

Report of "International Webinar on Law 2.0: Aftermath of the Pandemic"

**-Organized by Lucknow University Moot Court Association
(Faculty of Law, University of Lucknow)**

Under the guidance and support of the faculty of Law, University of Lucknow, a three day **International Webinar on "Law 2.0: Aftermath of the Pandemic"** was organised by the **Lucknow University Moot Court Association** from 13th to 15th June 2020.

This event was graced by the worthy presence of some of the most dignified luminaries in the field of law, from not only India, but also abroad. Diligent discussions were held by the guest speakers on the respective themes of the day which was followed by questions and remarks from the participants. The three-day event was designed keeping in mind all the changes and requisite evolution our laws and legal systems all around the world have gone through, or will go through as a result of the Covid-19 outbreak and the resultant effect on the different groups of people especially the more vulnerable ones like the lower economic strata and women i.e. the Aftermath of the Pandemic. More than 400 participants from all over the world including Columbia, Somalia, South Africa, Bangladesh, Britain and many more registered for the event and the webinar witnessed earnest enthusiasm and ample interaction in the form of asked questions from the huge number of participants.



Guest speakers for Day-1 included the most Venerable Chief Guest of the event, **Professor Balraj Singh Chauhan, Vice Chancellor, DNLU Jabalpur** and **Mr. Harjot Singh, Director, Twinwood Law Practice Limited, Birmingham, UK**. The theme for the first day was **"How law is turning into law 2.0"**. The event commenced with the welcoming address of **Respected Prof. C.P. Singh, Head and Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Lucknow** where he talked about the importance of this webinar and its objective as he elaborated that this webinar is based on the "post Pandemic world" and how achieving normalcy will be a difficult task at hand, forth the world. It was followed by the enthusiastic and vivid expression of thoughts by **Mr. Panchrishi Dev Sharma, Chairman, and Lucknow University Moot Court Association**

wherein he thanked the guest speakers and expressed the need felt by him to induce changes in every aspect of human lives including the lifestyle to suit the new normal post this Outbreak.



The address by Chief Guest, Prof. Balraj Singh Chauhan was predominantly focused on the correlation between lifestyle and law. He emphasized that mere changing the human ways will not solve all the problems but the law has to be changed accordingly too. He discussed the effects of the Pandemic and also highlighted the constitutional achievements of various countries and amply elaborated the need to spread awareness. He talked about the corona model of New Zealand and UK and the measures taken by these countries to combat the stressing times. Curious questions were put forth post his address which were enthusiastically answered by the venerated Chief Guest. It was followed by the address of the first guest speaker, Mr. Harjot Singh. He focused on law and self reliance, he stressed upon the fact that merely working on the health care system is not going to solve all the problems because this outbreak gave us lessons much more wide ranging and hence improvements are desired in a lot of areas as we cannot remain dependant on other countries for any of our commodities or essential services be it electronics, defence or anything else, it is the demand of the present geo-political system to be self reliant which needs investment and change in the government policies. He emphasized that for the holistic development of our country, we have to convert our challenges onto opportunities.



The objective for second day of the webinar was to understand the aftereffects or "aftermaths" giving special emphasis to the vulnerable groups which are most likely to be the worst affected during these stressing times. **The Speakers for Day-2 included Dr. Sharin Shahjahan Naomi,**

Assistant Professor of Gender Studies, Asian University for Women, Bangladesh and Dr. Shikha Kamboj, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi. Dr Naomi diligently elaborated on the need to give special attention on the condition of women post Pandemic as they are the building blocks of society, casting light on the state of women in Bangladesh, she talked about the need of making more women centric changes in the present laws and legal systems as this problem is unprecedented and renders women even more vulnerable. She ably correlated and compared the laws in India and Bangladesh for protection of women against various crimes along with discussing their merits and shortcomings. It was followed by the address of the 3rd guest speaker of the event, Dr. Shikha Kamboj, she centred her address mainly on consumers and data protection. She envisaged the need of paying special attention to data privacy and protection by the governments with the change in times. Also, she showed her concern at the instances of leak of private information of the consumers by some web applications and the existence of 'dark' websites which share private information about people for \$10-20 and hence she made us feel the pertinence of making stricter laws and ensuring a better check of these activities.



The third day of the event commenced with the objective of perceiving Law 2.0 from the point of view of institutions. The brilliant address by **Ms. Yugichha Sangroula, currently Assistant Professor, Kathmandu School of Law**, came in first. Centred mainly on international law, she mentioned that the current times are particularly stressing for India because of the arising land disputes from its neighbours, mainly Pakistan, China and Nepal she also envisaged better understanding of international law and its improved incorporation in municipal laws in various stages. It was followed by **the address of Mr. Raman Kumar Sharma, Judicial Magistrate, Ajmer, Rajasthan** where he talked about the changes the Indian Courts system underwent to combat the current crisis for the sake of unhindered delivery of justice and how the current system is crumbling under the lack of basic facilities like internet and computers but is still adamant enough for fast adaptation to suit the changing needs. Throughout the event, a constant and much needed support and motivation was achieved by the gracious presence of Prof. C.P. Singh, Head and Dean, Faculty of Law, Lucknow University. Sir would set the objective for each day and invigorate the participants for the upcoming addresses by the speakers. Mr. Panchrishi Dev Sharma, Chairman, LUMA ably and diligently coordinated the event and helped

manifolds in its successful conduction. All the efforts and remarkable discussions followed by questions by a huge no of participants made the international Webinar, a success.



Thanking you

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