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Maharaja Agrasen Statue in the precincts of MATES

MATES, a pioneering Charitable Trust of conscientious educationists, enterprising industrialists, social activists and philanthropists, has been engaged in a social mission to promote and facilitate value-added quality education to the youth from all strata of the society.

The Trust has been doing yeoman service to the nation by providing professional education in various streams through its flagship institutions – Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Technology, Delhi (MAIT), Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, Delhi (MAIMS) and Maharaja Agrasen University, Baddi, H.P (MAU)

The Department of Law, which started in the Year 2017, running a five-year integrated course BA LL.B, is the noblest initiative taken by the trust to impart quality legal education under the guidance and supervision of senior, seasoned, young, talented as well as veteran professionals in the domain of legal studies at higher educational level.

The Department of Law is flourishing and growing under the aegis of MATES. Being the youngest unit of MATES Family, the department has been getting full support and encouragement to emerge as a leading institution of legal studies. From the ensuing session 2020-21, five-year integrated BBA LL.B curriculum has been added to the department of Law, thereby giving it a new dimension to strive hard to achieve excellence in the domain of higher legal studies.

*One whose Happiness is within, who is Active and Rejoices within,
And whose Aim is inward, is actually the Perfect Mystic. He is liberated in
the Supreme, and ultimately, he attains the Supreme. (Bhagavad Gita)*



Message from Founder Chairman & Chief Advisor, MATES Chancellor, Maharaja Agrasen University Baddi, H.P

It is indeed a matter of great pride and utmost satisfaction for me to acknowledge and appreciate the initiative taken by the Department of Law in launching their quarterly **NEWSLETTER—*Nyayik Darpan***.

This Newsletter gives us a clear insight into the academic activities undertaken, laurels achieved in socio- cultural and academic domains and initiatives taken to impart value added quality education to the students.

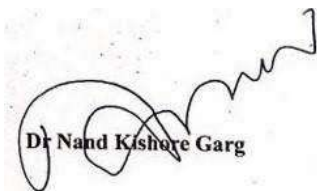
The Department of Law was established in August 2017 and since then the department is working hard to provide holistic education to the students. I am happy to share that from the ensuing academic session 2020-21, we have the approval to start an additional course - Integrated BBA LL.B also in the Department.

I am very optimistic that this issue of the Newsletter which covers the entire gamut of the activities undertaken by the faculty members and students in pursuance of the excellence will go a long way.

Faculty members and students associated with this initiative deserve special praise for their commendable efforts.

I wish Department of Law, all the best in all their future endeavors. I am very optimistic that the Department will obtain the stature of an institution of excellence under the stewardship of the highly qualified, seasoned and experienced faculty members in the years to come.

JAI HIND!!!



Dr Nand Kishore Garg

Dr. Nand Kishore Garg
Founder Chairman & Chief Advisor, MATES
Chancellor, Maharaja Agrasen University, Baddi, H.P



Message from Chairman, MATES

The pioneering initiative taken by the Department of Law in showcasing their achievements through their quarterly NEWSLETTER—**Nyayik Darpan** is commendable and efforts done by faculty members and students to give it a physical shape is praiseworthy.

The Department of Law is functioning in a thorough professional manner to groom the budding legal aspirants pursuing the noble profession under the supervision and guidance of seasoned professionals.

I am sure this Newsletter will give the reader a very illuminating glimpse of the functioning and efficacy of the Department in imparting professional training to the budding aspirants and nurturing and grooming them to excel in their respective fields.

My sincere good wishes to the Department of Law.

With Best wishes

Vineet Kumar Gupta
Chairman, MATES



Message from Executive Chairman, MATES

I am very happy to learn about the pioneering initiative taken by the Department of Law to launch their First Newsletter – *Nyayik Darpan*.

The Newsletter highlights the initiatives taken by the Faculty members in imparting value-added quality education in the domain of legal studies.

I am very optimistic, that this publication will showcase the sincere efforts made by the Department in achieving the excellence in the field of Academics as well as extra-curricular activities.

The initiative of the Faculty members and the team of Students associated with this Newsletter deserves special appreciation for their earnest efforts.

My congratulations to all the Faculty members for their commendable efforts in successful organization of activities within the Department during this stipulated period.

I sincerely wish the Department of Law all the very best & hope that the Department of Law will earn a pride of place in the field of quality legal education.

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S.P Aggarwal, IAS (Retd.)

Executive Chairman, MATES



Message from Director General, MAIMS

I welcome this initiative of the Department of Law to start a quarterly Newsletter. I thank all those who have contributed for this Newsletter—the **NYAYIK DARPAN**. I hope that this Newsletter will truly reflect the activities undertaken to impart legal education in a holistic manner.

I feel proud to state that the Department is equipped with all the requisite modern facilities like a good library, a well-planned moot court and above all an experienced and energetic Faculty which through their knowledge is sure to take this Department to new heights.

The Newsletter NYAYIK DARPAN will give an opportunity to the students to express their thoughts and also it will be a platform to showcase their achievements. I wish good luck to the Department of Law and Newsletter committee members.

With Best wishes

Prof. (Dr.) S.K Garg
Director General, MAIMS



Message from Director, MAIMS

I am indeed overwhelmed by the efforts made by the dedicated team of faculty members and the students for their commendable initiative. The Newsletter – **Nyayik Darpan**, encompasses the entire gamut of activities of the Department during the stipulated period.

The Newsletter showcases the achievements of the faculty members as well as the students in their chosen domain. It will definitely motivate them to do their utmost and strive hard to attain excellence in their academic pursuits.

The commendable efforts made by the Newsletter team headed by Dr. Anuradha Asthana Singh, under the guidance of Prof. Rajni Malhotra Dhingra and Dr. Praveen Kumar Gupta deserve all praise for bringing out this Newsletter. I am very optimistic that the Department of Law will earn excellence in the field of higher legal studies in the years to come.

I, sincerely wish the Department of Law all the very best for success in future endeavors.

Prof. (Dr.) Ravi Kumar Gupta
Director, MAIMS



Message from Principal, Department of Law

The Department of Law, MAIMS fervently believes in attaining the perfection. For this various curricular, co-curricular and cultural activities have been organized for the holistic development of the future of nation i.e. our students. The **Newsletter - NYAYIK DARPAN** is an effort to acquaint the society about the functioning of Department of Law and also to provide a vibrant platform to our students to express their views on recent verdicts of Hon'ble High Courts and Apex Court.

I thank my newsletter team headed by Dr. Anuradha Asthana Singh to complete the assigned task in a quick manner. I also thank Dr. Praveen Kumar Gupta, HoD, Law for providing whole hearted support to the newsletter team. I also thank the lifeline of any Institute i.e. students, who helped the newsletter team by providing their endless support despite their online classes and online test.

I also thank **Dr. Nand Kishore Garg**, Founder Chairman & Chief Advisor, MATES, **Sh. Vineet Kumar Gupta**, Chairman, MATES, **Prof. Dr. S.K. Garg**, Director General, MAIMS and **Prof. Dr. Ravi Kumar Gupta**, Director, MAIMS for consistently providing the encouragement and support in every endeavor taken by Department of Law to attain the perfection. I am sure that very soon the Department of Law will be the best Law School not only in NCR but in India. I congratulate the entire team of newsletter committee for their wonderful efforts.

With Best Wishes

Prof. Dr. Rajni Malhotra Dhingra
Principal, Department of Law, MAIMS



Message from Head, Department of Law

I feel immense pleasure to start a quarterly Newsletter of the Department. I am highly thankful to Prof. (Dr.) Ravi Kumar Gupta, Director, MAIMS, and Prof. (Dr.) Rajni Malhotra Dhingra, Principal, Department of Law, in their quick initiative along with Newsletter committee - Faculty members, to launch this Newsletter - NYAYIK DARPAN in a very short span of time despite all odds due to long driven corona pandemic conditions. I hope, this Newsletter will truly reflect combined efforts of our esteemed dedicated faculty members, generous students and above all the blessings of our pioneer – the ultimate source of inspiration – Dr. Nand Kishore Garg Ji, Founder Chairman, MATES. I express my gratitude to all the stakeholders in this pious exercise for benefit of the students and the community who seem to have followed the call from our legendary Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi ji to convert hard corona pandemic times into an opportunity. We, the MAIMS family have started a new program 5-year Integrated BBA LL.B (60 seats) from the current academic year 2020-21. I am highly thankful in grabbing this opportunity to thank Prof. (Dr.) S.K Garg, Director General, MAIMS, for his timely guidance and assistance. I wish the Department of Law to blossom a lot in times to come and congratulate the faculty members of newsletter committee for their wonderful efforts.

With Best Wishes

Dr. Praveen Kumar Gupta
Head, Department of Law, MAIMS

I. About the Department



The Department of Law was established in 2017 with the introduction of five-year integrated BALL.B degree course. Established as a unit of the Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, the Department aims to provide quality education with a professional approach to the budding legal professionals. The year 2020 has added another feather to its cap with the start of the five-year integrated BBA LL.B course. Both the courses are affiliated to the Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University (GGSIPU), Delhi.

The Department of law has been established with a vision to be a Centre of Excellence in providing legal research, training, and consultancy. Our Mission is to serve the community, by creating, preserving, integrating, transmitting and utilizing legal knowledge for the development of the society as a whole. Entry to the five-year course is through the rankings of the CLAT (Common Law Aptitude Test). There is a total intake of 120 students in BALL.B stream and 60 students in BBA LL.B stream every year.



The Department is equipped with requisite parameters as stipulated by the Bar Council of India. It has highly qualified, seasoned and experienced faculty members to groom law students. The teacher-student ratio has been kept at the optimum level to meet the requirements of the students and the stipulated norms. The Department is placed in the sprawling campus of MAIMS which has excellent infrastructure facilities for both the faculty members and students.



We hope that in the years to come, the Department of Law will be placed as one of the best in the country, under the visionary leadership of Dr. Nand Kishore Garg, Founder Chairman & Chief Advisor, MATES, Shri Vineet Kumar Gupta, Chairman, MATES, under the able leadership of Prof. (Dr.) Ravi Kumar Gupta, Director, MAIMS, Prof. (Dr.) Rajni Malhotra Dhingra, Principal, Department of Law and the administrative acumen of Dr. Praveen Kumar Gupta, HoD, Department of Law.

II. Student's Achievements

Achievements by the students of any Institute is a matter of pride for the Institution. The Students of BALL.B have been putting their best efforts in earning laurels for the Institute. Following achievements need special highlighting.

ACADEMICS (National)

- ✚ In the academic field special mention may be made of Prince Gupta of BA LL.B 3rd year who secured 1st position in the College and **3rd position in the GGSIPU in Second year examinations (2018-19)** and Sakshi Khandelwal of BA LL.B 2nd year, who was the College topper in First year examinations (2018-19).
- ✚ Aniket Vashisth of Third Year won Certificate of Merit in **1st National Judgment Writing Competition**, School of Legal Studies and Governance, Career Point University, Himachal Pradesh held in January 2020.
- ✚ A Team of Kritika Khanna, Prince Gupta, Aashna Madan, 3rd Year Students secured 3rd position in **1st Surana & Surana and Army Institute of Law, National Family Law Moot Court Competition**, held from 17-19 January, 2020, at the Army Institute of Law, Mohali, Chandigarh.
- ✚ A Team of Palak Kalra and Prachi Ahuja, 3rd year and Ayush Tanwar of 1st year secured 3rd position in **2nd National Moot Court Competition**, held on 1-2 February, 2020 at CLS-GIBS, Delhi.
- ✚ Prabhu Prasad Kirtania, 2nd year secured 1st position in **Hindi Debate competition**, (prelims) ANUGOONJ organized by Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University on 7th February, 2020.
- ✚ Shivam Sethi of 2nd Year participated in **Lex Communique 2020, Law Fest** organized by Thakur Ramnarayan College of Law Mumbai and won the title of Mr. Lex Communique 2020 by scoring maximum marks in all three rounds of the competition. This event took place on 22-23 February, 2020.



- ✦ Sejal Tayal of 3rd year participated in the **10th RCL Saquib Rizvi Memorial National Moot Court Competition** held from 13th-15th March, 2020, at Rizvi Law College, Mumbai and won the BEST RESEARCHER AWARD and a cash prize worth Rs. 10000.
- ✦ Ishan Harlaka of 2nd year secured 1st position in **DY's LEX FESTA National Petition Drafting Competition** organized by D.Y Patil University School of Law, Pune from 28-30, September, 2020

ACADEMICS (International)

Our students showed their mettle in International competitions also. Surely, they are going to take our Law School to new heights.

- ✦ Prabhu Prasad Kirtania of 2nd year was invited as a **Panelist at “Youth Town Hall 2020”** held at Nigerian High Commission on 5th of February, 2020.
- ✦ Aniket Vashisth of 3rd year won **Best Delegate Award, Metropolitan World MUN, OIC Committee** representing Yemen in June 2020.
- ✦ Charvi Duggal of 3rd year got appointed as **Judge** among participants from 25 countries in **Asia International Model United Nations** event on 29th-30th June, 2020. She again got appointed as **Chairperson (Judge) of Legatus International Model United Nations, Dubai** wherein Delegates of 32 countries participated in the event.
- ✦ On 29th September 2020, Charvi Duggal got appointed as **Chairperson (Judge) of Asia youth International Model United Nations, Malaysia (Asia’s largest MUN)** amongst delegates of 193 countries.

*On this path, effort never goes to waste and there is no failure.
Even a little effort towards spiritual awareness will protect you
from the greatest fear.*

The Bhagavad Gita

PUBLICATIONS

The budding legal professionals of the department of Law are not behind when it comes to writing articles in Journals of National and International repute. The details of their contributions are as follows:

- ✚ Shriya Kataria of 2nd year was Invited as **Speaker** in the webinar on “**Child Right laws in India**” organized by **Independent Thought**, on 13th June, 2020. (This organization has a landmark judgment in their name)
- ✚ Kanika Kapoor and Harsh Yadav of 3rd Year co-authored an article titled- “**Balochistan: An Unrevealed Chronicle**” and secured 2nd position in the competition organized by Legal Stair on 19th June, 2020. The article got published in **White Black Legal Law Journal, ISSN 25818503**
- ✚ Apurva Bhutani of 3rd year co-authored an article titled “**Artificial Intelligence: Policy, IPR and Law in India and other Countries Worldwide**” and it was published in the newspaper - **The Daily Guardian** dated 9th July, 2020.
- ✚ Aniket Vashisth and Deeksha Chugh of 3rd year co-authored the **Case Summary - Amway India Enterprises Pvt. Ltd. Vs. 1 mg Technologies Pvt. Ltd.** published in **International Journal of Socio-Legal Research**, Vol. 6 Spl. Issue 3, August 2020, ISSN: 2393-8250

SPORTS

In the Annual Sports Fest organized by Maharaja Agrasen Technical Education Society (MATES), SPORTZ 2020, on 30th and 31st January, 2020 in the campus sports complex, our students showed their excellence:

- ✚ Teevra Mishra and Utkarsh Mittal of 1st year were part of the team which stood first in the **Tug of War** event.
- ✚ Kavleen Kaur Khurana of 1st year secured third position in **Long Jump (Girls)** event. She also stood second in **60 metre race (girls)**

III. Faculty's Achievements

Achievements by Faculty is a valuable asset for any Institution. The Faculty of the Department of Law participated in various academic activities for their all-round development.

Prof. (Dr.) Rajni Malhotra Dhingra

- ✚ Invited as Panelist in Symposium on Role of Legal Aid Society of Law Colleges During and Post Pandemic: "Exploring the Unexplored" held by New Delhi, South and South East District Legal Services Authority on June 4, 2020.
- ✚ Invited as Panelist in Webinar titled "Investigation into the Affairs of Companies" organized by Company Law Society, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, held on October 17, 2020.
- ✚ Published a chapter entitled "Constitutionality of Death Sentence in India" in International Journal of Multidisciplinary Educational Research, Issue 3(2), March 2020, ISSN: 2277-7881. Impact factor 6.514, IC value 5.16, ISI value 2.286.
- ✚ Published an article entitled "Surrogacy: "Baby Farm" or Spring of Glee" in Vulnerability of Woman" in Contemporary Times, Satyam Law International, 2020, ISBN 978-93-87839-50-2.
- ✚ An eminent member in the Advisory Board of Journal of Law 'Colloquy' and 'Lawkit.'

Dr. V.K Bhatnagar

- ✚ Conferred D. Litt. Degree by Dr. B.R Ambedkar University, Agra on 11th October, 2019. Honoured by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, GGSIPU on 14th November, 2019 at our campus.

Dr. Shaveta Gagneja

- ✚ Authored a book titled "Land and Real Estate Law" which was published by Wolters Kluwer. ISBN 978-93-89859-70-6 in August 2020.

Ms. Purnima Gupta

- ✚ Presented a paper entitled "Female Genital Mutilation - A Socio-Legal Approach in an International Conference organized by GIBS from 13th to 15th December, 2019.

Dr. Nisha Dhanraj Dewani

- ✚ Awarded Ph.D.in Law by Jamia Milia Islamia University, Delhi on 26th August, 2020 on the topic “Compulsory Licensing and Generic Drugs: Issues and Challenges - A Case Study of India”
- ✚ Edited a book titled “Intellectual Property Rights and Protection of Traditional Knowledge” with Prof. Amulya Gurtu, Austin E Cofrin School of Business, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, USA, Published by IGI Global, USA.
- ✚ Presented a paper on “Progress and Challenges of Public Health Aspect in Disaster Management” in an online workshop organized by the University Institute of Legal Studies, Punjab University, Chandigarh on 12th April, 2020

Mr. Shridul Gupta

- ✚ Published an Article entitled “Doctrine of Fair Dealing in Education: Status in Course Packs” in Ideal Journal of Legal Studies, Vol. 10, August 2019 ISSN: 2231-0983.
- ✚ Presented & published a paper entitled “Supreme Court, Constitution and Judicial review” in a National Seminar on “Constitutionalism: Augmenting the spirit of Socio-Legal, Economic and Political Development”, organized by Maharaja Agrasen University, Baddi, H.P on 14th March, 2020.
- ✚ Presented & Published a paper entitled “COVID related Cyber Crimes in India” in the International Conference on “Global Economic Order in the Post Covid-19 Era: Challenges, Opportunities & Strategies” held on July 25th, 2020

Dr. Anuradha Asthana Singh

- ✚ Authored a book titled “Role of Awadh Taluqdars” published in January 2020 by the New Royal Book Company, Lucknow. ISBN 978-81-94342-72-4.

Ms. Aarushi Agarwal

- ✚ Co-authored a paper with Mr. Swarnendu Chatterjee, AOR, entitled “Impact of COVID-19 on Labour Laws- Are the Labours treated as Oblivion’s Curse” published in “Global Economic Order in the Post Covid-19 Era: Challenges, Opportunities & Strategies” ISBN No. 978-81-942547-3-7

Ms. Ritika Bhatia

- ✚ Presented a paper entitled “Women at the Cutting Edge of Sustainability: Real stories of Real heroines” at the 7th Asia Pacific International Conference on Changing Business Practices, held at Sydneham Institute of Manangement Studies, Research & Entrepreneurship Education, on 7th January, 2020.

IV. EVENTS

LEGAL AID

“If you have knowledge and see a man weak, do not condemn him. Go to his level and help him if you can. He must grow.”- **Swami Vivekananda**

With the aim of providing legal mindfulness, social awareness and learning at the professional and grassroots level of application of law, the LEGAL SERVICES CLINIC of Department of law organized many awareness drives, *Nukkad Nataks* as well as orientations and webinars. Through such platforms our students who are Para legal Volunteers (PLV) showcase the burning issues in the society and suggest their solution also. The Clinic has been actively engaged in providing legal awareness among the less privileged sections in the locality around our Institute.

Our Legal Aid cell has won many laurels while enacting *Nukkad Nataks*. Our students won the Inter College *Nukkad Natak* Competition on 26th February, 2020. A group of 10 Para Legal Volunteers accompanied by Faculty convener Mrs Purnima Gupta participated in this event which was organized by Delhi State Legal Services Authority (DSLISA) and Bhagidari Jan Sahyog Samiti (Regd.) in association with National Service Scheme and All India Mantavya Foundation.

Our students performed an Act on Gender Equality and Violence on Women and Acid Attack, in an attempt to raise awareness among the masses and also tried to give possible solutions through our act. The moving performance carried itself to the audience and received lots of appreciation from the judges as well as the participating teams. Being law students, we have all heard about the incidents in the newspapers and laws in our textbooks, but the *Nukkad Natak* gave us a much better understanding about the agony faced by women and the remedies available to them.





MOOT COURT

Mooting is an indispensable part of law curriculum. The benefits of Mooting are multifaceted as it familiarizes students with court procedure, develops their argumentative skills, and develops their analytical, research & drafting skills. MAIMS, Department of Law, organized a **Guest Lecture on "Mooting and Advocacy Skill" on 20th February, 2019**. Mr. Ravin Kapur, currently working with *Phoenix Legal*, Delhi as an associate and Ms. Perna Parashar, working with *Luthra & Luthra* Law firm graced the event with their presence as Chief Guests.



The session elaborated upon the importance of moot court competition as it's a simulation of a real court, with the basic purpose of giving the law students a taste of a real court room. Mooting helps a student of law navigate his path in the profession by giving him/her an idea about their field of interest. Various prestigious moot court competitions were also discussed in details and their significance, the guests also got a great response from the students who showed their eagerness to learn, and also shared their personal experiences of participation in mooting or debates or MUNs.



The Moot Court Sessions were held on 29th August and 30th August, 2019 in Seminar Hall, MAIMS. The purpose of the sessions was to impart the student with information pertaining to competitive moots and benefits of mooting in order develop their argumentative skills.

Another **Moot Court Session** was held by **Mr. Kadam Kharab** on **06 Sep, 2019** at Moot Court Hall in the Law Dept., MAIMS for the students of B.A.LL.B. (5th Semester). Mr. Kadam Kharab is a well-known trial lawyer practicing in District Court, Rohini, Delhi. The session highlighted the procedure followed in criminal courts including different stages of administration of criminal justice such as investigation, inquiry and trial. The session also included demonstration of trial court procedure based on a hypothetical criminal prosecution





An **In-house Moot Court Competition (Inductions Rounds)** was held in MAIMS, Department of Law on **27th and 28th September, 2019** in order to make the students aware about the proceedings, rules and regulations of a Moot Court, so that they can compete in National and International Moots with a greater ease.

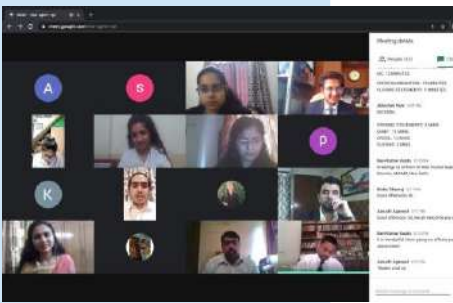
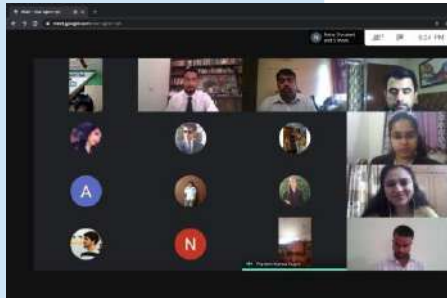
The Department of Law, MAIMS is organizing “**MAIMS 1st National Moot Court Competition, 2020**” to be held from Nov. 26th to Nov. 28, 2020 in Online mode seeking to provide a platform to the students across the nation to showcase their advocacy and research skills by competing in professional competitive environment. The competition aims to nurture the court craft and lawyering skills of the participants which will be judged by sitting Judges of Hon’ble High Court and Eminent Professors who will grace the event.

The competition will be held under the able guidance of Prof. (Dr.) S.K Garg, Director General, MAIMS, Prof. (Dr.) G.P Govil, Advisor, MATES, Prof. (Dr.) Ravi Kumar Gupta, Director, MAIMS, Prof. (Dr.) Rajni Malhotra Dhingra, Principal, Department of Law, MAIMS, Dr. Praveen Kumar Gupta, Head, Department of Law, MAIMS.

The Organizing committee comprises of following members: Dr. Nisha Dhanraj Dewani, Convenor, Ms. Aarushi Agarwal, Mr. Shridul Gupta, Ms. Ritika Bhatia and Ms. Kriti Johri. The Advisory committee includes Prof. (Dr.) V.K Khurana, Head, Department of Business Administration, Dr. Manju Gupta, Head, Department of Commerce, Dr. Sanjay Mangla, Head, Department of Economics, Dr. Vinita Gupta, Head, Department of Journalism, Dr. Umesh Pathak, Sr. Faculty member, Dr. Manoj Verma, COE, MAIMS, Ms. Sarita Garg, Sr. Faculty member & Ms. Sumedha Dutta, Convenor, MAIMS Cultural Society.

In the material world, one who is unaffected by whatever good or evil he may obtain, neither praising it, nor despising it, is firmly fixed in perfect knowledge - The Bhagwad Gita

TRIAL ADVOCACY



Mock trial or Trial Advocacy as we all know is a method of clinical legal education and it has been an essential part of the curriculum. The main aim of implementing is to train the students about procedural concepts, to acquaint with court manners, to understand the provisions of Cr.P.C and Indian Evidence Act.

Due to the difficult times through which we all are passing, our **1st Intra Trial Advocacy competition was held in a virtual mode on 13th and 14th June, 2020.** It was an Intra college competition in which our students performed their advocacy skills very well.

- Team of Palak Kalra (2nd year), Sunjoey Kaur Gulati (3rd year), Prachi Ahuja (3rd year; Best student Advocate), Kashika Kapoor (1st year) and Smarth Arora (1st year) secured 1st position in Virtual Intra Trial Advocacy Competition.
- Team of Manika Bajaj (3rd year), Vibhor Tiwari (2nd year), Shivam Upadhyay (2nd year), Sheetal Prajapati (1st year), Priyavrat Sharma (1st year) secured 2nd position.
- Team of Jatin Kumar (3rd year), Harsh Sharma (3rd year) (2nd position in “best speaker”), Geetanjali Negi (3rd year), Ashutosh (1st year) and Devansh (1st year) secured 3rd position in Virtual Intra Trial Advocacy Competition, held on 13-14 June, 2020 organized by MAIMS, GGSIPU.



Neha Rathore,
BALL.B 2nd Year



Manika Bajaj
BALLB 4th Year

HINDI DIWAS

We honor, protect and encourage our mother tongue Hindi. Our students are encouraged to express themselves in both English as well as Hindi. On the occasion of Hindi Diwas, 14th September, 2020, an article writing competition was organized by **India First club of MAIMS** on a virtual mode and our students, **Neha Rathore** of 2nd year secured the **first** position while **Manika Bajaj** of 4th year secured **second** position. Topic was “**COVID-19 Ke Daur Mein Online Shiksha Ki Zaroorat Aur Chunautiyan**”.

V. GUEST LECTURES

SPECIAL TALK



Department of Law, MAIMS organized a special talk entitled “CAA: Myths and Realities” on 21st January, 2020 for removing the myths and to educate the students regarding the objective of bringing into effect the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019. The Guest speakers were Sh. Ashwani Upadhyay Advocate, Hon’ble Supreme Court of India, Dr. Seema Singh, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi and Ms. Shabnam Khan, Renowned Human Rights Activist. Dr. Nand Kishore Garg, Founder & Chief Advisor, MATES and Chancellor, Maharaja Agrasen University, H.P, was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Dr. Shaveta Gagneja, Assistant Professor, Department of Law coordinated the event.



MOTIVATIONAL TALK BY JUSTICE S.N AGGARWAL (RETD.)

A motivational talk for the Law students was organised by Department of Law, MAIMS on 29th January, 2020. On this occasion Hon’ble Justice S.N. Aggarwal, Former Judge, Delhi High Court was invited as distinguished Guest Speaker to deliver the motivational talk and to interact with the students. Mr. Shridul Gupta, Assistant Professor, Department of Law coordinated the event.

GUEST LECTURE ON 'EFFECTIVENESS OF CURRENT JUDICIAL SYSTEM IN CURBING CRIMES AGAINST WOMEN AND ROLE OF NALSA'



Department of Law, MAIMS organised a Guest Lecture on February 26th, 2020 on the topic 'Effectiveness of current judicial system in curbing crimes against women and role of National Legal Services Authority of India'. The distinguished speaker was Mr. Alok Agarwal, Member Secretary, NALSA. Hon’ble speaker addressed the emerging issues impacting women as a gender and highlighted various initiatives undertaken by NALSA to ensure dignity and integrity of women in the country. The lecture was also followed by a Q&A round whereby queries raised by participants were addressed and resolved by the distinguished speaker.

VI. WORKSHOP



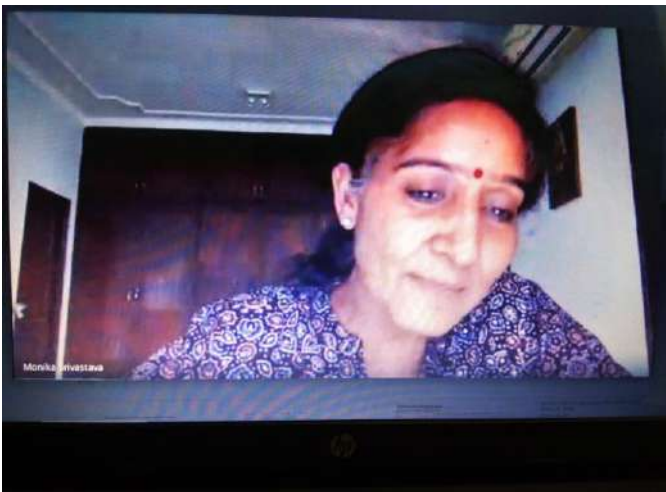
The workshop on “IPR and Traditional Knowledge: Contemporary Issues and Challenges” was organised by the Department of Law on February 27th, 2020 in the Seminar Hall, block no. 7. The workshop was attended by academicians from MAIT and MAIMS, Research Scholars and Law students.

Dr. K.S Kardam, Senior Joint Controller of Patents and Trademarks chaired the first session and emphasized that the recognition of IPR has started recently, but it was prevalent in the society for long. Dr. Claudia Masoni from Italy, an independent field researcher was the resource person of first session. She mentioned that

traditional ecological knowledge is a body of knowledge built by a group of people through generations living in close contact with the nature. Dr. Claudia emphasized on Defence mechanism, the active protection and secret knowledge in the context of traditional knowledge along with the difference between the privacy and the breach of confidence. This session was very lively with students engaged in discussions and questions.

Dr. Sunanda Bharti, Assistant Professor from University of Delhi, chaired the second session. She gave an interesting example on Traditional Knowledge including Traditional Cultural Expressions, wherein she talked about the origin of traditional knowledge, its unique features and the need to protect Traditional Knowledge.

ORIENTATION LECTURE ON ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION



An orientation lecture on client counselling/mediation/negotiation was organized on October 07, 2020 in the virtual mode by the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee of the Department of Law, MAIMS. The Speaker for the lecture was Ms. Monika Srivastava, a trained Mediator and Advocate, Delhi High Court. The objective of the lecture was to orient students with the mediation/client counselling and negotiation formats of competition so that they can actively take part in the competitions.

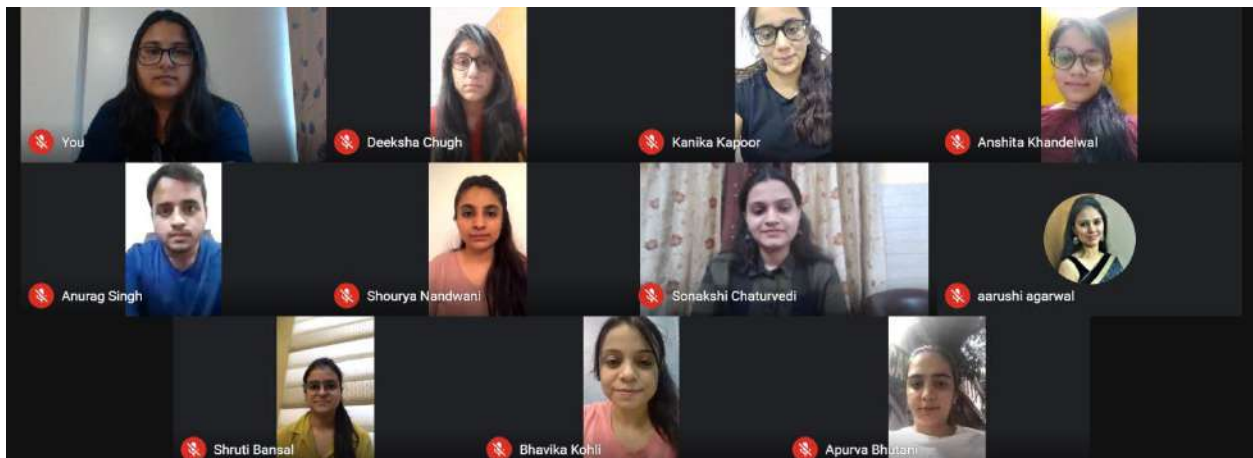
The Guest Speaker, Ms. Monika conducted an interactive session with the students. She presented a conceptual outlook of the different methods of resolution of disputes prevalent in India. During the session, the distinguished speaker simultaneously addressed the queries raised by the students regarding these formats of competition. Lecture served a fruitful purpose not just for the students but also for the faculty of the Department, who were familiarized with the trending practices and procedures prevailing in the ADR process.

VII. INTERNSHIP

Internship plays a vital role in honing the professional skills of student of Law. Experiential learning coupled with theoretical learning enables in holistic growth and development of students. It enables them to build their networks, secure pre-placement offers, and learn practical application of law through live court proceedings. In true sense it prepares them to face the legal professional world with confidence and maturity.

In cognizance of the multidimensional benefits of such internships, the Department of Law, MAIMS have been valiantly working in ensuring that the students get all the institutional assistance in securing credible internships with known lawyers, Law firms, NGOs, State and National Commissions etc.

Department of Law, MAIMS is pleased to share that amid this Covid pandemic, the student coordinators including, Neha Gururani, Shourya Nandwani, Anurag Singh, Shruti Bansal, Apurva Bhutani, Deeksha Chugh, Bhavika Kohli, Kanika Kapoor, Sonakshi Chaturvedi, and Anshita Khandelwal under the guidance & supervision of Ms. Aarushi Agarwal, Assistant Professor & Associate Training & Placement Officer, Department of Law, MAIMS successfully coordinated the training activities at Department of Law through a systematic and strategically planned summer internship programme in the month of May 2020. Department of Law, MAIMS has a dedicated student cell for the coordination and assistance of internship activities at Departmental Level.



Team of student coordinators

The Summer Internship Programme 2020 was preceded by a **virtual Orientation Programme** conducted by Ms. Aarushi on 7th May, 2020 for 2nd and 3rd Year BA LL.B students.

("Life and death, joy and sorrow, gain and loss; These dualities cannot be avoided.

Learn to accept what you cannot change."

-The Ramayana)

Further, the Summer Internship Programme, 2020 included, inviting offers of virtual internship opportunities from various lawyers, law firms, NGOs, legal awareness & Content writing organizations, screening and short-listing students on the basis of eligibilities for different internship opportunities, forwarding shortlisted CVs to the concerned organization and timely appraisal/ follow up.

We are pleased to share that a total of 220 students successfully secured virtual internships with reputed law firms, lawyers, Content writing portals, NGOs etc. during May- June 2020. Some of the esteemed Law Firms, Advocates, Legal Portals where the students had the opportunity to pursue virtual summer internships include:

- ✚ A.R. Associates
- ✚ Aaweg Charitable Trust NGO
- ✚ Adv. Ajay Diggpaul
(Central Govt. Standing Counsel)
- ✚ Adv. Aman Usman
- ✚ Adv. Amrendra kumar
- ✚ Adv. Anil Dutt Sharma
- ✚ Adv. Anil Kumar Singh
- ✚ Adv. Anwesh Madhukar
- ✚ Adv. Arun Sharma
- ✚ Adv. Ashok Mahamna
- ✚ Adv. Ashwani Kumar
- ✚ Adv. Deepak Arora
- ✚ Adv. Dev P. Bhardwaj
(Central Govt. Standing Counsel)
- ✚ Adv. Devandra Singh
- ✚ Adv. Dilip Karmakar
- ✚ Adv. Dr. A.K.Gautam
- ✚ Adv. Dr. Adish C. Aggarwala
- ✚ Adv. Dr. K.C Tewari
- ✚ Adv. Faiyaz khalid
- ✚ Adv. Jagbir Malik
- ✚ Adv. Jagdeep Sharma
- ✚ Adv. Jogender Yadav
- ✚ Adv. Kapil Mohan
- ✚ Adv. Kuldeep Singh Garewal
- ✚ Adv. M.L. Vashistha
- ✚ Adv. Manasi Bhushan
- ✚ Adv. Manoj Kumar Arora
- ✚ Adv. Mukesh Kalia
- ✚ Adv. Mukesh Kumar Sharma
- ✚ Adv. N.K. Mishra
- ✚ Adv. Nancy Dabas
- ✚ Adv. Nipun jain
- ✚ Adv. Pardeep Rana
- ✚ Adv. Parul Agarwal
- ✚ Adv. Prakul Khurana
- ✚ Adv. Pranav Choudhary
- ✚ Adv. Praveen Rawal
- ✚ Adv. R. Dobhal
- ✚ Adv. R.K Singh
- ✚ Adv. Rahul Madhwani
- ✚ Adv. Rahul Verma
- ✚ Adv. Reema Batra
- ✚ Adv. Ritwik mittal
- ✚ Adv. S.N Rana
- ✚ Adv. S.S Mittal
- ✚ Adv. Saarthi Bhatia
- ✚ Adv. Sandeep Kaushik
- ✚ Adv. Subhash chander
- ✚ Adv. Sumit Shekhar Pandey
- ✚ Adv. Tabish Sarosh
- ✚ Adv. Uttam Jeet Singh
- ✚ Adv. Ved Prakash Gaur
- ✚ Adv. Vikas Ahuja Advocate
- ✚ Adv. Vivek Shokeen
- ✚ Advocates Pedia Foundation
- ✚ Amardeep Singh
(Singh Law Academy)
- ✚ Amikus Law LLP

- ✦ Belwal Associates
- ✦ Budhiraja and associates
- ✦ Dave & Rizvi, Advocates
- ✦ Delhi Lawyers
- ✦ Dharmvidhi Legal Services and Solutions LLP
- ✦ DLF foundation
- ✦ Dr. Adish Aggrawal Law Chambers, Lucknow
- ✦ Educentric
- ✦ EWNS Pharma Pvt Ltd.
- ✦ Garg and Garg Associates
- ✦ India Law Journal
- ✦ INDIAN LAW PORTAL
- ✦ IP Assisto
- ✦ Juristech Legal & Partners
- ✦ Justice Ventures International
- ✦ Kamal Kant Jha
(Senior Panel Counsel, Govt. of India)
- ✦ Kasturika Kaumudi
(Advocate on record) (Supreme court of India)
- ✦ Kred - Jure
- ✦ Lawyers Club India
- ✦ LC Foundation
- ✦ Lex Do It
- ✦ Lexlife internship
- ✦ Mittal & Associates
- ✦ Niti Manthan
- ✦ Niti Yojak
- ✦ Our Voix
- ✦ Pradeep Rana and Associates
- ✦ ProBono India
- ✦ Progressive Law Group
- ✦ R.K. Kohli and Co.
- ✦ Rajesh Jain and Associates
- ✦ RegLaw Chambers
(Advocates & Solicitors)
- ✦ Sagicious IP
- ✦ Singh law academy
- ✦ Smrithi Foundation
- ✦ Subhrat Deb & Associates
- ✦ The Legal Post
- ✦ Think India
- ✦ Triumph Legal
- ✦ Uniserve Law Offices
- ✦ Youth Empowerment Foundation

*"An ignorant man is lost, faithless, and filled with self-doubt;
A soul that harbors doubt has no joy, not in this world or the next."
-The Bhagavad Gita 4:40*

VIII. SOCIAL & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES



Students at the Heritage Site



Majestic Mughal Garden in full bloom

As a part of the curriculum, an educational trip was organized on 29th February, 2020 for the students of second and third year. They were taken to the Mughal Gardens of the Rashtrapati Bhawan and the heritage site of Qutub Minar. Students enjoyed the Mughal Gardens which was in full bloom. They also admired the 13th century monument of Qutub Minar and adjoining structures whose historical importance was explained to them. Faculty including Dr. V.K Bhatnagar, Dr. Anuradha Asthana Singh, Mr. Shridul Gupta, Ms. Aarushi Aggarwal, Ms. Nikita Jain and Ms. Kriti Johri accompanied the students.

Achievements in cultural activities

- ✚ Sonakshi Chaturvedi (2nd Year) and Shourya Nandwani (3rd Year) participated in the 'Nukkad Natak' competition as the 'Main Protagonist' organized by Delhi State Legal Services Authority and Bhagidari Jan Sahyog Samiti held on 26th February, 2020 and secured the 1st position among twenty other colleges.
- ✚ Akshita Pandey (2nd Year) participated in the group singing competition (prelims) of 'Anugoonj' in GGSIPU and secured 1st rank.
- ✚ Aastha Jain won the game Diagon Alley (the negotiation table) as sellers held on 13th and 14th February, 2020 in Commfiesta fest of MAIMS, GGSIPU 2020

IX. RECENT JUDICIAL VERDICTS

“Law and order exist for the purpose of establishing justice and when they fail in their purpose, they become the dangerously structured dams that block the flow of social progress” Martin Luther King Jr. These lines of Martin Luther King, the most visible spokesperson and leader of civil rights movement who always dreamt that the inhabitants of the USA would be judged by their personal qualities and not by the colour of the skin, clearly show that the path a judge has to follow should always and always be impartial and reasonable. The apex legal body of India, the Supreme Court delivers umpteen number of judgements and a few have been analyzed by our budding professionals.

A WOMAN CAN'T BE THROWN OUT OF MATRIMONIAL HOME EVEN IF IT DOESN'T BELONG TO HER HUSBAND

- On 15th October, 2020, Honorable Supreme court in Satish Chandra Ahuja v. Sneha Ahuja while interpreting Section 2(s) of the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005, which aims to ensure that in-laws treat their daughter-in-law well.
- The judgment delivered by Hon'ble Justice R Subash Reddy, Justice MR Shah and Justice Ashok Bhushan interpreted section 2(s) the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act as “the definition of shared household given in section 2(s) cannot be read to mean that household which is household of the joint family of which husband is a member or in which husband of the aggrieved person has a share”.
- Hon'ble Apex Court widened the scope of the definition and held that a woman will have the right to the shared household even if it was rented or owned by in-laws or the husband has no ownership over the property. This judgment, therefore, protected the interest of women who have been or were at the risk of being thrown out of their marital home.
- Hon'ble Court interpreted that the meaning of living together and ruled out that there should be some kind of permanency attached to it. “Mere fleeting or casual living at different places shall not make a shared household. The intention of the parties and the nature of living, including the nature of the household, have to be looked into to find as to whether the parties intended to treat the premises as a shared household or not”.
- The judgment was the need of the hour because the cases of Domestic Violence are very rampant in our Country, but they are not reported because a woman often resigns to her fate of domestic violence and the social stigma of the society.

(Sakshi Khandelwal, 3rd year Student, BALL.B, Dept. of Law, MAIMS)

APEX COURT ON THE PROTESTOR'S RIGHTS AND DUTIES

- Hon'ble Supreme Court on 7th October, 2020 in *Amit Sahni v Commissioner of Police* decided upon the appeal filed by Mr. Amit Sahni, which was filed after the rejection of the writ petition in the High Court of Delhi. The writ was filed before the Hon'ble High Court on the issue Whether the protests that were carried out in Shaheen Bagh against CAA and NRC appropriate or not? since they blocked the passage and disallowed public movements.
- Hon'ble High Court in this matter directed & emphasized on the point that in such cases, a specific writ or order cannot be issued to the authorities i.e. the police because of the fact that situation under these circumstances changes frequently and they may require immediate powers to control the situation.
- Interlocutors Mr. Sanjay Hegde and Ms. Sadhana Ramachandran were appointed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court who went on ground zero in order to hear the grievances and demands of the protestors and prepared a report.
- Hon'ble Supreme Court pronounced on the rights available under Article 19(1)(a) [Right to freedom of speech and expression] and 19(1)(b) [Right to assemble peacefully without arms] of the Constitution of India and their scope and extent. It was stated that these rights are subject to some reasonable restrictions pertaining to the interests of sovereignty and integrity of India.
- “Democracy and dissent go hand in hand but then the demonstrations expressing dissent have to be in designated places alone.”
- Hon'ble Court also established a nexus between the use of technology and social movements wherein organising and publicity of the events everything can be done by way of internet and social media handles without missing out on the fact that technology works in empowering as well as weakening of such events and movements.
- Ultimately, Hon'ble Supreme Court was of the view that such protests and gatherings in the public places for indefinite period of time cannot be accepted and the administration must take appropriate actions to keep the areas clear of obstructions and encroachments.
- Luckily, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Shaheen Bagh was emptied and the protest was at a halt which saved everyone from unforeseen circumstances.
- This judgment hence polishes the scope and extent of Article- 19 that these rights are available to the citizens but with certain reasonable restrictions and one must abide to these in order to maintain public peace and harmony.

(Aniket Vashisth, 4th Year Student, BALL.B, Dept. of Law, MAIMS)

X. STUDENT'S CORNER

“TENDER THOUGHTS” BY OUR STUDENT EDITORS

“The end of law is not to abolish or restrain, but to preserve and enlarge freedom. For in all the states of created beings capable of law, where there is no law there is no freedom” John Locke

The students of Department of Law are nurtured in an atmosphere where free thinking prevails. They are encouraged to think rationally and write creatively as reflected in “Tender Thoughts” written by our student editors.



Aniket Vashishtha
BA LL.B 4th Year

Maharaja Agrasen Technical Education Society has accomplished in incorporating the appropriate teaching standards by providing an environment which, one can cherish for lifelong. Facilities including library with access to the online legal platforms, well equipped Moot Court and presence of Legal Aid Cell acts as an icing on the cake. Being a student of the first batch of this Institute, I have seen the establishments as well as the momentum in growth of our law department and it will definitely reach the heights in near future and earn a pride of place in the field of higher education.



Sneha Singh Baghel
BA LL.B 4th Year

“योगः कर्मसु कौशलम्” (गीता २/५०)

अर्थात् कर्मों में कुशलता ही योग है। कर्म से परिश्रम, परिश्रम से कुशलता और कुशलता से संतुष्टी।

डिपार्टमेंट ऑफ लॉ स्वामी विवकानंद की इन्हीं पंक्तियों की तरह ना केवल एक शैक्षिक संस्थान के रूप में बल्कि समाज के उत्थान एवं साक्षरता के लिए भी जाना जाता हैं। दिनांक २९ मार्च २०१९ को कानूनी सेवा केंद्र (Legal aid center) का उद्घाटन किया गया जिसने ना केवल आस पास के सामाजिक जीवन में, बल्कि प्रतियोगी प्रारूप में भी काफ़ी प्रशंसा हासिल की है।

जब साक्षर, संपन्न और शहरी जनसंख्या कानून की मदद लेने से बचते है तब ग्रामीण और पिछड़े वर्ग के लोगों से अपेक्षा कैसे की जा सकती है कि न्यायिक कार्यवाही की जटिलता और लंबी प्रक्रिया का सहारा ले। हमारे संविधान के अनुसार समाज के गरीब और जरूरतमंद तबकों के लिए एक समाधान मुफ्त कानूनी सहायता द्वारा प्रदान करी जाती है।

भारतीय संविधान के अनुच्छेद 14, अनुच्छेद 21, अनुच्छेद 22(1) में यह मौलिक अधिकार उपलब्ध है। साथ ही साथ अनुच्छेद 38 एवं अनुच्छेद 39(A) में भी इसका जिक्र किया गया है। मानव अधिकार के रूप में कानूनी सहायता Universal Declaration of Human Rights के अनुच्छेद 7, 8 और 10 में निहित है। यह स्पष्ट रूप से International Convention on Civil and Political Rights के अनुच्छेद 14 के खंड 3 में प्रदान करी गई है।

डिपार्टमेंट ऑफ लॉ ने ना केवल अपने आस पास के घरों में बल्कि कॉलेजो में, कोर्ट, पुलिस स्टेशन जैसे जगहों पर जा कर लोगो को और अधिकारियों को जागरूक किया हैं।

यह सुरक्षित रूप से कहा जा सकता है कि आंखो पर काली पट्टी बांधे न्याय की देवी तब ही न्याय प्रदान कर सकती है, जब

प्रशासक, लोग और न्याय के अभ्यासी अपनी आँखें खुली रखे। समाज में गरीब और बेसहारा लोगों को उनके वर्चस्व के बराबर खड़ा करने में मदद की जा रही है और सभी समाजों में कानूनी सहायता का प्रावधान सुनिश्चित किया गया है चाहे वो विकसित देश हो या विकासशील। अच्छी शिक्षा का उद्देश्य कभी खुद की तरक्की नहीं होता बल्कि उसका असल उद्देश्य सही समाज की खोज और उसकी प्रगति में योगदान देना होता है।



Saakshi Khandelwal
BA LL.B 3rd Year

When I entered the institute, I was both nervous and excited at the same time. I was going to experience a whole new world. It was the time where my teenage days were ending and I had to dive into deep oceans of new beginnings and possibilities. A lot of questions were in mind, I was skeptical about the new place and new people. However, today when I look back to where I started, I see my journey filled with new experiences and people. It was all because of the teachers who supported us through thick and thin. They were the guiding light in this new path of life. Though the Department of Law just started its journey in the institute in 2017, the teachers left no stone unturned to provide the best and valuable experiences to students. The institute provided us with all the facilities and opportunities to help students garner new skills. From the Law library filled with abundant knowledge to Moot court activities and Internship opportunities which help students garner advocacy skills, our institute provided us with all. To motivate students, the college facilitated students with awards and I am one of them. The teachers also organized the Mentor-Mentee meeting to interact with the students and cater to their problems. Moreover, our Department of Law is also aimed at providing legal aid to needy, therefore, our institute provides us with the opportunity to help them through Paralegal volunteering. To conclude, I am very thankful to my Department of Law for all the valuable experiences and knowledge which I will cherish forever.



Anshita Khandelwal
BA LL.B 3rd Year

As college is considered to be the crucial formative pedestal of one's academic and post-academic life, it helps an individual prepare for the various interpersonal, professional and other challenges. I, here at MAIMS, have been fortunate enough to land on a pedestal where I am being able to learn to tackle all the aforementioned things and getting prepared for the outside world. As the days are passing by and the bond with the college is getting stronger, I realise that MAIMS seeks to produce men & women of caliber, who can face the challenges of a dynamic society. It simultaneously lays emphasis on spiritual and moral education with a secular foundation. Working towards these aims and objectives, in my opinion, the Institute has a distinctive style of blending the oriental and the occidental with the rich fabric of our emotional heritage. In this quest for knowledge, truth and beauty, I also firmly affirm that we as the students are provided with ample opportunities to develop our talents. Such opportunities are indispensable because it helps us develop an integrated personality imbued with a sense of duty and selfless service.



Neha Rathore
BA LL.B 2nd Year

The Preamble of the Indian Constitution aims to secure to the people of India Justice-Socio, Economic and Political. Legal Aid means free legal assistance to the poor in any judicial proceedings before the court, tribunals, or any authority.

Taking this into consideration Department of Law, MAIMS has also initiated the legal aid movement and is trying to reach the grass-root level and is helping to discover, identify and solve the problems and difficulties of the poor.

I feel really blessed to be a part of this institution because in a world full of selfishness, we as budding lawyers can shine our souls with humility just as a rainbow in the lives of the needy people, the faculty members constantly try to inspire us to look at the problems prevailing in the society, instead of loading us with information written in the textbooks.



Shashwat Mishra
BA LL.B 2nd Year

Reforms required to tackle Judicial Pendency in India

Speedy Justice is not only a fundamental right but also a prerequisite of maintaining the rule of law and delivering good governance. In its absence, judicial system ends up serving the interests of the corrupt and the law-breakers. According to the National Judicial Data Grid maintained by the Ministry of Law and Justice, there are about 3.5 crore cases pending in India, especially in district and subordinate court's (as they contribute 87.54 per cent of the total pendency).

In my view, for enhancing productivity in the judiciary, following reforms should be undertaken:

Increase in the number of working days; Establishment of Indian Courts and Tribunal Services to focus on the administrative aspects of the legal system; Deployment of technology to improve efficiency of the courts, e.g. e-Courts Mission Mode Project and the National Judicial Data Grid being rolled-out in phases by the Ministry of Law and Justice ;Professional Court Managers as suggested by the 13th Finance Commission should be appointed ; Mechanisms such as ADR (Alternate Dispute Resolution), Lok Adalats, Gram Nyayalayas should be effectively utilized.

India currently has 1/5th of the number of judges it needs. Therefore, in order to clear this backlog it is very essential to ensure the expeditious appointment of judges on a priority basis. Judicial Reforms, if taken seriously, expeditious and effective justice can see the light of the day and improve India's judicial pendency and serve justice to the poor litigants and those languishing in the jails.

"Do not be led by others, awaken your own mind, amass your own experience, and decide for yourself your own path." - The Atharva Veda

XI. FACULTY PROFILE



Prof. Dr. Rajni Malhotra Dhingra

Prof. Rajni Malhotra Dhingra, LL.M from Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar has served as Dean at Vivekanand Institute of Professional Studies from May, 2013 to December 21, 2015. She is a regular resource person at Legal Aid Cell, District Court, Rohini and also a member of District Legal Services Authority. She joined as Principal, Department of Law, MAIMS in September 2020.



Dr. Praveen Kumar Gupta

Dr. Praveen Kumar Gupta, Head, Department of Law, joined MAIMS as an Associate Professor on August 01, 2018. Earlier he worked as officiating Principal at Vaish College of Law, Rohtak and Faculty and Academic Counselor at Bhai Gurdas College of Law, Sangrur (Punjab). He also has practical exposure in Civil, Labour, Matrimonial, Consumer and Arbitration law at Punjab and Haryana High Courts and later at the Supreme Court of India.



Dr. V.K. Bhatnagar

Dr. V.K Bhatnagar is M.A. Political Science, Ph.D., and D.Litt. from Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra. He has done PG Diplomas in Constitutional Law, International Law, Administrative Law, Public Relations, Journalism and Parliamentary Practices & Procedures. He was Joint Secretary (TSP), Lok Sabha Secretariat; Joint Secretary, Delhi Vidhan Sabha; Municipal Secretary, MCD; and is an International Consultant at UNDP. He is one of the founder teachers of this Department and has been giving his services as Associate Professor.



Dr. Shaveta Gagneja

Dr Shaveta Gagneja pursued her Master of Law and Ph.D. from Punjabi University, Patiala. She has teaching and research experience of more than 16 years in University of Delhi and Army School of Law, Mohali, Chandigarh. She is presently serving as an Assistant Professor at Department of Law MAIMS. She has also authored a book titled 'Land and Real Estate Laws' published by Wolters Kluwer.



Ms. Purnima Gupta

Ms. Purnima Gupta did her BA LL.B (Hons) from VIPS, GGSIPU and LL.M from Kurukshetra University and is currently pursuing her Ph.D. from B.P.S. Mahila Vishwavidyalaya (Haryana). She has a teaching experience of approx. nine years in reputed colleges like Amity Law school, Delhi and VIPS. She has judged various Moot Courts, Client and Mediation counseling competitions and is also actively involved in legal aid activities like door to door campaigns.



Dr. Nisha Dhanraj Dewani

LL.M (Corporate Law) and Ph.D. from Jamia Millia Islamia University, Delhi. She has practiced as a lawyer in Delhi High Court for three years and has worked with reputed law firm as a senior partner in handling IPR matters for two years. She holds nine years of experience in Academics and has worked with UNICEF. Her articles have been published in journals of National and International repute. She joined this department in January 2019.



Mr. Shridul Gupta

LL.M (Cyber laws & Cyber Crime) with Distinction (Gold Medal) from USLLS, GGSIPU, Delhi and is pursuing Ph.D. from Maharaja Agrasen University, H.P. He is UGC-NET qualified & has practiced as an Advocate in Delhi High Court for seven years. He also worked as Associate Counsel with Amarjit S. Chandhiok, Former Additional Solicitor General of India and was appointed as Panel Advocate for Union of India & South Delhi Municipal Corporation. Prior to joining this Department since its inception in 2017, he taught in SGT University, Gurgaon for two years.



Dr. Nirdosh Kumar

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MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM:

We hope that you liked our attempt to bring the happenings in a concise manner. There must have been some mistakes and improvements would be required. We strive to make this newsletter better and better in times to come. We are sure that the next newsletter will also include more scholarly contributions in the legal world.

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(Till we meet again)



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