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A Report of students' and staff's achievements and events conducted at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, for the months of September 2024.

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS: -

Dr. Anuradha B, Deputy Director, SLSH was invited as a resource person at International Conference on “Fiscal Federalism with special reference to Indian Constitution” on the theme “Impact of GST on Federalism and Fiscal Autonomy” on 28th September 2024.

Mr. R Radhakrishnan, Assistant Professor, SLSH participated in the International Webinar on 'Bangladesh Crisis: Ramifications on India and South Asia' held on 19 September 2024, Organised by the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati and SVCR Government Degree College, Palamaner, Andhra Pradesh.

STUDENTS ACHIEVEMENTS: -

MOOT COURT COMPETITION: -

1. The team comprising Saksham Sharma, Adhiraj Singh and Laqshya Badwaal has emerged as the Quarter Finalist of the 1st National Trial Advocacy Competition, 2024, organized by Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur.

Additionally, the team has also secured The Best Memorial Award.



2. The team of SLSH comprising Tarini Srinivasan, Zareen Fatima and Andrea Geraldine Vanspall has emerged as Quarter-Finalists in the 1st National Civil Trial Advocacy Competition, 2024, organized by School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University).



SPORTS

1. SLSH Volley Ball girls team emerged as Winners at the SIU Inter Institute Basketball Tournament held in September 2024 at Symbiosis International (Deemed University), Pune



2. Ms. Swati Yadav (Capitan), Student of SLSH was awarded/earned as Best Player for her outstanding performance at the SIU Inter Institute Volleyball Tournament held in September 2024.
3. Byram Jashwant and V. Rishihas Reddy from the men's volleyball team at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, have been selected to participate in the tryouts for the Symbiosis International University Volleyball Team.
4. Adithya Chamu, a fourth-year student at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, has been selected to represent the Symbiosis International University basketball team.

Literary and Debate

The team of SLSH comprising of Pranav Parameswaran and Dathatreya Kulathu Mahesh has emerged as the Semi Finalists of the GNLU Debate, 2024, organised by Gujarat National Law University.

RESEARCH & PUBLICATION

Ms. Daisy Varghese and Parvathy K. Arun, students of SLS-H, presented a paper titled "To Consociate or Not To Consociate: Understanding the Paradox of Elite Dominance and Constitutionalism" at the 3rd National Seminar on Constitution in Contemporary Times held at NLU Jodhpur on 7th September 2024. They secured the First Rank among 250+ submissions for the same.



Alumni Engagement

Two-Day Workshop on "Contract Drafting Essentials"

The Centre for Finance, Accountability, Corporate Governance and Transparency (C-FACT) of SLSH conducted a two-day workshop on the Essentials of Contract Drafting at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, on the 20th and 28th of September 2024. Mr. Shresth Vidyarthi, In-House Legal Counsel at Amara Raja Energy and Mobility Ltd. (**SLSH - Alumni 2017 Batch**), The workshop aimed to equip students with vital contract drafting skills, emphasizing clear and precise language to prevent future disputes. Mr. Vidyarthi introduced key concepts such as binding and non-binding clauses, the significance of NDAs, and the structure of MoUs, while engaging participants in hands-on drafting exercises. On Day 2, students were tasked with drafting term sheets and contracts, applying their newly acquired skills in a competitive format. The highlight of the workshop was a competition, with the winning team earning a paid internship at Amara Raja Energy & Mobility Ltd. The event was a resounding success, providing students with practical insights and real-world examples and underscoring the importance of contract drafting in legal practice.



ISR Activity - Training - Self Defence Programme

On September 21, 2024, SCOPE-H organized a self-defence workshop at Tagore High School in Shadnagar to empower young girls with essential safety skills. Led by two expert instructors, the workshop covered foundational self-defence techniques focused on enhancing physical safety, confidence, and resilience. The instructors provided valuable insights on situational awareness, quick reflexes, and simple defensive moves to help the students proactively protect themselves. The session included interactive demonstrations where two student volunteers showcased key techniques, underscoring the importance of mental and physical preparedness. The workshop was well-received, equipping students with practical skills and reinforcing self-confidence in personal safety.



EVENTS CONDUCTED AT SLSH

Workshop on “Implementing Corporate Legal Strategies”

The Centre for Corporate and Competition Law at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, conducted a one-day workshop on *"Implementing Corporate Legal Strategies"* on 3rd September 2024, by inviting Ms. Aditi Duggal, Senior Associate at Tatva Legal, Hyderabad as a resource person. Ms. Duggal briefed students on key corporate law concepts such as the Indian Contract Act, confidentiality agreements, and NDAs followed by a Q&A session that enhanced their understanding of corporate legal practices in today's tech-driven world.



CODE-BLUE SIMULATION” Competition

The Centre for Medical Law, Ethics and Policy (CMLEP) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, conducted the "Code-Blue Simulation" internal competition on 3rd September 2024. The competition aimed to enhance participants' understanding of medical law and ethics while sharpening their analytical and advocacy skills. Participants competed in two rounds, critiquing video enactments and presenting arguments on medico-legal scenarios. Gift hampers were awarded to the teams for the Best Written Strategy and Best Oral Presentation.



Global Trends in Legal Education & LLM Abroad:

On September 4, 2024, the International Cell of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, hosted an insightful event titled "Global Trends in Legal Education & LL.M Abroad." The event provided students with valuable insights into postgraduate legal education opportunities, focusing on LL.M programs in the U.S., U.K., and Europe. Distinguished university representatives shared expertise on academic offerings, specializations, application processes, and scholarship opportunities. The event featured interactive discussions, including a Q&A session where students engaged with panelists on various aspects of international education.



FLYER CLASH 3.0

The Centre for Banking and Finance (CBF) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized Flyer Clash 3.0 on 9 September 2024, the competition focused on three key themes: "Navigating Economic Uncertainty for Financial Resilience," "Inclusive Finance: Bridging the Gap with Fintech Solutions," and "Robo-Advisors and Automated Investing: The Future of Personalized Financial Management." Participants showcased their creativity by designing theme-based flyers, judged on creativity, clarity, originality, and aesthetic appeal. The event saw 30 registrations and 20 submissions, with e-certificates awarded to all participants and Gift hampers for the winner, runner-up.

Group Discussion on "From Tradition to Controversy: The Impact of Animal Fights and Ritual Slaughter on Animal Welfare in India"

The Animal Law and Welfare Committee (ALWC) conducted a Group Discussion on 10th September 2024 titled "From Tradition to Controversy: The Impact of Animal Fights and Ritual Slaughter on Animal Welfare in India.", the discussion delved into varied perspectives on practices like Jallikattu in Tamil Nadu and ritual animal sacrifices during religious festivals. Proponents argued that Jallikattu symbolizes cultural traditions of valor, while sacrifices reflect religious devotion. Opponents, citing the Supreme Court's decision in Welfare Board of India v. A. Nagaraja, emphasized the importance of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act (1960), highlighting the mental and physical harm to animals with reference to Indian Constitution.



Group discussion - Promoting Holistic Health and Inclusion while upholding the tenets of the RPWD Act, 2016

The Centre for the Rights of the Differently Abled (CRDA) of SLSH 9 organized a group discussion titled "Candid Conversation on Promoting Holistic Health & Inclusion - Are You a Victim of Therapy Speak?" This event focused on exploring mental health, the meaning of 'therapy speak,' and its impact on mental health discussions. Participants were encouraged to express their views, share personal experiences, and engage in a dynamic exchange of perspectives. The discussion not only raised awareness about mental disabilities but also provided insights into relevant laws, fostering a deeper understanding of diverse viewpoints. It was a successful initiative aimed at promoting inclusivity and holistic well-being.



“CYBUZZ 3.0”, The Quiz Competition

On 12th September 2024, the Centre for Specialisation in Cyber Law Studies (CSCLS), in collaboration with the Quiz Society at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized Cybuzz 3.0, a quiz competition themed around "Cybersecurity in Emerging Trends." The competition featured three rounds: Round One and CryptHunt, which involved solving cryptic clues to uncover a QR code. The top seven teams progressed to Round Two, Pounce, which included multiple segments such as logo identification, an audio round, and a buzzer challenge. Four teams advanced to the final Running Tambola round, where participants solved clues to mark numbers on their tombola sheets.



Group Discussion on "Ocean Gate Disaster: An Analysis of Torts"

The Centre for Maritime and Security Laws (CMSL) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized a group discussion on 12th September 2024 the Participants were invited to present their analysis of tort liability on the Oceangate disaster, which occurred in June 2023. The discussion focused on issues of negligence, liability waivers in high-risk activities, and the implications of gross negligence in the Oceangate disaster, which occurred in June 2023.



Trial Advocacy Orientation Programme

The Moot Court Association of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organised a Trial Advocacy Orientation Program for the Batch of 2024 on the 12th and 13th of September, 2024. The program was designed to familiarize the new students with the concept of trials, offering insights into the structure and process of a Trial Advocacy Competition. In-depth discussions on key aspects such as chief- examination and cross-examination were held to ignite enthusiasm and promote a strong trial culture. The orientation concluded with an interactive doubt-clearing session led by the members of the Moot Court Association, addressing queries from the participants.



Guest Lecture on Business Statistics:

A Three-Day (14th, 21st, & 28th September 2024) guest lecture on Business Statistics was organized for the students of the 2021-2026 batch, featuring Dr. Rajanikanth M, Assistant Professor at the GITAM School of Business. The lecture aimed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of business statistics, covering essential topics such as hypothesis testing, random variables, discrete probability distributions, expected value, variance, and various distributions, including binomial, hypergeometric, Poisson, and continuous distributions (uniform, normal, and exponential). Additionally, the session addressed the normal approximation of discrete probability distributions in the context of binomial and Poisson distributions. This guest lecture was designed to help students understand the application and implementation of business statistics in corporate settings and law firms.

Capsule Course on Drafting Pleadings and Conveyance - I

A capsule course on Drafting Pleadings and Conveyance (Criminal Side Practice) was conducted for final-year B.A. LL.B. and BBA LL.B. students on 14th September 2024. Advocate Padmarao Lakkaraju was invited as the resource person to provide practical insights into criminal law drafting. The session covered key topics such as petitions for divorce, appeals from the District Court to the High Court, writ petitions under Article 32 (PIL), and complaints under Section 500 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860. This hands-on course aimed to enhance students' legal drafting skills and equip them with valuable experience for their future careers.



Capsule Course on Drafting Pleadings and Conveyance – II

A capsule course on Drafting Pleadings and Conveyance was conducted for the final-year students on September 21, 2024, by inviting Advocate Murtaza Cherrawala as the resource person. The course focused on the practical aspects of civil law practice, covering key topics such as suits for recovery, specific performance, partnership deeds, franchise agreements, and the concept of power of attorney. The session provided students with valuable hands-on experience in legal drafting, equipping them with essential skills for their future legal careers.



Group Discussion on Burger King Corporation v. Anahita Irani: Clash of Kings

The Centre for Intellectual Property Research and Advocacy (CIPRA) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized a group discussion titled "*Burger King Corporation v. Anahita Irani: Clash of Kings!*" on 24th September 2024. Participants engaged in discussions centred around three selected themes from a broader set of seven. The event emphasized crucial intellectual property issues such as passing off, unfair competition, trademark dilution, and brand reputation.

Group Discussion

DiscussionContentious Jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice (ICJ)

The Centre for Advancement of International Law (CAIL) at SLSH organized a group discussion on September 17, 2024, on the topic, “The contentious jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice (ICJ)”. Participants engaged with key articles from the Statute of the International Court of Justice and debated several landmark cases, exploring the Court's strengths and challenges. The event encouraged collaborative discussions and critical thinking, helping participants develop fresh perspectives on the International Court of Justice's role in international dispute resolution.



Extempore competition- Real Estate and Tax Edition

The Centre for Real Estate and Taxation Laws (CRAT) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, conducted an engaging Extempore event on Real Estate and Taxation laws on 17th September 2024 in the Assembly Hall. This event offered students an excellent platform to demonstrate their knowledge on various topics, ranging from loopholes in taxation laws to global tax policies. Participants picked chits with topics and had 15 minutes to prepare their speeches, which were evaluated on content, structure, argumentation, and presentation. The event was judged by faculty members of SLSH. The event provided a valuable opportunity for students to engage with complex legal concepts and hone their public speaking skills. The competition was a resounding success, enhancing participants' understanding of Real Estate and Taxation laws while encouraging insightful discourse among the attendees.

"Middle-Ground 2.0" - A Conversation in The Making

The Centre for Gender Studies at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, hosted *Middle Ground: A Conversation in the Making* to broaden students' understanding of gender issues within legal and societal frameworks. The event featured two debates: whether prisons should allow inmates to choose facilities based on their gender identity and whether domestic violence laws need reforms to address male victims equally. Moderated by faculty of SLSH, students presented opposing views on each topic, sparking thoughtful discussions. The debate on gender identity in prisons balanced concerns around safety with trans rights, while the discussion on domestic violence laws highlighted the need for the protection of both men and

women. The event fostered a constructive dialogue, encouraging participants to find common ground on these complex issues.

Accord 2.0

The Centre for Sports Law at SLSH organized the second edition of Accord 2.0, a thrilling sports law problem-solving competition held over two days on September 19th and 21st, 2024. In the preliminary round, six teams took on a challenging legal issue related to betting, showcasing their expertise and analytical abilities. Each team had 20 minutes to research and present their solutions to the judges, simulating a real-world client consultation. Two teams advanced to the final round, where guest judge Mr. Chaitanya Singh assessed their legal arguments. Accord 2.0 offered participants a valuable opportunity to delve into the dynamic field of sports law, fostering insightful discussions and inspiring further interest in the subject.

Movie Screening - English Vinglish (2012)

The Centre for Immigration and Citizenship Law, in collaboration with CineVerse The Movie Club at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized a screening of the film *English Vinglish* (2012) in the auditorium on 24th September 2024.

Author's Pitch

Literary Debate Society of SLSH, conducted The "Author's Pitch" event to provide a dynamic platform for aspiring and experienced writers to showcase their storytelling skills. Participants were given a prompt on the spot and had just 15 minutes to craft a story, followed by a 5-minute presentation before the audience and judges, faculty members of SLSH. Judged on creativity, originality, and presentation, the event challenged participants to think quickly and deliver compelling narratives. With enthusiastic participation, the event succeeded in fostering a love for writing, offering valuable feedback, and boosting confidence, while winners were rewarded with exciting gift hampers.



Group Discussion on Legal Protection for Whistleblowers

On September 25, 2024, the Centre for Criminology and Criminal Justice (CCCJ) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organised a group discussion on "Legal Protections for

Whistleblowers." Participants from all the batches engaged in meaningful dialogue about whistleblower legislation and existing safeguards. The discussion focused on the importance of whistleblower protection in promoting transparency, the effectiveness of current laws against retaliation, and the need for stronger protections and support systems. Participants shared valuable insights into challenges with existing laws, including issues related to confidentiality and governing authority. The session underscored the commitment of both the participants and the CCCJ to advocate for enhanced legal safeguards for whistleblowers.



COPRO 6.0

The Centre for Consumer Rights and Marketing (CCRM), in collaboration with the Literary and Debate Society (LDS), conducted “COPRO 6.0” on September 26, 2024. This event focused on the nuanced issues of data privacy and consent from a legal perspective, featuring three rounds: Prelims, Semi-Finals, and Finals. Students had the opportunity to share their views on contemporary digital privacy challenges, fostering meaningful dialogue and collaboration among diverse perspectives. The discussions highlighted the importance of privacy laws, consent management, and the ethical responsibilities of data collectors while raising awareness of the trade-offs between privacy, innovation, and security in our increasingly data-driven world. Participants also explored real-life case studies, making the event both thought-provoking and impactful.

Guest Lecture - "Navigating Liability and Insurance in International Aviation: Challenges & Legal Frameworks"

The Centre for the Advancement of International Law (CAIL) and the Centre for Aerospace Law (CASL) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, conducted an online guest lecture titled "Navigating Liability and Insurance in International Aviation: Challenges & Legal Frameworks" on September 26, 2024. Mr. J.V. Ravi Kumar, an Industry expert, was invited as the resource person for the session. Mr. Ravi provided an engaging exploration of the key legal frameworks that govern international aviation and discussed the complexities of managing passenger compensation, liabilities, and insurance claims, significantly enhancing students' understanding of the challenges inherent in international aviation law.



Seminar: Navigating Smart Tax Strategies

The Centre for Real Estate and Taxation Laws (CRAT) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, hosted an insightful seminar on 'Navigating Smart Tax Strategies,' featuring distinguished guest speaker CA NRK Sastry. With over 30 years of professional experience in accounting, law, and finance, CA NRK Sastry is a fellow member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) and a registered valuer for securities and financial assets with IBBI. He holds an LLB from Osmania University and has extensive expertise in audit services, tax consultancy, international taxation, and management advisory, having worked with notable clients such as Colgate, Palmolive, and Punjab National Bank. During the seminar, Mr. Sastry shared his wealth of knowledge on tax planning, avoidance, and management strategies, while also shedding light on the pivotal role of the Income Tax Act in shaping India's taxation landscape. His experience, which spans over two decades of teaching and advising academic institutions, brought valuable insights to the session, helping students navigate the complexities of tax planning and its importance in fostering economic growth.



Peer to Peer Session

The Research and Publication Cell at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized a session on "Legal Citation and Research Skills" on 27th September 2024. Peer trainers Jyotsana Singh and Chakshita Agarwal students of SLSH led the session, covering the Bluebook citation style and hands-on training for SCC Online research techniques. The event helped students improve their citation accuracy and legal research skills. It concluded with a Q&A session, where students discussed challenges, followed by closing remarks from Vice President Godula Praneetha, who praised the participants' enthusiasm and the trainers' efforts.



Guest lecture on Banking Law

The Centre for Banking and Finance (CBF), in collaboration with the Centre for Finance, Accountability, Corporate Governance and Transparency (CFACT) and IQAC at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized an online guest lecture on "Banking Law" for 4th-year students on 27th September 2024. Ms. Avantika Banerjee, a distinguished legal professional practising at the Allahabad High Court and ITAT Kolkata, was invited as the resource person. Ms. Banerjee provided valuable insights into the complexities of the Negotiable Instruments Act, enriching students' understanding of key aspects of banking law.

Festivals Celebrated at SLSH

Teachers Day Celebrations:

On 5 September 2024, Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, celebrated Teachers' Day with a series of cultural and quiz activities organized by the Culture Troupe of SLSH in collaboration with the Quiz Society of SLSH.



ONAM:

On 6 September 2024, Symbiosis Hyderabad Campus celebrated Onam with great enthusiasm. The campus was adorned with festive decorations, and students actively participated in a variety of sports and cultural activities, embracing the spirit of the festival.



******* WE LOOK FORWARD *******

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