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on developments in Faculty of Law, SRMUH

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“The Constitution guarantees political equality by focusing on the ‘elector’ and the ‘elected’. These two constitutional precepts foster political equality in the following two ways. First, the Constitution mandates that the value of each vote is equal. This guarantee ensures formal political equality where every person’s vote is accorded equal weightage. Second, the Constitution ensures that members of socially marginalized groups are not excluded from the political process. This guarantee ensures (a) equality in representation; and (b) equality in influence over political decisions”.

Dr. D.Y. Chandrachud, C.J., in Association of Democratic Reforms (Electoral Bond Scheme)
vs. Union of India, 2024 INSC 113, para 98

“Even otherwise, it is wrong to state as a principle that judicial review cannot be exercised over every matter pertaining to economic policy (R.K. Garg v. Union of India and Others, (1981) 4 SCC 675). The law is that the legislature has to be given latitude in matters of economic policy as they involve complex financial issues. (See also Bhavesh D. Parish and Others v. Union of India and Others, (2000) 5 SCC 471, and Directorate General of Foreign Trade and Others v. Kanak Exports and Another, (2016) 2 SCC 226) The degree of deference to be shown by the Court while exercising the power of judicial review cannot be put in a straightjacket.”

Sanjiv Khanna J. in Association of Democratic Reforms (Electoral Bond Scheme)
vs. Union of India, 2024 INSC 113, separate opinion para 16

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From the Desk of the DEAN



Prof (Dr.) Vijay Kumar Singh

Welcome to the Faculty of Law, SRMUH

Faculty of Law, SRM University Sonapat, Haryana featured in the top 20 private law schools (Northern Zone) of the **BW Legal World Law School Rankings**. The award was given by Hon'ble Justice J.R. Midha, former Judge Delhi High Court along with other Jury members.

Dear Readers,

Having received all round praise for the First Issue of the Vidhi Samvaad, I am delighted to share the Second Issue of our quarterly communicate from the Faculty of Law. The second quarter of the year, from April to June 2024, was exciting and filled with activities, teaching and learning, discussions, sports, etc. This quarter also saw the vibrancy of the democracy in terms of the 18th Lok Sabha elections. The jubilant and young voters of Faculty of Law enthusiastically participated in the festival of democracy, many of them for the first time. The young law students of Faculty of Law also extended advocacy campaigns for voter awareness in the nearby villages.

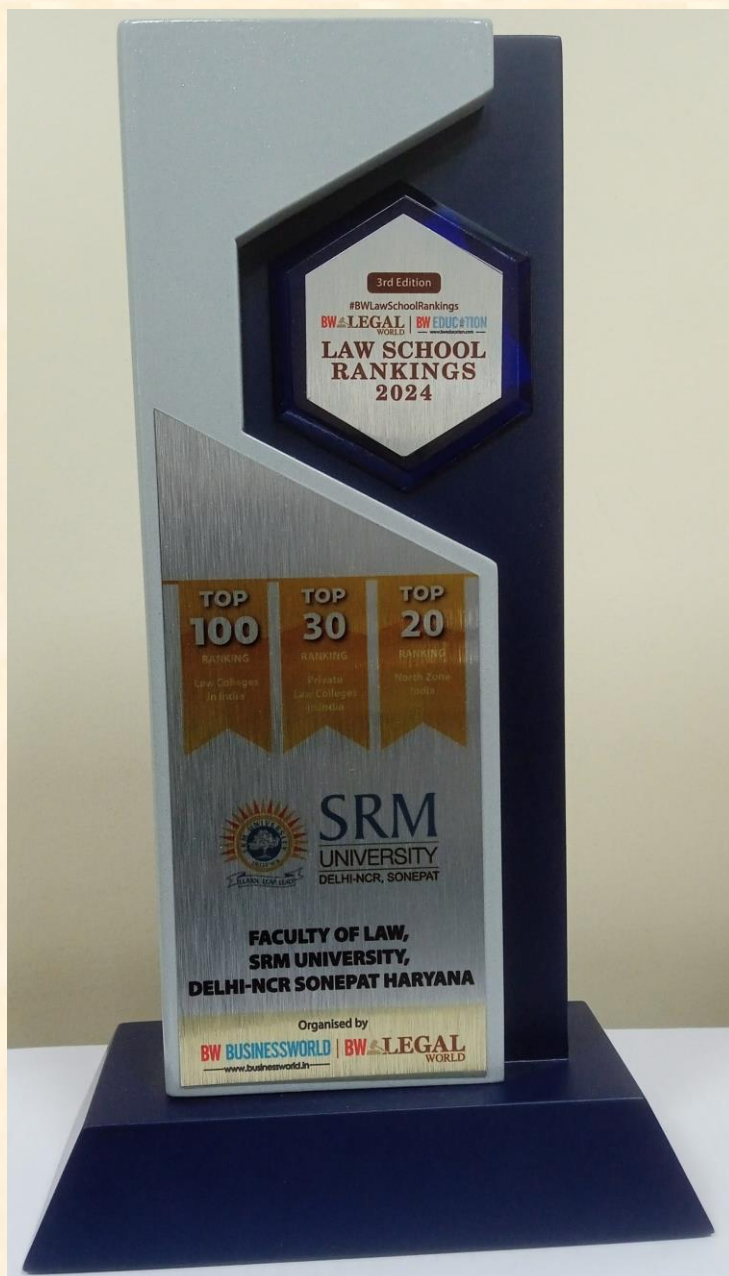
Faculty of Law keeps innovating the ways of engaging its student through role-play exercises, masterclasses, co-curricular and extracurricular activities. The Faculty of Law has been conscious about its responsibilities of making law graduates conversant with emerging technologies like Artificial Intelligence (AI), blockchain, and other IT related tools. Recognizing the efforts of the Faculty of Law towards emerging as one of the prominent law schools in the Northern Region, the Business World Legal has ranked the faculty in top 20 private law schools.



Dean, Faculty of Law receiving the BW Legal Award 2024

Faculty of Law in this quarter also concluded its Board of Studies meeting which is an annual activity to review the curriculum so as to adopt the major reforms in the laws into the curriculum so as to “enable its learners to be ethical, rational, compassionate and further prepare them for a gainful and fulfilling employment.” The Faculty of Law also took cognizance of BCI Circular on Legal Education Reforms dated 20th May 2024 and incorporated the suggestions.

Hon’ble Chancellor, *Shri. Ravi Pachamuthu* visited the Faculty of Law and reviewed the new infrastructure and provided encouragement to the Department to excel and emerge as one of the prominent law schools of the country and extended all the needed support.



The Faculty of Law continues with its streak on promoting internationality and towards this, it hosted the delegation from Bhutan and engaged in a capacity building activity for the delegates. Faculty also received the membership of the Asian Law Schools Association.

This quarter being the last quarter of the Academic Year 2023-2024, it witnessed a flow of emotions at the farewell function of our seniormost students. The juniors curated an excellent farewell event, *bon voyage*, for their seniors. We wish all our alumni a great success in their endeavors.

While I write this foreword, on 1st of July 2024, a landmark in the history of Indian Criminal Law enforcement is also being created as the New Criminal Laws (*Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS)*, *Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS)* and *Bhartiya Sakshya Adhiniyam (BSA)*) have come into force. We are looking forward to the Budget Session now and the plans of the new government in its third consecutive term. Indeed, there will be a lot of action for the students and faculty of law to follow in the coming days. It is my honour to present to you the Second Issue of Vidhi Samvaad 2024.

**Dean, Faculty of Law
July 1, 2024**

BOARD OF STUDIES

Faculty of Law conducted its Board of Studies meeting on 8th June, 2024. A thorough review of the curriculum was undertaken by the Program Level Committee including the feedback received from various stakeholders. The findings of the PLC were presented before the Board of Studies and their expert inputs were obtained. Board appreciated the detailed efforts put in by the faculty.



Members of the Board of Studies and invited faculty members at the Mini Conference Room

BOS Members discussed and appreciated the timely amendment in the criminal law courses. Syllabus of Law of Crimes I, Law of Crimes II and Law of Evidence, would reflect the changes incorporated due to the new laws, *Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS)*, *Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS)* and *Bhartiya Sakshya Adhiniyam (BSA)*. Further, in view of the latest emphasis of Bar Council and enactment of Mediation Act 2023, a mandatory clinical course of 45 hours (3 credits) on “Mediation and Conciliation” is being introduced for both 3 year and 5-year programs. Faculty has also established a Centre on Alternate Dispute Resolution to promote ADR, especially mediation through workshops, research, etc.



Program Coordinator of BA LLB, Dr. Rajeev explaining the changes to the External BOS Members Prof. (Dr.) Ritu Gupta, Director, Centre for Business and Financial Laws, National Law University Delhi and Dr. G.R. Raghavender, Senior Consultant, Ministry of Commerce and Former Joint Secretary, Ministry of Law and Justice

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Corp Comm Legal 10th April, 2024

The MOU will enable mutual collaboration on academic events, teaching, training and research. The practical expertise of Corp Comm Legal will be available through masterclasses and other capacity building events jointly organized by the Faculty of Law and the partner.



Exchange of MOUs between Prof. V. Samuel Raj, Registrar, SRMUH and Mr. Bhumesht Verma, Managing Partner Corp Comm Legal, New Delhi. Dean Law, HOD Law and other faculty members present.

The Neophyte Intra Moot Court Competition, 2024

A moot court, or mooting, simulates a real court environment to give law students an opportunity to put their learning into practice. The Neophyte Intra Moot Court is especially curated for the first-year students to expose them to basics of mooting in their first year itself. This year's neophyte moot court event was a three-day event creating complete environment of mooting. It was organized on 9th, 16th & 24th April, 2024. The event saw 100% participation of the students and towards the run up of the event, the vibrant moot court committee under the leadership of *Md. Saleem*, Faculty Convenor Moot Court Committee (MCC) organized a 2-day workshop on Mooting on 5th & 6th March, 2024. The senior students under the leadership of *Mr. Sarthak*, Student Convenor, MCC, *Ms. Ruhani*, Student Co- Convenor, MCC and *Ms. Ruffi Khan*, Faculty Co-convenor led a great show. The Final Rounds of the Competition was judged by the external experts, *Prof. Aka Raza* and *Prof. Prakhar Narayan Singh* from OP Jindal Global University.



Group picture of the winners of the Neophyte Moot Court Competition

Team Prizes

Winner Team (TC-01): *Manas Kejriwal, Diksha Goel, Naman Goel, and Ashutosh Pandey.*

Runner Up Team (TC 20): *Alankrita, Apoorva Sharma, Shreya, and Dhawal.*

Best Memorial (TC 10): *Khushi, Hiya Bareja, Bhavika Rath and Radhika*

Individual prizes

Best Speaker – *Ms. Amrita Wahi and Ms. Pari Rana*

Best Researcher – *Ms. Kusum Jha*



The Faculty Convenor and Co-Convenor of MCC



Some glimpses of vibrancy and action: the Mooters, researchers and the judges during the moot

This year's moot problem revolved around an interesting problem relating to a consumer dispute on an online platform, which also included some issues surrounding the law of torts and law of contract. These subjects are being taught to the freshman batches and this moot provided them with an opportunity to test themselves on their understanding about the subject. The teams got a senior student mentor for help and quarter final onwards, the teams were provided with the faculty mentors. Overall, the neophyte was a great experience for the students and the teams securing ranks in this moot shall be sent to national moot court competitions to represent the University.



Hon'ble Vice Chancellor sharing his words of wisdom with the students at the Valedictory Session



Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) 13th May 2024

Faculty of Law organised a PTM to provide and receive feedback from the parents of our students. Dean Law also updated the parents about the initiatives taken by the Law Faculty in nurturing the skills, attitude and values among the students. The parents appreciated this meeting and had a detailed interaction about their child with the respective class coordinators and the Head of the Department.

WORKSHOP ON CAREER DEVELOPMENT (April-May, 2024)

Students of Faculty of Law attended a specially curated workshop on Career Development and Planning, coupled with Communication & Presentation Skills organized by ACMA. SRM ACMA Centre of Excellence (ACoE) - **SAKSHAM**, is a state-of-the-art training center set up by Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India (ACMA) to disseminate technological knowhow to various stakeholders.



Faculty of Law organized *Launchpad Sessions: Career Orientation and Placement Guidance* sessions for its final and pre-final year students; *Foundations of Legal Career: Navigating Internships* for first year students and *Envisioning Legal Career through Internships - Career Orientation Session* for second- and third-year students during **24th April to 9th May 2024**. Dean Law took these sessions along with **Ms. Mithu Pandey**, Dy. Director, Training and Placement Department. Respective placement/internship faculty coordinators, **Dr. Priyanka Dutta**, **Dr. Paramjeet**, **Ms. Manpreet**, **Md. Saleem** and **Ms. Raka Medhavi** supported the logistics and coordination.

Activities of the Centres at the Faculty of Law

Faculty of Law has established the following Centres to undertake teaching, research and capacity building activities in the five subject areas in which it offers Honours specialisation in UG and PG Level as well as two Centres on IPR and ADR with broader mandate. Faculty also houses Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Chair on Justice – Social, Economic and Political.

- Centre for Constitutional Law and Public Policy (CCPL)
- Centre for International Law and Institutions (CILI)
- Centre for Criminal Law and Policy (CCLP)
- Centre for Corporate, Competition and Insolvency Laws (CCCIL)
- Centre for Law and Technology (CLT)
- SRMUH Centre for Intellectual Property Rights (SCIPR)
- SRMUH Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (SCADR)

The Centres have been very active during the quarter and engaged students and faculty into learning and co-curricular activities.

Centre for Constitutional Law and Public Policy

April 24: *Debate on the Basic Structure Doctrine*

This event was a call to commemorate the landmark verdict of *Kesavananda Bharati vs. State of Kerala & Anr.*, AIR 1973 SC 1461. This decision has been the bedrock of Constitutional interpretation. This case was heard by the 13-judge bench for over the course of 68 days.



Dr. Yatin Kathuria and Ms. Raka Medhavi judging the event

Avni, Yashika, Bhanu and Arpit argued in favour of the motion while Lakshay, Yuvika and Amar opposed the motion of the debate.

Chief Justice of India **Dr DY Chandrachud** has called the ‘basic structure doctrine’ a north star “which guides and gives a certain direction to the interpreters and implementers of the Constitution when the path ahead is convoluted.”

**Centre for International Law and Institutions
Organized a Field Visit to The Indian Society of International Law (ISIL)**



Student delegation led by *Ms. Rufi Khan* and *Mr. Ajeet Singh*, Faculty of Law at the ISIL along with the Secretary General, ISIL and faculty members *Dr. Anwar Sadat*, *Dr. Parineet Kaur* and *Dr. Kanika* from ISIL

Centre for International Law and Institutions, at the Faculty of Law organized a field visit to the ISIL on April 12, 2024 to provide exposure to student members of the Centre and other registrants to International Law and global affairs. An interactive session with the faculty members of ISIL was organized. The students also explored the rich library with books and journals on international law. The students further witnessed the magnificence of Supreme Court compound (across ISIL) during their visit and it was decided to arrange a visit to the Supreme Court as well in next semester.



Centre for Criminal Law and Public Policy

“Freedom of the press is not just important to democracy; it is democracy” - Walter Cronkite



Faculty coordinator *Ms. Kanika Aggarwal* with student team of the Centre and participants

Inter-Department Debate Competition May 3, 2024

On the occasion of the **31st World Press Freedom Day**, the Centre for Criminal Law & Policy (CCLP), Faculty of Law, SRMUH, hosted a captivating Inter-Department Debate Competition. The event aimed to celebrate the essence of press freedom while fostering insightful discussions on pertinent issues.

Prabhav Vishwas Sharma from B.Tech. secured the first position with his compelling advocacy for investigative journalism and environmental awareness.

Srishti Mukherjee from BA Psychology claimed the second position, offering a nuanced perspective against the motion.

Navvya Chaudhary from B.Tech. clinched the third position, advocating for media's role in driving sustainable solutions.

Dr. Rajeev Ranjan, Associate Professor, Faculty of Law judged the competition.

Centre for Corporate, Competition and Insolvency Laws

A MASTERCLASS & WORKSHOP ON FOUNDATIONS OF CONTRACT DRAFTING: A BEGINNER'S GUIDE FOR FIRST-YEAR LAW STUDENTS was organized on April 10, 2024

A practical masterclass was delivered by Mr. Bhumesh Verma, Managing Partner Corp Comm Legal. The workshop was designed with a view to provide comprehensive understanding of contract drafting essentials for beginners. The students of first year, who have studied theory of contract law were made aware of the essential elements of practical drafting of a contract. The resource person, an author of the book on Contract Drafting lucidly explained the concepts through anecdotes and reels/graphics. The students enjoyed the session while learning key concepts of contract drafting: the KISS Principle (Keep it short and simple), the 5 Cs and many more



Dean, Law with Trainer Mr. Bhumesh along with the student participants

Centre for Law and Technology

April 3: Col. (Retd.) Sajeev Relia, Chief Strategy Officer at Athenian Tech delivered a Special Lecture on **“National Critical Infrastructure and its Relevance to National Security”**.

The Lecture began with an introduction provided by Dean, Faculty of Law, Dr. Vijay Kumar Singh. Dr. Singh also briefly introduced about the book written by Col. Relia on the subject.



Col. (Retd.) Sajeev Relia lighting the lamp along with Prof. V. Samuel, Registrar of SRMUH and CLT student body



The lecture was very insightful and covered important components of critical infrastructure and its relevance for India. Practical examples and case studies were discussed including an insight into the Ukraine-Russia Conflict.

Colonel Sanjeev stressed upon the need for reforming the Information Technology Act and imminent need to have AI Law to address emerging challenges in cybersecurity effectively. His lecture provided valuable insights into the evolving landscape of cybersecurity and underscored the imperative of proactive measures to safeguard national security.

Workshop on Generative AI Skills Development

April 15, 2024: A captivating workshop on practical skills was delivered by the team of master trainers Ms. Vandana Saxena, Founder & CEO and Mr. Amitabh Srivastava, Co-founder & Managing Partner of Voyage Ahead Solutions. The workshop was conducted in two sessions. The first session covered the theory part with interactions and the second part involved activities in the computer lab with demonstrated learning. The students participated in the activity very enthusiastically and enjoyed the interactions with the trainers.



Dean Law presenting certificate of appreciation to Ms. Vandana, Trainer

The workshop kicked off with a foundational introduction to AI, providing participants with an overview of AI tools, their historical background, and tracing the evolutionary journey of ChatGPT. The workshop on Generative AI Skill Development offered participants a comprehensive understanding of AI applications and tools, particularly tailored for law professionals. Through interactive sessions, practical demonstrations, and hands-on tasks, attendees gained valuable insights into leveraging AI to enhance efficiency and effectiveness in legal practice while being mindful of ethical considerations.



Participants of the Generative AI Skills Workshop along with the trainers and Dean Law and Faculty Coordinator Dr. Yatin Kathuria at the foyer of the Computer Labs



"The integration of AI in modern processes including court proceedings raises complex ethical, legal, and practical considerations that demand a thorough examination. The use of AI in court adjudication presents both opportunities and challenges that warrant nuanced deliberation."

*Hon'ble Chief Justice of India **Dr. D.Y. Chandrachud**
at the Indo-Singapore Judicial Conference*

SRMUH Centre for Intellectual Property Rights (SCIPR)



PANEL DISCUSSION ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, SDG & IPR

Student team along with the faculty coordinator *Dr. Prateek Deol* and *Dr. Priyanka Dutta* and resource persons

A Panel Discussion on Artificial Intelligence, Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and Intellectual property was a collaborative event of academia and industry with the dual objectives of knowledge dissemination and community engagement. The panel discussion was honoured by the presence of esteemed individuals from *Knowledgentia Consultants* and IP Law Firm: *Ms. Aparna Jain* (Co-founder), *Ms. Harivander Narvan* (Co-founder), and *Mr. Pradeep Kumar Yadav* (Associate Partner - Patents). The resource persons provided insights on Artificial Intelligence, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), highlighting future opportunities. Additionally, *Prof. Vijay Kumar Singh*, Dean of the Faculty of Law at SRMUH, contributed with an academic perspective, enriching the discussion.

IPR Day Celebrations – April 26, 2024



April 26th 2024 is World Intellectual Property Day, chosen by the United Nations agency for intellectual property, the aptly named World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) as the occasion to raise awareness about the role of intellectual property rights in fostering innovation and creativity, leading to a more developed, visionary and sustainable future.



This date was chosen as the anniversary of the Agency, which was created on April 26th 1970. Every year, WIPO chooses a particular topic which reflects global challenges to highlight the central place which IP has in the modern world. Examples of past topics include IP and SMEs, Green Future and Digital Creativity. This year, the topic chosen by WIPO is IP and the SDGs, Building our common future with innovation and creativity. The SDGs are the Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the UN which constitute 17 pillars towards a better future for people and the planet, each focusing on specific issues to be tackled, ranging from access to education to protection of the environment. This year, WIPO has therefore chosen to celebrate World IP Day and to highlight the relevance and role of intellectual property in achieving these goals.

The Faculty of Law organized the following competitions at the University level to generate awareness on IPR and SDGs on April 26, 2024.



1st – J. Jai Surya, BA LLB 1st year
2nd – Anway Adhikari, BA LLB 4th
3rd – Prabhav Sharma, B.Tech



1st – Umang B.A.LLB 1st year
2nd – Harsh Bansal B.B.A.LLB
3rd – Rajan B.A.LLB 3rd year



1st – Matravi Mishra – BA LLB
2nd – Sulagna, BSc. 2nd Year
3rd – Yuvika Behl, 2nd year

22nd May 2024: SCIPR organized a panel discussion in **hybrid mode** to celebrate the International Biological Diversity Day. *Dr. Rajes S, IFS, Inspector General of Forests, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India* delivered the keynote address. Other panelists included *Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dean Law* and *Dr. Prateek Deol, Coordinator SCIPR*



PANEL DISCUSSION ON
INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Organised by: SRMUH Centre for Intellectual Property Rights (SCIPR)

Wednesday, 22 May 2024
2:30 P.M.
A-509, 5th Floor, Faculty of Law

Mr Rajesh S. Kumar
IFS and Inspector General of Forests (IGF)

Prof. (Dr) Vijay Kumar Singh
Dean
Faculty of Law, SRMUH

Dr Prateek Deol
Associate Professor,
Faculty of Law, SRMUH



Dean Law (Presenting)

Biological Diversity Act 2022

Rajesh S IFS
Inspector General of Forests
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Government of India

Panel Discussion on the International Day of Biodiversity, 2024
Faculty of Law at SRM University Sonapat Haryana
22nd May 2024

Participants in the meeting:

- Chakshu Chugh
- RUPAM GOYAL SRM 2023 Ba...
- Lakshay Bhardwaj
- Umang Sharma
- Shruti Bhanwala
- Rajeev Ranjan
- Dr. Priyanka Dutta
- Dr. Prateek Deol
- 29 others

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In December 2022, the world came together and agreed on a global plan to transform our relationship with nature. The adoption of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, also known as The Biodiversity Plan, sets goals and concrete measures to stop and reverse the loss of nature by 2050.

This year, the theme of the International Day for Biological Diversity is **“Be part of the Plan”**. This is a call to action to encourage governments, indigenous peoples, local communities, non-governmental organizations, lawmakers, businesses, and individuals to highlight the ways in which they are supporting the implementation of the Biodiversity Plan. Everyone has the potential to play a significant role and therefore can be #PartOfThePlan. (source: [un.org](https://www.un.org/))

SRMUH Centre for Alternate Dispute Resolution (SCADR)



April 16, 2024: Panel Discussion on Opportunities in ADR

Distinguished panelists, *Dr. Vijay Kumar Singh* and *Adv. Pranshu Kaushal*, Advocate Supreme Court, provided valuable insights into the various career paths within ADR. The event aimed to shed light on the various career opportunities available in the legal domain through ADR practices. Future of ADR in India was discussed, highlighting the growing significance of ADR mechanisms in the country's legal landscape. Special emphasis was given on Arbitration and mediation as a career option. **On May 1, 2024:** A special training workshop on ADR was conducted by Mr. Prakhar Narayan Singh, Arbitrator.



Dean Law has been invited on the Advisory Board of Missing Bridge which is a Centre for Conflict Management.



Missing Bridge
Solutions & Resolutions

Bidding adieu to the Final year Students – *Bon Voyage*



Traditional Welcome of Senior Students and a Welcome Dance

Farewell function is an annual event to bid adieu to final year students by their immediate junior students. This year's farewell at Faculty of Law saw participation of students across the semesters. The students of the cultural committee formed a cohesive group to curate a wonderful event titled Bon Voyage. The event was a mix of group and solo dance performances by the students. Final year students also participated sportingly in the fashion show organised for them to determine Mr./Ms. Farewell and Mr./Ms. Luminous.



First year students of BBA LLB performing an ensemble for their seniors



Authorities of the University and Faculty of Law

Miss Farewell: *Vanshika Jain*

Mr. Farewell - *Devaansh Bhasin*

Mr. Luminous *Aman Dahiya & Tushar Mittal*

Miss. Luminous *Varsha Dwivedi*

हर हँसी, हर आँसू, हर बहस का वो दौर, अब रहेंगे बस यादों में, दिल के और भी पास। सपनों की उड़ान भरने का है अब समय, विदाई की इस बेला में, हैं भावनाएँ बेशुमार।
जो सीख यहाँ से पाई है, वो साथ रहेगी, हर कदम पर आपका हौसला बढ़ाएगी। न्याय की राह पर चलते रहिएगा, सच्चाई का दामन कभी न छोड़िएगा।
कल की चुनौतियाँ आपका इंतजार कर रही हैं, आपकी मेहनत और लगन से वो हार रही हैं। विदा की इस घड़ी में, हमारी शुभकामनाएँ साथ हैं, आपकी हर मंजिल हो रोशन, हर रास्ता सुगम।
याद रखेंगे हम ये पल, ये दिन, ये साथ, आपकी हर सफलता पर होगा हमें भी नाज़। विदा लेते हैं अब, पर दिल में ये अहसास, आपका भविष्य हो उज्ज्वल, यही है हमारी आस।

Courtesy: ChatGPT



Faculty and students enjoying the mesmerizing show put up by the Cultural Committee under the mentorship of Faculty Convenors **Dr. Rashi Malik** and **Ms. Manpreet Kaur**.

Student Achievements



Yuvika Behl bagged First Prize at the Carni-Teaches event organised by National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM), Sonipat

Ruhani B.A.LL.B 3rd year, **Deepanshu Chauhan B.B.A.LL.B** 4th year, **Vandana B.A.LL.B** 3rd year and **Anjali B.A.LL.B** 3rd year (Team) were declared Runner Up at the National Policy Drafting Competition Vichaar (online) on 12th April 2024 organised by NLU Assam.



President of the University Cultural Council – 2024-2025

We are proud of *Ms. Yuvika Behl*, our 3rd year BA LLB student who has been selected to lead the University's Cultural Council. She would also be the first female cultural president of SRMUH.

Moot Court Participation:

12th RGNUL National Moot Court Competition, 2024 organized by Rajiv Gandhi National Law University Punjab, during April 4-6, 2024 (Team comprising of Aditi, Swasti and Geetika, 2nd year BBA LLB students)

3rd National Moot Court Competition 2024 organized by IILM University, Gurugram, during April 4-6, 2024 (Team comprising of **Lakshay, Bhanu**, and **Shruti**, 2nd Year BA LLB students)

National Moot Court Competition, IILM, Noida organized by IILM Noida during April 18-19, 2024 (Team comprising of **Dhriti** and **Bhavya**, BA LLB 2nd year)

Student Blogs published at <https://www.legalservicesindia.com/>

The Evolution of Targeted Advertising on Social Media Platforms: A Deep Dive into Company Strategies by **Priyanshi Jain**, pursuing B.B.A.LL.B. (Hons.)

Navigating Cross-Border Insolvency: A Critical Analysis of India's Framework and Its Impact on Foreign Investment by **Prachi Chhabra**, pursuing B.B.A.LL.B. (Hons.)

Faculty of Law – SRM University Sonapat providing Thought Leadership

The Senior leadership at the Faculty of Law which includes the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, **Prof. (Dr.) Paramjit Singh Jaswal**, has been very active as *Professor of Law* in providing thought leadership to the academia and industry through their contributions in terms of guest lecture, membership of committees and many more. During this quarter, some prominent thought leadership initiatives undertaken by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor were:



Invited as a Chief Guest to deliver the Professor G.S. Gosal Memorial Lecture at the Panjab University, Chandigarh on 1st April, 2024

Prof. Jaswal also attended the lecture on “*New Criminal Laws in India: Key Insights*” as part of UGC’s Chetna Series organized by NLU, New Delhi on 10th June, 2024



Hon'ble Vice Chancellor visited Nagananda International Institute of Buddhist Studies (NIIBS), Kelaniya, Sri Lanka during 7-9th April, 2024 for detailed discussion of MoU signed with SRM University Delhi-NCR, Sonapat

Prof. (Dr.) PS Jaswal participated in other meetings of selection committees of various universities, advised institutions as their advisory board member and contributed to mentoring of law students and faculty at the Department of Law.

Creating Legal Awareness



On the occasion of **Labour Day (May 1, 2024)**, the Legal Aid Cell along with the Centres at Faculty of Law organized a special guest lecture on the topic "*Shramdivas: Shramikon ke Samman aur Samadhan ki Disha*" to commemorate the contributions and address the challenges faced by the workmen. The event aimed to honor the dignity of labor and explore solutions to the issues confronting workmen. The guest of honor for the event was Mr. Azad, a renowned social worker. Mr. Azad's presence underscored the commitment of the community towards the welfare of laborers. The students attending the event shared their experiences and marked the importance of this day for a law professional.

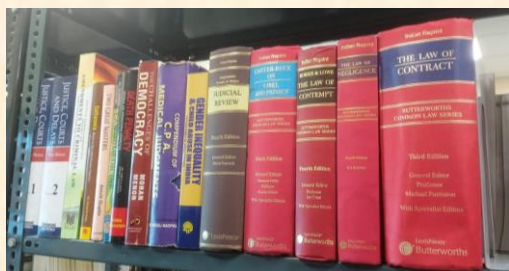
The New Labour Codes

Are you aware that labour law in India is one of the most complicated ones with more than 29 laws. The Central Government has taken steps towards codifying these laws into 4 Codes now: i.e. 4 laws in the Wage Code, 9 laws in the Social Security Code, 13 laws in the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020 and 3 laws in the Industrial Relations Code. The empowerment of workers is necessary for an empowered, prosperous and Aatmanirbhar India. Even after 73 years of Independence, approximately 90% of workers work in the unorganized sector that do not have access to all the social securities. The total number of workers, comprising of organized and unorganized sectors, is more than 50 crores.

Source: <https://labour.gov.in/>

Updates on the Law Library

Faculty of Law houses a well-maintained Law Library as per the requirements of the Bar Council of India. Reading enthusiasts are encouraged to visit the law library in their free time. The Law Library has excellent collection of books. You would like to see a copy of original Constitution of India available in the library in both English and Hindi. You will also find some general books and journals other than the law journals here. The Law Library has a complete collection of the Supreme Court Cases and the All-India Reporter as well. As on date, the Law Library has more than 5000+ books and about 1600+ bound volumes & reports.



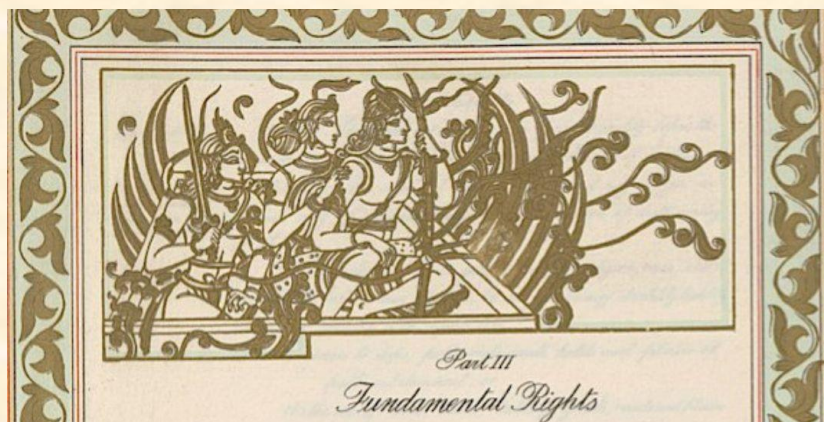
We are grateful to our Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Paramjit S. Jaswal for graciously donating more than 200 books and journals to the Law Library from his personal collection. Prof. Jaswal epitomizes the thought "sharing education, sharing a book... that's what changes the world".

"Let there be no shoes in your feet, but do have a book in your hand"

A special collection on writings of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar is available in the extension of law library at the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Chair. Enthusiasts who want to know more about the life of Dr. Ambedkar are most welcome. The Faculty of Law invites students and faculty members who want to collaborate with the Chair. Law Library also houses printed volumes of the Constituent Assembly Debates (CAD) both in English and Hindi.



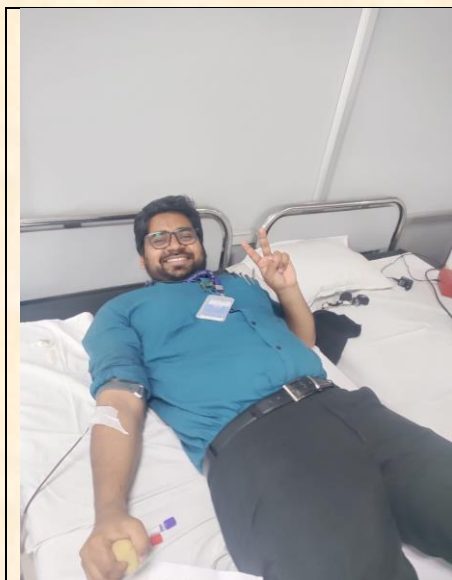
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If you have any further query relating to Law Library, please reach out to the Librarian *Dr. Pawan Agarwal* and Asst. Librarian *Ms. Renu Dahiya* or our Faculty Coordinator, *Dr. Prateek Deol*.

Blood Donation for a Social Cause



Md. Saleem



Mr. Adwitiya P Tiwari



Mr. Ajeet Singh

Faculty members from Department of Law actively participated in the Blood Donation Drive organized by the SRM PRIMSR Hospital on 8th of May 2024. We are proud of you.

Law on Blood Transfusion: Are you aware that Blood and blood components are categorized as a “drug” under Section 3(b) of Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 because of their internal administration. This Act and the Rules thereof provide the legal framework for regulating the functions of blood banks, which in turn directly impact and determine the quality of the blood transfusion service delivery in the- country. Blood Bank activities are regulated under Drugs & Cosmetics Act & Rules. Every Blood Bank is required to obtain/timely renewal of the license from DCG(I) for operation under this Act & Rules, and follow the conditions of license for conduct of its activities.

Article 21 under part III titled fundamental rights of the Constitution of India clearly spells out that no person shall be deprived of his life. Blood transfusion can be lifesaving and also can be fatal, therefore, comes under this section of fundamental rights. Supreme Court while entertaining a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) on the subject laid down detailed guidelines for the Blood Banks to function. Common Cause vs. Union of India writ petition (civil) no 91 of 1992 decided on January 4, 1996. National Blood Transfusion Council (NBTC) and State Blood Transfusion Council (SBTC), which were formed as per Supreme Court directive in 1996, are the apex bodies at National and State Level to form policies (National Level) and implementation of these policies at state level.

In response to a question in Lok Sabha, the Minister of Health and Family Welfare had said in 2016: The estimated requirement of blood in the country is 10-12 million units per annum. This makes abundantly clear as to why law has its footprint in all our activities from birth (even prior to birth) until death (even after death).



Dean Law conducted an Open House for CLAT aspirants at SRMUH Office Patna. The students were provided guidance and counselling on law as their career.



Pratibha Samman – Lucknow

*Dean, Law at
the Pratibha
Samman
function
organized by
Amar Ujala
Lucknow.
Distributing
certificates
and medals to
the
performers in
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Examination*

Several other engagements were undertaken to create awareness among school students about the career in law specifically and generally how important it is for the students to learn basic law as a good citizen.

Internationality – Bringing Globalization at Home

Dean Law delivered two special lectures for the Bhutanese delegation on 4th June 2024 on the topic 'Exploring the Indian Law and Policy in light of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' and 'World is a global village – understanding principles of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam and the world trade ecosystem.'



Dr. Vijay Kumar Singh, Dean Law in a special session explaining the modern Library Facilities available in the dedicated library of the Faculty of Law 21st May 2024 to the Bhutanese Delegation



**ASIAN LAW
SCHOOLS
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**Faculty of Law received the
Institutional Membership of
the Asian Law Schools
Association (ALSA)**

<https://www.alsa.asia/members/srm-university-sonapat-haryana-3/>

FACULTY Achievements



Ms. Kanika Aggarwal completed her Ph.D. in Law from O.P. Jindal Global University in June 2024. Dr. Kanika did her research on a vibrant topic "*Judicial Assessment of Forensic Evidence: A Study of Judge's Gatekeeping Function*" under the mentorship of Prof. Kasim Balarabe. Faculty of Law extends many congratulations to her in achieving this feat.

Dr. Kanika also successfully completed three-weeks online workshop on Legal Research Methodology organized by Law Teacher's India with A Grade on April 1, 2024. Dr. Kanika also presented a poster on "Voice Identification" at the 2024 Global Forensic Science Symposium on 04 Jun - 07 Jun, 2024 organized by Florida International University, Global Forensic and Justice Centre

Ms. Manpreet Kaur and Dr. Yatin Kathuria published a paper in *Supremo Amicus Vol. 35 May 2024* titled *Generative AI and Copyright Challenges in The Creative Landscape: Suggesting Possible Reforms in IP Law*.

Dr. Priyanka Dutta successfully completed Three-Weeks National Level Online Faculty Development Program on intellectual property rights organized by Law Teachers in collaboration with National Law University and Judicial Academy Assam during June 3-23, 2024.

Dr. Yatin Kathuria successfully completed a certificate course on "AI Security & Governance" from Securiti (CPE credits 1.5) and also a Course on - Responsible AI: Applying AI Principles with Google Cloud.

Md. Saleem published a Research paper titled, "Constitutionalism vis-a-vis Constitution: Evolution and Utility in Modern Democratic India " in International Journal for Legal Research and Analysis (ISSN: 2582-6433) Vol 2 Issue VII May 2024.

Md. Saleem adjudged 8th Anand Swaroop Gupta Memorial International Moot Court Competition 2024 organized by Sharda School of Law, Sharda University from 4 - 6 April 2024.

Md. Saleem also adjudged Inter-Collegiate Moot Court Competition 2024 organized by Faculty of Law, University of Lucknow from 14-16 April 2024.



Dr. Vijay Kumar Singh co-authored an Op-ed published in Mint on 24 May 2024. Titled – “Promoting competition in digital markets: The AI challenge.”

Dr. Singh also delivered an online talk on ‘Stages of Mediation’ at the One-Week Capacity Building program on Mediation organized by GNLU and Sambhav Initiative on 22nd May 2024.

Dr. Singh delivered an online talk on “Business and Human Rights” at the National Workshop on “Empower Rights – A Journey into Human Rights Education” on 9th April, 2024. Event hosted by Club of Students.

Dr. Vijay Kumar Singh was invited at the 2nd National Conference on “Implementation of Indian Knowledge System (IKS) in Contemporary Legal Education on 19th and 20th April 2024 organized by Delhi University. Dr. Singh gave a talk on “*One Earth One Family One Future - Teaching the world its philosophy of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam - A Reflection on G-20 New Delhi Leaders' Declaration*”



Dr. Vijay Kumar Singh was invited as an Expert Speaker at the *International Symposium on “Contemporary Developments in Corporate Governance – Challenges and Opportunities”* organised by VIT School of Law on 23rd April, 2024. Dr. Singh spoke on the topic - *Corporate Governance Journey in India leading to Ease of Doing Business - How much Relevant for Viksit Bharat?*

Dean Law being felicitated as Judge of the Semi-Final Rounds of the Justice UP Singh Memorial 3rd CNLU-CCI National Moot Court Competition 2024 at Chanakya National Law University Patna

Some Forthcoming Events

SRMUH Law Review Second Volume – Release of Call for Papers

International Conference

SRMUH National Moot Court Competition

Various Activities in the respective Centres and Student Led Committees and Clubs (**subscribe to the social media handle of the Faculty of Law for regular updates**)

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/faculty-of-law-srm-university-sonipat-04a44326b/>



Picture: Bhutanese Delegation at the University. Dean Faculty of Law provided them with a tour of the Faculty of Law. The delegates also witnessed the ongoing moot court evaluation and appreciated the practical exercise rendered to the students.

Collated by Media Committee of Faculty of Law headed by Ms. Manpreet Kaur, and Ms. Kanika Aggarwal, Assistant Professors and the team of students mentored by Dean, Faculty of Law. Students and Faculty can also send your entries for publication in this newsletter, which will be subject to acceptance of the Media Committee of Faculty of Law.

Designed by Dr. Vijay Kumar Singh

Suggestions and feedback are welcome media.law@srmuniversity.ac.in