



DECCAN EDUCATION SOCIETY'S

**SHRI. NAVALMAL FIRODIA LAW  
COLLEGE, PUNE.**

SEMINAR DEPARTMENT & LEGAL RESEARCH CELL, IN  
ASSOCIATION WITH STATE CLIMATE ACTION CELL,  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE,  
GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

organises

# THEMISIA 2.0

**International Seminar on  
"Development, Environment and Sustainability:  
Intersectional Contours and Law"**

## CONVENORS

**DR. SUNITA ADHAV**  
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ASST. PROF. PRADNYA YADAV

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**15TH & 16TH MARCH, 2024**

TIME:- 09:30 AM ONWARDS

VENUE:- KUNDANMAL FIRODIA AUDITORIUM, FERGUSSON COLLEGE CAMPUS

## **THE DECCAN EDUCATION SOCIETY - OUR PRIDE**

The DECCAN EDUCATION SOCIETY was formed under the guidance and leadership of various national leaders, visionaries and contributors namely Lokmanya Shri. Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Shri. Gopal Ganesh Agarkar, Shri. Vishnu Shastri Chiplunkar, Shri. Mahadev Ballal Namjoshi & Shri. Vamanrao Apte. Envisioning the importance of education these “Makers of Modern India” came up with the idea of The Deccan Education Society to strengthen the roots in Indian tradition pre-independence. The weavers dreamt an institution which had strong roots in Indian tradition and which catches the sunshine of modernity and here is the edifice standing before them with tradition, modernity and culture as its pillars. Formed in the year 1884 with a single institute to the journey till date with 50 institutions the DES maintains the legacy of each and every founder member with pride, commitment and promise towards building a better India every day.

### **KNOWLEDGE PARTNER-**

#### **STATE CLIMATE ACTION CELL, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE, GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA**

Government of Maharashtra established State Climate Action Cell, under Department of Environment and Climate change who is our esteemed knowledge partner for this Seminar. Their focused efforts on prevention, adaption, and mitigation regarding climate change, along with their pivotal role in providing guidance and implementing the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NPACC), exemplify their commitment to sustainable development.

Additionally, serving as the Nodal Agency for implementing Green Initiatives at the local level, the cell plays a crucial role in fostering green growth and resilience. This partnership signifies our joint commitment to addressing climate change and advancement sustainable practices further.



## **ABOUT DES'S SHRI NAVALMAL FIRODIA LAW COLLEGE, PUNE AND SEMINAR DEPARTMENT**

Established in the year 2004, this year marks two decades of excellence in inculcating legal didactics under the eminent framework of the Deccan Education Society. We believe in education as the way of revolution as well as overall development of mankind. In order to shape young minds into legal professionals and luminaries, our college has established various Cells and Departments. The Seminar & Workshop Department being an integral part of the Institution, regularly organizes international and national seminars, webinars and guest lectures by inviting eminent guest speakers as well as hosts intra - college teacher - student symposium on variety of topics that build the knowledge base of our students.

It provides a focal point of multidisciplinary avenues in various perspectives of socio - economic, political & legal arenas. We have hosted seminars on contemporary topics like Reservation Policy in India, Data Privacy, Agricultural Laws, Nuclear Power, Gender Sensitization (LGBTQIA), Labour Laws etc.

## **ABOUT THEMISIA**

Building on the success of its inaugural edition, we are thrilled to announce THEMISIA 2.0 ! This year's focus is on Environmental Law, which would include a comprehensive two-day international seminar on Environmental Law and Sustainable Development and a Legislative Drafting competition, a captivating legal quiz.

Organized by the seminar department, Themisia 2.0 is poised to serve as a dynamic platform for insightful discussions and knowledge exchange within the realm of environmental jurisprudence. Whether you are a student, an academician or a professional, or simply someone with a passion for the environment, Themisia 2.0 invites & welcomes you to join this meaningful dialogue.

## Concept Note

Emerging from the 'Earth's Climate observations of the 19th century, to the 'Greenhouse Gas Theory' in the early 20th century, the significance of climate change has only increased over the past decades. Despite the international summits such as the 'Rio Earth summit' in 1992 to the 28th session of 'UN's Climate Change Conference' (COP 28) in 2023, the world still seems to lag behind in effective action against climate change.

In case of India, significant work has been done by establishing 'National Green Tribunal' and through enactments made as early as the 'Environmental Protection Act, 1986' to the latest 'Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2022'. Regardless of these efforts India ranked 180th out of 180 countries in the 2022 Environmental Performance Index. This serves as a stark reminder that urgent action is needed to steer our course away from environmental decline.

Today in India, the environment, which was once taken for granted, is now given a voice through creative legislative actions and pro-environment judicial interpretations. Through the lens of evolving environmental law, a clearer picture of India's path towards sustainability is emerging. All this signifies the shift in attitude and a renewed commitment towards harmonizing development with environmental protection.

Adding to this transformation the DES's Shri. Navalmal Firodia Law College Pune in association with State Climate Action Cell, Government of Maharashtra, is hosting International Seminar On "DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY: INTERSECTIONAL CONTOURS AND LAW". The seminar aims to address the issues of climate change and sustainable development through a legal perspective focusing especially on India. The event would be an intellectual discourse including four technical sessions and paper presentations.



# AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE SEMINAR

The aims of the seminar typically include:

- To discuss environmental jurisprudence at International level in order to improve policies addressing climate change and sustainable development.
- To raise awareness about climate change impacts and promote sustainable practices.
- To inspire and share innovative solutions for climate change mitigation and sustainable development.
- To discuss mechanisms for monitoring and evaluating the progress of climate initiatives in the technological era.

## PARTICIPANTS INSTRUCTION

- Mode of Organizing: The Seminar is organized in a hybrid mode (both online and offline).
- Date of the Seminar: 15th & 16th of March, 2024.
- Abstract: Participants must submit Abstracts of 350-500 words and mail it to [seminardepartmentsnflc@gmail.com](mailto:seminardepartmentsnflc@gmail.com) on or before 10th February, 2024. The acceptance will be communicated on 15th February, 2024.
- Method of Citation: Harvard Blue Book 20th Ed.
- Applicant has to submit final paper to [seminardepartmentsnflc@gmail.com](mailto:seminardepartmentsnflc@gmail.com) before 15th of March ,2024. Selected Full Papers will be published in proceedings with ISBN
- Only one co-author is permitted. The registration fee is non-refundable.
- Registration Fee: Seminar Registration fee for Single offer Rs. 1000/-, Co-author : Rs. 1500/- no later than 10th of March shall be payable at - Account Number 50100302351126 , IFSC:- HDFC0000103. Participants after payment shall mail screenshot to [seminardepartmentsnflc@gmail.com](mailto:seminardepartmentsnflc@gmail.com).
- Attendance: Participants must attend all the sessions of the Seminar, including inaugural and valedictory in any preferable mode. Certificates will be presented only after the conclusion of the Seminar.
- Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/idQnpDZP77haq9jA8>

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION AT GLANCE

No. of Authors	Amount
Single	Rs.1000/-
Only Participation	Rs. 100/-
Co-author	Rs.1500/-

15th February	Deadline for the Submission of Abstract by the participants
25th February	Notification of Acceptance of Abstract
10th March	Submission of PPT
14th March	Submission of Final Paper
14th March	Payment receipt
15th March	Day 1 of Seminar commencing with Inaugural Session
16th March	Day 2 of Seminar concluding with Valedictory Session



# THEMES FOR PAPER PRESENTATIONS

## 1. ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS

- Origin, Jurisprudence, Implementation and Challenges in Environmental law.
- Karl Marx on Ecological Sustainability.
- UN Conventions, Treaties and Agreements.
- Role of UNEP as global authority on environment.

## 2. CLIMATE CHANGE

- From climate change to Green Conflicts.
- Carbon Trading / Climate finance and mitigating Greenhouse Gas Emission.
- Legal Structures supporting International co-operation on climate change, mitigation and adaption.
- Fostering Inclusion of people and engaging in climate action.

## 3.SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT- BALANCING PROGRESS AND ECOLOGY

- Ethics, Environment, Exploitation and conservation.
- Global Goals- A Universal call to action.
- Enhancing Social Responsibility and corporate sustainability practices.
- Global cooperation and role of state in environment conservation.

## 4.TECHNOLOGY- FUTURE OF SUSTAINABILITY

- Relevance of Emerging Technologies in environmental sustainability.
- Encouraging Innovation for Sustainable Technologies and practices.
- Sustainable Block chain Technology, E-waste and technological obsolescence.
- AI, Internet of things, Nuclear Energy, Space Technology and Data analytics for environmental monitoring.

**15th March , 2024**

# **INAUGURAL SESSION**

## **CHIEF GUEST**



### **SHRI. ABHIJIT B. GHORPADE**

Shri. Abhijit Balachandra Ghorpade is the Director of the State Climate Action Cell in Maharashtra, with a varied career history including roles such as Tahsildar, Private Secretary, and General Manager in governmental organizations. His educational background includes degrees in Politics, International Studies, Law, and International Development Policy.



# RESOURCE PERSONS

## TECHNICAL SESSION I

ENVIRONMENTAL JURISPRUDENCE  
AND ECOLOGICAL SUSTAINABILITY



### DR. BHARAT

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,  
THE INSTITUTE OF LEGAL STUDIES,  
PUNJAB UNIVERSITY, CHANDIGARH.

## TECHNICAL SESSION II

ROLE OF TECHNOLOGY IN CLIMATE  
CHANGE MITIGATION



### DR. JACOB JOSEPH

DR. JACOB JOSEPH IS A LEGAL EDUCATOR AND DIRECTOR AT THE CENTRE FOR LAW AND AGRICULTURE IN THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF ADVANCED LEGAL STUDIES, KOCHI. WITH OVER 20 YEARS OF ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE, HE SPECIALIZES IN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW, AGRICULTURAL LAW, AND FOOD LAW. DR. JOSEPH HAS AUTHORED BOOKS, DESIGNED COURSES, AND HELD KEY ROLES IN COMMITTEES AND EXPERT GROUPS IN THESE FIELDS.

**16th March, 2024**

**TECHNICAL SESSION III**

**ROAD MAP TO CLIMATE  
CHANGE JUSTICE: A WAY AHEAD!**



**DR. SONJA KLINSKY**

DR. SONJA KLINSKY PROMINENT SCHOLAR IN  
CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY AND  
ENVIRONMENT JUSTICE.

**TECHNICAL SESSION IV**

**AI AND DATA ANALYTICS FOR  
ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING**



**DR. SWAPNIL BANGALI**

DR. SWAPNIL BANGALI IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE  
CENTER FOR INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY  
AND LAW. HE HOLDS LL.B. AND LL.M. DEGREES FROM  
SYMBIOSIS LAW SCHOOL, PUNE, AND IS CERTIFIED IN CYBER  
LAWS AND CYBER SECURITY FROM GNLU, GANDHINAGAR. DR.  
BANGALI HAS TAUGHT AT INSTITUTIONS LIKE SYMBIOSIS  
LAW SCHOOL, PUNE, AND AURO UNIVERSITY, SURAT, AND IS  
KNOWN FOR HIS EXPERTISE IN TRAINING OFFICERS ON  
DIGITAL EVIDENCE IN INDIA. ADDITIONALLY, HE AUTHORED  
A BOOK ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LAW.



# VALEDICTORY SESSION



## CHIEF GUEST

### **HON'BLE JUSTICE ABHAY S. OKA**

JUSTICE ABHAY S. OKA, A DISTINGUISHED LEGAL PROFESSIONAL, CURRENTLY SERVES AS A JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA.

PREVIOUSLY, DURING HIS TENURE AS A HIGH COURT JUDGE, HE PASSED MANY ORDERS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND FOR BETTER LIVING CONDITIONS IN BANGALORE AND BOMBAY ALONG WITH OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE INDIAN JUDICIARY.

## GUEST OF HONOUR



### **SHRI. VIKAS DHAKANE**

SHRI. VIKAS DHAKANE IS THE ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER OF PUNE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AND FORMER SENIOR. D S COMMISSIONER AT MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS.



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