FROM THE EDITORIAL DESK

Being a nation of billions, religion acts both as a source of unity and division in India. Right to practice one’s own religion of choice has been rightly accorded the distinction of a fundamental right by the Constitution and an integral aspect of this privilege is one’s right to worship. Unfortunately, for years, the Indian society has struggled to make this right a universal one. There is demarcation of several places of worship on the basis of one’s caste, gender or faith. Hinduism is scattered with examples of blatant practices such as restricting entry of women at the time of their menstrual flow or the barring of entry of people belonging to a lower caste to any certain temple. A similar pattern is visible in Islam where Muslim women, as per the words of prophet Muhammad, are instructed to pray from home rather than from inside a mosque.

Today, society is in a state of flux, where any form of inequality that exists between two distinctive groups is brought under the microscope of reasonableness. Justice is a mirror of the society and the institutions of justice have served the nation in protecting and upholding the rights enshrined in the Constitution. The recent judgment by the Honourable Supreme Court on the issue of allowing the entry of women inside the Sabarimala temple in Kerala, brings out several important legal questions. The primary rationale of the court was based on the fact that men and women have equal status and any form of restriction of the movement of women inside the temple tampered with their fundamental rights. Remarkably, there are several temples like the Lord Brahma temple in Pushkar, Rajasthan, where married men are barred from entering. Therefore, the ratio must benefit male and female alike and similar pleas must not remain unheard.

If the philosophy of the court is to advocate equality amongst all the members of a religious community, it must expand its umbrella to issues beyond the gender of a person. For instance, in the famous Jagannath Temple in Puri, Odisha, lower caste Hindus are not allowed to enter based on centuries of practice. Similarly, right to worship does not prohibit a particular individual to limit their choice of worshipping to only one religion. The restriction of movement in the form of barring of entry of non-Pars is in a Parsi fire temples, disallowance of Non-Hindus inside the aforementioned Jagannath Temple and the denying of non-Muslims to pray at mosques, raises a huge question - whether a citizen of India is allowed to pray at any religious institution regardless of one's religion? Another interesting point arises when there exist 'unreasonable qualifications' for the post of priest across all major religions. This leads to a dilemma whether the law should, at all costs, implement the sacrosanct values of the Constitution, overlooking the fact that it is a religious issue and the court should not interfere in religious practices.

The contrary argument of the aforementioned statement was repeated by Honourable Justice Indu Malhotra, the sole dissenting judge in the Sabarimala judgment, where she stated that the Court must remain cautious in dealing with matters of religion since it is setting a precedent that it has the right to alter the functionality of a religion based on its interpretation of the Constitution. Albeit correct, it is also vital to remember that change is the inevitable truth. Hence, right to practice religion must be allowed to all without any fetters ensuring that any form of exclusion be legally justified.
Symbiosis Law School, Pune together with Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts, and Symbiosis School of International Studies, constituents of Symbiosis International (Deemed University) organized the CCP-2018. Dr. S.B. Mujumdar, Chancellor, SIU was the Chief Guest. He spoke about the conception of Symbiosis with regards to the motto ‘Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam’ which means the world is one family.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Fulbright Scholar, Director, Symbiosis Law School, Pune, Dean, Faculty of Law, SIU delivered the welcome address. Dr. Rajani Gupte, Vice Chancellor, SIU, then inspired the students with her wise words. Dr. Vidya Yervadekar, Pro Chancellor, SIU emphasized the importance of interdisciplinary higher education and urged students to avail the benefits of credit sharing from a campus that accommodates three diverse disciplines.

The next event was the induction of SYMBICARE and the introduction of the team behind SYMBICARE who explained the importance of personal health and fitness and informed the students about the various solutions available to them in case of any illness. Vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. Atmaram Shelke, Deputy Director, SLS, Pune. The event also saw a panel discussion on Substance Abuse by Mr. Dorge, Mr. Sanjay Bhagat and Prof. Santosh Aghav.
The two-day Induction Programme for First Years (5 Year BA/BBA LLB Hons., 3 Year LLB and LLM) was conducted on 25th & 26th July 2018.

The Programme began with Dr. Gurpur's welcome address, wherein she elaborated the vision and cutting-edge curriculum of the college, and also emphasized various achievements and laurels that the college has received over the past year. She further introduced the Student Advisory Board, SLS, Pune to the incoming students. R. V. Srikara Prasad, President, SAB, 2018-2019, SLS, Pune addressed the First Year students through a video message. This was followed by a series of presentations by the Professors in charge of different Cells, including the Anti-Ragging and Examination Policy Cells. Following this, the Administrative Officer & Campus Administrator explained the administrative policies of the institution.

The Students were oriented on different career avenues by several experts. The students were also addressed on 'Health and Wellness Issues' by the Symbiosis Recreation Wellness Centre, SCHC and 'Waste Management' by Symbiosis Centre for Waste Resource Management.

Further, the students were taken to Splendor Country Resort and Chokhi Dhani for the Induction cum Outbound Visit and Activity.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur addressing the First Year Students at the Induction at Splendour Country Resort

Students of the First Year Batch (2018-23) performing at the Outstation Induction Programme

Yoga being performed as a part of the Induction Programme to all students, teachers and staff present
SLS-Pune and Public Concern for Governance Trust (PCGT), Pune Chapter jointly organized the 7th Late Shri B.G. Deshmukh Memorial Lecture, 2018 on “Education – Oxygen for Development”. Students from various sister institutes of SLS-P were in attendance, such as SICSR, SIT, SID, SSLA, SIMC, and SSE. This Annual Public Lecture Series has been instituted in the honor of Late Shri B. G. Deshmukh, IAS, Former Cabinet Secretary, Government of India and Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Director, SLS-P gave the audience an insight into the conception of the annual lecture series. She credited Dr. S.B. Mujumdar’s vision and thirst for knowledge as the reason for SIU’s global success, as seen in BRICS and Asian rankings. Dr. S.B. Mujumdar, Hon’ble Chancellor, SIU, the Keynote Speaker introduced the topic by stating, “Just like living beings require oxygen, ‘education’ is required for development.”

Mr. S. C. Nagpal, Chairman, PCGT, Pune Chapter delivered the concluding remarks by appreciating SIU’s commitment to being an institute that stands firmly on the pillar of inclusivity and meritocracy. Mr. Satish Khot, Vice Chairman, PCGT was the Moderator for an engaging Question-Answer session.
SLS-P hosted the maiden edition of Parliamentary Debate. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Mr. Krishnava Dutt, Managing Partner, Argus Partners. Mr. Nilanjan Sinha, Legal Head, India and South East Asia, ICICI Bank and Mr. Vinay Bhatia, General Counsel, IL & FS were the Guests of Honour.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, in her welcome address emphasized the happy coincidence of the congregation of eminent stakeholders, such as alumni, parents and well-wishers of SLS-P in the form of the resource persons and sponsors of the event.

Mr. Krishnava Dutt highlighted the importance of such events and urged students to give their ideas legs. He advised the audience to be resilient in their approach and to make intelligent choices with their career. He specified how leaders must carry others along with them and share their knowledge that they possess, because an institution is dependent on everyone involved and not just the leader.

The ceremony concluded with the Vote of Thanks delivered by Prof. Kshitij Naikade, Faculty-in-Charge of Debate Society, SLS-P.
Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Director, SLS-P extended a warm welcome and congratulated all the members of the Student Advisory Board at the Investiture Ceremony. The Hon’ble Chief Guest Lt. Col. Bhardwaj enlightened the crowd about the virtue of leadership. He conveyed to the crowd that it is imperative to have a definite purpose in life and encouraged them to bring about a positive revolution in the society.

Mr. R V Srikara Prasad, President, Student Advisory Board, 2018-19 and Mr. Aayush Kakodkar, Advisor, Student Advisory Board, 2018-19 were formally sworn in by the esteemed Chief Guest by an oath, which was followed by the swearing-in of the Vice Presidents, Heads and Co-Heads and members of the various committees and the Class Representatives of the 5-year B.A/B.B. A-LL. B, 3-year LL. B and LL.M batches.

After the oath-taking ceremony, Mr. Prasad and Mr. Kakodkar addressed the gathering. The ceremony ended with the vote of thanks, which was delivered by the President of the Student Advisory Board.
SLS-P Student Advisory Board (2018-19) organized Teachers’ Day celebration. The theme for the day was ‘Retro to Metro’ and the entire college was adorned in colourful decorations reflecting the said theme.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Director, SLS-P addressed the gathering and stressed on the importance of the teaching force that serves as the backbone of the college. She also mentioned how SLS-P has witnessed several such unbreakable bonds between teachers and students and expressed her desire for the same in the near future.

The address encapsulated the essence of the profession of teaching while also shedding light on the beauty of teaching and all that it entails.

R. V. Srikara Prasad, President, Student Advisory Board spoke about the sanctity of ‘Gurus’ and stated that he was humbled and overwhelmed by their contribution.

Vote of thanks was delivered by Ananya Bharadwaj, Vice President, Student Advisory Board. The event, with all its varying and enthralling performances, was a true celebration of the mentors, the gurus.
SLS-P in association with Centre for Law and Policy Research, Bangalore successfully organized the Final Rounds for “ConQuest”, the Western Regional Round of the National Quiz Competition on Indian Constitution, History and Politics, comprising of 60 teams and hosted by Mr. Raghav Chakravarty, Co-founder, Walnut Knowledge Solutions, Bangalore.

The Valedictory Ceremony was graced by the dignitaries comprising of Chief Guest Hon’ble Justice Mr. R.C. Chavan, Retired Judge, Bombay High Court, Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Fulbright Scholar, Director, SLS-P, Dean, Faculty of Law, SIU, Mr. Frank Hoffman, Regional Manager, South Asia, Frederick Naumann Foundation, and Dr. Bindu Ronald, Deputy Director (Academics), SLS-P.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur highlighted the importance of constitutional knowledge and stressed upon the co-operation and partnership with CLPR and Walnut Knowledge Solutions which further played a major role in facilitating learning. The Chief Guest for the event, Hon’ble Justice Mr. R.C. Chavan, Retired Judge, Bombay High Court laid emphasis on the need to understand one’s duties and the rights enshrined in the Constitution.

The event drew to a close with the declaration of results and the prize distribution ceremony. The second runners up position was bagged by the team from ILS Law College Pune. The first runners up position was bagged by the team from GNLU, Gujarat and the winning team was from Symbiosis Law School, Pune comprising of Karan Kamath and Amey Pillay.
The Intra-college Fest, organized especially for the newly inducted first year Batch of 2018-2023, Symptoms 2018 had a unique theme of “That 90s Show”, which focused on a range of iconic characters and video games that dominated the hearts and minds of the students born in the 1990s.

It witnessed cultural events such as graphic design, pop culture quiz, photography, duet dance, solo dance, group dance, extempore, creative writing, word games, basketball, futsal, table tennis, carom, chess, chugathon and hogathon, roast, stress interview and the grand event – Sikandar-e-Symptoms.

The welcome address was delivered by Mr. R.V. Shrikar, President, Student Advisory Board, 2018-19, SLS-P. The Vote of thanks was delivered by Samanth Dushyanth, Head, Extra-Curricular Cell, SLS-P.

The fest continued over a span of three eventful days. The students with the highest number of participation points qualified for the grand event Sikandar-e-Symptoms.

Of the students competing, the title of Mr. Symptoms was given to Abhigyan Chatterjee, for winning the grand event of Sikandar-e-Symptoms. Joanna Joshua was crowned as Miss Symptoms’18.

Participants posing after the event of Face Painting

Symptoms event of "Stress Interview" in full swing

Students participating in the Carrom Competition of Symptoms 2018
Dignitaries lighting the lamp at SYMROLIC

The conference attendance of internationally esteemed academicians and resource persons

Dr. Rajendra Kumar Jain addressing the gathering

Dr. K P Mohanan (PhD, MIT), Co-Founder, ThinQ was the Chief Guest. The other dignitaries in attendance were Attorney Rebecca Todd, General Counsel, Antioch University, USA, Dr. Rajani Gupte, Vice-Chancellor, SIU, Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Fulbright Scholar, Director, SLS-P, Dean, Faculty of Law, SIU, and Dr. Bindu Ronald, Deputy Director, SLS-P.

The inaugural ceremony was followed by a Plenary Session on the theme, 'Law & Life Interface-Innovation, Science, Technology, Human Behaviour, Global Policy and Governance', with Day 2 and Day 3 having broad topics under the umbrella of 'Law and Human Behaviour' and 'Common Challenges & Converging Perspectives in Europe and Asia'.

Dr. Rajendra Kumar Jain, Centre for European Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi was the Chief Guest for valedictory ceremony.

Pooja Kanmani and Laxmi Priya from Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Tanvi Sharma and Hannah Tulip Shekinah, SLS-P, Rini Paul & Yophika Thabah, SLS, Pune, Murielle Rodrigues, SLS-P and Dr. Rupal Rautdesai, SLS, Pune and Gaurav Sharma, SIU won the first prize from the first, second, third, fourth and fifth tracks respectively.

Prof. Sanjana Mittal, Prof. Nitin Kumar and Parth Dixit, SLS, Pune won the first position for their paper. Dr. Bindu Ronald, Deputy Director, SLS, Pune proposed vote of thanks.
Health check-up at Yerawada Central Jail

SLS-P in collaboration with SCOPE conducted a health check-up for the jail inmates at Yerawada Central Jail on 14th July 2018. Student volunteers assisted doctors for the health check-up of 157 inmates.

National Lok Adalat

The final year students of LLB, BALLB, and BBALLB visited the 'Permanent Lok Adalat' held at District & Sessions Court, Pune on 8th September 2018. The visit was a part of the Alternate Dispute Resolution System taught at SLS-P.

The media took due cognizance of the efforts taken up by the CLCC, SLS, Pune and they interviewed the student volunteers about their experience of Lok Adalat visit.

In a single day, 60,949 cases were taken up and 35,447 cases related to small causes, family disputes, Section-138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act & Motor Vehicles Act were disposed.

Repair of Solar Panels at Yerawada Prison

The Solar Panels at Yerawada Female Prison were repaired by SLS-P on 17th November 2018.
Dr. Galina Rousseva- Sokolova from Sofia University came to Symbiosis Law School, Pune on 27th April, 2018 to further the discussion on the Eurasia Project and participated in the panel discussion on EURASIA—Common Challenges and Converging Perspectives: Rule of Law in Europe and Asia.

Prof. Lindsay Trotman visited SLS-P as a Scholar- in Residence. During his stay he delivered lectures on wide ranging issues like Comparative Corporate Law, Consumer Protection, Law of Torts and Comparative Constitution. He also engaged a Faculty Development Seminar on Misleading or Deceptive Conduct.

Mr. Vincent Oeters, Marketing Head- Asia and Middle East, Brill Publishers conducted a guest lecture on “How to Publish with an International Law Publisher”. He stated the importance of citations and the fundamental principles that a researcher must abide by while formulating his or her article.

Ms. Heather Wallick, former Assistant Director of Admissions and Financial Aid at Harvard Law School conducted a guest lecture on ‘Higher Education Abroad- Admissions and Financial Aid’ on 8th September in the Professional Development and Continuing Legal Education Hall of Symbiosis Law School, Pune. She stated how students must make informed decisions about their higher education degrees.
Attorney Rebecca Todd visited Symbiosis Law School, Pune from 14th September 2018- 1st October 2018. She imparted extensive training on Mooting Skills and Legal Writing to the students of Symbiosis Law School, Pune and Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad. She also delivered guest lectures on First Amendment Rights under US Constitution and related cases pertaining to Public Schools to the students of 5th Year BA/BBALLB, ‘First Amendment Rights, Religion and Education’ to the students of LL.M. She also conducted an intensive Legal Skills Workshop on 26th and 27th September 2018.

Prof. Stephen Barnes from Penn State University, the USA visited Symbiosis Law School, Pune on 13th September, 2018. He conducted a lecture on Constitutional Law for the LL.M and the 5th year students and a separate session for students who were interested in pursuing LL.M at Penn.

Dr. Natasaza Styczynka, Assistant Professor at the Institute of European Studies Dean’s Proxy for Internationalization at the faculty of International and Political Studies Jagiellonian University and Dr. Daniela Irrera, Assistant Professor of International Relations and Global Civil Society & ERASMUS Coordinator, Department of Political and Social Science University of Catania visited SLS, Pune from 25th September to 29th September 2018 under the Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education Project ‘EURASIA’, participating in the panel discussion on EURASIA—Common Challenges and Converging Perspectives: Rule of Law in Europe and Asia.

Prof. Dr. Clemens Arzt from Berlin School of Economics & Law attended the 7th International Annual Research Conference on Rule of Law in Context: Indian and Global Perspectives from 27th, 28th and 29th September 2018 where he presented a paper on the “Rule of Law and Police in India, Namibia and Germany - A comparative approach”.

L-R: Prof. Shivali Lavale, Dr. Natasaza Styczynka and Dr. Daniela Irrera
Prof. (Dr.) Tara Prasad Sapkota, Dean, Faculty of Law and Member of Executive Council, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal; Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of Nepal visited SLS-P on 27th September, 2018. He attended the SYMROLIC Conference and chaired the Track on Public Law, Society and Governance.

A delegation from Bristol University consisting of Professor Ken Oliphant (Head of the Bristol Law School) and Mr. Dominic Freda (Faculty Manager for Social Sciences and Law) visited Symbiosis Law School, Pune on 29th November, 2018 to discuss the possibilities of collaboration for Joint Summer Schools, Law Clinic Exchange, Semester Exchange for Students, Faculty Exchange Programmes and for Lectures via video-conferencing and Skype.

Dr. Jane Knight, Adjunct Professor of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education at Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto visited SLS-P on 26th December. She had a meeting with the Director Dr. Shashikala Gurpur and faculty members of the Law School. Being a renowned scholar of the field of internationalization of higher education, the discussion veered around the following: 1. Top 3 areas of priority for moving internationalization ahead in the next 3 years. 2. Facilitators required for achieving these and 3. Barriers that may keep these from happening (or would make these difficult to achieve).
STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES

Shreya Samal (3rd Year, BA LLB), Saurabh Hole (2nd Year, BA LLB), Saniya Shinde (2nd Year, LLB), Kanupriya Sharma (3rd Year, BBA LLB), Manali Joshi (3rd Year, BBA LLB), Upendra Kumar K. (2nd Year, LLB), Nihaad Diwan (3rd Year, BALLB), Doel Bose (3rd Year, BA LLB), Avichal Srivastav (2nd Year, BA LLB), Anjali Sahajwani (2nd Year, LL.B), Ira (3rd Year, BA LLB) attended the Summer School Program at Nottingham Law School, Berlin from 21st to 27th July 2018 and undertook the course on International Criminal Law.

Ira Singhal (3rd Year, BA LLB), Kanupriya Sharma (3rd Year, BBA LLB), Yuvraj Singh Rathore (4th Year, BA LLB) and Shweta Chauhan (4th year, BA LLB) attended Nottingham Law School Summer School Programme - Geneva from 30th June to 6 July 2018 and undertook the course on UN and its Agencies.

Kanupriya Sharma (3rd Year, BBA LLB), Ira Singhal (3rd Year BA LLB), Neha Hegde (1st Year, BA LLB) and Lakshmi Pratyusha Pashupat (1st Year BA LLB) attended the Summer School Program at Nottingham Law School, Strasbourg from 8th-14th July 2018 and undertook the course on Human Rights and the Bio Ethics.
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS: RESEARCH


Tanvi Sharma, an LLM student won the best speaker prize in 7th International Annual Research Conference on Rule of Law in Context: Indian and Global Perspectives (SYMROLIC) 2018 at Symbiosis Law School, Pune for the paper titled "Resale Price Maintenance In India: With Special Emphasis On Hyundai Motors" held on 27th Sept. 2018.

**Tanya Kukade**, a student of the 2016-2021 BA LLB (Hons.) batch has published the following papers:


2. ‘Failure of Indian Criminal Justice System in Protecting Sexual Assault Victims’ in International Journal of Law & Jurisprudence, ISSN 2395-6402.


**Akshay Gudinho**, an LLB student has authored the following papers:


Sameer Avasarala of 2014-2019 BA LLB (Hons.) Batch has presented a paper titled 'Curious Case of Privacy & Data Protection Law in India: Comparative Approach' at the Amsterdam Privacy Conference 2018 organized by the University of Amsterdam from October 5-8, 2018.

Kairavi Raju of 2015-2020 BA LLB (Hons.) batch has written an article titled "The Unattainable Bar: A Lack of Gender Diversity in the Indian Judiciary" which was selected for publication in RMLNLU Law Review Volume 9. She also wrote a paper titled, “Censorship Games: Regulation of Obscene Content on OTT Media Websites like Netflix” which has been selected for publication in the NLIU Media Law e-Journal.


Moksh Ranawat from 2017-2022 BBA LLB (Hons.) Batch has won the Second Prize in the 3rd Gary B. Born International Arbitration Essay Writing Competition, August 2018. He won the second prize in the essay competition for the paper titled, "Soft Law Legitimacy with respect to International Arbitration: An Analysis with Respect to IBA Guidelines of Conflict of Interest 2014 ".

Moksh Ranawat
He received a Letter of Appreciation from renowned author Mr. Gary Born along with a cash prize of $125.

**Gayatri Viswanathan** from 2016-2021 Batch published the two papers titled:

2. ‘Uniform Civil Code – Is there a need for India to implement it?’ in GLC Contemporary Law Review 3 (ISSN Number 2518-8990)


**Navya Pathak and Dhruvi Shah** from 2017-2022 Batch were the 2nd Runners-Up in NUJS-SAJC National Essay Competition, September 2018.

**Sameera Singal** published the two papers titled:

1. ‘A critique on the concept of Rule of Law and its application in Indian Polity’ in Pen Acclaims, ISSN: 2581-5504, Volume 3, August 2018
2. ‘Effect of Climate Change in Kerala Tourism Industry’ in the International Journal of Enviro Legal Research, ISSN: 2463-6401, Volume 5, November 2018
## MOOT COURT AND ADR ACHIEVEMENTS

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<td>7th NLIU National Corporate Law Moot, 2018</td>
<td>7th - 9th December 2018</td>
<td>Speakers: Nabeel Malik, Anukriti Tomar; Researcher: Disha Gujarathi</td>
<td>Qualified for Semi Finals</td>
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<td>4th National Alternative Dispute Resolution Competition, 2018 (Client Counselling)</td>
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<td>Samiksha Gupta, Lavanya Gupta</td>
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Someny Singhal, Shraddha Dubey and Malay Srivastava (Batch 2014-19)  
27th Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition 2018 (Bremen, Germany)

Divyanshu Gupta and Anushka Ghosh (Batch 2017-22), Ananya Jain (Batch 2016-21)  
2nd Amity National ADR Tournament 2018

Mrudula Dixit (2016-21), Sayantan Bhattacharya, and Kshitij (Batch 2017-22)  
2nd Surana & Surana & School Of Law, Raffles University National Labour Law Moot Court 2018

Upayan Dutta and Tejas Kapoor (Batch 2016-21)  
4th National Client Consultation Competition

Ram Kumar, Aditya Sharma and Nayan Mittal (Batch 2015-20)  
GNLU Moot on Securities and Investment Law (GNLUMSIL ‘18)

Mishika Rathore, Jash Botadra and Veda (Batch 2017-22)  
1st Galgotias University National Moot Court Competition –GUNMCC
SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

In order to celebrate the Independence Day, Freedom for Fitness Run was organized by SIU at Lavale campus, Pune wherein a huge participation was observed on behalf of SLS Pune. Tarun Singh from 1st Yr. BALLB, showing grit determination stood 8th in the General Men’s category.

SLS-P showed a remarkable sportsman spirit in SPIRITUS’18, the annual collegiate fest of NLSIU Bangalore, by bagging the second-Best Contingent award in August 2018.

The Men’s Football Team stood glorious by winning the Alyosha Kumar Memorial Football Tournament organized during the same.

The Women’s Basketball Team was no less and secured the first position as well.

The Women’s Badminton Team stood second while the Women’s Athletics Team secured third position in 4X100 (M) relay. Priyamvada Subhash and Rhea Lobo secured the Bronze medal in Shot-Put and Long Jump respectively.

SLS-Pune’s Men’s Basketball team secured the first position in the Inter-Institute Basketball Championship 2018-19 held at Symbiosis School of Sports Sciences (SSSS) from 4th Sept. to 7th Sept. 2018 at Lavale Campus. Title of the best player was awarded to Nishant Shankar, an LLM student, SLS-Pune.
• The Women’s Basketball team under the captainship of Meghana Dighe, secured the runners-up position.

• SLS-Pune’s Tennis team secured the first position in both Men’s and Women’s category in the Inter-Institute Tennis Tournament organized by Symbiosis Law School, Pune from 19th September to 21st September 2018.

• Both the positions for the first place in the Men’s & Women’s category were bagged by students from SLS-Pune, namely Adhiraaj Sandhu and Sahiti Annam, respectively. The runners-up position in the Women’s category was bagged by Navreeti Srivastava from SLS-P.

• SLS-Pune’s Women’s Football team secured the first position in the Inter-Institute Football Championship 2018-19 held at Symbiosis School of Sports Sciences (SSSS) from 27th Sept. to 2nd Oct. 2018 at Lavale Campus. Title of the best player was awarded to Gautami Konteti whereas Sneha Varghese bagged the best goalkeeper award, both from SLS-Pune.
**GUEST LECTURES**


A guest lecture was conducted on 24th July 2018 by Major General Sanjay Meston, Headquarter Southern Command, Delhi on the topic “Tips for Youth Leadership” for 2nd year BBA LLB students.

Prof. Ratna Kapur, Senior Faculty at the Institute of Global Law and Policy, Harvard Law School conducted a ‘Workshop on Human Rights’ for faculty and students from 25th to 27th July 2018 and lectures on Human Rights and Universality and Cultural Relativism on 11th and 12th Sept. 2018 for LLM, 1st year LLB and 4th Yr BA/BBA LLB students.

A Guest Lecture on ‘Analysing Legal Issues’ was conducted by Adv. Murtaza Chherawala, Partner, CNS Juris on 29th July 2018 for 1st year BA/ BBA, LLB students.
A Guest Lecture on ‘Synthesising and Counselling’ was conducted by **Adv. Sampath Bulusu**, General Manager, Legal Shell Hazira LNG & Port on 4th August 2018 for 1st Year BA/BBA LLB students as a part of Legal Skills II (Advocacy Skills) course.

**Ms. Antara Chatterjee**, Deputy Manager of the Legal and Compliance Department of Bajaj Allianz delivered a guest lecture on “Nomination in Life Insurance policies, Concepts of Trusts in Life Policies and Motor Vehicle and Accident Insurance” for LLM and 4th Year BA/BBA LLB (Hons.) students on 3rd October 2018.

Guest Lecture on ‘Negotiating’ was delivered by **Adv. Hussain Nalwala**, Partner, CNS Juris on 21st and 22nd August, 2018 for the 1st Year students of BA and BBA LLB Hons. as well as 1st Year students of 3 Year LLB.

Guest lectures on ‘Finance for Non-Finance’ & ‘Forensic Audit’ were delivered by **Prof. (Dr.) Abhijit Kelkar**, Lecturer, Ibra College of Technology, Ibra, Oman, at Symbiosis Law School, Pune on 23rd and 24th August, 2018. The lectures were conducted for the students of First year BA/BBA LLB (Hons.) and LLM respectively.
Dr. Parimal Garud, an expert in Environment Law and Law of Torts and an Advocate, Bombay High Court delivered a guest lecture on ‘Environment Impact Assessment (EIA)’ on 31st August 2018 for the 3rd year BA/BBA LLB(Hons.) students.

Guest Lectures on ‘The Reflections on Philosophical and Jurisprudential Discourses on Human Dignity’, ‘Human Rights: the undefined enigma under International Legal Paradigm’ and ‘A Brief Introduction on Biodiversity, Threats and Concerns and International Legal Obligations’ were delivered on 3rd, 4th and 8th September, 2018 by Dr. Vani Kesari, Assistant Professor, School of Legal Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin for LLB students.

SLS, Pune hosted a series of guest lectures on ‘Group Liability under IPC’, ‘Charge-framing of charge, Alteration, Form and Content of charge’ and ‘Relevancy of Fact under Indian Evidence Act’ by Prof. (Dr.) S.C. Raina, Vice Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh National Law University on 6th, 7th and 8th September 2018 for 2nd Year BBA LLB (Hons), 2nd and 3rd year of 3 year LLB students.
A series of guest lectures were delivered on ‘Law and Ethics’, ‘Requisites of Cross-Cultural Lawyering’ and ‘Models for Social Justice Lawyering’ by Advocate Anil Malhotra on 8th September 2018 as a part of the curriculum of Contemporary Lawyering for 2nd year BA LLB and BBA LLB students.

A Guest Lecture was delivered by Mr. R. V. Deshmukh, Principal District and Sessions Judge (Retd.) on “How to Develop Interest in Learning Law” on 4th September 2018 for 1st Year BBA LLB (Hons) students.

Dr. Arvind Jasrotia, Professor, University of Jammu delivered a guest lecture on ‘Climate Change and its Global Impact’ on 10th September 2018 to 3rd year BA/BBA LLB and 1st year LLB students.

Mr. Vikram Raghvan, the lead counsel for the World Bank delivered a guest lecture on ‘George Gadbois and The Judges of Supreme Court of India’ on 1st August 2018 for 4th Year BA and BBA LLB (Hons.) students and 2nd Year LLB students.
Congratulations!

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur was the Chairperson and Panellist for The International Association of Law Schools (IALS) Annual Meeting held at Qatar University, Doha from 10th to 12th November 2018.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Director, SLS-P was the Resource Person for:

- Workshop on ‘Teachers Training Program on Implementation of Career Skill Learning for Law Graduates’ in collaboration with MILAT (Menon Institute of Legal Advocacy Training), KIITS Bhubaneshwar from 26th to 28th July 2018.
- Session on ‘Gender Violence: Within and Beyond’ organized by Bharati Vidyapeeth University, New Law College Auditorium, Pune on 3rd August 2018.
- Workshop on ‘Qualitative Methods in Legal Research with Special Focus on Atlas. Ti Applications’ organized by NLU, Delhi under the aegis of National Academy of Law Teachers (NALT) from 24th-26th September 2018.
- National Seminar on ‘Legal Research Methodology’ organized by CMR University, School of Legal Studies, Bangalore on 24th November 2018.
- Two-Day Regional Workshop on Biological Diversity Laws titled ‘Strengthening Human Resources, Legal Framework and Institutional Capacities to implement the Nagoya Protocol’ organized by The Law School, University of Jammu in collaboration with United Nations Development Programme (Global ABS Project) and National Law School of India University, Bengaluru from 28th-29th November 2018.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur was invited to deliver a special lecture on ‘Anatomy of Law’ by The Karnataka State Law University, Hubli, Karnataka on 20th August 2018.
Dr. Gurpur delivered lectures on Comparative Approaches to Jurisprudence and Judicial Mechanism in Legal Research-Doctrinal/Non-Doctrinal Legal Research at School of Law, Rights and Constitutional Governance at Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai on 30th August 2018.

Dr. Shashikala Gurpur was the Chief Guest for a Guest Lecture on ‘Effective Spoken Communication in English’ organized by English Language Teaching Institute of Symbiosis- ELTIS, Pune on 7th September 2018.

Dr. Gurpur was invited as the Panellist for Two-Day National Seminar on ‘Teaching Methodology of Commercial Law’ at Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru, Karnataka from 8th-9th September 2018.

Dr. Gurpur was invited as the Panellist for Law, Justice and Development Week 2018 by World Bank Group, Washington, DC from 5th to 8th November 2018.

Dr. Gurpur was invited as the Speaker for National Seminar on ‘Methods, Approaches, Reasoning in Legal Scholarship and Research’ at Savitribai Phule Pune University on 6th October 2018.

Dr. Gurpur being felicitated at Two-Day National Seminar on ‘Teaching Methodology of Commercial Law’ at Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru, Karnataka

Dr. Gurpur delivering an address on Qualitative Methods in Legal Research at NLU, Delhi

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L- R: Mr. Vikram Raghavan, Dr. Gurpur and Mr. Amir Shaikh at ‘Law, Justice and Development Week 2018’ organized by World Bank
Dr. Gurpur was invited as the Speaker for Conference on ‘The Future of Legal Education in India’ organized by The Law School Admission Council (LSAC) and the Harvard Law School Centre on the Legal Profession in New Delhi on 16th and 17th November 2018.

Dr. Bindu Ronald, Deputy Director, SLS-P, was the Panellist for a track on ‘Business, Trade, Commerce, Management & Law’ for 7th International Annual Research Conference on Rule of Law in Context (SYMROLIC) held at SLS, Pune from 27th to 29th Sept. 2018.

Dr. Ronald was co-opted as a member of the Board of Studies, Faculty of Law, Savitri Bai Phule Pune University, Pune in October, 2018.

Dr. Ronald conducted a Workshop on ‘Legal Research Methodology’ for LLM and Ph.D. students and also a Faculty Development Programme on the same topic at University College of Law, Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, Rajasthan on 3rd October 2018.

Dr. Bindu Ronald, Dr. Aparajita Mohanty, Prof. Sujata Arya, and Prof. Raj Varma attended the First Training Programme held at Catania University, Italy from 21st October to 31st October 2018.
Dr. Atmaram Shelke, Dr. Rupal Rautdesai, and Prof. Abhijit Vasmatkar attended the Second Training Programme held at Sofia University, Bulgaria from 2nd December to 15th December 2018.

Dr. Atmaram Shelke conducted a lecture in CRPF for Mob Dispersal & Drill Course on 22nd December 2018.

Dr. Rupal Rautdesai and Gaurav Sharma, SIU won the first prize for their paper titled ‘AI and the Armed Forces: Legal and Ethical Concerns’ from Track V of 7th International Annual Research Conference on Rule of Law in Context: Indian and Global Perspectives (SYMROLIC) held from 27th-29th September 2018 at SLS, Pune.

Dr. Aparajita Mohanty, Prof. Sujata Arya, and Prof. Kshitij Naikade presented a research paper titled ‘Menace of Plastic Pollution: Responses from India and EU’ in the Workshop on European Legal Studies at Stockholm University, Sweden.

Prof. Abhijit Vasmatkar conducted a lecture in CRPF for Mob Dispersal & Drill Course on 22nd December 2018.

Prof. Nagesh Sawant conducted a lecture on ‘The Commissions of Inquiry Act’ on 30th August and 22nd December 2018 at the Mob Dispersal & Drill Course Centre, Pune.

Dr. Atmaram Shelke with Central Reserve Police Force

Dr. Rupal Rautdesai and Gaurav Sharma at the 7th International Annual Research Conference on Rule of Law in Context: Indian and Global Perspectives (SYMROLIC)

Dr. Aparajita Mohanty, Prof. Sujata Arya, and Prof. Kshitij Naikade at Stockholm University, Sweden

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Dr. Manika Kamthan presented the following papers titled:

- ‘IPR And Women Farmers: Legal Threats to Sustainable Development’ in International Conference on Governance for Sustainable Development (ICGSD) 2018 from 6th-7th October 2018 organised by NAPSIPAG in collaboration with Department of Public Administration, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Colombo and Ministry of Agriculture, Land Irrigation Animal Product & Health and Agrarian Development, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

- ‘A Critique of Dam Governance and Federalism in India’ in International Workshop on ”Reinforcing Coastal Zone Management: Saving Lives, Habitats and Livelihood of People” from November 15-18th, 2018 at Special Centre for Disaster Research, JNU organised by SCDR/JNU in collaboration with NIDM.

Dr. Kamthan co-authored a Report on Governance & Legal Compliance on 2018 Kerala Floods published by Special Centre for Disaster Research, JNU, New Delhi in collaboration with NIDM.

Prof. Smita Pandey presented a paper titled ‘Depleting Biodiversity and Indigenous People: Case Study of Jharkhand’ at National Conference on Biodiversity and Climate Change organised by Providence College for Women, Tamil Nadu in association with Hillgrove on 7th September 2018.


Dr. Sonia Mukherjee published two research papers titled:


Prof. Mukherjee also presented a paper titled ‘Indian Service Export Growth, Challenges and Corrective Measures’ at the Asia Pacific Conference on Economics and Finance organized by East Asia Research at Singapore on 26th and 27th July 2018.
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Upcoming Events.......

• Nani A Palkhivala Elocution Competition, 2019
• Symbhav 2019
• Law Day & Justice Y. V. Chandrachud Memorial Public Lecture 2019
• Iridescence 2019
• Symbiosis Law School, Pune - International Criminal Trial Advocacy, 2019 (SICTA) Competition
• Alumni Meet 2019

Teachers' Day 2018