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MAHARASHTRA NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY AURANGABAD

brochure

of

CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS, POLICY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Maharashtra National Law University, Aurangabad (MNLUA) is the 21st National Law University of India and the third and final National Law University enacted under the Maharashtra National Law University Act, 2014 following Maharashtra National Law University, Mumbai and Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur. It was established in 2017 by the Government of Maharashtra. The Chancellor of the university is Hon'ble Shri. Justice Abhay Srinivas Oka and the Vice-Chancellor is Hon'ble Prof Dr K. V. S. Sarma.

The commencement of the University has fulfilled the aspirations of the people of the Marathwada region for an institution of national importance in Aurangabad. The law university is set to make a beginning with admissions from the Academic Year 2017-18. The University entered into an MOU with the Convenor, CLAT 2017 to make admissions from the merit list of the qualified CLAT-2017 aspirants.

MISSION AND VISION

The Maharashtra National Law University, Aurangabad (MNLUA) is established with a vision:

- > To advance and disseminate learning and knowledge of law and legal processes and their role in national development,
- To develop in students and research scholars, a sense of responsibilities.
- ➤ To organize lectures, seminars, symposia and conferences, to promote legal knowledge and to make law and legal studies/process efficient instrument of asocial development.

The university is for the development and advancement of legal education and for the purpose of imparting specialized and systematic instruction, training and research in systems of law.

AIMS & OBJECTIVES OF CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LAW, POLICYAND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

"Sustainable development - development that does not destroy or undermine the ecological, economic, or social basis on which continued development depends - is the only viable pathway to a more secure and hopeful future for rich and poor alike. - Maurice Strong, Opening Statement to the Rio Summit, 1992"

The aims & objectives of the Centre are as follows:

- ❖ The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), also known as the Global Goals, were adopted by the United Nations in 2015 as a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure that by 2030 all people enjoy peace and prosperity. Therefore, it aims to make students of MNLUA aware about the roles of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in contemporary legal world to protect the Environment.
- ❖ To encourage students to excel in Environmental Law by means of publication, seminars, paper presentation, debates workshop, group discussions and other allied activities.
- ❖ It aims to provide a platform for study, research, capacity building and consultation to all the stake holders including the grass root people, industries and administrative authorities.
- ❖ The Centre will be working in the direction of teaching the students of MNLUA about environmental law and different aspects of it by providing them with an opportunity to interact with the industry experts.
- ❖ The Centre will work to be a leader in environmental law research and teaching and environmental law reform advice and policy evaluation.
- ❖ The Centre will coordinate with institutions, professionals, NGOs, governments, Public Authorities for conducting research and undertaking projects regarding Environmental Law.
- ❖ It aims to conduct workshops, guest lectures, seminars etc. where industry experts, practitioners, and consultants will deliver speeches and will discuss recent happening in Environmental Law vis-a-vis Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- ❖ It aims to co-operate with Government Authorities to foster the implementation of Environment schemes in grass root area, industrial areas, residential areas, and silent zone areas.

INDUCTION OF MEMBERS

The Centre will be chaired by Mr. Md. Yusuf Hayath, Faculty of Environmental Law as the Faculty-in-charge and may include any other faculty member or staff that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor may deem fit. In addition, the Centre shall include student volunteers from all batches of the University. The method of selection will be formulated and finalized by the Faculty-in-charge after prior consultation with the relevant parties. The Centre shall not be affiliated with any particular Committee or elected student body under the MNLU-A SBC Constitution, and will not use elections as a way of adding new members but can have procedure of inviting SOPs for the same.

Composition:

- ❖ Faculty-in-charge or Convenor
- Co-convenor
- Student Volunteers (from each batch)

ACITIVITES OF CENTRE

The Centre will conduct the following activities:

- 1. The Centre shall strive hard to conduct Group Discussions and Debates at the University level for the students on matters of Environmental Law, Policy and Sustainable Development.
- 2. The Centre will operate a new portal website and a blog on a rolling submission basis on the subject of Environmental Law and Sustainable Development.
- 3. The Centre shall conduct any other activity that its members may after consultation and consideration decide. Any activity that involves the income or expenditure of money will only be conducted after the approval of the concerned officers in the University Administration.
- 4. Students ought to submit an article of 1500-3000 words concerning the Contemporary Environmental law topics and these articles subject to the approval of the Centre will get posted on the Centre Website, this will help in building the content on articles in the website for future referrals.
- 5. Starting an annual journal of Environmental Law, where various renowned judges, academicians, students, Ph.D. Scholars etc. will be invited through online notification to submit papers for the journal.
- 6. To create and maintain a YouTube channel.
- 7. Starting an Instagram page/ Facebook page where under the name "MNLUA Centre for Environmental Laws, Policy and Sustainable Development" and maintaining social posts for awareness regarding the Right to have clean environment of the citizen through a post of not more than 250-300 words.
- 8. Conducting an Article writing competition, Essay Writing Competition, Research Paper writing competition, Judgement analysis competition, Quiz competition, etc. on the issues concerning the Environmental Laws.
- 9. The Centre will conduct a series of lectures on the various

environmental schemes, policies, and organisation around the globe and their functioning.

- 10. The Centre shall provide an assistance to the Legal Aid Centre of the University in terms of legal research, litigations, etc.
- 11. The Centre shall also conduct awareness drives/campaigns for general public to amplify information regarding safe and clean environment.