## PRESS REPORT

## SYMBIOSIS LAW SCHOOL, PUNE

## Zero Day Programme for the Upcoming Batch of B.A./B.B.A.LL. B (Hons) July 17, 2023

Symbiosis Law School, Pune, a constituent of Symbiosis International (Deemed University), conducted its 'Zero Day Programme for the upcoming B.A./B.B.A. LL. B (Hons) Batch' on July 17, 2023. First-year students, parents, and various other stakeholders were addressed by the core faculty of the college before being led on a campus tour.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Fulbright Scholar, Director, Symbiosis Law School Pune, Dean, Faculty of Law, Symbiosis (Deemed University) Jean Monnet Chair, Professor (EUC-LAMP co-funded by EU) delivered the welcome address to all the students and parents. Dr. Gurpur endorsed the phrase '*Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*' (the world is one family), also the motto of Symbiosis International (Deemed University) . She went to recollect the institution's progress since her joining in 2007, highlighting how a majority of the sitting judges of the Supreme Court and various other legal luminaries hail from this place. Dr. Gurpur assured the parents and the incoming batch that their administration and welfare shall be taken care of by multiple bodies of faculty as well as student-led teams. She also provided a brief overview of the various committees and cells of the college while emphasizing on the need to be a part of such communities.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur informed the parents regarding placement statistics of the institute, ensuring them that their investment was to an institute of over 20,000 alumni, of varying degrees and achievements, from partners in Tier 1 law firms to judges, Additional Solicitor General and so on. Further, she congratulated everyone on their choice, and for withstanding the intense competition they faced during the entrance exam.

**Dr. Gurpur** to introduced the faculty members to the incoming year batch. Various subjects and electives like Principles and foundations of EU Law, Gender and Family Law, Human Rights Law and Jurisprudence, Innovation, Technology and Intellectual Property Law, Trademarks and Geographical Law were introduced with a brief introduction to the faculties responsible. Other important aspects of the academic structure such as assignment submission, student peer initiatives, procedures to secure internships, and issuance of library cards were elaborated upon.

**Prof. Kshitij Naikade, Deputy Director (Administration), SLS- Pune** introduced the Administrative Staff of the Symbiosis Law School, Pune Campus, during which he emphasized their role in making the academic and holistic life of the newcomers easier. He encouraged the audience to reach out to the administrative staff whenever in need of assistance and highlighted the need for communication to resolve any problems that might arise. He talked about the importance of discipline and motivated the students to be persistent and work hard to achieve all their goals and wished them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

The programme concluded with one-on-one interactive sessions of **Dr. Aparajita Mohanty**, **Deputy Director (Academics), SLS-Pune, Dr. Bindu Ronald, Professor, SLS-Pune** and other faculty members with the parents and students.



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Students of the Upcoming Batch of B.A./B.B.A.LL. B (Hons) attending the Zero-Day Programme.