



# Symbiosis Law School

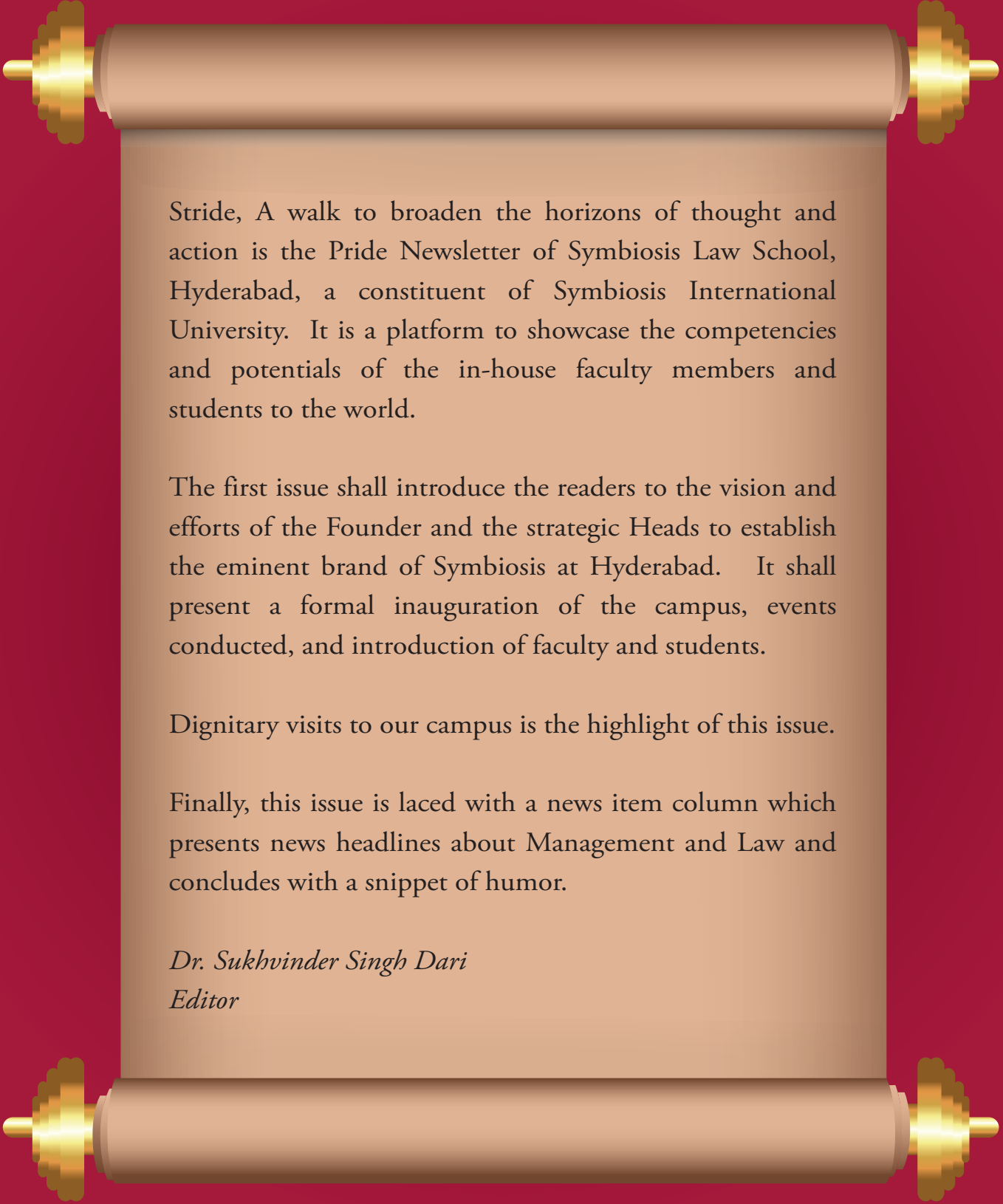
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# 2015



Stride, A walk to broaden the horizons of thought and action is the Pride Newsletter of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, a constituent of Symbiosis International University. It is a platform to showcase the competencies and potentials of the in-house faculty members and students to the world.

The first issue shall introduce the readers to the vision and efforts of the Founder and the strategic Heads to establish the eminent brand of Symbiosis at Hyderabad. It shall present a formal inauguration of the campus, events conducted, and introduction of faculty and students.

Dignitary visits to our campus is the highlight of this issue.

Finally, this issue is laced with a news item column which presents news headlines about Management and Law and concludes with a snippet of humor.

*Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari*  
*Editor*

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# DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad!!



Legal education, today, stands amidst emerging challenges to humankind such as the fast changing trends in governance, technological developments, growing crime rates. Socio-economic transformations, birth and survival of global business, organizations against tough competitions with major tussles on intellectual property and patenting laws, emphasis on learning than teaching, relevance to people and nation development call for a rigorous academic legal curriculum to produce human resources endowed with pertinent legal competencies.

Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad is born out of the above requirement in the new state of Telangana. It comes as a dependable destination for organizations and society seeking students graduating in law laced with knowledge in business. Welcome to our sprawling campus which is conducive for academic as well as personality development. I proudly introduce a dedicated team of academic and non-academic staff who are tirelessly striving to provide an environment which fosters learning, and expansion of horizons of thought and action.

The curriculum is revised to suit the socio-economic needs of individuals, the society, and the country at large. With it, our team is endlessly pursuing to train our students to be of immense value to the society. We reflect our founder, Sri S B Mujumdarji's vision in this regard, in providing education of a global standard. We have begun to create platforms of interactions for students with scholars and thinkers of national and international repute.

I hope and wish that our journey at Hyderabad shall be fulfilling to the faculty members, students, staff, and the society at large.

**Dr. Shashikant Hajare**





# INAUGURATION OF SYMBIOSIS LAW SCHOOL AND INSTITUTE OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

## COMMON COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM



Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad and Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Hyderabad, constituents of Symbiosis International University, jointly hosted the Common Commencement Programme 2014, on 22nd December, 2014 at Assembly Hall, Symbiosis Hyderabad Campus.

The program was marked by lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries on the dais, Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Director, Symbiosis Law School, Pune, Dr. Raman, Director, SIBM Pune, Dr. Nerkar, Registrar, SIU, Dr. R. K. Jain, Director, SIBM Hyderabad and Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Dy. Director, Symbiosis Law School Hyderabad.

Dr. Shashikala inaugurated the programs by introducing the new batches of Law & Management and said that the first batch shall create history as the combination of Law and Management may lead to creation of best lawyers & corporate managers. She elaborated on the legal status and the validity of various courses and assured the entire audience that Symbiosis has the authority of courts to start academic programmes. She emphasized the need for discipline, learning, adherence to the code of conduct and brain mapping.

Dr. Raman, the next speaker explained the importance of academic rigor and prominence of being with a renowned brand.

Dr. R. K. Jain, the subsequent speaker, introduced the programme, and developmental plans, including internship and placement for the students. He emphasized upon the importance of planning in life.

Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, proposed the vote of thanks. He thanked Dr. S. B. Mujumdar, Chancellor, SIU & Founder President, Symbiosis & Dr. Vidya Yerwadekar, Principal Director, Symbiosis, Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Dr. Raman, Director, Dr. Nerkar Dr. R K Jain, and parents and students for making



## MEET OUR FACULTY TEAM

Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad campus has a rich mix of faculty members from the Law, Management, and Social Sciences streams. All of them share the vision of the Founder and are committed to provide quality education enriched with solid research evidences and engaging students with talks from eminent scholars and thinkers across the country.

**Our faculty members are our vital resources leaving their mark on the learners' minds.**

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| 1.  | Dr. ShashikantHajare, PhD, LL.M,LLB, B.Sc. – NET       | Director            |
| 2.  | Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, PhD, LL.M                   | Deputy Director     |
| 3.  | Dr. Prageetha G Raju, PhD, MBA, - NET/JRF              | Associate Professor |
| 4.  | Dr. Ashok Pamidi, PhD,M.A,M.L,B.Sc.                    | Associate Professor |
| 5.  | Dr. Dibyakusum Ray, Ph.D., M.Phil, M.A. (English)      | Assistant Professor |
| 6.  | Dr. P B ShankerRao, PhD, LL.M                          | Adjunct Faculty     |
| 7.  | Mrs. M V Chandramathi, LL.M, B.A.,SET                  | Assistant Professor |
| 8.  | Mr. Abhijit D Vasmatkar, LL.M,NET                      | Assistant Professor |
| 9.  | Mr. NageshSawant, LL.M., LL.B, B.A., - NET             | Assistant Professor |
| 10. | Mrs. K. Shanthi, LL.M, MBA, M.Sc. –APSET               | Assistant Professor |
| 11. | Mr. R. Radhakrishnan, M.Phil., M.A.(Political Science) | Assistant Professor |
| 12. | Prof. SatishBalerao, M.A. (Sociology), M.Phil          | Assistant Professor |
| 13. | Prof. P. Jaya Raju, M.Phil, M.A. (History)             | Assistant Professo  |



*Director, Deputy Director and the faculty team of SLS, Hyderabad*





## MEET OUR STUDENTS



We introduce our first batch of students from the BBA, LLB and the BA LLB streams from Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad campus. We have a healthy representation of students covering the whole country. In all, we have 50% ratio of boys and girls in BA LLB and BBA LLB streams which is a healthy ratio. Each of them is articulate, energetic and enterprising with good amount of volunteering experience in NGOs and other civil organizations. Co-curricular and extra-curricular activities are potentially encouraged through creation and formation of: Teaching and Placement Cell, Sports Cell, Research and Publication Cell, Moot Court Association, Legal Aid Centre and Cultural Cell.

Also, given the diverse cultural backgrounds of the students, SLS Hyderabad campus encourages them to celebrate all the festivals of India reflecting the slogan of Symbiosis, "*VasudaivaKutumbakam*"



*First batch of BBA LLB and BA LLB at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad*





## DIGNITARIES VISITS AND GUEST LECTURES

The notable feature of Symbiosis Law school is inviting dignitaries to the campus and providing a platform for the students to interact with them directly, listen to them, ask them, and learn from their experience. Every dignitary visit brings in volumes of wisdom and tomes of excitement to learn, explore, seek, analyze, idolize, and interpret.





# 1 Sri Ram Jethmalani, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India visited our Law School at Hyderabad on 2 January 2015



*Sr. Advocate Ram Jethmalani, Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, and Dr. Sukhvinder Dari lighting the lamp*

*Sr. Advocate Ram Jethmalani addressing the students*

His visit to our campus marked the beginning of the intellectual voyage marked with gusto among the students, and the faculty members of Law and Management. The welcoming of this venerating personality was marked by lighting of the lamp ceremony by Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Sr. Advocate Ram Jethmalani, and Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari. Miss Bijayalakshmi Das, student of BBA, LLB, compered the program.

Mr. Jethmalani addressed the students and told them that he was a lawyer at a tender age of 17 with a law degree from Bombay University and he repeatedly mentioned his love for teaching and he motivated the law and management students to be the harbingers of change and help eradicate the social taboos and serve the society and thereby the nation. He concluded, “Democracy without education is hypocrisy without limitation”.





*SLS Hyderabad group photo with Justice P S Narayana and Justice P S Narayana addressing the students*

### **Justice P S Narayana delivered a lecture on “Independence of Judiciary”.**

He said that Judges have the ultimate responsibility for decisions regarding freedoms, rights, and duties of natural and legal persons within their jurisdiction.

The independence of each individual judge safeguards every person’s right to have their case decided solely on the basis of law, the evidence, and facts, without any improper influence. A well-functioning, efficient, and independent judiciary is an essential requirement for a fair, consistent, and neutral administration of justice. Consequently, judicial independence is an indispensable element of the right to due process, the rule of law and democracy.

The separation of powers is a fundamental guarantee of the independence of the judiciary. In the decision-making process, judges should have freedom to decide cases impartially, in accordance with their interpretation of the law and the facts. They should be able to act without any restriction or improper influence. Direct or indirect pressure, threats, or interferences, should not come from any quarter or for any reason.

The principle of independence of the judiciary has been laid down in various human rights instruments, including the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Article 10) and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (Article 14). There are also a number of UN standards, in particular the Basic Principles on the Independence of the Judiciary endorsed by the United Nations General Assembly in 1985 and the Bangalore Principles of Judicial Conduct of 2002.



### 3 Dr. M K Bhandari, Dean IMS Unison University of Law, Dehradun visited our Law School on 16 February, 2015



The program began with a felicitation extended to Dr. M K Bhandari by Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Deputy Director, Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad.

Dr. Bhandari elucidated about the challenges and opportunities in the profession of law. He emphasized on the category of education that goes beyond the five years of legal education, and termed law into a never ending learning process. The holistic way of learning at SLS was appraised and he pointed out the coherence of law as a

guide to the society and also related it with technology and other potential fields like cyber law, space law and e-governance to control social behavior and ensure law and order. He advised the students to make the best use of legal education, and also restructure their goals from time to time according to opportunities. He accentuated the need for analytical approach, argumentativeness, and advised them to adopt the less travelled path, and take the profession to new avenues through innovation.

### 4 Dr. Balakista Reddy, Registrar NALSAR, Professor, International Law, Coordinator, MK Nambiar SAARC Law Center and Head, Center for Air and Space Law, NALSAR, University of Law, Hyderabad visited our Law School on 16 February 2015



Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari felicitated Dr. Balakista Reddy and warmly welcomed him to the Law School. Dr. Reddy's speech was inspiring which explained the impact of globalization and internationalization on the legal profession. He stressed upon the need to have broader a horizon in formulating laws in 21st century, wherein, India is perceived as a potential partner by almost all countries. Air and Space Law being his forte, he pointed out the deficiency of well-defined laws space laws in India. He advised the prospective lawyers to

explore new and upcoming areas of law like space law, intellectual property rights, and international trade and so on. He advised students not to restrict themselves to mainstream areas.



*Thoughts Unleashed.....*





## EVENTS



### Alumni address on “impact of sls, pune on our lives” @ sls hyderabad



SLS, Hyderabad invited Mr. RaghavChakravarty and Mr. Sachin Ravi, founding members of Walnut Knowledge Solutions Ltd. Bengaluru, and alumni of Symbiosis Law School, Pune for ‘Alumni-Student Interaction’ on 19 January 2015.

The programme began with the welcoming and felicitation of the guests by Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Deputy Director, SLS, Hyderabad. He said that it is a colourful moment where the alumni are invited to share

their success stories and inspire new young minds.

Mr. RaghavChakravarty, shared his achievements and contribution of Symbiosis Law School, Pune in his career graph. He highlighted the volume of opportunities made available to the students at SLS, Pune and how he made use of it to reach this height. He mentioned about high academic standards and scope for creativity at Symbiosis. He encouraged students to become entrepreneur and stated that beginning of a good career starts from college itself. He shared the importance of taking part in the college activities for holistic development. He talked about importance of confidence, resilience and keeping one’s driving force active to achieve success.

Mr. Sachin Ravi carried on the interactive discussion by describing his journey from Bangalore, his hometown to Pune. He talked about the wide diversity they dealt with, events they participated in. They mentioned about anxieties faced by their families so as to send them into an alien environment. Further they told students, how happily they quit their jobs to do just what made them happy. He suggested the budding lawyers to make decisions for themselves, take responsibilities for what they do and set up a legacy.

Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari proposed vote of thanks and Ms. Aishwarya B, a student of I BBA LL.B compered the programme.





## Republic Day celebrations on 26 January, 2015,



It was marked by the presence of Justice P S Narayana, former Judge of AP High Court; currently member of Maha Dhayi Water Dispute Tribunal, New Delhi.

Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Deputy Director, Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad presented the welcome address with Warm greetings and good wishes on the eve of 66th republic day celebration. Dr. Singh Introduced about Symbiosis International University and its contribution to education sector under the guidance and leadership of Dr. S B Mujumdar, Chancellor, Symbiosis International University, Pune and Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Principal Director, Symbiosis Society.

Justice P.S. Narayana in his address on the eve of republic day celebration congratulated all present for celebration and said that Symbiosis is not new to him. He knows symbiosis and the quality education that symbiosis provides. He also talked about collegial system in India and Independence of judiciary.

While Ms. NamrataChakraborty, Student of BA, LLB, rendered the “VandeMataram”, other students, Ms. Sri Lekha and Mr. Aditya compered the program, and Ms. Manaswani coordinated the program.Dr. ShankerRao, AdjunctProfessor, proposed the vote of thanks.



## Inauguration of Legal Aid Centre - 28th February, 2015



SLS, Hyderabad inaugurated the ‘Legal Aid Centre’, in the Law School campus to provide free legal aid, advice and to create awareness among the masses in the nearby vicinity. The ceremony was graced with the presence of Mr. Suryanarayana Murthy, Senior Civil Judge, Shadnagar, Mr. Kalmeshwar, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Shadnagar zone, Mr. Navin Reddy, Sarpanch of 8 villages and Vice chairman, ZillaParishad, Mr. R Jagan Mohan, Chairperson Bar Association, Shadnagar.



Mr. Suryanarayana Murthy inaugurated the Legal Aid Centre and marked the beginning of the ceremony by lighting the lamp, followed by felicitation of the dignitaries by Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, the Deputy Director of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad.

Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari welcomed and introduced the guests to the culture and zeal of Symbiosis, which is to spread awareness and provide free legal aid. Dr. Shankar Rao, faculty in-charge of legal aid cell highlighted the problem of pendency of cases in lower courts in India and stated that there is a need to resolve disputes via alternative media. More importantly he stated that, legal aid and awareness is perhaps the media to prevent disputes to be piled in the court of law. He expressed a need for Judiciary, Bar, Police and Academia to work together to fulfill the dreams of the democracy.

The guest of honour Mr. SuryanarayanaMurthy expressed the need for spreading awareness amongst the citizens of India and highlighted the role of law schools in bringing social change. He also mentioned the Legal Services Authorities Act and its mandate; the state has to provide free legal aid to the poor and needy. He further assured that the court and the legal service authorities shall accord maximum cooperation to the legal aid cell at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad.

Mr. Kalmeshwar, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Shadnagar circle also congratulated SLS, Hyderabad for its initiative and assured maximum cooperation. Mr. R. JaganMohan, highlighted the need to have good colleges imparting quality education. He congratulated students for being part of Symbiosis where the quality is bench marked with a combination of expertise, justice and service.

The programme concluded by vote of thanks by Dr. Shankar Rao, the faculty in-charge of legal aid centre.



## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM BY STUDENTS OF SLS HYDERABAD





## COMPETITIONS AND EVENTS ATTENDED BY OUR STUDENTS



### Symbhav, 2015

Students of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad had visited Symbiosis Law School, Pune to participate in Symbhav, 2015 from 20 – 22 February, one of the popular fests being hosted amongst Law Schools in India.

Symbhav'15 was organized for three-days, which attracted more than 500 students across different colleges from different cities. It hosted more than 30 contests and competitions ranging from fashion show to legal events like moot court and client counseling competition.

SLS, Hyderabad students have participated in events like Hindi solo singing, western solo singing, Mr. and Miss Symbhav, Iron man, Mad ads, Ramble on, JAM, Legal quiz, General quiz, Dumb charades, Creative writing, Cricket and many more.

In mad ads, students of SLS, Hyderabad were the runners up. In legal quiz, our students have won the first prize.

On 22nd February the last day of Symbhav, SLS Hyderabad did a flash mob which created a good impact on the audience.

### Visit to SLS, Pune to attend 7th Symbiosis – B. Krishna Memorial National Intellectual Property Rights Moot Court Competition, from 6th to 8th February, 2015.

The students of the SLS, Hyderabad were given an opportunity to attend 7th Symbiosis – B. Krishna Memorial National Intellectual Property Rights Moot Court Competition being held from 6th to 8th February, 2015 at SLS, Pune.

Inaugural ceremony was graced with the presence of **Mr. Raj Hirwani, Director - CSIR-Unit for Research and Development of Information Products, Pune**. Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Dean, Faculty of Law, Symbiosis International University, has delivered a welcome address. She explained the saga of excellence at Symbiosis Law School, Pune. While highlighting the culture of moot court at SLS, Pune, she explained the collaborations the institute has with Law firms and Industry and the all-round support the institute has from different stakeholders.

Mr. Hirwani in his opening remarks explained the need to develop niche into interdisciplinary areas like technology and Law. He pointed out that there is a scarcity of lawyers globally having expertise in upcoming areas. While explaining opportunities in the techno-legal domain, he stated that apart from IP litigation there is scope in IP consultancy, IP portfolio management, IP landscaping and the like. He further, highlighted the importance of mooting skills for lawyers to be able to stand in global competition.

Vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Bindu Ronald, Deputy-director, Symbiosis Law School, Pune.



On 7th February, 2015 students have attended preliminary and quarter final round to have experiential learning and acquire requisite moot skills. In the late afternoon, students have attended a guest lecture by Adv. SampatBulusu, Senior Manager, Shell Oil, Gujrat. He enlightened students about the academic discipline and shared story as to how he has groomed as a student at SLS, Pune. He oriented students about memorial drafting, basic court mannerism and pleadings.

On 8th February, 2015 students have attended semi-finals, finals of the same competition followed by valedictory and award ceremony.

SLS, Hyderabad students, Mr. EkantHiranandani, Mr. P. Roshan Kumar, and Miss Bijayalaxmi Das have participated in the moot court competition. (*photograph for reference, presented below*).



*Adv. SampatBulusu, Senior Manager, Shell Oil, Gujrat*





# DID YOU KNOW?

1

Insurance Laws (Amendment) Bill (Act) 2015 passed by the Parliament will seamlessly replace the Insurance Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2014, which came into force on 26th December 2014. The amendment Act will remove archaic and redundant provisions in the legislations and incorporates certain provisions to provide (IRDAI) with the flexibility to discharge its functions more effectively and efficiently. It also provides for enhancement of the foreign investment cap in an Indian Insurance Company from 26% to an explicitly composite limit of 49% with the safeguard of Indian ownership and control.

2

India's first private Greenfield airport at Durgapur to be operational by 14 April 2015. It may be christened as KaziNazrul Islam Airport. It is promoted by Bengal Aerotropolis Projects Limited (BAPL). The Government of Bengal has 1.2% stake in BAPL and Singapore's Changi Airport is the single largest shareholder in the airport.

3

M&A growth predictions for 2015 – Recent publications by EY and 451 Research, respectively, outline the reasons why 2015 will be another very strong year for M&A and particularly in the global life sciences and technology sectors.

4

Section 66A: India court strikes down "Facebook" arrest law - Supreme Court of India has struck down a controversial Section 66A of the IT Act which allowed police to arrest people for comments on social networks and other internet sites ruling that it was unconstitutional



# TICKLES



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