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Centre Name: CENTRE FOR WOMEN AND LAW

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About Us:

The Centre for Women & Law (CWL) is a Research Centre of National Law University Odisha which works with the combined effort of faculty members and students of NLUO. The Centre was established with a view of having a platform for unremitting study of the structural, societal, legal and regulatory issues associated with gender from a multi-disciplinary perspective. The CWL aims to look at regulatory process through the lens of gender justice, and to disseminate the research work through varied mediums such as academic publications, training programmes, webinars, government consultation projects with a view to apprise the policy, initiate change that would promote equitable justice for women in Indian society.

Vision and Mission:

VISION

The Centre envisions to undertake studies and raise awareness through holistic approach to gender issues, working towards equity and justice for all and provide a deeper legal and cultural appreciation of power imbalance. CWL operates as a research support group undertaking research projects, training and capacity building programmes for women's organisations and formal bodies involved with the execution of laws affecting women. It also works towards dissemination of knowledge and sensitization of society through its publications, webinars and conferences.

MISSION

The Centre has been established with the goal of promoting and encouraging research, new ideas, views, approaches, discussions and disseminating high-quality literature on issues concerning 'women and law'. In this context, the objective of the Centre is to

- To establish, promote, and support interdisciplinary studies and research in the subject of gender justice that are at the crossroads of law and policy.
- To undertake policy review and conduct a thorough evaluation of existing legislation and propose fact-based, concrete solutions to address current public policy concerns.
- To engage in comprehensive research and capacity building on issues concerning women's wellbeing and gender justice in India.
- To engage in an interdisciplinary research consultude for augmenting the appreciation of legal, cultural and social issues in gender studies for law graduates and professionals.
- To improve public policy in the areas of women's rights, education, mental health, and overall welfare by conducting independent, nonpartisan, and thorough research and analysis.

Objectives of the Centre: The Centre for Women and Law aims to empower women by increasing their understanding of their legal rights and entitlements. This involves conducting workshops, seminars, and awareness campaigns to educate women about various laws that affect them, such as those related to marriage, property rights, domestic violence, workplace harassment, and inheritance. The Centre engages in rigorous research to analyze existing laws and policies related to women's rights. It identifies gaps, inconsistencies, and areas in need of improvement, and then advocate for policy changes based on evidence-backed research. This involves engaging with policymakers, lawmakers, and government bodies to influence legal reforms. This Centre focuses on gathering and analyzing data related to women's legal issues, such as cases of violence against women, discrimination, and economic disparities. Datadriven insights can inform policy decisions and highlight areas where interventions are most needed. The Centre provides training programs and resources for legal professionals, judges, police officers, and other stakeholders to enhance their understanding of gender-related legal matters. This contributes to more effective implementation of laws and fairer outcomes for women in the legal system.

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Activities:

Date: 25 November 2022

Event: Regional Consultation with Civil Society Organizations on Achievements of the National Commission for Women since 2014 and Consultation with NGOs on Swadhar Grehs

About the Event: On 25th November 2022, National Commission for Women, New Delhi in collaboration with Centre for Women and Law, National Law University, Odisha organized an Eastern Regional Consultation with Civil Society Organizations on Achievements of the National Commission for Women since 2014 and Consultation with NGOs on Swadhar Grehs. The Consultation was conducted in physical mode where delegates from Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha and West Bengal had attended the Regional Consultation.

Date: 28 October 2022

Event: NCW Sponsored National Seminar on "Women Police Station / Mahila Thana: Working, Efficiency & Effectiveness.

About the Event: This seminar was organised by the Centre for Women and Law (CWL), National Law University Odisha (NLUO) and sponsored by the National Commission for Women (NCW). NCW is the statutory body of the Government of India, generally concerned with advising the government on all policy matters affecting women. NCW envisions that Indian woman must be safe both within and outside the home, and should be fully empowered to enjoy all of her rights and entitlements, with equal opportunities to contribute in all spheres of life.

With its countless accomplishments, NCW continues to promote equality and empower women in all sectors. We have conducted research to assess whether women are preferring WPS over police stations and its impact to minimize the crime against women.

PICTURE GALLERY:

Year: 2022-2023

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