (Batch of 2023) and Ajay Kranthi (Batch of 2023) participated in NLUJ Anti-trust Moot

## **F. SPORTS COMMITTEE**

The Committee undertook various initiatives and worked on various ideas and proposals in order to create a better and sports-friendly environment on campus which primarily revolves around academics and co-curricular activities. During the on-campus semester, which was for 2.5 months, the Sports Committee improved the sports infrastructure and increased sports culture on campus by organizing an inter-batch cricket (female), volleyball (both), kabaddi (both), football (both), basketball (both), T.T. (both), Chess (mixed), badminton (both and mixed), throwball (mixed), dodgeball (mixed). The sports committee also encouraged more inter-college friendly matches with IPE and BITS Pilani, Hyderabad by organizing basketball and football matches.

### **Participation in Inter-College Sports Fest:**

#### **Trilateral – 2020 at NLSIU, Bangalore- 17<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

NALSAR students participated in an inter-college fest between NALSAR, NLS and NUJS, Organized by NLSIU, Bangalore.

#### **Teams Participated in Trilateral 2020:**

- a. Cricket
- b. Volleyball (Men's and Women's)
- c. Football
- d. Basketball (Men's and Women's)
- e. Badminton (Team event)
- f. Kabaddi
- g. Table Tennis (Team event)

**NALSAR teams Won in the following events at Trilateral 2020.**

- a. **Kabaddi:** Uma Mahesh Rathod, Anand Nayak, Hemant Chouhan, Balaji Naik Azmeera, Akash Prasad, Nishanth Austin, Ram Dheeraj, Vijayaditya Reddy, Arun Eslavath,
- b. **Volleyball (men's):** Rahul Krishna Garapati, Nishant Austin, Ashutosh Chaudhary, Anand Nayak, Utkarsh Rathi, Akash Prasad, Vishal Pathak, Pulimamidi Akhil Reddy, Ram Dheeraj,

**NALSAR teams were Runner-Ups in the following events at Trilateral 2020.**

- a. **Cricket:** Akash Prasad, Vishal Pathak, Kartik Subramaniam, Bhawani singh Rajpurohit, Aditya Khandelwal, Satyam Goyal, Sourabh Kumar, Nishant Austin, Rohith, Arun Eslavath, Anand Nayak, Kripashankar Damade.
- b. **Basketball (women's):** Nirvani Bhawsar, Akanksha Agrahari, Keerthi Kumar, Tia Mathew, Kruttika Lokesh, Vedika Singh, Divya Reddy Suravaram, Anjalika Sinha
- c. **Badminton (mixed):** Balaji Azmeera Naik, Tanay Goyal, Anjalika Sinha, Keerthi Kumar, Kruttika Lokesh, Pulimamidi Akhil Reddy.

**The Following Students were awarded Best Player Awards at Trilateral 2020:**

Rahul Krishna Garapati (2016-5llb-34) – Best Player Volleyball

**ARENA – 2020 at BITS Pilani, Hyderabad – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

NALSAR students participated in women's football (7 a-side) match in ARENA 2020 organised by BITS, Hyderabad on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

**INVICTA – 2020 at WBNUJS, Kolkata – 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

NALSAR students participated in basketball (men's) in Invicta 2020 organised by WBNUJS, Kolkata during 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

**ZEALOUS – 2020 at IPE, Hyderabad – 29<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020**

NALSAR students participated in ZEALOUS 2020 organised by IPE, Hyderabad on 29<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020.

**Teams Participated in ZEALOUS – 2020:**

- a. Cricket (Women's)
- b. Football (Men's)
- c. Table Tennis
- d. Throwball (Women's)
- e. Basketball (Men's)
- f. Volleyball (Men's)

**NALSAR team were Runner-Ups in the following events at ZEALOUS – 2020.**

- a. **Throwball (Women's) :** Dhanista Mittal, Madhura Karanth, Anjalika Sinha, Divya Reddy Suravaram, Nirvani Bhawsar, Neha Varma,.
- b. **Basketball (Men's) :** Roop Singh, Sahil Agarwal, Abhi Uday Singh, Harshit Sawale, Yashasvi Raj, Pulimamidi Akhil Reddy, Rahul Krishna Garapati, Nathan Paul, Akshay.

## G. SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND STUDENT WELFARE COMMITTEE

The main aim of the Social Responsibility and Student Welfare Committee is reflected from its name, some of the major duties include the maintenance of internet and related infrastructure on campus, overseeing the student orientation and mentor-mentee programmes, to provide logistical and financial support to legal aid activities and ensuring the maintenance of healthcare and related services on campus. These responsibilities, along with others have been laid down in Article 21 of the Student Bar Council Constitution.

In the Semester which ran from July-October 2019 till December 2020 the committee undertook the following major tasks:

**Purchase of Books and E-Book Bank:** Purchase of law textbooks too was done utilising the SBC budget, and distributed to students from various years. The SRSWC started the NALSAR e-book Database in the July-October 2019 semester by creating a repository of the e-books for the mandatory subjects. The project was expanded with a collaboration with the Academic Committee and we digitised half of the proposed list of books, with the rest of the list to be finished in the subsequent year. During the lockdown the committee utilized the part of the remaining budget, to purchase and deliver books for some mandatory subjects for Visually-Challenged students.

**Purchase of Laptops:** The SRSWC ensured distribution and maintenance of the university's laptop bank for the students to use during emergencies coordinated with the IT Department to ensure that the university purchased additional laptops for the students to use in emergencies.

**Upgradation of IT Infrastructure:** The SRSWC coordinated with the IT Department, to identify areas where Internet connectivity issues exist. The IT Department installed LAN ports and Cables in the Moot Rooms in the Library. The IT Department purchased additional routers to be installed at various points of the university. The SRSWC also distributed LAN cables to the students for use in hostels.

**Cycles on Campus:** Cycles on campus (which are rented out for a nominal amount) were repaired several times and purchase of new cycles from the annual SBC budget was made. The SRSWC redistributed the number of cycles among the hostel complexes of the campus. The committee ensured that an equal number of cycles are present in the BH complex and GH complex. Further the committee prepared and submitted a proposal and acquired permissions for the engineering department to construct a bicycle shed near the GH complex.

**Scholarship Programme:** The SRSWC requested the VC to increase the scholarship corpus for the academic year 2020-2021, especially hardships that the COVID-19 Pandemic has created. The administration has agreed to increase the corpus from an amount of 35 lakh Rupees to 75 lakh Rupees. The SRSWC also undertook an orientation session with the batch of 2025 on University Scholarship, and External Scholarships.

**Merchandise:** The committee procured merchandise for the students and subsidise the purchase of the same. The committee shall complete the delivery of the merchandise to the students once the campus reopens.

**Clothes Collection Drive:** The SRSWC conducted a clothes collection drive in collaboration with Goonj Foundation

**Healthcare:** The SRSWC ensured that wheelchairs and crutches, procured for injured persons were available at the guard rooms and hostels as necessary.

**Blood Donation Drive:** The SRSWC during the month of February 2020, In coordination with some students and Jivitasha Organisation, the committee organised the Blood Donation Drive, which was shown enthusiasm on part of the campus residents, which was also appreciated by the volunteers from the Aarohi Blood Bank. The committee was assisted by Bhaskar Anna in providing refreshments for the participants of the drive which were reimbursed by the committee.

**Legal Aid:** The committee also ensured the provision of funds for the NALSAR Legal Aid Group [NLAG] for various legal aid activities. Refer to the NLAG Annual Report for more details.

**Mentorship Programme for the Batch of 2025:** The SRSWC revamped the mentorship programme that the committee undertakes, by increasing the number of mentors, especially considering the short semester period and lack of tutorials for the batch of 2025 in their virtual semester.

## H. LITERARY AND QUIZZING COMMITTEE

The 6<sup>th</sup> NALSAR Literary Festival was held online, on the 16th and 17th of January, 2021, centring around the theme “Changing Realities: All Our Yesterdays, Foregone Conclusions and a Brave New World”. As part of the fest, two panel discussions were organised. The first panel discussion was titled “Journalistic Freedom and Free Speech” and discussed the contemporary happenings in the realm of journalistic freedom and the role played by the legislative, judiciary and executive in protecting it. The speakers were Annie Zaidi and Niranjana Takle, and the discussion was moderated by Divya Srinivasan. The second panel discussion was titled “Changing Realities: Stories, Experiences and their Expression”, and focused on highlighting conundrums of the present through storytelling and sharing experiences. The speakers were Urvashi Butalia, Rachana Mudraboyina and Amandeep Sandhu, and was moderated by Rupali Samuel.

### **Organising Committee**

Aditya Matolli, Akanksha Agrahari, Anshul Agrawal, Eeshan Sonak, Jaya Srujana Ponnuru, Nitya Ravichandra, and Sanjana Manusnipalli.

### **List of Winners**

#### *Creative Writing*

1. Tanvi Apte
2. G. Akhil Surya and Tanmay Batham
3. Ishika Garg
- 4 & 5: Niyathi Meghana Devalapalli and Aishwarya Rautela.

School entry: Aadvik Kandari

*Treasure Hunt (Cerca Trova)*

1. Ashish, Ram Dheeraj, Shashvat
2. Bhavisha, Gayathri, Nikhil, Shourya
3. Suneha Kasal, Swini Khara, Chittkrishna Thakkar, Samiha Gopal, and Anushri Bhuta, Sanjeet Aggarwal, Shreyam Sharma, Mrunalini Vengurlekar

*Crossword*

1. Swini Khara
2. Pranav Mihir Kandada
3. Archita Satish

*20 Questions*

1. Pranav Mihir Kandada & Krishna S
2. Swini Khara & Vishakha Ramesh
3. Anushri Bhuta & Mrunalini Vengurlekar

*Literary Quiz*

1. Vedaarth Uberoi and Krishna S
2. Pranava Dhar and Soumya AR
3. Jesu-M-Kashyap and Maharnab Kashyap

*Honest trailers*

Winners - Sanjeet Aggarwal and Ajinkyaraj Pacharaney

### **DEVISE Fundraiser General Quiz**

The first quiz of the semester was conducted on 11/7/2020 on an online platform and was open to both students and alumni. The proceeds from registration quiz were given towards DEVISE. DEVISE (Developing Inclusive Education) is an NGO based in Hyderabad and run by NALSAR students. Its objective is to equip children from the underprivileged communities with a functional knowledge of English language in order to move towards an inclusive education system.

### **Quarantine Sports Quiz**

The committee hosted a sports quiz on Thursday, (07/05/2020) at 9:30 PM conducted by Mr. Shraishth Jain. He was a regular in the sports quiz circuit in Delhi, having hosted around 20 college and open quizzes. He currently works with the All India Football Federation.

## **I. STUDENTS OUTREACH:**

### **NALSAR Legal Aid Group**

The following is the list of activities the NALSAR Legal Aid Group (NLAG) has taken up in the year 2020:

- Attended State-Level NGO Meet on NREGA, its failures and lack of implementation.
- Went to Eturnagaram for Legal Aid Work, focusing on Tribal Land Rights (1959 AP Act) and filing complaints related to SC/ST Prevention of Atrocities Act.

- Met and contacted stakeholders, and persons involved regarding Transgender Persons Rights, in respect of Right to Food, and other laws and policies.
- Collaboration with the Migration and Asylum Project (MAP) and facilitation of the conduction of a 2-day workshop on refugee law at NALSAR.
- Coordination of volunteers for the Migrant Travel Support Network (MTSN)- initiative to help the migrant workers during Lockdown.
- Started the Legal Awareness Initiative as part of which explainers on processes such as filing FIRs, obtaining a ration card and the like are shared through blog posts, Instagram and Facebook posts.
- Collaboration with the NALSAR Public Policy Group to host a panel discussion on "Queerness and the Law".

#### **J. TECHLAW FORUM**

- A Letter was sent to Ministry of Information and Technology on the decision of the Government of India to ban 59 Chinese Applications (July 2020).
- Recommendations sent to the Registrar for Copyrights for the Copyright Amendment Consultation Process 2020-2021 (December 2020).

#### **K. LIST OF INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS BY STUDENTS**

##### **Yash Dodani**

- Publication: Making CLAT Accessible to Visually Impaired Aspirants | Live Law`
- Received Scholarship for Students with Disabilities offered by the Government of India

##### **Harshvardhan Tripathi**

- Special Award for 'Best Client-Counsel Coordination' at the ICC Asia Pacific International Commercial Mediation Competition 2020
- Participated in the ICC Paris International Commercial Mediation Competition 2021

##### **Shruti Avinash**

- Took part in "Pragyanam: An All-India Blog Writing Competition" of IIT Jammu
- Took part in the all India essay writing competition held by the Law and Technology Society NLSIU Bangalore and 'The Dialogue'

##### **Sughosh Joshi**

- University examination guidelines that score low, The Hindu, July 2020 (co-authored with Prof Faizan Mustafa)
- Reaffirm cooperative federalism, The Hindu, May 2020 (co-authored with Pranav Verma)
- Uddhav Thackeray's Nomination: Least Risky Option or Subversion of Democratic Process?, The Wire, April 2020 (co-authored with Sushrut Kaplay)
- Why India Needs Shadow Cabinets, Law and Other Things Blog, October 2020

### **Anushka Borkar**

- Publication of research paper 'The Nuremberg Experience to Regulate Human Genome Editing in India' in Vol. 1 Issue VIII of the International Journal for Legal Research and Analysis, ISSN 2582-6433

### **Arvind Pennathur**

- Co-authored a paper with Prakhar Bhatnagar titled "Sex Discrimination in India: The Journey of Nargesh Mirza's tragedy to Joseph Shine's Triumph" in Volume X of the Indian Constitutional Law Review (ISSN: 2456-8325), released on July 19th, 2020.
- Authored a paper titled "Impoverishment of Foreign Nationals in India: An Analysis" accepted for publication in VIT Law Review, 2020  
7- Sayan Bhattacharya
- Started a humanitarian relief and assistance program (Stronger Kolkata Initiative) in light of supercyclone Amphan and Covid-19 pandemic related economic distress. Relief kits consisting of ration, tarpaulin, water purification solutions etc. reached roughly 20,000 people in affected areas. Collaborated with Malda District Administration to facilitate home based schooling during the lockdown for government school students. Educational content was televised and reached roughly 2 lakh viewers in the district. Started a primary school in Pathorprotima Island, Sunderbans where the pandemic halted education completely during the pandemic. Schooling successfully running for more than a month now with active engagement from local community. Work reported by the Telegraph, Bar & Bench, Education World, Livelaw etc.

### **Sabavath Apoorva**

- Shortlisted Finalist for the UNHCR Impact Challenge held at HPAIR Harvard College Conference 2020, Massachusetts.

## **23. ENDOWMENTS**

### Endowments for Books:

During the year 2020, 55 books were donated to NALSAR Library by the following individuals / institutions:

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Donors</b>
1.	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Representation in India
2.	International Committee of the Red Cross, Geneva
3.	Eastern Book Company, Lucknow
4.	Asia Law House, Hyderabad
5.	National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam
6.	Election Commission of India
7.	E. Balagurusamy, Author of 'National Education Policy 2020'
8.	T. Baskaran, Author of 'Arbitration in India'

9.	Prof. R. K. Mishra, Director IPE, Shameerpet.	
10.	Mohd. Aamir Khan, Author of 'Framed as a Terrorist'	
11.	Kirk W. Junker, Author of 'Legal Culture in the United States'	
12.	NALSAR Faculty	Dr. Harathi Vageeshan
		Mr. Sidharth Chauhan
13.	NALSAR Students	Mr. Sachin Bhat
		Mr. Manvendra Singh

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