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EDITORIAL

The foundation stone of the Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla (HPNLU, Shimla) was laid on the 5th of September, 2016. Placed in the geographical terrains of the Himalayas, the University is in the fifth year of its inception. HPNLU is one of the few educational centres in the country that enjoy the natural endowment of mesmeric beauty of location, topography and enjoyable weather conditions throughout the year. The University, in these respects, is bestowed with all the natural conditions conducive for the pursuit, creation and dissemination of knowledge. We hope that this volume of the Nyayagya brings to you a snapshot of the milestones that we crossed during the Academic Session (June 2019-June 2020). As members of the Nyayagya Editorial Board feel elated to pen down this journey by capturing the all-alluring and cheerful moments that have been lived and cherished together. Successfully overcoming impediments on the way, we have grown, groomed ourselves and succeeded!

Smiles Speak Louder Than Words



Vice Chancellor's Message

With utmost delight, Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla launches Volume III of Nyayagya. This volume bids adieu to the 2019-20 session which has been nothing but kaleidoscopic in terms of events and activities organized by the University. Through this literary and artistic endeavour, we wish to reach out to readers and provide them with information about the remarkable activities that have taken place inside the premises of the institution. It also highlights the diverse achievements of the faculty and students of the University.

It is worth mentioning that despite the teething issues that a newly established university experiences when it comes to solidifying its footing, the University has not faltered in serving its students, society and nation. HPNLU, Shimla is working sincerely to make the dreams and the aspirations of the students come true. To achieve the desired results, we provide a conducive atmosphere for academics, research and extra-curricular engagements. This issue further shares the vision and varied strategic insights of the University. It is heartening to mention that the dynamic faculty and dedicated students of HPNLU are steadily marching ahead to accomplish their mission and vision with which the University had set out on the journey about four years ago.

This volume carries a complete description of the special lectures delivered by veterans of law which were hosted by the University for adding to the erudition of aspiring lawyers and judges who are blossoming on HPNLU's soil.

The second half of the academic session 2019-20 saw an upheaval due to the COVID-19 pandemic crisis. But the positive vision of the faculty and students did not let them feel tired or disappointed. They joined hands to face the crisis and emerged triumphant. Swami Vivekanand made a living abode in our hearts when he said:

"उत्तिष्ठत जाग्रत प्राप्य वरान्निबोधत।"

ARISE, AWAKE, AND STOP NOT TILL THE GOAL IS REACHED

This edition mouthpieces HPNLU's attempt to bring to fore issues that are relevant to our country's education system. We hope that the newsletter will attract readers with the interesting general and legal information bites that have been catalogued chronologically. The infusion of new ideas in the making, further exhibits the hard work and diligence of the HPNLU team and motivates the contingent to make it a palpable endeavour.

Professor (Dr) Nishtha Jaswal

Vice-Chancellor

Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla



Alliances

The University was very much delighted to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam Limited Foundation for the construction of SJVN GYAN BHAWAN (Hostel Block of HPNLU) on the auspicious day of 29th November, 2019, at the Auditorium, High Court of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.



It was an overwhelming moment for the University to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with following Premier Institutions –

1. National Law University, Delhi.
2. National Law School of India University, Bangalore.
3. Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala.
4. Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur.
5. Institute of Correctional Administration, Chandigarh.

Orientation Programme | July 13th -20th, 2019

The University inducted the fresher batch (2019-20) with representation of students from various states of the country, who joined HPNLU to pursue B.A.LL.B (Hons.) and B.B.ALL.B (Hons.) courses. The New batch of students was welcomed and applauded for choosing law as their profession. The new students were familiarised with a bird's eye view of the academic structure, academic culture, regulations and norms of the institution. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor who tirelessly works in executing the vision of the University, delivered the welcome address which filled them with enthusiasm. The address was



followed by another formal address by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tarlok Singh Chauhan, Judge, High Court of Himachal Pradesh. Through his speech, he motivated the students and wished them luck for their new professional journey.

Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. Ramasubramanian, the then Chief Justice of Himachal Pradesh & Hon'ble Chancellor, HPNLU, Shimla welcomed the students through his pearls of wisdom and urged them to inculcate professionalism and values and make the utmost use of the golden opportunities available to them.

The distinguished guests who graced the Orientation Programme on the 14th of July with their august presence included Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sureshwar Thakur, Judge, High Court of Himachal Pradesh, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chander Bhusan Barowalia, Judge, High Court of Himachal Pradesh and Professor Sanjeev Sharma, University Institute of Medical Sciences (UIMS), Panjab University. These speakers shared their opinions and real-life experiences in order to inspire students.



Orientation Programme | July 13th -20th, 2019



The second day of the program witnessed a special address to students by Professor Kamaljeet Singh from the Faculty of Law, Himachal Pradesh University. The day was studied with introductory presentations that were made by co-curricular activity cells such as the Moot Court Committee, Journal Committee, Debating Society, Legal Aid Committee, Cultural Committee, Internship and Placement Cell and Sports Committee. Facilities available to students on the campus were introduced. An outing was organized on the 17th of July to familiarise students with Shimla's environment and its main sites. On the 18th of July,

the programme was graced by academicians such as Professor Ashutosh Kumar from the Department of Political Science, Panjab University and Professor Aparna Negi from the Department of Economics, Himachal Pradesh University. Later Dr. Piyush Kapila, Assistant Professor, Indira Gandhi Medical College, Shimla addressed the students.

On the 7th day of the Orientation Program Dr. Upneet Lalli, Deputy Director, Institute of Correctional Administration, Chandigarh, addressed the students. Her address was followed by a stimulating talk delivered by Mr Somesh Goel, Director General of Prisons, Himachal Pradesh. Mr. Goel spoke about prisoners' psychology and shared his professional experience of reforming the prison system in India. Professor Sanju Karol from the Department of Economics, Himachal Pradesh University and Professor Raghuwinder Singh from Faculty of Law, Himachal Pradesh University were the other speakers in the sessions. On the last day of the Orientation Programme i.e. 20th of July, the first session was addressed by Professor Rajesh Gill from the Department of Sociology, Panjab University.

Later in the afternoon, the objective of the Orientation Programme was well achieved and the university's efforts were appreciated by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Vivek Singh Thakur, Judge, High Court of Himachal Pradesh.

On the last day, the program ended gleefully with a screening of the movie "12 Angry Men". With the efforts of the whole Himachal Pradesh National Law University family, the Orientation Programme concluded on a happy note.



Orientation Programme | July 13th -20th, 2019



Clockwise from the top –
Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chander B. Barowalia,
Dr. Upneet Lalli, Professor Aparna Negi,
Professor Raghuwinder Singh,
Mr. Somesh Goyal,
Hon'ble Mr. Justice Vivek S. Thakur



**“Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity:
70 Years of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights”**



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& University of Hindu, Bali, Indonesia**



The two-day International Conference began with the lighting of the lamp by Hon'ble, Mr. Justice, V. Ramasubramanian, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Hon'ble Mr Justice L. Narayana Swamy, Chief Justice, High Court of Himachal Pradesh and Chancellor, HPNLU, Shimla. The session was followed by a warm welcome address delivered by Professor Nishtha Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla. A vibrant introduction of the International Conference was delivered by Dr. Gurudutta P. Japee, Chairman, Grand Academic Portal, Gujarat. Professor Ranbir Singh, Vice-Chancellor, National Law University, Delhi delivered the keynote address. His address was followed by a talk delivered by Professor Phil. I. Ketut Ardhana, Vice-Chancellor, Universitas Hindu - Denpasar Bali - Indonesia - our international conference partner. The second address was by Hon'ble Mr. Justice L. Narayana Swamy. The Chancellor's speech was full of his blessings and valuable suggestions. The e-Souvenir was released by the dignitaries. Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. Ramasubramanian showered his blessings and enriched the audience with a variety of anecdotes. His words also enlightened the faculty, research scholars, industry professionals and students.



Professor Paramjit S. Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala concluded the session with a warm Vote of Thanks.

The Plenary Session was graced by the presence of Hon'ble Mr Justice, Chander Bhusan Barowalia, Judge, High Court of Himachal Pradesh, Professor Mayuri Pandya from the Faculty of Law, GLS University, Gujarat, Dr. Fr. Magi Murzello, Human Rights Activist & Senate Member, University of Mumbai, Professor Made Adi Widyamatika, Universitas Hindu-Denpasar Bali-Indonesia, and Mr. Gaurav Jasani, Commander, State Reserve Police Force, Gujarat.





The Valedictory Session started with the Welcome Address that was delivered by Professor Paramjit S. Jaswal which was followed by a Summary of the Conference delivered by Dr. Preeti Oza, CEO, GAP, Gujarat. The session was followed by the Valedictory Address of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Peter Mohan Maithree Peiris, Former Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Sri Lanka who had shown immense interest in the Conference. The Address by the Guest of Honour, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sureshwar Thakur, Judge, High Court of Himachal Pradesh was one of its kind and left the audience enthralled. The eagerly awaited Address of the Chief Guest Hon'ble Mr. Justice L. Narayana Swamy did supreme justice to the expectations of gathering. The much inspiring and awesome moment of the event was the feedback from participants which was heeded with the Best Paper Award and the Vote of Thanks by Professor Nishtha Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh National Law University. She underlined the huge success of the first-ever International Conference organised by the University.



Conference snippets



Law Day Celebrations' | 26th of November, 2019

The Law Day Celebrations were presided over by Hon'ble Mr. Justice L. Narayana Swamy, Chief Justice, High Court of Himachal Pradesh & Hon'ble Chancellor, HPNLU, Shimla, Guest of Honour & Key Speaker Hon'ble Mr Justice Sandeep Sharma, Judge, High Court of Himachal Pradesh, Chief Guest Hon'ble Mr. Justice Dharam Chand Chaudhary, Judge, High Court of Himachal Pradesh, Guest of Honour, Mr. Ashok Sharma, Advocate General, High Court of Himachal Pradesh and Professor Nishtha Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, HPNLU, Shimla. The theme for the day was "Challenges Before the Constitution of India."

All the speakers elaborately highlighted the importance of the Constitution Day (National Law Day), also known as Samvidhan Divas, which is celebrated in India on the 26th of November every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India. The discussions revolved around the challenges faced by the Constitution-makers while adopting it.

CIVITAS, the Constitution Quiz was organized in the University to celebrate the auspicious occasion. The results of the final round were as follows -

1st Position- Hemendra Singh Sewer and Surya Dev Bhandari, VII Semester BA. LL.B. (Hons.).

2nd Position- Bhavesh Bhaskar and Ayush Goduhan, V Semester BA. LL.B. (Hons.)

3rd Position- Harshit Pareek and Abhishek Jaiswal, V Semester BA. LL.B. (Hons.).



Special Events/Lectures



1. Professor Ranbir Singh, Vice-Chancellor, National Law University Delhi and Professor V Vijay Kumar, Vice-Chancellor NLIU Bhopal interacted with the learners of B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. and LL.M. on the 23rd of October, 2019.
2. On the 23rd of October, 2019, Professor Paramjit S. Jaswal interacted with all the students and shared his views on the legality of contemporary issues.
3. Professor Gurudatta Japee, Chairman, Grand Academic Portal, Gujarat interacted with the students of B.B.A LLB III and V Semesters in November 2019 throwing light on various aspects of management and significance of research in the social sciences.
4. A Training Programme for SCC Online & Hein Online (Online Legal Databases) was organised on the 11th of November, 2019. Sanjay Kapoor, Head SCC Online and Chetan Singh Gill (Hein Online) interacted with the learners.
5. A Three-days long One Credit Course on Comparative Constitutional Law was organised from the 11th-13th November, 2019 during which Hon'ble Mr Justice Peter Mohan Maithree Peiris, former Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Sri Lanka delivered lectures.
6. A Special Lecture on "Nuances of Drafting a Conveyance Deed" was organized on the 16th of November, 2019 for the learners of B.A. LL.B. VII semester by Mr. Amar Vivek, Senior Advocate, Punjab and Haryana High Court.
7. A lecture on Law of Pleading and Drafting was delivered on the 24th of November, 2019 by Mr. B. K. Kaundal, Himachal Administrative Services.
8. A One-Day Workshop on Mediation Awareness was organised on the 26th of November, 2019 in association with Bhandari and Bhandari Consultants represented by Ms. Varuna Gugrani.

Snippets From Special Events



Clockwise –

**SCC and HeinOnline Workshop
Mediation Awareness by Ms. Varuna Gugnani
Interaction with Mr B. K. Kaundal
Interaction with Hon'ble Mr. Justice Mohan
Peiris, former Chief Justice of Sri Lanka.**



Online Lectures

The Himachal Pradesh National Law University is determined to provide quality education even in times of crisis- a time when the world is facing the biggest pandemic of the century. To ensure a smooth learning process, the University decided to impart legal education through online lectures. By promoting the ability to learn and achieve knowledge, the step was beneficial for students as they were provided with an opportunity for remote learning. The lectures were delivered via various online platforms like Zoom, Cisco Webex, Edmodo and Google Meet. The Vice-Chancellor took a unique initiative and decided that students would be reimbursed for the amount of internet data package (Rs. 300/- per student per month). The idea of online lectures then proved to be a success. The step did not count only for the teachers but also for the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor where she interacted with students and also delivered lectures on various topics of relevance.

Mosaic of online lectures at HPNLU :

1. On the 29th of April, 2020, Senior Advocate Mr Amar Vivek delivered a special lecture on "Special Suits Pleading and Appearance under Code of Civil Procedure, 1908".
2. A Special Lecture on "Landmark Judgments in Penal Jurisprudence" was delivered by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor (Dr.) Nishtha Jaswal on the 1st of June, 2020.
3. Professor M. K. Bhandari delivered an online lecture on "Trade Secrets and Traditional Knowledge" on the 1st of June, 2020 to students of B.A LLB. VIII Semester.
4. Mr S. R. Dhaleta, Joint Sec. (Retd.), Dept. of Legislation, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India delivered a special lecture on Legislative Drafting on the 4th of June to students of II semester.
5. A special lecture on Administrative Discretion was delivered by Professor Nishtha Jaswal, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, HPNLU, Shimla on the 6th of June, 2020 to all the students.
6. Centre for Environment and Disaster Management organized a Webinar on "Contemporary Environmental Law and Covid-19 Crisis" on the 05th of June, 2020 via Google Meet. On this occasion, Professor Gurdip Singh Bahri, Chancellor, IMS Unison University, Dehradun was the Chief Guest. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Nishtha Jaswal presided over the programme. The programme was moderated by Dr. Girjesh Shukla, Director, Centre for Environment and Disaster Management.
7. A Special Lecture on Intellectual Property Disputes in Cyberspace by Mr Manish Mishra, Managing Associate, INTTL Advocare was organised on the 11th of June 2020 for the students of VI semester.

Campus Mentoring Cell

MENTORING PROGRAMME

The Vice-Chancellor flagged off the Mentoring Programme for the Academic Session 2019-20 in a spectacular event on the 20th of August, 2020. Further fortifying the scheme in the second year since it was launched, Professor Jaswal underlined her intent to make HPNLU, Shimla an educational institution where students would not just do well and shine in the field of academics but also become emotionally intelligent.

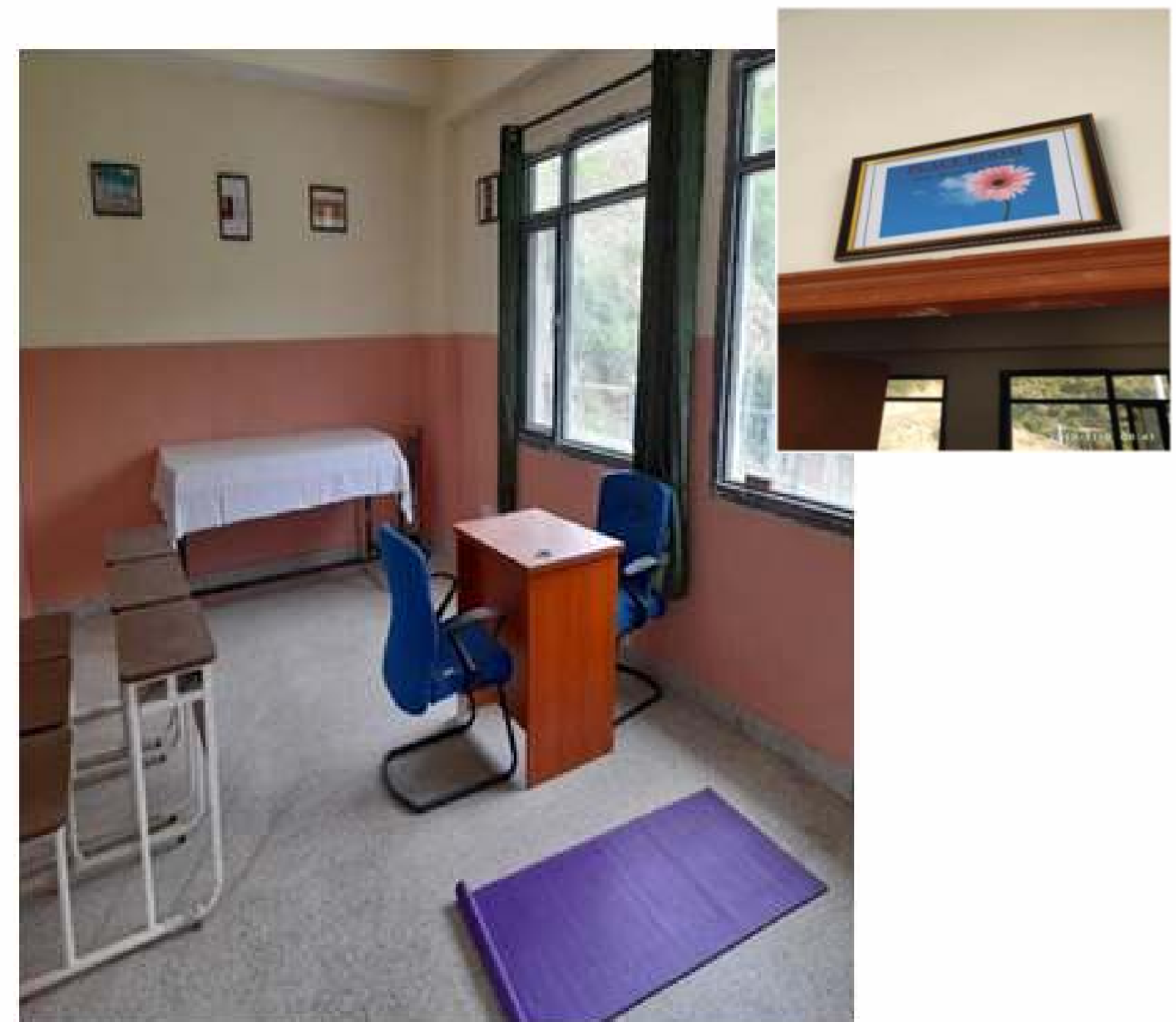
As an advancement from the previous academic session, specially designed Mentoring Hand Books were provided to the Mentees. The Hand Book acts as a record for all the activities conducted under the Mentoring Scheme. The Mentoring Programme ran for the rest of the academic session with Mentors devising a good number of innovative games, stories and interactive sessions for the Mentees. The year 2019-2020 was also immensely significant for the fact that the University appointed Dr. Upneet Lalli as the Counsellor for students. Dr. Lalli conducted several Counselling Sessions wherein overwhelming participation on the part of students was recorded.



Campus Mentoring Cell

Students benefitted from the Counsellor's Sessions on general issues such as time management, stress and anxiety, performance pressure. Several students sought individual level counselling which was made available to them. These sessions were conducted in face to face settings. After the COVID-19 pandemic and the lockdown, these sessions were equally successfully conducted online.

Most interestingly, on the directions of the Vice-Chancellor, a special Peace Room was created in the Academic Block which is solely meant for Counseling, Yoga, Meditation and related activities.



Teacher's Day Celebrations



TEACHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Teacher's Day was celebrated on the 5th of September, 2019. In the morning session, students not only dressed up as their teachers but also absorbed themselves into the noble role of teachers. It was an interactive session between the seniors and juniors under the supervision of teachers.

The afternoon session started with the motivational speech delivered by the Vice-Chancellor on the importance of student-teacher relationship and positive learning environment for the students. Then there was a Special Movie Screening of "Rang De Basanti" on demand of the students.

DANDIYA EVENING

On the 4th of October, 2019, Cultural Committee of HPNLU organised a 'Dandiya Evening' for Navratri celebrations. The event was attended by members of the staff and students. The event started with a prayer and lighting of the lamp. This was followed by a ramp walk in ethnic dresses and the event concluded with the performance of Dandiya Dance. The dress code of the event was ethnic wear.

INCEPTO NEXUS – FRESHERS' EVENT OF THE UNIVERSITY

On the 25th of November, 2020 HPNLU Second Year students in association with the Cultural Committee organized 'Incepto Nexus 2K19' - the annual Freshers' Event of the University. There were several rounds of challenging activities that included ramp walk, talent hunt and a question-answer round and at discovering the outlook and thoughts of the fresher participants. The rapid-fire round remained the major attraction in the event. Students came up dressed in their best attire and showcased their amazing talents like dancing, singing, poetry writing and much more. There were several performances by the second-year students.



The titles were bagged by

1. Ms Freshers' (Female) - Shelly Rohilla from B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) I year
2. Mr Freshers' (Male) - Aditya Chaturvedi - B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) I year
3. Ms Freshers' (Female) I Runner-Up (Female) Ankita Sharma - B.B.A.LL.B (Hons.) I year
4. Mr Freshers' I Runner-Up (Male), Vaibhav Gupta- B.B.A. LL.B (Hons.) I year.

Glimpses From “Incepto-Nexus2k19”



Glimpses From “Incepto-Nexus2k19”

POSTER MAKING COMPETITION

On the 28th of February, 2020, Poster Making and Slogan Writing Competitions were organized in the University Campus. The competitions were focused on Constitution of India and its elements. As per the guidelines from the UGC, Himachal Pradesh National Law University celebrated the first fundamental duty i.e. “To Abide by the Constitution and respect its ideals and institutions, the National Flag and the National Anthem” on the 28th of February, 2020. The feeling of nationalism and brotherhood was showcased by the students through poster making and slogan writing competitions in Hindi and English.



Mooting Activities

The Moot Court Committee aims to provide law students with practical exposure to the various legal issues and encourages them to participate, research and develop new skills in the field of law. The Moot Court Committee comprising of Dr. Chandreshwari Minhas, Dr. Ambika, Mr Santosh Kumar Sharma and Dr. Ruchi Raj Thakur conducted various Moot Court activities both for students of the University as well as for students from other Law Colleges in the country.

Moot Court Workshop

On the 11th of November 2019, the Moot Court Committee of HPNLU, Shimla organised a workshop on Mooting Skills and Client Counseling for the students of B.A/B.B.A.LL.B I & II Semesters. The workshop was divided into two sessions. Advocates Sarthak Mehta and Shweta Kumar Devgan guided the students with their tips about developing overall skills which are necessary for the intellectual and professional growth of law students.



Advocate Shweta Kumar Devgan



Advocate Sarthak Mehta

Achievements of HPNLU students

In National Moot Court Competitions and Client-Counseling (2019-2020)

It is a matter of pride for HPNLU family that our students represented the University in various National Moot Court Competitions. Our students filled our hearts with joy by having brought laurels to the University and winning various Moot Court and Client Counseling Competitions in various categories.

- The team comprising of Prateek Singh Udawat, Surya Dev Singh Bhandari and Hemender Singh Sewer (B.A.LL.B. VII Sem.) represented the University at the 2nd National Moot Court Competition organised by Vasudeva College of Law, Nainital and bagged all the awards in the competition i.e. Overall Winner, Best Mooter, Best Memorial and Best Researcher.
- The same team represented the University at the 2nd National Moot Court Competition organised by Teethankar Mahaveer University, Moradabad and secured the first-runner up position.
- The team comprising Nikhat Jamal, Nishant Goyal and Drishti Yadav participated in the Nirmala Devi Bam Moot Court Competition organised by Indore Institute of Law, Indore wherein the team bagged the First Runner Up and won a trophy with a cash prize of Rs 21000/-.
- Nikita Sharma, student of B.B.A. LL.B. (VI Sem.) participated in National Workshop on Advocacy Skills & Professional Ethics and Client Counselling Competition on the 9th of November 2019 which was organised by University Institute of Legal Studies, Himachal Pradesh University and bagged the first position in the competition.
- The team comprising Niharika Sharma, Sonu Khandelwal and Rashmi Shukla participated in the National Moot Court Competition organised by Noida International University from 12th-13th September 2019 wherein Niharika Sharma was adjudged the Best Researcher.
- Shubham Mathur, Rohan Samar and Shikhar Bhardwaj participated in the National Moot Court Competition organised by Manipal University, Jaipur from 28th-30th September 2019 and the team won the Best Researcher-cum-Best Memorial Trophy.
- The team comprising Saksham Sharma, Rohit Katara and Shivani Chaudhary participated in the 7th National Moot Court Competition organised by IMS Unison University, Dehradun. Saksham Sharma was awarded the Best Researcher prize. He won a cash prize of Rs 3000/- and a six months subscription of SCC online.

Achievements of HPNLU students



Members of the Winner Team from the Second National Moot Court Competition organised by Vasudeva College of Law, Nainital.

Runner Up Team from the "Nirmala Devi Bam Moot Court Competition" organised by Indore Institute of Law, Indore.



Best Memorial Award to the team of HPNLU, Shimla at National Moot Court Competition organised by Manipal University, Jaipur.

Legal Aid Clinic in-Action

On the 5th of October 2019, the Nukkad Natak group of the Legal Aid Committee (LAC) (Gadzookery) represented HPNLU-LAC in the cultural fest Algorithm '19 organised by Chitkara University, Baddi from 4th-5th of October, 2019. The team comprised of twenty students from every batch. The team performed the Nukkad Natak titled "Kahani, Jo Aam Hai!" in the event Halla Bol. It was the original work of the team and was focused on the themes of domestic violence, corruption and eve-teasing. Through the street play, students tried to spread awareness about the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) and its subsidiary District Legal Services Authorities (DLASSs)

As the lockdown was at its peak in June, the LAC volunteered and collaborated with National Law University, Jodhpur to help 1000 migrant workers to travel from Gujarat to Jharkhand. The migrant workers were contacted by students of the University to gauge the effect of the pandemic on their life and help them accordingly. The gathered information was then saved in a tabulated form which was further shared with Prayas-a Non-Government Organisation. On the 9th of June, 2020 through the continuous efforts of the students of National Law University Jodhpur and the entire team of HPNLU- LAC, the Shramik Train for migrants departed from Gujarat for Jharkhand. Such efforts were covered on online news platforms like Live Law.

After being a part of such a noble cause, the HPNLU-LAC was highly motivated to do more for people in need. Keeping the philanthropic spirits high, the members of the Committee have started an online fundraising campaign primarily for the distribution of Sanitary Napkins to girls of the age group 13-17 years residing in and around the district of Shimla. This has been done with the constant support of various groups like Pro Bono India, Pro Bono Foundation and katcher.in. To further make this campaign a success, the LAC plans to work with the Sustainable Development Group, Choupal, Shimla for broader coverage of the area by collecting data about the girls and individuals who are genuinely in need of help. The Sustainable Development Group is an organisation that has been tirelessly working for the needs of the community. The group has been working dedicatedly with the United Nations, NITI Ayog and Nagrik Foundation. Not only this, the organisation has planned to work on 16 goals of which the 6th goal stands for "Hygiene and Sanitation".

Snippets – Legal Aid In-Action



Paricharcha – The Debating Society

The Debating Society of HPNLU- Paricharcha having completed its second term in June, 2019 went through some major reconstitution for the upcoming term. Consequently, its achievements were even more diverse and impressive. The Debating Society, on the very day of its reconstitution, let go of its inception name "Debating and Literary Society" and adopted "Paricharcha" as a more befitting name for the society of debaters. It adopted a brand new logo, under the Faculty Convenorship of Ms. Navditya Tanwar. Dr. Hari Chand and Dr. Deepika Gautam were the other the other parts of the Debating Society.

Orientation Workshop 2019 : The First Handshake

In August, the Debating Society conducted its much anticipated maiden workshop for the year 2019-2020, 'The First Handshake', wherein the spectator positions were taken by students of the new batch hoisting expressions of curiosity and unfettered energy. The speakers of the day were the existing student members of the Society and they shared and tutored the freshers from their experiences at various competitions. To familiarise students with Asian Parliamentary Debate, key speakers Tejasvi Shukla and Shikhar Bharadwaj (members) delivered talks. Similarly, for British Parliamentary Debate, Akshat Trivedi and Anshuman Arha (members) delivered talks. Kanav Sood and Aana Sharma spoke about the meanings of being adjudicators and deliberated upon adjudicators' role in a debate. About the basics of Mediation, key speakers was Yugank Goyal (co-convenor). Khushbu Sood and Kritika Arora (members) anchored the event. The Society was overwhelmed with the active turn up in the subsequent member selection process later that month, a clear indicator that the program was a true success.



Demo Debate Sessions and Workshops

One of the mythical arrows for a law student has always been the debating skills that one possesses. Debating is an essential component for a law student and Paricharcha, HPNLU's Debating Society has always been working towards inculcating this art in all the students.

As the new batch was admitted for the year 2019-2024, it was the job of the committee to introduce the students with the nuances of the art of debating, along with the perimeters which it beholds. Therefore, before conducting an Intra- Level Debating Competition, a full workshop was instated for the new batch. As we all need examples to learn our way into something new, it was thus, with immense pleasure, that the committee organised its first Demo Debate, where it showcased all the necessary elements of a debate. It was the Asian Parliamentary form that had been opted for the Demo Debate. Even the Adjudicators were the members of the committee from the senior-most batch who had prior experiences in this particular field.

The topic chosen for the debate was Comparing the Education System of National Law Universities with The Traditional Law Universities. Each role was well addressed by members of both the debating teams and the adjudicators completed the traces in their concluding speech. The committee was pleasantly surprised with the overwhelming response which the freshers gave to this Demo Debate.



Adjudication Tests and Subsequent Scenarios

Adjudication Test or the Ad-G Test is one of the most essential steps before the inception of the Parliamentary Debate, for both Asian and British Parliamentary Forms. It is the process through which Adjudicators are assessed in finality before they are given the platform to adjudge their Participants on the Debating Day, hereinafter referred to as the D-Day.

We had the splendid opportunity to conduct this test for the HPNLU Intra-Debating Competition, 2k19. Approximately, 50 students gave their names for the Ad-G Test. The test was conducted through two phases. Firstly, a mail was sent to all the participants containing a video link of a Demo-Asian Parliamentary Debate, which they were required to view beforehand.

Secondly, on the day of the test, the participants were not allowed to carry their preparation material into the test room and were given an hour to answer four questions based on the said video. Accordingly, the participants were marked and 13 of them were selected as the adjudicators for the D-Day. The students who were not able to qualify as the adjudicators were given a chance to participate as debaters.

After the successful organisation of the first event of the Intra-Debating Competition, Paricharcha was enthralled for the second round of the D-Day. Due to certain unforeseen circumstances, the said competition could not be conducted, for which Paricharcha, till date feels excruciating gnaw.

Success Stories

ISHAAN SINGH JAIN (First Year Student, Member of Paricharcha)

- Semi Finalist in NMIMS ERISTICA: Lincoln Douglas Online Debate competition, 2020, NMIMS, Navi Mumbai.
- Honourable Mention Award, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Youth Parliament, 2020, UIIS, Punjab University.
- Best Delegate Award, BITS International Model United Nations, 2020, BITS Pilani, Goa.
- Honourable Mention Award, JUIT Youth Parliament, 2019, Jaypee University of Information Technology, Solan.
- Special Mention Award, GNLU Model United Nations, 2019.

ANKITA SHARMA (First Year Student, Member of Paricharcha)

- Special Mention Award, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Youth Parliament, 2020, UIIS, Punjab University
- High Commendation Award, BITS International Model United Nations, 2020, BITS PILANI - Goa Campus
- Honourable Mention Award, JUIT Youth Parliament, 2019, Jaypee University of Information Technology, Solan

URVI KHANNA (First Year Student, Member of Paricharcha)

- LCTH Model United Nations Award, Vice-Chairman, United Nation Security Council.
- Honourable Mention Award, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Youth Parliament, 2020, UIIS, Panjab University.
- Best Delegate Award, SDMUN 2020, SD College, Chandigarh
- The Deliberation Summit, 2020, Ministry of Magic, Award - Most Sharp-Witted Witch.

DEB ZYOTI DAS (First Year Student)

- IIMUN, 2020 (High Commendation)
- Amity University Model United Nations, 2020 (High Commendation)
- Jaypee MUN, 2020 (Verbal Mention)



Success Stories

Scholarships

HPNLU Shimla got registered for UGC JRF, AISHE and NSP during the year 2019-20. Students from different states get scholarship under State Sponsorship Schemes and UGC sponsored Junior Research Fellowship (JRF). During the year 2019-20, a total ofttwenty-seven (27) students applied for the scholarship out of which seventeen (17) were from Uttar Pradesh and Three (3) from Madhya Pradesh. Students from Uttar Pradesh got scholarships worth Rs. 59,000/- each and students from Madhya Pradesh got scholarships worth Rs. 2,10,500/- each. A total of four (4) students applied under the National Scholarship Portal (NSP). Three of our PhD students are availing of the prestigious UGC-JRF.

Dr Hari Chand, Nodal Officer received a Certificate from Government of India, Ministry of HRD, Department of Higher Education, Statistics Division, New Delhi for successfully uploading data of All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2019-20.



Sports Activities

Students participated in various sports activities held at ZELUS 2020, the three-day National Sports Fest organised by RGNUL, Patiala from the 5th-8th of March 2020.Vaibhav Gupta (B.B.A LLB I Year) and Arpit Sharma (B.A. LL.B. I Year) bagged the Gold Medal in Carrom event.

Keshav Aggrawal and Praveena Rajvi (B.A LLB IV Year) brought laurels to the University by winning the Gold Medal in the Table Tennis Mixed Doubles event. Mayank Aggrawal (B.B.A LL.B. III Year) and Keshav Aggrawal (B.B.A LLB I Year) won the Silver medal in Men's Table Tennis. Ranveer Singh (B.A LL.B. III Year) won the Gold Medal in Men's Shot-put event.

Soudamini Sharma (B.B.A. LL.B. I Year) bagged the Silver Medal in Women's 200m and the Bronze medal Women's 800m, Women's Shot-put, Women's Triple Jump, Women's High Jump events and brought glory to the University.

Success Stories



Top - Soudamini Sharma (BBA LLB 1st Year)



Mayank Aggrawal (B.B.A LLB 3rd Year)



Keshav Aggrawal (B.B.A LLB 1st Year)

Internship and Placement Cell

Internship and Placement Committee Organized a Special Guest Lecture by Sumeet Malik, Director at EBC on the 5th of November, 2019

The Japanese proverb, "One day with a great teacher is better than a thousand days of diligent study" is very true. Its vibes were felt on the 5th of November, 2019 at Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla where a one-day Special Lecture on "Legal Research Methodology" and "Introduction to Intellectual Property Rights: Practical Aspects" was organized by the Internship and placement Committee of Himachal Pradesh National Law University for its students.

The lecture was addressed by the highly esteemed, eminent legal scholar, Mr. Sumeet Malik, Director at Eastern Book Company, Editor, Supreme Court Cases Online, Managing Editor, Technology and Communication Cases and Advocate, Supreme Court of India. He has made a mark of his own amongst the legal fraternity of India

The first session was scheduled exclusively for the first-year students on legal research methodology, legal sources and understanding legal texts. Mr. Sumeet Malik started his lecture by suggesting students to think that they will not merely be advocates five years down the line, but with also be social engineers.



Internship and Placement Cell

As Socrates once opined that the job of a teacher is not to teach but to make students think. His lecture was inclined towards making students acquainted with how a lawyer should think. He also provided students with clarifications on some fundamental aspects such as the importance of using the right terminology in law. He explained to the students that clarity in the language of an advocate is way to clarity in his concept and a tool to put it across effectively in a court of law.

The second session was attended by students from III and IV years and LL.M. This session dealt with the practical aspects of researching. It also dealt with the jurisprudence of Intellectual Property Rights in India, its application at ground level and the nuances of such new legal areas in India. Through his rich experience



in the legal field, the speaker apprised students with the subtleties of the jurisprudence of Intellectual Property Rights. He further asked students not to learn the law but work with the law. Last but not the least, he provided students with certain legal issues to ponder upon and work out solutions for.

Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, conducted a Workshop on Internship and Placement on the 23rd of November, 2019. Ms. Shreya Seth was the key speaker for the same and she highlighted on framing of curriculum vitae, detailed placement process and interviews. She also conducted a mock interview with one of the students.

Collaborative Efforts

Human Rights Day Celebrations on 10th of December 2019

On the 10th of December 2019, Human Rights Day Celebrations were jointly organized by Prison Administration, Central Jail, Kanda, Shimla, Institute of Correctional Administration, Chandigarh and HPNLU, Shimla. The events were organized in the premises of Central Jail, Kanda, Shimla. The programme was presided over by His Excellency Bandaru Dattatreya, Governor, Himachal Pradesh, Professor Dr. Nishtha Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, HPNLU, Shimla, Mr. Somesh Goyal, Director General of Prisons, Himachal Pradesh, Dr. Upneet Lalli, Deputy Director, Institute of Correctional Administration, Chandigarh and Rakesh Lohumi Ji, Veteran Journalist.



Meditation Programme

Highly competitive and uncertain environments have caused the youth of today to face a lot of stress, frustration and anxieties and when they are unable to cope up, it leads to extreme consequences like burnout, depression or even suicidal tendencies. So a Meditation Program on the 23rd of July, 2019 was organized for the I year students in association with IAM[®] - Integrated Amrita Meditation Technique to equip the students with the pertinence of fitness and mental peace.



Collaborative Efforts

Women's Day Celebrations in collaboration with Institute of Correctional Administration, Chandigarh, 8th of March, 2020

A one day Workshop on "Gender Sensitization for Realizing Women's Rights" was organized by the University in collaboration with the Institute of Correctional Administration, Chandigarh on Woman's Day (8th of March). The esteemed speakers at the event were Professor Nishtha Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, HPNLU, Dr. Upneet Lalli, Deputy Director, ICA, Chandigarh, Professor Devi Sirohi, Former Chairperson, CCPCR, Chandigarh, Dr Nisha Bhargava, Principal, MCM DAV College, Chandigarh and Ms Navditya Tanwar, Assistant Professor, HPNLU, Shimla. Dr Ruchi Sapahia, Associate Professor, HPNLU was the Co-ordinator and hosted the event.



Collaborative Efforts

Post Graduate Winter School On "Legal Pluralism and Governance in the Global South: Challenges and Opportunities" 30th October-4th of November 2019



The Winter School was organised by Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala and National Law University, Delhi in association with the University of Campania "Luigi Vanvitelli" Naples, Italy and Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla. The Post-Graduate Winter School is an intensive collaboratively designed one-week academic program that brings together prominent scholars, young academicians and students from across the world. The Patiala Post Graduate Winter School is the fourth edition in the series.

International Conference on Digital Transformation : A Cognitive Learning Towards Artificial Intelligence ICDT-2019 6th-8th of September 2019 | RGNUL, Patiala

HPNLU Students' Initiated Teaching Program for Underprivileged Children

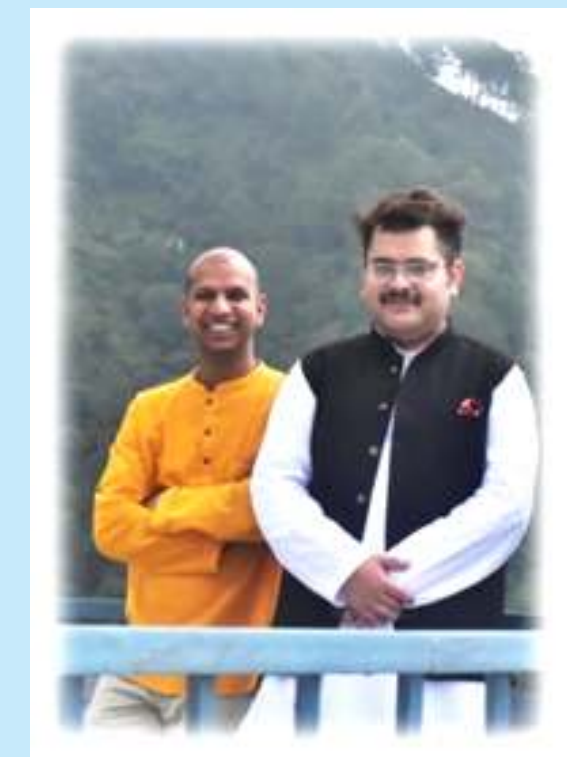


The students of HPNLU initiated a wholesome teaching programme for the underprivileged children of the vicinity on the auspicious day of Teachers' Day i.e. the 5th of September, 2019. These children are mostly from the families of migrant labourers and hence the pattern of their education has been quite scattered. This initiative, pioneered by Chakshu Purohit, Shivani Choudhary (III Year) and Ankita Sharma (IV Year), aimed to fill the lacunas that unfortunately existed in their wholesome development.

The Children are taught using the method of games and the aim is to inculcate good reading habit. Creativity is given prime importance. Various activities like dance, games, arts, etc. are part of the programme. A nutritious diet, being the most important requirement, is also ensured for the children.

A combined effort by the University, the faculty and all the students of HPNLU has made this programme a success. More than 30 children has benefitted as of now. A smile on a child's face is just one Hii away!

Smiles Speak Louder Than Words





Faculty Achievements

Professor (Dr.) Nishtha Jaswal

- Delivered lectures in Post Graduate Winter School on Legal Pluralism and Governance in the Global South: Challenges and Opportunities on 31st October, 2019 & 3rd November, 2019 organized by Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, National Law University, Delhi, Universita Degli Studi Della Campania Luigi Vanvitelli, Italy & Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla.
- Organized the International Conference on "Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity: 70 Years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights" held on 9th & 10th November, 2019 organized by HPNLU, Shimla in Collaboration with Grand Academic Portal-India, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law-Punjab & Universitas Hindu-Denpasar Bali-Indonesia.
- Was invited as Key Note Speaker in Two Days National Seminar on "Reproductive Health and Surrogacy in India Law, Policy and Practice" held on 28th & 29th December, 2019 organized by Department of Law Osmania University, Hyderabad.
- Attended as Guest of Honour in Two Days National Seminar on "Sustainable Development" held on 17th & 18th January, 2020 organized by Marathwada Mitra Mandal's Shankarrao Chavan law College, Pune in Collaboration with the Centre for the Human Rights (CSHR) and The Faculty of Law, University of Colombo, (Sri Lanka).
- Was invited as Guest of Honour for National Seminar on "Current Trends in sustainable Development: Issues and Challenges" held on 17th-18th January 2020 organized by Modern Law College, Pune-16.
- Was invited to deliver Special Lecture on "Cyber Safety and Cyber Crime: Socio-Legal Implications" on 10th February 2020 organized by University Institute of Legal Studies Panjab University, Chandigarh.
- Was invited as Key Note Speaker in the Faculty Development Programme on 10th February, 2020 organized by UILS, P.U. Chandigarh.
- Was invited in the International Judicial Conference held on 21st-23st February, 2020 at Supreme Court of India.
- Was invited as Judge in the final round of Moot Court Competition and Guest of Honor in the Valedictory function held on 1st March, 2020 organized by Geeta Institute of Law, Panipat.
- Delivered lecture on "Women's Rights" in a Workshop on Gender Sensitization for Realizing Women's Right for Prison Officersto Celebrate Women's Day on 2nd March 2020 organized by Correctional Administration, Sector 26, Chandigarh in collaboration with Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla.
- Was invited to deliver Key Note Address in the Work Shop on 'Research Methodology' on 3rd March, 2020 organized by Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak.
- Was invited to deliver Special Address in the celebration of Women's Dayon 7th March, 2020, organized by Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh in an association with Indian Dental Association (IDA), Chandigarh State Branch and International College of Dentists.
- Was invited to deliver Valedictory Address as Chief-Guest of National Workshop on 9th March 2020 organized by Centre for Academic Leadership & Education Management (CALEM) on the topic "Sustainability in Academic Leadership through Global Learning Environment" at Panjab University

Faculty Achievements

Chandigarh.

- Was invited as Key-Note Speaker in Faculty Development Programme on "Freedom of Speech & Expression" on 11th March, 2020 organized by UILS, Panjab University, Chandigarh.
- Was invited as Eminent Speaker of Webinar on "Career Prospects in Law Amid COVID-19" held on 2nd June, 2020 organized by OM Sterling Global University.
- Delivered Lecture on "Environment Day" on 5th June, 2020 organized by Centre for Environment & Disaster Management organized by Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla.
- Delivered Lecture on Administrative Discretion organized by Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla on 5th June, 2020.
- Delivered Special Lecture on "Landmark Judgements in Prison Jurisprudence" organized by Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla on 6th June, 2020.
- Was invited as Key Note Speaker in an online Faculty Development Programme on "Legal Research and Pedagogy in Changing Times" on 17th June 2020 organized by Amity University Gurugram.
- Awarded "International Extraordinary Women Award" 2020 by International Women's Club, Switzerland Chapter. The ceremony was held on 28th June, 2020.
- One article Published in "Evolution of International Climate Change Regime" in Current Trends Sustainable Development Issues and Challenges, 13-24 (2020) [ISBN-978-81-929282-8-9].
- One article Published in "Surrogacy: Law, Policy and Practice" in Reproductive Health and Surrogacy in India: Law, Policy and Practice, 1-10 (2020) [ISBN-978-93-89286-61-8].

Professor (Dr.) S.S. Jaswal

- Delivered a Key Note address in a Valedictory Session of National Seminar on "Human Rights: Issue and Challenges" Organized by University Institute of Legal Studies, Ava-Lodge Campus, Shimla, on 10th August 2019.
- Judged the Seminal Final Round of the 8th RGNLU National Moot Court Competition, 2019 on 18th of August 2019.
- Participated in 2nd International Conference on "Digital Transformation: A Cognitive Learning Towards Artificial Intelligence" organized at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala campus from 06th – 08th September 2019 in association with Six leading Law Universities, National Law University, Delhi; National Law Institute University, Bhopal; Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur; Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur; Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla and Indian Law Libraries.
- Chaired a Technical Session of the International Conference on the theme "Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity : 70 Years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights" organized by Himachal Pradesh National Law University Shimla, in association with Grand Academic Portal; Rajiv Gandhi National

Faculty Achievements

University of Law, Patiala & University of Hindu, Bali Indonesia on 9th & 10th November, 2019 at, Himachal Pradesh National Law University.

- Took Two Sessions for newly appointed Civil Judges in the Himachal Pradesh Judicial Academy on 7th & 10th February, 2020 on Constitutional Law.
- "Role of Industry Bodies and Voluntary Consumer Organisation", Unit 7, CPI-102, Redressal of Consumer Grievances: Role of Various Stakeholders of IGNOU, 2018, 36-60 (ISBN: 978-93-87960-14-15).
- (ii) "Role of Media and State and Government in Consumer Protection", Unit 3CPI-102, Role of State Government, IGNOU, 2018, 31-56 (ISBN: 978-93-87960-15-2).
- Alternate Dispute Redressal Mechanism", Units 9 & 10 to "CPI-2, Complaint to Ombudsman (Unit 9) & Arbitration, Mediation, Conciliation and other Redressal Forums of IGNOU, 2018, 5-48 (ISBN: 978-93-87960-16-9).

Annual Survey of India Law on "Administrative Law- 2017". Published by the Indian Law Institute, January 2019, New Delhi-110001, pp.1-19, (ISSN 0570-2666).

Dr. Girjesh Shukla, Associate Professor of Law

- Attended the two days International Conference on "Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity: 70 Years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights", organized by Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla and presented a paper on "Tax Policy and Promotion of Human Rights: An Agenda for Developing Countries", Nov. 9- 10, 2019.
- Delivered lecture on 'Strengthening of Criminal Justice System' organized by H.P. Judicial Academy, 25th, of November 2019.
- Coordinated the National Law Day Function on 26th of November, 2019, organized by HPNLU, Shimla.
- Attended Faculty Development Programme on "Cyber Safety, Cyber Crime & Cyber Security", organized by UILS, Punjab University, 10th-16th of February, 2020.
- Delivered lecture on 'Bail Jurisprudence' organized by Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, 27th of February, 2020.
- Attended two-days National Seminar on 'Crime Prevention and Control' organized by Symbiosis Law School Hyderabad, and presented a paper on "Hate Crime & Mob Lynching: An Argument for Alternative Penal Policy", 29th February-1st March 2020.
- Submitted Preliminary Project titled as "Multiplicity of First Information Report: Some Reflection" to Hon'ble Chief Justice, Himachal Pradesh High Court, December 19th, 2019.
- Conducted and Moderated the Webinar titled as "Contemporary Environmental Law in Covid-19 Crisis" on World Environment Day, June 5th, 2020.

Faculty Achievements

Dr. Ruchi Sapahia, Associate Professor of Law

- Empowering Women in India with the Help of Various Legislations published in HPU Journal, ISSN 2277-1425
- Problems Faced by Women Deserted by Non Resident Indian Bridegrooms published in HPU Journal, ISSN 2277-1425
- Meri Drishti Mein Nehru Parvatarohan Sansthan (Nim) published In Nehru Mountaineering Journal, Uttarkashi, GoI.
- Presented Research Paper titled International Dispute Resolution: Alliance for Equality in Dispute Resolution on 04th August 2019 in International Conference on Commercial Arbitration and its Magnitude with Special Reference to India as an Emerging Hub Organised by Centre for Trade Laws and Dispute Resolution of UILS, PU, In Association with University of Pepperdine, California & Council for Conflict Resolution-Maadhyam.
- Presented Research Paper titled NRI Marriages: Treading the Path Cautiously? on 8-9th August 2019 in National Conference on Impact on The Mental Health of Women Aggrieved on Account of Various Issues involved in NRI Marriages organised by Mata Sahib Kaur Girls College, Talwandi Sabo.
- Presented Research Paper titled Human Rights of Under trials under Indian Criminal Justice System on 10th August 2019 in National Seminar on Human Rights : Issues and Challenges Organised by UILS, HPU, Shimla.
- Presented Research Paper titled Significance of Foreign Direct Investment in Today's Time on 31st August 2019 in 5th MDC at RGNUL, Punjab.
- Presented Research Paper titled Rights of Persons with Disability in Educational Institutions on 09-10th November 2019 In International Conference on Human Rights, Democracy And Human Dignity: 70 Years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights Organised by HPNLU, Shimla , GAP, RGNUL, Punjab and University of Hindu, Indonesia at HPNLU, Shimla.
- Presented Research Paper titled Rights of Women with Special Ability : An Analysis on 6-7th December 2019 in National Seminar on Women in 21st Century: Issues and Challenges organised by Govt. College Dhami, Shimla, H.P.
- Gave a Lecture in H.P. Judicial Academy to the newly recruited Judges on 13th Sept. 2019, on the topic The Hindu Adoptions and Maintenance Act, 1956.
- Participated in 10 Days Programme (MoEd Sponsored) National Workshop on Curriculum Design and Development organised by Centre for Curriculum Research, Policy and Educational Development at School of Education, CUP, Bathinda.
- Paper Setter in a Public Service Commission for the Post of Civil Judge (Jd.) Pre Examination 2019.
- Examiner in a Public Service Commission for Judiciary Papers.
- Faculty Coordinator of 'Fit India Campaign' run by Government of India.
- Faculty Coordinator of One Day Mediation Workshop for students held on 26th November 2019 at HPNLU, Shimla.

Faculty Achievements

Dr. Alok, Assistant Professor of Law

- Presented paper titled Rights of Accused and Criminal Justice System: Changing Dimensions of Rule of Law in International Conference on Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity: 70 years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights organized by HPNLU, Shimla & Grand Academic Portal, Gujarat on Nov, 9th and 10th, 2019.
- An article published in Shimla Law Review 'SALE', IN TAXATION LAWS WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO WORK CONTRACT: A Journey of Conceptual Aberration during Pre and Post 46th Constitutional Amendment

Mr. Santosh Kumar Sharma, Assistant Professor of Law

- Attended a National Workshop on "Academic Integrity Awareness" on 22nd August, 2019, Organized by Jawahar Lal Nehru, University, New Delhi.
- Presented a Paper at International Conference on "Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity : 70 Years of Universal Declaration on Human Rights" organized by HPNLU, Shimla in collaboration with RGNUL, Patiala and University of Hindu, Bali, Indonesia, on 9th-10th November, 2019 titled "Senior Citizens in India: A Critical Analysis of Law and Policies"
- Article published in Vol-II (2019), Shimla Law Review, titled: Senior Citizens in India: A Critical Analysis of the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents & Senior Citizens Act, 2007

Mr. Chanchal Singh, Assistant Professor of Law

- Publication: (a) Article, APOCRYPHAL 'STATE': Fragments on Theoretical Foundations, Constitution, Law and Their Mythical Unification (Shimla Law Review Vol. II, 2019).
- Editor: Shimla Law Review Volume- II, 2019.
- HPNLU IQAC: Co-coordinator
- Director: Centre for Comparative Public Law, HPNLU, Shimla
- Special Invitee: Board of Studies, HPNLU, Shimla.
- Conference Convenor: International Conference on "Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity: 70 Years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights", November 9th-10th, 2019. organized by Himachal Pradesh National Law University (HPNLU, Shimla) with Grand Academic Portal, Gujarat in association with Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala, & University of Hindu, Bali, Indonesia
- Co-Chair of the Technical Session on Religion, Culture and Human Rights, International Conference, on "Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity: 70 Years of Universal Declaration on Human Rights", November 9th-10th, 2019.
- Conference Paper: APOCRYPHAL 'STATE': Fragments on Theoretical Foundations, Constitution, Law and their Mythical Unification in 21st Century. (International Conference on "Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity : 70 Years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights", November 9th-10th, 2019)

Faculty Achievements

Dr. Chandreshwari Minhas, Assistant Professor of Law

- Participated in UGC sponsored Orientation Programme held from 01-12-2019 to 21-12-2019 in Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla.
- Participated in Faculty Development Programme on Cyber Safety, Cyber Crime and Cyber Law organised by the UGC –Human Resource Development Centre, Panjab University, Chandigarh w.e.f. 10-02-2020 to 16-02-2020.
- Appointed as a coordinator of the Centre of Environmental Law and Disaster Management, HPNLU, Shimla.
- Session Chaired in the International Conference on “Human Rights Democracy and Human Dignity: 70 Years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights” (9-10 November 2019) jointly organised by Himachal Pradesh National Law University (HPNLU)-Shimla and the Grand Academic Portal (GAP) in association with Rajiv Gandhi National Law University of Law (RGNLU)- Punjab and University of Hindu (UNHI)-Indonesia.
- Presented a Paper titled Human Rights and Indigenous People: With Special Emphasis on India’s Position on Indigenous People’s Rights in the above Conference.
- Presented a Paper titled Human Rights and Climate Change: A Human Right Issue in National Seminar on Human Rights: Issues and Challenges held on 10th August, 2019 organised by Himachal Pradesh University Institute of Legal Studies, Ava Lodge Campus, Shimla.
- Article “Role of Right to Information Act, 2005 in achieving Environmental Justice in India” Published in Panjab University Journal.
- Article “Analysing the Effectivity of Environmental Laws in India to the Responses of Climate Change Challenges” published in IIAS Review.
- Coordinator of Intra Client Counseling workshop and Moot Court Workshop which was conducted in the university on 20th November, 2019.

Ms. Navditya Tanwar, Assistant Professor of Law

- Organised Two Day Webinar on Reproductive Rights of Women in the Changing World: Expressing Autonomy of Choice on August 29th-30th, 2020 as the Director and Convener for the Center for Child and Women Studies.
- Convened one day Virtual Colloquium on Quintessential of Securing Women Rights in the Changing World: Exploring the Judicial Approach on July 25th, 2020.
- Was the Resource person for One Day Workshop on Gender Sensitization for Realising Women’s Rights on March 2nd, 2020
- Participated in 21 days Orientation Programme organised by Central of Professional Development in Higher Education UGC - HRDC, University of Delhi
- Delivered Lecture (two Sessions) on the Effective Enforcement and Adjudication of Intellectual Property Rights on December 28th, 2019 at Himachal Pradesh Judicial Academy, Shimla

Faculty Achievements

- Delivered Lecture on Mental Healthcare Act on July 25th, 2019 at Himachal Pradesh Institute of Public Administration, Shimla.
- Delivered Lecture on Hindu & Muslim Succession Laws on July 25th, 2019 at Himachal Pradesh Institute of Public Administration, Shimla.
- Delivered Lecture on Intellectual Property Rights: Adjudication and Enforcement on May 4th, 2019 at Himachal Pradesh Judicial Academy, Shimla
- Presented paper titled Threats to human Rights through Clinical Trials: An Inexorable Question of Human Dignity in two-day International Conference on November 9th-10th, 2019 organised by the GAP, HPNLU & RGNUL Patiala & University of Hindu Indonesia.
- Presented paper titled Assisted Reproductive Technology: Converging the Hues of Women Rights in National Seminar organised by ICSSR, SSHP, Govt. College, Dhami on July 6th, 2019.
- Presented paper titled Cyber Crime: Prospects & Challenges in National Conference organised by Shoolini University on March 16th, 2019.
- Presented Paper on Status of Women: Unveiling the Ugly Facet if Female Infanticide in National Seminar on February 23rd, 2019 organised by the Maharaja Agrasen University.
- Presented paper titled Access to Justice for Women: Unraveling the Contours of Criminal Justice System in National Seminar organised by UILS, Panjab University February 8th, 2019.

Dr. Amit Chaturvedi, Assistant Professor of Sociology

- Completed a Research Project funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research under its IMPRESS scheme. The title of the research was "Voluntary Religious Groups and Environment Preservation: A Case Study of Padma Shri Balbir Singh Seechewal's River Conservation Movement in Punjab".
- Presented a paper at a National Conference "Environment as Meta-Narrative" organised by the Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi and the Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi.

Dr. Hari Chand, Assistant Professor of Economics

- Presented paper titled Social Sector Development and Human Development in India: An Inter-State Analysis in Multi-Disciplinary International Conference on Natural Resource Management for Socio-Economic Development of Western Himalayas: Opportunities & Challenges organized by Vallabh Government PG College, Mandi on 10th-12th August, 2019.
- Presented paper titled Role of Women in Growth of Economy of HP: A Comparative Analysis in National Seminar on Women in 21st Century: Issues and Challenges organized by Government College Dhami at 16 Mile HP on 6th-7th December, 2019.

Faculty Achievements

- Attended National Webinar on Future Generation Academicians organized by Dayanand Arya Kanya Mahavidyalay with "Consortium of Nagpur College" on April 24th - 26th, 2020.
- Attended National Virtual Conference on Multidimensional Perspectives of Navigating with Covid-19 organized by SMT. P.N. Doshi College on May 27th May to 29th, 2020.
- Attended National Webinar on Learning Differences and Different Learning Needs organized by SMT. P.N. Doshi College Online, May 30th, 2020.
- Attended International E Seminar on Indian Economy Post Covid-19 : Opportunities and Challenges organized by College of Vocational Studies, New Delhi on June 5th & 6th, 2020.
- Attended Global E-Symposium on Global Pandemic Outbreak: Role of Technology and Automation organized by JSS Academy of Technical Education, Noida on 1st June to 5th June 2020.
- Attended National Webinar on Covid-19 and Indian Economy organized by School of Social Sciences, Central University of Gujarat Online, 9th June to 11th June 2020.
- Published conference paper titled Social Sector Development in India Under Plans: An Analysis on the Basis of Planned Expenditure in Online International Interdisciplinary Research Journal, {Bi-Monthly}, ISSN: 2249-9548 July, 2019.
- Published paper titled Social Sector Development in India in Trisha Journal of Educational Research ISSN: 2453-793X June, 2019.

Dr. Ved Prakash Sharma, Assistant Professor of Political Science

- Presented a paper at a National Seminar on "Relevance of Gandhi's Ideas in the Contemporary World" organised by the Department of Political Science, University of Jammu (September 24th-25th 2019). Title of the paper "Relevance of Gandhism in the twenty first century".
- Participated in a National Webinar on "Role of e-learning During Lockdown and Beyond: Prospects and Challenges" organised by Holy Cross College, Agartala on the 26th of May, 2020.
- Presented a paper entitled "Effect of COVID-19 on Education and Its Future: Question of Effectiveness and Inclusiveness" in a National Webinar organised by the Department of Political Science and History, PG College, Doiwala, Dehradun on the 11th of June 2020.

Member of various committees at HPNLU, Shimla.

Dr. Ambika, Assistant Professor of Law

- Paper Titled - "Human Rights violation in India" presented in National Seminar on Human Rights: Issues and Challenges on 10th August, 2019 organized by Himachal Pradesh University, Institute of Legal Studies, Ava Lodge Campus, Shimla.
- Paper Titled - "Human Dignity and Human Rights: Challenges and Solutions" presented in International Conference on "Human Rights, Democracy and Human Dignity : 70 Years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights" (9th-10th November 2019) organized by HPNLU, Shimla and Grand

Faculty Achievements

- Academic Portal (GAP) In Association with Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab and the University of Hindu, Indonesia.
- 5-Day Global E-Symposium on "Global Pandemic Outbreak: Role of Technology & Automation (GPORTA)" held from 1st-5th June, 2020) organized by Department of Computer Science and Engineering, JSS Academy of Technical Education, Noida.
- Appointed as Paper Setter by Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla. (March, 2020 - August, 2020), Jurisprudence, LL.M.
- Appointed as Paper Setter by Shobhit University, Meerut, U.P. (December, 2019), Jurisprudence, B.A.LL.B

Ms. Sarita, Assistant Professor of Law

- Delivered Lectures in Himachal Pradesh Judicial Academy, Shimla on Evidence Law, Hindu Marriage and succession.
- Delivered lecture on "Law on Marriage in India" at Sant Baba Bhag Singh University, Jalandhar, Punjab.
- Paper titled "Dr. B. R. Ambedkar : A Tenacious Guardian of Women Rights" published in Conference proceedings.
- Successfully completed four weeks Orientation Programme sponsored by MHRD.
- Successfully completed one week FDP at Central University Bhatinda.
- Successfully completed seven days FDP at UILS Panjab University, Chandigarh.
- Has been appointed as Coordinator of Centre for Advocacy, Judgement Writing and Court Management.
- Paper presented (video- conferencing) on the topic of "Critical Evaluation of the Registration of Marriage of Non-Residential Indian" at National Conference at Mata Sahib Kaur Girls College Talwandi Sabo dated 8th-9th Aug. 2019.
- Paper presented on the topic "Woman Empowerment in India : A Bird's Eye view" in National Seminar dated 6th-7th Dec. 2019 on Women in 21st Century: issues and Challenges organized by Department of Sociology, Govt. College Dhami Shimla, H.P
- Paper presented on the topic "Human Rights Implementation and Violation in India : A socio-legal study with reference to Dalits in India" in National Seminar dated 9th-10th Dec. 2019 by GAP at HPNLU, Shimla, H.P.

Dr. Deepika Gautam, Assistant Professor of Law

- Awarded Major research project on Impact of MGNREGA on Socio-economic Conditions of Tribal People of Himachal Pradesh by Indian Council of Social Science Research.
- Attended and participated in a One Week National E-Workshop on Emerging Dimensions of

Faculty Achievements

Qualitative Research, June 8th-13th, 2020, University Institute of Applied Management Sciences Panjab University, Chandigarh.

- Attended and Participated in a One Week Faculty Development Programme on Structural Equational Modeling using Smart PLS Software June 10th-16th, 2020, Delhi School of Professional Studies & Research.
- Attended Two Days International Symposium on "Impact of COVID-19 on The Business World". June 19th-20th, 2020, Gujranwala Guru Nanak Institute of Management & Technology.
- Paper Published on Impact of ICT Usage in Detection and Prevention of bank Frauds, in The Management Accountant, Journal of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India.

Dr. Praveen, Assistant Professor of Management

- Published Research Paper Titled Fruit Bageecha: A Case Study of Copreneurship in Rural Setup of India in Pramana Research Journal Vol. 2 ISSN: 2249-2976
- Published Research Paper Titled Mediating Role of e-satisfaction between e-service quality and e-loyalty: A Case Study of University and College Students in Select Cities of North-India in AMC Indian Journal of Entrepreneurship Vol. 9 ISSN: 2581-7302

Ms. Esha Sharma, Assistant Professor of Management

- Attended one-week Short Term Course on Research Methodology organized by UGC-Human Resource Development Centre, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla from 03-06-2019 to 08-06-2019.
- Attended one Week Faculty Development Programme on "Structural Equational Modeling using SmartPLS Software" Delhi School of Professional Studies & Research from June 10th to 16th June, 2020.
- Presented Paper titled Sexual Harassment of women at Workplace: A violation of Human Rights in a National Conference on Seminar on "Human Rights: Issues & Challenges" organized by Himachal Pradesh University Institute of Legal Studies on 10th August, 2019.
- Participated in Two Day International Symposium on "Covid-19: Social Perspectives"
- organized by Gujranwala Guru Nanak Institute of Management & Technology on 11th-12th June 2020
- Participated in One Day National Webinar on "Interdependent Origination and COVID-19" organized by Govt. College Arki on 17th June, 2020
- Participated in National Webinar on Socio- Economic Changes in India due to Covid-19 Jointly Organised by Department of Commerce, Rajendra College Jai Prakash University, Chapra, Bihar And Indian Accounting Association, Patna Branch, 19th June, 2020
- Participated in International Webinar on Mental & Physical Health Through Yoga During Covid-19 organized by S.S Jain Subodh P.G College in association with NSS Regional Directorate, Rajasthan on 21st June, 2020

Faculty Achievements

Dr. Ruchi Raj Thakur, Assistant Professor of English

- Chapter on Narratives of Sufferings and travails of women of all ages through Divya and Tess. ISSN. 9789388536400. 2019.
- Article on Nighat Gandhi's Rakhi Sawant of Sind: An insight into the Tribulations and Social Exclusion of Transgender. Setu Biligual Journal published from Pittsburg, USA. 2475-1359, 2019.
- Translated a book ADIVASI ABHIVYAKTI (Woes of Adivasi): A long Expression of the Unacknowledged Tribal Existence, published by Shagun Publication. 2019.
- Online Article on An Episode of 1919 : Walking the Roads of Amritsar with Saadat Hasan Manto, https://www.academia.edu/41438997/An_Episode_of_1919_Walking_the_Roads_of_Amritsar_with_Saadat_Hasan_Manto?auto=download&ssrv=nrrc.
- Presented paper on Literature and Human Rights: Deepening Responses to Grim Realities in International Conference on Human Rights, Democracy, Human Dignity 70 years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights held on Novemeber 9th-10th, 2019 jointly organized by HPNLU and GAP in association with RGNLU, Patiala.
- Editorial Committee, HPNLU, Shimla, Shimla Law Review, Vol.II, ISSN : 2582-1903, April 2019-March 2020.
- Coordinator, Centre for Child and Woman Studies, HPNLU.

Mr. Aayush Raj, Teaching Associate

- Organised Special Lecture on IP Disputes in Cyberspace for the students of 6th Semester, HPNLU, Shimla

Mr. Anirudh Sood, Research Associate

- Awarded Gold Medal by Himachal Pradesh University in its 25th Convocation held on 29.11.2019 for having secured first position in the LL.M. examination.
- Awarded Lala Jai Lal Nagal (Freedom Fighter) Memorial Gold Medal by Himachal Pradesh University in its 25th Convocation held on 29.11.2019 for having secured highest marks in 4th semester of LL.M. course.
- Awarded Gold Medal by Himotkarsh Sahitya, Sanskriti Avem Jan Kalyan Parishad (Regd.) in its 46th Convocation held on 12.01.2020 for having secured first position in the LL.M. examination.
- Remained Co-Editor for HPNLU Green Gazette Issue 1 Vol. 1.