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SYMPOSIUM ON JUDICIAL REFORMS: CHALLENGES AND WAY FORWARD

Friday, September 27, 2024

Symbiosis Law School, Pune, a constituent of Symbiosis International University, is set to host Symposium 2024, focusing on "Judicial Reforms: Challenges and Way Forward." This pivotal workshop and panel discussion will take place on Friday, September 27, 2024, at the SVC Auditorium and set the tone for the discussions while also serving as the moderator.

The Symposium will start with a welcome address by Prof. (Dr.) Shashikala Gurpur, Director of Symbiosis Law School, Pune, Dean of the Faculty of Law at SIU, and Jean Monnet Chair Professor and then presentation of the Position Paper written by Shri P. D. Karandikar, IAS (Retd) who will speak on "Issues of Registry in Indian Courts," offering a critical examination of administrative challenges within the court system.

Hon'ble Justice Shri Pradeep Nandrajog, Former Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court will respond and will also share his insights on "Challenges and Issues in Judicial Independence: Response and Way Forward." His expertise is expected to provide valuable perspectives on maintaining the integrity and autonomy of the judicial system.

The event is guided by Prof. (Dr.) S. B. Mujumdar, the esteemed Chancellor of SIU and Founder-President of Symbiosis. A central focus of the symposium will be 2 position papers of Shri P. D. Karandikar and the National Litigation Policy (NLP), formulated by the Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India. This panel discussion aims to explore judicial reforms including strategies to reduce litigation from government agencies and address broader judicial reform issues. The symposium will witness 2 students with the best research papers making a presentation before the panel.

The symposium aims to achieve several key outcomes, including the identification of challenges to judicial reforms, development of potential remedies, enhancement of stakeholder engagement, and formulation of policy recommendations to guide future reforms.

This half-day event is designed to foster meaningful dialogue and generate actionable insights into the complexities of judicial reform in India. The students, faculty members, and stakeholders from legal fraternity are expected to witness these deliberations, providing a unique opportunity for the next generation of legal professionals to engage with pressing issues in the field.