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## About Government Law College

Any discussion of the Indian legal system and culture today is incomplete, in fact, meaningless without a mention of Government Law College, Mumbai. When one looks back over the years, one becomes aware of the immeasurable role this pioneering law institution has played in the judicial, political, social and historical background of India. The Government Law College, Mumbai, with its illustrious history and a heritage spanning over a century and a half, has nurtured some of the greatest minds of today, not only in the field of law but in various other walks of life. In the 163<sup>rd</sup> year of its glorious existence, this premiere institute of legal training has upheld its tradition of producing meritorious legal scholars who dedicate themselves to public service and reform. The generations of distinguished legal luminaries who have been nurtured by this unique institution have made a seminal contribution globally to the evolution of the legal fraternity.

The alumni of Government Law College have been pivotal in placing India on the globe even before she became independent. The great freedom fighter Lokmanya Balgangadhar Tilak was an alumnus of this institution. The former President of India, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil and the longest serving Chief Justice of India, Late Hon'ble Justice Y. V. Chandrachud also received their legal education from Government Law College.

The College also boasts of a history of an illustrious faculty including Chief Justice M. C. Chagla, Badruddin Tyabji, G. S. Rao, V. F. Taraporwala, N. H. C. Coyajee, B. G. Gokhale, S. G. Patwardhan, N. A. Palkhivala, and Tehemtan Daruwala among others. Legal stalwarts such as Sir Dinshaw Mulla, Sir Bomanji Wadia and Shri. A. A. A. Fyzee along with Independent India's first Law Minister and one of the principle architects of India's constitution- Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, have served as Principals of this historic Institution. With the strength of its glorious past, Government Law College strives incessantly and unremittingly towards a grand future.



## About Students for the Promotion of International Law, Mumbai

**I**n an increasingly integrated world with growing trans-national interactions, the significance of International Law has never been greater. We, at Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL) Mumbai, strive towards taking legal studies to an empirical level and promoting law as an area of enquiry and study far beyond the realms of classrooms.

To further this aim, SPIL, Mumbai, at the outset of each academic year, organizes a string of Workshops, Idea Exchange Programmes, Paper Presentations and Debates to orient students with the Basics of International Law, Interpretation of Judgments, Legal Writing and Mooting in International Law. After the resounding success of the 1<sup>st</sup> Report Deliberation Competition, 2012, SPIL also organised the Intra Judgment Deliberation Competition, 2013, where students acted as Judges of the International Court of Justice. SPIL has always taken pride in the help that it offers to every student who expresses an interest in International Law.

2017-18 has been an incredibly successful year for Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL), Mumbai. The year began with informative lectures organized by the committee, encompassing various facets of International Law, conducted by professors and experts for the benefit of newly enrolled students. Members of SPIL were presented with opportunities to enrich their understanding of International Law through various seminars and workshops which focused on the trifles of drafting judgments, reports and research papers.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Mumbai Judgment Deliberation Competition, 2017, organized by SPIL, Mumbai, witnessed participation from across law colleges in Mumbai where students personated the judges of the Supreme Court of India, deliberated on a judgment dealing with Humanitarian Law in the Indian Subcontinent.

SPIL, Mumbai seeks to contribute to legal education by promoting international law, encouraging communication and co-operation among students and lawyers globally. It resolves to bolster social responsibility in the field of law, increase opportunities for students to learn about cultures and legal systems worldwide and publicize educational and career opportunities in international law.





## The Indian Society of International Law, New Delhi

ISIL, a premier national institution for teaching, research and promotion of International Law, was established in 1959. It has enjoyed a long and fulfilling journey and carved a niche for itself in the community of international lawyers throughout the world. In the 59 years of its existence, ISIL, under the leadership and guidance of distinguished persons, has grown into a prestigious institution for research and teaching in international law in India. The Students for the Promotion of International Law, Mumbai has the distinction of being associated with the Indian Society of International Law. We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the Society for all the guidance and assistance that they have provided.

## International Law Students Association, Washington D.C.



The International Law Students Association (ILSA) is a non-profit association of students and lawyers who are dedicated to the promotion of international law. ILSA provides students with opportunities to study, research and network in the international legal arena. The organization's activities include academic conferences, publications, the global coordination of student organizations and the administration of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. ILSA serves as an umbrella organization for its member chapters. Chapters exist as independent entities, but are also members of the larger ILSA organization. This structure allows chapters to meet the unique needs of its members while still maintaining access to an international network of pooled academic and organizational resources. SPIL Mumbai is extremely honoured to be a part of this privileged society as a registered Chapter. ILSA offers to all its Chapters a wonderful network dedicated to the promotion of International Law. Such a Global platform and an opportunity to engage and interact with similar bodies from around the world have greatly benefitted SPIL Mumbai.

Message from the Vice President of India



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**MESSAGE**

The Hon'ble Vice President of India is happy to learn that Students for the Promotion of International Law, Government Law College, Mumbai is organizing the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit 2018 from March 9 – 11, 2018.

The Vice President extends his greetings and congratulation to the organizers and the participants and wishes the event all success.

  
12/21/2018  
(N. YUVARAJ)

**New Delhi**  
**12<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.**

## Message from the Human Resource Development Minister



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*Prakash Javadekar*



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MINISTER  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

### **MESSAGE**

I am happy to know that the Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL), Government Law College, Mumbai is organizing the **9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit**, on the theme 'International Humanitarian Law' from 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.

I extend my warm greetings and felicitations to the organizers & participants and send my best wishes for the success of the Summit.

  
(PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

## Message from the Chief Minister of Maharashtra



**Devendra Fadnavis**  
Chief Minister  
Maharashtra



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### MESSAGE

I am happy to know that the Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL), of Government Law College with the support of World Trade Organization, Geneva are organizing the 9<sup>th</sup> International Law Summit in Mumbai, with the theme 'International Humanitarian Law'.

Founded in 1855, Government Law College, Mumbai, is the oldest and one of the most prestigious law schools in Asia. Tapering over the entire legal education system, its illustrious alumni have dominated the who's who list of legal professionals in India for over a century and a half. The college is renowned for exemplary legal education under the tutelage of top class faculty, which has had legal icons like Dr. B R Ambedkar, Lokmanya Tilak, Justice M. C. Chagla, Nani Palkhivala and H. D. Pithawala on its roles. It is expected that the college will continue its path of success in the coming future also.

I hope that the initiative will help in educating participants about International Relations, International Politics, and the effective communication skills.

I wish the conference, all success.

**(Devendra Fadnavis)**



Message from the Minister of School Education, Sports and Youth Welfare, Higher and Technical Education, Marathi Bhasha, Cultural Affairs, Minorities Development and Wakf, Maharashtra



**Vinod Tawde**  
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Date : 16.02.2018

## MESSAGE

I was pleased to learn about the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, organised by the Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL) and Government Law College, Mumbai.

In this rapidly globalising world, it is incredible that such summits are taking cognizance of the immense relevance of growing transnational interactions and facilitating an empirical study of international law that rises beyond the realms of mere textual knowledge. This shows the foresight of the organisers and their commitment towards enhancing the learning experience for the students.

I extend my best to this and all future initiatives.

Thank you.

Yours,

(Vinod Tawde)



## Message from the Desk of the Principal

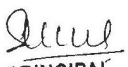
In a highly integrated world, International Law assumes even greater importance because of the increasing relations between sovereign states in terms of trade and commerce, military alliances and humanitarian causes. “The History of Mankind is the History of War.” Constant armed conflict in some or the other part of the world has resulted in the development of International Humanitarian Law, also known as the law of armed conflict. Be it in the Middle East, in South Asia or in Eastern Europe, war has brought with it irrecoverable destruction of the life and property of civilians, innocent of the atrocities committed by the military in the name of national security and the protection of national interests.

On this background, the choice of International Humanitarian Law as the theme for the 9<sup>th</sup> edition of the Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018 is appropriate. It is essential that students are made aware of the legal principles governing situations of armed conflict between nations and their application by international legal institutions. SPIL, Mumbai has always endeavoured to bring law students and legal stalwarts to debate and discuss on topics under International Law most relevant to the times we live in; a practice that will aid nation-building by fostering in them a spirit of enquiry and bring a fresh perspective to way the law is interpreted.

The organisation of the Summit is the product of the collective efforts of many persons, all of whom deserve my most sincere thanks. At the outset I must thank the Professors In-Charge of SPIL, Mumbai, Prof. Anirudh Hariani, Prof. Arzin Merchant and Prof. Umesh Aswar for their constant support to the students in all the activities they organised during the academic year. Special thanks is due to Prof. Sunita Masani and Prof. Kishu Daswani whose guidance and assistance at all stages has been invaluable.

Next, I take this opportunity to congratulate Mr. Avirup Mandal and Ms. Dikshita Baruah under whose leadership SPIL, Mumbai has succeeded in making this event a success. Further, the core of the committee comprising Mr. Aman Agiwal, Ms. Avani Ranade, Mr. Alister Sequeira, Mr. Brihad Ralhan, Ms. Janhavi Patankar, Ms. Jayati Arora, Ms. Priyanka Rathore, Ms. Tejal Harsora, and Mr. Ujjwal Batra has shown exemplary dedication and its tireless efforts and worked as a great team, the result of which is the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018. Kudos to all the members and volunteers of SPIL, Mumbai for providing all the help and logistical assistance required to put up a great show.

Finally, I would like to thank all our sponsors, judges, special rapporteurs, moderators, panelists and every single person involved in the organisation of the summit for their continuous and overwhelming encouragement and support. The summit would not have been possible without you. I also thank all the delegates and participants from various colleges for their participation and contribution to the Summit and wish them well. On the close, heartiest congratulations to the winners!

  
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Principal,  
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Government Law College,  
Mumbai.



## Message from the desk of the Senior Faculty Advisor

*“Remember, no men are strange, no countries foreign  
Beneath all uniforms, a single body breathes  
Like ours: the land our brothers walk upon  
Is earth like this, in which we all shall lie.”*

- James Kirkup

International humanitarian law is a body of rules governing relations between States, applicable during situations of armed conflict and occupation. As a set of rules and principles, it aims for humanitarian reasons to limit the effects of armed conflict. It protects people who are not or are no longer participating in hostilities and restricts the means and methods of warfare.

The birth of International humanitarian law was in 1864, with the adoption of the First Geneva Convention though there were rules protecting certain categories of victims in armed conflicts and customs concerning the means and methods of authorized or prohibited combat during hostilities as early as 1000 BC. Although these ancient and often very rudimentary rules were established for humanitarian reasons but rather for purely economic purposes, their effect was humanitarian. The set of laws define, among other things, the right to receive humanitarian assistance, protection of civilians, including medical and humanitarian workers, and the protection of refugees, prisoners, the wounded and sick. While many of the provisions of IHL are now accepted as customary international law, i.e. are considered general practice accepted as law and exist independent of treaty law, IHL is increasingly violated by warring parties.

Today, professional humanitarian workers are in danger if warring factions associate them with military, political, religious and ideological authorities. It is therefore essential that all parties involved respect the distinct and separate roles of humanitarian agencies and workers, comply with international rules, abide by the principles of international humanitarian law and defend humanitarian action. The study of International Humanitarian Law allows students to appreciate the diverse trends unfolding in our World and to respond effectively to these development. I am extremely happy that my students at SPIL, Mumbai have pledged to study International Law by galvanizing active communication among students and lawyers worldwide, so as to promote this highly specialized arena.

I take this opportunity to congratulate and comment all the committee members of SPIL, Mumbai on their efforts in making this event a success. The leadership and dedication of Mr. Avirup Mandal and Ms. Dikshita Baruah has been exemplary. Further, the core group of members: Mr. Aman Agiwal, Ms. Avani Ranade, Mr. Kush Mahatani, Mr. Alistair Sequeira, Mr. Brihad Ralhan, Ms. Janhavi Patankar, Ms. Jayati Arora, Ms. Priyanka Rathore, Ms. Tejal Harsora, and Mr. Ujjwal Batra have worked tirelessly for several months, to ensure that the Summit is a success.

I thank our sponsors, judges, moderators, panelists and every person involved in the Summit for your continuous and overwhelming support. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to AZB & Partners, Baker McKenzie, Crawford Bailey & Co., Mulla & Mulla & Cragie Blunt & Caroe, Parimal K. Shroff & Co., the International Law Students Association (ILSA), Washington D.C., USA for their constant support.

Further, Prof. Kishu Daswani has been instrumental in ensuring the success of this event, for which we are very grateful. I also extend my heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Umesh Aswar, Prof. Arzin Merchant and Prof. Anirudh Hariyani for guiding the students. Lastly I would like to thank our Principal, Judge Smt. Suvarna K. Keole for supporting and encouraging our students. I also thank all the delegates and participants for their participation and contribution to the Summit, and wish them well.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sunita Masani'.

Prof. Sunita Masani,  
Senior Faculty Advisor,  
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## Message from the Professor In-Charge

The 20<sup>th</sup> century is known as the century of wars and rightly so. Beginning with the First World War, the previous century has seen the collapse of empires, previously considered infallible and the rise of new systems of government. It has witnessed the conflict of ideas everywhere - between forms of governance, between religions, races, ethnicities and sometimes, between sexes too. The detrimental effects of armed conflict are immense, most of all for those who are the victims of such armed conflict. Keeping 'International Humanitarian Law' as the Theme for the 9<sup>th</sup> edition of the Government Law College International Law Summit was deemed appropriate owing to its relevance in today's time.

I congratulate the entire core committee of Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL), Mumbai for having organised such an engaging Summit. Next, I thank Judge Smt. Suvarna K. Keole, Principal, Government Law College, Mumbai and the Co-Professors in-charge, Prof. Anirudh Hariyani and Prof. Arzin Merchant for having been there for the Students at all stages of the preparation for the Summit. Prof. Sunita Masani and Prof. Kishu Daswani deserve special appreciation for their continuous support and guidance to the committee throughout the year. Next, I would like to thank all the Speakers, Guest Lecturers, Judges of the three competitions and the Panelists for having graced the occasion with their august presence and enriched the students' knowledge of International Humanitarian Law. I express my gratitude to all our supporting organisations, partners and sponsors for showing faith in us this year. Lastly, I thank all the participants for their participation and contribution to the Summit and congratulate all the winners.

Prof. Umesh S. Aswar  
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## Message from the Professor In-Charge

The wars that our world has experienced has had far reaching ramifications in shaping the laws that govern the relations between countries and International Humanitarian Law is one such product of these wars. I would like to compliment the Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL), Mumbai for having chosen 'International Humanitarian Law' as the Theme for the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018, since it is in the hands of our students that the future of our world lies.

I extend my sincere thanks to Judge Smt. Suvarna K. Keole, Principal, Government Law College Mumbai and the Co-Professors in-charge Prof. Arzin Merchant and Prof. Umesh Aswar and the Mentors of SPIL, Mumbai, Prof. Sunita Masani and Prof. Kishu Daswani for the unwavering trust and faith they have shown in the students to make the Summit a success. The committee comprising Mr. Aman Agiwal, Ms. Avani Ranade, Mr. Kush Mahatani, Mr. Alister Sequeira, Mr. Brihad Ralhan, Ms. Janhavi Patankar, Ms. Jayati Arora, Ms. Priyanka Rathore, Ms. Tejal Harsora and Mr. Ujjwal Batra, under the leadership of Mr. Avirup Mandal and Ms. Dikshita Baruah have done a commendable job in organising various competitions and guest lectures leading up to the Summit in the academic year 2017-18. A special thanks to all the Speakers, Guest Lecturers, Judges and Panelists for their contribution to the Summit and all the participants of the competitions for their participation. Last but not the least, heartiest congratulations to all the winners!

*Anirudh Hariani*

Prof. Anirudh Hariani  
Professor In-Charge,  
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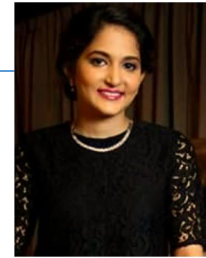
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## Message from the desk of the Professor In-Charge

War is the most ghastly phenomenon of human life. Through all the ages, it has been the supreme agony and travail of humanity. Human beings have been suffering from bloody conflicts, wars and other hurts at the hands of their own fellow beings. What is sadder still, the horrors of war, far from lessening with the progress of the centuries, seem only to increase in their frightful intensity as the sovereign reason of man multiplies his finite capacity for destruction.

The destruction caused by armed conflict and the losses suffered by those who do not take part in the armed conflict, such as victims of war, civilians and medical and religious military personnel, for no fault of their own are incalculable and it is the protection of their rights that International Humanitarian Law aims at. The rules seek to balance military necessity against fundamental principles of humanity.

Also known as the Law of War or the Law of Armed Conflict, IHL has evolved over the years to provide greater coverage to those not involved in an armed conflict. Gaps remain in the protection framework in the aftermath of the conflict, which results in challenges in humanitarian protection and in the delivery of humanitarian assistance to those in need.

The significance of 'International Humanitarian Law' as the Theme for the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018 is even greater owing to the key position occupied by India in International Affairs. In light of the aforesaid, the topic for the Judgement Deliberation Competition being the Serbia-Bosnia Genocide has been instrumental in raising several questions on Humanitarian Law and thus urging the students to take a step further to take these issues seriously and to make a difference in the world. SPIL, Mumbai has indeed done a remarkable effort in proliferating awareness about International Humanitarian Law through this year's theme and topic of discussion.

Having been a part of this Summit, I take this opportunity to thank our Principal Dist. Judge Smt. Suvarna Kishor Keole for her unwavering support and Prof. Sumita Masani for being a pillar of strength and support for the students in organizing this Summit. Further, I would like to thank Prof. Kishu Daswani who has always guided the students and encouraged them throughout this journey. Lastly, I would like to thank Prof. Umesh Aswar and Prof. Anirudh Hariyani for their relentless efforts and advice ensuring the success of this Summit.

I take this opportunity to congratulate and commend the efforts of the committee members of SPIL, Mumbai on working hard all year round to make this Summit a grand success. The leadership and diligence of Mr. Avirup Mandal and Ms. Dikshita Baruah is unmatched. Further, I commend the efforts of the core committee members: Mr. Aman Agiwal, Ms. Avani Ranade, Mr. Kush Mahatani, Ms. Alister Sequiera, Ms. Janhavi Patankar, Mr. Brihad Ralhan, Ms. Priyanka Rathore, Ms. Jayati Arora, Ms. Tejal Harsora and Mr. Ujjwal Batra and each and every student who has been involved with SPIL, Mumbai for their unfaltering dedication all year round to make this event a huge success. I take this opportunity to thank our Sponsors, Judges, Moderatos, Panellists and each and every person involved in the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018, without whose unwavering support the Summit would not have been possible. Lastly, I would like to thank all the delegates and the participants for their participation and contribution to the Summit and wish them all the very best.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arzin Merchant".

Prof. Arzin Merchant,  
Professor in-charge,

Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL), Mumbai.



## Message from the President

*"The best team work comes from men who are working independently toward one goal in unison"*

The Government Law College International Law Summit has thrived to become one of the most towering and awaited conferences of the year. What began as an academic endeavour for the promotion of International Law within the college is now an eclectic mix of competitions, workshops, panel discussions and call for papers; attracting participants, delegates, international law professionals, academicians, knowledge leaders and policy makers from across the globe.

The Theme for 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018, organized by the Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL), Mumbai is 'International Humanitarian Law'. On behalf of SPIL, Mumbai, I take this opportunity to extend my deepest gratitude to Mr. Kishore Mandhyan, Former Director-Executive Office/Cabinet of UN Secretary General in the UN, Mr. Girish Kuber, Managing Editor, LokSakta, Ms. Jasdeep Randhawa, Transboundary Water Specialist, World Bank, New York, Ms. Maika Oshikawa, Officer in Charge, Accessions Division, World Trade Organization, Geneva, Ms. Yukiko Koyama and Ragini Trakroo Zutshi, UNHCR for having consented to address the delegates and participants at the Summit for issues within the theme. I would also like to extend my sincere gratitude to Mr. Shardul Thacker, Mr. Rafique Dada and Mr. Rizwan Merchant for sparing their valuable time to judge the finals of the Judgement Deliberation Competition. Also, I would like to thank Prof. Kishu Daswani and Ms. Sonali Mathur for judging the rounds of the Treaty Appreciation Competition.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to Prof. Pavle Kilibarda, Teaching Assistant, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland, for drafting the Competition Modules of the Judgment Deliberation Competition and the Treaty Appreciation Competition. I am truly obliged to all our sponsors and partners, Crawford Bayley & Co., AZB & Partners, Mulla & Mulla Craigie Blunt & Caroe, Parimal K. Shroff & Co., Baker McKenzie, Eastern Book Company and SCC Online, Lawoctopus, World Trade Organization (WTO) and the International Law Students Association (ILSA). A special thanks to the alumni of the college and members of the legal fraternity for all their contribution and support.

The confidence and faith shown by our Principal, District and Additional Sessions Judge Smt. Suvarna K. Keole, Principal, Government Law College, Mumbai, has been a strong motivation to SPIL, Mumbai. I extend my special thanks to Prof. Sunita Masani, our senior faculty advisor and Prof. Kishu Daswani our mentor, along with Prof. Umesh Aswar, Prof. Anirudh Hariani and Prof. Arzin Merchant - our Professors in-charge.

This Souvenir is a symbol of gratitude to those who had laboured untiringly to make the Summit a success and a moment to honour those who helped it to reach the glory it has reached today. In particular, I would like to thank Ms. Dikshita Baruah, Mr. Aman Agiwal, Ms. Avani Ranade, Mr. Kush Mahatani, Mr. Alister Sequeira, Mr. Brihad Ralhan, Ms. Janhavi Patankar, Ms. Jayati Arora, Ms. Priyanka Rathore, Ms. Tejal Harsora, and Mr. Ujjwal Batra for their hard work, perseverance and dedication towards our cause. I extend my sincere gratitude to my predecessors and colleagues, in particular Ms. Krutika Chitre, Mr. Utkarsh Srivastava, Ms. Anvita Mishra, Mr. Aayush Raman, Mr. Shadab Jan, Ms. Shilpa Singh, Mr. Aayush Kevlani, Ms. Poorva Kaushik, Ms. Saloni Tyagi and Mr. Vedant Churi for all their assistance and support in the course of the year. It has been a privilege to contribute successfully in organizing the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018. I hope this Conference is truly an enriching experience for all the delegates, participants and attendees from across the world.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Avirup Mandal". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

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## 8<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2017



The 8<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit was held from 3<sup>rd</sup> February to 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2017, encapsulating in it absorbing and enlightening seminars, research paper presentations, interview sessions, webinars, a panel discussion, and two novel competing fields - the Treaty Appreciation Competition (TAC) and the Judgment Deliberation Competition (JDC). The theme for the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the Summit was 'International Competition Law and Policy, which, as an emerging domain of law, seeks to ensure promotion and maintenance of fair competition in markets, principally within the territorial boundaries of nation-states. It is whilst acknowledging the growing importance of this field of law, which has evolved over the years in an international sphere, that SPIL, Mumbai, envisioned organizing the 8<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2017 with 'International Competition Law and Policy' as its theme.

Co-sponsored by Crawford Bayley & Co, Mumbai and supported by the World Trade Organization (WTO), Geneva and the International Law Students Association (ILSA) the Summit was touted a great success. The Summit was also sponsored by leading law-firms like AZB & Partners, Mulla & Mulla & Craigie Blunt & Caroe, Khaitan & Co, Central Bank of India, and Lex Witness.

The Inaugural Day of the Summit commenced in a grand fashion with the sheer presence and stature of the esteemed guests presiding over the event. The centrepiece of Day 1 of the Summit was the profound Keynote Address by Ms. Avaantika Kakkar, Partner, Khaitan & Co., Mumbai. She began her address by explaining the circumstances which led to the enactment of the Competition Act, 2002. She also shed light on the famous Indian case, 'Brahmo Dutt vs. Union of India' which led to a constitutional challenge that in turn brought about a major amendment in the said Act and caused the dilution of the judicial character of the functions and powers of the Competition Commission of India (CCI).

The next guest speaker was Ms. Simone Reis, Co-Head, Mergers & Acquisitions Practice at Nishith Desai Associates, Mumbai. She spoke about the loopholes in the Indian Competition Act, where she highlighted the predominance of the civil nature. She enlightened the gathering on the enforceability of the agreements that are likely to cause an appreciable adverse effect on Competition.

These seminars were followed by a Webinar, Ms. Anna Caroline Müller, Legal Affairs Officer, Intellectual Property, Government Procurement and Competition Policy Division, WTO, Geneva,

thereafter joined us to deliver a webinar on the topic - 'International Trade and Competition Policy in the Light of New Age RTAs - Recent Trends and what they mean for International Cooperation'. Mr Kabir Duggal, Senior Associate, Baker & McKenzie, New York, U.S.A., thereafter joined us to deliver another webinar on the topic - 'Investor-State Arbitration and Competition Law'. The Seminars from the esteemed guests gave way to the Unveiling of the Souvenir for the 8th Government Law College International Law Summit, 2017.

The Second Day of the summit entailed the Preliminary Rounds of the two novel competitions organised by SPIL, Mumbai, the Judgement Deliberation Competition and the Treaty Appreciation Competition. The rounds of the Treaty Appreciation Competition (TAC) were judged by Mr Akash Rebello, Associate Professor of Law and Executive Director of the Centre for International Trade and Economic Laws, Jindal Global Law School, Haryana, India and Prof. Kishu Daswani, Professor, Government Law College, Mumbai. The semi-final rounds of the Judgement Deliberation Competition (JDC) were judged by Mr Tarun Mathur; Consultant, Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas & Mr Rohan Cama.

The Third Day of the Summit witnessed an extremely eventful evening with the final round of the Judgment Deliberation Competition and the highly anticipated Panel Discussion lined up for the day. The final round of the Judgment Deliberation Competition (JDC) was presided over by an esteemed panel of judges comprising Mr Shardul Thacker, Senior Partner, Mulla & Mulla & Craigie Blunt & Caroe, Mr Aaron Solomon, Partner, Solomon & Co. and Ms. Deepali Ann Fernandes, Research Assistant, University of Zurich & International Trade Consultant for UN Agencies.

The final round of the Judgment Deliberation Competition (JDC) was followed by a Paper Presentation session by the winners of the 'Best Paper' and 'Second Best Paper' of the Call for Papers, 2017. The riveting panel discussion on the topic 'Abuse of Dominance in Emerging Economies' deftly moderated by Mr Shardul Thacker, Senior Partner, Mulla & Mulla & Craigie Blunt & Caroe, that featured illustrious panellists including Mr Aaron Solomon, Partner, Solomon & Co; Mr Tarun Mathur, Consultant in the Competition Law Practice at Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas; Mr Vismay Shroff, Associate, Parimal K. Shroff & Co; Ms Poonam Singh, Assistant Professor, NITIE, Mumbai and Mr Kaushik Krishnan, LLM candidate and a PhD candidate in Economics at UC Berkeley was the highlight of the day.

Indian Law Society (ILS) Law College, Pune bagged the title of the 'Best Team' in the Judgment Deliberation Competition and the Treaty Appreciation Competition at the valedictory function. An earnest Vote of Thanks by the SPIL President - Ms Saloni Tyagi, tied together the events of the day, bringing a close to the 8th Government Law College International Law Summit, 2017.

## Events from the Academic Year 2017-18

Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL) Mumbai, was born in furtherance of a desire to understand the tumultuous nature of International Relations and to promote a greater awareness and appreciation of International Law. The year 2017-2018, was dedicated to “International Humanitarian Law”, as our annual theme for the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018.

- **SPIL Lecture Series by Mr. Amal Sethi (17<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 to 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2018)**  
 Mr. Amal Sethi, is a distinguished alumnus, currently a Doctoral Candidate at University of Pennsylvania (UPENN) and an international law enthusiast. As an introduction to International Law, four lectures were conducted by him. The lectures were:  
 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2017: Law in Law School and Beyond.  
 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2017: Markets and International Law.  
 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2017: International Law and Political Theory.  
 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2017: Current Philosophical trends in International Law.
- **Sri Lankan 'Excursion-training.' (31<sup>st</sup> July, 2017 to 6<sup>th</sup> August, 2017)**  
 Seven senior officials from the Sri Lankan Government's National Child Protection Authority (NCPA) visited India for an “Excursion-training” wherein Ms. Marini De'Livera had appointed our President, Mr. Avirup Mandal, as the Chief Coordinator of the entire curriculum. We collaborated with ChildLine India Foundation, Child Rights & You (CRY), Akansha Foundation, etc. and visited their Mumbai operations in order to have a better understanding in regard to Child Abuse Cases and their activities relating to Child Rights. On the 5<sup>th</sup> of August, 2017, a Symposium on Child Rights was held wherein we have had the honour to host Ms. Marini De'Livera as the speaker.
- **Intra Judgment Deliberation Competition (12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of August, 2017.)**  
 The inaugural edition of the Intra-Judgment Deliberation Competition had the module of the infamous Kulbhushan Jadhav case. The participants from GLC represented the Judges of the International Court of Justice. As is customary, this year too, SPIL has maintained an unwavering focus on the dissemination of knowledge and promotion of International Law and began the Intra-JDC journey with the problem being drafted by President Avirup Mandal and Vice-President Dikshita Baruah with Mr. Amal Sethi's constant guidance and support. After two exhausting days, Ms. Keerthi Kamath, Mr. Divyesh Doshi and Ms. Dilasha Bajpai rose to be the Best Judge, Second Best Judge and Third Best Judge respectively. The Final Round of the Intra-Judgment Deliberation Competition was adjudicated by Professor Mr. Kishu Daswani (Professor, Government Law College, Mumbai), Mr. Vismay Shroff (Partner, Parimal K. Shroff & Co.) and Mr. Aditya Pratap (Advocate, Bombay High Court). The Semi-Final round of the Competition was adjudicated by Mr. Sri Hari Saranathan, Ms. Komal Modi and Ms. Prakruti Joshi. The Preliminary Rounds were adjudicated by Mr. Raunak Shah, Ms. Sneh Nainan, Mr. Akshay Aurora, Mr. Kunal Katariya, Ms. Oindree Bandhopadhyay, Ms. Shilpa Singh, Ms. Ankita Misra, Ms. Anvita Mishra, Ms. Pooja Natrajan, Mr. Gaurav Mohanty, Ms. Riya Agicha.
- **Specialized Lecture on International Humanitarian Law (19<sup>th</sup> August, 2017)**  
 Prof. Kishu Daswani, with his vast knowledge and expertise in the field of International Law took us through the various aspects of International Humanitarian Law and the present cases of violations across the world and the use of Responsibility to Protect (R2P) by world nations.

- **3<sup>rd</sup> Mumbai Judgment Deliberation Competition (16<sup>th</sup> of September, 2017 to 18<sup>th</sup> of September 2017)**

The module drafted by Human Rights Law Network's Mr. Kranti and Mr. Kartikeya Bahadur took the need to discuss the plight of the Rohingya Refugees in India. As the Judges of the Supreme Court of India, the participants weighed the implication of international laws and the government's role in the situation.

Ms. Shriya Sharma and Ms Mitali Shahane from Pravin Gandhi College of Law were adjudicated to be the "Best Team." The Final Round of the Mumbai Judgment Deliberation Competition was adjudicated by Mr. Kishu Daswani, Ms. Sonali Mathur and Mr. Sudip Mahapatra.

The Semi-Finals of the Competiton were adjudicated by Mr. Kartikeya Bahadur, Mr. Shahezad Kazi, Mr. Abhishek Bhadang.

The Preliminary Rounds were adjudicated by Ms. Gausia Sheikh, Ms. Pooja Thakkar, Ms. Saloni Thakkar, Mr. Vishesh Kalra, Ms. Sherna Doongaji, Ms. Aaroohee, Ms. Arzin Merchant, Mr. Nishant Vyas, Ms. Rupal Shah, Ms. Sugyata Chaudhary, Mr. Akshay Udhesi, Mr. Zaman Ali.
- **International Law Seminar on Energy and Greenhouse Emissions Legislation on 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017.**

Professor Dr. Debashis Raha, visiting professor at University of Sydney, University of Western Sydney, University of Wollongong and University of Technology in Masters in Environment, Risk and Management Programme, Australia graciously contributed to raising the bar of the International Law Seminar on Energy and Greenhouse Emissions Legislation. He discussed energy, anthropogenic greenhouse emissions, global warming, climatic change and the Australian legislative and regulatory framework to manage it.
- **Privacy and Data Protection Workshop, 18 November, 2018.**

A one day workshop was conducted by the distinguished Senior Management Professional of the Head Legal Ethics and Compliance Department of GSK Consumer Pvt. Ltd., Mr. Sanjay Kumar in collaboration with AILSF (All India Law Students Federation), New Delhi and with GEC, New Delhi on "Privacy and Data Protection."

The Government of India had published a White Paper through the Committee of Experts on Data Protection Framework for India. We, at SPIL, Mumbai in Government Law College had felt the urgent need to reply to the pertinent questions and debates that may be instrumental in shaping what our future Data Protection legislation would look like. Therefore, we undertook an initiative to seek suggestions. A research team was engrossed in determining the answers to the legal nuances for the month of December, 2017 and January, 2018.
- **Lecture by Mr. Kabir Duggal (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2018)**

SPIL, Mumbai in collaboration with The ADR, Cell at Government Law College had the opportunity to host Mr. Kabir Duggal, from Baker McKenzie, in January, 2018. Taking us through the nuances of International Investor-State Arbitration and careers in International Law. His vast knowledge, and humour was a remarkable beginning to the year.

## 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018



With great pride we announce the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018, organized by the Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL), Mumbai. The Summit is scheduled to take place from 9<sup>th</sup> March - 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2018. SPIL, Mumbai has undertaken the task of promoting International Law by taking legal studies beyond textual knowledge, and the Summit is a direct result of this constant endeavour. The Summit, aside from the keynote addresses, lectures, workshops and call for papers, comprises of two novel competitions, namely the Judgment Deliberation Competition (JDC)<sup>®</sup> and the Treaty Appreciation Competition (TAC)<sup>®</sup>, which were conceptualised within the portals of our institution. Our association with premier institutions such as the International Law Student Association, Chicago and the Indian Society of International Law, New Delhi has only added to our credentials and has ensured interest and participation from reputed law schools across the world. The Theme for the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International law Summit is 'International Humanitarian Law'. The Summit will stimulate the minds of attendees through thought provoking interactions with experts and doyens of the legal fraternity. As we explore the seemingly endless territory of international law, we hope to cater to pertinent issues of the day. SPIL welcomes all interested persons, spanning the spectrum of students across the globe, professors and members of the legal fraternity to the Summit. The wide-ranging lectures, panel discussions, and workshops will undoubtedly prove to be an enriching experience.

## International Humanitarian Law

Ever-present unfaltering tension between state sovereignty, security and military considerations on one hand, and humanitarian considerations on the other have resulted into a highly sensitive enterprise of developing laws to regulate armed conflicts. International humanitarian law, known as the law of armed conflict, is the legal framework which seeks to limit the effects of armed conflict. It aims to restrict the means and methods of warfare and protect persons who are no longer participating in the hostilities. It has been designed in such a way so as to ensure minimal protection even during the most profound catastrophe of human society like war. It is a part of international law, which is contained in agreements between State treaties or conventions, customary rules and general principles. During armed conflict, life finds itself structurally threatened. International Humanitarian Law continues to develop & adapt to the changing realities of conflicts. The combination of providing humanitarian relief in favour of victims of armed conflict and other situations of violence and reaffirming and developing the law applicable in those situations remains one of the main specificities of International Humanitarian Law.

Against the backdrop of appalling violence against civilians across the globe, along with the persistent obstruction of humanitarian aid around the world, the importance of International Humanitarian Law is all the more realised. It has evolved slowly starting with very small humanitarian issues covered in the Hague Convention to protection of civilian population in the Geneva Conventions. It reached a remarkable high in 1977 with the two Additional Protocols. Law frames what must be respected and therefore, protection of civilians and the humanitarian relief to the civilian population and to victims of conflict remains a continuous essential battle. International Humanitarian Law imposes rights and responsibilities on all parties to armed conflict, be the States, non-State armed groups or individuals, the challenge of reducing the gap between law and compliance is magnified by the changing nature of war. The ratio of civilian to combatant casualties in war is steadily growing. Today, the Geneva Conventions and their Additional Protocols are better suited to the protection of human rights in war than ever before but the challenge lies in designing each revision such as to fight the next war.

The fourth Geneva Convention attained universal acceptance. Currently API has 174 and APII has 168 signatories. However, some countries including India refrained from becoming parties to the two Additional Protocols of 1977. The exact reasons for India's non-accession to these treaties have not been spelt out clearly by the government. But it is politically unwise for India to not formally adhere to these provisions because the laws of war aim to serve both. National adherence to the protocol would make insurgents formally liable for their violations of the International Humanitarian Law. It would also assure protection of civilians in an armed conflict of any kind. No state should cite national law or its non-adherence to an international convention as an excuse to derogate from its obligation to protect civilians caught in the cross-fire.

Today, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is the only institution explicitly named under International Humanitarian Law as a controlling authority. It is the protector and guardian of International Humanitarian Law. It ensures that application of law is done effectively and therefore respected. The ICRC retains the right to speak for the public and stand for them when the violations are grave.

Despite the legal advancements, insufficient respect for the rules of International Humanitarian Law during armed conflict remains a persistent problem. It is the result of both the lack of political will and practical ability of parties to an armed conflict to comply with their legal obligations. Improving the prevention and repression of International Humanitarian Law violations and better compliance during armed conflicts deserves greater attention. By enhancing the effectiveness of existing mechanisms and examining the potential creation of new ones can strengthen respect for International Humanitarian Law.

### Judgment Deliberation Competition



A novel endeavour, the Judgment Deliberation Competition (JDC) has been inspired by the procedures of various judicial bodies and tribunals that span the spectrum of international law. It brings a fresh approach to problem analysis and judgment making, requiring participants to deliberate upon the analysis of facts presented and arguments advanced, arrive at a unique judgment that is infallible in law, rational in thought, and innovative in its essence.

The Competition Module comprises a case file of a wide connotation, such that it invites varied interpretations that not only attract established legal principles, but also encourage innovation in thought based on legal analysis and rational thinking. The aforementioned Module for the competition consists of a comprehensive set of facts discovered by the judicial authority, tribunal or court, as the case may be; arguments presented by both parties; further evidences, if any, led by them and so forth.

The competition consists of two rounds: first, a Written Judgment Round, and second, Oral Rounds. Each Oral Round comprises the following segments:

- **Judgment Presentation Round:**  
Participants present their Judgments
- **Commenting Round:**  
Participants make pertinent observations on the points made by their colleagues
- **Concluding Round:**  
Participants summarize their judgment and make concluding statements

The JDC Module, 2018, has been drafted by Prof. Pavle Kilibarda, Teaching Assistant, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland.

Preliminary Rounds were judged by Mr. Aritro Roy, Mr. Jaideep Khattar, Ms. Krutika Chitre, Ms. Mansi Kaku, Mr. Oishik Bagchi, Ms. Priyanka Shetty, Ms. Saloni Kapadia and Ms. Shahazad Kazi. The Semi Final Round of the same was judged by Mr. Advait Sethna and Mr. Vismay Shroff.

### The Treaty Appreciation Competition

The Treaty Appreciation Competition (TAC) has been modelled on the procedures of various bodies in the international sphere entrusted with the task of evaluating and appraising the legality, consistency and rationality of treaties, codifications or other legislative documents. Participants are expected to launch an examination of the Competition Module presented to them, which comprises of a legislation, or codification, or amendments to the aforementioned, relevant to the theme of the Summit.

The participants critique the proposition therein and recommend alterations, deletions or additions. The Treaty Appreciation Competition (TAC) aims at mobilizing a culture of innovation and problem solving. Previously, bodies such as the International Law Commission and the WTO have been chosen as the forum to facilitate this competition.

The competition consists of two rounds: first, a Written Critique Round and then Oral Rounds. The Oral Rounds of Deliberation are chaired by Special Rapporteurs, who after a brief introduction of the subject in discussion, preside over the sessions, which proceeds along the lines of the Agenda. Each item on the Agenda is allocated a specific period of time and is discussed over two sessions, spread over two days.

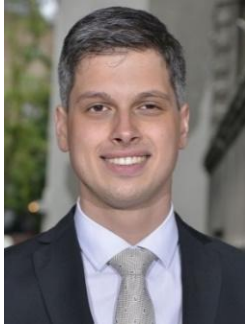
Each team comprises of two participants who are assigned a country code upon registration. The team nominates one member for each item on the agenda.

The TAC Module, 2018, has been drafted by Prof. Pavle Kilibarda, Teaching Assistant, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland. The Treaty Appreciation Competition, 2018 was judged by Prof. Kishu Daswani and Ms. Sonali Mathur.





## Judgment Deliberation Competition and Treaty Appreciation Competition



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Prof. Pavle Kilibarda is a Teaching Assistant at the Geneva Academy, and a PhD candidate at the Law Faculty, University of Geneva. His research focuses on general issues of public international law, particularly statehood recognition and the rights and obligations of states, as well as the relationship between human rights and international humanitarian law.

Pavle previously worked as a Legal Training Associate at the International Committee of the Red Cross and Researcher at the Belgrade Centre for Human Rights. He has engaged extensively with refugees and asylum-seekers in the Western Balkans, and has published legal analyses in both English and Serbo-Croat.

He holds a BA in International Relations from the University of Belgrade and an LLM in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights from the Geneva Academy.

## Call for Papers

All members of the legal fraternity, practitioners, professors and students were invited to present original academic works at the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, 2018. In keeping with the theme of the Summit, SPIL, Mumbai organized a 'Call for Papers' on all subjects falling in the ambit of the theme.

The overwhelming response and quality of papers received this year have raised the bar of the Summit. SPIL, Mumbai congratulates all participants of the 'Call for Papers' for their commendable effort. Our editors and examiners adjudged the following papers as the Best Paper and Second Best Paper:

**Best Paper:** Mr. Chitresh Baheti and Mr. Kartikey Pandey of Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University, Lucknow.

**Paper Title:** 'Lost in Ambiguity- Human Trafficking in Conflict Zones'

**Second Best Paper:** Mr. Rohitesh Tak and Mr. Palada Dharma Teja of the National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi.

**Paper Title:** 'Reinforcing India's Commitment to International Humanitarian Law- A Case for Ratification of Additional Protocols to Geneva Conventions'

*Heartiest congratulations to the winners!*

*With Best Compliments from*

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She has handled various complex matters in domestic as well as international taxation for numerous corporates and individuals. She has been a visiting faculty at the Symbiosis Institute of Management, Pune. She is a regular contributor to the All India Federation of Tax Practitioners (AIFTP), magazine. She is also a member of the Pune International Centre (PIC), a Pune based think tank.

Along with her career as a tax council, Ms. Aarti Sathe has also been appointed as a BJP (Mumbai) spokesperson and appears regularly on National News Channels to represent the party views on several current/political issues. She also serves as an Independent Director on the boards of a few companies.

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## Panel Discussion

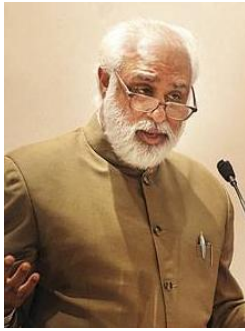
A prominent feature of the summit is the Panel Discussion, through which we aim to facilitate an inspiring discussion on a subject of relevance. The discussion is the centrepiece of the Summit.

The topic for this year's Panel discussion is “Is India’s Refugee Policy a Case of Smoke and Mirrors?”, and the discussion will be moderated by Mr. Shardul Thacker, Senior Partner, Mulla & Mulla & Craigie Blunt & Caroe.

Given the wide ambit of the topic of the discussion and the expansive credentials of the esteemed panellists, the Panel discussion will see an array of valued opinions being put forward with special importance on International Humanitarian Law.



Despite not being party to the UNHCR Refugee Convention of 1951 and the Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees, 1967, history is witness to the fact that India has always opened its doors for refugees and asylum seekers and has set an example for other countries to emulate. However, of late, India’s stance on its refugee policy has severely fluctuated in what may be called one of the biggest refugee crises in the world – the Rohingya Crisis. India’s position is delicate, owing to the foreign policy on Myanmar and unfortunate experiences of religious fundamentalism and anti-state actions connected therewith. The 1970’s saw an influx of refugees from East Pakistan, who were eventually accepted by India on humanitarian grounds received continuity as a policy during the Sri Lankan Tamil exodus as well. Accordingly, we seek to question that “Is India’s Refugee Policy a Case of Smoke and Mirrors?” treating the same to be the centrifugal point of the Panel Discussion because it is the need of the hour to deliberate upon whether India needs to enact specific laws and regulations regarding the status of the refugees desiring to seek refuge in the country or is it already obligated by International covenants like that of the Convention on Torture.



### Mr. Kishore Mandhyan

- Former Director, Executive Office/Cabinet of United Nations Secretary General

Kishore Mandhyan served as Political Director for Peacekeeping, Humanitarian Affairs and Human Rights Affairs in the Cabinet of the United Nations Secretary General between 2007 and 2012. He also held portfolios for Human Security, Alliance of Civilizations, Protection of Civilians, Coordination of Anti-Piracy Operations, and the International Parliamentary Union.

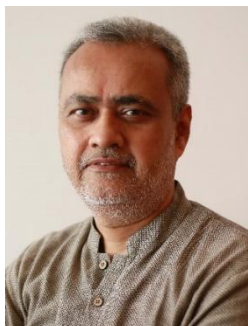
Earlier he spent fifteen years in UN prevention, peacekeeping, peacemaking, peace building, state building, human rights, humanitarian, and transitional missions and administrations across the world: Key assignments included, Head of Civil Affairs - Bosnia Herzegovina; Chairperson on the Joint Commissions of the UN and the European Union for Civil Administration and , Education and Culture, in Eastern Slavonia; Representative of the Secretary General in the UN Liaison Office to Croatia; Director for Political Affairs in the UN Assistance Mission in Iraq, and Advisor to the Kuwait-Iraq Boundary Demarcation Project.

Prior to his work in the UN, he taught International Relations and Comparative Politics at Boston College, Tufts University, and Harvard University where he was the awarded the Prize for Excellence in Teaching. In the eighties, he also worked with the World Bank on Alternative Energy Technologies; the Save Bombay Committee on urban and regional planning; and Greenpeace (New England) on issues pertaining to human ecology.

He had begun his professional career in the central civil services of the Government of India.

Kishore Mandhyan studied physical sciences and law at Bombay University. His advanced graduate work was at The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy in the political economy of security, development and environment and, global public policy and governance. He was trained at the National Academy of Administration in India; the Program on Negotiation at Harvard; and the Sloan Seminar on the control of nuclear weapons at MIT.

He is presently with the Aam Aadmi Party on its working groups for Maharashtra and the Mumbai Metropolitan Region, and heads the Advisory Group on Nation Building.



### Mr. Girish Kuber

- Editor, LokSatta

Mr. Girish Vinayak Kuber entered the profession in 1984-85 after the completion of his post-graduate degree in journalism from the Pune University as a Marathi News Reader on All India Radio. In 1988 he joined Maharashtra Times.

Ten years later, in 1998, he became the first Marathi Journalist to have been selected for the British Government's prestigious Chevening Scholarship. That being the year of India's Pokharan II series of nuclear bomb test explosions, the demand for content from the Indian Subcontinent rose exponentially. Mr. Kuber contributed by providing India's perspective on the Vajpayee Government's decision to conduct the said tests. The same year he also covered the G-8 summit held in Birmingham that announced sanctions on India in the aftermath of the nuclear testing on behalf of The Guardian and for Maharashtra Times.

The following year he moved to The Economic Times from Maharashtra Times and worked in the capacity of the Political Editor.

He currently works for the LokSatta as its Managing Editor.

#### Contribution to Literature:

Besides the two books, Dot Com and Hello Internet, the former being selected by the Union Government's science ministry for distribution in government-run Marathi schools, he has four other titles to his credit:

- **'हा तेल नावाचा इतिहास आहे'** (*ha tel navacha itihaas aahe*): Published in 2006, the book is about history of Oil since 1850s when Rockefeller dreamed of setting up his oil empire and talks about how oil has been driving major developments over the last 150 years.
- **'एका तेलियाने'** (*eka teliyaane*) is a book published 2008 on the legendary Saudi oil minister Sheikh Zaki Yamani and the tragedy of West Asia.
- **'अधर्मयुद्ध'** (*adharmayudhdha*): Published in March 2009, it is a comprehensive history of how western powers used Muslims for petty political gains right from The Great Game. It also deals with how late Eisenhower hosted Al Banna (who went on to set up the Muslim Brotherhood, the mother of all Muslim terrorist outfits) at the White House. It also exposes the Oil companies' machinations in the third world. Coming in the wake of 26/11 the book explains how terrorism in its current form today is a by-product of the energy wars.
- **'युद्ध जीवांचे'** (*yudhdha jivanche*) is a chilling story of biological warfare.

All four books were published by Rajhans, a well reputed publishing house and have won several awards and accolades. The response to them has been overwhelming, be it from masses or from critics which is why they have witnessed nearly half a dozen reprints.

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She has taught courses in law and public policy in India, New Zealand, Kenya and the United States. A recipient of several international scholarships and awards, Jasdeep holds a Master's in Law from Yale, a Bachelor's in Civil Law (Harish Salve scholar) from the University of Oxford, a Master's in Public Policy from the Harvard Kennedy School. Jasdeep is a proud alumna of Government Law College, Mumbai.



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Before joining the ITTC in 2010, she worked in several divisions at the WTO Secretariat, including the Development Division (2003 to 2010), the Technical Cooperation Division (2001 to 2002), the Office of the Director-General (2000 to 2001) and the Trade Policy Reviews Division (1998 to 2000). Ms. Oshikawa obtained a MS in Development Studies from the London School of Economics, a DES in International Economics from the Graduate Institute of International Studies (Switzerland) and a BS in Foreign Services from Georgetown University.

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Mr. Dada qualified as a lawyer from the Government Law College, Mumbai. He was awarded a gold medal by the Mumbai University for standing first in the law examination and holds a master's degree in Law.

Mr. Dada practices Constitutional Law and has appeared in a variety of cases involving infringement of fundamental rights, Environmental Laws, Fiscal and Securities Laws. He was designated as a Senior Counsel in the year 1987.

Mr. Dada was appointed Additional Solicitor General of India (Western Region) by the Government of India in 1994 and held that post till 1997. In the course of his tenure as a law officer, Mr. Dada represented the Government of India in various courts in cases relating to infringement of Revenue Laws, Securities Laws, and Foreign Exchange Regulations. He reverted back to private practice in 1997.

Mr. Dada has been associated with the Standing Committee of the Bombay Bar Association since 1990. He was elected as President in 2002.

In the course of his term as President, the Bar initiated a movement for revolving disputed by alternative methods of Dispute Resolution. In 2004, the Bar sponsored a training course on mediation conducted by the Mumbai University.

Mr. Dada was invited to lead a delegation of Indian Lawyers to California USA in October 2003. The Indian Delegated studied the methods of ADR followed in the courts in some of the major cities of California namely San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego.

Lead a delegation of the Bar to U.K. at the invitation of the Bar Council of England and Wales. Addressed the members of the Inns of Court and also a group of members of the House of Lords. Honored by the Prime Minister of India and the Chief Justice of India on the National Law Day 2008 for his contribution to Law.

Mr. Dada attended the ceremony of the opening of the Legal Year in London on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2007 on the invitation of the General Council of the Bar of England and Wales and the Law Society of England and Wales.

He worked as a member of the Advisory Committee to the Securities and Exchange Board of India. He is a trained and qualified as a mediator and he initiated action to train mediators in the Bombay Bar and also helped to devise a course in mediation.

He currently practices in the High Courts of India and the Supreme Court of India. He recently appeared in the Supreme Court of India on behalf of the Mining Industry of Goa.



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Lloyd's List on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 ranked him 3<sup>rd</sup> in the "Top 10 Lawyers" stating "*HIGHLY regarded for his work in the liquefied natural gas sector, particularly for interesting and highly geared finance deals in relation to infrastructure projects, energy, ports and ships.*"

Mr. Thacker has extensive experience in infrastructure projects viz. Oil & Gas and PPP Projects, Port Projects, offshore construction and logistics. He contributes actively to structuring and negotiations in such projects.

He acts for international MNCs in setting up their India ventures for undertaking Floating Storage and Regasification projects, FPSO projects for importing LNG into India as also for setting up Indian LNG terminals. He regularly advises foreign investors in LNG related work and has negotiated / drafted and/or reviewed, reviewed and commented on Capacity Agreements, tender terms etc.

He combines the above with his arbitration practice. Has handled over 75 arbitration matters in M&A, ship charterparty disputes, Shipbuilding, EPC, Oil & Gas Exploration, Cryogenic Gas Contracts under the LCIA, ICC, UNCITRAL and ICA. These arbitrations were held in various venues in India, London, Hong Kong, Rotterdam and Singapore.

He regularly acts for international lenders in financing the construction/acquisition of LNG carriers and LNG tankers for the supply of LNG to various power projects in India and advises in relation to structuring of the transaction and security creation.

He has acted for international entities in their participation in Indian SPVs for tenders floated by ONGC and other Indian entities for FPSO and other projects and has advised on the structure of the bidding entity, tender documents including RFQs, RFPs, collaboration agreements, commercial agreements, etc.

He has received Leading Lawyers Award from Chambers and Partners and Asia Law Publication for Shipping and Maritime for the last several years.

Thacker has been ranked in Band 1 by Chambers for shipping and maritime as also ranked for Banking and Insurance for several years.

Publications: the India sections in: *Maritime Law Handbook*, Kluwer; *Transport Finance Law Review*.

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India correspondent for Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly.

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- India section, International Maritime Law Handbook, Kluwer Law.
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- India section - Admiralty Law, Martindale Hubbell Law Digest.
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### Mr. Rizwan Merchant

- Advocate, Bombay High Court

Mr. Rizwan G. Merchant started his illustrious career in law in 1984. He completed his schooling from Bombay Scottish School, Mumbai. Thereafter he studied Bachelor in Commerce from M.M.K. College of Commerce & Economics followed by a Law Degree from Government Law College, Mumbai. Mr. Merchant is the founding partner of Rizwan Merchant & Associates, Advocates.

Mr. Merchant is a well-known face amongst the legal community in India. Even though his forte lies in criminal law, he has appeared in many civil cases. Mr. Merchant has appeared in many high-profile cases like the the 1993 Bomb Blast Cases wherein he has also represented Actor Sanjay Dutt, the Kamala Mills Fire Tragedy, the Bombay Road Contractor Scam to name a few.

Apart from being a zealous lawyer, Mr. Merchant is passionate about social service and has played an ardent role in the Jammu Kashmir Floods Relief Program, Nepal Floods Relief Program under the trusteeship of Haji Dargah Trust and Pir Magdoom Saheb Charitable Trust. He also plays a prominent role as the Trustee of Haji Dargah Trust, Mahim Dargah Trust, Pir Magdoom Saheb Charitable Trust and many more Trusts across Mumbai.

Mr. Merchant has been passionate about disseminating criminal law knowledge to students studying in law schools by conducting Mock Criminal Trials across Mumbai in various Law Schools. He believes in inculcating a culture of “Work is Worship” and believes that hard work is the key to success.



**Dr. K. M. Parivelan**

- Chairperson, Centre for Statelessness and  
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Dr K. M. Parivelan is one of the most recognised dignitaries when it comes to humanitarian studies in India. Currently serving as an Associate Professor and Chairperson at Nodal Centre for Excellence in Human Rights Education, School of Law, Rights and Constitutional Governance, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, his achievements and contributions are testimony to his genius and his dedication towards the humanitarian cause.

His recognition comes from being one of the founding members of the Centre for Statelessness and Refugee Studies at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai in collaboration with UNHCR India. He is also one of the founding faculty members of the TISS Global Professional Capacity in Disaster Management, in partnership with the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) based in Geneva since 2012. He is also a member of the selection committee for the Prime Minister's Rural Development Fellowship, TISS - Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India.

He has delivered several credit courses on an array of different topics such as 'International Humanitarian Law', 'Refugee Law and Human Rights', 'Trans-Boundary Governance and Humanitarian Action', 'Law And Justice in Globalising World' and an online course titled 'Humanitarian Laws, Principles and Standards' and is guiding five doctoral research scholars and six Masters Dissertation students.

His brilliance in the field of humanitarian law and allied issues led him to be invited to various high profile conferences such as as UNHRC Annual Retreat Conference in Geneva, the 'Academic Experts Conference on Statelessness, Citizenship, and Inclusion in New York.

He has received a Doctoral Fellowship from the Indian Council for Social Science Research and holds a Masters in Politics and International Studies from School of International Studies, JNU, New Delhi.

Mr. Parivelan is also a member of the International Society for International Law, New Delhi.



## Ms. Teesta Setalvad

- Indian Civil Rights Activist and Journalist

Ms. Setalvad started her career as a journalist in 1983. She was a reporter with *The Daily & The Indian Express*; Senior Correspondent with *The Business India*, Editor at *Communalism Combat*, Bombay. Through intrepid Investigative Journalism in *Communalism Combat* reported and analysed issues of communalization of the Indian Police Force, Institutionalised Bias in School textbooks and Caste and Gender Bias. She is an Educationist, Social and Human Rights Activist Secretary at *Citizens for Justice and Peace*. She is the Director of KHOJ which is working on education for a plural India programme.

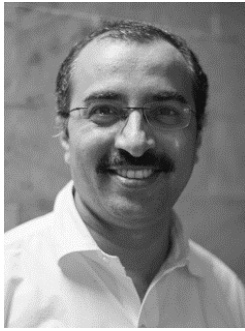
She held an advisory position in various committees including Central Advisory Board of Education; Government of India; Expert CABE Committee on Regulatory Mechanisms for Textbooks; Advisory Consultant of International Centre for Transitional Justice. In July 2000 she was elected President (Asia) of the International Association of Peace Educators (IAPE) at UNESCO's 6th World Conference on the Culture of Peace held in Paris.

She advocated against Exclusion and Bias in History and Social Studies textbooks after analysing textbooks and policy in India for 45 years after Independence; on the issue of Criminal Justice System and Mass Crimes; Judicial & Police Reform.

She was the main litigant in over 68 criminal cases trying to ensure justice for victims of mass communal crimes, and has created path breaking Jurisprudence while underlying the need for a National Witness Protection Programme, Independent Directorates of Prosecution, Time Bound Trials and Police Reform; Justice for Minorities, Dalits and Women including the Best Bakery Case; Naroda Patiya, Sardarpura, Odh Gulberg Mass Massacre Trials; Class Action on Compensation; Case Related to Hate Speech in Gujarat and Maharashtra; Class Action for Compensation and Reparation. Setalvad was on the Drafting Committee of the Indian Government's National Advisory Council (NAC) that submitted a Draft Law for the Prevention of Communal and Targeted Violence (2011).

Teesta Setalvad as the chief functionary of the organization, Citizens for Justice and Peace (CJP) has, collectively with her dedicated team including lawyers ensured that over 122 powerful perpetrators of the Gujarat carnage of 2002 are convicted to life imprisonment. CJP continues to ensure that the victories elicited in the Special Courts monitored by the Supreme Court of India are retained. CJP continues with its legal aid support to Victim Survivors in the appeals filed in the higher Courts.

She has won several laurels including the Padmasri, Wockhardt Foundation Human Rights Popular Awards, Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer Centenary Award - 2015 for Social Justice and Human Rights Crusade, Mes Excellence Award, Bi Amma Award for Outstanding Contribution in Public Life, Jan Mitra Award, Pride of India Award and many more. She is currently in the process of designing and activating a Prevention of Violence/Peace Map Mechanism that will attempt to create a nationwide cadre of peace activists that will document the signals of the build-up of communal, hate driven violence in various parts of India.



## Mr. Vijay Hiremath

- Advocate, Bombay High Court.

Vijay Hiremath is a senior legal officer in the Lawyers' Collective HIV/AIDS unit. He has also the National Assistant Director for the Indian Centre for human rights and law, and the Legal Officer for the Criminal Justice Initiative. Presently, he is teaching at Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai as a guest faculty.

He has been deemed as a messiah for the poor and the underprivileged especially after his involvement in the Bilkis Bano case. Vijay Hiremath, using his legal prowess has been a leading name in humanitarian legal work and bringing justice to the underprivileged and the needy. He is a litigator on human rights issues, represents indigent prisoners, people belonging to the LGBT community, persons arrested under security laws and is a determined researcher. He also teaches, conducts training and writes on the issues of death penalty, security legislations, women's rights and other human rights issues. After securing his LLM degree from Mumbai university, Mr. Vijay dedicated most of his legal career in bringing justice to the undermined sections of the society. His cliental mainly includes people arrested and detained under security laws, women experiencing domestic violence and sexual assault, people belonging to a sexual minority group, people on death rows in courts, etc.

As a coordinator in Criminal Justice Initiative he gratuitously represented destitute and needy in all courts of Mumbai for which he was appointed as an amicus in jail petitions before Bombay High Court. He played an active role in bringing judicial attention on custodial deaths, one such example of his noble endearments is the conversion of a letter written by him in tandem with Ms Rebecca Gonsalvez to Chief Justice of Bombay High Court regarding custodial death in Maharashtra into a PIL. Apart from this he is vigilant on cases involving violence in custody and readily provides aid to the victims in such cases. He initiated a campaign on the Prevention of Terrorism Act (POTA) and produced a film 'Life under POTA'.

He has represented Centre for Enquiry in Health and Allied Themes for implementation of Pre Conception and Pre Natal Diagnostics Techniques Act. He has conducted various training sessions for activists and law students regarding criminal law, juvenile law, Right to information Act etc. He has participated in various Human Rights workshops and experience in working on cases of Refugees in India. His work on the project regarding the use of Indian drugs for executing persons in the United States of America was commissioned by 'Reprieve' - an organisation working on death penalty in the United Kingdom. He has also worked on projects regarding custodial deaths in Maharashtra and Karnataka and he is currently working on project regarded misuse MCOCA in Maharashtra. He has various research papers and publications. The most prominent among them is 'Prisoners Rights - Volume 1' - 2008 and 'Historic Judgment and its Implication'. He was a part of a team for fact finding and publishing a report on the riots in Malegaon in 2001 and another team conducting fact finding in rape of minor girl by police in Gadchiroli.



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Vismay Shroff is an alumnus of the Government Law College, University of Mumbai (B.L.S., LL.B. - 2003) and Duke University, School of Law, Durham, North Carolina (LL.M. - 2007). He has also studied for shorter durations at the Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy at Tufts University (Summer Program - 2004-2005); Harvard Law School (Program of Instruction for lawyers - 2004) and the International Law Institute at Georgetown University (Arbitration & Mediation - 2004). Having previously worked in the Corporate Department of a leading American Law firm headquartered in Philadelphia, Vismay now works at Parimal K. Shroff & Co., Advocates, Solicitors & Notary in Mumbai. His practice includes setting up Infrastructure Legislation for State Governments, General Litigation, Arbitration and other Commercial Law subjects like Intellectual Property. Apart from being a qualified lawyer, he currently serves as a Professor (CHB) in International Law & Insolvency Law at Government Law College. His other interests include Theatre, Education Policy, Political Science, International Relations & Financial History.

Vismay Shroff is a prolific public speaker. He has participated in and won several competitive events at a variety of fora, prior to, at and after his law school tenure. He is an expert in analysing the legal propositions in events such as Elocutions, Debates, Declamation competitions, Moot court competitions and Competitive theatre and is currently working on his first book.



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| Aviation Law   | Environmental Law  | Maritime and Shipping Law   |  |                        |            |              |                   |                           |                      |  |                           |              |                    |                        |                 |                        |          |                                |                         |                                   |                 |                 |                                  |             |                           |               |              |     |                            |                    |                       |          |                                   |  |                    |  |  |           |  |  |                             |
| Banking & Securities   | Finance Law (Aircraft, Ship & Project)   | Media & Entertainment Law   |  |                        |            |              |                   |                           |                      |  |                           |              |                    |                        |                 |                        |          |                                |                         |                                   |                 |                 |                                  |             |                           |               |              |     |                            |                    |                       |          |                                   |  |                    |  |  |           |  |  |                             |
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| Capital Markets  | Information Technology   | Offshore  |  |                        |            |              |                   |                           |                      |  |                           |              |                    |                        |                 |                        |          |                                |                         |                                   |                 |                 |                                  |             |                           |               |              |     |                            |                    |                       |          |                                   |  |                    |  |  |           |  |  |                             |
| Corporate Law / Commercial Law   | Infrastructure Projects  | Offshore Construction & Logistics   |  |                        |            |              |                   |                           |                      |  |                           |              |                    |                        |                 |                        |          |                                |                         |                                   |                 |                 |                                  |             |                           |               |              |     |                            |                    |                       |          |                                   |  |                    |  |  |           |  |  |                             |
| Competition Law  | (Power & Ports)  | Offshore Investment & Securities  |  |                        |            |              |                   |                           |                      |  |                           |              |                    |                        |                 |                        |          |                                |                         |                                   |                 |                 |                                  |             |                           |               |              |     |                            |                    |                       |          |                                   |  |                    |  |  |           |  |  |                             |
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| Employment & Industrial Relations  |  | Telecommunications  |  |                        |            |              |                   |                           |                      |  |                           |              |                    |                        |                 |                        |          |                                |                         |                                   |                 |                 |                                  |             |                           |               |              |     |                            |                    |                       |          |                                   |  |                    |  |  |           |  |  |                             |
|  |  | Trade Law   |  |                        |            |              |                   |                           |                      |  |                           |              |                    |                        |                 |                        |          |                                |                         |                                   |                 |                 |                                  |             |                           |               |              |     |                            |                    |                       |          |                                   |  |                    |  |  |           |  |  |                             |
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**The World Trade Organization — the WTO — is the international organization whose primary purpose is to open trade for the benefit of all.**

The WTO provides a forum for negotiating agreements aimed at reducing obstacles to international trade and ensuring a level playing field for all, thus contributing to economic growth and development. The WTO also provides a legal and institutional framework for the implementation and monitoring of these agreements, as well as for settling disputes arising from their interpretation and application. The current body of trade agreements comprising the WTO consists of 16 different multilateral agreements (to which all WTO members are parties) and two different plurilateral agreements (to which only some WTO members are parties).

Over the past 60 years, the WTO, which was established in 1995, and its predecessor organization the GATT have helped to create a strong and prosperous international trading system, thereby contributing to unprecedented global economic growth. The WTO currently has 164 members, of which 117 are developing countries or separate customs territories. WTO activities are supported by a Secretariat of some 700 staff, led by the WTO Director-General. The Secretariat is located in Geneva, Switzerland, and has an annual budget of approximately CHF 200 million (\$180 million, €130 million). The three official languages of the WTO are English, French and Spanish.

Decisions in the WTO are generally taken by consensus of the entire membership. The highest institutional body is the Ministerial Conference, which meets roughly every two years. A General Council conducts the organization's business in the intervals between Ministerial Conferences. Both of these bodies comprise all members. Specialised subsidiary bodies (Councils, Committees, Sub-committees), also comprising all members, administer and monitor the implementation by members of the various WTO agreements.

More specifically, the WTO's main activities are:

- Negotiating the reduction or elimination of obstacles to trade (import tariffs, other barriers to trade) and agreeing on rules governing the conduct of international trade (e.g. antidumping, subsidies, product standards, etc.)
- Administering and monitoring the application of the WTO's agreed rules for trade in goods, trade in services, and trade-related intellectual property rights
- Monitoring and reviewing the trade policies of our members, as well as ensuring transparency of regional and bilateral trade agreements
- Settling disputes among our members regarding the interpretation and application of the agreements
- Building capacity of developing country government officials in international trade matters
- Assisting the process of accession of some 30 countries who are not yet members of the organization
- Conducting economic research and collecting and disseminating trade data in support of the WTO's other main activities
- Explaining to and educating the public about the WTO, its mission and its activities.

The WTO's founding and guiding principles remain the pursuit of open borders, the guarantee of most-favoured-nation principle and non-discriminatory treatment by and among members, and a commitment to transparency in the conduct of its activities. The opening of national markets to international trade, with justifiable exceptions or with adequate flexibilities, will encourage and contribute to sustainable development, raise people's welfare, reduce poverty, and foster peace and stability. At the same time, such market opening must be accompanied by sound domestic and international policies that contribute to economic growth and development according to each member's needs and aspirations.





## Message from the Vice-President

Since its inception in 2009, the Government Law College International Law Summit has witnessed monumental growth. What began as an endeavour to promote International Law within the college, the Summit today is one of the country's largest and most sought after gathering of legal enthusiasts from India and abroad. It is indeed an honour and a privilege to have been a part of Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL) and organize the 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit, themed on 'International Humanitarian Law'.

*"The heights by great men reached and kept were not attained by sudden flight, but they while their companions slept, were toiling upward in the night."*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the drafters, professors and sponsors who have shown unwavering faith in us. On behalf of SPIL, Mumbai, I am utterly grateful to Prof. Pavle Kilibarda, Teaching Assistant, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland, for having deftly drafted the Competition Modules for the Judgment Deliberation Competition and Treaty Appreciation Competition. The unending support and guidance shown by Judge Smt. Suvarna K. Keole, Principal, Government Law College, Mumbai, our Professors-in-Charge, Dr. Umesh S. Aswar, Mr. Anirudh Hariyani, Ms. Arzin Merchant and Prof. Sunita Masani and Prof. Kishu Daswani, our mentors, and the college staff is what enabled us to strive to make this year's summit a success. I would also like to extend my gratitude to all our speakers and panelists, who consented to address the delegates and participants in engaging discussions at the Summit, all our Judges, who consented to judge the preliminary, semi-final, and final rounds of the Judgment Deliberation Competition and the Special Rapporteurs who judged the sessions of the Treaty Appreciation Competition.

The Summit would have been inconceivable without the support of all our sponsors and partners Crawford Bayley & Co., AZB & Partners, Mulla & Mulla Craigie Blunt & Caroe, Parimal K. Shroff & Co., Baker McKenzie, Eastern Book Company and SCC Online, Lawoctopus, World Trade Organization (WTO) and the International Law Students Association (ILSA).; their unending support and trust in us has been the most important factor behind a successful event. The core committee and all members and volunteers deserve to be congratulated for their tireless efforts throughout the year. I thank Mr. Avirup Mandal, for very ably heading the committee. Special thanks to the core organizing committee - Mr. Aman Agiwal, Ms. Avani Ranade, Mr. Kush Mahatani, Mr. Alister Sequeira, Mr. Brihad Ralhan, Ms. Janhavi Patankar, Ms. Jayati Arora, Ms. Priyanka Rathore, Ms. Tejal Harsora and Mr. Ujjwal Batra for their diligence and efforts throughout the year. I owe a special mention to the alumni of the college and senior members of SPIL, Mumbai, Ms. Krutika Chitre, Mr. Utkarsh Srivastava, Ms. Anvita Mishra, Ms. Sarrah Khambati, Mr. Aayush Raman, Mr. Shadab Jan, Ms. Shilpa Singh, Mr. Aayush Kevlani, Ms. Poorva Kaushik, Mr. Priyesh Srivastava, Ms. Saloni Tyagi, Mr. Vedant Churi, Ms. Kyati Goel, Ms. Heer Bataviya and Mr. Kush Mahtani for their valuable inputs and continuous hand-holding. In conclusion, a big thank-you to countless number of individuals, members from the legal fraternity for their humble efforts and able guidance which enabled us to raise the bar of the Summit and make it larger in grandeur and more extensive in its reach.

I extend a warm welcome to all the delegates and participants from across the world, to the Summit and trust that they will find this an experience to cherish. I wish all the participants good luck.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dikshita B".

Ms. Dikshita Baruah  
Vice - President  
SPIL, Mumbai



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# 9<sup>th</sup> Government Law College International Law Summit

9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

## International Humanitarian Law

9<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

3:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

- Welcome Address by Judge Smt. Suvarna K. Keole, Principal, Government Law College, Mumbai;
- Unveiling of the Souvenir;
- Guest Lecture by Mr. Girish Kuber, Managing Editor, LokSatta, on the topic: Oil Politics and its Impact on Humanitarian Issues;
- Guest Lecture by Ms. Jasdeep Randhawa, Transboundary Water Specialist, World Bank, New York, on the topic: Displacement – Causes, Impacts and Innovative Tools to find Solutions to the Refugee Crisis;
- Webinar by Ms. Maika Oshikawa, Officer in Charge, Accessions Division, World Trade Organisation, Geneva, on the topic: WTO Accessions: Helping Conflict Affected and Fragile Economies;
- Webinar with Ms. Yukiko Koyama and Ms. Ragini Trakroo Zutshi, UNHCR, on the topic: UNHCR's Global Mandate and Persons of Concern.
- Keynote Address by Mr. Kishore Mandhyan, Former Director, Executive Office/Cabinet of United Nations Secretary General, on the topic: Humanitarian Crisis - A View from the Field and the Top Floor of the Office of the UN Secretary-General;

Venue – 20 Downtown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Cambata Building, 125, Jamshedji Tata Road, Churchgate, Mumbai, Maharashtra – 400 020.

10<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

10:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- Preliminary Rounds of the Judgment Deliberation Competition and the Treaty Appreciation Competition.

Venue – Government Law College, A' Road, Opposite Churchgate Railway Station, Churchgate, Mumbai, Maharashtra – 400 020.

11<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

- Final Round of the Judgment Deliberation Competition;
  - Panel Discussion on the topic: 'Is India's Refugee Policy a Case of Smoke and Mirrors?'
- Moderator : Mr. Shardul Thacker, Senior Partner, Mulla & Mulla & Craigie Blunt & Caroe;
- Panelists : Mr. Rizwan Merchant, Advocate, Bombay High Court;  
 Dr. K. M. Parivelan, Chairperson, Centre for Statelessness and Refugee Studies, TISS, Mumbai;  
 Ms. Teesta Setalvad, Indian Civil Rights Activist and Journalist;  
 Mr. Vijay Hiremath, Independent Lawyer and Legal Consultant, Centre for Access to Rights;  
 Mr. Vismay Shroff, Partner, Parimal K. Shroff & Co.

Venue – Convocation Hall, Mumbai University, M.G. Road, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra – 400 032.



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