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FROM THE PATRON'S DESK...



It gives me immense pleasure to release Volume II, Issue 2 of the Law Centre-II Newsletter, *Gatividhiyan*. The Newsletter is a half-yearly publication and reflects all the activities of the previous semester, such as Special Lectures delivered by Distinguished Personalities, Seminars, Conferences and Workshops, Moot Courts, Sports Activities, Legal Aid Activities, Social Outreach Programmes, Competitions and other Students' Achievements. The Newsletter also reflects inter alia, all Centre related activities, Teachers and Students achievements, etc.

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SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

International Conference on Mediation

International Conference on Mediation was organized by Law Centre-II, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi in collaboration with MCPC, Supreme Court of India on April 6-7, 2019.



The day one of the two-day conference commenced with an inaugural session where the Chief Guest, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Guest of Honour, Hon'ble Ms. Justice Geeta Mittal, Chief Justice, Jammu and Kashmir High Court graced the gathering with their presence. The other well-regarded members on the dais for the inaugural session included Prof. (Dr.) Ved Kumari, Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi who delivered the Presidential Address; Prof. (Dr.) V. K. Ahuja, In-charge, Law Centre-II, University of Delhi who delivered the Welcome Address; and Mr. Dharmendra Rana, Member Secretary, MCPC, Supreme Court of India also addressed the audience. Dr. Ashutosh Mishra, Conference Director proposed the vote of thanks. The esteemed guests lit the ceremonial lamp and brought about an auspicious start to the grand conference.

The inaugural session was followed by six technical sessions spread over two days. The first technical session was based on mediation in Matrimonial Dispute. Hon'ble Ms. Justice Gita Mittal, Chief Justice Jammu and Kashmir High Court, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sandhawalia, Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajeev Misra, Judge, Allahabad High Court, Hon'ble Ms. Justice Anita Sumanth, Judge, Madras High Court, Hon'ble Prof. (Dr.) Poonam Pradhan Saxena, Vice-Chancellor, National Law University, Jodhpur and Prof. (Dr.) Sarasu Esther Thomas, National Law School of India University, Bangalore shared their views.

The second technical session was on Mediation in Consumer Disputes. Hon'ble Mr. Justice R. K. Agarwal, President-NCRDC, Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. Ramasubramaniam, Judge, Telangana High Court, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ajay Bhanot, Judge, Allahabad High Court, Shri Vikramjit Banerjee, Additional Solicitor General of India and Shri J. P. Singh, Advocate and Mediator shared their views.

The third technical session was on Contemporary Trends in Mediation. Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.P Sahi, Chief Justice, Patna High Court, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ashwini Kumar Mishra, Judge, Allahabad High Court, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ajay Mohan Goel, Judge, Himachal Pradesh High Court and Shri Sriram Panchu, Senior Advocate and Mediation Expert shared their views.

The fourth technical session was on Mediation in Intellectual Property Matters. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajiv Shakdher, Judge, Delhi High Court, Hon'ble Mr. Justice S. Ravindra Bhat, Judge, Delhi High Court, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Manmohan Singh, Chairman, Intellectual Property Appellate Board, Ms. ShilpiJha, Senior Counsel, Officer-in-Charge, USPTO and Mr. A. Mohan, IPR Expert shared their views.



The fifth technical session was on Mediation in Disputes pertaining to Multinational Corporations. Hon'ble Ms. Justice G. S. Sistani, Judge, Delhi High Court, Hon'ble Ms. Justice Pratibha M. Singh, Judge, Delhi High Court and Prof. Kennedy Gastorn, AALCO Chairperson shared their views.

The sixth technical session was on Online and Pre-Institutional Mediation. Hon'ble Mr. Justice D.K. Upadhyaya, Judge, Allahabad High Court, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Mohammad Mushtaq, Judge, Kerala High Court, Mr. G. Raghavendra, Joint Secretary, Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India, Mr. Rahul Aggarwal, Advocate, Ms. Laila Ollapally, Expert Mediation and Ms. Rhea Mahanta, World Mediation Organization, Switzerland shared their views.

The monumental conference was concluded by a valedictory address by Hon'ble Ms. Justice Indu Malhotra, Judge, Supreme Court of India, as Chief Guest who delivered the Valedictory Address, in which she lauded the success of the conference in which many judges, mediators, teachers and students participated. Justice Malhotra also recounted the relevance of mediation as an efficacious and pertinent mechanism of dispute resolution in the country. The valedictory session was presided by Prof. (Dr.) Ved Kumari, Dean and Head, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi Prof. (Dr.) V.K. Ahuja, In-charge, Law Centre-II, Mr. Dharmendra Rana, Member Secretary, MCPC, Supreme Court of India, and Conference Director Dr. Ashutosh Mishra were also present. The Conference ended on a promise for a better future.

Seminar On Rehabilitation Of Acid Attack Survivors: Problems And Challenges

A Seminar on Rehabilitation of Acid Attack Survivors: Problems and Challenges was organized by the Gender Sensitization Committee on February 18, 2019. The Chief Guest of the Seminar was Ms. Firdos Khan, Member, DCW. Ms. Shubra Mendiratta, Member, AIWC, Ms. Shaheen, Director, HRLN and Ms. Ritu Saini, Sheroes Hangout were the Guests of Honour.



National Seminar On Practical Approach To Competition Law And Insolvency And Bankruptcy Code

A National Seminar on Practical Approach to Competition Law and Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code was organized by the Placement and Internship Committee on February 26, 2019. Shri Vinay Kumar Sanduja, Registrar, Indian Council of Arbitration, Shri Manas Kumar Chaudhuri, Partner, Khaitan and Co. Shri Munish K. Sharma, Practising Company Secretary and Insolvency Professional were the Resource Persons for the Seminar.



Inter Centre Youth Conclave

A Youth Conclave as a concept is a simulation of a Model United Nations (MUN) and a Youth Parliament. The committees that can be included in a Youth Conclave include issues that are raised in Youth Parliaments, Model United Nations, Crisis Committees, and Citizenship Dialogue etc. The purpose behind organizing a Youth Conclave is to spread awareness amongst the youth, and especially among law students regarding the social and legal issues that the nation stands to face today.



The inaugural edition of the Inter Centre Youth Conclave was organized in Law Centre-II on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 in the Moot Court Hall of the college premises. There were two Committees in the Conclave, one of them being a Legal Committee and the other being the All India Political Parties' Meet (AIPPM).

The agenda of the Legal Committee was “*Judicial Reforms in India (Special*

Emphasis on The Proposal of All India Judicial Services” and the agenda put for the AIPPM was “*Upper Caste Reservation Bill/ Act (124th Constitutional (Amendment) Bill/Act, 2019*”.

The event ended with the winners and participants getting trophies and certificates respectively. It was followed by a Vote of Thanks given by the organizers.



Udghosh-The Youth Parliament

Udghosh-The Youth Parliament was the maiden youth parliament organized under the flagship of LC-II, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi from 8th to 9th March 2019. Before the final event culminated, several informative sessions such as an orientation program and a speaker session on 'One Nation One Election' and 'Data Protection Bill' were organised for the students to gain an insight on the working of a Youth Parliament as well as the theme of Udghosh.



Dr. Vinod Zutshi, former IAS officer and former Deputy Election Commissioner, and Dr. Kanika Seth, Cyber ILw expert and founding partner of Seth Associates, were invited for the informative speaker session held on 5th February 2019, for their noteworthy work in their respective fields which were also the subject matter of the committees under Udghosh, with Lok Sabha having 'One Nation One Election' and Rajya Sabha having the 'Data Protection Bill.'

Franklin D Roosevelt rightly said: “We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future.” A Youth Parliament, in simplest terms, is a simulation of the actual Parliament. It has a huge significance in not just making students understand the parliamentary procedure but in developing an insight to consider public issues while forming an opinion and nurture a tolerance for the views of others.

Talk On International Women’s Day

A Talk on International Women’s Day was organized by the Gender Sensitization Committee. Prof. (Dr.) Ved P. Nanda, Padma Bhushan awardee from University of Denver and Honorary Professor, University of Delhi shared his views with the audience on March 8, 2019 which is also celebrated as International Women’s Day.



Lecture On Brexit: To Be Or Not To Be (In The Eu)?

A Lecture on Brexit: To Be or Not To Be (In the EU)? was organized on February 27, 2019. The Resource Person was Dr. Stelios Andreadakis, Senior Lecturer in Corporate and Financial Law and Director of Post Graduate Programmes at Brunel University, London.



Farewell Of Prof. O.B. Lal

Prof. O. B. Lal retired from Law Centre-II on April 30, 2019 after a glorious service of 40 years. He has been an expert in Labour Laws and Mercantile LLws.



Inaugural Of Festschrift

Prof. (Dr.) V. K. Ahuja, Professor In-charge, Law Centre-II edited a Festschrift in the honour of Professor Upendra Baxi, a great jurist, on the theme "Human Rights: Contemporary Issues". The Festschrift has papers on diverse themes of Human Rights. The Festschrift was released on 26 April, 2019 by Law Centre-II and Eastern Book Company. Hon'ble Justice Sikri, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India, Professor Yogesh Tyagi, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Delhi, Professor Upendra Baxi, Professor Emeritus, University of Delhi and Professor Ved Kumari, Dean and Head, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi graced the occasion. Professor Baxi delivered a speech on Constitutional Morality.



Second Lecture Series, 'SAMVAD'

Dr. Rajesh Gupta, Advocate, Delhi High Court interacted with the students on the theme of *Dishonor of Cheques: Legal Position* on March 14, 2019.



Competitions

The debate competition was organized by NSS, Law Center-II on April 16, 2019 on the topic of **Relevance of Students Politics** in which students from all the three Centres of Faculty of Law i.e. CLC, LC-I and LC-II participated. Each participant got 3 minutes to represent their views on the topic. The event was judged by the faculty members of Law Center-II, Dr. Nitesh Saraswat, and Dr. Bhupesh Rathore. The event concluded with the announcement of three winners namely Mr. Pankaj, Mr. Alok Raj and Mr. Abhijeet. They all were rewarded with Certificates of Appreciation. The event was a grand success.



MOOT COURT

Law Centre-II B. R. Trikha Memorial Moot Court Competition 2019

Law Centre-II B. R. Trikha Memorial Delhi NCR Moot Court Competition 2019 was held on 30th March, 2019 at Umang Bhawan, Chhatra Marg, University of Delhi.

The theme of the Competition pertained to women's rights. The Moot proposition was formulated to provide a platform to analyse and examine the important socio-legal issue of female genital mutilation.



Eighteen teams from the most prestigious law colleges/institutes located in Delhi-NCR region participated in the competition. The competition consisted of a Preliminary Round, Quarter Final Round, Semi-Final Round and the Final Round. Each of the aforesaid rounds were knockout rounds, for the purpose of qualification to the next round. The final round was judged by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhanwar Singh, former Judge, Allahabad High Court and Shri Rakesh Kumar Khanna, Senior Advocate (President of Supreme Court Bar Association).

The team from Jamia Milia Islamia University was declared the Winner and the team from Symbiosis Law School, Noida were Runners-up. The Prize for Best Speaker (Female) was won by Ms. Noorie Rehman of Jamia Milia Islamia University. The Best Speaker (Male) went to Mr. Aaditya from NLU Delhi, and the Best Memorial award went to Gitarattan International School.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES AND FIELD VISITS

Health Awareness Talk

On 7th February 2019, NSS Society of Law Centre-II, organised a talk on health awareness as series of lectures on health topics ranging from CPR to organ donation to Cancer Prevention in women.

The first session was on Organ Donation conducted by Mohan Foundation which is an NGO working in the field of organ donation and transplantation. The session was chaired by Dr. Pallavi Rekhi, Programme Officer with Mohan Foundation and the talk was given by Dr. Deepa Kumari from Mohan Foundation. The second session was on Cancer Prevention in women and was conducted by Dr. Rahul Manchanda who is the Head of Department of Endoscopic Gynaecology at Pushpawati Singhania Research Institute (PSRI) Delhi. After the second session, a nukkad natak was organised depicting the need of CPR by students of LC-II. The third session on CPR training began after nukkad natak. The CPR training session was conducted by Dr. Sameer Mehrotra, who is the Head of Department Intervention cardiology & Electrophysiology at Primus Super-specialty Hospital, Chankyapuri Delhi.



Dustbin Installation And Clean Campus Drive Under Swacchta Pakhwada

Father of Nation Mahatama Gandhi gave us an inspiration for clean India. Seeing the need of Dustbins to throw garbage in Law Centre-II, an initiative was taken by a student Ashu Bidhuri under the guidance of NSS Convener Dr. Nitesh Saraswat. With the help of North Delhi Municipal Corporation, 6 big and 20 small dustbins were installed in Umang Bhavan during Swacchta Pakhwada on 05 January 2019. It was a part of clean campus drive by NSS Society.

Parliament Visit

Students from Law Centre-II with faculty members Mr. Pramod Tiwari and Dr. Ajay Sonawane made a visit to the Parliament on January 4, 2019.



Mandoli Jail Visit

Students from Law Centre-II with faculty member Mr. Ashutosh Srivastava made a visit to the Mandoli Jail on March 14, 2019.



LEGAL AID ACTIVITIES

The Legal Aid Committee of Law Centre-II is very active. In this new academic session, various Legal Aid activities were organized under the convenorship of Dr. Pinki Sharma.

Legal Aid society works in association with the **Delhi State Legal Service Authority (DSLISA)**. The Society carries out its functions with an aim to provide access to justice to the disadvantaged and marginalized sections of the population, primarily by spreading legal awareness and legal education in educational institutions and under-privileged communities.

Book Fair

The PLVs at stalls at New Delhi Book Fair 2019 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi represented both DSLISA and Law Centre-II from January 5 to January 13, 2019 and the main function included providing aid to the Legal Services Advocates (LSAs) and work as a bridge between common people and DSLISA to spread awareness and impart knowledge of social welfare legislations and the mode and manner of availing them. Along with this the Nukkad Natak team had performed twice to connect the people with DSLISA and to convey the legal message in a layman way.



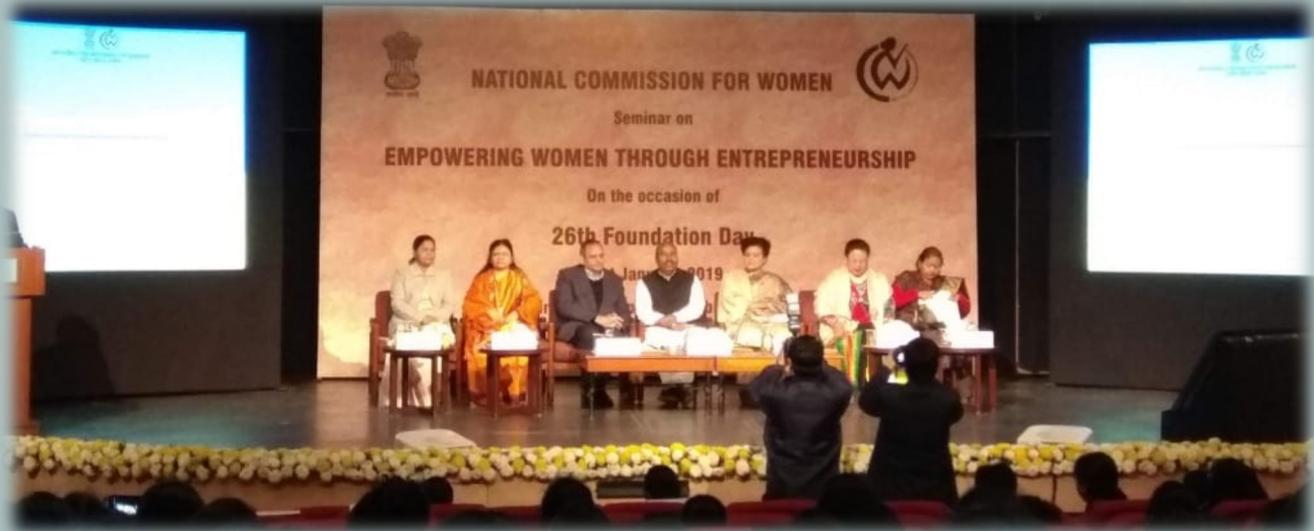
Legal Aid Camp

The Legal Aid Society, Law Centre-II in collaboration with Delhi State Legal Services Authorities (DSLSA) organized one day “Legal Aid and Awareness Camp” on 18 January 2019 at Bilaspur Camp, Badarpur.



Visit To NCW On Its 26th Anniversary

50 women PLVs along with 5 teachers were invited to attend the Anniversary Program of National Commission for Women. The theme of the event was “Empowering Women through Entrepreneurship”.



Training/Workshop On Missing Children By DSLSA

A total of 140 Students were selected for the one day Training program conducted by DSLSA at Law Centre-II, Moot Court Hall, Umang Bhawan on March 14, 2019.



Help Desk At Metro Stations

New Delhi Legal Services Authority (NDLSA), setup help desk from 07.03.2019 to 15.03.2019 at 12 Metro stations i.e. Central Secretariat, Rajeev Chowk, Dhaula Kuan, South Campus, Mandi House etc. The PLVs were deputed to perform the duty of resource person of DSLSA in the jurisdiction of DMRC (Delhi Metro Rail Corporation).

Nukkad Team

Nukkad team of Legal Aid Society performed skit on various topics such as Domestic violence, Dowry, Senior Citizens Act, Sexual Harassment at Workplace, Acid attack victims, POCSO Act etc. from time to time at various events and programs at the Centre.

The objective of such skits was to create public awareness.



SPORTS

Sport activities have been an integral part at Law Centre-II. The Sports Committee at Law Centre-II under the guidance of Dr. Anupam Jha, Faculty Convener, Sports Committee organized various sports events in this academic session.



Sports Fest

Sports Fest, 'Oorja 19' was organized on March 28-29, 2019. Various games were organized in the sports fest including Volleyball, Gully Cricket, Table Tennis, Chess, Badminton, Carrom, Athletics Fun Events, Arm Wrestling, Marathon, Long Jump, Kabaddi, Musical Chair, Tug of War, Dart, etc. The Chief Guest for the fest was Ms. Purna Bhambri, Indian Tennis Player.

Students' Achievements

Quiz On Indian Constitutional Law

Quiz on Indian Constitutional Law was conducted in memory of Nani Palkhivala - his birth centenary celebrations, by Lex Consilium foundation on 3rd February 2019 at Taj Vivanta Cannought Place. Mr. Nishant Khidtta and Mr. Ajay Joshi bagged the third position and a cash prize of Rs. 50000.



1st National Online Memorial Writing Competition

Ms. Sasmitha K. of 1st year won the first prize in 1st National Online Memorial Writing Competition organized by Saveetha School of Law, Chennai. She also received a cash prize of Rs. 3000.

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