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National Conference

Mental Health Law and Criminal Behavior

On April 4–5, 2025, the Centre for Excellence in Criminal Law (CENEXCRIME) at ICFAI Law School, in collaboration with the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), organized a Two-Day National Conference on Mental Health Law and Criminal Behaviour. The conference featured six technical sessions and panel discussions on topics such as the Mental Healthcare Act, 2017, rehabilitation and forensic psychology, offender rehabilitation, vulnerable populations, mental health and children, and the interplay between criminal law and mental health.

The Inaugural Session commenced with Dr. Rekhraj Jain, Associate Professor, ICFAI Law School, introducing the theme of the conference and setting the tone for the deliberations ahead. Prof. Y. Pratap Reddy, Dean, ICFAI Law School, provided an insightful overview of the evolution of mental health legislation in India.

Prof. S. Vijayalakshmi, Registrar, IFHE, highlighted the transformative role of mentorship in shaping inclusive mental health and legal practices. Prof. Md. Akbar Khan, ICFAI Law School, discussed the ethical dilemmas posed by emerging neuro-technologies within the justice system.

Guest of Honour Dr. M. R. Ahmed drew attention to the often-overlooked mental health needs of prisoners, while Chief Guest Dr. Pratima Murthy stressed the urgency of integrating mental health services into the legal framework, advocating for the protection of the rights of vulnerable individuals.

The Valedictory Session was held on April 5, 2025. Dr. Rekhraj Jain presented a summary report, followed by addresses from Chief Guest Dr. Anitha Rayirala and Guest of Honour Dr. Suresh Bada Math. Prof. Y. Pratap Reddy, Dean, ICFAI Law School, delivered the concluding remarks, and Dr. Sumanta Meher proposed the vote of thanks, marking the formal close of the event.



National Conference

Mental Health Law and Criminal Behavior



National Conference

Intellectual Property and Society: Bridging Innovation and Public Interest

The Centre for Excellence in Intellectual Property Rights at ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, organized a Two-Day National Conference on "Intellectual Property and Society: Bridging Innovation and Public Interest" on April 24–25, 2025. The conference featured six insightful technical sessions covering a range of contemporary IP issues. Topics included AI and copyright, the socio-economic impact of IP, digital authorship and NFTs, protection of traditional knowledge, patent ethics and access, and aligning global IP norms with sustainable development.

Sessions were chaired by experts from academia and industry, fostering rich discussions on innovation and public interest. The Inaugural Session began with a Welcome Address by Prof. (Dr.) Y. Pratap Reddy, Dean, ICFAI Law School, who emphasized the growing significance of intellectual property in a knowledge-driven economy.

Hon'ble Sri Justice B. Seshasayana Reddy, Former Judge, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, served as Chief Guest, with Dr. B. Dayakar Rao and Prof. (Dr.) Shambhu Prasad Chakrabarty as Guests of Honour. The dignitaries reflected on the dynamic relationship between IP law and public welfare, particularly in the evolving contexts of artificial intelligence and traditional knowledge.

The Valedictory Session held on April 25, 2025, marked the formal conclusion of the two-day National Conference on Intellectual Property and Society. Prof. P. Ravisekhararaju, Director, ICFAI Law School, delivered the Welcome Address, applauding the active participation and intellectual rigor demonstrated by all attendees. Ms. Kiran Sharma, Assistant Professor, presented a detailed conference report. Hon'ble Sri Justice B. Prakash Rao, Former Judge, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, served as the Chief Guest, delivering an inspiring address that emphasized the ethical duties of IP stakeholders in today's interconnected digital landscape. Following the announcement of the winners of the IPR Week competitions—Prototype Poster Making, IPR Quiz, and Mark Master—by Mr. Rahul Neema, Assistant Professor, Prof. (Dr.) Y. Pratap Reddy, Dean, ICFAI Law School, delivered the concluding remarks. He extended his appreciation to the faculty, student volunteers, and paper presenters for their vital role in making the conference a meaningful and enriching academic experience. The session concluded with a formal Vote of Thanks by Mr. Dilip Sharma, Senior Assistant Professor and Coordinator, CoE-IPR.



IPR Week Celebrations

Fostering Innovation, Awareness, and Legal Acumen

As part of the IPR Week celebrations, held from 21st to 23rd April 2025, the Centre for Excellence in Intellectual Property Rights at ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, organized a series of engaging student competitions aimed at fostering creativity, innovation, and legal awareness. The Prototype Poster Making Competition encouraged students to visually express innovative ideas aligned with sustainable design and IP protection. Centered on the theme "Electric Bicycle for Kids", participants also explored other original concepts, focusing on utility, eco-friendliness, and safety. Judged by Dr. Sayan Das, Mr. Ravi Kant, and Mr. Hrudai Tej, the event witnessed enthusiastic participation and showcased inventive solutions.

The IPR Quiz Competition offered students a chance to test their knowledge of intellectual property law through a timed online format featuring 30 multiple-choice questions. Designed to promote academic curiosity and quick analytical thinking, the quiz drew participants from various programs and highlighted the relevance of IPR in today's innovation-driven world.

The Mark Master Competition provided a hands-on introduction to trademark law through a dynamic three-round challenge. Participants identified logos, sound marks, and brand taglines, sharpening their understanding of trademark protection in a fun, competitive format.

All winners were felicitated during the Valedictory Ceremony, marking the successful culmination of IPR Week's student-focused events that blended legal education with innovation and experiential learning.



Cultural Club

Farewell to the Class of 2020–2025

ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, hosted a vibrant and emotional farewell for the outgoing Batch of 2020–2025 on May 2, 2025, at the IFHE Seminar Hall. Organized by the Cultural Club and hosted by 8th semester students, the event featured pre-farewell games such as the lemon and spoon race, tug of war, and musical chairs, followed by a lively celebration.

The formal program included an inspiring address by Dr. P. Ravisekhara Raju, Director of ICFAI Law School, along with messages from other esteemed faculty members. A special felicitation ceremony for Prof. Hemalatha, cultural performances including group dances, solo singing, a solo act, a music band, and a cheerful Ramp Walk by the final-year students added vibrance to the day.

The celebration concluded with a cake-cutting ceremony, a nostalgic video presentation titled “Memories of the 5th Year Students,” gift distribution, and a warm vote of thanks, creating a memorable send-off for the graduating batch.



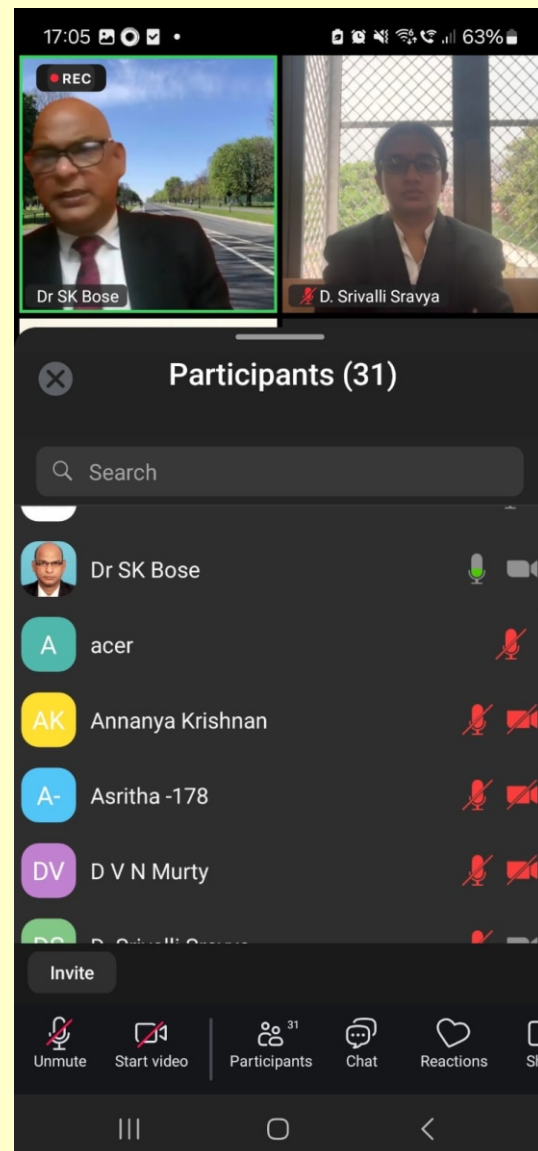
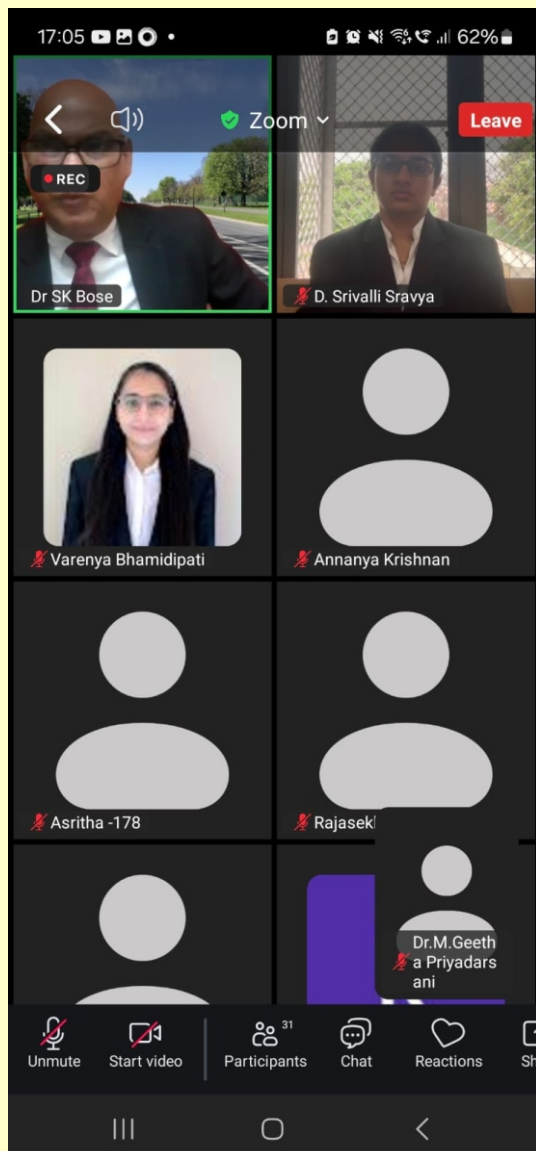
Lecture Series on Sustainable Development Goals

Quality Education: National Education Policy vis-à-vis Sustainable Development Goals

As part of its ongoing SDGs Lecture Series, the Centre for Excellence in Environment & Forest Laws at ICFAI Law School, IFHE Hyderabad, hosted the third lecture titled "Quality Education: National Education Policy vis-à-vis Sustainable Development Goals" on April 21, 2025.

The session featured Prof. (Dr.) S.K. Bose, Professor at the School of Law, Manav Rachna University, Delhi NCR, as the distinguished resource person. The lecture explored the critical linkages between India's National Education Policy and the global Sustainable Development Goals, with a particular emphasis on SDG 4 – Quality Education. Discussions centered on policy reforms, challenges in implementation, and future pathways for embedding sustainability within legal and academic frameworks.

The event highlighted ICFAI Law School's ongoing commitment to promoting scholarly dialogue on vital global issues.



Guest Lecture

Green Illusions and Real Remedies: The Role of the Community in Environmental Action

A guest lecture on "Green Illusions and Real Remedies: The Role of the Community in Environmental Action" was organized by SAKSHAM, the Social Responsibility Club of ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, on April 23, 2025. The event began with a welcome address by Dr. A. Arun Kumar, Assistant Dean – Clubs and Student Activities, who emphasized the community's role in addressing environmental challenges. This was followed by an introductory speech by Prof. (Dr.) Y. Pratap Reddy, Dean, ICFAI Law School, who highlighted environmental law as an emerging and vital field of research.

The keynote address was delivered by Prof. K. Purushottam Reddy, a noted environmentalist and political scientist, who traced the evolution of environmental legislation in India, referenced global movements, and shared grassroots case studies from Telangana. He also underscored the importance of judicial activism and community-led reforms. The event concluded with a felicitation of the Chief Guest and a vote of thanks by Mr. Setty Hrudai Tej, Assistant Professor.



Workshop

Biodiversity in Collaboration with IFB

On the occasion of International Day for Biological Diversity (IBD) on May 22, 2025, the Centre of Excellence for Environment and Forest Laws, ICFAI Law School, in collaboration with the ICFRE–Institute of Forest Biodiversity (IFB), Hyderabad, organized a One-Day Workshop on Harmony with Nature and Sustainable Development.

The workshop focused on raising awareness about the importance of biodiversity conservation and its crucial role in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Through engaging sessions and expert interactions, students gained valuable insights into the interconnectedness of ecological balance, legal frameworks, and responsible environmental stewardship.

The event also served as a platform for students to interact with leading experts and researchers in the field of forest biodiversity, enhancing both their academic knowledge and practical understanding of current environmental challenges.



Moot Court

The Pinnacle of Advocacy

3rd LexPacto's Virtual Moot Court Competition



A team from ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, comprising Soyam Shipra (Speaker 1), P.V. Mohana (Speaker 2), and B. Shreya (Researcher), all third-year BBA LL.B. students, showcased exceptional advocacy skills at the 3rd LexPacto's Virtual Moot Court Competition 2025, held online on April 26–27, 2025.

The competition revolved around legal issues concerning The Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956, the Anti-Trafficking Act, 2023, and constitutional protections under Article 21. Competing against 24 teams from across the country, the ICFAI team advanced to the semi-finals and secured the position of 2nd Runner-Up.

In recognition of their commendable performance, the team was awarded a cash prize of ₹5,000, along with certifications and discount vouchers from Manupatra Academy and LexPacto.

Honourary Special Mention at 2nd IILM National Moot Court Competition, 2025

A team comprising M. Sri Bhuvana (Speaker 1, 4th Year, B.A. LL.B.), G. Sai Manasa (Speaker 2, 4th Year, B.A. LL.B.), and Sarvana Shriya (Researcher, 4th Year, BBA LL.B.), from ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, participated in the 2nd IILM National Moot Court Competition from April 17 to 19, 2025, hosted by IILM School of Law, Greater Noida.

Competing against 85 teams from across the country, including National Law Universities and other premier law institutions, the ICFAI team earned an Honourary Special Mention, securing a position among the Top 32 teams nationwide.



The Legal Aid Society

To Empower & Engage

Guest Lecture on Legal Services and Launch of Free Legal Aid Web Forum

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, organized a guest lecture on "Legal Services under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987, and Lok Adalat" on April 3, 2025, at the IFHE Auditorium. The event commenced with an introductory address by Prof. M.D. Akbar Khan, who highlighted the critical need for accessible and free legal aid services in India. The keynote speaker, Sri Ch. Panchakshari, Member Secretary of the Telangana State Legal Services Authority, delivered a comprehensive lecture on the provisions of the Legal Services Authorities Act, the functioning and benefits of Lok Adalats, the various NALSA schemes, and their effective implementation in Telangana for marginalized and weaker sections of society. He also visited the Legal Aid Clinic and appreciated the initiatives of the Legal Aid Society, urging students to help poor litigants connect with legal services institutions.

A key highlight was the launch of the ICFAI Free Legal Aid Web Forum (<https://ifheindia.org/legaladvisor>), a voice-enabled platform designed to assist illiterate and marginalized individuals in seeking legal support.



The Legal Aid Society

To Empower & Engage

Legal Awareness Program for Medical Students at Nagarkurnool

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Nagarkurnool, organized a Legal Awareness Program on April 4, 2025, at the Government Medical College, Nagarkurnool. The initiative aimed to sensitize medical students to the legal dimensions of medical practice, focusing on medico-legal ethics and responsibilities.

The event began with a welcome address by Prof. S.V. Damodar Reddy, who introduced the theme and highlighted the relevance of legal literacy in medical education. Shri D. Rajesh Babu, Chairman of DLSA and Principal District and Sessions Judge of Nagarkurnool, graced the occasion as Chief Guest. In his address, he emphasized the significance of medical certificates issued by doctors as critical evidence in criminal investigations. Smt. Sabitha, Secretary of DLSA and Principal Senior Civil Judge, elaborated on legal aspects related to post-mortem reports, poisoning cases, and the legal implications of ragging in medical colleges.

A mock trial, skillfully enacted by Ms. Kavya and her team, and expert talks by Ms. Thejaswini Srikanth, faculty at ICFAI Law School, and Ms. K. Aishwarya (BA LL.B. 4th Year student) highlighted the doctrine of Informed Consent, legal safeguards, and ethical obligations.

The program concluded with an address by Dr. Ramadevi, Principal of Government Medical College, who commended the support of Prof. P. Ravisekhara Raju, Director, ICFAI Law School, and IFHE Management for facilitating the program.



The Legal Aid Society

To Empower & Engage

Legal Awareness Program on Farmers Rights and IPR for Agricultural Students

On April 4, 2025, the Legal Aid Society of ICAFI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Nagarkurnool, conducted a Legal Awareness Program for students of the Agricultural College, focusing on seed protection, intellectual property rights (IPR), and ethical issues relevant to agricultural students.

Prof. S.V. Damodar Reddy opened the session by welcoming the dignitaries and participants and introducing the theme of the program. Shri D. Rajesh Babu, Chairman of DLSA and Principal District and Sessions Judge, graced the occasion as Chief Guest. He emphasized the vital role of agriculture in national development and spoke about the significance of World Health Day, observed on April 7, linking agricultural health to public well-being.

Guest of Honor, Smt. G. Sabitha, Secretary of DLSA and Principal Senior Civil Judge, highlighted the roles of the government, judiciary, and civil society in safeguarding farmers' rights and providing legal remedies in times of distress. Dr. C. Sudhakar, Associate Director of Research at RARS, Agricultural College, underscored the importance of legal literacy for agricultural students, urging them to stay informed about the laws that affect their future professions.

A PowerPoint presentation on key agricultural laws and insights from the National Policy for Farmers, 2007, the compelling mime performance about the issue of ragging, by the Legal Aid Society members, and an inspiring talk by Dr. Polishetty Kesari, faculty at ICAFI Law School, emphasized that legal awareness is essential for social justice, professional integrity, and sustainable development.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. K.V. Ravi Kumar, who acknowledged the support of Prof. P. Ravisekhara Raju, Director, ICAFI Law School, and IFHE Management for facilitating the program.



The Legal Aid Society

To Empower & Engage

Legal Awareness Program on Social Security for Gig and Platform Workers

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority (Sessions Division, Hyderabad), Telangana Gig and Platform Workers Union, and the Department of Labour, Telangana, organized an awareness program on the Code on Social Security, 2020 and the e-Shram scheme for gig and platform workers.

Held on April 17, 2025, the program commenced with a welcome address by Prof. MD. Akbar Khan, who emphasized the significance of the e-Shram initiative in providing crucial social security benefits such as accidental insurance coverage of 2 lakh under the Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana. The event featured talks by dignitaries, Sri Mohd. Abdul Javeed Pasha, Senior Civil Judge, Sri Shaik Salaudain, Founder President of the Telangana Gig and Platform Workers Union, and Mr. Pramod Reddy, Deputy CEO, Department of Labour, Hyderabad, emphasized the importance of e-Shram registration and the upcoming legislation for gig workers in Telangana.

Highlights included a mime act, poster displays, and the registration of 115 workers, promoting awareness of social security benefits like accidental insurance and pensions. The program was coordinated by Dr. S. Kannan and the Legal Aid Society under the guidance of Prof. P. Ravisekhara Raju, with support from IFHE Management.



The Legal Aid Society

To Empower & Engage

National Legal Aid Clinic Excellence Awards

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, secured the first prize in the 2nd edition of Vidhiutsav, the National Legal Aid Clinic Excellence Award, organized by UPES Dehradun.

The winning team comprised Mr. P. V. Saikushal and Mr. S. Venkat, 4th-year B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) students who delivered an outstanding offline presentation showcasing their deep understanding of legal aid issues and proposing innovative, impact-driven solutions.

This national recognition is a testament to ICFAI Law School's commitment to legal empowerment and community outreach. It also highlights the school's role in nurturing socially conscious legal professionals. The achievement reflects the continued support of IFHE Management in funding legal aid activities and the consistent guidance of Prof. P. Ravisekhara Raju, Director, and Prof. Y. Pratap Reddy, Dean, whose support has been instrumental in the Legal Aid Society's numerous socio-legal initiatives throughout 2024.



The Legal Aid Society

To Empower & Engage

Legal Aid Appreciation Award Ceremony

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, hosted a Legal Aid Award Ceremony on May 1, 2025, to recognize and celebrate the outstanding contributions of its student members. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to all students who actively participated in the legal awareness initiatives conducted during the Even Semester (January / April 2025).

In recognition of their exemplary performance, Prof. P. Ravisekhara Raju, Director of ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad, presented special awards to the top performers. Mr. P. V. Sai Kushal (4th Year, B.A. LL.B. [Hons.]) was awarded the First Prize, which included a cash award of Rupess 20,000, while Ms. Aishwarya Reddy (4th Year, B.A. LL.B. [Hons.]) received the Second Prize, along with a cash award of Rupess 10,000 .



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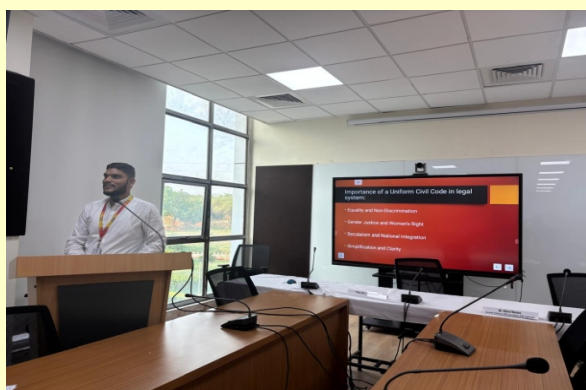
Showcasing Excellence



Dr. Renu Bala, Assistant Professor, delivered a thought-provoking lecture on "Factors Determining Issuance of CP in the Manufacturing Sector" at the Faculty Seminar, ICFAI Law School, on April 17th, 2025.



As part of the Faculty Seminar Series, Mr. Shubham Prakash Singh, Assistant Professor, presented a scholarly talk on "From Diversity to Legal Uniformity: Comparative Insights on Civil Codes" on April 30, 2025, at ICFAI Law School.



Ms Astha Srivastava, Assistant Professor, provided valuable insights into "Human Rights Education for Responsible AI" at the Faculty Seminar, ICFAI Law School.

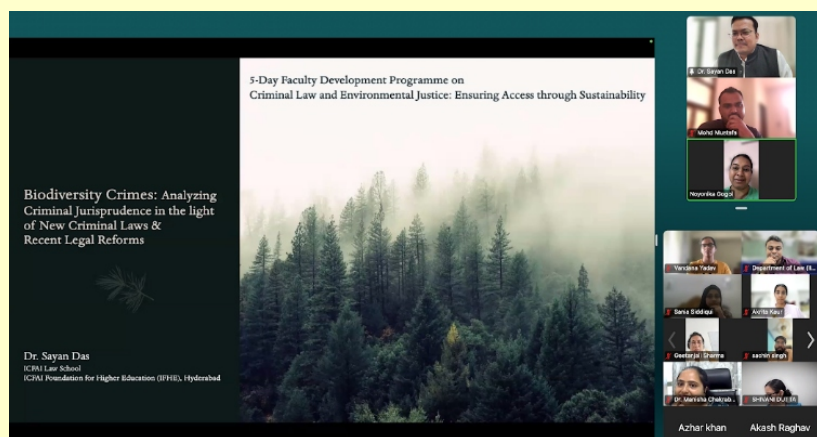


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Showcasing Excellence



Dr. Sayan Das delivered a session on “Biodiversity Crimes and Criminal Jurisprudence under New Legal Reforms” at a 5-day Faculty Development Programme on Criminal Law and Environmental Justice, held from May 12–16, 2025, organized by the Department of Law, UEM Kolkata, in collaboration with the Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Development Research.



Dr. M. Geetha Priyadarsani, Assistant Professor, delivered a lecture on “SDGs & the Kunming- Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework” at a One-Day Workshop jointly organized by the Centre of Excellence for Environment and Forest Laws, ICFAI Law School, and the ICFRE–Institute of Forest Biodiversity (IFB), Hyderabad, on May 22, 2025, in observance of International Day for Biological Diversity.



Dr. S. Kannan, Assistant Professor, ICFAI Law School, published an article titled “E-Shram Scheme: Empowering Unorganized Workers with Essential Social Security” in the International Journal of Research Publication and Reviews, Vol. 6, Issue 5, pp. 15261–15264, May 2025.

Admission Calender

BBA-LLB(Hons.) / BA-LLB(Hons.) / BAJ-LLB (Hons.)

	Phase I	Phase II
Last date for submission of completed Application	Dec. 14, 2024	April 05, 2025
ILSAT 2025	Dec. 15, 2024	April 06, 2025
Entrance Results	Dec. 26, 2024	April 10, 2025
Personal Interviews	Jan. 09, 2025 onwards	April 25, 2025 onwards
Provisional Admission Intimation	Jan. 24, 2025 onwards	April 30, 2025 onwards
Payment of Admission Fee	Jan. 25 - Feb. 06, 2025	May 01 - 08, 2025
Payment of Program Fee	May 12 - 22, 2025	
Registration	July 10 - 14, 2025	
Orientation Program / Deeksharambh	July 14 - 25, 2025	
Commencement of Classes	July 28, 2025	

LL.M - Ph.D in Law

Last date for submission of completed Application	July 06, 2025
Date of Entrance Examination	July 13, 2025
Personal Interviews	July 18 , 2025
Provisional Admission Intimation	July 24, 2025
Registration & Payment of Program Fee	July 30 to 31, 2025
Orientation Program	August 02 & 03, 2025
Commencement of Classes	August 08, 2025 onwards

Ph.D in Law

Last date for submission of completed Application	July 06, 2025
Date of Entrance Examination	July 13, 2025
Personal Interviews	July 18 , 2025
Provisional Admission Intimation	July 24, 2025
Registration & Payment of Program Fee	July 30 to 31, 2025
Orientation Program	August 02 & 03, 2025
Commencement of Classes	August 08, 2025 onwards

LLM Professional (Hybrid Learning)

Last date for submission of completed Application	July 06, 2025
Date of Entrance Examination	July 13, 2025
Personal Interviews	July 18 , 2025
Provisional Admission Intimation	July 24, 2025
Registration & Payment of Program Fee	July 30 to 31, 2025
Orientation Program	August 02 & 03, 2025
Commencement of Classes	August 08, 2025 onwards

LLM Program

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On the Horizon

Upcoming Events

Faculty Development Program

30th June 2025 to 11th July 2025

Deeksharambh

14th July 2025 to 25th July 2025



Celestial Whispers

Quote of the Month

"We are not now that strength which in old days
Moved earth and heaven, that which we are, we are;
One equal temper of heroic hearts,
Made weak by time and fate, but strong in will
To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield."

-----Alfred Tennyson