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CALL FOR PAPERS

ONLINE NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

PROTECTION OF TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE, GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS AND RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

DATES OF CONFERENCE:

May 27 - 28, **2022**

IMPORTANT DATES

Last date for Abstract

Submission: **April 16, 2022**

Notification on Acceptance of

Abstract: **April 21, 2022**

Last date for Full Paper

Submission: **May 16, 2022**

Concept note

In recent times, the discourse on Traditional Knowledge (TK) and Geographical Indications (GI) has assumed a lot of importance. The indigenous, tribal and local communities of India in general and North East India in particular, have developed a wide variety of TK. Local wisdom, TK plays an important role in the sustainable use of local resources and biodiversity conservation. At an international level, the discussions on TK centres around prevention of bio-piracy and development of better schemes for bioprospecting. India has started taking steps in this direction in the form of TKDL and legislations that provides for protecting of TK. However, the question remains if the steps are sufficient and if they are not, what other immediate measures should be taken.

Similarly, in the case of GI, India has brought a legislation for registration and better protection of GI products in 1999 which was brought into force in 2003. GI registration of products from India is going on at a steady pace but what remains undisclosed yet is whether the GI tag is bringing any positive change in the marketability of the product or leading to the socio-economic development of the community producing that product.

The conference aims to unite the efforts of academicians, students, researchers, practitioners, to discuss the issues and possibilities of a better protection framework of traditional knowledge, geographical indications of indigenous communities living in India and particularly in North-east India.

Broad themes of the conference

➤ Traditional Knowledge and Rights of Indigenous People

1. Need for protection of traditional knowledge: National and International Perspectives
2. Comparative Study of protection of Traditional Knowledge in India and foreign regimes
3. Bio-piracy and Bioprospecting/ Access and Benefit Sharing
4. IPR and Traditional Knowledge
5. Documentation of Traditional Knowledge/Traditional Cultural Expressions
6. Participation by indigenous and local community in protecting Traditional Knowledge/Traditional Cultural Expressions and Geographical Indications

➤ **Geographical Indications**

7. Comparative Study of protection of Geographical Indications in India and foreign regimes
8. Challenges of Traditional Knowledge based products of indigenous communities in Geographical Indications registration.
9. Impacts of Geographical Indications: economic; social; environmental; cultural on indigenous and tribal communities
10. Geographical Indications and Sustainability.
11. Challenges in Geographical Indications Registration.
12. Pre and Post Registration Challenges in Geographical Indications.

➤ **Traditional Knowledge (TK) and Geographical Indications (GI) of indigenous communities of North East India**

13. Problems and Prospects of protection of Traditional Knowledge in North East India
14. Case studies of Traditional Knowledge protection in North East India
15. Pre and Post Geographical Indications Registration problems of products of North East India
16. Scope of Geographical Indications in North East India
17. Case studies of Geographical Indications of North East India
18. Impact of Geographical Indications Registration on people/communities of North East India

**The above themes are indicative. The authors can send abstract/ paper on other areas relevant to the theme of the conference.

Abstract and Paper Submission Guidelines

- Contributors are requested to initially submit an abstract between 200 - 400 words. The contributors are requested to send a brief profile along with their abstract. The last date of submission of abstract is April 16, 2022. The abstracts will be peer reviewed before acceptance. Abstract can be submitted in the registration form.
- The accepted abstracts will be notified by April 21, 2022.

- The contributors should submit their final papers by May 16, 2022 to the email id: conferencenuassam2022@gmail.com . The ILI Citation Style must be followed for the final papers.
- The best papers will be published by NLUJAA in a book with ISBN number published by a reputed National or International publisher. (Note: All submissions before publication will undergo plagiarism check. The Editorial Committee shall reserve the right of disqualification).
- **LINK FOR REGISTRATION:** <https://forms.gle/ptfmUqtFn9knLu4t9>
- Conference Fee: Rs. 500/- per participant. (Payment Portal will be open from April 22, 2022 in the website of NLUJAA. Payment once made will not be refunded).
- For any clarification contact

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Note:

All E-registered participants will get an e-certificate for participation. Presentation certificate will be given to those participants who will present the paper in the conference.

Who are Eligible to present papers?

Academicians, Legal practitioners, Ph.D. Scholars, Post Graduate students, Final Year Under-Graduate students.

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