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Our Logo

NLUO's logo is in the form of an escutcheon (heraldic shield) divided into four quarters, coloured blue and white alternately. On the top left quarter is a balance representing the scales of justice. On the top right quarter is a gavel representing the might of the judiciary. Just below them, across the Nombriil Point, runs a scroll bearing the inscription 'National Law University Odisha'. Below this is a representation of the Indian Constitution. Superimposed on the centre of the shield, centring on the Fess Point, is a Chakra or wheel from the Sun Temple at Konark, which represents the State of Odisha.

Our Motto

NLUO's motto has been sourced from Kautilya's Arthashastra, one of ancient India's great legal texts. In Chapter III, Book 1, Sloka 39, four varieties of law are identified, namely Dharma (sacral law), Vyavahara (transactional law), caritra (customary law), and Rajasasana (royal edicts). Sloka 40 determines the source of each type. In this context the book asserts, 'satye sthito dharmah' or 'Law locates in the truth'. This precept is surely as valid today as it was in Kautilya's times.



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VISION AND OBJECTIVES



The vision of the University is to develop as a Centre of Excellence in Legal Education and emerge as a place of professional learning and nurture the idea of serviceability to the people. In order to translate this vision, the University orients students to cater to the needs of the society by developing the professional skills of those intending to take up the professions of advocacy, judicial service and legal services. The University has an excellent academic ambience that nurtures young minds to critical legal scholarship in the atmosphere of modern gurukul in nature's lap. The academic curriculum, pedagogy and teaching methods at National Law University Odisha, make coordinated efforts to ensure holistic perspective among the students.

The preamble to the National Law University Odisha Act (Act 4 of 2008) outlines, some long-term goals including:

- Advancement of course of learning, teaching and research and diffusion of knowledge in the field of law;
- Catering to the needs of the society by developing the professional skills of those intending to take up the professions of advocacy, judicial services, legal services and so on.

Taking inspiration from this, the University identifies and pledges adherence to the following objectives:

- To design and run regular and periodical courses of learning for dissemination of knowledge, advanced learning in legal subjects and issues of law and other related disciplines with a view to meaningfully integrate, support and enhance professional knowledge of law and so also to appreciate the role of rule of law in national growth and development;
- To develop in the students and scholars social and scientific research skills for enhancing a sense of responsibility to serve society as a professional and also develop professional skills of advocacy, judicial and other legal services, legislation, law reformers and the like;
- To advance the professional education in convergence with knowledge of other related disciplines so as to provide adequate orientation and training including facilities of continuing education to law teachers, judicial officers, advocates and other persons in the civil society engaged or interested in legal field involved in the administration of justice;
- To organize lectures, seminars, symposia and conferences, to promote legal knowledge and to make law and legal processes as efficient instruments of social development;
- To hold examinations and confer degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions;

VISITOR : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIPAK MISRA, JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CHANCELLOR : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINEET SARAN, CHIEF JUSTICE OF ORISSA HIGH COURT

VICE-CHANCELLOR : PROF. (DR.) SRIKRISHNA DEVA RAO
REGISTRAR (I/c) : DR. DOLLY JABBAL

GENERAL COUNCIL:

1. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Vineet Saran, Chief Justice of Orissa High Court and Chancellor NLUO
2. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel, Judge, Supreme Court of India
3. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pradyumna Kumar Mohanty, Judge, Orissa High Court
4. Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO
5. Shri Jagannath Patnaik, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court
6. Shri B. K. Mahanti, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court
7. Shri Samareswar Mohanty, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court
8. Shri Bijan Behari Ray, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court
9. Shri Mukul Rohatgi, Attorney General of India
10. Prof. (Dr.) Ved Prakash, Chairman, University Grants Commission
11. Shri Surya Prasad Misra, Advocate General of Orissa
12. Shri Manas Ranjan Mohaparta, Chairperson, Bar Council of Orissa, Orissa High Court
13. Prof. (Dr.) Rita Ray, Adjunct Professor, NLUO
14. Prof. (Dr.) Udai Raj Rai, Distinguished Professor, NLUO
15. Prof. (Dr.) B. Hydervali, Professor, NLUO
16. Prof. (Dr.) Sheela Rai, Professor, NLUO

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL:

1. Hon'ble Dr. Justice B. R. Sarangi, Judge, Orissa High Court
2. Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO [Chairperson]
3. Prof. (Dr.) Ranbir Singh, Vice-Chancellor, National Law University Delhi
4. Prof. (Dr.) Bhagirathi Panigrahi, Professor of P.G. Dept. of Law, Berhampur University,
5. Shri Manan Kumar Mishra, Chairman, Bar Council of India

6. Shri Manas Ranjan Mohapatra, Chairman, Bar Council of Odisha
7. Shri Surya Prasad Misra, Advocate General of Orissa
8. Prof. (Dr.) Sheela Rai, Professor, NLUO
9. Dr. A. Aruna Srilakshmi, Associate Professor, NLUO
10. Dr. Dolly Jabbal, Registrar (I/c), NLUO (Secretary)

ACADEMIC COUNCIL:

1. Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO
2. Shri Ashok Parija, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court & Supreme Court of India
3. Prof (Dr.) R. Venkata Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLSIU Bangalore
4. Prof. (Dr.) Priyambada Mohanty Hejmadi, Former VC, Sambhapur University
5. Shri Manan Kumar Mishra, Chairman, Bar Council of India
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9. Prof. (Dr.) Sheela Rai, Professor of Law, NLUO
10. Dr. A. Aruna Sreelakshmi, Associate Professor & Chairman, ACC, NLUO
11. Dr. Kondaiah Jonnalgadda, Associate Professor & Director, DEC, NLUO
12. Dr. Rangin Pallav Tripathy, Assistant Professor, NLUO

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO
2. Prof. (Dr.) Ranbir Singh, Vice-Chancellor, National Law University Delhi
3. Shri A. K. Sabat, Chartered Accountant
4. Shri S.C. Nath, Chartered Accountant
5. Shri A. Mahapatra, Chartered Accountant
6. Prof. (Dr.) B. Hydervali, Professor, NLUO
7. Shri Sabyasachi Mohanty, Assistant Finance Officer, NLUO
8. Dr. Dolly Jabbal, Registrar (I/c), NLUO

ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

The University offers two five-year integrated undergraduate programmes, namely B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) and B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.). The B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) programme combines the study of law with social sciences. Modules on Sociology, Political Science, Economics, History, English language and Literature are taught as part of the social sciences discipline. The social science courses are specifically designed for novitiates and are aimed at introducing the basics of Social Sciences to the students. The B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) programme combines the study of law with Management and Finance. Students also study Basic Principles of Accounting and Organisational Behaviour courses in order to get a holistic education. Select modules on Management, Finance, Accounting and Economics, are taught as part of the Business Administration discipline.

In addition to undergraduate programmes, the university also offers LL.M. and Ph.D. programmes. NLUO has one year LL.M. programme with specialisation in Corporate Law & Constitutional Law. University has Ph.D. programmes in Law as well as non-law streams (Social Sciences and Management).

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES:

NLUO offers 5 years integrated B.A.LL.B. and B.B.A.LL.B. programmes. There are total of 180 seats for B.A.LL.B. and B.B.A.LL.B. course having 120 seats in B.A.LL.B. and 60 seats in B.B.A.LL.B. Programme. Admissions to undergraduate programmes are conducted through the Common Law Admission Test (CLAT) conducted at the national level. Usually the CLAT procedure commences in the month of January - March. NLUO in the year 2016 took 116 students for B.A.LL.B. and 58 students for B.B.A.LL.B.

STUDENTS ADMITTED IN 2016

Category	B.A.LL.B. (Hons.)	B.B.A.LL.B (Hons.)
General	78	40
SC	09	04
ST	14	07
PWD	01	00
NRI / NRI Sponsored	14	07
Foreign Nationals	00	00
Total	116	58

GENDER COMPOSITION OF STUDENTS

Category	B.A.LL.B. (Hons.)	B.B.A.LL.B (Hons.)
Male	61	33
Female	55	25
Total	116	58



B.A.LL.B./B.B.A. LL.B Students

STATE-WISE STUDENTS ADMITTED IN 2016 IS AS GIVEN BELOW:

B.A.LL.B (Hons)		B.B.A.LL.B (Hons)	
ANDHRA PRADESH	01	BIHAR	03
ASSAM	01	CHHATTISGARH	01
BIHAR	10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	01
CHHATTISGARH	02	KARNATAKA	01
GUJARAT	01	MADHYA PRADESH	10
HARYANA	05	MAHARASHTRA	01
JHARKHAND	02	NAGALAND	01
KARNATAKA	03	NEW DELHI	03
MADHYA PRADESH	15	ODISHA	13
MAHARASHTRA	02	RAJASTHAN	09
NAGALAND	01	TELANGANA	01
NEW DELHI	02	UTTAR PRADESH	06
ODISHA	12	UTTARAKHAND	01
PUNJAB	01	WEST BENGAL	07
RAJASTHAN	15		
TAMIL NADU	02		
TELANGANA	01		
UAE	01		
UTTAR PRADESH	25		
UTTARAKHAND	06		
WEST BENGAL	08		
TOTAL	116	TOTAL	58

POST-GRADUATE PROGRAMMES:

National Law University Odisha currently offers two post graduate programmes, namely, LL.M. and Ph.D. Admissions in LL.M. programme are done on the basis of results in Common Law Admission Test (CLAT). Admissions for doctoral programme are made on the basis of entrance test conducted by NLUO. NLUO took 40 students for Masters in Law in the year 2016.

STUDENTS ADMITTED IN 2016

Category	Seats
General	34
SC	01
ST	02
PWD	01
NRI/NRI (S)	02
Foreign nationals	00
Total	40

GENDER-WISE COMPOSITION

Gender	Admitted
Male	17
Female	23
Total	40

STATE WISE BREAK - UP OF STUDENTS

LL.M. (2016)	
HARYANA	01
JHARKHAND	01
MADHYA PRADESH	01
MAHARASHTRA	01
MIZORAM	01
NEW DELHI	01
ODISHA	25
PUNJAB	01
UTTAR PRADESH	02
UTTARAKHAND	01
WEST BENGAL	05
TOTAL	40



LL.M. Students

DOCTORAL PROGRAMME:

NLUO is offering Ph.D. programme since 2009. So far three scholars have been awarded doctorate degree in Law. University offers Ph.D. programme in law and in inter-disciplinary studies (featuring a prominent legal component). It offers three categories of enrollment for Ph.D. programmes: Full-time Enrollment, Enrollment of Faculty Members, and Part-Time Enrollment.

Admissions to Ph.D. programme are made through a two step process. Candidates with minimum of 55% marks in masters can apply for the entrance test . The short listed candidates are required to submit a research proposal which is examined by committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor.

For the academic year 2016-17, advertisement for Doctoral Programme was made on May 24th, 2016. 26 candidates had applied and Entrance exam was held on July 2nd, 2016. 12 candidates have presented research proposals and 4 students were admitted for Ph.D. programme. One is full time scholar and three are part-time scholars.

CENTRE FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION:

NLUO is committed to provide specific need-based, learner- centric quality education and training opportunities for continuous professional development and skill up-gradation. Keeping in view of this, the University is developing Basic and Advanced courses through distance education. University has established the Centre for Distance Education in the year 2015. The centre is in the process of developing the following programmes:

i. Course on Child Rights

The course on child rights is comprehensive programme consisting of six modules to impart knowledge and awareness on contemporary issues of Child Rights and Juvenile Justice to all individuals and institutions involved in promotion and protection of Child Rights. The programme is supported by UNICEF and will be launched by July/August 2017.

ii. Course on Taxation

Taxation Laws has been one of the most important branches of law. The new developments in the field of taxation have become quite rapid in recent times and this has posed new challenges to the legal fraternity ever since. The increasing volume of disputes in the field of taxation has resulted in manifold increase in the legal practitioners working in the field of taxation.

Keeping this in mind, the Basic Course on Taxation Law is a unique initiative undertaken at NLUO. The Course is designed to provide an in-depth understanding of Taxation Law and practice. The course would be extremely useful to the candidates having wide-ranging background, from legal to scientific. This programme is aimed at individuals who wish to extend their professional expertise and combine it with a broad based understanding of the taxation structure.

This course would be offered from November/December 2017.

iii. Course on Right to Information

In order to encourage people to understand social relevance of the Right to Information(RTI) and its nuances, NLUO has decided to introduce a Basic Course on Right to Information. Though people are aware of the importance of RTI, the technicality, nuances and tools of practical application (like how to frame the questions, how and where to make further appeals) and related knowledge and awareness are not very well known. The course and its content is developed after due deliberation and brainstorming with academics and experts in the field.

NAAC ACCREDITATION

The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) team visited NLU Odisha on August 21, 2016 for inspection and accreditation. The NAAC team has appreciated the efforts of the University for the development of campus infrastructure, new initiatives in interdisciplinary offering of course, new research projects and the work done by the research centres specially the Centre for Child Rights. The University has been accredited with grade "A" of National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC).



RENEWAL OF BAR COUNCIL OF INDIA AFFILIATION:

The Bar Council of India Team visited NLU Odisha on April 13, 2016. The Bar Council team appreciated the academic programmes, infrastructure development, library, other amenities and contribution of research by the faculty members. The BCI has extended the recognition for imparting legal education in B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) And B.B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) degree courses for a period of 5 years. It has also approved an increase in the strength from 60 to 120 for both the programmes.

MEMBERSHIP:

NLU Odisha is a member of:

- International Association of Law Schools, New York, USA
- Association of Commonwealth Universities, London, U.K.
- Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, New Delhi
- Member, UN Academic Impact.
- Association of Indian Universities, (AIU) New Delhi.

THIRD CONVOCATION (2016)

The Third Annual Convocation of NLUO was held on 7th May, 2016. This is the first time the convocation was organised in the university campus. A total of 111 undergraduate students, 25 post graduate students and 2 Ph.D. scholars received their degrees. The Chief Justice of India, Hon'ble Justice T.S. Thakur, delivered the convocation address. The Convocation was presided over by the Visitor, Hon'ble Justice Dipak Misra, Judge, Supreme Court of India. The Chancellor, Hon'ble Justice Vineet Saran, Chief Justice of Orissa High Court declared Convocation open, in the presence of the Chief Minister, Mr. Naveen Patnaik. Furthermore, many eminent sitting judges and Chief Justice of several High Courts were also present at the convocation.

Hon'ble Mr. Justice T. S. Thakur, Chief Justice of India congratulated the students for successfully completing their course and earning their degrees with such distinction. He said legal education and the role of lawyers would remain incomplete if it does not help the growth and promotion of an inclusive society that creates an acceptable and conducive environment for the disadvantaged and under privileged sections of our society who are often neglected and left behind, most commonly due to economic disparity, undeserved neglect and many other social evils.



GOLD MEDALS

MEDALS	RECIPIENTS
POSTGRADUATE	
University Gold Medal for First Rank in LL.M year 2015-16 .	Ms. Ananya Bharadwaj
UNDERGRADUATE	
Shri Dinabandhu Sahu Memorial Gold Medal for First Rank in B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Mr. Pragalbha Priyakar
Shri N. L. Mitra Memorial Gold Medal for First Rank in B.B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Ms. Shubhi Gaur
University Gold Medal for Second Rank in B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Ms. Pallabi Sengupta
University Gold Medal for Second Rank in B.B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Mr. Dhruv Tiwari
University Gold Medal for Third Rank in B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Ms. Pracheta Kar
University Gold Medal for Third Rank in B.B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Ms. Diksha Goyal
SKS Juris Legal Group Gold Medal for Highest Marks in Constitutional Law	Ms. Pallabi Sengupta
Shri Gagan Bihari Das Memorial Gold Medal for Highest Marks in Criminal Law	Mr. Pragalbha Priyakar
Shri Ras Behari Ray Gold Medal for Highest Marks in Commercial Laws	Mr. Pragalbha Priyakar
State Bank of India Gold Medal for highest marks in Banking Law	Ms. Meghana Mohapatra
University Gold Medal for Highest marks in Intellectual Property Law	Mr. Pragalbha Priyakar
Shri Madhusudan Mahanty memorial Gold Medal for outstanding leadership	Mr. Kartik Pant
Shri Anant Mishra & Annapurna Mishra Gold Medal for best All-Round female student	Ms. Aishwarya Singh
Shri Bichitrnanda Mahanty Memorial Gold Medal for Best All-Round Undergraduate Student	Mr. Anand Swaroop Das
Nishamoni Devi & Bhagabat Charan Mahanty Memorial Gold Medal for Highest Mark in International Law	Ms. Harneet Kaur
Satya Kamal Memorial Gold Medal for Highest Mark in Personal Law	Ms. Pallabi Sengupta

SECOND FOUNDATION DAY LECTURE

National Law University Odisha celebrated its Second Foundation day on Saturday, the 5th of November, 2016. President of National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hon'ble Justice D. K. Jain, delivered the Second Foundation Day Lecture. Hon'ble Justice Dipak Misra, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Visitor, NLUO presided over the lecture and Hon'ble Justice Vineet Saran, Chief Justice of Orissa High Court and Chancellor, NLUO also delivered an address on the occasion.

Hon'ble Justice D. K. Jain traced the history of consumer rights and their protection and how it has evolved in the recent past. Justice Jain referred to how President John F. Kennedy has recognized consumers as the largest group in any economy and equated their interest to the interest of the nation. Hon'ble Justice Jain, further explained about the inception of Consumer Protection Laws in India and eventually how the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 was enacted with the intention to protect the interests of the consumers. Hon'ble Justice Dipak Misra talked about the importance of a foundation day and also stressed on the constant changes in a dynamic field like law. 'Law is never static', he said. Underlining the importance of justice and law, Justice Misra said that justice is the highest interest of the common man and law is the mightiest sovereign in a civilized society. Justice Misra talked about the growing importance of consumer law and underscored the pivotal role students must play in 'connecting' with people in a sector like Access to Justice.

Hon'ble Justice Vineet Saran in his address stated that the citizens are becoming increasingly aware of their right to quality service and are protesting when the same is compromised. He lauded the efforts of NLUO for keenly promoting consumer rights by offering a Seminar as well as clinical paper on Consumer Laws for LL.B. final year students. Hon'ble Justice Saran also spoke about the New Consumer Protection Bill and further added that consumer protection has assumed increasing importance at the local, regional and international level. He also added that consumers must be empowered by better awareness of information and stronger consumer protection laws and advocacy, in order to greatly influence sustainable development. Important dignitaries from the Bar and Bench of the Orissa High Court were also present along with the faculty members, staff and students of the university.



BAREFOOT LAWYERS COLLEGE

Barefoot Lawyers College was established under the scheme of UGC Community College to provide paralegal education in the State of Odisha. The concept of community college and paralegal is old and well recognised in the entire world. The increasing importance of legal education in global economy provided an opportunity in paralegal courses in India. NLUO is the first university in India to offer this programme.

The Advanced Vocational Diploma in Paralegal Studies (AVDPS) will be of two years duration comprising four semesters and offers 16 public legal education courses, 12 vocational legal skills courses and 4 practical courses of learning based on Internship and field work.

The objective of the programme is to develop a basic understanding of law and justice delivery system including legal rights and duties to acquaint learners with vocational legal skills to advance the cause of justice and to create community paralegals to strengthen the justice delivery system. The programme also train learners in public/community services by using several creative and innovative strategies of legal aid, public interest lawyering and community dispute resolution methods.

The Orientation Programme for AVDPS was conducted on the 1st February, 2016. The key speaker Prof. Sanjai Bhatt, Department of Social Work, University of Delhi addressed the students and Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO discussed the objective and importance of this course. Library Orientation was conducted on 2nd February and regular classes started from 3rd February, 2016.

The students have already completed the two semesters of instructions and the third semester classes commenced from 6th February, 2017. The students have interned with Centre for Child Rights and other organisations such as NALCO, Child Welfare Committee and Advocate's offices. The idea of this program is to train them as community para legal to strengthen justice delivery system.



INTERNATIONALISATION

The University is collaborating with selected universities abroad of great repute. We have received mention in UN impact of Universities. We have also started student exchange programme with foreign universities. It is in early stage of development. Faculty members from foreign universities are also invited to offer elective courses of varying credits. The students would get an opportunity to study courses offered in foreign universities at NLUO itself. The University has signed various MOUs with foreign universities. The list of foreign universities are as follows:

- School of Law, Texas A & M University, United States
- University of Kansas, School of Law, United States
- Northumbria University, U.K
- Universidade Federal Fluminense, Brazil
- University of Illinois, United States

In addition to the above, in this academic year, we have entered MOUs with other universities and organizations

- School of OAS, London, UK
- Pepperdine University, USA
- World University of Bangladesh
- University of Keel, UK
- Competition Commission of India, New Delhi
- Tata Institute of Social Science, Mumbai
- TISS Collaboration with Centre for Disability Law & Advocacy (CDLA), NLUO, Cuttack & Centre for Disability Studies & Action (CDSA), Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai
- National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM), Mumbai
- Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai for jointly organizing Surana & Surana Essay Competition on Securities Law & Competition Policy
- Wadhvani Foundation (National Entrepreneurship Network), Bangalore, India



GLOBAL INITIATIVE OF ACADEMIC NETWORK (GIAN)

Global Initiative of Academic Networks is a new program approved by Government of India in higher education aimed to augment the country's existing academic resources, accelerate the pace of quality reform, and elevate India's scientific and technological capacity to global excellence.

In pursuance of this MHRD Scheme, National Law University Odisha, Cuttack (NLUO) has been selected as one of the few National Law Universities to be granted an opportunity to conduct specialized courses under the programme. NLUO has successfully completed two GIAN courses.



INTERNATIONAL ELECTRONIC COMMERCE LAW:

NLUO had conducted its first GIAN Course on International Electronic Commerce Law, taught by Prof. Jane K. Winn, Professor of Law, University of Washington School of Law, Seattle, USA between 9th and 16th August, 2016. This course was a single credit course. The course had attracted participants, not only from the legal background but also from the management background, and some Professors who had attended from different Universities.

The course covered the fields of Information Technology, Intellectual Property, Economics, Management and Law, and gave a very holistic view on the subject. Prof. Winn covered an introduction to the history of commerce around the world, its development into modern commercial law and the rise of legal pluralism, the concept of networks & platforms and how it has helped in the rise of Private Global Governance. There was a discussion and analysis done of the e-commerce regulatory cultures in the 4 main countries USA, UK, China and India; E-Signature Laws & E-Identity Regulation in the USA and EU; and E-Payments and Financial Inclusion, with a comparative analysis of the situation in Kenya, Brazil and India.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE IN INDIA:

NLUO had conducted its second GIAN Course on Corporate Governance in India, offered by Professor Umakanth Varottil, Associate Professor of Law, National University Singapore between 19th and 24th September, 2016. This course was a single credit course spread out over 6 days. The course had attracted participants from Delhi, Rajasthan, Chattisgarh, Assam, West Bengal and Andhra Pradesh, in addition to our students.

The GIAN course delved into the conceptual, legal and practical intricacies of corporate governance, the paradigm shift in corporate governance from the shareholder theory to the stakeholder theory. The highlights of this discussion focused on the concept of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). In the ultimate analysis, this course provided the participants with a thorough understanding of the various concepts of corporate governance by allowing them to critique and appreciate the existing laws.



FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

NLU Odisha has organised the first Faculty Development Programme (FDP) from 29th June to 1st July, 2016 at NLU Odisha campus. The FDP witnessed the presence of Prof. Upendra Baxi, Prof. N.L.Mitra, Prof. M.P. Singh, Prof. R. Venkata Rao, Prof. Vijaya Kumar, Prof. K. Sitaraman and other resource persons. The FDP aims to enrich and rejuvenate the knowledge and skills of the faculty members.

The first day of FDP deliberated on curriculum development. NLUO reviewed its course structures and updated the syllabus in the light of contemporary developments. Second day of FDP focussed on the teaching methodology, in particular cooperative teaching method and also effective methods of teaching. Third day was dedicated to the discussion over the application process of research proposal and its relevance. The FDP has seen sharing of knowledge from the field of law and also other allied subjects.



FACULTY SEMINARS

In any educational institution, academic discourses on emerging and important issues are central to furthering an environment of intellectual vibrancy. The exchange of ideas and information amongst faculty members plays a crucial role not simply in the personal development of the faculty members, but also creates an encouraging and dynamic academic culture.

In light of this, National Law University Odisha has launched the NLUO Faculty Seminar Series wherein on designated days, faculty members share their research in the area of their expertise or choice which will serve as the foundation of constructive academic discussion. The seminar series also serves as a platform for scholars and jurists visiting NLUO to interact with the faculty on a variety of issues.

THE FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS HAVE TAKEN PLACE SO FAR BY THE RESPECTIVE FACULTY MEMBERS:

- Ms. Suman Dash Bhattamishra on 'Domestic Violence' (3rd March, 2016)
- Dr. Amrendra Kumar Ajit on 'Human Gene Patenting' (22nd March, 2016)
- Prof. Danixia Cuevas on 'Collaborative Teaching Methodology' (17th July, 2016)
- Mr. Rajat Solanki on 'Director as a Fiduciary' (20th July, 2016)
- Mr. Abhik Majumdar on 'Street Food and the Law' (27th July, 2016)
- Mr. Ramakrishna Das on 'Quashing of FIR' (5th October, 2016)
- Ms. Manisha Mishra on 'Adaptation of Shakespeare into Indian Films' (19th October, 2016)
- Ms. Priyanka Anand on 'Demystifying Goods and Services Tax' (26th October, 2016)
- Mr. Akash Kumar on 'Clinical Drug Trials on human beings in India' (2nd November, 2016)
- Mr. Mayank Tiwari on 'Emerging Dimensions of Corporate Social Responsibility' (4th January, 2017)
- Mr. Vikram Raghavan on 'Constitutional Assembly Debates' (9th January, 2017)
- Mr. Chris Parsons on 'Cross Border Mergers and Acquisition' (17th January, 2017)
- Mr. Abhay Kumar on 'Exclusive Right of Patentee in Drugs and Pharmaceuticals' (8th February, 2017)



(a) INNOVATIVE COURSES : ONE CREDIT COURSES

National Law University Odisha (NLUO) also offers one credit course over and above its regular courses. This facilitates the students to have an insight to the subject specific. Till now, the University has offered the following credit courses from July-November, 2016.

1. Tribal Rights (Fifth Schedule of the Constitution):

Resource Person: Dr. V.N.V.K. Sastry

India's population consists of 100 million tribal people who have constitutionally been addressed via Fifth Schedule (applies to the majority of India's tribe in nine states) and Sixth Schedule (applies to northern eastern states bordering China and Myanmar). Considering that the state of Odisha has 3 fully scheduled areas and 8 partly scheduled areas under the Fifth Schedule of the Constitution, this course was introduced. The constitution guarantees fundamental rights to all but the tribal people become vulnerable to the system due to numerous reasons such as their socio-economic background, lack of education, displacement and various tribal challenges. This course explored and helped the students in examining the contours of fundamental rights of the STs under the Constitution of India, Forests Rights Act, Right to Education, Right to fair compensation and MGNREGA. The course also covered the problems of displacements, tribal and forest dwelling challenges and other atrocities under the Prevention of Atrocities Act, 1989.

2. Corporate Social Responsibility:

Resource Person: Dr. Sanjay Panda, I.A.S.

Companies play an important role in production and marketing of goods and services as per the prevailing and emerging market demand in general and in generating wealth and employment opportunities. Considering the recent decade when the responsibility of corporate towards the society with an aim to make the development process sustainable on a long term basis was acknowledged, this course was introduced. India became one of the few countries which made 'Corporate Social Responsibility' a mandate (Section 135) by an amendment to the Companies Act, 2013. Thus, this course enabled the students to closely observe the evolution of CSR in the Indian market and empowered them with the knowledge on CSR under the Companies Act, 2013.

3. Economic and Social Rights:

Resource Person: Justice Dr. S. Muralidhar

Considering the developments in the past two decades at the economic, social and political fronts both internationally and at home this course was introduced. This development has prima facie brought to the fore, the tensions between the implementation of economic policies of States geared to achieving a level of 'development' measured in economic terms and the need for protection and enforcement of survival rights guaranteed by the written Constitution. The paradox of India being projected as a 'fast growing' economy measured by its gross domestic product even while it fares unimpressively on the human development indices which measure her performance in the health, education, and employment sectors is evident. Thus, the course mapped the universe of economic and social rights and their position in the Indian Constitution. It helped the students to examine the international and national conflicts arising during the implementation of economic policies of the state. In this background, the course discussed on various issues including right to shelter, right to education, right to livelihood, right to food and health and the role of judicial process in materializing economic and fundamental rights.

4. Labour Law Lawyering:

Resource Person: Ms. Ramapriya Gopalkrishnan

The labourers in the world struggle to survive the extreme economic deprivation, unending economic inequality and deteriorating working conditions with very less lawyers working for the cause of marginalized and vulnerable labourers. Considering this, the course was introduced with the aim to facilitate the students in understanding the domains of labour standards, both internationally and at home. The course arched over rights and duties of workers, employers and the state under international labour standards and labour law legislations. Internationally, the course included international standards and supervisory mechanism under ILO and nationally, it covered the jurisprudential evolution of labour laws in India, the role of judicial proceedings and the available protection of labour rights under the constitution and other labour rights legislations of India. The course sensitized the students about the struggle of labourers and the protection available to them under various standards.

5. International Human Rights:

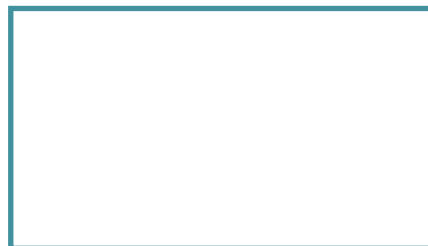
Resource Person: Mr. Ravi Nair

Extra judicial killings, torture in detention, disappearances and various human rights violations at international and national level has been evident since time immemorial. International Human Rights, famously known as international *Magna Carta* for all mankind, is an essential set of laws dealing with human rights that any legal scholar should be aware of; consequently, NLUO introduced a detailed credit course. This course arched the evolution of human rights in international domain, and discussed the rights of people ranging from civil and political rights to social and economic rights with special emphasis on rights of women (CEDAW), Geneva Protocol and Additional Protocol in national and international armed conflicts.

B) TEACHING SEMINAR COURSE FOR L.L.M., FINAL YEAR AND FOURTH YEAR (UG) STUDENTS

National Law University Odisha has always been committed to enriching the academic exposure of the students in various aspects of the legal profession so that they are best equipped to deal with the demands of their professional life. In furtherance of the same objective and in order to further expand the academic experience of the students, the University will be offering the Teaching Seminar Course from the Academic Session January-April 2017 to the 5th year and 4th year students in the Under Graduate Degree Programme and to the L.L.M. students.

Under this programme, students will be provided the opportunity to associate themselves with the Under Graduate courses in law and with the courses being offered by the University as part of the UGC Community College project to the students of Advanced Vocational Diploma in Paralegal Courses. The University is hopeful that apart from helping the students who are interested to pursue higher studies or are interested to join academics, the Teaching Seminar course will also provide a unique learning opportunity to the students.



SAILABALA PUJARI MEMORIAL INAUGURAL PUBLIC LECTURE

Prof. (Dr.) Upendra Baxi delivered a public lecture on "Spheres of Access to Justice, and of Territoriality: The Many Splendored Contributions of Ms. Sailabala Pujari" at National Law University, Odisha on 4th July, 2016 in the Seminar Hall of the Academic Block.

In the beginning of the lecture, Prof. Baxi underlined the achievements of Ms. Sailabala Pujari. He said that her having the distinction of being the first woman member of the Bar of Western Odisha was a huge achievement, considering the 'geography of gender equality' prevailing in the state of Odisha at that time. He spoke about how there are very few women Justices of High Courts, and still fewer who are Chief Justice (Kolkata and Delhi High Courts had their first women appointees only recently as High Court Chief Justices). Prof. Baxi also spoke about Ms. Pujari's other accomplishments: her activist role as a lawyer, membership of jail visiting committees and juvenile justice board, as member of several sexual harassment committees and also as a founder of a journal for women namely 'Swayamprava'. That Indian women can do more than men and women lawyers do a lot more work than the male counterparts has been demonstrated by Ms. Pujari, said Prof. Baxi.

In addition, Prof. Baxi also spoke about the monograph of Ms. Sailabala Pujari titled 'In Search of a High Court Bench: An Odious Journey So Far', where her struggle (along with her life-partner Mr. Gobardhan Pujari) to have a separate Bench for Western Odisha has been described. Prof. Baxi stressed on the importance of the monograph "for the attestation of the solidarity of the Bar, hailed as a supreme virtue". "If individual lawyers are merchants of reason, the Bar as a whole is the repository of public reason. We Indians should never forget the role and responsibility of the Bar and the Bench", remarked Prof. Baxi. Prof. Baxi also talked about the 'judicial infrastructure' and 'means of access to justice' as crucial components of the judicial system in India. He raised questions like: "Do the access to justice rights then include a right to decentralization of justice administration? If not, does the existing policy for bench formation violate any adjudicatory policy regarding access to judicial infrastructure?" Prof. Baxi also broached the topic of Access to courts as a vital 'constitutional affair' in his address.



GUEST LECTURES

- "Parliamentary Reforms", by Mr. Baijayant Panda, Member of Lok Sabha, on 14th April, 2016.
- "Police Reforms", by Mr. Tathagat Satpathy, Member of Lok Sabha, on 18th April, 2016.
- "Innovation in the field of Law with special focus on IP protection for business", by Prof. Shamnaad Basheer on 22nd April, 2016.
- Interactive session on "Securities Market in India", by Mr. Sandeep Ghose and Mr. Sukumaran, on 2nd August, 2016.
- "The Need for Instituting a Set of Economic Rights", by Prof. Prabhat Pattnaik on 28th August, 2016.
- "Goods and Services Tax: 101st Constitutional Amendment Act, 2016", by Mr. Biswajit Das, Advocate on 3rd October, 2016.
- "Judicial Engagement with Economic and Social Rights", by Justice S. Muralidhar, from 13th October, 2016 to 16th October, 2016.
- "Labour Lawyering", by Ms. Ramapriya Gopalakrishnan, from 17th October, 2016 to 20th October, 2016.
- "Electoral Reforms and its Relevance", by Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty on 5th January, 2017.
- "Globalization and Human Rights", by Prof. G. Haragopal on 6th January, 2017.
- "Disability Rights in India", by Ms. Geeta Luthra, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India on 6th January, 2017.
- "Interpretation of Constitutional Assembly Debates", by Prof. Vikram Raghavan on 9th & 10th January, 2017.
- "Cross border Mergers and Acquisition", by Mr. Chris Parsons on 17th January, 2017.
- "Cross-border Investments", by Prof. Andrew Johnston and Mr. Nabajyoti Samanta on 25th January, 2017.
- "Right To Information and Good Governance", by Mr. Subhash Chandra Agarwal on 3rd February, 2017.
- "Web-based Access to Justice" by Prof. Parasuramam, Director, TISS, Mumbai on 21st April, 2016.
- "Access to Justice Fellowship Programme", by Dr. K. M. Parivelan, TISS, on 21st April, 2016.
- "Web Based A2J Promotion: Technical Inputs", by Mr. Sivakumar, TISS, on 21st April, 2016.
- "Keele Univeristy CLOCK Model", by Mr. Krishnadas, Keele University, on 21st April, 2016.
- "Evolving perceptions of Mediation & Arbitration", by Prof. Thomas Stipanowich, Pepperdine University School of Law, on 2nd September, 2016.
- "Evolving perceptions of Mediation & Arbitration", by Mr. Sukhsimranjit Singh, Director of the LL.M Programmme, Pepperdine University School of Law on 2nd September, 2016.

NLU Odisha in association with TISS, Mumbai and Keele University, U.K. jointly organized 'Consultation for Web Based Access to Justice Promotion in India'. NLU Odisha will be the key partner to develop similar model India.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Department of Justice Project on "A Comparative Analysis of Performance Appraisal Mechanisms and Schemes of Promotion in relation to the Judges of Subordinate Judiciary in different States in India"

NLUO has been awarded the Department of Justice Project on "A Comparative Analysis of Performance Appraisal Mechanisms and Schemes of Promotion in relation to the Judges of Subordinate Judiciary in different States in India" under the scheme of Action Research and Studies on Judicial Reforms. The project has come into effect from 16.02.2016.

The project is to be completed in eighteen months and has a sanctioned budget of Rs. 24,10,000/-. Under the project, the University is conducting a comparative analysis on the existing framework of performance appraisal and promotion schemes in relation to the subordinate judiciary in the identified states. The primary mandate of the project is to determine the prevalent best practices and model mechanisms in relation to the performance appraisal and promotion schemes in the subordinate judiciary in the identified states.

Department of Justice Project on "An Analysis of the Functioning of Lok Adalats in the Eastern Region of India"

NLUO has collaborated with the Odisha Judicial Academy for the Department of Justice Project on "An Analysis of the Functioning of Lok Adalats in the Eastern Region of India." The project started on 29.06.2016.

The project is to be completed in eighteen months and has a sanctioned budget of Rs. 20,34,000/-. The main thrust of the project is to identify measures through which the functioning of Lok Adalats in the state of Odisha, West Bengal, Bihar and Jharkhand can be made more efficient. Towards this end, the project team is assessing the prevalent state of affairs in relation to the functioning of Lok Adalats in the identified states.

Towards this end, the project team is conducting a statistical analysis of the disposal records in the identified states in a duration of three years to have a better grasp of the nature of cases being addressed by the scheme of Lok Adalats. The project team is also analysing the structural and functional issues in the implementation of the scheme of Lok Adalats.

Exploring Changing Dynamics of Children's Laws in India in Post-Liberalization Era

NLU Odisha received support from the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) for a research on "Exploring Changing Dynamics of Children's Laws in India in Post-Liberalization Era". Research has been undertaken on the working of the law and legal systems in India in the changing context of globalization and liberalization to effect changes in the situation of children. The research is mainly focused on Juvenile Justice, Right to Education, and Child Protection. The impact of migration, displacement and trafficking will also be studied in this research. The study would look into the roles and responsibilities of the child rights institutions and understand the inter-departmental coordination and monitoring mechanisms that have been evolved towards the policy implementation and their contributions. Furthermore, the study intends to identify the gaps, challenges and inadequacies towards the effective implementation of the child rights polices with special reference to protection issues.

Child Labour Project

Centre for Child Rights (CCR) has developed partnership with Labour Department, Government of Odisha to provide technical support to government for developing strategies for effective implementation of State Action Plan for Elimination of Child Labour in Odisha. In this regard, CCR has

conducted the Training of Master Trainers on 17th and 19th November, 2016. In this context, with the support of UNICEF, the centre has taken the Project Titled: Technical Support to Labour Department, Government of Odisha in the Implementation of State Plan of Action for Elimination of Child Labour in Odisha.

Litigation Management in Higher education in state of Odisha:

The litigation management project in Higher Education in the State of Odisha would examine the reasons for pendency of cases and find out the common legal issues. This project will study the cost-benefit analysis of the total expenditure involved for disposal of cases and comparative picture of costs involved for the disposal of cases by means of ADR and out of court settlement. The research project will further identify the gaps and suggest administrative methods to deal with systematic issues to reduce pendency of litigation in various forums. The main objective of the research project is to suggest litigation policy for the state of Odisha in Higher Education.



RESEARCH CENTRES

CENTRE FOR CHILD RIGHTS (CCR)

Centre for Child Rights (CCR) is the specialized research centre of the National Law University Odisha, Cuttack. The Centre was established in the year 2015 with a mission to improve access to justice for children and promote research, advanced learning and advocacy to strengthen child rights laws, policies and practices in India. Seeking total elimination of child labour in the state, Odisha government has formulated a "State Action Plan for Elimination of Child Labour". As a part of the said initiative the Department of Labour, Government of Odisha has collaborated with NLUO for conduction of Child Labour Survey in Odisha. NLU, Odisha will provide the technical support for implementation of State Plan in the newly enacted Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2016. As a part of the said initiative, the Labour Commissioner has also requested NLUO to finalize a team of researchers and professionals who would work with the Labour Department not just for the Survey but also in the long run for various intensive activities for elimination of Child Labour in the State of Odisha.



Activities of the Centre from April 2016- January 2017

1. Training/Conference/Consultation

CCR develops training modules and conducts capacity building training programmes for different stakeholders of child protection, structures and mechanism under various Acts to refine and supplement the knowledge, skills and approach of stakeholders towards issues concerning child rights. Centre has organised various programs: (A) Two-day training for the officials of the Special Juvenile Police Units of Odisha was held on 9th and 10th January, 2017. (B) Training on the 'Roles and Accountability of the Public Prosecutors in Ensuring Justice to Children' held from 27th June to 2nd July 2016 in three batches. (C) On 7th June, 2016 it organized a workshop in collaboration with Odisha State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (OSCP) to review the Draft Model Rules 2016 formulated by central government under Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015.

2. Advocacy

The Centre for Child Rights has held dialogues with Government of Odisha to foster partnership and cooperation for developing holistic child development and protection at the district level. The Department of Women & Child Development, Government has accorded permission to the centre to undertake research and evaluation of the working of child protection institutions and to formulate Integrated Action Plan for the DCPUs in eight districts namely Ganjam, Keonjhar, Khurda, Koraput, Malkangiri, Nayagarh, Nabarangpur and Sundergarh on pilot basis.

3. Partnership and Technical Support

CCR has developed partnership with Labour Department, Government of Odisha to provide technical support to government for developing strategies for effective implementation of State Action Plan for

Elimination of Child Labour in Odisha. The Centre has provided technical and handholding support to the District Child Protection Units of Angul, Jajpur, Puri, Jagatsinghpur, Gajapati, Keonjhar, Nayagarh district in designing and conducting capacity building training and orientation to the personnel of juvenile justice and child protection institutions.

4. Publications

The Centre has brought out Journal on Rights of the Child. This journal is of first of its kind to make academia, research scholars and child right practitioners to express and discuss seminal thought on various issues of child rights to influence policy discourse. The Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 has been brought out by the CCR in the year 2016. FAQs aims to provide knowledge and practical guidance to the stakeholders for implementation of juvenile justice

CENTRE FOR ACCESS TO JUSTICE

UNDP Project on Access to Justice for Marginalised People and Socially Relevant Legal Education: Important Accomplishments (2016-17)

5 days' Workshop-cum-Training Programme on Role of Lawyers in Enhancing Access to Justice for Marginalised People: From 8th to 12th of November, 2016 a training programme was organised for Lawyers at NLUO under the project. 37 young lawyers selected from the community within the three districts of Odisha participated in the event. The purpose of the training programme was to orient lawyers towards issues relating to access to justice in the state of Odisha. Among the various resource persons who conducted sessions for the trainees were Justice A.S. Naidu, Retired Judge, High Court of Orissa; Dr. Amrita Patel, Chairperson, OSRCW; Mr. K.N. Panigrahi, Senior Resource Person, Odisha Judicial Academy; Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, PECUC and Mr. Laxmi Narayan Nanda, Child Rights Specialist, UNICEF. Ms. Shikha Hundal, Project Officer, A2J Team of UNDP was also present during the event. The Training Programme followed an interactive approach and combined Group Activity sessions along with Lecture Sessions to ensure that there was sufficient scope for brainstorming among participants. Relevant reading material was circulated for reference during the training sessions. Feedback of participants was taken at the end of the programme. Major Legal Literacy Programmes: Around 8 Legal Literacy Programmes were organised. Details of two such programmes have been given below:



(a) 20th September, 2016: Legal Literacy programme organised at Ramachandrakalpana Mahavidyalaya, Tangi, Khurda. (b) 6th August, 2016: Legal Literacy Programme was organised at Mundali High School in the district of Cuttack. Major highlights of the programme are as follows:

Lasting Partnership with Local NGOs: In the month of September, a local NGO, Kalinga Kusum Foundation (KKF) has approached with a proposal to partner with us in conducting Legal Literacy

Programmes and spreading legal awareness not just in the three districts covered under the project but also in remote districts of Odisha. The written proposal for tie-up was received by us on the 5th of October, 2016. Once approved, KKF will partner with us for the next 5 years for conducting legal awareness and training programmes to enhance access to justice all over Odisha.

CENTRE FOR CORPORATE LAW

Centre for Corporate Law has organized the 1st National Conference on Emerging Trends of Corporate Law held on October 21st - 22nd, 2016. The seminar has seen paper presenters from all over India. We are in process of printing of research papers submitted in seminar as book.



We have conducted One day workshop on Competition Law and Competition Assessment in association with Competition Commission of India on 18th October, 2016. Centre has further entered Memorandum of Understanding with Surana and Surana International Attorneys for Organizing Essay Competition in Competition Law. We have started journal on Corporate law and Policy which will be released shortly.

Interactive Session on Securities Markets in India

On 2nd August, 2016, Centre for Corporate Laws organised an 'Interactive Session on Securities Markets in India'. Shri Sandip Ghose, Director, National Institute of Securities Markets, Mumbai chaired the first session and delivered a lecture on '*Enhancing Effectiveness*'. The lecture focused on the students of university with special reference to their effectiveness in general and academic life. Mr. Ghose guided the students about the current market position and means to cope with same. With his rich experience of police as an IPS officer, and a banker as head of Human Resource Department, Reserve Bank of India and various other positions, he guided the students to frame the future. He also arranged some activity based tests and interactive sessions which received excellent participation by the students.

CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW

Centre for International Trade Law has been doing research in the following activities, namely

1. Uploading of Edited Version of WTO Appellate Body Decisions: NLUO ITL center is editing the WTO appellate body decisions and uploading them on the NLUO ITL centre website. The edited versions would provide students, teachers and scholars interested in WTO an easier and shorter version of often very long appellate body decisions. So far 29 cases have been edited and uploaded on the website.
2. ITL center is working on the publication of an edited volume on Trade Facilitation and WTO. For this purpose writers from India and abroad have been contacted and many of them are giving articles for

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW ARBITRATION MOOT

3RD INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ARBITRATION MOOT COURT COMPETITION

(1st-3rd April, 2016)

National Law University Odisha hosted the third edition of its moot court competition. This year the moot became India's first International Maritime Law Moot with a special focus on International Commercial Arbitration. The moot proposition of this edition was drafted by Mr. Siddharth Ranka, Scorpio Marine Management (I) Pvt. Ltd., assisted by Mr. Anil Vishnoi, Bose & Mitra Co.

Eighteen teams in total participated in this event from all the leading law schools of the country. Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar was adjudged the Best Team of the Competition and ILS Law College, Pune were the 2nd Best Team. National Law School of India University, Bangalore won the Best Memorial Citation while Ms. Digyasha Sharma from RGNUL, Patiala was adjudged the Best Speaker of the competition.

The participants of the competition were subjected to the highest level of scrutiny as the arbitration panel comprised of individuals who were experts in the field of international arbitration and maritime law from reputed law firms and chambers in India. It was our pleasure to have Mr. Samareshwar Mahanty, Senior Advocate, Odisha High Court, a noted expert and published author in the field of maritime law, Mr. Dharmendra Rautray, Senior Partner, Kachwaha & Partners, an expert in International Commercial Arbitration and Shipping law.

The arbitration panel for the final rounds was presided by Mr. Amitava Majumdar, Partner at Bose & Mitra, Mr. Murali Neelakantan, Amicus and a dual qualified lawyer in Indian and English Law, Mr. Prashanto Mukherjee, Professor Emeritus at the World Maritime University and Prof. V.S. Mani, an internationally renowned scholar in the field of public international law.



CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, TRAINING AND SEMINARS

During the academic year 2016-17, NLUO has organised various seminars, conferences, workshops and training programmes. Some selected programmes are:

CONFERENCES

- 39th All India Criminology Conference of Indian Society of criminology, 22-09-2016 to 24 - 09-2016

National Law University Odisha had organised 39th All India Criminology conference in association with the Indian Society of Criminology (ISC) from 22-24th September, 2016 on "Criminological Challenges in the Contemporary Era". The Annual conference is being organized every year by the society and is hosted by a university of repute around a range of themes of national importance and relevance. The sub-themes discussed at length at the conference are ; *Criminology and criminal justice in a changing world; Victim Justice Perspectives in theory and practice; Ensuring Children's Protection and Care in the Rights Framework; Handling Child Delinquency through specialized juvenile justice; Dealing with Cyber and Technology related Crimes; Complying with Human Rights and Constitutional Rights Guarantees; Securing fair and just prisonisation and other non-custodial measures of corrections; Implications of growing development of science and technology in criminal justice; Teaching and research in criminology and criminal justice.*

Prof. N.R. Madhava Menon renowned Jurist and the founder Director of National Law School of India University, Bangalore was the chief guest and has also delivered the inaugural address. Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice Chancellor, NLUO delivered the welcome address in both inaugural as well as valedictory sessions. Mr. Asit Kumar Tripathy, IAS, Home secretary, Government of Odisha delivered key note address. Mr. Vishal Kumar Dev, Secretary, WCD, Government of Odisha had released the first edition of Child Rights journal. Prof. Thilagaraj , Chairman, Indian Society of Criminology, addressed the gathering.



- First National Conference on Emerging Trends in Corporate Law Conference from 21-10-2016 to 22-10-2016
- Eastern Regional Conference cum Training on Human Trafficking from 09-04-2016 to 10-04-2016
- Conference on UNDP Access to Justice, on 12-04-2016
- Conference and Training on Access to Justice and Legal Aid for Under-trial Prisoners in the state of Odisha, on 23-04-2016

WORKSHOPS

- Workshop on Bonded Labourers and Migrant Workers from 18-08-2016 to 19-08-2016
- Workshop on Identification, Prosecution & Enforcement on Fraudulent Scheme on 04-04-2016



STUDENT COMMITTEES

MOOT COURT:

National Winners of Jessup Moot, 2017:

The team consisting Ranjeev Khatana, Aditya Laddha, Debayan Gupta and Aman Pandey have won the Indian National Rounds of 58th Edition of the Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition, 2017. The team will represent India in the White and Case international rounds of the unofficial world cup of mooting that will be held later this year in Washington DC from 9th-15th April, 2017. Aditya Laddha also won 4th Best Student Advocate and Best Speaker finals award. Last year, NLUO represented in the International Rounds and made it to top four teams in the world.



- A team comprising Ranjeev Khatana, Aditya Laddha, Debayan Gupta and Aman Pandey were Winners in India Rounds Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, 2017.
- A team comprising Suhel Altaf Qureshi, Kevin Mathews and Rakshita Agarwal received the Second Best Memorial in D. M. Harish Memorial International Moot Court Competition, 2017.
- A team comprising Ranjeev Khatana, Aditya Laddha, Anshuman Chowdhury, Rohit Kapoor, and Vedant Kumar were the Octa- finalists in World Rounds Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, 2016.
- A team comprising Aishwarya Mohanty, Ganesh Gopalakrishnan, Pranav Budihal, Pragya, Sanskruti Samal and Sughosh Neergundh were adjudged as the 31st Best Team , Frederic Eisemann's Award for Team prevailing in orals in Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot, 2016.
- Eshna Saxena and Namrata Behera participated in Nani Palkhivala Tax Moot, 2016 and were Semi finalist.
- Surabhi Gupta, V. Abhinaya, and Nandini Dubagunta participated in M.K. Nambyar Moot Court Competition, 2016 and received the citation for best memorial in the competition.
- A team comprising Abhinav Bharadwaj, Shraddha Singh and Ritwik Das participated in 6th Jamia Millia Islamia National Moot Court Competition, 2016 and finished as Runners- Up.
- A team comprising Naman Kamdar, Suyog Ghosh Dastidar and Diya Dasgupta participated in KIIT National Trial Moot Court Competition, 2016 and received the citation for the best

- Kevin Matthews, Sohail Qureshi and Avinash Gautam as a team joined the 1st G.D. Goenka Moot Court Competition, 2016 and received the Best Team award.
- Radhika Pande, Pragalbhi Joshi and Sukriti Sinha team participated the 11th G.H. Raisoni Moot Court Competition, 2016 and finished as the Runners-up.
- A team comprising Druheen Mohanty, Astha Jain and Tanmay Bhatnagar participated in the 6th K.R. Ramamani Memorial Taxation Moot, 2016 and received the Best Memorial award.
- A team comprising Sakshi Jain, Manogna Mattam and Abhishek Rai participated the P.N. Bhagwati Memorial International Law Moot Court Competition, 2016 and were awarded the Second Best Memorial award.
- A team comprising Archita Mohapatra, Shreya Singhal and Mayank Mishra participated the 11th Justice Krishna Iyer All India Moot Court Competition, 2016 and finished as Second Runners-up and won the citation for Second Best Memorial.
- A team comprising Anant Gupta, Priyanka Murali and Pratik Suri participated the 8th NUJS-Herbert Smith Freehills National Moot Court Competition, 2016 and finished as Runners-up in the competition.
- A team comprising Ankita Sen, Ankita Dhabu and Vishesh Mehrotra participated the 3rd NUALS National Moot Court Competition, 2016 and stood as Runners-up in the competition.
- A team comprising Varun Kothari, Divya Rathor and Shreya Saraiya participated the 1st UPES Techno-Legal Moot Court Competition, 2016 and finished as Semi-Finalists in the competition.
- A team comprising Smriti Singh, Rituparan Chatterjee and Sakshi Sharma participated in 17th D.M. Harish Memorial Government Law College International Law Competition 2016 and were adjudged as Semi-Finalists in the competition.
- A team comprising Vidhi Tiwari, Abhipsa Mallick and Suman Setty participated in 6th ILNU International Moot Court Competition, 2016 and the team finished as 2nd Runners-up.
- A team comprising Rashmi Shukla, Vinti Agarwal and Anmol Saraf participated in Surana & Surana National Corporate Law Moot Court Competition 2016 and stood as Runners-up.

CULTURAL COMMITTEE

The Cultural Committee (stylized as the Cult Crew), for the year 2016-17, had sought to keep up the trend of its predecessors, by organizing events that capture the multi-faceted side of India, as well as seeking to maximize the involvement and interaction of the student body. The first event that the Crew organized was Ganesh Chaturthi, which saw the religious side of the student body. The event was completed with a puja ceremony, as well as a subsequent prasad distribution.

SPORTS COMMITTEE

The sports committee of National Law University Odisha is to promote the sporting activities among the students. The university has a sports complex consisting of Basketball Courts, Volley Ball court, Lawn Tennis Courts. The Badminton courts, table tennis tables are available inside the hostel premises. In addition to it the games like cricket, football, chess, swimming, counter strike, throw ball, kabaddi, athletics etc. are also played by the students of university. The sports committee organises Sports Week once in each semester. In addition to it, an inter-university event 'Viraj' is organised by the university wherein various teams from outside participate.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS 2016-17

The students of National Law University Odisha have participated in two national level sports fests in the academic year of 2016-17. The first was Spiritus, which is the annual sports fest held by NLSIU, Bangalore and the second was Invicta, which is the annual sports fest conducted by NUJS, Kolkata.

Spiritus (NLSIU)

The following are the achievements at Spiritus, 2016: 1. The Football team won the gold medal; 2. The Table Tennis (Boys) team won the Silver medal; 3. Pareekshit Bishnoi won the silver medal in 1500m; 4. The Counter Strike team reached the semifinals.

Invicta (NUJS)

The following are the achievements at Invicta, 2017:

1. The Volleyball team won the gold medal; 2. The Throwball team won the gold medal; 3. Sonal Patel won the gold medal in 400m; 4. The Football team won the silver medal; 5. The Chess team won the silver medal; 6. Suneet Padhi won the silver medal in High Jump; 7. Sonal Patel won the silver medal in 100m; 8. Samyuktha Srinivasan won the silver medal in 200m; 9. Samyuktha Srinivasan won the silver medal in 800m; 8. Pareekshit Bishnoi won the bronze medal in 800m and 3000m; 9. The girls relay team won the bronze medal; 10. Samyuktha Srinivasan won the bronze medal in Long Jump.

LEGAL AID COMMITTEE

The volunteers of the Legal Aid Society have actively organised around 8 legal literacy programmes in Cuttack, Puri and Khurda districts. Furthermore, groundwork for the state level students' networking programme for consolidating legal aid initiatives in the state of Odisha is under process. The event will be organised in March 2017.

INTERNSHIP AND PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

Students of NLU Odisha have interned at prestigious law firms and corporates like AZB, AMSS, Luthra Law offices, Khaitan & Co., Kochhar & Co., Tri Legal and so on. The internship and placement committee helps the students in their placements and internships.

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The work undertaken by the Committee for the current academic year was that it Drafted a proposal to the Chief Post Master General's Office in Odisha (Department of Posts) asking them to set up a sub-post office in the campus to facilitate the regular use of postal services for the purposes of moots and also for administrative purposes.

TECH COMMITTEE

The committee has undertaken following initiatives:

1. Undertook an extensive review of NLUO's official website as it stood prior to Academic Year 2016-17, with a view to identifying flaws, lacunae, and shortcomings present.
2. Undertook a comprehensive comparative analysis of Indian and foreign law school websites, with a view to identifying best international practices to be followed when renovating NLUO's website.

IDIA AND IDG

Informal discussion group was started in 2016 to conduct free discussions and debate among students and between students and visiting dignitaries on general social and political issues. First lecture in the series was conducted on 14th April, 2016. The visiting dignitary was Sri Baijyanath Panda, an MP from Kendrapara constituency of Odisha who gave lecture on Parliamentary Reforms. He shared his views on party reform, role of speaker, role of upper house and how to make representatives responsible to the people they represent. Mr. Tathagat Satpathy visited on 18th April, 2016 and interacted with students on diverse issues such as police reforms, issues relating to Aadhar cards etc. Event was made interesting by references to diverse matters relating to Indian history, social issues, rising inequality etc.



Prof. Shamnaad Basheer was invited by lex tech to deliver lecture and interact with NLUO students. Prof. Basheer came on 22nd April, 2016. He talked to 3rd year, 4th year and 5th year students on Innovation and Law with focus on IP Protection for businesses. In the afternoon from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. he interacted with 1st year and 2nd year students on Innovations in the Field of Law. His lectures were made interesting by reference to certain cases narrated as stories which in an interesting way



UNIVERSITY PUBLICATION

University involves its students in the editorial board of journal publications and research projects thereby providing opportunity for advanced learning. University has its periodic publication of the following Journals:

- NLUO Law Journal
- Human Rights Law Journals
- Journal of Banking and Insurance Law
- Journal for Rights of the Child
- Colloquium Opus Law Journal
- NLUO Student Law Journal
- Web Journal of WTO Appellate Body Decisions

The NLUO Student Law Review is the flagship student-run publication of NLUO. It is annual, peer-reviewed journal. While it accepts (in fact, encourages) legal writing and scholarship of all types, it underscores the need for empirical research on inter-disciplinary legal issues.

Apart from the Journals, each research centre also comes up with its newsletters emphasizing the latest developments in the respective research area.



CAMPUS INFRASTRUCTURE

The University has excellent infrastructure with a large and spacious three floor academic block (1,27,398 Sq ft) with state of the art and fully digitalised class rooms, equally spacious three floor administrative block (29,643 Sq ft), two boys hostels of 540 single rooms and one girls hostel with 270 single rooms. The University provides separate single room accommodation to all students. We have excellent brand new sports facilities and an amphitheatre with 1200 capacity.

The construction of the University was proposed in two phases. In first phase, we have completed two boys hostel, one girls hostel, academic block, administrative block, an amphitheatre, parking area and land scape and library building (which is under-construction). The second phase, will start very soon. It includes construction of one girls cum PG Hostel, faculty quarters, staff quarters, guest house and VC residence.

The feature of state of art audio visual equipment, including LCD projectors, dedicated sound systems and electronic blackboards (which automatically generate printouts of what has been written on them.)



VISITORS TO NLUO

The academic year 2016-17 has seen many academic activities. Various members from legal fraternity and persons of excellence visited to NLUO in the present academic year as part of various programmes. Some of the experts and legal luminaries who visited NLUO in 2016-17 are as follows:

- Prof. Andrew Johnston & Prof. Navjyoti Samanta of Sheffield University, UK on 25th January, 2017.
- Prof. Madabhushi Sridhar Acharyulu, Central Information Commissioner, New Delhi from 19th-20th, 2017 for Expert Committee Meeting on RTI.
- Mr. Chris Parsons, Chairman, India Practice, Herbert Smith Freehills LLP visited on 17th January, 2017 to address the students on Cross-border M&A.
- Mr. Vikram Raghvan, Lead Counsel and Legal Advisor, World Bank, New York visited from 8th - 9th January, 2017.
- Hon'ble Justice D.K.Jain, President, National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, visited NLUO on 5th November, 2016 to deliver lecture on "Second Foundation Day Lecture".
- Shri Sandip Ghose, Director, NISM visited NLUO on 3rd November, 2016 for Signing of MoU with NISM.
- Prof. Prabhat Pattnaik visited NLUO on 28th August, 2016 to deliver a Special Lecture on the "Need for Instituting a Set of Economic Rights".
- Dr. Gitanjali Gill, Northumbria Law School, Northumbria University visited NLUO on 26th August, 2016 for Consultation on "Mining Law & Policy".
- Prof. Upendra Baxi, Prof. N. L. Mitra, Prof. M. P. Singh, Prof. V. Vijaya Kumar, Prof. Sitharamam Kakarala, Prof. R. Venkat Rao, Mr. Baladevan Rangaraju visited NLUO from 29th June-1st July, 2016 for Faculty Development Programme.
- Prof. Madhab Menon, Prof. B.B. Pandey delivered special lectures on 22nd September 2016.
- Prof. Danixia Cuevas, FullBright Scholar, Florida University, U.S visited NLUO on 19th July, 2016 for One-day consultation on "Paralegalism in India".
- Prof. Alan Noorie visited NLUO from 6th-7th April, 2016 to be a part of the Workshop on Criminal Justice and Critical Theory.
- Dr. Sanjay Panda visited NLUO from 5th-7th October, 2016 to conduct a Credit Course on Corporate Social Responsibility.
- Justice Dr. S. Muralidhar visited NLUO from 13th-15th October, 2016 to conduct a Credit Course on Economic and Social Rights.
- Ms. Ramapriya Gopalakrishnan visited NLUO from 17th-20th October, 2016 to conduct a Credit Course on Labour Lawyering.
- Mr. Ravi Nair visited NLUO from 23rd-30th October, 2016 to conduct a Credit Course on International Human Rights.

LIBRARY

NLUO's library is without doubt the University's pride and joy. In the eight years, it has achieved standards more than adequate for teaching and basic research purposes. It houses a collection of 13565 books, about 1807 primary legal texts (such as copies of bare acts, law commission reports, etc.), and more than a hundred law reports, academic journals and the like amounting to a total of 7339 individual volumes. Of particular interest to law scholars are the acquisition of complete sets of older law reports such as the Law Reports (Indian Appeals), Moore's Indian Appeals, the Criminal Law Journal, and Calcutta Weekly Notes. Unlike contemporary reports these are not readily available online, which make hard copies essential and irreplaceable. Consequently, this collection acquired by NLUO is of inestimable value to researchers investigating legal developments of the last few centuries. In the academic year 2016-17 the university added 1085 books in the library, 941 bound volumes of various journals, along with Bare Acts, CD ROMs and included 4 e-journals, i.e. Air & Space Law, Journal of International Trade Law & Policy, China Report and Journal of Land and Rural Studies. The library started new subscription of eight print journals, i.e. Digital Learning, China Report, Journal of International Trade Law & Policy, Caravan, Journal of Education Planning & Administration, Practical Lawyer, Journal of Land and Rural Studies and NJA newsletter.

In addition to the above the NLUO library has 13 Databases including SCC online, Manupatra, Hein Online, Westlaw India, JSTOR, Kluwer Arbitration, Kluwer Competition Law, Economic and Political Weekly etc., 4 individual e-journals and Oxford e-handbooks. These databases can be accessed by the faculty and students in the campus and also outside the university campus. Apart from this, NLUO library has a subscription to an anti-plagiarism software, turnitin.

The University gratefully acknowledges the generosity of individuals who have donated many valuable books and legal materials. The Justice G.K. Mishra Collection, housed separately within the library premises, occupies pride of place. Recently added are books donated by Sr. Advocate, Mr. B. K. Mohanty. A dedicated library building is under construction. It has been designed keeping in mind the best that traditional Odia architecture has to offer and once it becomes operational, it promises to stock more than 2,00,000 books and over a thousand journals, making it one of the largest and most comprehensive law libraries in India.

In short NLUO library includes:

- Books:- 13565; Bound volumes of journals:- 7339; Bare Acts:- 1807; Databases:- 13
- E-journals:- 4; E-books:- 29; Current subscription: 83 ; News papers:- 15; CD ROMs:- 214



GRANTS AND ENDOWMENTS

NLU Odisha is grateful to the Odisha State government for its generous support and allocation of grants for infrastructure and development of the University. In the Financial Year 2015-16 and 2016-17 University received State grants for building NLUO campus as follows:

Grants

Year	Grants received
2015-16	Rs24,00,99,000.00
2016-17	Rs.20Crore
Total	Rs.44,00,99,000.000

NLUO has received following endowments for the Gold Medals

	Donated /Instituted by	Amount
A)	Dinabandhu Sahu Memorial Trust	: Rs.5 lakhs
B)	Prof. N. L. Mitra, Chancellor, KIIT University	: Rs. 5 lakhs
C)	Shri Ashok Parija , Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India	: Rs. 5 lakhs
D)	Ms. Kajal Mishra & Ms. Sital Mishra, Advocates Founders, SKS Juris Legal Group	: Rs. 5 lakhs
E)	Shri Bijon Ray, Senior Advocate, High Court of Orissa	: Rs. 5 lakhs
F)	Shri Surya Prasad Mishra, Senior Advocate & Advocate General, Odisha	: Rs. 5 Lakhs
G)	Shri Biswajit Mohanty, Chairman BRM IIT	: Rs. 5 Lakhs
H)	Shri Manas Ranjan Mohapatra	: Rs. 5 Lakhs
I)	Prof. Priyambada Mohnaty Hejmadi	: Rs. 5 Lakhs
J)	Shri G. Pujahari	: Rs. 2.5 Lakhs

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

In addition to contributing to the corporate life of the NLUO, faculty members have pursued their academic research, writings and interactions. This year is marked by multifarious activities and contributions of the faculty members in various avenues and forums.

Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao

Vice-Chancellor

Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao is the Vice-Chancellor of National Law University Odisha, Cuttack. Prof. Rao has been actively involved with legal education and research in India at four National Law Schools: National Law School of India University, Bangalore (1990-1995 & 1997-98), NALSAR, Hyderabad (1998-2004), Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar (2004-2007) and National Law University, Delhi (2010-14) including short stint with Jawaharlal Nehru University and Delhi University (1995-97). Prof. Rao was the first Director of School of Law at Indira Gandhi National Open University (2007-2010).

Research Projects:

- ❖ Principal Investigator for the project on "Comparative Analysis of Performance Appraisal Mechanisms of Subordinate Judiciary in India" sponsored by Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India (2016-17).
- ❖ Principal Investigator for the project on "Exploring Changing Dynamics of Children's Law in India in Post-1990: Impact Analysis of Child Rights Practice" sponsored by ICSSR.

Publications:

- ❖ "Right to Information: A National Report about India", Springer (2016).
- ❖ "Agonizing domain of Custodial Violence", Human Rights Law Journal, NLUO, (2016).
- ❖ Contributed chapter in the book "Courts of India: Past to Present" published by Supreme Court of India, 2016.

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Lectures:

- ❖ Participated in the meeting with Centre for Child Rights, Sion, Switzerland from February 21st-26th, 2017.
- ❖ Participated in the AIU Meeting at Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati from February 5th-7th, 2017.
- ❖ Participated in the Laureates and Leaders For Children, Summit 2016 at Ceremonial Hall, Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi from December 10th-11th, 2016.
- ❖ Delivered lecture on "Child Rights & Media" in the Awareness & Interaction Programme for media professionals organised by Orissa State Child Rights Protection Commission at Hotel New Marrion, Bhubaneswar on November 30th, 2016.
- ❖ Participated in the International Association of Law Schools (IALS), 2016 Annual Meeting at San Francisco, USA from 22nd- 31st October, 2016.
- ❖ Moderator for the Panel discussion on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Socio-Cultural Inequality on September 16th, 2016 at MDC, XIMB, Bhubaneswar.
- ❖ Delivered lecture in the MILAT Training Programme at Agartala, Tripura from September 6th-8th, 2016.
- ❖ Delivered lecture in the workshop on Water and Sanitation Collaborative Council at Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in Delhi on September 1st, 2016.

- ❖ Discussant on the topic "Existing Paralegal Education in India" in Conference on "Paralegal Education in India" at National Law University Delhi from July 22nd-24th, 2016.
- ❖ Delivered lectures at Continuing Legal Education Workshop for young advocates at Judicial Academy, Jharkhand from July 16th-17th, 2016.
- ❖ Discussant at the National Conference on "Laws and Economics of Competition" organised by Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), CCI, Bhubaneswar on July 15th, 2016
- ❖ Delivered lecture on "Access to Justice for Marginalized People: Regional Review and Sharing Workshop" organised by Department of Law and Justice, Government of India at Jaipur, Rajasthan on May 19th, 2016.

Prof (Dr) B. Hydervali

Professor

Publications:

- ❖ "Gender Justice: Recent Developments in the womens right to Temple entry - A Human Rights perspective", Published in *Human Rights Law Journal, NLUO , Vol-I, Issue -I (2016), Page 168-179.*

Prof.(Dr) Sheela Rai

Professor & Controller of Examinations

Publications:

- ❖ "State as Arbiter between the Individual and Market: Implications for Human Rights" published in *Human Rights Law Journal, NLUO, Vol-I, Issue-I (2016).*
- ❖ "Antidumping Measures and the Most Favoured Nation Principle" (To be Published in *Foreign Trade Review*, November, 2017.
- ❖ Book Review of Abhijit Das and James J. Nedumpara (ed.) "*WTO Dispute Settlement at Twenty*" (Springer, 2016). To be published in *Indian Journal of International Law, Issue- II (2016).*

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Presented Paper titled 'Trade, Competition and Economic Justice' in International Conference on "Socio-Economic Justice after Seventy Years of India's Independence: Domestic and Global Challenges' organised by the Law Department of Delhi University 18th-20th, November, 2016.
- ❖ Panelist in Session on 'Domestic and International Arbitration' organised by the World Trade Center Bhubneshwar on 22nd October, 2016.

Dr. A. Aruna Srilakshmi

Associate Professor & Chairperson, ACC

Publications:

- ❖ "Case Comment: Pramati Educational and Cultural Trust and Ors v. Union of India and others (AIR 2014 SC 2114)", *NLUO Law Journal, Volume- III (2016)*
- ❖ "Case Comment: National Campaign Committee for Central Legislation for Construction Labour", *Human Rights Law Journal, NLUO, Vol-I, Issue-I (2016)*

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Visiting Faculty -IIM Indore, to conduct 'Workshop on Legal language and Legal writing', 2016
- ❖ Participated in the workshop on 'Inequality and Human Development' held at XIMB , Bhubaneshwar on 16th September, 2016

- ❖ Participated in the Seminar on Labour Law Reforms, jointly organized by Odisha Development Trust and Lawyers Association in Cuttack on 17th September, 2016
- ❖ Attended European Union's Erasmus+ workshop for Vice Chancellors, Deans, HOD's and Directors of Higher Education Institutions on 28th November, 2016.

Dr. Dolly Jabbal

Associate Professor & Registrar (I/c)

Publications:

- ❖ "Child Rights in India- A premier." - *NLUO Law Journal, Volume- III (2016)*

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Participated at the National level consultation on LANDESA on November 29th, 2016 at Bhubaneswar, institution of NITI Aayog, GOI.
- ❖ Participated and chaired a session, "Workshop on Sustainability Action, Learning and Teaching" (SALT): A joint initiative of Wipro and Xavier School of Sustainability (XSoS), Xavier University Bhubaneswar (XUB) from May 27th-28th, 2016 at Xavier Institute of Management Bhubaneswar (XIMB) campus.

Dr. Kondaiah Jonnalagadda

Associate Professor of Law

Publications:

- ❖ Affirmative Action in International Law and Indian Judicial Approach: An Analysis has been accepted for the publication in the book titled "*Affirmative Action in India: Issues and Perspectives*" as edited by Dr. Bir Pal Singh. The book is having ISBN No. ISBN 81-8324-815-2 to be published by Mittal Publication (2017)
- ❖ "*Role and Responsibility of Key Managerial Personnel and Independent Directors under the Companies Act, 2013*", to be published in a book "*Key Changes to the Companies Act, 2013*" edited by Prof. Mamata Biswal, Lexis Nexis, (2017) (Under Publication in Press)

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Attended ICSI- CCI National Seminar on Law, Economics and Competition Law- organized by ICSI, Bhubaneswar in association with CCI, held in August, 2016
- ❖ Resource Person and Presented a paper on "*Securities Fraud in India: Issues and Challenges*" at National Seminar on "*Changing Dimensions of Corporate Laws*" on September 24th, 2016 and addressed the students as part of 9th Foundation Day Celebrations. DSNLU, Vizag.
- ❖ Delivered Guest Lectures to the final year students of DSNLU, Vizag on Corporate Law & Investment, Securities & Competition Law on 12th & 13th November, 2016.
- ❖ Resource Person and Chief Trainer for *the National Workshop on Laws relating to Mergers & Acquisitions*, being organized by Amity Law School, Amity University Chhattisgarh on the 7th day of September, 2016.

Dr. Rangin Pallav Tripathy

Assistant Professor

Research Projects:

- ❖ Co-Investigator in the Department of Justice Project on 'A Comparative Analysis of Performance

Appraisal Mechanisms and Schemes of Promotion in relation to the Judges of Subordinate Judiciary in different States in India' being implemented by National Law University Odisha.

- ❖ Co-Investigator in the Department of Justice Project on 'An Analysis of the Functioning of Lok Adalats in the Eastern Region of India' being implemented by the Odisha Judicial Academy in association with National Law University Odisha, Cuttack.

Publications:

- ❖ "A Critical Analysis Of Appointment Of Federal Supreme Court Judges In United States of America", *Christ University Law Journal Vol. 5 Issue 2*
- ❖ "Constitutional Deficiencies in Redressal of Violations of International Human Rights Obligations in India" in *International Human Rights Law: Prospects and Challenges*, RGNUL 2016
- ❖ "Critical Overview of Judicial Selection Methods" in *Law, Judiciary and Governance*, Lexis Nexis India 2017

Dr. Amrendra Kumar Ajit

Assistant Professor

Publications:

- ❖ "Theological perspective of human gene patenting" *Journal Law and Society, Vol.2. 2016*
- ❖ Book Review of Intellectual Property Law of India by Dr. V.K.Ahuja, Lexis Nexis

Participation & Presentation at Different Forums & Programmes:

- ❖ Delivered guest lecture on 'Trademark' in a three days training programme for District Judges organised by the Odisha Judicial Academy, Cuttack in September 2016.
- ❖ Delivered guest lecture on "Rational of Protection and Registration of GI in India: Special References to MSME" in a Workshop on IPR organised by MOMSME, Govt. of India at Dhenkanal, Cuttack.

Ms. Suman Dash Bhattamishra

Assistant Professor

Publications:

- ❖ Published an article titled *Children, Crime and Proportionate Punishment in Miller versus Alabama: Time to Unlearn the Adult-Child Equation* in Vol.III, Issue I of the NLUO Journal (Special Issue on Rights of the Child)
- ❖ Published an article in the Human Rights Law Journal of NLUO on Women as *Victims of Domestic Violence and their Quest for Justice in India: Gender-Centric Reflections on the inalienable right to access justice*

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Presented a paper titled "Motive, Intention and the Psychology of Offenders in crimes of Exceptional Depravity: An assessment of the Deterrence Model in India" in the 39th International Conference held at NLUO on 'Criminological Challenges in the Contemporary Era' from 22nd to 24th of September.
- ❖ Guest Speaker in Sapere Audere 2016 held at NISER on the theme of Incarceration of Children under the JJ Act.
- ❖ Conducted a session as part of a Training Programme at National Institute of Technology, Rourkela on "Women, Law and Sexual Offences" for training members of Internal Complaints Committee on NIT, Rourkela on 26th of October, 2016.

- ❖ Conducted 5 sessions for the UNDP-sponsored 5 days' Lawyers' Training Programme on Role of Lawyers in Enhancing Access to Justice in the state of Odisha.

Events/Projects Co-ordinated:

- ❖ Organised Lawyers' Training Programme titled "Role of Lawyers in Enhancing Access to Justice for Marginalised People in the state of Odisha" under which 35 young lawyers from three districts of Odisha were trained from 8th to 12th of November, 2016.
- ❖ Organised a Community Training Programme on 23rd November, 2016 at Kantapada in December, 2016.

Mr. Abhik Majumdar

Assistant Professor

Publications:

- ❖ Review: Simon Shetreet, Hiram E Chodosh, "*Uniform Civil Code for India: Proposed Blueprint for Scholarly Discourse*" (Oxford University Press 2015) (published in KIIT Journal of Law and Society vol. 6 (2016)).
- ❖ "Exploring the Deontic Orientation of Ancient Indian Legal Theory: A Hohfeldian Reassessment of Kautilya's *Arthashastra*" (submitted to Journal of Indian Philosophy).

Mr. Rajat Solanki

Assistant Professor

Publications:

- ❖ 'Anti-Money Laundering and KYC- An RBI Perspective', *Law Mantra Online Journal*, Vol. 3, Issue 10 (2016).
- ❖ 'Corporate Responsibility to respect Human Rights', *Human Rights Law Journal*, Vol-I, Issue- (2016).
- ❖ 'Comment on *Indrani Wahi v. Registrar of Co-operative Societies*', *NLUO Student Law Journal* (2016).
- ❖ 'Best Interest & Welfare Of A Child vis- a-vis Custody Cases', *NLUO Law Journal*, Vol-III, Issue-I (2016)
- ❖ Book Chapter: 'The New Regime of Mergers & Amalgamations', Companies Act 2013, Beginning of a new era, Edited by Dr. P.K. Das, Manav Prakashan, (2016).

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Participated in *Capacity Development Programme on Corporate Laws*, National Law University Delhi, June, 2016.

Dr. Arjyalopa Mishra

Assistant Professor

Publications:

- ❖ "Leadership Attributes and its Effect on Organizational Effectiveness" has been published in the International Journal of ASBM, A Quarterly Journal Vol X Issue I July. ISSN No: 0974-8512
- ❖ Book Chapter on "Impact of leadership on Organizational Commitment" published in the Book Corporate Governance in Financial Sector published by S.K Agencies, New Delhi ISBN No: 978-93-8315-871-3
- ❖ Article on "Positive Leadership traits for start up Ventures" published as a book chapter in the

book Human Capital Management: A Paradigm Shift published by Himalaya Publishing House, Mumbai ISBN No: 978-93-5142-641-7

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Presented a paper on "Positive Leadership traits for Start up Ventures" at the National Seminar on Human Capital Management organized by the Department of PMIR, Utkal University.
- ❖ Invited as a Panel Speaker for the Topic "Sustainability in Action" at the Salt Workshop Organized by XIMB and XUB Along with Wipro Technologies.
- ❖ Chaired a session on Confidence building at the State Level Workshop Sponsored by UGC under XII Plan organised by Department of Psychology, Christ College, Cuttack.

Dr. Manisha Mishra

Assistant Professor

Publications:

- ❖ 'Imitiaz Ali's Veera and the Bitter Chocolate', NLUO Law Journal, Vol.3, Issue 1 (2016)
- ❖ Book Review on 'Princess', NLUO Human Rights Law Journal, Vol.1, Issue 1 (2016)
- ❖ 'Case Study on Budhia Singh: A Child Prodigy v Child Rights', NLUO Child Rights Journal, Vol 1, Issue 1 (2016)

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Taught 'Classical and Neo-Classical Theory & Criticism' to Post-graduate students of English at Directorate of Distance Education Cell, Utkal University in September 2016.
- ❖ Presented a paper on 'Gaps in the Depiction of Trial by Media in Indian Films' at the second International Conference on 'Role of Media in Democracy' organised by Xavier University, Bhubaneswar on 25th-26th November, 2016.
- ❖ Presented a paper on 'Adaptation of Shakespeare into Indian Films: Cultural Transformation and its perspectives' in a National Seminar titled 'Contemporary Shakespeare: Culture, Language and Politics' on 6th-7th September, 2016.
- ❖ Presented a paper on 'Film Studies in India: Reflections on its inclusion into the English curriculum' at the International Conference on 'De-centring English Studies: Studying Literature in the Global South' from 20th-22nd January, 2017 at Utkal University, Bhubaneswar.

Ms. Priyanka Anand

Assistant Professor

Publications:

- ❖ Review of the book '*Child Marriages in India: Jaya Sagade*' in the NLUO Journal of Human Rights, Vol. 1, Issue 1 (2016).
- ❖ '*Goods and Services Tax: A welcome step or a caveat in waiting for e-commerce industry*' in the Law Journal of Shri J.N. P.G. College, Lucknow University, Vol. 36, Issue of 2016-17, ISSN No:- 2349-946X.

Participation in Seminars, Workshop & Conferences:

- ❖ Presented a paper titled '*Role of Judiciary in Environmental Governance: A comparative analysis with USA and Canada*' at National University of Study and Research in Law, Ranchi in National Seminar On Environmental Laws : Issues And Challenges In India, on 5th June, 2016.

- ❖ Participated in Capacity Development Programme on Corporate laws at National Law University, Delhi from June 13th to 18th, 2016.
- ❖ Delivered lecture as guest faculty on '*Income from salaries - perquisites and profits in lieu of salaries*' at Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University, Vishakhapatnam on 18th July, 2016.

Mr. Ramakrishna Das

Assistant Professor

Publications:

- ❖ "*Ensuring Access to Quality Education under Free and Compulsory Education: Myth and Reality*" in NLUO Law Journal, Volume III, August- 2016, ISSN- 2348-8913.
- ❖ Case Comment titled "*The Registrar Supreme Court of India vs Commodore Lokesh K. Batra & Ors*" in NLUO student Law Journal, Volume II, August- 2016, ISSN- 2305-062X.

Paper Presentations:

- ❖ Participated in a three day conference on "Para Legal Education in India" held at National Law University Delhi from 22nd-24th November, 2016.
- ❖ Participated in a three day International Conference on "Knowing the Right Conversation - Restorative Facilitation Training" organized by NLSIU, Bangalore in association with UNICEF from 8th to 10th September, 2016

Owasis Hasan Khan

Assistant Professor

Publications:

- ❖ "International Anti- Money Laundering Regime And India" published in CNLU Law Journal Vol. VI (ISSN 0976-805X).
- ❖ "Interface between Antidumping and Competition Law" published in Bharti Law Review Vol. IV issue IV (Apr-Jun,2016) I.S.S.N: 2278-6996.

Ms. Snigdha Singh

Research Associate cum Teaching Assistant

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Attended the "Lecture Series on Jurisprudence" by Prof. Ajjappa from the 9th to 16th October, 2016 in Mysore.
- ❖ Participated in workshop on "Teaching and Research in Law" sponsored by the IBA-CLE Chair of National Law School of India University, Bangalore along with Menon Institute of Legal Advocacy Training which was held from 10th-12th February, 2016 in School of Law, KIIT University, Bhubaneswar.

Ms. Sohini Mahapatra

Research Associate

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops:

- ❖ Participated in Child Rights Theatre Workshop organized by ANANT (An Association for Nascent Art and Natural Theatre) held in Bhubaneswar on 16th January, 2017.
- ❖ Co-organized and co-prepared the survey format for Training Programme for Master Trainers for Child Labour and NCLP Survey in Odisha conducted by Centre for Child Rights, NLUO in association

with Department of Labour and ESI, Govt. of Odisha from 17th to 19th November, 2016.

- ❖ Presented a paper on 'Perceiving Animals as "Right Holders": Understanding the concept of "Animal Rights" and "Animal Welfare"' at the National Seminar on Animal Welfare at West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS), Kolkata on 10th September, 2016.
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- ❖ Attended two sessions on " Sexual offences(Session 1) and Rights of Sexual Minorities (Session 2)" in the Mainstreaming Human Rights Lawyering Programme conducted by National Law University Odisha in collaboration with Ford Foundation and NLSIU, Bangalore as a Resource Person on 17th November , 2016.
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- ❖ Presented a paper titled "Custodial Crimes- The Inhuman and Atrocious Antagonism" in the National Seminar on " Human Rights- Issues and Challenges" organised by Lala Lajpat Rai Law College (University College of Law), Sambalpur, held on 28th January, 2017.



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