



Annual Report 2015-16

NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA

(A University of Law Established in 2008 by Odisha Act No.IV of Odisha)



Our Logo

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

Our Motto

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

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VISION AND OBJECTIVES



National Law University Odisha (NLUO), Cuttack was established by Act 4 of 2008 by the Odisha State Legislature and started imparting education in Law from the Academic Year 2009-10. NLUO was established keeping in mind a clearly enunciated vision. The Preamble to the Act itself outlines the University's long-term goals, which include:

- Advancement of learning, teaching, research, diffusion of knowledge in the field of law;
- Catering to the needs of society by developing the professional skills of those intending to take up the professions of advocacy, judicial services, legal services, and so on.
- Taking inspiration from this, the University identifies and pledges adherence to the following objectives:
- To design and conduct regular courses of learning for dissemination of knowledge, advanced learning in legal subjects and other related disciplines with a view to meaningfully integrate, support and enhance professional knowledge of law and so also to appreciate the role of rule of law in national growth and development;
- To develop in the students and scholars social and scientific research skills for enhancing a sense of responsibility to serve society as committed advocates and also develop skills relating to the profession of law;
- To advance the professional education in convergence with knowledge of other related disciplines so as to provide adequate orientation and training including facilities of continuing education to law teachers, judicial officers, advocates and other persons in the civil society engaged or interested in legal field involved in the administration of justice;
- To organize lecturers, seminars, symposia and conferences, to promote legal knowledge, and to transform law and legal processes into efficient instruments of social development;
- To hold examinations and confer degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions; and
- To undertake all such things as are incidental, necessary or conducive to the attainment of all or any of the objects of the University, as an institution of higher learning and research and an institution of excellence.

UNIVERSITY BODIES

VISITOR : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIPAK MISRA, JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

VICE-CHANCELLOR : PROF. (DR.) SRIKRISHNA DEVA RAO

CHANCELLOR : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINEET SARAN, CHIEF JUSTICE OF ORISSA HIGH COURT

REGISTRAR (I/c) : DR. DOLLY JABBAL

GENERAL COUNCIL

1. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Vineet Saran, Chief Justice of Orissa High Court and Chancellor NLUO
2. Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. Gopala Gowda, Judge, Supreme Court of India
3. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pradyumna Kumar Mohanty, Judge, Orissa High Court
4. Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO
5. Shri Jagannath Patnaik, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court
6. Shri B.K. Mahanti, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court
7. Shri Samareswar Mohanty, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court
8. Shri Bijan Behari Ray, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court
9. Shri Mukul Rohatgi, Attorney General of India
10. Prof. Ved Prakash, Chairman, University Grants Commission
11. Shri Surya Prasad Misra, Advocate General of Orissa
12. Shri. Manas Ranjan Mohapara, Chairperson, Bar Council of Orissa
13. Prof. Rita Ray, Adjunct Professor, NLUO
14. Prof. B. Hydervali, Professor, NLUO
15. Prof. V. Kesava Rao, Professor, NLUO
7. Prof.(Dr) Jayadev Pati, Professor & Dean, SOA National Institute of Law, Bhubaneswar
8. Shri Surya Prasad Misra, Advocate General of Orissa
9. Prof. B. Hydervali, Professor, NLUO
10. Dr. A. Aruna Sri Lakshmi, Associate Professor of Law, NLUO
11. Dr. Dolly Jabbal, Registrar (I/c), NLUO

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

1. Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO
2. Shri Ashok Parija, Senior Advocate, Orissa High Court & Supreme Court of India
3. Prof R. Venkata Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLSIU Bangalore
4. Prof. Priyambada Mohanty Hejmadi, Former VC Sambhapur University
5. Shri Manan Kumar Mishra, Chairman, Bar Council of India
6. Prof. Rita Ray, Adjunct Professor, NLUO
7. Prof. B. Hydervali, Professor, NLUO
8. Prof. V. Kesava Rao, Professor, NLUO
9. Dr. Sheela Rai, Associate Professor, NLUO
10. Dr. Rangin Pallav Tripathy, Assistant Professor, NLUO
11. Dr. Dolly Jabbal, Registrar(I/c), NLUO

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

1. Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. Gopala Gowda, Judge, Supreme Court of India
2. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Indrajit Mahanty, Judge, Orissa High Court
3. Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO [Chairperson]
4. Prof. (Dr) Faizan Mustafa, Vice-Chancellor, NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad
5. Shri Manan Kumar Mishra, Chairman, Bar Council of India
6. Shri Manas Ranjan Mohapatra, Chairman, Bar Council of Orissa

FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO
2. Prof. (Dr) Faizan Mustafa, Vice-Chancellor, NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad
3. Shri A. K. Sabat, Chartered Accountant, Bhubaneswar
4. Shri S.C. Nath, Chartered Accountant, Bhubaneswar
5. Shri A. Mahapatra, Chartered Accountant, Bhubaneswar
6. Prof. B. Hydervali, Professor, NLUO
7. Mr. A. B. Debasis Rout, Assistant Professor, NLUO
8. Dr. Dolly Jabbal, Registrar(I/c) NLUO

ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

The University offers two five-year integrated undergraduate programmes, namely B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) and B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.). The B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) programme integrates the study of law with social sciences. Modules on Sociology, Political Science, Economics, History, English language and Literature are taught as part of the social science discipline. The B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) programme integrates the study of law with Management, Finance, Basic Principles of Accounting, and Organisational Behaviour. Both programmes encourage inter-disciplinary learning and the development of holistic perspectives

In addition to undergraduate courses, the University also offers LL.M. and Ph.D. programmes. NLUO's one year LL.M. programme features specialisations in Corporate and Commercial laws, and Constitutional and Administrative law. The University offers two Ph.D. programmes, in law and in non-law streams such as social sciences and management.

Undergraduate Programmes

NLUO offers five years integrated B.A.LL.B. and B.B.A.LL.B. programmes. As of 2015-16, there were a total of sixty seats each for the B.A.LL.B. and B.B.A.LL.B streams. Admissions to undergraduate programmes are secured through the Common Law Admission Test (CLAT) conducted at the national level.

CATEGORY-WISE STUDENTS ADMITTED IN 2015

Category	B.A.LL.B. (Hons.)	B.B.A.LL.B (Hons.)
General	45	49
SC	04	04
ST	03	01
PWD	01	01
NRI / NRI Sponsored	07	05
Foreign Nationals	00	00
Total	60	60

GENDER-WISE STUDENTS ADMITTED IN 2015

Category	B.A.LL.B. (Hons.)	B.B.A.LL.B (Hons.)
Male	35	33
Female	25	27



STATE-WISE STUDENTS ADMITTED IN 2015 IS AS GIVEN BELOW:

B.A.LL.B (Hons)		B.B.A.LL.B (Hons)	
BIHAR	05	BIHAR	02
HARYANA	01	JHARKHAND	04
JHARKHAND	01	KARNATAKA	01
KARNATAKA	02	MADHYA PRADESH	01
MADHYA PRADESH	12	MAHARASHTRA	10
MAHARASHTRA	03	NEW DELHI	02
MANIPUR	01	ODISHA	09
NEW DELHI	01	RAJASTHAN	05
ODISHA	07	UTTAR PRADESH	10
RAJASTHAN	02	WEST BENGAL	03
TELENGANA	01		
UTTAR PRADESH	07		
UTTARAKHAND	01		
WEST BENGAL	07		

Post Graduate Programmes

National Law University Odisha currently offers two post graduate programmes, namely, LL.M. and Ph.D. Admission in LL.M programme is given on the basis of results in the Common Law Admission Test (CLAT). Every year the University admits 25 students in LL.M Programme.

CATEGORY-WISE STUDENTS ADMITTED IN 2015 GENDER-WISE STUDENTS ADMITTED IN 2015

Category	Seats
General	21
SC	01
ST	02
PWD	00
NRI/NRI Sponsored	01
Foreign nationals	00
Total	25

Gender	Admitted
Male	14
Female	11
Total	25

STATE WISE BREAK UP OF STUDENTS ADMITTED IN LL.M. PROGRAMME

LL.M(2015)	
BIHAR	02
JHARKHAND	01
MADHYA PRADESH	01
KARNATAK	01
ODISHA	09
NAGALAND	01
RAJASTHAN	01
UTTAR PRADESH	05
WEST BENGAL	04
TOTAL	25



LL.M Students

Doctoral Programmes

The University offers Ph.D programmes in law and interdisciplinary areas with a focus on law. Four Ph.D degrees have been awarded up to 2015 including three in Law and one in Management. The University offers three categories of enrolment for Ph.D.:

1. Full-time enrolment
2. Part-time enrolment, and
3. Enrolment by faculty member

Applications for the programmes are invited through national-level advertisements. Only candidates who have secured minimum 55% marks at the Masters level are eligible to apply. The enrolment procedure involves two steps. At the first stage all applicants (except those eligible for exemption) are required to appear for an Entrance Test. Short listed candidates are then required to present research proposals, which are then examined by a Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor. On the recommendations of the Committee, the final list of Ph.D candidates is prepared.

For the academic year 2015-16, twenty-two candidates had applied for the programme. The Entrance Test was held on 19 July 2015. Thirteen candidates were short listed, of which eleven presented research proposals. Eight candidates were finally enrolled into the Ph.D. programme. Of these, seven belong to the general category and one from the ST category. Three candidates are women and five are male. Lastly, three have opted for the full-time programme and 5 for part-time enrolment.



Ph.D Scholars

BAREFOOT LAWYERS COLLEGE

The University has established a Barefoot Lawyers College under the scheme of UGC Community College to provide paralegal education in the state of Odisha. The concept of community college and paralegal is old and well recognized in the entire world. The increasing importance of legal education in global economy provided an opportunity to develop paralegal courses in the country and NLUO is the first university in India to offer this Programme.

The initiative traces its antecedents back to the the Report on National Juridicare Equal Justice-Social Justice (1977) authored by Justice P. N. Bhagwati and Justice V. R. Krishna Iyer. This emphasised for the first time the necessity of para-legals in India. According to the report, “para-legal movement through social workers, who are in intimate and living contact with different segments of the poor are best in position to know their problems and difficulties and can easily inspire confidence in them and instruct, educate them effectively without encountering any problems.”

The Barefoot Lawyers College has initiated a two-year programme in “**Advanced Vocational Diploma in Paralegal Studies**”. NLUO signed a MOU with Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai to directly induct graduates of this programme into their third year of Bachelor of Vocational Education programme.

The Advanced Diploma programme is of four semesters' duration, and comprises thirty-two basic and skills oriented courses. The programme is designed to contain four basic law courses and four skill courses in each semester including one internship course.

OBJECTIVES

The main objectives of the scheme are:

- ❖ to prepare skilled driven paralegal to serve at grassroots level;
- ❖ to integrate relevant employable skills into the higher education system;
- ❖ to cater the demands of various target groups by offering courses at different levels;
- ❖ to facilitate skill up-gradation, multi-skilling, multi-entry and exit, vertical mobility in a flexible manner
- ❖ to provide employable and certifiable skills with necessary general education to Senior Secondary School pass-outs not willing to join existing higher education system;
- ❖ to offer bridge courses to certificate holders of general / vocational education, so as to bring them at par with appropriate NVEQF level.

The Orientation Programme of the Advanced Vocational Diploma in Paralegal Studies was organised on 1 February 2016. It was inaugurated by Prof. Sanjai Bhatt, Department of Social Work, University of Delhi.

SECOND CONVOCATION



The Second Convocation of NLUO was held on 8 August 2015. In this Convocation, 109 undergraduate students, 43 Post Graduate students, and one Doctoral candidate received their degrees. The Convocation was presided over by Mr. Justice Dipak Misra, Visitor, NLUO and Judge, Supreme Court of India. Mr. Justice D.H.Waghela, the then- Chief Justice, Orissa High Court and Chancellor, NLUO, conferred the degrees. Other dignitaries included Sh. Naveen Patnaik, Chief Minister of Odisha, Mr. Justice Amitava Roy, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Mr. Justice V .Gopala Gowda, Judge, Supreme Court of India.

The President of India was originally invited to deliver the Convocation address, but was unable to come due to unavoidable reasons. His address was read out by the Chancellor. In his address the President congratulated the graduating students and advised them to have a sense of duty to fight injustice, criminality, domestic violence, caste discrimination and other forms of exploitation. He added that it was important to lend voice to the voiceless, and represent the powerless.

MEDALS	RECIPIENTS
POSTGRADUATE	
University Gold Medal for First Rank in LL.M year 2014-15 .	Ms. Jasmine Kaur
University Gold Medal for First Rank in LL.M year 2013-14 .	Ms. Semanti Choudhury
UNDERGRADUATE	
Shri Dinabandhu Sahu Memorial Gold Medal for First Rank in B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Mr. Adhiraj Gupta
Shri N. L. Mitra Memorial Gold Medal for First Rank in B.B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Mr. Naman Singh Bagga
University Gold Medal for Second Rank in B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Ms. Noopur Srivastava
University Gold Medal for Second Rank in B.B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Ms. Pankhuri Agrawal
University Gold Medal for Third Rank in B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Ms. Shreya Singh
University Gold Medal for Third Rank in B.B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.)	Ms. Divya Muralidharan
University Gold Medal for Highest Marks in I.P.R.	Ms. T.Binaya Sharadha Ayer
SKS Juris Legal Group Gold Medal for Highest Marks in Constitutional Law	Ms. Pankhuri Agarwal
Shri Gagan Bihari Das Memorial Gold Medal for Highest Marks in Criminal Law	Mr. Naman Singh Bagga
Shri Ras Behari Ray Gold Medal for Highest Marks in Commercial Laws	Mr. Naman Singh Bagga
State Bank of India Gold Medal for highest marks in Banking Law	Ms.PankhuriAgarwal
University Gold Medal for Highest marks in Intellectual Property Law	Ms. T.a.vinaya Sharadha Iyar
Shri Madhusudan Mohanty memorial Gold Medal for outstanding leadership	Mr. Abhijeet Kumar
Shri Anant Mishra & Annapurna Gold Medal for best All-Round female student	Ms. Pankhuri Agarwal
Shri Bichitrananda Mahanty Memorial Gold Medal for Best All-Round Undergraduate Student	Mr.Pratik Shanu

FIRST FOUNDATION DAY LECTURE



Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and Founder, Bachpan Bachao Andolan Sh. Kailash Satyarthi delivered the first foundation lecture at the Amphitheatre of the National Law University, Odisha (NLUO) on 7 November 2015. Mr. Justice Dipak Misra Judge, Supreme Court of India and Visitor, NLUO and Mr. Justice D.H Waghela, Chief Justice of Orissa High Court and Chancellor, NLUO also graced the occasion.

Sh. Satyarthi stressed on three important parameters, which he called the 3Ds - "Dream, Discover and Do". If these 3Ds are adopted in one's life, it can change an individual and one's contribution to the world. He observed that each individual is born with divine, enormous, infinite power; however, we usually do not tap our potential to the fullest extent. If we tap it, then there will be no road blocks in one's life to achieve big goals. He also urged the students to "Dream big" and the dream should address the individual and society simultaneously. According to him, those who cannot dream cannot be leaders in their field. Dreaming big, he felt, is the first step to achieving big goals. Nobody can remove the footprints of those who dream big for the society, he said.

Sh. Satyarthi also stressed on the need for investing in education as a first priority so that best quality education can render compassion in hearts of young scholars. And compassionate social action and moral power is the need of the day, he stated. He underlined the importance of including all aspects of child rights in our developmental goals. He thanked the Indian judiciary for rendering him all the timely help and intervention in all his endeavours that led him to win the Nobel Peace Prize.

INTERNATIONALISATION

The university has initiated several steps to make its global presence. The university has become the member of International Association of Law Schools (IALS) and Association of Common Wealth Universities (ACU). This will provide greater visibility of the university at the national and international levels. The University is also the member of Association of Indian Universities (AIU).

Memoranda of Understanding with International and National Institutes

The University has signed MoUs with selected Universities abroad for students and faculty exchange and collaborative research. The following MoUs have been signed recently.

- School of Law, Texas A & M University, U.S.A
 - The University of Kansas School of Law, Lawrence, Kansas, U.S.A
 - University of Illinois, U.S.A
 - Northumbria University, U.K
 - SOAS University of London, U.K
 - Universidade Federal Fluminense, Brazil
 - Tata Institute of Social Science, Mumbai, India
- a) Collaboration for Paralegal Programme: For faculty exchange and to permit students of Bare Foot Lawyers College to join in the third year Bachelor of Vocational Education programme in TISS.
 - b) Collaboration with Centre for Disability Law & Advocacy (CDLA), NLUO, Cuttack & Centre for Disability Studies & Action (CDSA), Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai for faculty and student exchange and joint research collaborations.

GLOBAL INITIATIVE ON ACADEMIC NETWORK (GIAN)

We are one of the universities identified for the implementation of the Global Initiative for Academic Networks (GIAN) programme in Higher Education. It is a scheme by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, intended to draw from the talent pool of internationally acclaimed academics and facilitate their involvement with institutes of higher education in India so as to increase the country's subsisting academic resources, accelerate the pace of quality reform, and advance India's legal, scientific and technological capacity for global excellence

At this point of time, a total of five academics have conveyed their assent to be associated with NLUO as part of the GIAN programme. Prof Dev Gangjee, Faculty of Law, Oxford University, is scheduled to visit NLUO on 19-24 August 2016, to conduct a short course in Comparative Copyright Law. Prof. Jane K. Winn, University of Washington School of Law, Seattle, Washington, conducts a course on International Electronic Commerce Law between 8 and 17 August 2016. Dr Michael McGuire University of Surrey, Guildford, UK, offers a short course on Technology, Crime and Justice on 20-24 September 2016. Prof. Sivaramjani Thambisetty, London School of Economics, is scheduled to conduct a short course on International Patent Law: Principles, Architecture and Expansion, on 8-17 August 2016. And Prof. Umakanth Varottil, National University of Singapore, conducts a course on Corporate Governance on 8-17 August 2016.

NEW INITIATIVES

Public Guest Lectures

- **Prof. Alan Norrie, University of Warwick** visited on March 22-24, 2016 and delivered a Public Lecture on “**Law and Justice: Between the Power of Love and the Love of Power**”, and a special lecture on “**Perceptions and Approaches to Criminal Law**”.
- **Ms. Karin Hulshof, Regional Director, UNICEF Office for South Asia** visited on March 15, 2016 to deliver a special address to students and faculty members.
- **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Mohan Peiris, Former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Sri Lanka and Former Attorney General, Sri Lanka**, visited on March 7-13, 2016 to deliver a Public Lecture on “**Judicial Review in Srilanka**” and several special lectures.
- **Dr. Usha Ramanathan, Senior Research fellow, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi** visited on February 26, 2016 to deliver a special lecture on “**Tribal Constitutional Law**”.
- **Prof. Suresh Mishra, Chair Professor, at Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi** visited on February 13, 2016 to deliver a Special Lecture on “**Consumer Rights**”.
- **Prof. Sanjai Bhatt, Professor, Department of Social Work, University of Delhi** visited on February 1, 2016 to deliver Special Lectures in the Orientation Programme for the Advanced Vocational Diploma in Paralegal Studies under UGC Community College Programme.
- **Dr. Gitanjali Gill and Prof. Mark Brewer, Northumbria University, U.K.** visited on January 13, 2016 to deliver special lecture on “**International Arbitration**”.
- **Prof. Proshanto K. Mukherjee, Chancellor, CINEC Maritime Campus, Colombo**, visited on September 23, 2015 to deliver special lecture on “**Historical Evolution of Maritime Law**”.
- **Prof. Madabhushi Sridhar Acharyulu, Central Information Commissioner**, and **Sh. Subhash Agarwal, RTI Activist**, visited NLUO on October 28, 2016 to deliver Special Lectures on “**Effective Implementation of Right to Information Act**”.
- **Prof. Raj Bhalla, University of Kansas** visited on October 10, 2016 to deliver a special lecture at the National Conference on “**Financial inclusion for Socio-Economic Empowerment**”.
- **Prof. Rashmi M. Oza, University of Mumbai**, visited October 10, 2016 to deliver a special lecture on “**Human Rights and Human Values**”.
- **Prof. Jane Winn, University of Washington** visited on August 9-20, 2015 and spoke on inclusive banking and Regulation of Crowdfunding in the United States. She also interacted with faculty members on study group teaching methods.

Faculty Seminars

The exchange of ideas and information amongst faculty members plays a crucial role in the personal development of faculty members, and also creates an encouraging and dynamic academic culture.

To this end NLUO has started the Faculty Seminar Series from January 2016, where on designated days faculty members share their current research in the area of their expertise. This serves as a foundation for constructive academic discussion.

The Following faculty members have made presentations so far:

- Dr. Rangin Pallav Tripathy on the 'Logical Fallacy in Defining 'Misbehaviour' for Removal of Judges' (27th January 2016)
- Mr. Amarendra Kumar Ajit on 'Ethical Perspectives of Human Gene Patenting' (2nd Feb. 2016)
- Prof. Uday Raj Rai on 'Constitutionalism: Political and Judicial' (17th Feb. 2016)
- Dr. Sheela Rai on 'State as an Arbiter between the Market and the Individual' (2nd March 2016)
- Mr. Nachiketa Mittal on 'Door-Step Justice Delivery Through Gram Nyayalayas' (9th March 2016)

Innovative Courses

a) Course on Law and Entrepreneurship

Considering the expanding demand for Entrepreneurship, the University introduced in 2014 a compulsory course on Law and Entrepreneurship for final year undergraduate students. It covers legal aspects of entrepreneurship, social entrepreneurship, Medium and Small Enterprise sectors, the basic legal documentation required to start an enterprise, and some important agreements which an entrepreneur should know. This enables students and young entrepreneurs to know what are the basic legal formalities they need to follow.

The main objective of introducing this course in the final year is to make students self-reliant in giving effect to their innovations and ideas relating to the legal field and other social and commercial areas. The Course seeks to convey a better understanding of starting and building new firms/entities/nonprofit organisations so as to become entrepreneurs in the true sense and thereby impart vitality to the ongoing Make in India initiative.

The University has also established 'LexTech - Centre for Law, Entrepreneurship and Innovation' which helps young entrepreneurs to transmute ideas into viable businesses enterprises. In partnership with mentors, corporates, development agencies, investors, and

the NLUO community, LexTech seeks to produce a new breed of entrepreneurs by incubating, accelerating, mentoring and funding innovative start-ups.

b) Clinical Course on Legal Aid and PIL

The University has also started a compulsory Legal Aid and PIL course for 4th year students. Students are divided into five groups, working respectively on Community Advocacy, Prison and Legal Service, Child Rights, Labour Rights, and Land Rights. Students have to do field work, collect information from the people, and prepare draft reports of their experience. They are also encouraged to draft public-interest writ petitions if there is any issue for which recourse to court may be advisable.

Centre for Distance Education

NLU Odisha has established a Centre for Distance Education and is in the process of developing its programmes and curricula. Prof. V. Kesava Rao has been appointed Co-Ordinator for the Centre. In addition to administering its own courses, the Centre plans to collaborate with various organisations such as with CEMCA for joint execution of distance education programmes.

The Centre plans to commence in a short time the following programmes:

- Certificate and Diploma in Child Rights
- Certificate and Diploma in Trafficking in person
- Certificate and Diploma in Taxation
- Certificate and Diploma in Right to Information
- Certificate and Diploma in Paralegal Studies

Model United Nations

Increasing Diversity by Increasing Access to Legal Education (IDIA) is a premier organization focusing on enhancing diversity in legal education by empowering access by underprivileged sections and increasing awareness about the potential that this field carries. National Law University Odisha holds one of the biggest State chapters of IDIA. NLU Odisha has been supporting IDIA Odisha Chapter in taking innovative initiatives.

In this connection, NLUO and IDIA Odisha Chapter jointly held a Model United Nations (MUN) competition on the theme “Diversity: The Inclusive Planet and Symbiosis.” It was organised on 26-28 February 2016. Students from several institutions across the country participated and debated on various issues relating to international law. Through this, IDIA and NLUO seek to fulfil their common objective of increasing diversity and promoting awareness.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Access to Justice

The University has signed an MoU with United Nations Development Programme (UNDP-India) for executing an Access to Justice Initiative through a project titled "Access to Justice for Marginalised People and Socially Relevant Legal Education." The project is for a period of three years and covers three districts of Odisha: Cuttack, Khurda and Puri. The primary objective of the project is to make justice accessible to underprivileged persons and also make legal education socially relevant.

Three Legal Aid Clinics have been established under the project in each of the three districts with the support of the High Court of Orissa and Orissa State Legal Services Authority. Each Legal Aid Clinic established under the project is supported by a Programme Associate who is given charge of recording and registering legal problems of the community in the respective districts. Apart from that, a toll-free number has been installed in the university to give legal advice to the needy. The University also launched in March 2016 a Mobile Legal Aid Clinic. The idea of launching the Mobile Legal Aid Clinic is to increase accessibility to remote areas and is an effort in the path of bringing justice to the doorstep of those who are in need of it.

Legal Aid Clinics established in Jankia, Brahmagiri and Dompada have been instrumental in extending basic legal aid to the community. Legal literacy programmes are organised frequently under the project. Between August and February last year legal literacy programmes have been organised under various themes in the villages of Baanra, Baghua and Muda sahi as well as the Sub-jail of Khurda. The latest Legal Literacy Programme was in February, 2016 at Munda sahi on the subject of Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005. Ms. Suman Bhattamishra, Assistant Professor, NLU Odisha, is Principal Programme Coordinator and Ms. Ratna Manjari Behura is Programme Coordinator assisted by three Programme Associates.

Centre for Child Rights (CCR)

The Centre for Child Rights (CCR) was established as a specialized research centre of NLU Odisha. It envisions providing integrated support to layers of institutional governance at the local, state and national level for the protection of child rights. To this end it seeks to create a framework of research support and logistical backup for the statutory processes concerning protection of children, and provide complementary support to different stakeholders involved in the child rights paradigm. The Centre is implementing a project on 'Effective Implementation of Children's Laws in Odisha' with the support of United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) for a period of three years between January 2015 and December 2017. The project aims to strengthen research, teaching, training and advocacy on children's rights and juvenile justice in particular. The thrust of the project is directed at system strengthening, knowledge management, law and policy reforms, and effective implementation of law relating to juvenile justice. The Coordinator of the project is Mr. Ramakrishna Das, Assistant Professor, NLU Odisha. Mr. Kannaiya Ram and Mr. Pramod Acharya, two independent senior programme coordinators, have been appointed exclusively for the project.

NLUO & UNICEF Partnership–Critical Areas of Collaboration



Key Results of Partnership in 2015

- Integration of Juvenile Justice Course as seminar course in Fifth Year and Clinical Course in PIL & Legal Aid in Third year of B.A, LLB programme
- Organization of customized training for Child Rights and Child Protection functionaries (more than 600 government functionaries) in the government
- Finalization of course module for "PG Diploma in Child Rights", specifically targeted for in-service and pre-service stake holders
- Mobilization of Child Rights research project from Indian Council of Social Science Research
- Established Barefoot Lawyers College under the University Grants Commission as **Community College** in the State to prepare paralegals

Project: “Exploring Changing Dynamics of Children's Law in India in Post-1990: Impact Analysis of Child Rights Practice”

The University received research projects from ICSSR mainly focused on child related laws and public policies in the post liberalization era. NLUO proposes to initiate a longitudinal research undertaking on the working of law and legal systems in India in the changing context of globalization and liberalization to effect changes in the situation of children.

Its main objectives include efforts to improve access to justice for children through various purposive activities targeted to ensure protection of the rights of the children; to work towards a more vigorous juvenile justice mechanism; to frame a collaborative approach by engaging different stakeholders and pro-active policy makers on the issues of child rights and juvenile justice; to conduct an exhaustive documentation exercise on existing child laws and policies, and also to recommend reorientation of policy when necessary. This project is coordinated by Mr. Ramakrishna Das, Assistant Professor, NLU Odisha.

Project: “Comparative Analysis of Performance Appraisal of Subordinate Judiciary in India”

NLU Odisha has been awarded a Department of Justice Project under the scheme of Action Research and Studies on Judicial Reforms. The project has come into effect from March 2016. The University received on 29 February 2016 the first instalment of the sanctioned budget.

Under the project, the University will be conducting a comparative analysis on the existing framework of performance appraisal and promotion schemes in relation to the subordinate judiciary in the identified states. This will entail analysing best practices and model mechanism from the following states: Tamil Nadu, Chattisgarh, Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, New Delhi, Gujarat, Assam, West Bengal, Manipur, Odisha, and Madhya Pradesh.

The research methodology will include both empirical and doctrinal analysis. The doctrinal aspect will comprise of the comparative analysis of the performance appraisal systems and schemes of promotion prevalent in different states. The empirical analysis will involve the analysis of the problems and issues faced in the implementation of the existing schemes from the data collected through personal interviews and surveys. This project is coordinated by Dr. Rangin Pallav Tripathy, Assistant Professor, NLU Odisha.



Students during Legalaid Clinic field work

RESEARCH CENTRES

There are a number of research centres working in NLUO to promote research and interdisciplinary studies in different fields of law and social justice. In NLUO interdisciplinary research is an area which is accorded the highest priority. Most of its Research Centres have been set up with the specific mandate of interdisciplinary research.

Centres functioning within NLUO as of now include:

1. Centre for Public Policy, Law and Good Governance (CPPLGG)
2. Centre for Criminal Justice and Human Rights (CCJHR)
3. Centre for Women and Law
4. Centre for Natural Resources Management
5. Centre for International Trade
6. Centre for Corporate Law
7. Intellectual Property Analysis & Advocacy Centre (IPAAC)
8. Centre for Consumer Law (CCL)
9. Tribal Rights Advocacy Centre
10. Centre for Industrial Relations and Labour Laws (CIRLL)
11. Alternative Dispute Resolution Centre
12. Centre for Child Rights
13. Centre for Maritime Law

These Research Centres undertake theoretical and empirical research; publish newsletters and journals; and conduct research projects in association with National and International agencies, and Central and State Governments. The thrust areas of research of the University are Corporate Law, Intellectual Property Rights, Water Law, Mines and Minerals, Consumer Law, Human Rights, Child Rights and Access to Justice. The University is making efforts to collaborate with selected Universities in India and abroad for faculty, student exchange and collaborative research.

1. Centre for Public Policy, Law and Good Governance (CPPLGG): CPPLGG has been established with the intent of providing a multi disciplinary platform for policy discourse. It aims to bring researchers, practitioners, and interested members of our community together in order to contribute meaningfully to policy debates on development, resettlement, insurrection, parochialism and other such significant issues. It intends to offer programmes that focus on equipping the students with tools for the analysis and development of public policy not only through a theoretical classroom education, but also through a more hands on approach. The Centre facilitates student internships with governmental, non-governmental and civil society organisations working in the area of public policy. It also works for Poverty and Justice Studies with a research focus on issues like the state of being poor, implications of human rights, human development (education, health, earnings avenues and other related factors) and gender studies.

2. Centre for Criminal Justice and Human Rights: To effectively fulfil the objective of instituting a centre of excellence in the domain of criminal justice and human rights, it is essential that the areas of priority are identified and emphasised upon. The themes identified seek to strike a balance between being of localised relevance to the State of Odisha and at the same time having a pan-Indian dimension. Thus, the centre will be focusing on the issues of tribal rights, under-trial prisoners, children and women. The Centre has sent one proposal to the UGC for sponsoring this centre and its activities. The centre has organised a two day Regional Colloquium for State Human Rights Institutions.

3. Centre for Women and Law: The Centre for Women and Law has been established to conduct a continuous study on the position of women in the Indian legal system and society. How far the laws of India are able to tackle the special problems of women? The centre particularly concentrates on the problems of women in Odisha and Eastern part of India in general. The Centre has organised one day training programme on Pre Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostics Techniques Act 1994 for 5th year and LL.M. Students. To carry on its work the centre has submitted three proposals.

- Research Proposal to National Commission for Women on 'Maternity and Child Care Benefits in the State of Odisha - A Study on Availability and Effectiveness'.
- A proposal to the UGC for granting financial aid to the Centre for Women and Law of NLUO under its Centre for Women Studies scheme.
- A proposal for financial aid for two days workshop on 'Efficacy of Laws Pertaining to Property and Marital Rights of Women in Different Religions' has also been submitted to the National Commission for Women.

4. Centre for Natural Resources Management: This Centre has been established to advance legal and policy solutions to fight climate change and natural resource management; inform, educate and connect law students, practitioners, and policymakers to emerging developments in climate law and policy; and develop databases on climate law and regulation. The Centre works in association with climate change scientists and harnesses the expertise of environmental law scholars and network with governmental, non governmental and academic organizations. It also does research on how legal systems shape food systems and influence the agricultural sector. It works to provide timely, critically objective information to producers, professionals and agribusinesses concerning the application of important developments in agricultural law. Further the Centre engage students in legal issues involving the full scope of food and agriculture, including marketing and finance; biotechnology; international trade; tax planning; soil and water conservation; land use and environmental issues; food safety; and federal farm programs.

5. Centre for International Trade Law: This Centre encourages research in the field of international trade and economic laws. It assists in various government and private projects and also promotes legal education in the sphere of international trade and economic laws.

6. Centre for Corporate Law: NLU Odisha is possibly the first National Law University to set up a research centre dedicated to Corporate Law and Policy. The Centre for Corporate Law, as it is called, is an initiative to promote interdisciplinary research in corporate law, and related fields like competition law and policy making, conflict management, banking and insurance laws. The Centre offers consultancy and training programme for judges, lawyers, corporate executives, students, and enforcement officials in the field of Corporate law. It also facilitates to protect intellectual property of other entrepreneurs of the state of Odisha. The Centre is planning to extend its activities by collaborating with MSMC, Govt. of India.



Prof. Raj Bhalla of the University of Kansas, USA interacting through Video Conference at National Conference on Financial Inclusion

Centre for Banking and Insurance Laws (CBIL) has organized the National Conference on “Financial Inclusion for Socio-Economic Empowerment“ in collaboration ***with the Department of Finance, Government of Odisha, State Bank of India and NABARD on 10 October 2015.***

The issue of financial inclusion has been under explored field of law and policy studies. Poverty and income inequality remain a stubborn challenge in India, the rapid economic expansion in previous decades, which lifted millions out of poverty. Financial inclusion is often considered as a critical element that makes growth inclusive as access to finance can enable economic agents to make longer-term consumption and investment decisions, participate in productive activities, and cope with unexpected short-term shocks. Prof. Raj Bhalla, Associate Dean, University of Kansas, United States joined the discussion through skype.

7. Intellectual Property Analysis & Advocacy Centre: Intellectual Property Analysis and Advocacy Centre (IPAAC) has been established with the objective of enhancing the intellectual property knowledge base and research capabilities of the country in general, and the State of Odisha in particular. The centre attempts to achieve these aims through a two pronged strategy. Firstly, it attempts to disseminate information on intellectual property rights with a view to create awareness in the public in general about their rights and duties. Secondly, it initiates research into relatively unexplored and novel areas, taking into consideration the industrial application of intellectual property.

8. Centre for Consumer Law: This Centre is aimed at furthering the cause of access to legal justice for consumers. Consumer disputes are generally of a nature where a small individual is pitted against a big corporate house. The Centre aspires to bridge this big gap by contributing at various stages of legal representation for the poor litigant. Another objective is providing the students of the University with significant practical exposure.

9. Tribal Rights Advocacy Centre: The centre has been established to ensure justice to tribal people and to conduct research on related policy and implementation issues. In a state like Odisha, there is ample opportunity to do research on various issues of tribal communities including self-governance, economic issues, social dogma, family issues etc.

10. The Centre for Industrial Relations and Labour Laws: This Centre has been established with the vision to facilitate legal awareness amongst workers and protect the rights of workers in the organized and unorganized sector. Its mission is to focus on protecting the rights of the workers in fields ranging from construction to agriculture with special attention to women and child labour related issues. For this purpose it aims to conduct extensive field work and research, thereby creating a reliable database. The energy and efforts of CIRLL are dedicated to a management philosophy that holds people above profits and to contribute to the economic strength of the society by reinforcing its social base.

11. Alternative Dispute Resolution Centre (Mediation and Negotiation): The Alternative Dispute Resolution Centre is an initiative by the University to promote academic research on themes pertaining to the resolution of disputes. Alternative Dispute Resolution is a new and emerging inter-disciplinary field that is concerned with, inter-alia, the following themes: (a) the study of the causative structural factors and the subjective motives of the actors giving rise to disputes; (b) the study of the formal and informal institutions dedicated to the resolution of disputes; and (c) the study of the laws and regulations to produce fair outcomes of disputes. The Centre is particularly oriented towards the study the dispute resolution systems existing both nationally and internationally. The Centre looks forward to extensive collaborations with institutions, both professional and academic, engaged in this new field.

12. Centre for Child Rights: It aims to strengthen research, teaching, training and advocacy on children's right and juvenile justice in particular. The thrust of the project is for system strengthening, knowledge management, law and policy reforms, and effective implementation of law relating to juvenile justice.

13. Centre for Maritime Law: NLU Odisha has established this Centre keeping the view of traditional history and importance of maritime issues in the state of Odisha. It plans to offer courses on maritime law and promote research in this area. The Centre also contributed to organizing the NLUO International Maritime Arbitration Moot.

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ARBITRATION MOOT

The Moot Society, National Law University Odisha, chose this subject matter to compliment the maritime operations in Odisha and consequently promote intellectual discourse in the field of Maritime Law. With the advent of globalization and India's internationally growing clout in the trade market, and the continuance of shipping as the preferred mode of movement of cargo, the laws regulating the conduct of the interested parties have begun to increasingly invoke interest. Recognizing this potential, TMS conducted NLUO's, and also India's, first dedicated moot on the theme of Maritime Laws.

FIRST EDITION

The first edition of this moot was organized in association with Paradip Port Trust, Dhamra Port Trust as the Event Sponsor and SCC Online as the Knowledge Partners was held in March, 2014.

About 20 teams from across the country including teams from National Law Universities like NALSAR, Hyderabad, NLIU, Bhopal, NUJS, Kolkata. The team from NLIU, Bhopal was adjudged Best Team while NALSAR, Hyderabad was adjudged Runners-Up.

SECOND EDITION

The second edition of the moot court competition was organised on 27-29 March, 2015 in association with Jindal Steel & Power, Paradip Port Trust, Paradip and Nani Palkhivala Arbitration Centre, Chennai as the Event sponsors. Lexis Nexis (publishers) were the Legal Research Partners and Mylaw.net were the Knowledge Partners.

NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad was adjudged the Best Team of the Competition and ILS Law College, Pune was adjudged the 2nd Best Team.

THIRD EDITION

The third edition of the International Maritime Arbitration Moot, 2016 (NLUO IMAM 2016) scheduled to be conducted from 1-3 April, 2016. The moot problem for this year pertains to international commercial arbitration, arising from a charter party dispute.



Second Maritime law Moot Court Competition

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES

ORIENTATION PROGRAMME ON PRE CONCEPTION AND PRE-NATAL DIAGNOSTIC TECHNIQUES ACT 1994

A one day training programme on Pre Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostics Techniques Act 1994 was conducted for the benefit of LL.M. and 5th year LL.B. students. It was organised by the Centre for Women and Law, NLUO in collaboration with the Directorate of Family Welfare and National Health Mission. Mr. Birupakshya Dikshit, Programme Coordinator-India of Practical Action, was the chief guest. Ms. Shrabani Das, State Facilitator, PNPDT spoke on the social aspects of the problem. Prof. Rita Ray of NLUO also spoke on the social aspects of foetus killing. Dr. Ajit Kumar Mohanty, Joint Director Family Welfare, discussed in detail the medical aspects of the issue. Ms. Suman Dash Bhattamishra, Assistant Professor, NLUO provided a critical appraisal of the PC&PNDT Act.

CONFERENCE ON FINANCIAL INCLUSION

Centre for Banking and Insurance Laws (CBIL) organised a conference on Financial Inclusion. It was divided into five sessions wherein sub-issues related to financial inclusion for socio-economic empowerment were discussed by chair speakers and panelists primarily comprising of bank personnel and academics. The financial assistance to the conference was provided by the Department of Finance, Government of Odisha, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) and State Bank of India (SBI). The conference also witnessed a Skype video interaction with Prof. Raj Bhalla (Associate Dean for International and Comparative Law, and Rice Distinguished Professor, The University of Kansas (KU) School of Law, USA) who gave insights on Financial Inclusion with respect to issues concerning the United States and also based on his research in Indian perspective.

REGIONAL COLLOQUIUM ON UN HUMAN RIGHTS MECHANISMS

National Law University Odisha, Cuttack in collaboration with the Working Group on Human Rights in India and the UN, organised on 29-30th July 2015 a two day Regional Colloquium for State Human Rights Institutions (SHRIs) on UN Human Rights Mechanisms with Special Focus on the UN Guidelines governing the functioning of National Human Rights Institutions. The colloquium witnessed enthusiastic participation from representatives of various state human rights institutions from Odisha, West Bengal, Chattisgarh, Bihar and Jharkhand.

CONFERENCE ON LABOUR LAW REFORM, INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT

NLUO and International Labour Organization (ILO) organized a three-day National Trade Union Conference on "Labour Law Reform, Industrial Relations and Industry Development" from 4 - 6 May 2015. ILO Bureau for Workers' Activities (ACTRA) exclusively organized a three-day consultative meeting for the students and members related to the trade union dynamics and legal fraternity for Eastern and Western Region. The three-day workshop focussed on discussion and debates on Labour Law Reforms, Economic Policy for Industrial Development and the Emerging Industrial Relations Challenges.

NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON DISABILITY RIGHTS AND EQUALITY

Centre for Disability Law and Advocacy (CDLA) of the National Law University Odisha organized a one day National Symposium on "Disability Rights and Equality" on April 19, 2015. The symposium was organised in collaboration with the Government of Odisha. The

symposium was inaugurated by Dr.(Mrs.)MinatiBehera, Odisha State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities. Sh. Bibhuti Bhushan Pattanik, Disability Welfare Director, Govt. of Odisha was the Guest of Honour for the program. Ms. Kasturi Mahapatra, Chairperson, Odisha State Commission for Protecting Child Rights shared her valuable thoughts on "Social Inclusion of PLWD". Ms. Ratnaboli Ray, a mental rights activist and Founder Trustee of 'Anjali', expressed her views on social inclusion of differently-abled persons in all walks of life. Prof. P. K. Rath, of Utkal University and Dr. Vaishali from TISS, Mumbai elucidated upon the need for greater academic involvement in research for disability laws in the country.

WORKSHOP ON IMPLEMENTATION OF RTI

NLUO in collaboration with Odisha State Information Commission organised a one-day workshop on "Implementation of RTI". The programme was inaugurated by Prof. Madabhushi Sridhar Acharyulu, Information Commissioner, and Central Information Commission, who was also a resource person for the event. Other resource persons included Smt. Sashiprava Bindhani, Member, Odisha State Information Commission and Shri Subhas Agarwal, RTI Activist. The workshop highlighted critical issues of implementation of RTI Act, Exempted information, role of RTI after 10 years of enactment etc. About 120 students and faculty members attend the workshop and actively participated in the discussions and raised important issues of public concern and sought clarifications.

WORKSHOP ON LIFE SKILLS

A Five day training program on "Workshop on Life Skills" was organized by NLUO in association with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Chandigarh from 15-19 February 2016 at NLUO Campus. The training programme was inaugurated by Mr. Stanzin Dawa, Regional Director, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Chandigarh. It was divided into different themes, including Motivational Skills, Entrepreneurship, Gender Sensitization, and Personality Development. The resource persons for the programme were Mr. Dawa; Prof Srivinas Subba Rao, Registrar, Sri Sri University; Dr Birupakshya Dixit, Programme Director, Practical Action; Prof. Rita Ray, Professor, NLUO; Prof. V. Kesava Rao, Professor, NLUO, and Mr. Debasis Rout, Assistant Professor, NLUO.



Ms. Karin Hulshof, Regional Director, UNICEF, South Asia at NLU Odisha

STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS

NLUO students regularly participate in different curricular and co-curricular activities at the national and international levels. This year, a team comprising NLUO students Aditya Laddha, Ranjeev Khatana, Rohit Kapoor, Anshuman Chowdhury and Vedant Kumar have qualified for the international round of the prestigious Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, 2016. Some of our students' many achievements are listed below

MOOT COURT/ADR/CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITIONS

- ◆ A team comprising of Abhishek Toppo, Akhil Nene and Soham Roy participated in the 4th NALSAR-NFCG Corporate Law Moot Court Competition 2015 organised by NALSAR University of Law. The team finished runners-up in the competition.
- ◆ A team comprising of Eshna Saxena, Namrata Srivastav and Jyotiranajan Deo participated in the 5th Amity International Moot Court Competition 2015 held at Amity Law School, Noida. The team won the citation for Best Memorial.
- ◆ A team comprising Meghna Mohapatra, Aditya Singh Rajput and Aditya Prakash participated in the 6th NLIU Juris Corp Moot Court Competition, 2015. The team finished as semi-finalists in the competition. Additionally, Aditya Singh Rajput also won the citation for the Best Researcher.
- ◆ A team comprising Adithi Koushik, Ankita Goswami and Vrinda Pathak participated in the 1st IIT KGP National Moot Court Competition 2015. The team won the citation for Best Memorial.
- ◆ A team comprising of Aditya Laddha, Ranjeev Khatana, Rohit Kapoor, Anshuman Chowdhury and Vedant Kumar were Semi-finalist at the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, 2016 (National Rounds) and thus qualified for the international rounds to be held in Washington D.C., USA.
- ◆ A team comprising Rashmi Shukla, Vinti **Agarwal** and **Anmol Saraf** participated in **the Surana & Surana National Corporate Law Moot Court Competition 2016**. They finished as runners-up and won the citation for the Best Memorial. Additionally, Rashmi Shukla was also adjudicated the best speaker in the final rounds.
- ◆ A team comprising Vidhi Tiwari, Abhipsa Mallick and Suman Setty participated in the 6th ILNU International Moot Court Competition, 2016. They finished as second runners-up and received the citation for the Best Memorial in the Competition.
- ◆ A team comprising Smriti Singh, Rituparan Chatterjee and Sakshi Sharma participated in the 17th D.M. Harish Memorial Government Law College International Law Competition 2016. The team finished as the semi-finalists of the Competition.
- ◆ A team comprising Varun Kothari, Divya Rathore and Shreya Saraiya participated in the 1st UPES Techno-Legal Moot Court Competition, 2016. The team finished as the semi-finalists at the Competition.
- ◆ A team comprising Anant Gupta, Priyanka Murali and Pratik Suri participated in the 8th NUJS-Herbert Smith Freehills National Moot Court Competition, 2016 and were adjudged runners-up.
- ◆ A team comprising Ankita Sen, Ankita Dhabu and Vishesh Malhotra participated in the 3rd NUALS National Moot Court Competition, 2016 and were adjudged the second-best team.

- ◆ A team comprising Kevin Matthews, Suhel Qureshi and Avinash Gautam won the 1st G.D. Goenka Moot Court Competition, 2016.
- ◆ A team comprising Radhika Pandey, Pragalbhi Joshi and Sukriti Sinha were runners-up in the 11th G.H. Raisoni Moot Court Competition, 2016.
- ◆ A team comprising Druheen Mohanty, Astha Jain and Tanmay Bhatnagar won the citation for the Best Memorial at the 6th K.R. Ramamani Memorial Taxation Moot 2016.
- ◆ A team comprising Archita Mohapatra, Shreya Singhal and Mayank Mishra were second runners-up and won the second best memorial citation at 11th Justice Krishna Iyer All India Moot Court Competition 2016 organized by GLC Trivandrum. Shreya Singhal was also adjudged the Best Advocate and the Best Lady Advocate of the Competition.

LITERARY AND DEBATING COMPETITIONS

- ◆ Sheikh Sultan Aadil Huque won the 3rd Best Speaker Prize at Odisha Human Rights Commission Debate held at Bhubaneswar on International Human Rights Day.
- ◆ The Literary and Debating Committee organised the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Debate to mark the birth anniversary of the 1st Deputy Prime Minister of India.
- ◆ The Literary and Debating Committee in association with the State Bank of India hosted a Vigilance Awareness Week and organized a debate about "Vigilance in India and Youth Participation".
- ◆ A team comprising of Anmol Gupta, Kushagra Goyal and Vegadarshi K were Octo-Finalist at the 7th CNLU Parliamentary Debate.
- ◆ The Literary and Debating Committee shall be organizing the 1st NLUO British Parliamentary Debate on 16-18th April, 2016.

SPORTS EVENTS

The Sports Committee is responsible for organising and overseeing all sporting events. It organises intra-university sport festivals and organised an annual inter-university event in the March, 2016. It selects teams that represent the University at events hosted in other institutions. The Committee organises the Tanuj Gautam Memorial Cup and various tournaments for different categories of sports including badminton, table tennis, basket ball, chess etc. From March 2016, it has also organised Viraj, an inter-university sports fest.

NLUO's students have participated in various competitions and won several accolades. In Invicta, the WBNUJS sports fest, they won total of fifteen medals, including four gold and six silver. Other successes include several gold and silver medals at Spiritus, the NLSIU Bangalore sports fest.

CULTURAL PROGRAMMES

The Cultural Committee of NLUO organizes several activities cultural activities throughout the year. The 3rd Edition of our annual intra university cultural fest 'HUNAR '15' was held on 12th - 17th October, 2015. The festival had a plethora of events that were conducted over a span of 7 days. Hunar '15 was a potent concoction of art, singing, quizzing, dancing and other events that put to test the talent, intellect and perseverance of the students of the university. It was a perfect platform for the students to display their talents and prove their mettle with the theme being 'Carnival.' The festival included events such Bollywood Quiz, Dance, Singing, Stand-up Comedy, Band Performances, Poetry and painting competitions

STUDENT COMMITTEES/SOCIETIES

1. MOOT-COURT SOCIETY

The Moot Society (TMS) of NLUO is managed by the University's students under the guidance of a faculty advisor. It enjoys the mandate to coordinate all aspects of the University's involvement with mooting, which includes organising the annual Intra-University Moot Court Competition (IUMCC) for selecting students to represent NLUO in National and International moot court competitions; co-ordinating lectures, workshops etc. by experts; and conducting on a regular basis informal discussions, workshops, practice moots, and special classes. NLUO boasts a policy of extending financial assistance to students for participating in national and international level moot court competitions. NLUO is remarkable for achieving in its very first year of existence consistently high levels of competitiveness in moot court competitions. This eventually paid off in the form of several outright wins and podium finishes in top-tier competitions. In the academic year 2013-14 the University stood seventh overall in the Mooting Premier League (MPL) organised by the website Legally India.

2. CULTURAL COMMITTEE (CULT CREW)

Cult Crew is the official cultural committee of NLUO. It is entrusted with the task of organising the university festival, and preparing and sending teams for festivals held elsewhere. Since its inception, NLUO Cult Crew has put in enormous efforts to build a culture in NLUO. In the past four years NLUO Cult Crew has successfully organized various intra cultural fests and various cultural nights.

3. SPORTS COMMITTEE

NLUO Sports Committee oversees the development of capacity of students in various sports by helping them in practising for and participating in sports events held by different universities. It is responsible for overseeing all University sporting events.

4. LEGAL AID COMMITTEE

The Legal Aid Society aims to serve all those who do not have the means to hire a lawyer for consideration of their problem as well as for advice and action for appropriate relief. Details of the work and achievements of the legal aid committee is given under the title legal services clinic.

5. LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

The role of Literary and Debating Committee is not just limited to organising debates and preparing students for them. It also organises writing workshops and conducts essay competitions. In addition, the Committee holds informal seminars where students and faculty members discuss topical issues, both legal and otherwise.

6. COLLOQUIUM OPUS

Colloquium Opus is the Seminar Committee of NLUO. It organises seminars and talks by eminent persons, as well as presentations by students and faculty members of NLUO, on significant and emerging issues. It is also responsible for organising national- and international-level seminars and conferences conducted by or on behalf of the University.

7. INTERNSHIP AND PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

Students of NLUO have interned at prestigious law firms and corporate houses like Amarch and Mangaldas, Kochar & Co, Khaitan & Co, Lex Counsel, and so on. The Internship and

Placement Committee helps students reach international organisations like WHO, CRY, UNICEF and Greenpeace among many more. Students have also interned at many national institutions such as RLEK, Muktidhara, and Janjeevan. The Committee strives to secure better internships, and eventually better placements, for the students of National Law University Odisha so that they, and also the University, benefit at the end of the day.

8. STUDENT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Student Development Committee is intended as an interface between the student community and the faculty. It acts as a liaising body, and represents to higher authorities problems and grievances of students. It also undertakes programmes to improve the quality of life for students.

9. TECH COMMITTEE

The Tech Committee is given responsibility over IT-related issues. Presently it is working on a revamp of the University's website. It also hears student grievances on IT issues, such as internet access, and reports them to appropriate authorities. Future events planned include gaming fests, and national-level coding competitions.



Independence Day Celebrations



Student Volunteers of Child Rights Centre

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND EXTENSIONS

1. Legal Aid Clinic:

NLUO's Legal Aid Clinic has adopted three districts for the purpose under the UNDP project on "Access to justice for Marginalised People and Socially Relevant Education". Faculty members and students periodically organise legal aid clinics for the purpose. The Legal Aid Committee is a student body which also assists in the Legal Aid Project. The Committee has played a very significant role in raising general awareness of rights and law in remote communities across the state of Orissa by organising Legal Literacy Programmes in innovative ways, thereby making the community receptive to the content of basic statutes and legislations. Legal aid clinics are covering filed of prisoners, labourers, famers, women, children and SC/ST communities

2. IDIA Odisha Chapter

Increasing Diversity by Increasing Access through legal Education or IDIA, is a premier organization in promoting the legal education and spreading its reach to the underprivileged section of society for more than five years. By now, IDIA has chapters in more than 15 states and has enlisted more than 50 scholars in its programmes. IDIA Odisha was started in 2011 and since then it has become the largest IDIA chapter in India, currently accommodating 9 scholars and having a dedicated team of more than 50 members .

Initiatives taken by IDIA Odisha

1. Getting Scribed Notes for Scholars: The volunteers scribe class notes for scholars to facilitate their examination preparations
2. Sessions for Debates, Research papers: IDIA Odisha has conducted sessions for the scholars on enhancing their writing communication skills through participatory debating sessions, session on writing research papers, and so forth.
3. Participation in Conferences: IDIA Odisha also encourages Scholars to take part in Conferences. Recently all the scholars participated in a Conference at ILS Pune on Disability Issues.
4. IDIA Lab in Hostel: The NLUO Boys' Hostel has a dedicated IDIA Room. It houses a computer system installed with software for visually challenged, and also a pearl camera and Braille Printer.
5. Sagar Fellowship: IDIA awards its best performing team leaders with JyotiSagar Fellowship award, wherein the team leader is awarded a cash prize of Rs. 50,000. Aditi Bhatt, our current team leader, is one of the five team leaders from India to accomplish this fellowship.

Events Organised by IDIA Odisha

1. One Day Disability Conference: IDIA Odisha initiated and helped organise a one-day NLUO Disability Conference in association with NLUO Disability Law Centre, conducted on 19 April 2015. IDIA Scholars Sudheer Reddy, Chenna Reddy and Vamsi Krishna participated and presented papers in the conference.
2. IDIA Model United Nations- IDIA conducted its first Model United Nations in association with SCC Online and NLU Odisha. The event was primarily a fund raising event and garnered appreciable success, setting the precedent for other chapters.

CAMPUS INFRASTRUCTURE

NLUO is housed in its own campus near Naraj, at the western extreme of Cuttack. The area is noted for its scenic beauty. The mighty river Mahanadi and its distributary Kathajodi bifurcate at this point. The Naraj Reservoir is located just a ten-minute walk away, and the locality boasts several other picturesque locations. The campus is spread over 50 acres, with twenty more acres scheduled to be added soon. Once completed, it will house about 700 students along with faculty members and other staff. It is designed to be eco-friendly, incorporating features such as rain-water harvesting measures. The academic block and the hostels are already functional. The academic block is scheduled to become fully air-conditioned very soon. Planned extensions include language labs, gym and other sports facilities, football and cricket grounds, a thousand-seater auditorium, an open-air amphitheatre, a multi-cuisine food court and, most important, a dedicated library building. The lecture halls are airy, spacious, well-lit, and comfortable. They feature state-of-the-art audio-visual equipment, including LCD projectors, dedicated sound systems, and electronic blackboards (which automatically generate printouts of what has been written on them). It goes without saying that these equipment are not meant to be mere showpieces. Courses are designed in order to make optimum use of them; as a result, PowerPoint presentations, film screenings, and other multimedia techniques form an integral aspect of NLUO's undergraduate and postgraduate curricula.

The University has acquired this year Basketball, Volleyball and Tennis Courts. In addition to this, equipment for indoor games like table tennis and carom are already present in all the hostels of the university.



LIBRARY



NLUO's library is the University's pride and joy. In six years, it has grown to a size enviable by any standards. It houses a collection of 13165 books, about 1793 primary legal texts (such as copies of bare acts, law commission reports, etc.), and more than a hundred law reports, academic journals and the like amounting to a total of 6429 individual volumes. Of particular interest to law scholars is the acquisition of complete sets of older law reports such as the Law Reports (Indian Appeals), Moore's Indian Appeals, the Criminal Law Journal, and Calcutta Weekly Notes. Unlike contemporary reports these are not readily available online, which makes hard copies essential and irreplaceable. Consequently, this collection acquired by NLUO is of inestimable value to researchers investigating legal developments of the last few centuries. In the academic year 2015-16 the university added 685 books in the library, 31 bound volumes of various journals. The library started new subscription of two journals, 'Digital Learning' and 'China Report'. Eighteen other CD ROMs were acquired this year, taking the total to 204.

In addition to the above the NLUO library has 11 Databases including SCC Online, Manupatra, Hein Online, Westlaw India, JSTOR, Kluwer Arbitration, Kluwer Competition Law, and Economic and Political Weekly among others. These databases can be accessed by the faculty and students on the campus and also outside the university campus.

The University gratefully acknowledges the generosity of individuals who have donated many valuable books and legal materials. The Justice GK Mishra Collection, housed separately within the library premises, occupies pride of place. Recently added is library donated by mother of the late Dr. Kumar Kartikeya, Assistant Professor, NLUO. A dedicated library building is under construction. It has been designed keeping in mind the finest that traditional Odia architecture has to offer, and once it becomes operational, it promises to stock more than 2, 00,000 books and over a thousand journals, making it one of the largest and most comprehensive law libraries in India.

GRANTS AND ENDOWMENTS

In 2015-16 the University received from UGC grants amounting to Rs. 2,80,000/-. Provided below is a year-wise breakup of state grants it has received for the construction of the University campus.

GRANTS

Year	Grants received
2009-10	Rs.01 Crore
2010-11	Rs.22 Crore
2011-12	Rs.50 Crore
2012-13	Rs.31 Crore
2013-14	Rs.14 Crore
2014-15	Rs.26 Crore
2015-16	Rs.04 Crore
Total	Rs.148 Crore

NLUO has received following endowments for the Gold Medals

ENDOWMENTS

Donated/Instituted by	Amount
Dinabandhu Sahu Memorial Trust	: Rs.5 lakhs
Prof. N. L. Mitra, Chancellor KIIT University	: Rs.5 lakhs
Ms. Kajal Mishra & Ms. Sheetal Mishra, Advocates & Founders, SKS Juris Legal Group	: Rs.5 lakhs
Shri Bibekananda Mohanti	: Rs.5 lakhs
Mr. Ashok Parija, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India	: Rs.5 lakhs
Mr. Surya Prasad Misra, Senior Advodate & Advocate General, Odisha	: Rs.5 lakhs
Shri Bijan Ray, Senior Advocate, High Court of Orissa	: Rs.5 lakhs
Mr. Biswajit Mahanty, Chairman BRM IIT	: Rs.5 lakhs
State Bank of India	: Rs.5 lakhs

VISITORS TO NLUO

The academic year 2015-16 witnessed many conferences and academic programmes in NLUO. A number of dignitaries and persons of excellence visited NLUO in the current academic year as part of these programmes. In addition to the above, many dignitaries and academics from India and abroad also visited the University and enriched its academic environment by interacting with students and faculty members. Some of the important persons who visited NLUO in 2015-16 are mentioned below:

- Ms. Karin Hulshof, Regional Director, UNICEF Office for South Asia visited NLUO on March 15, 2016 to deliver a special address to students and Faculty members.
- Prof. Alan Norrie, University of Warwick visited NLUO from March 22-24, 2016 and delivered a Public Lecture on “Law and Justice: Between the Power of Love and the Love of Power” and a special lecture on 'Perceptions and Approaches to Criminal Law’.
- Mr. Justice Mohan Peiris, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Sri Lanka and former Attorney General of Sri Lanka, visited NLUO on March 7-13, 2016 and delivered a Public Lecture on “Judicial Review in Sri Lanka”, and also several special Lectures.
- Prof. Suresh Mishra, Chair Professor, at Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi visited NLUO on February 13, 2016 to deliver a Special Lecture on “Consumer Rights”.
- Prof. Sanjai Bhatt, Professor, Department of Social Work, University of Delhi visited NLUO on February 1, 2016 to deliver Special Lectures in the Orientation programme of the Advanced Vocational Diploma in Paralegal Studies Under UGC Community College.
- Dr. Gitanjali Gill and Prof. Mark Brewer, Northumbria University, U.S.A visited NLUO on January 13, 2016 to deliver a special lecture on “International Arbitration”.
- Prof. Proshanto K. Mukherjee, Chancellor, CINEC Maritime Campus, Colombo, visited NLUO on September 23, 2015 to deliver a special lecture on 'Historical Evolution of Maritime Law’.
- Prof. Madabhushi Sridhar Acharyulu, Central Information Commissioner, and Sh. Subhas Agarwal, RTI Activist, visited NLUO on October 28, 2016 to deliver Special Lectures on “Effective Implementation of Right to Information Act”.
- Prof. Raj Bhalla, University of Kansas, visited NLUO on October 10, 2016 to deliver a special lecture in the National Conference on "Financial Inclusion for Socio-Economic Empowerment”
- Prof. Rashmi M. Oza, University of Mumbai, visited October 10, 2016 to deliver special lecture on “Human Rights and Human Values”.
- Prof. Jane Winn from University of Washington visited NLUO on 9-20 August 2015 and spoke on inclusive banking and regulation of crowd funding in the United States. She also interacted with faculty members on study group teaching methods.

UNIVERSITY PUBLICATIONS

1. **NLUO Law Journal:**

Editor in Chief: Prof. Sheela Rai, Professor of Law, NLUO.

Editorial Board-Prof. V. Kesava Rao, Prof. Udai Raj Rai, Prof. B. Hydervali, Dr. Sheela Rai, Dr. Aruna Sri Lakshmi, Ms. Suman Dash Bhattamishra, Mr. Abhik Majumdar.

Editorial Advisory Board: Prof. N.R. Madhav Menon, Prof. M.P. Singh, Prof. B. B. Pandey, Prof. Venkata Rao.

2. **Journal for Banking and Insurance Laws:**

Editor In Chief: Mr. Nachiketa Mittal, Assistant Professor National Law University Odisha.

Editorial Board: Prof. V. Kesava Rao, Dr. Sheela Rai, Dr. Risham Garg, Mr. Rajat Solanki, Dr. Yogesh Pratap Singh, Ms. Arjyalopa Mishra, Mr. Amrendra Kumar Ajit, Dr. Rangin Pallav Tripathy, Dr. Afroz Alam, Mr. Kapil Sharma, Mr. Debasis Rout.

Advisory Board: Prof. Raj Bhalla (Rice Distinguished Professor, University of Kansas), Prof. Kenneth Mwenda (Senior Counsel in the Legal Vice Presidency of the World Bank), Prof. Jane Winn (University of Washington College of Law), Prof. Ranbir Singh (VC, National Law University Delhi) Prof. Faizan Mustafa (VC, NALSAR) Prof. Anil Kr. Rai (Prof., National Law University Delhi) Prof. O.V. Nandimath (National Law School of India University Bangalore), Shri Lalit Bhasin (Bhasin & Co. Advocates, New Delhi), Mr. Rajiv Luthra (Luthra & Luthra Law Offices, New Delhi)Mr. Aaron Solomon (Solomon & Co. Advocates, Mumbai)

3. **NLUO Student Law Review:**

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

INDIVIDUAL ENDEAVOURS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

PROF. (DR) SRI KRISHNA DEVA RAO

Vice-Chancellor

Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao is the Vice-Chancellor, National Law University Odisha, Cuttack.

Prof. Rao has been actively involved with legal education and research in India at four National Law Universities - National Law School of India University, Bangalore (1990-1995 & 1997-98), NALSAR, Hyderabad (1998-2004), Gujarat National Law University, Gandhi Nagar (2004-2007) and National Law University, Delhi (2010-14) - and also with Jawaharlal Nehru University and Delhi University (1995-97). Prof. Rao was the first Director of School of Law at Indira Gandhi National Open University (2007-2010)

Received Dr. Haikerwal and Prof. Sushil Chandra Senior Social Scientist Award in October 2015 by Indian Society of Criminology, Chennai for his contribution to teaching and research in Criminal Justice.

Part of the Research Group constituted by Law Commission of India in 2013 to assist in finalising the Report No. 245 on “Arrears and Backlog: Creating Additional Judicial (wo) manpower”, July, 2014.

Principal Investigator for the project on “Exploring Changing Dynamics of Children's Law in India in Post-1990: Impact Analysis of Child Rights Practice” sponsored by ICSSR, 2016.

Principal Investigator for the project on “Comparative Analysis of Performance Appraisal of Subordinate Judiciary in India” sponsored by Department of Justice, Government of India.

Publications

- Article on Right to Information ; A National Report about India, Springer (2016) (Forthcoming)
- Solving e-governance challenges in India through the incremental adoption of cloud (Co-author)

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/Workshops:

- Panelist in the Discussion Meet on Supporting the Justiciability of the RTE on February 22, 2016 being organised by NUEPA, New Delhi.
- Panelist for Regional Consultation on Standard Process for Care, Protection and Rehabilitation of Street Children on 16th February 2016 at Hyderabad organised by Save the Children in collaboration with National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR)
- Delivered Lectures in the workshop for Law Teachers on “**Teaching and Research**

for Globalizing Professional Legal Education” organised by IBA- CLE Chair, National Law School of India University, Bangalore in association with M. K. Nambyar Academy for Continuing Legal Education, Kochi, at KIIT University School of Law, Bhubaneswar, 10-12 February, 2016.

- Delivered lecture on “National Policies and Relief measures for children and families of the displaced Community” in the National Seminar on Internally Displaced People organised by Indian Council of Social Sciences Research in Collaboration with University of Hyderabad & Save the Children on 17-18 December 2015.

PROF. UDAIRAJ RAI

PROFESSOR

Publications:

- Published on 'Liberty of Expression: An Analysis of Some Important Judicial Decisions' in NLUO Law Journal Vol.II Issue I 2015.
- Uday Raj Rai, 'Value Absorption And Social Practices: An Audit Of The Impact Of The Indian Constitution' being published in (Dr. Ayan Hazara ed.) *Society and Law: Panorama Across Disciplines* (Cambridge University Press, UK) (In Press)
- Book Titled *Constitutional Law I: Structure* (In Press)

PROF. V. KESAVA RAO

PROFESSOR

Publications:

- Edited Manuals on Medical Law, Contracts-II Cases & Materials Book being published by Lexis Nexis (In Press) and published on article Presumption of Guilt & Access to Justice in NLUO Journal Cuttack Vol 11 August 2015.

PROF. B. HYDERVALI

PROFESSOR

Publications:

- “Land acquisition Law Vis-à-vis Socio-Economic Justice” Article published in NLUO Journal Cuttack Vol 11 August 2015.
- Formal justice Delivery System-Trends and Developments Article published in Civil & Military Law Journal, New Delhi Vol 51 October & December 2015.
- Critical realms of Rehabilitation and compensatory policy in Land Acquisition Bill 2014
- Resource person on “Guidelines for contract engagement” for Second Management Development Programme (MDP) on 'Contract Labour Regulations' at NLUO, Cuttack

DR. RITA RAY

PROFESSOR

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/Workshops:

- National Convention on Inter-State Co-ordination on Antitrafficking of Girls and Women. 28th and 29th August, 2015.
- Tribal Studies: A journal of COATS: Volume III, Issue 2. publication date: January, 2016. Editor of articles submitted
- National Seminar on Socio-economic issues in The Development of Orissa, At Orissa Sociological Society. 13th December, 2015.
- ICSSR training programme on Research Methodology, Ravenshaw University. August, 2015.
- Indian Sociological Society: Participated as Chairperson of National Conference and chaired Regional workshops on displacement Issues.
- Participated as an “expert” in the Union Public Service Commission” from 29th December to 5th January.
- Conducted A workshop on Sociology of Food: Religious and Cultural food habits of Orissa. 15th -17th January, 2016. Participants were 22 Post-graduate students in Sociology of Food and Nutrition from New York University.
- Women Leadership Forum of Asia 's Women Lead Conference. 10th March, 2016. Participant Speaker.
- Women Leadership Forum of Asia 's Panel Discussion on” Mental Models and the gender Story”. 10th April, 2015. Participant Speaker.
- Regional Consultation on existing status of Marginalized women, unwed Mothers and Women in difficult Circumstances. 29th-30th March .Chairperson and Speaker
- Conference on the “Status of Forest Rights Act, 2006”. 29th 30th March. Chairperson and Speaker.

PROF. ARUNA SRILAKSHMI

PROFESSOR

Publications:

- Joint Paper titled "Child labour, Human Trafficking and Corruption in India: Problem and prospects" is selected for publication in Law Mantra volume 1, issue 4-2016, **ISSN-2394-7829**

Participation in Seminars/Conferences/Workshops:

- Participated and presented a joint paper with Advocate Abhinav Kumar on “Law relating to human trafficking in India vis-à-vis UNTIP protocol 2000’ at an International Conference of Jurists in Vigyan Bhavan Delhi, 2015.
- Attended UGC Workshop on GIAN (Global Initiative for Academic Networks in Higher Education) MHRD Scheme on 28.09.2015 at Delhi.
- Participated and chaired at various national and international seminars in and around Andhra Pradesh

Other Achievements:

- Visiting Faculty at IPM, IIM Indore for a credit course on “Workshop in Legal writing and legal language” offered in the five year integrated programme in Management at IIM, Indore, 2016
- Resource person on *Legal safeguarding towards child development and protection- Obligations and Accountabilities of Stakeholders*, in two days training and orientation to district officials on Juvenile Justice System, Angul, Odisha, 6th-7th Oct'2015
- Resource person on Child Development and Protection Issues- Dimensions of Problems and Preventive Strategies, in two days training and orientation to district officials on Juvenile Justice System, Berhampur, Odisha, 21st-22nd Sept' 2015
- Resource person Child Rights Practices- Challenges of public service delivering mechanism Areas of Change, NLUO, Odisha, 25th-26th August'2015
- Visiting Faculty at IPM, IIM Indore for a course on “Workshop in Legal writing and legal language” offered in the five year integrated programme in Management at IIM, Indore, 2015
- Resource person on “Guidelines for contract engagement” for Second Management Development Programme (MDP) on 'Contract Labour Regulations' at NLUO, Cuttack

DR. SHEELA RAI

PROFESSOR

Publications:

- Published an article “Commercialisation and Globalisation of Higher Education in India: Need for Social Audit” in (Dr. Ayan Hazra ed.) Society and Law: “Panorama across Disciplines” from Cambridge University Press (UK) (In Press)

DR. DOLLY JABBAL

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Publications:

- Law, Development & Socio-Economic Policy (Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act: Needs for a paradigm shift) – Published by EBC India-ISBN NO.-93-5028-723-4
- Explaining and Understanding Research Methodology in Legal Research and Interdisciplinary Education Fields in India (Research Strategies in context of Legal Research). Souvenir-Conference on International Banking and Finance: Issues, Challenges & Solutions (Frauds in Indian Banking Industry: Legal Perspective).
- MCQ on Banking & NI Act [Co-Author]- Published by EBC India. Ed.2014, reprinted ed 2015
- Banking and Negotiable Instruments Act-Published by EBC India. Ed.2015
- Transfer of Property- Commissioned for publication.

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- Faculty Development Programme on Corporate Law- Conducted by National Law University Delhi- June 2015

Other Achievements

- Speaker- "Round Table on Sustainability Thinking, Action and reflections", XIMB
- Speaker- National Seminar on "Insurance- Emerging Trends, Challenges and Opportunities."; Rawenshaw University.
- Examined LLM Dissertation and Viva at KIIT Law School 2015
- Resource person Jurisprudence e-pathshala; National Mission on Education through ICT (NME-ICT), Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), 2015, under the leadership of Professor Ranbir Singh, VC NLUO and Professor Krishnadeva Rao, VC NLUO.

DR. RANGIN PALLAV TRIPATHY

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Publications:

- "Defining Misbehaviour for Removal of Judges: The Logical Fallacy and Necessary Politicisation" NIRMA University Law Journal Vol. 6 Issue 1 2015
- "Access to Justice and Judicial Performance Evaluation" NLUO Law Journal, Special Edition on Access to Justice (Vol. 2 Issue 1) 2015

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- Presented a Paper on “Constitutional Deficiencies in Redressal of Violations of International Human Rights Obligations in India” at National Seminar on International Human Rights Law: Prospects and Challenges organised by Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala on 20th February 2016.
- Presented a Paper on “Chief Justice of India and the Right to Information” at the National Seminar on Right to Information Act- Implementation and Challenges Organised by MS Law College, Cuttack on 28th February 2016.

Research Assignments:

- Co-Investigator in the Department of Justice Project on 'A Comparative Analysis of Performance Appraisal Mechanisms and Schemes of Promotion in relation to the Judges of Subordinate Judiciary in different States in India.' being implemented by National Law University Odisha
- Engaged as a Consultant by the Odisha Judicial Academy for preparation of research materials for Induction Trainees and Judicial Officers in refresher programmes.
- Paper Coordinator for the paper of “Social Legislations and Crime” in the subject of Criminology under UGC PG E-Pathashala project.

DR. HIMABANDU M.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participations in Conferences:

- Invited as a Speaker for “One Day Symposium on Dalit Movement and Caste Question” on 22 September 2015 by Department of Political Science, Osmania University, Hyderabad, Telangana.

MRS. SUMAN DASH BHATTAMISHRA

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Publications:

- “Project Report on Access to Justice for Marginalized People” NLUO Law Journal, Special Edition on Access to Justice (Vol. 2 Issue 1) 2015

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- Participated in National Workshop on Law School Based Legal Services Clinic in August 2015 in V.M. Salgaokar College of Law
- Presented a Paper on “Chief Justice of India and the Right to Information” at the National Seminar on Right to Information Act- Implementation and Challenges organised by MS Law College, Cuttack on 28th February 2016

- Presented a paper titled “Victims of Domestic Violence and the Criminal Justice System: Fatality of an Incredulous Interface” in the 9th Biennial and 5th International Conference held at WBNUJS in collaboration with Indian Society of Victimology from 22nd to 24th of January, 2016
- Participated in a 5 days' work shop from 5th to 9th of January held at Negombo, Sri Lanka for Training of Trainers for Capacity Building of Paralegals organised by the South Asian Institute of Legal Studies and Human Rights in collaboration with BRAC University and the Centre for Social Justice
- Participated in the Training Programme on Open Educational Resources and Open and Distance Learning from 11th to 13th of February, 2016 organised by Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia , New Delhi in collaboration with Odisha State Open University, Sambalpur, Odisha

Administrative Assignments:

- Coordinator of NUSSD Legal Literacy Project in association with TISS under which legal literacy materials are being designed for Under-Graduate students from non-law disciplines across the country.

MR. A. B. DEBASIS ROUT

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- Delivered lecture in the Training Programme for Lawers on Contract Law, Negotiations and Management organised by NLUO, Odisha
- Participated in One Day Consultation Programme on “ILO INITIATIVES AND ITS JURISPRUDENCE” NLUO, Cuttack
- Participated in two day short term course on "Commodity Derivatives and Risk Management" organised by IIT Kharagpur.
- Co-ordinator of the Organised Committee of “One Day Capacity Building Workshop on Expanding Horizons of Agriculture and Laws”, organised by the CORAL (Centre for Outreach and Research in Agriculture and Laws) , NLUO, Cuttack
- Participated in Two Semi-Annual conferences hosted by regional offices of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India held at Cuttack and Bhubaneswar.

MS. ARJYALOPA MISHRA

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Publications:

- March 2015: Article on “Leadership Attributes and its Impact on Organizational Effectiveness” published in a book Titled “Contemporary issues in Human Resources”

with the ISBN No: 1843980584

- August 2015: Article on “Interface between Labour law Reforms and Social Justice” published in NLUO Journal ISSN No: 2348-8913
- June 2015: Article on “Resiliency indicators among differently abled” published in the Centre for Differently abled Newsletter with the ISSN 2395-7735

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- Jan 2016: Presented a Paper on “The Need for Spiritual Leadership traits in Teachers for Reviving Educational System” at the International Conference on Spirituality and Management organized by IIM Bangalore held from 4th Jan 2016 - 6th Jan 2016
- Jan 2016: Presented a paper on “A Critical Analysis of the Labour Law Reforms under the Branding of Make In India” at the National Industrial Relations Conference organized by XLRI, Jamshedpur
- Nov 2015: Participated in a FDP on Labour Law Reforms organized by Department of PMIR, Utkal University on 14th November 2015
- May 2015: Coordinated the National Trade union Conference on Labour Law Reforms, Industrial Relations and Industry Development organized by National Law University, Odisha and International Labour Organization from 4th May - 6th May 2015.

MR. ABHIK MAJUMDAR

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- 'Siting Islamic law within Contemporary Legal Frameworks: A Comparative Overview of Codification Strategies': Paper presented at Conference 'Religion and Law: Colonial and Post colonial Encounters' at Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi, in March 2016.

Other Achievements:

- Visiting Faculty, KIIT Law School, February 2016

MR. RAJAT SOLANKI

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Publications:

- Warranties generally and implied warranty of seaworthiness in Marine Insurance', Insurance Law Journal, Vol.27, Issue 1 (2015) by LexisNexis, Australia.

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- Participated and Presented paper in 'National Conference on Right to Information', MS

Law College, Utkal University, Cuttack, 27-28 February, 2016

- Participated and Presented paper in '*National Conference on Right to Education*', University Law College, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, 19-20 February, 2016
- Participated and presented a paper in Workshop on *Teaching and Research for Globalised Professional Legal Education*, School of Law, KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, February 10-12, 2016.
- Participated in *Capacity Development Programme on Corporate Laws*, National Law University Delhi, June 8-13, 2015.
- Participated and Presented Paper in "*National Seminar on Tribal Rights*", NUSRL Ranchi, May 23-24, 2015.
- Participated and Presented Paper in *National Seminar on Combating Corruption, Black Money and Money Laundering*, NUSRL Ranchi, May 8-9, 2015
- Participated in *International Conference on Renewing the Maritime Trade and Civilisational Linkages*, Bhubaneswar, March 20-22, 2015
- Panel Speaker in *Capacity Building Programme on "Expanding Horizons of Law & Agriculture"*, CORAL, National Law University Odisha & IMAGE, Govt. of Odisha, February 14, 2015

MR. RAMKRISHNA DAS

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Publications:

- Reviewed a book titled "Criminalistics: An introduction to Forensic Science" written by Richard Saferstein , published by Pearson, New York , USA, ISBN No- 10: 1-292-06202-9; ISBN No- 13- 978-1-292-06202-0
- Published an Article titled "Restorative justice and juvenile justice system in India" published by NLUO Law Journal, Volume II, August- 2015, ISSN- 2348-8913

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- Participated in a three day training programme on "Child rights and the Justice Systems" conducted by MILAT , NLSIU, Bangalore in association with M.K. Nambiar Institute of Legal Advocacy Training, Trivandrum on 23rd march, 2016.
- Participated in the national conference on "Right to Information Act- Implementations and Challenges" held at Madhusudan Law College, Cuttack, on 27th and 28th February, 2016.
- Participated in a three day training Programme on " Open Educational Resource

(OER) & Open and Distance Learning” organised by CEMCA in collaboration with OSOU

- Content writer for the UGC E-Pathssala programme on Concept of juristic person ;Right to private defence against body and property; Mistake of fact, mistake of law, necessity and insanity.

Other Acheivements:

- Faculty coordinator for a project titled “Effective Implementation of children's law in Odisha” sponsored by UNICEF and NLUO.
- Project Co- Director for the project titled “Exploring Changing Dynamics of Children's Law in India in Post-1990: Impact Analysis of Child Rights Practice” sponsored by ICSSR.

MS. MADHUBRATA RAYASINGH

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- Attended a Training Programme on " Development Through Decentralization: In PRI Perspective" from 21st to 23rd September,2015.
- Attended a State Level Exit Conference for AISHE,Odisha on 26th February,2016 at NCDS,Bhubaneswar.
- Attended an All India Survey on Higher Education(AISHE), Workshop held on 08.01.2016 at NCDS,Bhubaneswar.
- Conducted a Seminar on "Union Budget-2016-2017" held on 15-03-2016 at National Law University Odisha,Cuttack.
- Co-ordinated a Workshop on Life Skills held at National Law University Odisha,Cuttack organized by Rajiv Gandhi National Insitute of Youth Development, Regional Centre, Chandigarh from 15-19th February,2016

MS. SUDATTA BARIK

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE CUM TEACHING ASSISTANT

Participation and Presentations in Seminars and Conferences:

- One day Workshop on “Implementation of RTI” organized by NLUO in collaboration with Odisha State Information Commission on 28th October ,2015 at NLUO Campus.
- 5 day training program on “ Workshop on Life skill “organized by NLUO in association with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development , Chandigarh from 15th Feb 19th Feb,2016 at NLUO Campus.

- NLUO has conducted a Special Lecture on “Protection of Consumer Rights” delivered by Prof Suresh Misra, Chair Professor, Indian Institute of Public Administration , New Delhi on 13th February,2016 at NLUO Campus.
- As a Faculty Co-ordinator , conducted One day Workshop on “Implementation of RTI” organized by NLUO in collaboration with Odisha State Information Commission on 28th October ,2015 at NLUO Campus
- As a Faculty Co-ordinator,5 day training program on Workshop on Life skill organized by NLUO in association with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development , Chandigarh from 15th Feb 19th Feb,2016 at NLUO Campus.
- Participated in Training Programme on “Open Education Resource (OER) & Distance Learning (ODL) from 11th 13 Feb,2016 organized by CEMCA, New Delhi in collaboration with Odisha State Open University, Sambalpur, Odisha.
- Taken a session on “Entrepreneurial Competencies” in 5 day training program. “Workshop on Life skill” organized by NLUO in association with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development , Chandigarh from 15th Feb 19th Feb,2016 at NLUO Campus.



Faculty Members

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