REPORT ON FIRST JUSTICE J.S. VERMA MEMORIAL ADR AND CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITION AND THE LAW FEST (NAVITAS)

17-21 MARCH, 2021



Department of Law, Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, organized its 1st Justice J. S. Verma Memorial ADR & Client Counselling Competition from March 17 - March 19, 2021, along with the 1st National Law Fest - NAVITAS, from March 20 - March 21, 2021.

The Law Fest consisted of competitions such as Negotiation, Mediation, Client Counselling and Asian Parliamentary Debate, Extempore Moot Court, Constitutional Law Quiz, Judgment Writing, Article Writing, Creative Writing, Solo Singing, Traditional Dance, Poster Making, Stand-up Comedy, Just-a-Minute and Best Out of Waste.

This event was held in collaboration with National Legal Services Authority (NALSA), a nodal agency working rigorously to promote alternative dispute resolution in India. Our other collaborators were Foundation for Sustainable Rule of Law Initiatives (FSRI), a reputed international organisation based in California, USA which encourages sustainable initiatives for conflict resolution outside courts, and CAMP Arbitration and Mediation Practice (CAMP), based in Bangalore that promotes dispute prevention and collaborative dispute resolution through education and advisory services.

The event unfolded under the guidance of our Principal Dr. Rajni Malhotra Dhingra and faculty members—Dr. Nisha Dhanraj Dewani and Ms. Krirti Johri. Among the students, Ms. Palak Tyagi, Ms. Ritika Bansal, Ms. Grishita Chopra, Mr. Shivam Sethi, Mr. Ayushman Patnaik, Mr. Harsh Maheshwari, Ms. Deeksha Chugh, Ms. Disha Moitra and Ms. Haritima Singh formed the core committee and played an important role in the execution of this 5-day event.

INAUGURAL CEREMONY (March 17, 2021)

The Inauguration Ceremony of MAIMS 1st Justice J.S. Verma Memorial ADR & Client Counselling Competition 2021 and NAVITAS, MAIMS 1st National Law Fest 2021 on March 17, 2021, in physical mode at India International Centre and was also live streamed on YouTube.

It was indeed a privilege to have Hon'ble Mr. Justice A M Khanwilkar, Judge Supreme Court of India as the Guest of Honour for the inaugural ceremony. He talked about the journey of Hon'ble Justice J.S. Verma as a man of strong will power and ethics. The event was graced by the presence of Chief Guest, Hon'ble Mr. Justice N.V. Ramana, Judge, Supreme Court of India & Executive Chairman- NALSA. He talked about the wide range of cases dealing with numerous laws which were dealt by Hon'ble Justice J.S Verma. The event was also marked by the release of the book titled "Specific Contracts", authored by Prof. (Dr.) Rajni Malhotra Dhingra, Principal, Department of Law, MAIMS.

VALEDICTORY CEREMONY & RESULT DECLARATION (March 21, 2021)

The Chief Guest of the valedictory function was **Hon'ble Justice Mr. Arun Kumar Tyagi**, Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court, **Hon'ble Justice Ms. Asha Menon**, Judge, Delhi High Court, **Hon'ble Mr. Sudhanshu Batra**, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India, and **Dr. Nand Kishore Garg**, Founder Chairman and Chief Advisor Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Technology. The valedictory ceremony was preceded with the felicitation of the honourable dignitaries. Dr. Praveen Kumar Gupta, Head of Department, Department of Law, declared the results of the competition. Prof. (Dr.) Rajni Malhotra Dhingra, Principal, Department of Law, MAIMS delivered vote of thanks.