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THEMISIA 3.0

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VENUE: Kundanmal Firodia Auditorium,
Fergusson Campus, Pune



CELEBRATING 75 YEARS OF INDIAN CONSTITUTION

THEMISIA 3.0

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- **SEMINAR DEPARTMENT**

AN INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON

“75 YEARS OF INDIAN CONSTITUTION:
PAST, PRESENT AND A WAY FORWARD”

- **LEGAL RESEARCH CELL**

INTER COLLEGIATE JUDGEMENT ANALYSIS COMPETITION

LEGAL QUIZ

INTRA COLLEGIATE ALTERNATE JUDGEMENT WRITING COMPETITION



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DECCAN EDUCATION SOCIETY

The DECCAN EDUCATION SOCIETY was formed under the guidance and leadership of various national leaders, visionaries, and contributors namely Lokmanya Shri. Bal Gangadhar Tilak , Shri Gopal Ganesh Agarkar, Shri Vishnushastri Chiplunkar, Shri Mahadev Ballal Namjoshi & Shri Vamanrao Apte. Envisioning the importance of education these “Makers of Modern India” came up with the idea of The Deccan Education Society to strengthen the roots of Indian tradition pre-independence. The visionaries dreamt of an institution that had strong roots in Indian tradition and which caught the sunshine of modernity and here is the edifice standing before them with tradition, modernity, and culture as its pillars. Formed in the year 1884 with a single institute to the journey till date with more than 58 institutions, the DES maintains the legacy of each founder member with pride, commitment, and promise towards building a better India every day; which has now culminated into DES Pune University.

ABOUT DES' SHRI. NAVALMAL FIRODIA LAW COLLEGE, PUNE

Established in the year 2004, this year marks two decades of excellence in inculcating legal didactics under the eminent framework of the Deccan Education Society. We believe in education as the way of revolution as well as the overall development of mankind. In order to shape young minds into legal professionals and luminaries, our college has established various Cells and Departments.

We live and strive by our motto-
“Making Excellence a Prevailing Attitude”



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ABOUT SEMINAR DEPARTMENT

The Seminar & Workshop department being an integral part of the Institution, regularly organizes International and National seminars, webinars, and workshops by inviting eminent guest speakers as well as hosts Intra-college teacher-student symposia on a variety of topics that build the knowledge base of our students. It provides a focal point of multidisciplinary avenues in various perspectives of socio-economic, political & legal arenas. We have hosted seminars on contemporary topics like Reservation Policy in India, Data Privacy, Agricultural Laws, Nuclear Power, Gender Sensitization (LGBTQIA), Labour Laws, Environmental Sustainability, etc.

ABOUT LEGAL RESEARCH CELL

Legal Research Cell of DES SNFLC has been conducting various competitions with an aim to provide high quality education for inculcating research culture and nation building. Our objective is to equip students with refined Research skills and analytical acumen, fostering a profound appreciation for evolving juristic trends and cultivating critical thought processes. We aim to imbue both faculty and students with a culture of research, promoting an environment where scholarly inquiry thrives.

Additionally, our commitment extends to the dissemination of research findings through esteemed and high-quality research journals. We aspire to initiate and champion an interdisciplinary approach, enriching the landscape of legal research with diverse perspectives and insights.



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ABOUT THEMISIA

‘Themisia’ – our Institute's prestigious event is held annually to promote academic discussion on significant themes. Each year, participants present research papers on selected themes, thus dwelling on the intricacies of the topic. Previous editions of Themisia revolved around themes like Environmental law, climate change and sustainable development, and Reservation Policies. This year, our nation is celebrating 75 years of the Constitution. Hence, through this event, which comprises an International Seminar, Judgement Analysis competition, and a captivating legal quiz, participants are encouraged to reflect on the Constitution's journey and development along with challenges and way forward. For the successive 3rd year, Themisia continues to be a platform for sharing knowledge, fostering growth, and inspiring meaningful dialogue amongst the stakeholders.

The 1st edition of Themisia was launched in April 2023, which delved into the intricacies of 'Reservation Policy in India'. "Reservation": The feature especially incorporated to safeguard the interests of the weaker sections of the society and abridge the gaps prevalent in the Indian society in order to promote fraternity and ensure dignity amongst individuals, was discussed thoroughly which enlightened stakeholders with nuances of the topic.

Themisia 2.0, held in March 2024, aimed to address pressing issues on climate change and sustainable development and provided a platform to discuss international environmental laws, raise awareness, inspire innovative solutions, and devise monitoring mechanisms for climate initiatives, thus contributing to environmental awareness.

The event was conducted in collaboration with the State Climate Action Cell, Govt. of Maharashtra, and was graced by the auspicious presence of Hon'ble Justice Abhay Oka, Judge, Supreme Court of India.



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OUR KNOWLEDGE PARTNER

**THE LEGISLATION BRANCH, LAW & JUDICIARY DEPARTMENT,
GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA**

The Law and Judiciary Department of Government of Maharashtra is mainly a technical department that deals with legal opinions, legislative drafting and conveyancing. The Department deals with administration of subordinate judiciary.

Legislation Branch of Law and Judiciary Department is responsible for drafting of Maharashtra State Acts and Ordinances and subordinate legislations. The entire legislative business of Government is transacted in this Branch which involves scrutiny of legislative proposals as per provisions of Constitution and legal principles, drafting and processing of Government Bills and proposals of Ordinances. It is also responsible for scrutiny and drafting of statutory rules, notifications, regulations, orders issued by Government of Maharashtra.

OUR INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

NEPAL LAW CAMPUS, TRIBHUVAN UNIVERSITY

Nepal Law Campus (NLC), is a leading institution & an oldest college imparting legal education in Nepal since 1954.

NLC is located at the heart of Kathmandu. As a constituent campus of Tribhuvan University and as the oldest institution imparting legal education, NLC has a great contribution and plays a significant role in Legal Education. NLC proudly provides the highest and most competent leadership for the judiciary and other mechanisms within the country and abroad.



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CONCEPT NOTE OF SEMINAR

The Indian Constitution is the world's longest Constitution for any sovereign nation. The Constitution is not only a living document, but also the first and last hope for Rights, Liabilities, Liberties and Justice. It starts with a Preamble declaring India as a Sovereign, Socialist, Secular Democratic and Republic emphasizing the need to ensure that the Constitution is being implemented in consensus with changing notions of society. The year 2024 marked a significant milestone in the history of India as it commemorates 75 years of the Indian Constitution. This seminar, "75 Years of the Indian Constitution: Past, Present and A Way Forward," aims to reflect on the Constitution's journey, examine its influence on Indian society, politics, governance and explore its vision for achieving the goal of a Developed Nation. The success of the Indian Constitution, for a country as diverse and complex as India, continues to intrigue, impress, and inspire experts around the world. Thus DES SNFLC is hosting the seminar to shed light on this journey of the Constitution.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE SEMINAR

1. To examine the historical evolution and foundational principles of the Indian Constitution.
2. To analyze the impact of significant constitutional amendments and landmark judgments on governance.
3. To evaluate the role of the Judiciary, Legislature and Executive in upholding constitutional values.
4. To explore constitutional challenges and opportunities in achieving a developed and inclusive India.
5. To draw insights from comparative jurisprudence for a deeper understanding of constitutionalism in India.
6. To examine the Indian Constitution's alignment with International legal frameworks and its influence on global constitutional practices.



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THEMES FOR PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- **THE BEGINNING OF NEW ERA**

1. Historical Era and Framing of the Constitution.
2. Constitutional History and Evolution: A Journey from Independence to the Republic.
3. The Early 20 Years of the Indian Constitution.

- **DAWN OF SOCIAL ERA: BALANCING LEGISLATURE, EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIARY**

1. Analysis of significant Amendments.
2. Analysis of Landmark Judgments.
3. Constitutional Rights and Governance.

- **QUEST FOR DEMOCRACY**

1. Constitutionalism in an Emerging Democracy.
2. The impact of new social, economic and political developments on the Welfare State.
3. Constitutional Morality: A Global Perspective.

- **A WAY FORWARD: TOWARDS DEVELOPED NATION**

1. Rise and fall of judicial self-restraint.
2. Judicial Activism or overreach – the role of the judiciary in contemporary India.
3. Technological developments and interface with Constitutional Mandate.
4. National Policy and Action Plan for implementation of technology in Indian judiciary.
5. Pursuing a vision to make India a Developed Nation

Paper presentation themes are only indicative and not exhaustive.

The Best Paper Presenter would be awarded at the Valedictory Session by our esteemed Chief Guest.



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PARTICIPANTS INSTRUCTION FOR SEMINAR

- **Mode of Organizing :** The Seminar is organized in offline mode.
- **Date of the Seminar :** 7th & 8th February, 2025
- **Abstract :** Participants must submit Abstracts of 350-500 words and mail it to seminardepartmentsnflc@gmail.com on or before 16th January, 2025.
- **Method of Citation :** Harvard Blue Book 20th Ed. Submission of Research Paper is **MANDATORY**.
- **The acceptance will be communicated on 19th January ,2025.**
- Applicant has to submit final paper to seminardepartmentsnflc@gmail.com before 25th January, 2025.
- Selected Full Papers will be published in proceedings with ISBN.
- Only one co-author is permitted.
- The registration fee is non-refundable.
- Registration Fee :
 1. Single author Rs. 1000/-,
 2. Co-author : Rs.1500/-
 3. only Participation is Rs.150/-no later than 31st January shall be payable at - Account Number 50100302351126 ,IFSC : HDFC0000103.
- **Attendance :** Participants must attend all the sessions of the Seminar, including inaugural and valedictory sessions
- Participants after payment shall mail screenshot to seminardepartmentsnflc@gmail.com.
- Certificates will be presented only after the conclusion of the Seminar.
- Registration Google form Link For The Seminar - <https://forms.gle/vVwMaurRWsjFM3Zw8>



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION OF SEMINAR AT A GLANCE

No. of Authors	Amount
Single	Rs.1000/-
Co-author	Rs. 1500/-
Only Participation	Rs.150/-

16th January	Deadline for the Submission of Abstract by the participants
19th January	Notification of Acceptance of Abstract
25th January	Submission of final paper
31st January	Last Date for Payment of the Registration fee
7th February	Day 1 of Seminar commencing with Inaugural Session
8th February	Day 2 of Seminar concluding with Valedictory Session



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ABOUT JUDGEMENT ANALYSIS COMPETITION

- JUDGEMENT ANALYSIS COMPETITION
- IN RE:ARTICLE 370 OF THE CONSTITUTION
CITATION: 2023 INSC 1058

PRIZES

- Winning Team – Prize of ₹25,000/- and Certificates with Trophy.
- Runner Up – Prize of ₹ 15,000/- and Certificates with Trophy.
- A certificate of participation will be awarded to each participant.

ABOUT LEGAL QUIZ COMPETITION

- LEGAL QUIZ COMPETITION on AMENDMENTS OF THE
INDIAN CONSTITUTION

PRIZES

- Winning Team – Prize of ₹15,000/- and Certificates with Trophy.
- Runner Up – Prize of ₹ 10,000/- and Certificates with Trophy.
- A certificate of participation will be awarded to each participant.

REGISTRATION FEES RS 1200
LAST DATE OF REGISTRATION 20 JANUARY,2025



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DAY 1

7TH FEBRUARY, 2025

- **INAUGURAL SESSION**
- **TECHNICAL SESSION I**
- **JUDGEMENT ANALYSIS (PRELIMINARY ROUND)**
- **TECHNICAL SESSION II**
- **LEGAL QUIZ (PRELIMINARY ROUND)**
- **TECHNICAL SESSION III**

DAY 2

8TH FEBRUARY, 2025

- **TECHNICAL SESSION IV**
- **JUDGEMENT ANALYSIS (FINAL ROUND)**
- **TECHNICAL SESSION V**
- **LEGAL QUIZ (FINAL ROUND)**
- **VALEDICTORY SESSION**



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ESTEEMED CHIEF GUESTS



SMT. SUPRIYA DHAWARE

Draftsman-cum-Joint Secretary
Law and Judiciary Department.



**HON'BLE JUSTICE PRASANNA
B. VARALE**

Judge, Supreme court of India

RESOURCE PERSONS



PROF.(DR.) UDAY SHANKAR

Associate Professor of Law, IIT Kharagpur



DR. SEEMA SINGH

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DR. SWAPNIL BANGALI

Advocate & Honorary member CICTL, MNLU
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Assistant C. Chief, Nepal Law Campus

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INAUGURAL SESSION

CHIEF GUEST



SMT. SUPRIYA DHAWARE

**Draftsman-cum-Joint Secretary
Law and Judiciary Department.**

Currently working as a Draftsman-cum-Joint Secretary in Legislation Branch of the Law and Judiciary Department, Government of Department.

Expert in legislative drafting. Experience of more than 21 years in drafting laws and subordinate legislations. Drafted numerous Maharashtra Acts and rules, notifications and orders issued by various Departments of Government of Maharashtra. While working in the Legislation Branch has rendered various opinions on constitutional and legal aspects of various legislative proposals of Government of Maharashtra including competency of State Legislature, subject matters of legislations, repugnancy with Central laws and other Constitutional requirements for framing State laws. She is also a Legal member of the State Advisory Committee constituted under the Pre- Conception and Pre-natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 1994.

Co-ordinator of "Legislative Internship Programme" undertaken by the Law Department for law students.

Has experience of working in the Legislative Department of Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India during legislative training conducted in the said Ministry.



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DAY 1 - 07TH FEBRUARY, 2025

TECHNICAL SESSION I



PROF.(DR.) UDAY SHANKAR

Associate Professor of Law, IIT Kharagpur

Working as an Associate Professor of Law at Rajiv Gandhi School of Intellectual Property Law, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur. Previously, sir served as an Assistant Professor of Law and Lecturer at Hidayatullah National Law University (HNLU), Raipur and was the founding faculty of HNLU. Prof (Dr.) Uday Shankar holds a PhD from the Delhi University and specializes in Public Law, Constitutional Law, Energy Law, Human Rights, and Transport Law. He was awarded a scholarship by the World Congress of Constitutional Law at the Global Intensive Programme for Young Leading Scholars in Seoul, South Korea.

TECHNICAL SESSION II



DR. SEEMA SINGH

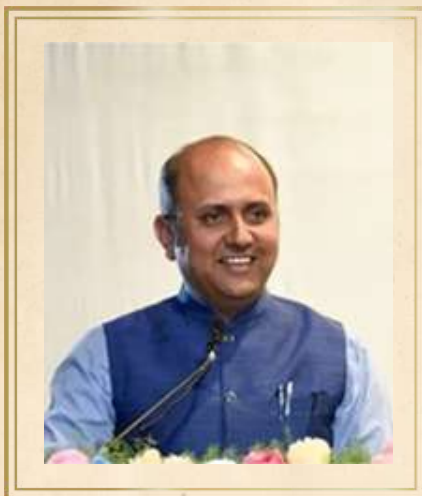
Assistant Professor of Law, Delhi University

Presently, Working as an Assistant Professor, at the Department of Law, Delhi University. She has completed her LLM and PhD in criminal Law. Her special area of interest is Constitutional Law, Comparative Constitutional Law, International Economic law, Administrative Law, Criminal Law and Jurisprudence and works as an esteemed member of the Academic Council Of Delhi University. She is honarary advisor to The National Commission for Scheduled tribes (NCST) reflects her commitment to justice and advocacy for marginalized communities. She has delivered various lectures online and offline and has been a leading authority in the field of legal studies.



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TECHNICAL SESSION III



DR. SWAPNIL BANGALI

Advocate & Honorary member CICTL,
MNLU Mumbai

Dr. Swapnil Bangali is presently an Honorary Director for Center For Information Technology Communication Law. He is also a member of General Council, Executive Council, Standing Committee & Academic Council, Center for Post Graduate Legal Studies of Maharashtra National Law University, Mumbai.

As an Advocate having experience for almost 17 years & has tried hands at various matters including civil, criminal, family, RERA, Information Technology Law, Cyber Security and Corporate and Banking Laws and Taxation Law.

He is also an academician who is involved with training students from different law schools, judiciary aspirants, officers of accredited investigating agencies



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DAY 2 - 08TH FEBRUARY, 2025

TECHNICAL SESSION IV



DR. RAMESH PARAJULI
Assistant C. Chief, Nepal Law Campus

Currently, working as an Assistant Campus in Chief and Assistant Professor of Law Nepal Law Campus, Faculty of Law, Tribhuvan University. He is a PhD holder in a medico-legal expert field with a Doctorate (2013) in Medical Negligence Law. He played advisory role to the Government of Nepal, Nepal Medical Council, and various institutions including Tribhuvan University's Faculty of Law on several issues. The Public Interest Litigation in Ramesh Parajuli et.al. Case (2017) laid seven precedents relating to transitional justice in Nepal. He has been honored with "Nepal Bidhyabhusan Padak A", the highest academic award in Nepal. He is also awarded with "Excellent Student Award" and "S.L.C. Distinction Award".

TECHNICAL SESSION V



PROF. (DR.) ANJU VALI TIKOO
Professor of Law, Delhi University

She is a Faculty of Law at the University of Delhi. She completed her PhD in Organ Transplant in India: A Socio-Legal Study. Fields of Criminal Law, Public Health Laws, Criminology, Human Rights, Women & Law are of special interest to her. With a teaching experience of 23 years, she has taught various law subjects like Jurisprudence, Civil Liberties, Law and Society, and so on. As a visiting faculty serving for prestigious institutes, she is also a member of professional societies like the Institute of Constitutional and Parliamentary Studies.



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VALEDICTORY SESSION

CHIEF GUEST



HON'BLE JUSTICE PRASANNA B. VARALE

Judge, Supreme Court of India

Hon'ble Justice Prasanna Bhalachandra Varale was sworn in as Judge of the Supreme Court of India in January 2024. In his initial days of career, he started practicing in the High Court of Bombay, Aurangabad Bench. Sir was a practicing advocate on the civil and criminal sides at the High Court Bench at Aurangabad. He also served as a Lecturer in Law at Dr. Ambedkar Law College, Aurangabad.

Hon'ble Justice Prasanna B. Varale also worked as an Assistant Government Pleader and Additional Public Prosecutor at the High Court Bench at Aurangabad. He was Additional Standing Counsel for the Union of India. Sir was elevated to the Bombay High Court following which he assumed the charge as the Chief Justice of the High Court of Karnataka from 2022 to 2024.



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DR. AISHWARYA YADAV



PRADNYA YADAV

LEGAL RESEARCH CELL & SEMINAR DEPARTMENT



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MEET OUR TEAM
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SOME GLANCES OF THEMISIA 2.0



HON'BLE JUSTICE ABHAY S. OKA
JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA.



SHRI. ABHIJIT B. GHORPADE
DIRECTOR, THE STATE CLIMATE ACTION
CELL, MAHARASHTRA



DR. SUNITA ADHAV
PRINCIPAL, DES SNFLC



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HON'BLE JUSTICE ABHAY S. OKA
ADDRESSING THE GATHERING



THE TEAM WITH CONVENOR & FACULTY CO-ORDINATORS



VOLUNTEERS AND STUDENTS WITH HON'BLE JUSTICE ABHAY S. OKA



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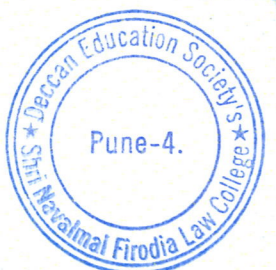
- **Name of Department : Seminar and Workshop Department**
- **Name of the Activity: THEMISIA 3.0 (International Seminar on 75 YEARS OF INDIAN CONSTITUTION: PAST, PRESENT AND A WAY FORWARD)**

- **Introduction:**

DES SNFLC's Seminar Department and the Legal Research Cell in association with The Legislation Branch, Law & Judiciary Department, Government of Maharashtra and in collaboration with Nepal Law Campus, Tribhuvan University, Nepal, organized a Two-day International Seminar on "75 Years of Indian Constitution past present and A way forward".

- **Date & Time of the Event:** 7th and 8th February, 2025
- **Place/Venue:** Kundanmal Firodia Auditorium, Fergusson Campus
- **Name of the Guest and their Designation (if any):**
 - Smt. Supriya Dhaware, Draftsman-cum-joint Secretary Law and Judiciary department, Government of Maharashtra.
 - Hon'ble Justice Prasanna B. Varale, judge, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi

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- Brief Report along with Geo Photographs/ Photographs:

DAY 1:

7th February 2025:

The Seminar began with the Inaugural Ceremony at the auspicious hands of Smt. SupriyaDhaware, Draftsman-cum-joint Secretary Law and Judiciary department, Government of Maharashtra. The other Dignitaries were Adv Ashok Palande, Vice-Chairman, GB & Council,

DES Chairman, CDC, DES SNFLC, Dr.Uday Shankar, Assistant Prof. of Law, IIT Kharagpur, Dr.Seema Singh, Assistant Prof. of Law, University of Delhi, Dr. Anju Val Tikoo, Prof. of Law, University of Delhi and Dr.SunitaAdhav, Principal.

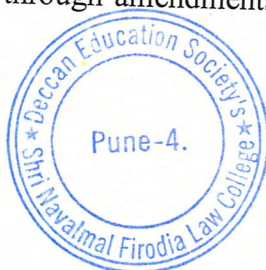
Dr.SunitaAdhav in her Inaugural Speech addressed the gathering welcoming all the dignitaries and putting forward the objective of encouraging the participants to reflect on the journey, development, challenges, and future prospects of the Constitution. Dr.Adhav extended her gratitude to the education partners for their valuable time and support. She reiterated the fact that, for the third consecutive year, Themisia has served as a platform for knowledge exchange, intellectual growth, and meaningful discussions among participants.



Dr.SunitaAdhav

Smt. SupriyaDhaware, the Chief Guest, delivered an insightful speech on the 75 Years of the Indian Constitution, reflecting on its historical evolution, fundamental principles, and contemporary challenges.

She highlighted the role of the Constituent Assembly in drafting India's Constitution, emphasizing the contributions of 15 women among its 389 members. She noted that while the Government of India Act, 1935 served as a foundation, the Assembly, led by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, refined it to suit independent India. She underscored the significance of Article 32, calling it the "heart and soul" of the Constitution, as well as Article 368, which ensures adaptability through amendments, having been revised 106 times to meet evolving needs.



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Discussing the Supreme Court's role, she elaborated on the Basic Structure Doctrine established in *KesavanandaBharati v. State of Kerala*, restricting Parliament's power to amend core constitutional principles. She also addressed Maharashtra's legislative contributions, such as pioneering sex selection prohibition laws, equal property rights for daughters, and 50% reservation for women in local bodies.

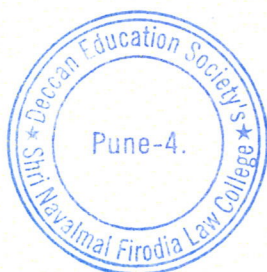
Smt. Dhaware acknowledged modern challenges, including the impact of Artificial Intelligence on privacy and data security, the implementation of the National Education Policy, and the debate over Uniform Civil Code. She also stressed the importance of environmental conservation, stating, "It is our duty to preserve and protect the Constitution so that future generations can live in peace and harmony."

Concluding, she emphasized the collective responsibility to uphold constitutional values, ensuring justice, equality, and sustainability for future generations.



SmtSupriyaDhaware

Smt. SupriyaDhaware ma'am, inaugurated the *Centre for Judicial Services Examination*, marking a significant step toward empowering aspiring judicial officers. The event, attended by legal scholars, students, and dignitaries, underscored the importance of structured preparation for judicial service aspirants.



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(Left to right) Uday Shankar, Anju Vali Tikoo, Ashok Palande, Swapnil Bangali, Prithviraj sir (faculty, des SNFLC) Supriya Dhaware, Sunita Adhav, Aishwarya ma'am (faculty des SNFLC), Seema Singh

Technical Session I: Speaker: Prof. Dr. Uday Shankar

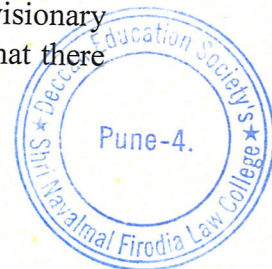
Issues that needed better addressal while abiding constitutional principle:

1. Understanding the Rights given by the constitution.
2. Indian Constitution about free market.
3. Federal Structure.
4. Judicial Discipline.

Assistant Prof. Dr. Uday Shankar Sir of Rajiv Gandhi school of Intellectual Property law, IIT Kharagpur, conducted an educative discourse and introspective discussion on the four main issues that should have been addressed more in the 75 years of the constitutional journey. Professor Uday Shankar critiqued the judiciary's expansive interpretation of fundamental rights, noting that while the Supreme Court broadens rights under Article 21, enforcement remains weak. He stressed that implementing Directive Principles of State Policy is a legislative and executive function, not a judicial one. He criticized the Supreme Court's practice of redirecting fundamental rights cases to High Courts despite Article 32 guaranteeing direct remedies. He also highlighted the neglect of Article 32's provision to empower other courts for writ jurisdiction, despite growing judicial backlog.

He mentioned, "Looking at the distinctiveness of the Indian Constitution and the visionary approach of makers that they did not only provide for the rights, they also said that there

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shall be a remedy also available for the violation of rights and the same shall be considered to be a fundamental right.

On economic federalism, he warned that the Mohit Minerals ruling weakens the GST Council, risking governance issues. He also called for implementing Article 307 to regulate inter-state trade. Regarding horizontal federalism, he emphasized the underutilized Inter-State Council as a vital but overlooked mechanism for resolving state disputes.

Finally, he urged the Supreme Court to refocus on constitutional interpretation rather than functioning as an appellate court, citing the overuse of Special Leave Petitions and delays in constitutional cases. In conclusion, he advocated for judicial restraint, legislative primacy in socio-economic rights, and institutional reforms to uphold constitutional integrity



Prof. Dr. Uday Shankar

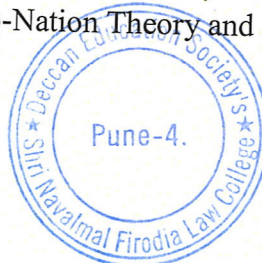
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Technical Session II: Speaker: Prof. Dr. Seema Singh

- Understanding the three important components of the theme: Past, present and the future of the Constitution.

Dr. Seema Singh is an Assistant Professor at the Department of Law, University of Delhi. She emphasized on the Constitution's evolution, highlighting India's dual identity—India as a political entity and Bharat as a cultural legacy. She traced democracy's roots to India's ancient Ganarajya system, predating Greek models, and stressed that Indian law, unlike Western systems, originates from Dharma—a principle of righteousness rather than codified statutes.

She explained how British colonization disrupted India's legal framework, replacing its flexible Dharma-based system with rigid codified laws like the IPC and CrPC. They also used the census to deepen social divisions, reinforcing caste and religious differences. This strategy culminated in the Government of India Act, 1935, and later, the Cabinet Mission of 1946, which introduced the Two-Nation Theory and aimed to fragment India.



Despite opposition, the Constituent Assembly was formed in 1946, leading to the adoption of the Constitution in 1949. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar initially faced resistance for using the 1935 Act as a foundation, but Pandit Nehru argued it was a necessary starting point given the nation's turmoil post-Partition. Recognizing its imperfections, they included an amendment provision, leading to the First Constitutional Amendment in 1951, passed solely by Lok Sabha as Rajya Sabha did not yet exist.

She underscored the Preamble as the Constitution's soul, citing Ambedkar's assertion that any interpretation violating sovereignty and fraternity is flawed. While many constitutional principles form the Basic Structure Doctrine, she noted fraternity remains unaddressed by the Supreme Court, despite being fundamental to equality and justice.

Dr. Singh concluded that India's legal framework must balance justice and development, warning that environmental degradation, like Yamuna's pollution, reflects a failure in governance. She stressed that understanding constitutional values in the right perspective is key to achieving true social harmony.



left chair: Dr. Uday Shankar; Right chair: Dr. Seema Singh

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Technical session III: Speaker: Dr. Swapnil Bangali

- Role of Constitution in regulating AI, digitalization and right to privacy

Dr. Swapnil Bangali explored the future of constitutional democracy in the digital age, focusing on privacy and freedom of speech under Article 19.

Addressing the theme 75 Years of the Indian Constitution—Past, Present, and the Way Forward, he highlighted AI's impact on fundamental rights. Questioning whether privacy still exists, he likened it to a ghost—believed in but rarely experienced. He humorously shared naming a privacy room in his office: "Privacy is a ghost, ghost is inside." Describing those born after 1970 as the most experimented generation, he illustrated how rapid technological shifts—from dial-up phones to AI—have reshaped privacy and communication. He urged a critical reassessment of these evolving rights in the digital era.



Dr. Swapnil Bangali delivered an insightful speech on privacy, freedom of speech, and digital law, highlighting the growing threats posed by technology and legal ambiguities.

He compared modern society to a Big Boss house, where surveillance is constant and privacy is willingly traded for convenience. Citing Digi Yatra, he argued that people prioritize ease over data security without fully realizing the risks. He humorously categorized individuals into two groups: victims of cybercrime and those unaware they are victims.

Discussing the Shreya Singhal case, he recounted the wrongful arrests of two girls in Maharashtra over a Facebook post questioning political mourning. He criticized the misuse of Section 66A of the IT Act and pointed out the irony—while the girls merely posted online, police officers faced suspensions, and judges were transferred. He emphasized the need for judicial awareness and responsible enforcement of digital laws.

On democracy, he defended Electronic Voting Machines, asserting their security due to offline functionality. He questioned the fairness of the first-past-the-post electoral system, arguing that winning candidates often lack true majority support.

Dr. Bangali concluded by stressing the importance of balancing technological advancements with privacy, legal accountability, and democratic integrity. He ended with a recital of Atal Bihari Vajpayee's poem, reinforcing India's deep cultural and constitutional values.



Dr. Swapnil Bangali

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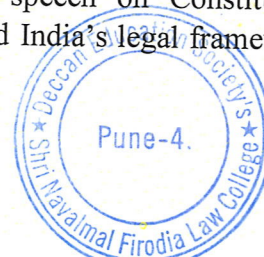
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Technical session IV: Speaker: Dr. Ramesh Parajuli

➤ PIL and Constitutional Morality

Dr. Ramesh Parajuli, assistant campus in chief and assistant prof of law, Nepal Law Campus,

Tribhuvan University, Nepal. He delivered an insightful speech on Constitutional Morality and Public Interest Litigation, focusing on Nepal and India's legal frameworks.



He discussed key criticisms of constitutional morality, emphasizing judicial discretion, judicial supremacy, and public distrust in legislative and executive powers.

Dr.Parajuli highlighted Nepal's PIL jurisdiction under Articles 133 and 144, showcasing landmark cases such as MirajManakar (equal property rights), Sunil Babu Pant (LGBTI rights), and Godavari Marble Industries (environmental protection). He noted PIL's role in advancing social justice, including legal reforms on abortion, caste-based discrimination, and gender rights. However, he cautioned against the overburdening of courts, suggesting the establishment of a dedicated Constitutional Court to streamline judicial processes.

Comparing Nepal and India, he analysed landmark cases such as Naz Foundation (constitutional vs. public morality) and Joseph Shine (gender equality). He stressed constitutional morality must prevail over social morality to uphold justice and fundamental rights.

Dr.Parajuli concluded by advocating judicial reforms to strengthen Nepal's constitutional system, ensuring PIL remains an effective tool for legal and social transformation. The event provided valuable insights into the evolving role of constitutional law in Nepal and beyond.

Technical session V: Speaker: Prof Dr. Anju Vali Tikoo

➤ Constitutionalism and a futuristic approach.

Prof. Anju Vali Tikoo delivered an engaging and interactive session on Constitutionalism in the

21st Century: A Futuristic Approach, emphasizing governance, rights, and societal responsibilities.

She began by defining constitutionalism as a framework limiting government power through checks and balances, linking it to decentralization and governance efficiency. Highlighting the Constitution's role in ensuring justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity, she stressed that fraternity, often overlooked, is essential for a cohesive society.

Prof.Tikoo questioned the overemphasis on rights over duties, arguing that a duty-based society fosters harmony, reducing conflicts over entitlements. She referenced Hohfeld's rights analysis, emphasizing that rights exist only in deficient societies where duties are neglected.

Addressing Viksit Bharat 2047, she urged a holistic approach to development, integrating economic growth, health, education, and governance reforms. She highlighted the persistent issue of reservation, calling for a reassessment of its long-term effectiveness.

Discussing AI in governance, she acknowledged its potential but cautioned against biases and privacy concerns. She referenced India's participation in the global AI summit, emphasizing the need for responsible AI-driven governance.

Prof.Tikoo concluded by encouraging critical thinking on constitutional values, governance challenges, and the evolving role of technology in shaping India's future.

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Prof. Dr. Anju Vali Tikoo

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Valedictory Session:

Hon'ble Justice Prasanna B. Varale, Judge, Supreme Court of India was the chief guest.

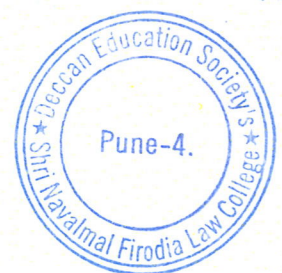
In his address, Justice Varale emphasized the Indian Constitution's adaptability, the role of constitutional morality, and the judiciary's duty in safeguarding fundamental rights. Highlighting landmark cases like KesavanandaBharati, Maneka Gandhi, and Puttaswamy, he underscored the evolving nature of justice and the judiciary's proactive role in addressing contemporary challenges, including judicial pendency and legal accessibility.

Justice Varale emphasized the Constitution's evolving nature, urging a dynamic interpretation to address contemporary challenges. He highlighted urgent issues in public healthcare, questioning bureaucratic delays despite the immediate need for medical intervention. Citing judicial concerns over unutilized budgetary allocations and staff shortages in hospitals, he called for accountable governance.

Justice Varale stressed the importance of constitutional morality in ensuring social democracy, justice, and empowerment. He underscored the role of technology in legal reforms, advocating for AI-driven judicial processes while cautioning against losing the human element in justice delivery. Addressing environmental justice, he commended the Supreme Court's recognition of the right against climate change under Article 21 and called for stronger constitutional safeguards.

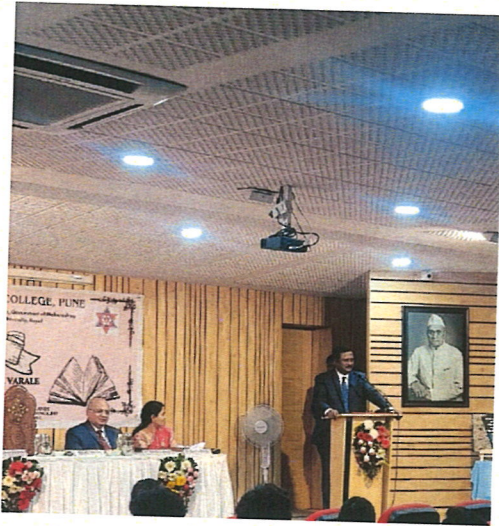
Reflecting on global challenges—rising intolerance, misinformation, and geopolitical conflicts—he reiterated India's constitutional commitment to international peace under Article 51. He warned against divisive forces exploiting freedoms under Article 19 and stressed the need to protect minorities and democratic values.

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Justice Varale concluded by reaffirming the Constitution's role as the backbone of the nation, urging collective responsibility in upholding its ideals. "The Constitution is not a relic—it is a relay race," he said, passing the baton from leaders like Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and Justice Leila Seth to today's generation. As India moves toward its centenary, he urged citizens to ensure justice is not just written but lived.

He also unveiled the book on 106 Amendments of Constitution authored by Dr.SunitaAdhav and Dr.Aishwarya Yadav.



Justice Prasanna B. Varale



The session concluded with formal Vote of Thanks delivered By Dr.Aishwarya Yadav, Faculty Coordinator, LRC.

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