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# Director's Message

It gives me great pleasure to address you through GNLU Times once again as we reflect on the monsoon semester of 2022. This was a particularly special semester for us as it marked a return to normalcy after the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Seeing our campus bustling with activity again, with students and faculty engaging in in-person academic and extracurricular activities, was heartening.

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate Mr Justice M. R. Shah on his appointment as GNLU's Visitor, and Ms Justice Bela Trivedi, Mr S. V. Raju and Prof (Dr) Ranbir Singh on their nomination to GNLU's General Council. I am confident that their diverse backgrounds and wealth of experience will significantly benefit the university.

It is worth noting that GNLU is set to become the first NLU to establish a satellite campus outside its home state, with plans underway to set up a campus in Silvassa in the neighbouring Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli. This is a historic moment for GNLU, and we are excited about the opportunities and challenges ahead.

GNLU organised its eleventh convocation after a hiatus of three years. Our Visitor, Dr Justice D. Y. Chandrachud, presided over the ceremony. His insightful and inspiring convocation address particularly moved me, and I am confident that our graduating students felt equally inspired.

It was a great honour for GNLU to host the Vice-President of India, the Gujarat Governor, and the Gujarat Chief Minister for a programme on Excellence in Higher Education. We were also delighted to welcome the Union Law Minister to our campus for a fireside chat with our students.

I am pleased to report that GNLU entered into two new collaborations, one with the Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rehman Maritime University in Bangladesh and the other with the Indian Medical Association's Gujarat State Branch. These collaborations testify to our commitment to fostering international and interdisciplinary partnerships that benefit our students and faculty.

On the recruitment front, I am delighted to report that GNLU completed the Day Zero recruitment process for the 2018-23 batch with a record-breaking 113 offers, including 38 pre-placement offers, from top-tier law firms. This speaks volumes about the quality of our students and the rigorous training they receive at GNLU.

We also have some exciting new publications and research assignments to report. The Chief Minister of Gujarat released a new GNLU publication titled *Ensuring Integrity: Lessons from Judiciary*, which features landmark judgments on anti-corruption, public servant misconduct, and related aspects. The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority has commissioned GNLU to conduct a multijurisdictional study on drug pricing policies.

The Government of India's Ministry of Women and Child Development has assigned GNLU to carry out an impact analysis and gap identification in the existing laws relating to women.

I am particularly proud of our alums and students, who continue to bring us laurels with their achievements in diverse fields. 15 GNLU alums qualified for joining the judiciary of Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana, and Bihar, while Radhapriya Goel represented India at the World Table Tennis Youth Contender event in Lebanon. Manvendra Singh Shekhawat participated in the NCC International Youth Exchange Programme in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Finally, I wish to conclude by congratulating the GNLU Centre for Corporate and Insolvency Law on its tenth anniversary celebration and the Legal Services Committee for establishing a Pro Bono Club at GNLU.



With best wishes,

**Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar**



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This issue of GNLU Times reflects the excitement and energy that permeated the Monsoon semester of 2022. It is a joy to present this issue to our readers, which is filled with articles, reports, and photographs of the various activities that took place on the campus.

After a long period of virtual activities, the return of on-campus events was eagerly awaited, and the semester did not disappoint. The 11th convocation was a highlight of the semester, where students and faculty came together to celebrate the achievements of the graduating class.

The campus was graced by some distinguished guests, including the Hon'ble Vice President of India, Hon'ble Union Law Minister, Gujarat Governor, and Gujarat Chief Minister. These visits were marked by insightful speeches and interactions, which enriched the university's academic environment. The cultural and sports activities organized by the students showcased their talent and creativity.

Overall, the Monsoon 2022 semester was a memorable one for GNLU, and the GNLU Times has captured the spirit of the semester in this issue. We hope that our readers will enjoy reading it as much as we enjoyed putting it together

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Dear Dr. Shanthakumar Ji

I am in receipt of your letter No. Dir/GB/283-75/2022 dated 22.12.2022 regarding the 5<sup>th</sup> issue of the GNLU Newsletter (Winter-2022).

I wholeheartedly appreciate your endeavour to impart education to the young minds & grooming them in specialized fields that would eventually contribute to positive development of the Indian society and to the entire Nation. It is delightful to note that GNLU is imparting valuable training to Indian Navy on the maritime law also.

I wish GNLU reaches to new horizons and soon excel as one of best law universities in the country as well as across the globe.

With regards

Yours Sincerely,

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## The Eleventh Convocation of GNLU

The Eleventh Convocation of GNLU was held on 06 August 2022. GNLU's Visitor and the Hon'ble Judge, Supreme Court of India, Dr Justice D. Y. Chandrachud, virtually presided over the convocation.

Mr Justice M. R. Shah, Hon. Judge, Supreme Court of India and a member of GNLU's General Council; Mr Justice Aravind Kumar, Hon'ble Chief Justice, High Court of Gujarat; Hon'ble Ms Justice Sonia Gokani, Hon'ble Judge, High Court of Gujarat and member of GNLU's General Council; Mr Justice N. V. Anjaria, Hon'ble Judge, High Court of Gujarat and a member of GNLU's Executive Council; and other legal luminaries graced the convocation ceremony.



Mr Justice M. R. Shah addressing the Students

A total of 247 students, who graduated in 2020, were conferred degrees at the convocation. They comprised 171 students of the five-year integrated LLB programme, 61 students of the LLM programme, 12 students of the MBA programme and three students of the doctoral programme.

27 Gold Medals were awarded to 16 students for their scholastic performance in various subjects. Of these, 15 Medals were bagged by eight female students. Simran Jain (BBA LLB Programme) received as many as four gold medals.

In his convocation address, Justice Chandrachud advised the graduating students to be guided by the path of their conscience and equitable reason. We carry the excerpts from his convocation address on the subsequent pages.

GNLU Director, Prof (Dr) Shanthakumar gave an account of the University's achievements over the last year and thanked all stakeholders for their support and cooperation.

Dr Shanthakumar congratulated the graduating students on completing GNLU's highly demanding programmes and wished them success and sustained happiness in whatever they choose to do in their career and life.



Graduating students with the distinguished guests



## Gold Medalists



Simran Jain (BBA LLB)



Varun Srinivasan (BA LLB)



Medha Kagali (BBA LLB)



Ishita Saboo (LLM)



Divya Muralidharan (LLM)



Hatim Hussain (B.Com LLB)



Saumia Thomas (LLM)



Akshat Kumar (BSW LLB)



**In absentia**



## Gold Medalists



Ninad Premal Shah (LLM)



Nikhil Keswani (MBA)



Meera Manoj (BBA LLB)



K. Arvind Menon (BBA LLB)



Akhileshwari Anand Raj (B.Com LLB)



Varnita Singh (B.Sc LLB)



**In absentia**



Akash Singhal (BBA LLB)



Tejas Rao (BA LLB)





## Excerpts from the Convocation Address by Justice Dr D. Y. Chandrachud



Unlike the stoic image of law that is generally represented as a mark of a good judge or lawyer, I do want to clarify that the characterization of emotions as a force that warps and degrades judgment is incorrect. As critical legal scholars have explored through their scholarship over the past two decades, understanding emotion is an essential part of building a fairer, more effective system. While emotions may lead us astray, they also play a crucial role in sense-making and decision-making. Even the assumptions of emotions leading individuals astray have more frequently been applied to individuals and groups with marginalized status, primarily individuals and groups lacking social, economic, educational or political capital.

Last weekend, at the All India District Legal Services Meet organised by NALSA, I emphasized upon the importance of incorporating fourth and final year law students in our legal aid programmes especially in mediation. One of the reasons I did so was because I felt that the students will do a much better job in mediating, which is a lot about managing emotions of parties, than lawyers who over the years become desensitized towards the trauma and emotions of parties involved. In our profession, it is very easy over the years to forget that each case you are dealing with defines the trajectory of life of the individuals involved in that case, even though it may just be one of the multiple cases you are dealing with for that day.

This is why I want to re-emphasize that all of these emotions you are feeling at your graduation are not only legitimate, but you should be proud for this amazing accomplishment. And I hope that as you sail through your career, you will continue to stay in touch and be guided by your emotional side as well.

I hope the past couple of years have been enriching for each one of you especially considering that the early years tend to be the most welcome in our profession. As you will realize in the long run, two years constitute a short time spent in the profession. When we are young, we tend to overstate the importance of the career choices we make and the long term impact they will have.

While I of course do not want to encourage you to make hasty decisions, I do want to reassure you that this is quite an early stage in your career and it is perfectly okay to be confused about the paths you have ahead and the choices that you want to make. Considering the various choices that the privilege of an education from a top tier National Law University, such as yours, opens, it would be scary if you were to have your entire life planned out at such an early stage.

“Life is much more a series of accidents than a linear planned event.”

Personally, I did not even have plans to pursue law after finishing my undergraduate degree from St. Stephens in Economics. Having battled the doubts of my admissions interview panel which was sceptical about my ability to pursue Economics in the first place I graduated at the first position in first class. I was all set to pursue a Masters in the field. However, I seem to have ended up taking a lesson from the movie '3 Idiots' on attending classes just for knowledge much before the movie came out and ended up sitting through some of the classes of Campus Law Centre in the break before my Economics Masters began. Riveted by the way law was taught, inter-twining questions of policy and constitutional morality with the quest for liberty and freedom, a feeling I hope many of you can relate to, I ended up making the career altering choice of pursuing Law. In my early days after I returned to the Bar after completing my doctoral studies at Harvard, I had moments of doubt. I had returned to India in preference to a high paying job at a Wall Street law firm. My first brief for mentioning a case for listing yielded a docket of 5 GMs. Though we marked our fees in GMs, there were no real gold mohurs which came to counsel. My fee of 5 GMs translated into seventy five rupees. A Harvard degree notwithstanding, that was how the market for legal services priced my worth.

The reason I am sharing this story is to let all of you know that life is much more a series of accidents than a linear planned event, and it is always okay to take your time to explore. All choices you make are worthwhile choices and there is no single way to use your law degree. As it is said, there is no curriculum to life, at every stage, it is an elective.

Despite whatever you choose and especially in litigation, I think an important skill, that you only learn over time is the importance of knowing when to speak and when it is in your benefit to stay quiet. I am reminded of my younger days as a lawyer in the Bombay High Court where I was representing a PSU which unfortunately that day had no case at all. So I stood there with my head bowed down as I knew that the second I would have had to open my mouth, I would have had to confess before the bench that I had no case. However, my learned friend representing the other side kept interrupting the bench, talking over them and needlessly arguing beyond a point to such an extent that the judge was so riled up that we ended up receiving an order in our favour. When the other side filed a letters patent appeal, such was my case that before anyone spoke the distinguished judge, Justice M L Pendse asked me “Mr. Chandrachud, what did you even argue for this order to have been passed in your favour?” Of course, I was too young then to respond cheekily, but you all know the answer now.



“ As young wide-eyed graduates, you must aspire to attain utopia - for the harbingers of change are often hopeless dreamers. ”

What Aaron Burr advises Hamilton in the famous musical, is probably a good idea in such contexts: “Talk less, Smile more, Don’t let them know what you’re against or what you’re for.”

But of course, in all other contexts and in more instances than less, it is also important to speak up and ignore this advice. After all, Hamilton would have probably never had the success he did, had he decided to be docile and silence the strong and insightful voice that led to his success, and I hope many of you will

follow his path.

This brings me to my next advice, which is drawn from Professor Quigley’s “*Letter to a Law Student Interested in Social Justice*” which I think is applicable to all law students – remember to not confuse law and justice. A lot of work which leads to achieving justice within law also happens outside law in terms of social movements, shaping politics and cultural understanding. In our own context, we don’t have to look too far to decipher the difference in law and justice.

It was only in 2005 that women were granted interest in coparcenary property and were given equality in terms of succession of property. Till the longest time, there was no legislation regulating child labour. Minimum wages across the world are a result of recent labour movements.

During your own time at law school, Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code, which criminalized sexual relations even between consenting adults of the same gender was the law of the land. It was only in *Navtej Singh Johar v Union of India*, a Bench that I was a part of, that the Court held that Section 377 was unconstitutional as it violated the right to equality, non-discrimination and life and went on to provide an expansive affirmation of the rights of the LGBT individuals.

All these issues existed simultaneously with the institutions of law. However, we now agree that they were unjust. There continue to be laws as well as lack of regulations which push the marginalized deeper into the pockets of marginalization. At many points in your career you will realize that what is legal is probably unjust, whereas what is just may not be legal.

At all the junctures, where you do have the opportunity of working towards social justice and furthering rights in small and big ways, you must remember the importance of differentiating between law and justice and critiquing the law as a step to advance justice. *Neeti* in other words does not always result in *Nyaya*. Of course, you will encounter people who will tell you the situation is much better than before or better than the situation in other places. However, the journey to justice does not stop at a midpoint or where we feel that we are finally being less unjust than the others.

Along with this critique, it is important to simultaneously look for the ways in which laws can be reimagined and redefined to make them better and more just. The re-interpretation of law takes place as much through the lawyer’s vision as through the judge’s craft.

In this process as well as in anything you do in life, you will have moments of doubt and times when you confront failure. The more exciting, adventurous paths you choose in life, the more probable failure becomes. So always remember to not be afraid of failure. As a matter of fact, if you are not trying to achieve things where you are failing, you are probably not even trying to meet your potential because it is only at that edge where you will receive equal amounts of success and failure.

It also helps to remember, especially in the world of social media with limited attention spans, that a lot of work we do will only have long term impact. And that you should not worry too much about the everyday distractions that will come in your path.

This is especially relevant to remember in today’s world, with polarising opinions and conflicting actions. Legitimising and balancing thought can only be termed as a grave responsibility of each citizen - young and old. The words famously attributed to Voltaire - “*I disapprove of what you say, but I will defend to death your right to say it*” - must be incorporated into our being. Make no mistake - being accepting and tolerant of the opinions of others by no means translates into blind conformity and it does not mean not standing against hate speech.

Stepping into the world as fresh graduates, amidst the increasing noise and confusion of political, social and moral clashes of ideology, you must be guided by the paths of your conscience and equitable reason. Speak truth to power, maintain your composure in the face of unspeakable social injustices and utilise your good fortune and privileged positions to remedy them. It may seem idealistic, but as young wide-eyed graduates, you must aspire to attain utopia - for the harbingers of change are often hopeless dreamers.

“ What is legal is probably unjust, whereas what is just may not be legal. ”

As new lawyers, your education has entrusted in you the power to discern the right from the wrong, the power to identify that glimmering speck of justice hidden within voluminous court records, the power to influence positive and constructive thought through the rigours of academia or the power to bolster the economy, generate employment and create better working conditions in the corporate sphere. No matter what path in law you choose after graduation, this profession enables you to create a world that uplifts the collective along with the individual and assist the disenfranchised.



## GNLU spreads wings beyond Gujarat

**Another campus in Silvassa makes GNLU the first NLU with a campus outside its home state**

Gujarat National Law University will soon set up a new campus at Silvassa in the neighbouring Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.

GNLU Director, Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar, said, "The Union Territory Administration, under the leadership of Hon'ble Administrator Shri Praful Patel, was keen to have a quality law institute so that local students could access quality legal education. It requested GNLU to establish a GNLU campus at Silvassa and offered to provide the requisite land, building and financial resources for setting up and managing a campus at Silvassa. It also allotted the old secretariat complex to GNLU for a transitory campus to ensure that the Silvassa campus becomes operational without delay."

To begin with, GNLU will offer BALLB (66 seats) and LLM (33 seats) programmes from the Silvassa campus from 2023-2024. Similar to GNLU Gandhinagar's UG and PG programmes, admissions to these programmes will be based on Common Law Admission Test (CLAT). Twenty-five per cent of seats will be reserved for domiciles of the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.

GNLU Gandhinagar faculty organized a CLAT Guidance Camp from 10 to 13 November at Silvassa to spread



awareness about careers in the field of law among the local students of the Union Territory and to provide guidance for CLAT 2023.

The Silvassa campus has become possible following the recent amendment in the Gujarat National Law University Act, 2003, enabling the university to set up another campus within or outside Gujarat.

None of the 23 National Law Universities has a second campus outside their home state. Thus, GNLU will be the first NLU to establish a campus outside its home state.

## Faculty Development Programme on Curriculum Design, Pedagogy and Teaching Methodology for English Communication in Law Universities

GNLU organised one-week Faculty Development Programme on "Curriculum Design, Pedagogy and Teaching Methodology for English Communication in Law Universities" from 19 to 24 December 2022.

GNLU Director, Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar, inaugurated the programme. Others present at the inaugural session included Dr Urmi Satyan, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Studies, PDEU; Dr Pratima Dube, FDP

Coordinator and Assistant Professor, GNLU; and GNLU Registrar, Dr Jagdeesh Chandra TG.

The FDP aimed to help the participants identify law students' academic and professional communication needs, chalk out a philosophical and conceptual framework for an appropriate curriculum suitable for law students, and explore innovative teaching-learning methods in the pedagogy of English for legal academic purposes.





## Mr Justice M. R. Shah is the New GNLU Visitor

Hon'ble the Chief Justice of India has nominated Hon'ble Mr Justice M. R. Shah, Judge, Supreme Court of India, as the Visitor of Gujarat National Law University on 14 November 2022.

Hon'ble Mr Justice M. R. Shah has been associated with GNLU as a member of its General Council for a long time. He succeeds Hon'ble Dr Justice D. Y. Chandrachud, Chief Justice of India.

Hon'ble Mr Justice M.R. Shah was enrolled as an Advocate on 19 July 1982 and practised in the Gujarat High Court in Civil, Criminal, Constitutional, Taxation, Labour, Service and Company matters and specialized in Land, Constitutional, Education, Excise, Custom matters. He was appointed as an Additional Judge of the Gujarat High Court on 07 March 2004 and appointed as Permanent Judge on 22 June 2005. He was appointed as Chief Justice of Patna High Court on 12 August 2018. He was elevated as a Judge of the Supreme Court of India on 02 November 2018.



## Nominations to GNLU General Council



**Prof (Dr) Ranbir Singh**  
Pro Chancellor  
IILM University



**Hon'ble Ms Justice Bela M. Trivedi**  
Hon'ble Judge,  
Supreme Court of India



**Mr S. V. Raju**  
Additional Solicitor General of India,  
Supreme Court of India

## Lal Bahadur Shastri National Award for GNLU General Council Member Dr Bakul Dholakia



In recognition of his paramount contribution to the field of management education, the 23rd Lal Bahadur Shastri National Award for Excellence was conferred upon GNLU General Council member and Former IIM Ahmedabad Director, Dr Bakul Dholakia, at the hands of Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Hon'ble Vice President of India, on 08 October.

In his speech at the award ceremony, Vice President Shri Dhankhar said, "Honoured to be presenting the 23rd Lal Bahadur Shastri National award to an outstanding and eminently deserving Dr Bakul Dholakia, a Padma Shree awardee, a versatile personality with significant contribution as an exalted educationist and economist. His tenure as IIM Ahmedabad Director was highly impactful."



## New Collaborations

### Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Maritime University



Gujarat National Law University (GNLU) and Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Maritime University (BSMRMU), Bangladesh, signed an MoU on 31 July 2022. The MoU aims to develop closer interaction, facilitate student and faculty exchanges, and share ideas and best practices.

The MoU was signed on the sideline of the seminar on *'Integrated Delta Governance and Ocean Management in the Bay of Bengal: Way Ahead'* held at the International Mother Language Institute, Dhaka.

GNLU Director Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar and BSMRMU Vice-Chancellor Rear Admiral M Khaled Iqbal, NBP, BSP, ndc, psc (retd), signed the MoU in the presence of Mr Dipu Moni, Honourable Minister of Education, People's Republic of Bangladesh; H.E. Mr Vikram K Doraiswami, High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh; and Mr Md. Abu Bakr Siddique, Secretary, Secondary and Higher Education Division, Bangladesh's Ministry of Education.

GNLU Director Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar said this MoU gives effect to the vision of the Prime ministers of India and Bangladesh to develop the maritime sector in both countries. It will pave a pathway for joint research on ocean management at the Bay of Bengal and address many other issues concerning India and Bangladesh. The epochal engagement of both universities will be significant for realising the shared vision of both prime ministers for a peaceful and prosperous maritime region.



### Indian Medical Association Gujarat State Branch



GNLU and Indian Medical Association Gujarat State Branch (IMA GSB) signed an MoU to launch a one-year PG Diploma Course in Medical Law, Policy and Ethics for Medical Professionals on 12 November 2022.

The MoU was signed by GNLU Director Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar and IMA GSB Secretary Dr Mehul Shah.

Dr Mehul Shah said knowledge of law is becoming increasingly necessary for a medical practitioner to navigate the challenges of today's complex healthcare landscape. Consequently, we are happy to join GNLU, one of the finest law universities in the country, to launch a new diploma course in Medical Law, Policy and Ethics for medical professionals. The knowledge of medical laws will enable medical practitioners to develop critical thinking about legal, ethical and professional issues and take professionally, ethically and legally justifiable decisions.

GNLU Director, Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar, said the law is all-pervasive. It touches upon all aspects of human relationships. Therefore, every professional should know the law governing their profession. More so, a medical professional as the doctor-patient is a unique and delicate relationship. The new course will provide an opportunity to study the contemporary legal and ethical challenges healthcare professionals face. It will have comprehensive coverage and we propose to bring together a multidisciplinary team of experts comprising law teachers, legal practitioners, clinicians, biomedical scientists, ethicists, and policymakers, for this course. The first batch of the diploma course commenced in January 2023.







At the inaugural (From L to R): Dr Anjani Singh Tomar, Head, GNLU's Centre for Criminal Justice Sciences; Prof. (Dr.) Purvi Pokhariyal, Dean, School of Law, Forensic Justice and Policy Studies, National Forensic Sciences University; Prof. (Dr.) S. Shanthakumar, Director, GNLU; Hon'ble Justice Shri Aravind Kumar, Chief Justice, Gujarat High Court (Chief Guest and Key Note Speaker); Hon'ble Justice Shri N.V. Anjaria, High Court of Gujarat (Guest of Honour); Prof. (Dr.) Nirmal Kanti Chakrabarti, Vice-Chancellor, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata (Guest of Honour); Prof. (Dr.) Thilagraj, President, Asian Criminological Society; and Dr Jagdeesh Chandra T. G., Registrar, GNLU

Gujarat National Law University and Asian Criminological Society jointly organised the 13th Asian Criminology Conference from 20 to 23 July 2022.

The Conference focused on two critical areas: where the existing laws are seen as being out-of-sync with contemporary technologies and where technology can play a significant role in the criminal justice process.

The Conference had two plenary sessions: *Cyber Crime and Cyber Security-Challenges and Solutions and Enabling the Criminal Justice System for forgiving and Healing*; and a roundtable on *Cyber Physical Systems Centric Cyber Crimes: What Should We Do To Manage It?* More than 300 papers were presented at the conference.

100+ participants from India, Macau, Sri Lanka, Australia, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Japan, Taiwan, Israel and China attended the conference. They had a

background in law and clinical psychology, criminology and forensics.

In his keynote address, Hon'ble Justice Shri Aravind Kumar, Chief Justice, Gujarat High Court, said that technology is advancing at a fast pace. The driverless car may soon become a reality in our country and leave the law gasping for breath. The question is whether our police investigators, forensic science experts, courts and judicial officers are trained and ready to deal with the challenges of fast-advancing technology?

Asian Criminological Society's President, Prof (Dr) Thilagraj said various studies indicate that the crime rate in Asian countries is significantly less compared to developed Western nations. Yet, it has always been western criminology that has been taught and studied in India, and not Indian criminology. Therefore, there is a dire need to understand the crime problem from an Asian perspective.



Justice Shri N. V. Anjaria at the inaugural



Gujarat Home Minister Shri Harsh Sanghvi at the Conference



## Vice President of India, Gujarat Governor and Chief Minister at GNLU

GNLU had the privilege of hosting the Hon'ble Vice President of India, Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Hon'ble Governor of Gujarat, Acharya Devvrat, and Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat, Shri Bhupendra Patel, for the

programme on *Excellence in Higher Education* organized by Education Department, Government of Gujarat and GNLU, on 14 October 2022.



**GNLU faculty with the distinguished Guests**





**Shri Acharya Devvrat**  
Gujarat Governor



**Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar**  
Vice President of India



**Shri Bhupendra Patel**  
Gujarat Chief Minister





# Fireside Chat with Union Law Minister Shri Kiren Rijiju

GNLU was delighted to welcome the Union Law Minister, Shri Kiren Rijiju, on campus for a fireside chat with students on 17 October 2022.







## GNLU Faculty and Staff with the Union Law Minister





## GNLU Foundation Day

GNLU celebrated its 19th Foundation Day with a colourful evening of dance and musical performances on 17 July 2022.





# Orientation Programme

GNLU organised an orientation programme for the newly admitted students to the five-year integrated undergraduate programme in law and one-year postgraduate programme in law on 21 July 2022. Shri Lalit Bhasin, Senior Advocate & President, Society of Indian Law Firms; and Ms Paridhi Adani, Partner (Head- Ahmedabad), Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas graced the programme as Guests of Honour.



Ms Paridhi Adani



Shri Lalit Bhasin



GNLU Alum: Ankoosh



GNLU Alum: Payel Chatterjee



GNLU Alum: Nisarg Desai



The incoming Batch with the Distinguished Guests and Faculty



# Teachers' Day Celebration









# Field Work and Rural Immersion





# Research and Development Cell

## New Publications

### Ensuring Integrity: Lessons from Judiciary

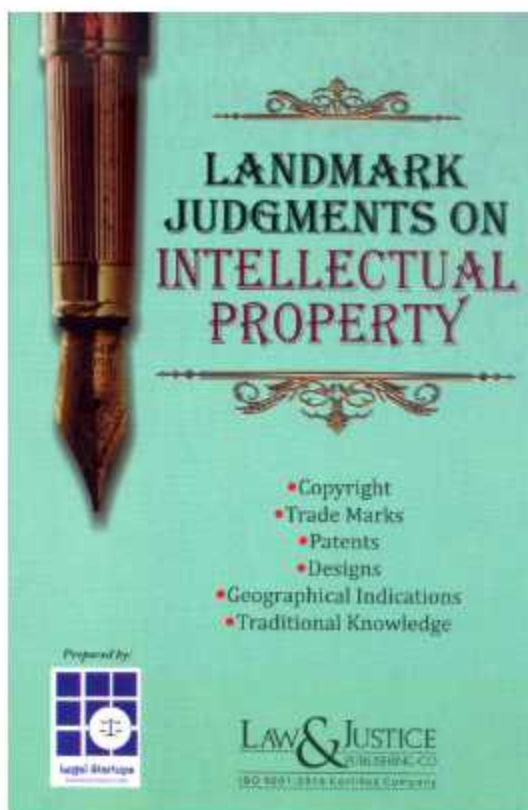
#### Landmark Judgements on Anti-corruption, Public Servant Misconduct and Related Aspects



Gujarat Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel released the book *Ensuring Integrity: Lessons from Judiciary Landmark Judgements on Anti-corruption, Public Servant Misconduct and Related Aspects* authored by Gujarat State Vigilance Commissioner Ms Sangeeta Singh, IAS (Retd.); GNLU Director Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar; Gujarat High Court Advocate Mr Aditya Gor; and GNLU's Assistant Professor (Research) Mr Tarun.

The book covers 110 landmark judgements between 1950 and 2021 on preventing corruption, duties of public servants and related aspects. They include 77 judgements of the Supreme Court of India, 26 judgements by various High Courts, two judgements by session courts and five pronouncements by foreign courts. The book is published by Thomson Reuters (ISBN: 978-93-93702-71-5).

## Landmark Judgements on Intellectual Property



Kalpesh Gupta, Nidhi Buch and Hardik Parikh (eds) *Landmark Judgements on Intellectual Property*, Law and Justice Publishing Co., 2022, ISBN 9789393850003

This compilation will enable the reader to understand evolving judicial jurisprudence related to Copyright, Trademark, Patents, Designs, Geographical Indications and Traditional Knowledge in India. A sincere attempt is made to ensure that case summaries retain and accurately reflect the jurisprudential essence of each case. It will help readers in imbibing the insight with which legal provisions are interpreted and applied. It will be helpful to law students, lawyers and anyone interested in learning about intellectual property jurisprudence in India.



Dr Kalpesh Gupta  
GNLU Alum  
PhD 2017



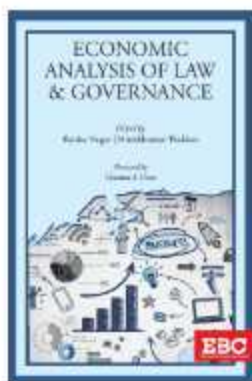
Dr Nidhi Buch  
Assistant  
Professor of Law



Dr Hardik Parikh  
Assistant  
Professor of Law



## Economic Analysis of Law and Governance



Ranita Nagar and Hitesh Kumar Thakkar (editors)  
*Economic Analysis of Law and Governance*, EBC,  
ISBN 9789394364448.

The book covers papers on the economics approach to various topics ranging from crimes, taxation, banking, and dispute settlement to socio-economic issues related to women, the environment and the effect of COVID-19. The book contains a foreword by Dr Thomas Ulen, Research Professor and Swanlund Chair Emeritus, University of Illinois. It was launched at the inaugural session of the workshop on Law and Economics organised by GNLU Centre for Law and Economics.



Prof (Dr) Ranita Nagar  
Professor of Economics



Dr Hiteshkumar Thakkar  
Assistant Professor of  
Economics

### New Research Projects

#### Multijurisdictional study on drug pricing policies with a focus on affordable access to medicine

National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority, Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, Government of India, awarded a research project, “*Multijurisdictional study on drug pricing policies with a focus on affordable access to medicine*” to a GNLU-led consortium.

The other institutions in the consortium are Bangalore Bioinnovation Centre (BBC) and Bridge Think Tank, New Delhi. BBC is a joint initiative of the Department of Biotechnology, Government of India and the Department of Electronics, IT, BT and S&T, Government of Karnataka.

#### Consultancy Assignments:

##### Gujarat Water Supply and Sewerage Board

Gujarat Water Supply and Sewerage Board (GWSSB) has assigned a consultancy assignment to Dr R. K. Singh to advise GWSSB on the effective implementation of the Gujarat Domestic Water Supply Protection Act, 2019.

##### Women's safety audit in Jodhpur and Aurangabad

National Commission for Women (NCW) has appointed GNLU to conduct a Women's safety audit in Jodhpur and Aurangabad. This project is a part of the NCW's larger Women's Safety Audit project in 12 tier - II Indian cities.

The objective of the audit is to assess the level of safety experienced by women in public spaces and workspaces in the city based on a sample survey and Focused Group Discussions. The audit will include the audit of physical and social infrastructure for safety and the perception of safety in public spaces.

GNLU faculty team comprising Dr Deesha Khaire, Dr Mahesh Chaudhary and Dr Dhanya S. will undertake this project.

Dr Nidhi Buch, *Role of Authorised users in adding efficacy to GI protection in India: Issues and Challenges* in an edited book titled “*Geographical Indication Protection in India: The Evolving Paradigm*”, Springer, September 2022, ISBN 978-981-19-4295-2 ISBN 978-981-19-4296-9

The project will study the regulatory policy framework on drug pricing and its operational implementation in ten jurisdictions (Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, China, EU, UK, Australia, USA, Brazil, South Africa, and Thailand) to identify best practices and lessons learnt from these countries and regions. The project will also study other policy aspects that impact the availability and affordability of medicine in these jurisdictions.

GNLU Director Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar will steer the project at GNLU end with the help of Dr Deesha Khaire, Assistant Professor of Law.

#### Research Chat Room Predatory Journals

Prof (Dr) Pramod K. Nayar, Professor of English at the University of Hyderabad; Dr Shubhada Nagarkar, Associate Professor and Co-ordinator of the Centre for Publication Ethics, Savitribai Phule Pune University; and Dr Sumit Narula, Deputy Dean (Research) at Amity University, Gwalior participated in the Research Chat Room for research scholars, on 29 November 2022.

#### Gender, Disability and Sports

Ms Ekta Bhyan, Indian Paralympian, Ms Deepthi Bopaiah, CEO, GoSports Foundation and Ms Molina Asthana, President Elect, Law Institute of Victoria discussed issues related to treatment of specially-abled athletes with special reference to India, various inclusivity models that the sports ecosystem has and the way forward to create better opportunities for specially abled as well as women athletes in India.

Dr. Niyati Pandey, Head, GNLU Centre for Sports and Entertainment Law moderated the discussion.

### Book Chapters

(eBook)  
Apoorva Patel, “*Tryst with Social Work: A Journey Worth Reflection*”, Work and Life of a Professional Social Worker, Indian Society of Professional Social Work (ISPSW) 2022, ISBN: 978-81-954684-4-7



## Journal Articles:

1. Ms. Dhanya, "Right to Healthcare in India: Current Status, Issues and Challenges", GNLU Journal of Law Development and Politics, 2022 ISSN-0975-0193 (UGC Care Listed)
2. Dr. Nidhi Buch, 'Green Cloud Computing: A hoax? A study on the environmental impact of cloud.', Indian Journal of Environmental Protection, November-2022, ISSN 0253-7141 (SCOPUS and UGC Care list (Group II))
3. Dr. Nidhi Buch, "Analysing the impact of Online Digital Piracy on the Indian Film Industry: An Empirical Investigation into Consumer Behaviour" Journal of Intellectual Property Rights., November-2022, ISSN: 0975-1076 (Online) ISSN: 0971-7544 (Print) (SCOPUS)
4. Dr. K. Parameswaran, "An Analysis of the impact of Climate Change on the health of Children" International Journal of Early Childhood Special Education, 2022, ISSN 1308-5581, (Web of Science)
5. Dr. K. Parameswaran, "The Study of the impact of Carbon Taxes in thwarting the impending danger posed by Climate Change" Lex Humana, 2022, ISSN 2175-0947, (Web of Science)
6. Dr. K. Parameswaran, "Sustainable fishery: Combating IUU fishing through people's participation to ensure environmental justice" Maritime Affairs: Journal of the National Maritime Foundation of India RNMF, 2022, RNMF 2131248, (SCOPUS)
7. Apoorva Patel & Dr. A. N. Rao, "Policy Ecosystem of Social Entrepreneurship for Sustainable and Resilient Development: A Doctrinal Review", Lecture Notes in Civil Engineering, volume 294. Springer, Singapore, 2022, Print ISBN 978-981-19-6296-7, (SCOPUS)
8. Apoorva Patel & Dr. A. N. Rao, "Role of Partnerships within Social Entrepreneurship for Sustainable Development" International Journal of Mechanical Engineering. Volume. 7. Kalahari Journals., 2022, ISSN: 0974-5823, (SCOPUS and UGC Care list (Group II))
9. Apoorva Patel & Dr. A. N. Rao, "Cross-sector Collaboration as an Enabler for Fostering Social Entrepreneurial & Innovation Resilience" Journal of Social Work and Social Development., 2022, ISSN 2229-6468, (UGC Care)
10. Dr. A. Marisport, Dr. Saira Gori, Dr. Anjani Singh Tomar, "The Facets of Cyber Crime against women in India: Issues & Challenges", Journal of Positive School Psychology, 6 October, 2022, ISSN: 2717-7564
11. Dr. Saira Gori, Dr. Anjani Singh Tomar, Paper titled "Global Security Concerns and Limiting Armed Drone Proliferation" Accepted in Journal of Scholastic Modelling & Application Journal, December 2022, ISSN: 0972-3641
12. Dr. Saira Gori, Paper titled "DNA Profiling and its efficacy in Indian Criminal Justice System: An Analytical study of the DNA Technology (Use and Application) Regulation Bill, 2019", GNLU Journal of Law, Development and Politics, November 2022

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## PhD Awards

### Two doctoral students awarded a PhD



Ms Charu Srivastava was awarded a PhD for her doctoral thesis "*A Comparative Study of Copyright Violations in the Entertainment Sector with Emphasis on Cinematograph Film in India, The US and Germany*" under the guidance of Prof (Dr) Shobhalata Udapudi.

She holds an LLM in Business Laws from the National Law School of India University, Bangalore, and has eight years of professional experience. She is currently an Assistant Professor of Law at the School of Law, University of Petroleum & Energy Studies, Dehradun.



Mr Ravi Saxena was awarded a PhD for his doctoral thesis "*Changing Contours of Dalit Identities and Responses of Indian Legal System: Re-contextualizing Phule, Gandhi and Ambedkar in Contemporary Dalit Discourses*" under the guidance of Dr William Nunes and Dr Vikas Gandhi (Co-Supervisor).

He teaches Political Science and International Relations at Kirit P. Mehta School of Law, NMIMS (Deemed to be University), Mumbai. He has 15 years of teaching experience.





# Diversity Week





# Alumni

## 15 more alums set to join judiciary in four states

Fifteen GNLU alums have qualified for appointment in the judiciary of four states: Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana and Bihar. One of them, Sangeeta Moga, qualified for appointment in the judiciary of two states: Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan.

### Gujarat Judiciary



**Aditya Gor**  
2015-20  
Rank 1



**Shipra Sayal**  
LLM 2021-22  
Rank 16



**Aakanksha Parashar**  
2011-16  
Rank 26



**Prakhar Gautam**  
2016-21  
Rank 43



**Priya Kumari Kala**  
LLM 2016-17  
Rank 53

### Rajasthan Judiciary



**Sangeeta Moga**  
2013-18  
Rank 8



**Karuna Meena**  
2014-19  
Rank 86



**Vinod Panwar**  
2013-18  
Rank 94



**Bhavya Jharwal**  
2016-2021  
Rank 104



**Poonam Yogi**  
2009-14  
Rank 118

### Haryana Judiciary



**Mayank Gupta**  
2016-21  
Rank 64



**Mandeep Singh Rana**  
2015-20  
Rank 81



**Priya Kumari**  
BSW LL.B 2015-2020 &  
LLM 2020-21  
Rank 179



**Tulika Shankar**  
LLM 2019-2020  
Rank 391



**Aparajita Anand**  
LLM 2019-20  
Rank 203

### Bihar Judiciary



## GNLU Community raised funds for Flood Relief work in North-eastern states

When the north-eastern states, especially Assam, experienced devastating floods affecting millions of people and claiming nearly 200 human lives, GNLU students under the Department of Alumni Relations took initiative to raise funds for the victims of the devastating flood just as they did for the migrant workers during COVID-19 pandemic and the Kashmir flood victims.



## GNLU alums felicitated by the Union Law Minister

Hon'ble Minister of Law & Justice, Government Of India, Shri Kiren Rijju, felicitated GNLU alums for their outstanding work in diverse fields. Shri Rijju visited GNLU campus for a Fireside Chat with GNLU students, on 17 October 2022.



**Devarsh Patel (2004-09)**  
Co-founder of Mocha and Kraft Beverages and Partner at Dalal and Patel. Providing pro bono legal aid service.



**Jeet Jayant Bhatt (2004-09)**  
Standing Counsel for the Official Liquidator and Panel Advocate for Gujarat High Court Legal Services Committee.



**Konark Rai (2005-10)**  
Founder of Rudram Dynamics, working in the National Security domain. Earlier, Political & Policy Analyst with UN Peacekeeping Operations.



**Maitri Raval (2013-18)**  
Currently, with *Ethics Matter*, she is a trainer, advisor and external committee member for corporates under POSH at work place law.



**Nirmal Mathew (2013-18)**  
A lawyer with E&Y. Works at the intersection of law, national security and public finance. Founding member of the School of Strategic Affairs at Rashtriya Raksha University.



**Nishant Laoria (2013-18)**  
Mediation Advocate and Founding Partner of the PACT. Working on an affordable online training programme to make mediation accessible to students.



**Vikrant Pachnanda (2006-11)**  
A partner at Fox and Mandal and one of the renowned lawyers of the Supreme Court and the Delhi High Court. His work was appreciated by Justice Deepak Gupta and Shri K. K. Venugopal, former Attorney General. He is the Founder and Chief Editor of the India Law Journal.

### Recognition for outstanding community service for Akankhya



Hon'ble President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu, presented the National Service Scheme Award to Akankhya Kabi, a GNLU alumna (LLM 2021-22) at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi, on 24 September 2022. The award was given to her to recognise and reward her outstanding contribution towards voluntary community service. Akankhya is a National Award Winning Actor, Dancer and International Chess Player.



## GNLU alums felicitated by the Vice-President of India

Hon'ble Vice-President of India, Shri Jagdeep Dhankar, felicitated three GNLU alums who have qualified for appointment in different state judicial services. The Vice-President was on GNLU campus for a programme on Excellence in Higher Education.



**Ishan Vyas 2006-11**  
Chhattisgarh Judicial Services



**Tulika Shankar LLM 2019-20**  
Bihar Judicial Services



**Vinod Panwar 2013-18**  
Rajasthan Judicial Services

## Rosalind, Lady Carlisle Award at Cambridge



Raghu Kohli (2016-21) was awarded the prestigious Rosalind, Lady Carlisle Award 2022 for securing a first in each of his subjects in the LLM programme at Cambridge. He is now in Delhi and pursuing litigation.



Abhinav Saxena (2004-09) is nominated as Chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee, Bhartiya Global MSME Forum. Abhinav is the co-founding partner of the law firm, Saxenas And Kumar Law Chambers LLP.



Divya Tripathi (2015-20) became the youngest Deputy Legal Head of Vedanta ESL Steel Limited on 01 December 2022. She earned this fast-track promotion in a little over two years with Vedanta, her first job through campus placement.

## Challenges and Opportunities of Advocacy: An Inside Story

GNLU Alums Rohan Lavkumar Shah (2007-12) and Harsh Parekh (2005-10) delivered expert lectures on "Challenges and Opportunities of Advocacy: An Inside Story" on 05 September and 09 September, respectively.



Sachin Kumar Sharma (LLM 2019-20)'s edited book titled "Corporate Governance: Legal Framework and Policies", with a foreword by Hon'ble Justice (Retd) Geeta Mittal, Former Chief Justice, J&K High Court, is published by Satyam Law International - ISBN 9789391345075. The book also contains a chapter authored by

him and titled "Shareholders Activism and Corporate Governance: An Insight into India's Corporate Sector".



Faiz Ansari (LLM 2018-19) was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation by the Parul Institute of Law's Academic Review Committee for his appreciable academic and research performance.

## PhD Alums

Dr Kalpesh kumar L Gupta (PhD 2017)-initiative, Pro Bono India, published a book, *Landmark Judgements on Intellectual Property*. His other initiative, Legal Startups, published a book, *Landmark Judgements initiated by NGOs*.





# Student Moot Achievers

**32<sup>nd</sup> Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition, 2022 Asia Pacific Rounds**

**First Runners Up**



Snigdha Ghosh  
2019-24



Ananya Mohapatra  
2019-24



Ashik Shoukath  
2018-23

Ananya Mohapatra: Best Oralist

**21<sup>st</sup> Henry Dunant Memorial Moot Court Competition, 2022 National Rounds**

**Runners-Up**



Kanan Shivhare  
Batch 2021-2026



Sashank Saravanan  
Batch 2021-26



Kushagra Yadav  
Batch 2021-26

**ALSA International Moot Court Competition, 2022 International Rounds**

**Best Respondent Memorial**



Kamakhya Nadge  
2020- 2025



Parthiv Joshi  
2020-2025



Ayush Pratap Singh  
2019-2024



Anushree Srivastava  
2021-2026



Priyanshi Rajput  
2020-2025

Kamakhya Nadge: AIADR Best Advocate

**3<sup>rd</sup> NALSAR-UNHCR Public International Law Moot Court Competition 2022 International Rounds**

**Best Memorial (Applicant)**



Sidharth Pai  
2019-24



Sahil Kripalani  
2021-26



Raashi Sarupria  
2021-26

Sidharth Pai: Best Speaker

**Mediate Guru's 2nd Virtual International Arbitration Moot 2022**

**Runner's Up  
Internship at Luthra and Luthra Law Offices India**



Akshita Bhansali  
Batch 2021-2026



Trisha Sharma  
Batch 2021-26



Yashvi Bhagat  
Batch 2020-25



**Louis M Brown and Forrest S Mosten International Client Consultation Competition, 2022  
India Rounds**

**Semi finalists**



Priyanshi Bajpai  
2020-2025



Ojasi Gopikrishna  
2021-2026

**3<sup>rd</sup> NIU National Moot Court Competition, 2022**

**Best Memorial Quarter-Finalists**



Rakhel Kumar Sahoo  
2021-2026



Shreya Lunia  
2021-2026



Anand Vardhan  
2021-26

**VIII NLS Negotiation, Mediation and Client-Counselling Competition, 2022  
(National Rounds)**

**Winner of the Mediation (Mediator) Segment**



Shubham Sehgal Batch  
2021-26



Niharika Agarwal  
2021-26

**1st MNU Nagpur National Moot Court Competition, 2022**

**Quarter-Finalist**



Simran Srivastava  
2020-25



Jay Shah  
2020-25



Soumyabrata Chakraborty  
2021-26

**NCC International Youth Exchange Programme**



GNLU NCC Cadet, Senior Under Officer Manvendra Singh Shekhawat (2020-25), participated in the NCC International Youth Exchange Programme held in Dhaka, Bangladesh, from 12 to 23 December 2022.

As a member of the Indian delegation, he participated in the Bangladesh Victory Day Celebration. He also had an opportunity to meet and interact with the Bangladesh President, Prime Minister, Army Chief, Air Force Chief, Navy Chief, and delegates from other countries.

He was felicitated by Major General Arvind Kapoor, Additional Director General, NCC Directorate, Gujarat, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu.



Dev Shroff (2021-26) presented a research paper on maritime law at the third All India Legal History Congress held at NLIU, Bhopal, and stood in the top 10.



Aarsh Soni and Ayush Aryan's paper "Decoding the Bhoodan Paradox" won the Best Paper award in the National Conference on Land Laws and Land Planning organised by GNLU and Bharatiya Kisan Sangh.



# Sports

## GNLU emerged the champion of NLIU Bhopal's Sports Fest



GNLU contingent bagged the "Best Contingent" title, securing the first position in Football, Basketball (Girls), Futsal, Lawn Tennis, Table tennis, and Badminton, and winning 28 Gold, 07 Silver, and 11 Bronze medals.

### Eklavya Award for Radhapriya



Radhapriya Goel (2021-26) is honoured with the 'Eklavya Award' by the Sports Directorate, Government of Uttar Pradesh for her achievements, medals and glory she has won for India and her state, Uttar Pradesh, in the sporting field of table tennis. Eklavya Award is one of the highest sporting honours of the State.

Radhapriya represented India at World Table Tennis Youth Contender Jezzine held at Jezzine, Lebanon, from 14-20 November 2022 in the Under 19 Girls Singles Category.

She led Uttar Pradesh's Table Tennis Women's Team at the 36th National Games of India held in Gujarat from 29 September to 12 October 2022.

She also led the Uttar Pradesh Table Tennis Team at the Kashi Tamil Sangamam, a month-long cultural exchange programme held at Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. The programme was inaugurated by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi. The table tennis matches were inaugurated by Hon'ble Sports Minister of India, Shri Anurag Thakur.

### Inter-Batch Sports Championship



**The Best Male Athlete  
Divyang Shukla**



**The Champions  
2019-24 batch**



**The Best Female Athlete  
Parvati Meena and Viti Bansal**

The Inter-Batch Sports Championship saw massive participation with more than 400 students of the UG LLM programmes competing for the championship trophy. They participated in 11 different sports over three weeks: Football, Basketball, Badminton, Cricket, Table Tennis, Lawn Tennis, Volleyball, Carom, Chess, Lawn Tennis and Athletics.



# Recruitment

Yet another record of Day Zero Offers

GNLU completed the Day Zero recruitment process for the 2018-23 batch with a record-break 113 offers, including 38 PPOs.



**Day Zero Recruiters**  
Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas  
Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas  
Trilegal  
Khaitan & Co.  
Indus Law  
Luthra & Luthra Law Offices  
Argus Partners  
AZB & Partners  
Finsec Law Advisors  
Saraf & Partners  
ICICI Bank









## Faculty



GNLU Director, Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar, was conferred the Capital Foundation Justice Kuldipsingh National Award in recognition of his outstanding contribution to Environmental Law. The award was conferred by the former Chief Justice of India, Justice N.V. Ramana, in the distinguished presence of Mr Naveen Patnaik, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha, on 04 September 2022.



Dr K. Parameswaran, Associate Professor of Law, is nominated to the Advisory Board of PISLAP, a leading Think-Tank on Spirituality, Law and Politics in the USA.

Recognised as a CBT Therapist under Feeling Good Institute of TEAM Psychotherapy, USA's India Chapter.

Nominated as a member of the Jindal Global University's Centre for Complexity Economics, Applied Spirituality and Public Policy.



Dr Nidhi Buch, Assistant Professor of Law was felicitated for her outstanding contribution to the IP Domain in the State of Gujarat at the 6<sup>th</sup> IPFEST organised by the IPPO in collaboration with the Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 11 November 2022.



Ms. Pratikalpa Sharma, Assistant Professor (Research) represented India and GNLU at the Women in Law of the Sea Conference held in New York at UN Headquarters from 26 to 28 September 2022 and organized by the International Seabed Authority in partnership with the Permanent Mission of Singapore as part of the celebrations of the 40th anniversary of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea. Her nomination was approved by the Ministry of Earth and Sciences, Government of India. She delivered a session on 'Enhancing the participation of women in the law of the sea: Indian Perspective'.



### GNLU shines at the State Master's Athletics championship

19-member GNLU contingent participated in the 8<sup>th</sup> State Master's Athletics championship held at the Government Sports Complex, Nadiad, on 10 & 11 December 2022, and 14 of them won 25 Medals (five Gold, 12 Silver and eight Bronze) in different athletic events.



## V.S. Mani Centre For Air And Space Law GNLU Air and Space Law Academy



GNLU's V.S. Mani Centre for Air and Space Law (VSMCASL), in collaboration with the Institute of Air Law, Space Law and Cyber Law, University of Cologne, organised the 7th edition of GNLU Air and Space Law Academy from 26 to 30 September 2022.

Pro (Dr) Stephan Hobe, Director, Institute of Air Law, Space Law and Cyber Law, University of Cologne, Germany; and Mr Ajay Kharbanda, Chief Legal Officer, North and West Sector, GMR Airports Limited, graced the inauguration ceremony. VSMCASL's Head, Dr Divya Tyagi, proposed a vote of thanks.

Spanned over five days, the Academy revolved around the latest issues in space law: space tourism, space debris, commercial space mining, environmental harm, space exploration, international liability for incidents in space, national space policies, challenges relating to territorial sovereignty and its extension in air and space, aviation-related crimes and aerial terrorism, air accidents and incident investigation regime.

The resource persons for the Academy included experts in the field of air and space law from India and overseas. The participants comprised the Indian Air Force officers, industry experts, students, and academicians.

### V. S. Mani Memorial Lecture

Prof. M Gandhi, Professor and Dean, VIT School of Law, Vellore Institute of Technology, Chennai delivered the 05<sup>th</sup> V. S. Mani Memorial Lecture on 30 September 2022.

Prof (Dr) V. S. Mani was GNLU's founding director. He passed away in August 2016. GNLU instituted this lecture series in honour of the late Prof Mani, an expert in the field of Air and Space Law.

### V.S. Mani Memorial National Essay Competition

The 4th Prof. V.S. Mani Memorial National Essay Competition focused on contemporary air and space law issues. The competition received 26 entries from graduate and postgraduate students across the Country.

The essay competition is an endeavour to commemorate the inspiring contribution of Prof (Dr) V.S. Mani in the field of international law, particularly air and space law.

Prof (Dr) Stephan Hobe, Institute of Air Law, Space Law and Cyber Law, University of Cologne, Germany, supports this competition with a generous grant.

## GNLU Centre for Constitutional and Administrative Law Constitution Day 2022

Mr A. Mariarputham, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court Of India, delivered a special lecture to celebrate Constitution Day 2022.

Mr Mariarputham focused on the constitutional provisions of reservation policy. He tracked the history of landmark judgements right from the 1951 Supreme Court judgement in the Champakam Dorairajan case leading to the First Amendment of the Constitution to the most recent Supreme Court judgement upholding the constitutional validity of the 103<sup>rd</sup> amendment providing 10 per cent reservation for the economically weaker section (EWS) of society for admission to educational institutions and employment in Central Government jobs.

In reply to a question, Mr Mariarputham said that Tamil Nadu is the only state having 69 per cent reservations despite the 1992 SC judgement that the total reservations under Article 16(4) should not exceed 50 per cent. The plea against the same is pending before the Supreme Court. The recent SC judgement upholding a 10 per cent reservation for EWS may change the contours of that case.

He also said that reservations are warranted because we do not address the underlying problem. There are disparities in society. Some people enjoy advantages over others by birth. If we devise a proper equalising method to address these disparities, perhaps reservations may not be necessary.



# GNLU Centre for Women and Child Rights

## Right to Education Conclave



GNLU Centre for Women and Child Rights (GCWCR), jointly with the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) and Indus Action, organised a two-day Right to Education Conclave to bring academicians, students, and activists together to work towards the effective implementation of the Right to Education (RTE) Act.

NCPCR Chairperson Shri Priyank Kanoon goinaugurated the conclave.

At the inaugural ceremony, a Step-by-step Guide on How to claim reservation in private schools under the Right to Education Act was released. GCWCR student members prepared this bi-lingual handbook in English and Gujarati for the intended beneficiaries.

Smt. Smriti Irani, Women and Child Development Minister, Government of India, virtually presided over the valedictory session as a Chief Guest. She emphasised the philosophical value of education. She said the bigger purpose of education is to cultivate better life experiences.



**Smt. Smriti Irani**

In a run-up to the conclave, students organised *RTE Utsav* comprising many activities such as art workshops, poster-making, quizzes, Chai pe Charcha, movie screenings, cultural programmes, etc.

## GNLU Centre for Sports and Entertainment Law

### Online Consultation on National Sports Policy, 2022

GNLU Centre for Sports and Entertainment Law (GCSEL), in collaboration with the Sports and Society Accelerator (SSA), organised an online consultation on National Sports Policy, 2022.

The consultation document was submitted to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India.

### ISLJ Conference on International Sports Law, Asser Institute, The Hague

GCSEL Head Dr Niyati Pandey and GCSEL Member Mr Tarun were invited to the prestigious ISLJ Conference on International Sports Law, Asser Institute, The Hague, where they presented their work on the inclusion of transgender athletes in sports.

### MoU with Sports and Society Accelerator (SSA)

This MOU focuses on strategic collaboration between GNLU and the SSA to promote research, teaching and dialogue on sports aspects from a societal and legal perspective and cooperation in sports for society through legal and regulatory frameworks.

## GNLU Centre for Intellectual Property Rights

### Certificate Course: Contouring innovation in the 21st century through the Intellectual Property and Tech Interface

Ms Chaani Srivastava, IP Attorney, LOCS Online and a GNLU alum, conducted this one-credit certificate course from 09 to 24 September. She has a BSc. LLB from GNLU and an LLM from the University of Berkeley, California. The course received an overwhelming response, with over 70 registrations.

### IP FEST

GCIPR was a knowledge partner in the 6<sup>th</sup> IP FEST organised by IPPO and GCCI on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at GCCI Ahmedabad.





## GNLU Centre for Business & Public Policy

### Advanced Certificate Programme on Capital Markets and Securities Laws



Mr Soundararajan Venkatadas, Chief Operating Officer of MCX Clearing Corporation Limited, inaugurated the Advanced Certificate Programme on Capital Markets and

#### QUIZ

Kavya Ramasubramanian and Prajwal won the first prize. Vedik Krishnan and Alankar Bhatnagar secured the second prize, and Satej Desale and Shubham Mangla secured the third prize.

Securities Laws on 03 December 2022. He also delivered a lecture on "*Capital Formation and Investor Wealth Maximization through Capital Markets: An Insider's Perspective*".

#### Expert Lecture on Data Analytics

Mr Harshil Gandhi, Data Analyst Officer at Citi Bank, delivered an expert lecture on "Unlocking Values of Data Analytics" on 11 October 2022.

## GNLU Centre for Corporate and Insolvency Law

### GCCIL celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary



GNLU Centre for Corporate and Insolvency Law (GCCIL) completed ten years on 13 October 2022. The centre planned a series of activities for the tenth-anniversary celebrations, which began with a quiz competition on corporate governance and CSR activities on 13 October 2022. The other planned activities include a public lecture, essay competition, certificate course in collaboration with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India, mock CIRP, and a three-day convention that will include UNCITRAL Asia Pacific Day RCAP@10: The Next10 Years of Legal Harmonization in the Region.

## GNLU Centre for Law and Technology

### Certificate Course: FinTech and Challenges

GNLU Centre for Law and Technology (GCLT) offered a short-term certificate course on Fintech and Challenges on 03 & 04 September 2022. The course covered topics such as Cryptocurrency & Digital Currency, Impact of

Artificial Intelligence on Fin Tech, Fintech & Startups, Fin Tech & Tax Challenges, FinTech & Mobile Technology, Fin Tech & Digital Economy, Fintech & Developing Economies, and FinTech & Indian Legal Scenario.



# GNLU Centre for Research in Criminal Justice Sciences

## Image-building workshop for police officers



About 25 police officers participated in the Police Image Building Workshop, which also included a quiz about the Indian Penal Code, Criminal Procedure Code and current affairs.

### India @ 75: Revisiting National Security and Governance



Dr Prabhakaran Paleri



Shri Narsimha Komar

Dr Prabhakaran Paleri, Former director general of the Indian Coast Guard addressed the webinar on *National Security: a Contrarian Appraisal @ 75* while Shri Narsimha Komar, IPS, Additional Director General of Police of Law and Order, Gujarat, shared his thoughts on *Indian Policing @ 75*.

### 162 years of the Indian Penal Code, 1860

GCRCJS Head, Dr Anjani Singh Tomar, shared her thoughts on the importance of IPC in achieving justice and the need to make some amendments to align with the Indian philosophy and culture. The discussion was organised on 06 October 2022, commemorating the enactment of the landmark criminal law act on the said date in 1860

### Crime and Justice Discourse Series

- Use of VPN (Virtual private network) in Committing Cyber Crimes
- Is Hate Speech hollowing the Indian Democracy? It's Determination, Restriction and Regulation.

## GNLU Centre for Environmental Law, Sustainable Development and Climate Change



The centre organised a series of activities under the Climate Change Youth Outreach Fortnight Programme of the Government of Gujarat:

### Elocution Competition

Topics: Role of different sections of society in combating climate change, Respect Food, Lifestyle for Environment, Save Soil, and Panchamrit Goals

### Slogan Writing Competition

Themes: Environment, Climate Change, Forest, Biodiversity, and Waste Management



### Essay Competition

Themes: Roadmap for Energy Independence, Net Zero Goals, Gujarat's Climate-Friendly Traditions, Renewable Energy, Biodiversity, and Natural Farming

### Group Discussion

Topic: FMCG Products' reliance on single-use plastics: ban, feasibility and search for alternatives

### Brainstorming session

on Innovative Ideas to Combat Climate Change.



# GNLU Legal Services Committee

## GNLU Pro Bono Club Inauguration

GNLU Pro Bono Club, established in association with the Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India's Pan India scheme on Access to Justice titled 'Designing Innovative Solutions and Holistic Access to Justice (DISHA)', was inaugurated on 16 September 2022.

Selected GNLU students (Pro Bono Associates) will provide pro bono legal services to unassisted and disadvantaged persons in society. They will also assist pro bono advocates and promote alternative dispute resolution mechanisms.

## Lok Manch: A Discourse series Theme: Human Rights



### Abortion Rights in India: A Progression from the West?

Advocate Srishti Agnihotri, Advocate-on-Record in the Supreme Court of India, engaged the first session on "Abortion Rights in India: A Progression from the West?" in light of the recent US Supreme Court judgement that overruled the landmark judgement given in Roe v. Wade.

### Rights and Lives of the LGBTQ+ Community: A Rural Perspective

Ms Maya Sharma, Co-founder of Vikalp Women's Group and author of "Footprints of the Queer History: Life Stories from Gujarat" and "Loving Women: Being Lesbian in Underprivileged India", addressed the students in the second session of LokManch on the plight of the LGBTQ+ community, particularly in rural India. She has been working for the upliftment and empowerment of transgender and sexual minorities through "Vikalp" for more than 25 years.



## Workshop: Rising to Meet the Challenge: Pro Bono Legal Aid response to Domestic Violence

Tamil Nadu National Law University's Vice-chancellor Prof (Dr) V. S. Elizabeth, Delhi-based law firm Pratap & Company's partner Advocate Prachi Pratap, and Gujarat Institute of Development Research's Assistant Professor and Ahmedabad Women's Action Group Secretary Dr Jharna Pathak were the resource persons for this workshop.

## State-Level Pro Bono Clubs Meet

GNLU Pro Bono Club, in collaboration with National Forensic Sciences University, Nirma University's Institute of Law, Karnavati University, and Parul Institute of Law, organised the state-level Pro Bono Clubs Meet on 30 September 2022.

## Menstrual Hygiene drive at Koba



## Adult Literacy Project



## Nukkad Natak on Women's Equality Day





## GNLU Legal Incubation Council



### Gujarat Government Grant for GNLU under Student Startup & Innovation Policy

GNLU Director Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar and Registrar Incharge Dr Jagdessh Chandra T. G. receiving a cheque for the Government of Gujarat grant under Student Startup & Innovation Policy 2.0 from Gujarat Governor Hon'ble Shri Acharya Devvrat. The Hon'ble Governor was on GNLU Campus for a program on Excellence in Higher Education, on 14 October.

### Startups felicitated by the Vice-President

Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Hon'ble Vice President of India, felicitated four Legal Startups, including three GLIC-incubated startups:



#### GLIC-incubated Truxport founder Mr Shane John

Founded by 2018-23 batch students Shane John and Suryansh Singh, Truxport digitises legally mandated documents for Indian Logistics Industry with a technology infrastructure that simplifies operations for all stakeholders in the supplychain.

**Government appreciation for GLIC :** On Gujarat receiving a spot in the top category of "Best Performers" in the State Startup Ranking Framework 2021 at national level, Gujarat's Industries Commissioner appreciated GNLU for supporting the State Government in implementing these reforms.

**Design Thinking Workshop :** Founder of Innodesk Designation, Mr Karmjitsinh Bihola, conducted the workshop to sensitise the students about the Design Thinking concept. He explained the five-step Design Thinking process: Empathise, Define, Ideate, Prototype and Test.

**Entrepreneurship, Legal Tech & Innovation :** Co-Founder of *Agami*, Mr Sachin Malhan, delivered a session on Entrepreneurship, Legal Tech & Innovation on 14 October 2022.



#### GLIC-incubated ProBono India's founder Dr Kalpesh Gupta

Founded by Dr Kalpesh Kumar Gupta (PhD 2017), ProBono India aims to integrate legal aid and awareness initiatives for the positive development of society with a robust socio-legal approach. It has ventured into different avenues, such as legal aid, awareness, intervention, journalism, activism, etc.



#### GLIC-Incubated Acing CLAT's founder Ms Divisha Agarwal

Founded by GNLU alums Divisha Agarwal and Sharasti Jain, Acing CLAT is a team of NLUites working with the vision of training CLAT aspirants who can't access or afford traditional coaching for CLAT & AILET preparation. In the last three years, 80+ Acing CLAT students have made it to NLU's, including NLSIU, NALSAR, NUJS, NLU, GNLU, and NLIU.



## **GNLU Centre for Law and Economics**

### **Workshop on Law and Economics**

GNLU Centre for Law and Economics (GCLE) organised a week-long workshop on "Law and Economics: theories and applications" from 12 to 18 September 2022. The workshop aimed to provide participants with an understanding of different arenas of the legal field using the tools of economic analysis.

The resource persons included Prof. Thomas Ulen, Research Professor, Swanlund Chair Emeritus, University of Illinois; Prof. Ram Singh, Professor of Economics, Delhi School of Economics; Prof. Regis Lanneau, Associate



**Prof Thomas Ulen**



**Prof Ram Singh**

professor in Public Law, University of Paris Nanterre; Prof (Dr) Ranita Nagar, Professor of Economics, GNLU; Dr Hiteshkumar Thakkar, Assistant Professor of Economics, GNLU; and Ms Kundhavi Suresh Kumar, Associate at Linklaters.

Prof Thomas Ulen and Prof Ram Singh graced the inaugural session that saw the launch of the book "Economic Analysis of Law and Governance", edited by Prof (Dr) Ranita Nagar and Dr Hitesh Kumar Thakkar. The third volume of the GNLU Journal of Law and Economics was also released during the workshop.

## **GNLU Centre for Foreign Policy and Security Studies**

### **India's Geopolitical Challenges in the Post-Cold War World**



National Security Advisory Board of India's Chairman, Ambassador P. S. Raghavan, delivered a lecture on "India's Geopolitical Challenges in the Post-Cold War World" under the Distinguished Ambassador Lecture Series.

Ambassador Raghavan discussed many topics, including India's China Strategy, the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, asymmetry in the power balance between India and its smaller neighbouring countries, Indo-Pacific-challenges of the sea, and India's position on the Russia-Ukraine War.

The lecture was organised in collaboration with Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

## **GNLU Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution**

### **Workshop on Basics of Mediation**

GNLU Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (GCADR) organized a 12-hour workshop on the Basics of Mediation from 06 to 09 September 2022. It covered the principles of mediation, basics of communication and negotiation, qualities of a good mediator, role of advocate, parties and mediator in mediation, and mediation process. It also had sessions for role-play and feedback.

### **Lecture series on Arbitration Law**

01. "Evidence In Commercial Arbitration: Witnesses, Proof of Documents and Cross-Examination" by Ms Saloni Gupta, Associate, Dispute Resolution, Khaitan & Co., 03 September.
02. "Virtual Arbitration" by Mr Devarsh Saraf, a former Associate at Federal & Company, a boutique litigation and arbitration law firm, 29 July 2022.

## **GNLU Centre for Public and Private International Law**

### **GNLU- SIPRI Essay Competition 2022**

GNLU in collaboration with Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), organised an International Essay Writing Competition on the theme "Contemporary Challenges in Disarmament and Non-proliferation". Suggested topics included:

1. The future of non-proliferation and/or disarmament

through hard law and/or soft law.

2. Risks posed by rapidly advancing technologies (cyber space, outer space, artificial intelligence) in international humanitarian law.
3. Prioritizing gender in arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation.



## GNLU Centre for Law and Society

### National Conference: Land Laws and Land Planning: Revisiting India's Land Utilization Policies and Legislations



GCLS and Bharatiya Kisan Sangh (BKS) jointly organised a two-day "National Conference on Land Laws and Land Planning: Revisiting India's Land Utilization Policies and Legislations" on 14-15 October 2022.

The conference aimed to deliberate on the emerging climate change crisis, address sustainability and survival challenges, and present pragmatic solutions to these problems by evaluating and analysing the various applicable land legislations and policies.

Bharatiya Kisan Sangh's All-India General Secretary, Shri Mohini Mohan Mishra; Gujarat Government's Former Principal Secretary, Shri Kiritbhai Shelat, IAS; Sumangalam & Sufalam Core Group Member and Former

Vice-Chancellor of Kamdhenu Agricultural University & Anand Agricultural University, Prof (Dr) M. C. Varshneya; and GNLU Director Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar, among others, graced the inaugural function.

The conference had four plenary sessions: Ancient Land Laws and Land Rights *vis a vis* Rights in the contemporary world; Land Reforms and Land Utilization for the greater interest of the Nation; Land Revenue and Land Litigation including Land Acquisition: Major; and Challenges; and Land Planning, Urbanization and Challenges with regard to development.

The conference also featured a panel discussion on Agricultural Input Laws, including Intellectual Property Rights aspects and biodiversity.

### International Conference:

#### Building Social Entrepreneurial Ecosystem for a More Sustainable and Resilient Society

GCLS, jointly with the GUJCOST-GNLU Centre for Excellence in IPR, organised international conference on "Building Social Entrepreneurial Ecosystem for a More Sustainable and Resilient Society, on 29-30 July 2022.

The dignitaries present at the inaugural ceremony included Gujarat's Principal Secretary of Labour, Skill Development and Employment, Ms Anju Sharma (virtually), the Vice Chancellor of the M. S. University of Baroda Prof (Dr) V K Srivastava, EDII Director General Prof (Dr) Sunil Shukla, National Association of Professional Social Workers in India's Vice President Prof (Dr.) Sanjoy Roy, United Kingdom's Northumbria

University Vice Chancellor Dr Rama Krishna Reddy Kummitha, Prayas JAC Society's General Secretary Shri Amod Kanth, and GNLU Director Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar.

The conference was sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, and the GNLU Legal Incubation Council. Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, The M. S. University of Baroda, and Madras School of Social Work, supported the conference as knowledge partners.

#### Open House: Parameters of Research

GCLS organised an Open House with Prof S L Sharma on the Parameters of Research on 06 September 2022. Prof Sharma is Director (Research) at the Institute for Development and Communication, Chandigarh. Earlier, he served as a Professor of Sociology and Dean of the Faculty of Arts at Panjab University.

#### Consultation Programme: Building a Bridge between Social Work Academia and Practitioners

GCLS and Child Rights Collective Group jointly organised a Consultation Programme, Building a Bridge between Social Work Academia and Practitioners, on 02 July 2022.



## **GNLU Centre for Disability Studies**

### **Consumerism and Disabilities**

GNLU Centre for Disability Studies (GCDS) organised a webinar, 'Consumerism and Disabilities,' to celebrate the International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 03 December 2022.

National Law University Delhi's Prof Maheshwar Singh said, the Indian disabled population is not able to fully participate in society due to physical and attitudinal barriers. They are barely visible in higher education institutions, the labour or consumer markets. We have the law, but more than the law, we need an attitudinal change in society to bring persons with disability into the mainstream with sympathy and reasonable accommodation.

Certified Web Accessibility Professional, Mr Amar Jain, stressed the need to work with consumer redressal forums

and disability redressal forums to enforce the legal rights of persons with disability. He said our rights are not our rights unless we make them our rights.

Advocate Ms Kanchan Pamnani focused on the problems faced by persons with disability in the service sector, particularly banking, insurance and capital markets. She said insurance companies often do not provide insurance policies for disabled people or charge a higher premium.

Founder & CEO of OMVAI: You Belong! Mr Vaibhav Kothari said we should build more accessible products and services; they would help not only persons with disability but society in general.

Earlier, GCDS Head, Dr A. Marisport, in his introductory remarks, explained the importance of discussing the consumer rights of persons with disabilities.

### **Draft National Policy for Persons with Disabilities, 2021**

GNLU Director Prof (Dr) S. Shanthakumar, Sruti Disability Rights Centre (SDRC) Director Ms Shampa Sengupta, National Platform for the Rights of the Disabled's Secretary Mr Muralidharan, Disability Sports Researcher Dr Padmini Chennapragada, Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy's Senior Fellow Mr Rahul Bajaj, and GCDS

Head Dr A. Marisport, participated in the webinar organised by GCDS and Sruti Disability Rights Centre on 05 July. They discussed different aspects of the policy like sports education, rights of women with disabilities, accessibility etc.

## **GNLU DPIIT IPR CHAIR**

### **IPR Awareness Programme**



The IPR Awareness program was conducted in collaboration with the Indian Patent Office and GNLU Centre for Intellectual Property Rights under the National Intellectual Property Awareness Mission (NIPAM) of the office of Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks, on 19 July. Dr Ajay S. Thakur, Assistant Controller of Patents and Designs, Patent Office, Mumbai and NIPAMT Team Leader, gave an insightful talk on the rights a person protects vis-a-vis intellectual property.

### **Workshop on IP Prosecution and Enforcement**

This one-day workshop was organised in collaboration with Cell for IPR Promotion and Management (CIPAM) and Saurashtra University on 12 July.

### **Certificate Course on Intellectual Property Law**

This Certificate course was organised jointly with Karnavati University from 24 to 29 September.

### **Hands-on Training on IP Reserch**

The fourth Hands-on Training on IP Research: 'Quantitative Methods in Intellectual Property Research: A Software-Based Approach' was organised jointly with Cochin University of Science and Technology's DPIIT IPR Chair and Inter-University Centre for IPR Studies from 22 to 24 August.

## **GNLU students on SANSAD TV Debate on Uniform Civil Code**



GNLU students participated in the debate on Uniform Civil Code which was telecasted Sansad TV on 20 August 2022. The debate was recorded in the GNLU Art Gallery



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