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Conference

Connecting Leaders & Visionaries

Inaugural Ceremony

The Centre of Excellence for Cyber Law and Data Protection, ICFAI Law School, in collaboration with the Centre of Excellence for Digital Transformation, ICFAI Business School, and the Centre for Digital and Online Education, ICFAI Tech, IFHE, Hyderabad, organized a two-day interdisciplinary hybrid Conference on “Law, Technology and Security in the Age of Generative AI” on 6th and 7th November, 2025.

The conference commenced with a Welcome Address by Prof. (Dr.) Md. Akbar Khan, who emphasised that technology must serve humanity and called for responsible AI governance within India's evolving regulatory framework. In his Presidential Remarks, Prof. (Dr.) T. Koti Reddy, Vice-Chancellor (In-charge), highlighted the importance of interdisciplinary research in line with NEP 2020 and underscored the need for robust data governance mechanisms under laws such as the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023, and the GDPR.

The Chief Guest, Hon'ble Justice G. V. Seethapathy, observed that artificial intelligence should complement, rather than replace, human intelligence. He noted the absence of a comprehensive AI-specific law in India and advocated for ethical, human-centric AI development guided by existing legal frameworks and the proposed “Seven Sutras.” The Guest of Honour, Major General Rajinder Kumar (Retd.), highlighted the transformative role of AI in national defence and security, citing its strategic application during Operation Sindoor.

The inaugural session concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. Sadanand Anantrao Karhale, Assistant Professor, ICFAI Law School.



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Technical Sessions

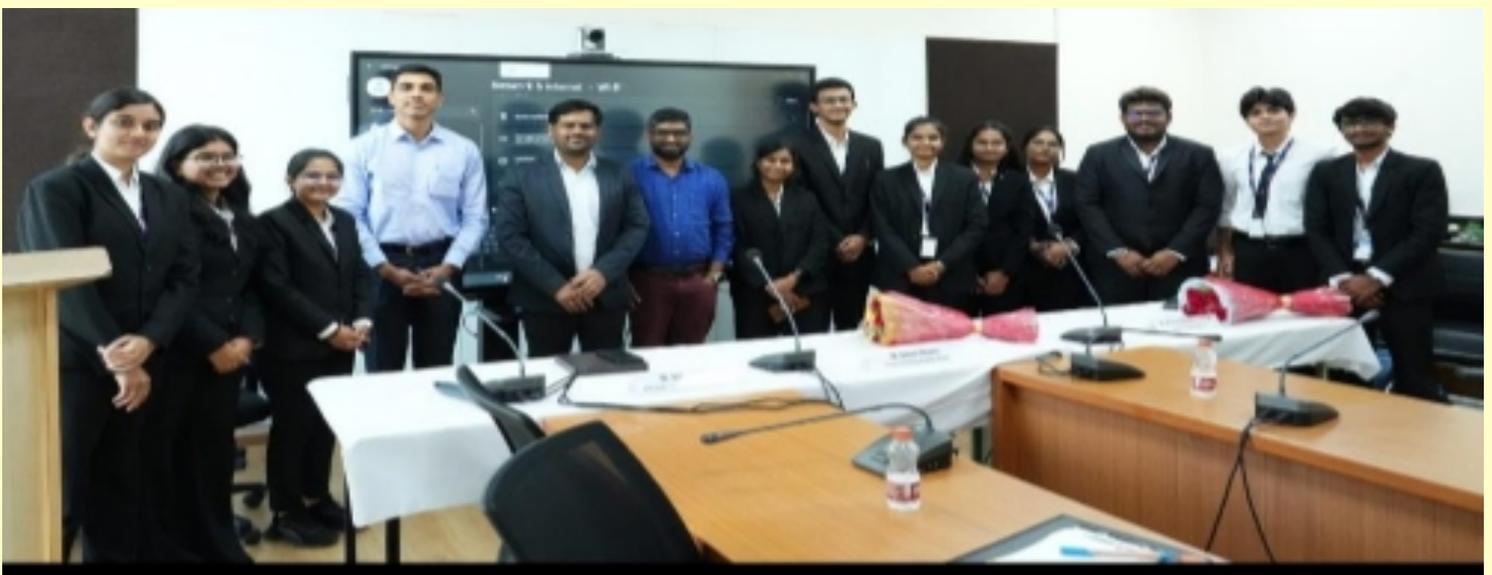
The conference featured four focused technical sessions bringing together experts from industry, academia, and law to deliberate on AI governance, cybersecurity, data protection, and ethical innovation.

Technical Session I featured Mr. Mukesh Choudhary (Cyberops), who addressed AI-driven privacy risks, and Mr. Vinod Chandnani (Patel Engineering), who highlighted corporate accountability under the DPDP Act. The session was chaired by Prof. (Dr.) Arun Sharma with Ms. Sridevi D. Shet as Co-Chair.



Technical Session II saw Mr. Krishna Chaitanya Katham (Oracle) discuss AI in corporate governance, chaired by Mr. Shrikanth Mishra, with Mr. Shailesh Dhawla as Co-Chair.

Technical Session III featured Dr. Sriram Birudavolu (DSCI), chaired by Adv. Pankaj Bafna, while Technical Session IV included Mr. Moses Mupeta and Mr. Abhishek Mitra, chaired by Mr. Sandesh Jadhav, with Prof. (Dr.) Md. Akbar Khan as Co-Chair.



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Valedictory Ceremony

The valedictory session was graced by Hon'ble Shri Justice M. S. K. Jaiswal, High Court for the State of Telangana, and Dr. Syamala Kandadai. Both dignitaries reflected on the transformative changes and emerging developments driven by Artificial Intelligence and expressed their appreciation for being part of the conference. The event concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Mr. Rakesh, who conveyed his sincere gratitude to all speakers, organizers, and participants for their contributions to the successful conduct of the conference.



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Inaugural Ceremony

SAKSHAM The Social Responsibility Club, in collaboration with GAIA The Environmental Club, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, organised the Model Conference of Parties (Model COP) 2025 from 79 November 2025, aiming to promote climate awareness and youth engagement in environmental governance.

The programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr. A. Arun Kumar, who acknowledged the initiative as a platform to inspire youth-led climate action. Prof. Dr. V. Hemalatha Devi highlighted that ICFAI's Model COP is among the first of its kind in India, offering students a simulated global forum to engage with climate policy.

The Chief Guest, Shri Marri Shashidhar Reddy, reflected on major global climate milestones and emphasised the urgency of updated Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), accountability of developed nations, and the need for resilient infrastructure in view of India's climate vulnerabilities. Prof. K. Purushottam Reddy underscored the role of youth in environmental movements, noting that while India has a strong legal framework, effective implementation remains a challenge.

Mr. D. V. N. Murty, Assistant Professor and Coordinator, GAIA Club, described youth as the torchbearers of climate action and future environmental leaders. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. Setty Hrudai Tej, Assistant Professor and Coordinator, SAKSHAM Club, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad.



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About the Conference

A briefing session on the Model Conference of Parties (MCOP) was held on 7 November 2025, orienting delegates on UN procedures, debate rules, and diplomatic protocols. The Model COP sessions on 8 November 2025 saw the participation of 24 delegate nations. The committee adopted the agenda "Advancing Global Climate Action" after formal deliberations. Discussions focused on climate finance, technology transfer, and equity, guided by the UNFCCC, Paris Agreement, and CBDR principles. The proceedings concluded with an International Press Conference, and Working Paper 1 was passed with 13 votes in favour, titled "Advancing Global Climate Action through Equitable Finance."

Valedictory Ceremony

The programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr. A. Arun Kumar, Assistant Dean (Clubs and Student Activities), ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, who, quoting "Earth is always listening," underscored the importance of environmental consciousness and collective responsibility.

The Chief Guest, Prof. K. Purushottam Reddy, Academician, Environmentalist, Developmental Activist, and Political Scientist, reflected on his environmental journey inspired by the Bhopal Gas

Tragedy (1984) and emphasized the role of awareness in environmental protection. He recommended Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring* as a seminal work that catalyzed global environmental movements, including the first Earth Day, the 1972 Stockholm Conference, and the 1992 Rio Conference.

The event report and prize distribution were presented by Mr. Setty Hrudai Tej, Coordinator, SAKSHAM Club, Assistant Professor, and the programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. D. V. N. Murty, Coordinator, GAIA Club, Assistant Professor, ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad.



Workshop

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Role of Artificial Intelligence in Cyber Security and Data Privacy

A One-Day Workshop on the “Role of Artificial Intelligence in Cyber Security and Data Privacy” was organised by the Centre for Excellence in Cyber Law and Data Protection at ICFAI Law School, coordinated by Prof. Akbar Khan, Associate Dean, and Dr. Arun Kumar, Assistant Dean, to sensitize students to the impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) on data protection, cyber security, and privacy.

The inaugural session opened with a welcome address by Prof. Akbar Khan, who highlighted society’s dependence on data and technology, citing the Cambridge Analytica case to illustrate the misuse of personal data and the influence of technology on public opinion. Introduced the theme, emphasizing that everyday digital activities enable continuous AI-driven data collection, often without informed consent, and cautioned students about privacy risks and emerging cyber threats.

The workshop featured Mr. Abhishek Mitra, CEO and Founder of ICSS, and Adv. Pankaj Bafna, Cyber Forensic Expert, shared practical, technical, and legal insights on cybersecurity. Mr. Mitra addressed emerging threats such as deepfakes, phishing, and digital manipulation, while Adv. Bafna highlighted the growing importance of cyber forensics, digital evidence, and techno-legal expertise.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr Rakesh, Assistant Professor, who reinforced the institution’s commitment to digital awareness and cyber resilience.



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Fundamentals of Mooting

The Moot Court Society, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, organised a One-Day Workshop on “Fundamentals of Mooting” on 15 October 2025, intending to strengthen students’ advocacy, legal research, and oral pleading skills through experiential learning.

The programme commenced with a welcome address by Prof. (Dr.) Akbar Khan, Associate Dean (Research), who highlighted the historical relevance and pedagogical importance of mooting in legal education. Dr. A. Arun Kumar, Assistant Dean (Student Activities) outlined the workshop’s focus on enhancing core advocacy and research competencies among students. The primary technical session was delivered by Mr. Satyendra Mani Tripathi, Advocate, Supreme Court of India, who shared professional insights on the fundamentals of mooting, courtroom etiquette, and effective oral advocacy.

The post-lunch session featured a practical mock moot court demonstration, enabling students to understand the structure and dynamics of moot court proceedings. The workshop was coordinated by Dr. Sayan Das, Coordinator, and Mr. Shubham Prakash Singh, Co-Coordinator, with support from student coordinators Ms. M. Sri Bhuvana, Mr. Abhijeet Nimmaraju, and Mr. Padakanti Srikar, Moot Court Society. The programme effectively integrated theoretical instruction with hands-on learning, resulting in enhanced student engagement, confidence, and advocacy skills.



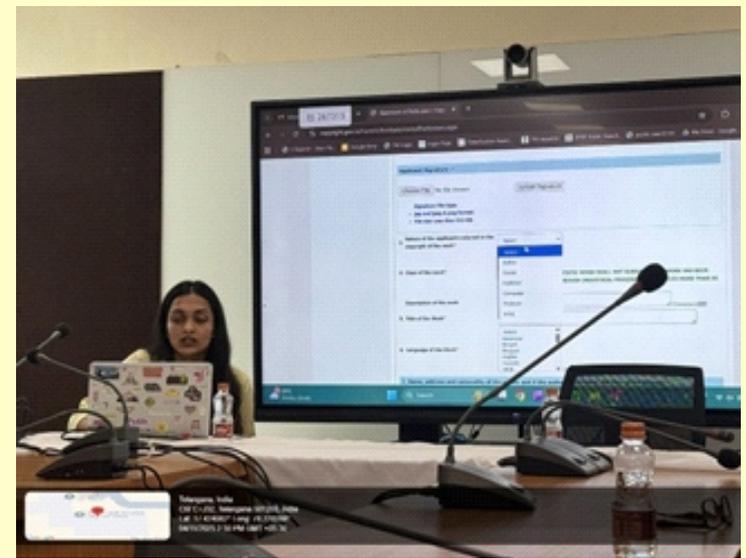
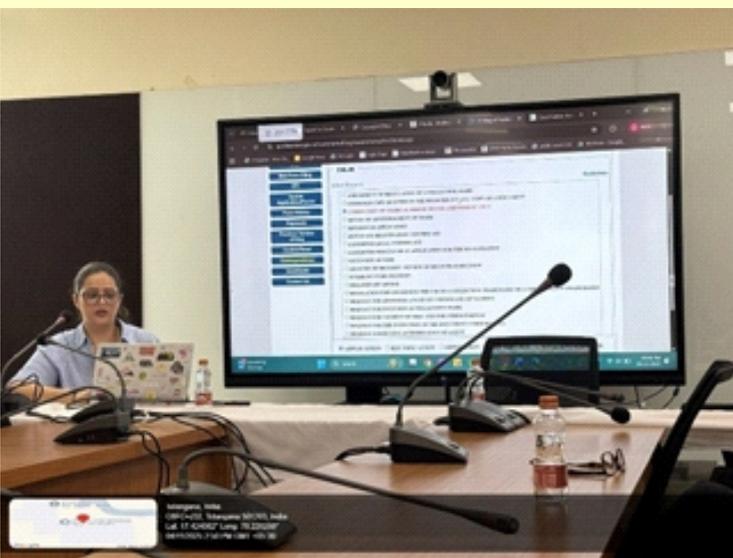
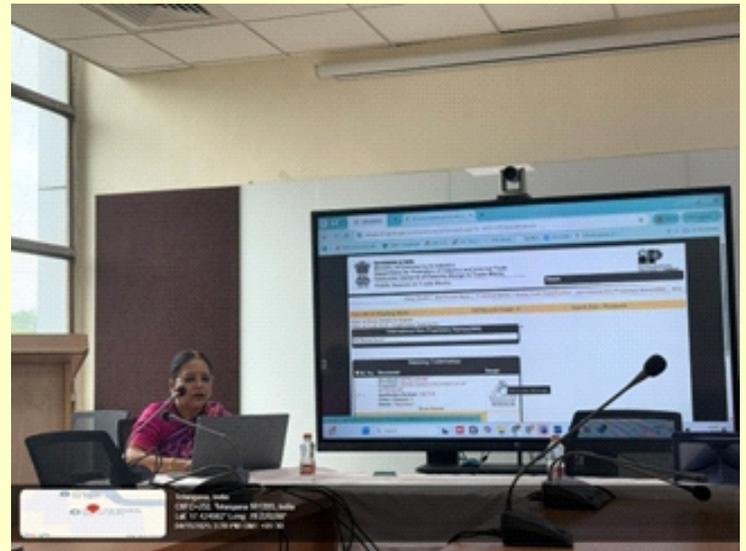
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Intellectual Property Registration and Protection

The Centre for Excellence in IPR, ICAFI Law School, Hyderabad, organised a one-day workshop on "Intellectual Property Registration and Protection" on 4 November 2025. The session was graced by Adv. Ashok Ram Kumar, Founder of Wordict-IP along with his team Adv. Sheela Ram Kumar, Adv. Pariyal Gupta, and Adv. Kiruthika Shankar Raman.

The workshop focused on procedures for intellectual property registration, legal safeguards, and the importance of protecting creative works and innovations. It provided students with practical exposure to the application of Intellectual Property Law. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. Dilip Sharma.



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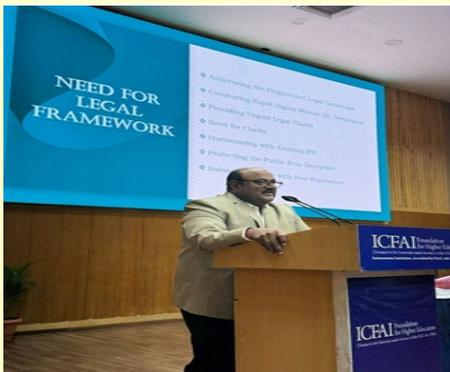
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Interplay between Intellectual Property Rights and Personality Rights

The Centre for Excellence in IPR, ICAFI Law School, Hyderabad, organised a seminar on "Interplay between Intellectual Property Rights and Personality Rights" on 17 November 2025.

The session was graced by Dr. Venkat Reddy Donthi Reddy, Senior Advocate and Founder of RVR Associates, along with Adv. Ananthakesavan V. The programme commenced with introductory remarks by Prof. Dr. Pratap Reddy, followed by a keynote address by Dr. Venkat Reddy, who examined the fundamentals of Intellectual Property Rights, the scope of Personality Rights, and their convergence in the digital context. The session was interactive, featuring discussions on publicity rights, privacy concerns in social media, and legal issues surrounding digital identity, supported by practical illustrations.

The seminar was anchored by Ms. Aparna, with coordination by Ms. Aditi Dixit and Mr. Varun Chakilam, assisted by Cell Members Mr. Ahsan Khan, Mr. Abhinav, and Mr. Jayasurya Mahadasu. A memento was presented to the resource person by Prof. S. V. Damodar Reddy. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. Dilip Sharma.



Workshop *Connecting Leaders & Visionaries*

Gender Equality and Workplace Safety

ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, organised a Three-Day Workshop for Indian Forest Service Officers on "Gender Equality and Workplace Safety: Policies and Legal Frameworks under the POSH Act" from 24 to 26 November 2025 at Jaipur, Rajasthan.

The programme was presided over by the Chief Guest, Prof. Vijayalakshmi Sharma, Professor of Law and Director, Teacher Empowerment Centre, Manipal University Jaipur, and a certified POSH Trainer. The inaugural session commenced with a welcome address by Dr. Md. Akbar Khan, Professor, ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, and concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. D. V. N. Murty, Assistant Professor, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad.

The sessions focused on India's commitment to Sustainable Development Goal 5 (Gender Equality) and examined gender as a socio-cultural construct shaped by learned roles, norms, and expectations. Emphasis was placed on eliminating discrimination and strengthening workplace safety through legal and institutional mechanisms under the POSH Act. The programme contributed to enhanced awareness of gender equality and compliance frameworks among participants.



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Gender Equality and Workplace Safety



Youth & IT SDG Walk 2047

GAIA – The Environmental Club

GAIA – The Environmental Club of ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, coordinated by Dr. Merugu Geetha Priyadarسانی, Dr. Gowri B. Chanal, and Mr. D. V. N. Murty, actively participated in the Youth & IT SDG Walk 2047, organised by the Research Heights Foundation on 1 November 2025 at People’s Plaza, Necklace Road, Hyderabad. The event aimed to raise public awareness of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and promote youth participation in building a sustainable and inclusive India by 2047.

The programme began with an address by Shri Jishnu Dev Varma, Hon’ble Governor of Telangana, who emphasised the critical role of youth-led initiatives, education, innovation, and environmental responsibility in achieving the SDG targets. Following the inaugural session, students took a symbolic walk along Necklace Road, carrying banners advocating sustainability, environmental protection, and responsible consumption, underscoring collective commitment to the 17 SDGs. An interactive SDG-themed selfie booth further enhanced public engagement and awareness.

The event provided students with meaningful exposure to community engagement and reinforced values of environmental ethics, sustainability, and collective responsibility for national development and the SDG Vision 2047



Moot Court

The Pinnacle of Advocacy

Shri N. J. Yasaswy Memorial Intra Moot Court Competition

Shri N. J. Yasaswy Memorial Intra Moot Court Competition, 2025, was organised by the Moot Court Society, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, on 1–2 November 2025 to strengthen experiential learning, legal research, drafting, and advocacy skills among students. The competition recorded active participation from 56 teams comprising over 1 68 students across all years of the B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), and B.A.J. LL.B. (Hons.) Programmes. The event was conducted through Preliminary, Quarter-Final, Semi-Final, and Final Rounds and was evaluated by practising advocates and academicians. The Final Round was judged by Mr. Rajeev Rambhatla, Partner, Luthra and Luthra Law Offices India, and Ms. Pooja Dongre, Advocate, Supreme Court of India and Bombay High Court.

Team IMC-123, comprising Sarabjot Singh, Charu Agarwal, and Bhuvana Shreya Pabbichetty (II Year), emerged as Winners and Best Memorial awardees, while Team IMC-126, comprising Khushi Sethia, Jui Vinay Rode, and Harshita Jaiswal (II Year), secured the First Runners-Up position. Individual excellence was recognised with the Best Speaker award conferred on Aura Satpathy (I Year), Team IMC-159, and the Best Researcher award on Sneha Siri Puligari (III Year), Team IMC-143.



The Legal Aid Society

To Empower & Engage

National Pro Bono Conclave

The Legal Aid Society of ICAFI Law School, Hyderabad, won first prize at the National Pro Bono Conclave on November 14, 2025. The award was presented at the conclave organised by the Pro Bono Club of the Presidency School of Law, Presidency University, Bangalore.

At the conclave, the Legal Aid Society showcased its legal aid initiatives and activities undertaken over the past two years. Among 20 participating teams from across the country, ICAFI Law School secured first place. Government Law College, Thiruvananthapuram, was awarded second prize, while Christ University, Bangalore, secured third prize.

The presentation was delivered by Mr. Sai Kushal, Student Coordinator of the Legal Aid Society, who also received the trophy and a cash prize of 15,000 on behalf of the Society.



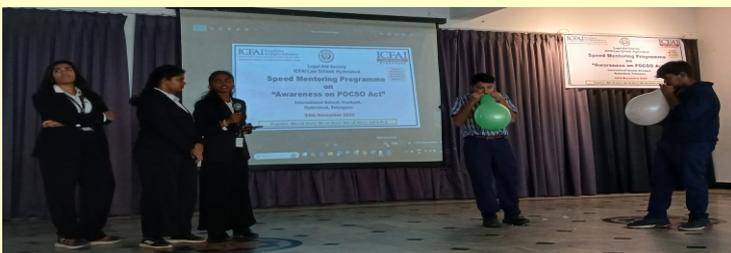
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Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, organized a legal awareness programme on the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, at the International School, Shaikpet, Hyderabad, on November 4, 2025. Around 200 students from Classes IX to XII, along with the school's Director, Principal, and teachers, participated in the programme.

Faculty members explained key provisions of the POCSO Act, including safe and unsafe touch, consent, grooming, and the penalties for offenders. The session emphasized the importance of reporting abuse and respecting personal boundaries. Legal Aid members also shared information on reporting mechanisms, helpline numbers, and the POCSO eBox, while interactive activities and a student mime act enhanced engagement and awareness.



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JAGRITI Scheme, 2025

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School (IFHE), Hyderabad, in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority, Kamareddy, organized a Legal Awareness Programme on the JAGRITI Scheme, 2025, along with a Jan Sunwai for women MGNREGA workers and Self-Help Group members on November 9, 2025, at Rythu Vedika Hall, Gajyanayak Thanda, Kamareddy District, Telangana, in observance of National Legal Services Day.

The programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr. K.V. Ravikumar, Assistant Professor, ICFAI Law School, who highlighted the role of the Legal Aid Society in spreading legal awareness and facilitating access to justice. The Chief Guest, Ms. T. Nagarani, Senior Civil Judge and Secretary, DLSA Kamareddy District, elaborated on the objectives and scope of the JAGRITI Scheme, emphasizing the availability of free legal aid services for women and children, particularly for vulnerable and marginalized sections of society.

The programme highlighted the availability of free legal aid services for women and other vulnerable sections under the JAGRITI scheme. Faculty and students conducted awareness activities, including a poster presentation and a skit on women's rights and safety, and shared information on key support mechanisms such as SAKHI, Women Helpline (181), Emergency Response (112), and the NALSA Helpline (15100).



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Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, organized a Speed Mentoring Programme on The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 at Meazure Learning, Hyderabad, Telangana, on November 10, 2025. The programme was attended by the employees of Meazure Learning.

Dr. M. Geetha Priyadarshini, Assistant Professor, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, provided detailed insights into the legal framework governing workplace sexual harassment and emphasized the importance of maintaining a safe, inclusive, and respectful work environment. The programme covered key aspects of the POSH Act, the role of Internal Complaints Committees (ICCs), redressal mechanisms, rights of aggrieved individuals, preventive measures, and relevant case studies. The session was highly interactive, with active participation from employees through questions and discussions.



The Legal Aid Society

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A street play on the rights and welfare of senior citizens

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, organized a street play on the rights and welfare of senior citizens at Kondakal Village, Shankarpally Mandal, Rangareddy District, Telangana, on November 18, 2025. The programme aimed to create legal awareness among senior citizens about their rights and available welfare measures.

Dr. K. V. Ravi Kumar, Assistant Professor, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, explained legal safeguards and government schemes for the elderly, including the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007, the Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana, Health insurance benefits, and the Elderline (1 4567) helpline. The programme featured a poster presentation by Ms. Sahiti Sree and Ms. Angana on the rights of senior citizens under the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 and concluded with a vote of thanks by Sai Kushal.

The street play performed by law students depicted the plight of elderly parents who were neglected after transferring property to their son and highlighted the legal right of parents to reclaim property in cases of neglect or abandonment. The event was organized by Dr. S. Kannan, Coordinator of the Legal Aid Society, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad.



Faculty Corner

Showcasing Excellence

The Blurring Lines of Sovereignty in Cyber Warfare

Dr. M. V. Subhashiny, Assistant Professor, ICFAL Law School, Hyderabad, presented a research paper titled "The Blurring Lines of Sovereignty in Cyber Warfare" at the two-day interdisciplinary hybrid conference on "Law, Technology and Security in the Age of Generative AI", held on 6th and 7th November 2025, at IFHE, Hyderabad.



Celestial Whispers

Quote of the Month

**“Be not afraid of greatness.
Some are born great,
Some achieve greatness, and
Some have greatness thrust upon 'em.”**

---Shakespeare