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From Vice-Chancellor's Desk

Dear Friend,

It is indeed a matter of great pride to be able to present before you all NYAYALOK, the News Bulletin of the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam. The National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam has been taking confident strides since the last five years and the Bulletin shall showcase the various activities and events which were held since January this year. The achievements of the students and their active participation in all the activities have helped this University to carve a niche for itself among the top national law schools and universities.

I sincerely hope that NYAYALOK, as the name suggests shall duly try to disseminate knowledge and create an awareness about the all-round growth and development of the University.

Professor (Dr.) J. S. Patil
Vice-Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam

Inauguration of the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam Campus: A Report



Adresses By Chief Minister, Assam

The permanent campus of the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam (NLUJAA), was ceremonially inaugurated at Amingaon, Kamrup, on March 25, 2017. The ceremony was attended by several dignitaries including Chief Minister Shri Sarbananda Sonowal and Judges of the Supreme Court Shri Justice J. Chelameswar, Shri Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde, Shri Justice Abhay Manohar Sapre and Shri Justice Amitava Roy, along with the Chief Justice of the Gauhati High Court Shri Justice Ajit Singh, Judicial Officers, Government Officials, Faculty and students of National Law University. Chief Minister Shri Sarbananda Sonowal jointly with Shri Justice J. Chelameswar of Supreme Court of India formally inaugurated the permanent campus of National Law University and Judicial Academy (NLUJA), Assam. With a statement that NLUJAA will usher a new era in the domain of legal education in the state, Chief Minister Sonowal vowed to make Guwahati as the legal education hub of North East. "Relentless efforts of all stakeholders led to the culmination of the NLUJAA and I hope that this institution will cater to the need of quality legal education in Assam", the Chief Minister said. Lauding the role of judiciary in keeping the administrative machinery on right track through various significant pronouncements, Chief Minister Sonowal commented that members of the judiciary must ensure emancipation of last man unto death, which will further entrench people's faith in the democratic system and immensely help in establishing Rule of Law. Further stressing on the need to create an environment where the citizens become more aware about the legal system and make them



Adresses By Shri Justice J. Chelameswar of Supreme Court of India

more conscious about their Rights, the Chief Minister urged the judicial fraternity to initiate positive steps in the regard. Chief Minister Sonowal also emphasised on convergence of technology and the judicial system and advised the law students to be more abreast with new age crimes such as cybercrime, financial crime etc. and urged the students to take the calling seriously and focus more on research in legal education. Former Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court and presently Judge of Supreme Court of India Justice J. Chelameswar while speaking on the occasion highlighted the background that led to setting up of National Law University in Assam. Appreciating the role of legal education in establishing and nourishing the spirit of democracy, Justice Chelameswar lamented that the nation has yet to fully understand the basic tenets of democracy. "Indian democracy is in a nascent state and for making people understand the content of constitutional culture, young generation will have to play a significant role. Referring to the legal system as an important constituent of constitutional governance, Justice Chelameswar advised the law students not to be swayed away by precedent culture and to devote quality time on analysing problems. He also advised the practising lawyers and judges to improve efficiency level to reduce pendency of court cases.

Set up under National Law University & Judicial Academy Act, 2009, NLUJAA is the only National Law University in the North East. The permanent university campus spread on a sprawling 150 bighas of land houses the Administrative Bloc, Academic Bloc, Hostel, Library and Staff Quarter.



Unveiling of the Plaque

Dr. Gurjeet Singh Memorial National Moot Court Competition : A Report

Dr. Gurjeet Singh Memorial National Moot Court Competition was the first national moot court competition organised by the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam. The competition was named after the Founder- Vice Chancellor, Late Prof (Dr.) Gurjeet Singh who left for his heavenly abode on 1st of April, 2017. The competition witnessed a lot of first time initiatives like the introduction of an impromptu moot problem for the semi-finals and final round of the competition to make it exciting and challenging and the establishment of student adjudicators where the students of the host university participated extensively. Altogether thirteen teams from across the country from Amity Lucknow, Amity Noida, Symbiosis Pune, Haldia Law College, Adamas University, UILS Punjab, NEF Law College, Saveeta Law School, UPES, GNLU, Lloyd Noida, Central University of South Bihar and NUALS participated in the competition. The inauguration of the 1st edition of Dr. Gurjeet Singh Memorial National Moot Court was held on 9th of April, 2017 was marked by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp.



The next day witnessed the progression of the preliminary rounds and quarter finals where the judges had taken measures to test the acumen of the participants. At the end of the day and with the declaration of results, the impromptu moot problem was released among the semi-finalists. Having less than a day's time to prepare, all the teams fought fiercely while also maintaining their equanimity and ultimately, UILS Punjab and Amity Noida marched into the finals along with Mr. Subornadeep Bhattacharjee and Mr. Udit Singh booking their adjudicator seats for the Grand Finale. The final of the competition was judged by the Hon'ble Judge of the Gauhati High Court, Shri Justice Ujjal Bhuyan who was accompanied by two senior advocates of the Gauhati High Court. UILS Punjab won the winner's trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 30,000 while Amity Noida won the Runners-up trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 20,000. The Best Student Counsel for Semis and Finals was won by Ms. Radhika Nagu from Amity Law School, Amity University, Noida with a cash price of



Inaugural Ceremony



Rs. 15,000 while the Best student counsel for the prelims and quarters was awarded to Ms. Nikita Garg from UILS, Panjab University with a cash prize of Rs. 15,000. The Second Best student counsel for prelims and quarters had been won by Ms. Garvita Sethi from UILS, Punjab University with a cash prize of Rs. 10,000. UILS Punjab also won the best memorandum along with a cash prize of Rs. 10,000. The second best memorandum went to Lloyd Law College with cash price of Rs. 5,000. The Best Student Adjudicator was awarded to Mr. Udit Singh of NLUJA, Assam with a cash price of Rs. 5,000.

(Source: SCC online Blog [http from //blog.scconline.com/post/2017/05/13/report-on-dr-gurjeet-singh-memorial-national-moot-court-competition-on-19.6.2017](http://blog.scconline.com/post/2017/05/13/report-on-dr-gurjeet-singh-memorial-national-moot-court-competition-on-19.6.2017))

Lectures

A Special lecture on Start up Enterprises

March 05, 2017:

Mr. Aditya Diwakar and Mr. Shiva Srinivasan, Partners at Diwakar & Srinivasan, Bengaluru, delivered a special lecture on the topic 'Start up Enterprises' specifically in the North Eastern Region. They classified start up policy into Innovation and Technology. They mentioned that North East has the immense untapped potential which needs to be explored and people must discover the potentials of this Region to start up their own ventures basically in the field of Law in NER.



Mr. Aditya Diwakar and Mr. Shiva Srinivasan delivering lecture at National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam

Lectures

A Special Lecture on Patents



April 28, 2017:

A special lecture was delivered by Prof. T. Ramakrishna, IPR Chair Professor, NLSIU, Bangalore on Patents at the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam on April 28, 2017.

A Special Lecture on International Trade Law



May 03, 2017:

Prof. Chia-Jui Cheng, Professor of International and Comparative Law, Soochow University Law School, Secretary - General, Xiamen Academy of International Law and Asia Academy visited National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam on May 03, 2017 and delivered a special lecture on International Trade Law. He also donated books on International Trade Law, International Banking Operations, Space Law, etc. authored and edited by him to NLUJAA Library which is named as Prof. Chia-Jui Cheng Collection.

Student Bar Council 2016-17 Election



Oath taking ceremony of SBC

February 15-17, 2017:

The Student Bar Council 2016-17 elections were held on February 15, 2017. The students actively participated in the elections. The Vice-Chancellor administering the oath in the Oath-taking ceremony of Student Bar Council 2016-17 held on February 17, 2017. The list of elected candidates are as follows:

President



Mr. Abhinandan
Baruah

Vice - President



Mr. Saurav
Jhunjunwala

General Secretary



Mr. Krishnajyoti
Deka

Joint Secretary



Mr. Suyash
Tripathi

Treasurer



Mr. Nitesh
Dwivedi

Conveners of the Committee

Committees	Convenor
Academic Committee	Mr. Udit Singh (III rd year)
Moot Court Committee	Mr. Sourabh Roy (II nd year)
Hostel and Campus Welfare Committee	Mr Akshat Kumar (IV th year)
Literary and Debating Committee	Mr. Tathagat Sharma (II nd year)
Mess and Hospitality Committee	Ms. Ananya Deuri (V th year)
Sports Committee	Mr. Mohit Singh (III rd year)
Student Welfare Committee	Mr. Shikari Karthik (IV th year)
Cultural Committee	Mr. Subham Das (IV th year)

Two-Day Certificate Course on Child Rights and Child Protection at NLUJAA



February 27-28, 2017:

Centre for Child Rights in collaboration with UNICEF, Assam Field Office has organised a two-day inter-disciplinary certificate course on Child Rights and Child Protection for students of National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam. The objective of this two-day course was to enhance the understanding of students on various International Instruments and Mechanism pertaining to Child Rights and also to increase their level of understanding on various legislations, policies and existing systems and structure pertaining to Children in India, vis-à-vis to provide them a better understanding of Child Protection Scenario of the Country so that in near future there is no dearth of Child Protection Practitioners, who can advocate and work for better policies and for betterment of Children.

The course encompassed International Human Rights Institution and Policies with a particular focus on child rights to set the base, thereby moving to various Committees on the Rights of the Children, International Instruments pertaining to child rights, mandates of the UN agencies, situational analysis of child rights in India, Constitutional provisions and policies governing child rights agenda in India, System's Approach towards child protection in India and laws addressing child vulnerabilities.

The Introductory Address to flag off this two-day course was given by Prof (Dr.) Yugal Kishore, who is also the Pioneer of the Centre for Child Rights. The participants were also addressed by Shri Vinod Sesan, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (Rural), wherein he mentioned about his day to day experience of dealing with various issues of children and how as students and future child protection practitioner, they can play a pivot role for this 39% of the population of the entire Nation, which are Children. The other technical sessions were taken by various technical experts from the field of Child Rights. The course successfully completed with the valedictory session and distribution of certificates to the participants.

MoU signed with Assam Administrative Staff College, Guwahati

March 11, 2017:

National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam signed a MoU with Assam Administrative Staff College (AASC), Guwahati in the presence of Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJAA, Shri S.M. Zahid Christie, ACS, Joint Director of Training, AASC and Shri T.M. Sharma, ACS (Retd.) consultant, Law & Justice Centre, AASC which forges a partnership between the two institutions of excellence for Academic Collaboration on various issues.



TEDxNLUJAA



March 11, 2017:

The one day event TEDxNLUJAA was hosted on March 11, 2017. TEDxNLUJAA aptly titled “paradigm shift” with a blend of ideas and had a perfect mix of innovation, path breaking ideas and legal principles. The speakers were: Mr. Kirit Pradyut Deb Barman also known as P. B. K. Manikya, is the head of the royal family of tripura and the driving force behind the magazine, The Northeast Today and one of

India's most vocal critics of the Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA), Mr. Tanuj Kalia, an alumnus of NUJS, batch of 2013. He is founder, CEO, and publishing editor of Lawctopus, an online portal. Mr. Himanshu Sikaria, is a young, energetic entrepreneur, Sikaria had sold his first company at the age of twenty-two and have personally worked with over twenty startups in the past few years. Mr. Mahadev Deka, a bodybuilder from Barpeta district, Assam, India, who was the runner up of Musclemania Superbody World Championship and Mr. Universe in 2009. Mr. Jadav "Molai" Payeng, is an environmentalist, a planter and a world renowned personality from Assam. Payeng has a jungle named 'Molai' forest named after him which he had singlehandedly created.

Book Exhibition at NLUJAA Library

March 23 -25, 2017:

A Three-Day Book Exhibition was organised from March 23 -25, 2017 by the University Library in NLUJAA Library premises to facilitate the faculty and students to select books for acquisition to the Library as well as to buy books for themselves. All together eight numbers of Book Vendors namely Asia Law House, Avatar Books, Book Corporation, BNB publishers, Eastern Book Company, Law Book Shop, NBD Publisher and Unique Books participated in the Exhibition. The exhibition was visited by several dignitaries including Judges of the Supreme Court, Shri Justice J Chelameswar, Shri Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde, Shri Justice Abhay Manohar Sapre and Shri Justice Amitava Roy, along with the Chief Justice of the Gauhati High Court, Judicial Officers and many other Government Officials who had come to participate in the Inaugural ceremony of the permanent campus of NLUJAA on March 25. The exhibition covered the books dealing with subjects/courses run by the University.



As per the recommendation of the students and faculty members, approximately, one thousand titles were procured by the University Library.

NLUJAA mourned Professor (Dr.) Gurjeet Singh, Founder Vice Chancellor



April 1, 2017:

NLUJAA mourned the sad demise of Professor (Dr.) Gurjeet Singh, founder Vice Chancellor of National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam on April 1, 2017. The University paid a heartfelt tribute to the founder Vice Chancellor of National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam Professor (Dr.) Gurjeet Singh who attained his eternal abode on Saturday, April 1, 2017. May his soul rest in peace.

Vision NLUJAA

April 6, 2017:

VISION NLUJAA is prepared and submitted to the Hon'ble Chancellor on April 6, 2017. It is a new roadmap for the University. NLUJAA has developed this Vision document to contribute its might in transforming India into a knowledge of super power by enabling itself with contemporary information and communication technology and other needed infrastructure facilities, enabling the faculty and students to engage in legal education activities in more effective manner. Vision NLUJAA is an ambitious project of the University, which if realised, will go a long way in building a world-class law University in the North East region of India.

Two-Day Workshop on A-VIEW software



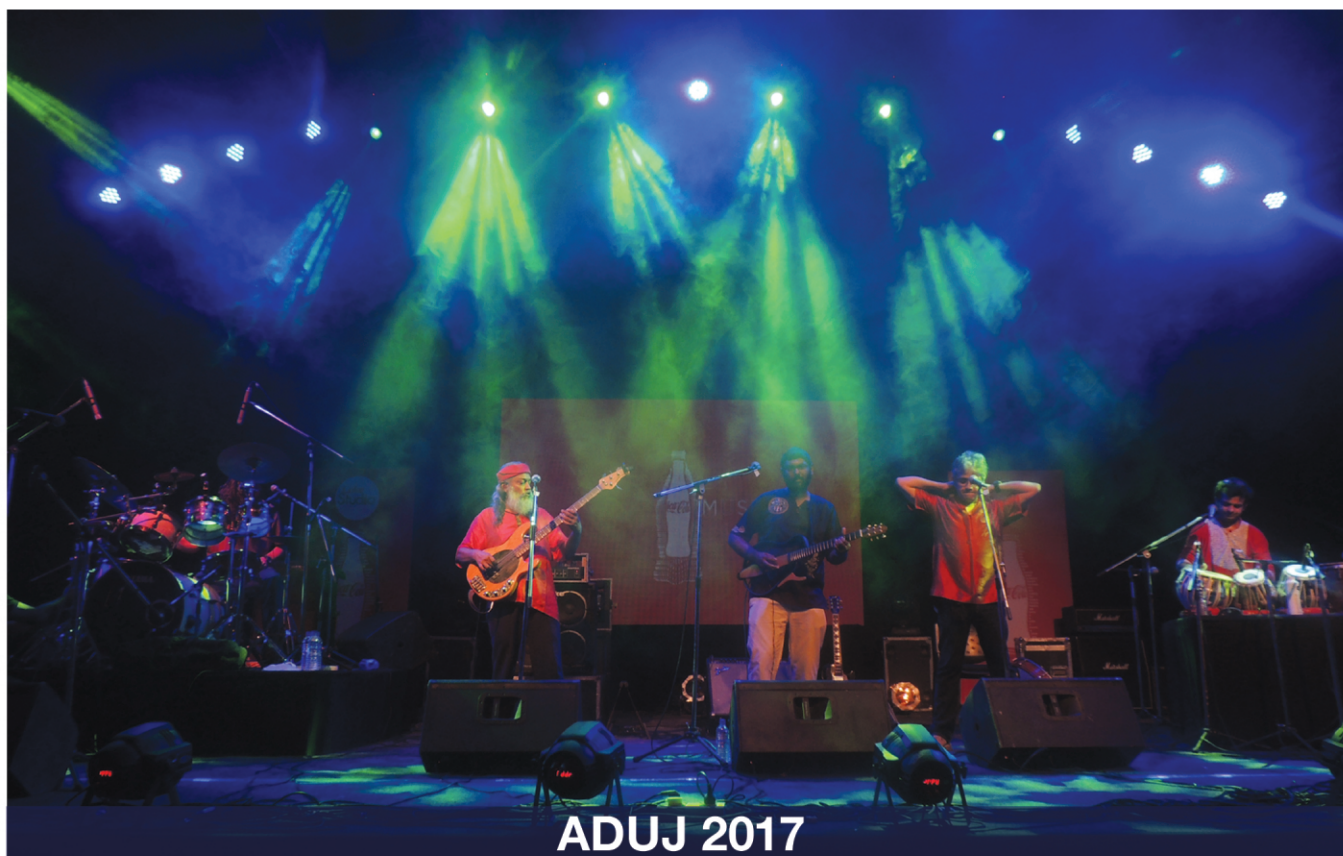
April 10-11, 2017:

In order to enable the modern ICT learning environment, a two-day workshop was organised by the IT Section, NLUJAA on the Amrita Virtual Interactive E-learning World (A-View) on 10th and 11th April, 2017. The faculty members and teaching assistants of the University attended the workshop. The technical resource persons from Amrita University trained the participants on the hands-on use of the A-Views ICT tool.

Orientation Programme on LexisNexis Online Database

April 20, 2017:

An Orientation programme was conducted by Lexis Nexis University students representative on behalf of NLUJAA Library on April 20, 2017 where Ms Moitra Panchali, Representative of Lexis Nexis delivered a lecture on their improvised e-knowledge platform. The programme was initiated by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of NLUJAA. Faculty members and students were present at the programme.



April 21- 23, 2017:

ADUJ, which stands for 'Adwik Ujjapon', symbolises 'a unique celebration'. It marked a new era in the history of National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam as the University hosted its first ever Cultural and Literary Fest on April 21, 22 and 23. As the name itself, a portmanteau of a Hindi and Assamese word, suggests, the fest sought to bring out the beauty of the diverse culture of India, through the various events that it hosted. The event was in partnership with UNICEF and the events also specifically emphasized about child rights and promoted the same to the thousands who came for the fest. The event was inaugurated by Hon'ble Shri Justice Ujjal Bhuyan, who was the the Chief Guest for the event.

News & Events



The Vice Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, delivered the welcome address. Prof. (Dr.) Yugal Kishore, Registrar and other officials from UNICEF were also present at the inaugural ceremony. Bihu maestro Ms. Jina Rajkumari graced the ceremony by her enchanting performance. The participants, who took part in a variety of events including Anuxandhitdya- The Quiz competitions, Fabrico- Creative Writing, Achintit- Extempore Speech, Voice Choice – Singing

Competition, High Voltage – Battle of Bands, Fiesta de Belle – Dancing Competition, Respawn- the Gaming competition, Purvattar Samvad - Parliamentary Debate, Model United Nations, Aalekhya-Photography Competition, Aagaz –e- Mehfill – the Poetry Recitation competition, Ragheer – Street Play. The festival also saw the amazing performances by EDM artist Dualist Inquiry, metal band Kryptos, and Indian folk rock band Indian Ocean.



Interaction with judges of Parliamentary Debates Competition of ADUJ

Prof.(Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam had a fruitful interaction with Mr. Deepak Kumar Thakur, Partner, HSA Associates, Mr. Abhinav Thakur, Assistant Professor, Law and Public Policy Expert, Amity Law School and Mr. Rangam Sharma, Associate, AZB Partners officiating as judges in the Parliamentary Debates Competition of ADUJ on April 22, 2017.

MoU signed with IIIDEM

April 27, 2017:

MoU between the India International Institute of Democracy and Election Management (IIIDEM), Election Commission of India, New Delhi and National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam (NLUJAA), Guwahati was signed on April 27, 2017 for collaborative initiatives and joint programmes.

MoU signed with IDIA

May 15, 2017:

MoU between National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam (NLUJAA) and IDIA Charitable Trust was signed by Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJAA and Prof. Shamnad Bashir, Managing Trustee of IDIA in the august presence of Prof. T. Ramakrishna, Prof. Yogish Pai, Prof. Ohuja and Prof. Yugal Kishore. The main objective of this MoU is to build an equalitarian society through joint initiatives and collaborative activities.



Inauguration of Centre for Disability Studies and Health Laws

May 15, 2017:

The Centre for Disability Studies & Health Laws was formally inaugurated. The chief guest of the function was Hon'ble Shri Justice Ajit Singh, Chief Justice, Gauhati High Court and Chancellor, National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam and the Guest of Honour was Hon'ble Shri Justice Ujjal Bhuyan, Judge, Gauhati High Court. The Programme was also graced by many dignitaries including Mr. Vinod Seshan (IAS), Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (Rural), Prof. Gautam Biswas, Director, IIT Guwahati, Dr. Ramni Barman, Managing Director, IIRDDA; Prof. T. Ramakrishnan, NLSIU



Bangalore; Prof. V.K. Ahuja, Delhi University; Prof. Shamnad Basheer, Managing Trustee, IDIA; Prof. Yogesh Pai, NLU Delhi; Prof. J.S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJA Assam; Prof. Yugal Kishore, Registrar, NLUJA Assam. Many Officers from the Social Welfare Department, Govt. of Assam & Mr. Agarwal and his team from Jaipur Prosthetic Limb organization were also present at the function.

The programme also witnessed the signing of MOU with IDIA. There was a painting exhibition of students of Indian Institute of Research and Development for Differently Abled (IIRDDA). The programme was concluded with the dignitaries' interaction with various differently-abled people from district Kamrup (Rural), who were distributed Prosthetic limbs on the same day under the observation of Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup.

News & Events

One Day Workshop on Law and Religion

May 01, 2017:

One Day workshop on Law and Religion by Ms. Flavia Agnes and Mr. A. Faizur Rahman was organized at National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam on May 01, 2017.



Two Day Workshop on Intellectual Property Rights

May 15-16, 2017:

Two Day workshop on 'Intellectual Property Rights' was organised at Administrative Block, National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam. The workshop was graced with the presence of Prof. (Dr.) T. Ramakrishna, Chair Professor, CIPRA, NLSIU, Bangalore; Dr. V. K. Ahuja, Associate Professor of Law, University of Delhi; Dr. Shamnad Basheer, Honorary Research Chair of IP Law, Nirma University; Dr. Anirban Mazumdar, Associate Professor, NUJS, Kolkata; Mr. Yogesh Pai, Assistant Professor, NLU, Delhi.



Regional Conference on Observance of World Day against Child Labour 2017, Assam



June 08, 2017:

One Day Regional Level Conference on Child Labour for Observance of World Day Against Child Labour 2017, Assam was organised by Kamrup District Administration on June 08, 2017 at National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam.

Vice-Chancellor's Visit to Jalukbari Destitute Home

February 06, 2017:

Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam visited the Jalukbari Destitute Home on February 06, 2017 with Prof. (Dr.) Yugal Kishore, Registrar and Head of Centre for Child Rights, NLUJAA, and the Deputy Commissioner of Kamrup Rural District Mr. Vinod Seshan. The director of the Home took the team around and explained the activities such as tutorials, tuition classes, training for tailoring, artifacts making and a host of other activities. The Deputy Commissioner requested the Vice Chancellor to develop a project to conduct a case study of all the incumbents and submit the report inclusive of legal assistance and other remedial measures that can be initiated.



Visit to NLSIU, Bangalore

April 17, 2017:

Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam visited NLSIU Bangalore where a discussion was held with Prof. Venkat Rao, Vice Chancellor, NLSIU Bangalore to work out the modalities of a MoU between NLSIU and NLUJAA on April 17, 2017 at 09:30 AM at NLSIU, Bangalore.



Visit to Alliance University, Bengaluru

April 18, 2017:

Prof.(Dr.) J.S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam inaugurated the 2nd National Moot Court Competition at Alliance University, Bengaluru on April 18, 2017.



Vice-Chancellor's Activities

Speech on Challenges in Legal Education

May 27, 2017:

Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam was invited as a speaker at a Seminar on "Challenges in Legal Education" at Royal Global University, Guwahati on May 27, 2017.



Speech on Role of Public Servants in Prevention and Rehabilitation of Victims of Human Trafficking

June 17, 2017:

Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam delivered a speech at the Workshop on "Role of Public Servants in Prevention and Rehabilitation of Victims of Human Trafficking" held at Assam Administrative Staff College on June 17, 2017.



Meeting with the Inland Waterways Authority of India



June 23, 2017:

A meeting was held at the Office of the Inland Waterways Authority of India with the Director and other officers along with NLUJAA research team and Assam government officers in the second brainstorming session to draft legislation for inland water transit regulation.

Visit of Hon'ble Shri Justice Ranjan Gogoi



February 04, 2017:

Hon'ble Shri Justice Ranjan Gogoi, Judge, Supreme Court of India visited the campus of National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam along with Hon'ble Shri Justice Ajit Singh, Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court, Shri V.K. Pipersenia, Chief Secretary, Government of Assam, Hon'ble Shri Justice Hrishikesh Roy and other dignitaries and reviewed the progress made in the construction of the

buildings. He also went around and inspected the Administrative Block, Academic Block, Ladies Hostel and Boys' Hostel. He interacted with the students attending classes in the new environment.

Visit of Dr. V. P. Singh, Advisor, Patanjali Ayurvedic Ltd, Haridwar



Felicitations of Dr. V.P. Singh

February 07, 2017:

Dr. V. P. Singh, Advisor in the Organisation Development Sector of Patanjali Ayurvedic Ltd, Haridwar visited NLUJAA and had an interaction with the Vice Chancellor to work out modalities on how best the two organisations can work together. The Vice Chancellor requested Dr. Singh to help the University in placement activities with their organisation having its branches all over the world.

Visit of Prof. (Dr.) A. David Ambrose, University of Madras, Chennai



April 7, 2017

Dr. A. David Ambrose, Professor of Law, Department of Legal Studies, University of Madras, Chennai visited NLUJAA along with Brig. Prasad on April 7, 2017.

Visit of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Narayana Swamy



June 08, 2017:

Hon'ble Shri Justice Narayana Swamy, Chairman, Mahadayi Inter-State Water Dispute Tribunal, New Delhi visited the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam and interacted with Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJAA

Visit of Mr. Paul F Amos and Mr Atul Agarwal of World Bank

June 12, 2017:

Mr. Paul F Amos and Mr Atul Agarwal of World Bank visited NLUJAA to work out modalities for drafting a Law on River Water Transit Regularly Authority of Assam as proposed by the Government of Assam. Planning to establish Natural Resources Study Center at National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam with the help of World Bank and Center for Policy Research, New Delhi.



- ❖ The Supreme Court of India has agreed to hear a petition filed by Mohammed Abdul Faheem Qureshi, a lawyer and the President of All India Jamiatul Quresh Action Committee challenging the Constitutional validity of new Cattle Rules i.e. Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Regulation of Livestock Market) Rules, 2017.
- ❖ The Supreme Court of India has held that a person cannot be held guilty of murder merely for the reason that he was the person last spotted with the victim of the crime.
- ❖ A Division Bench of the Kerala High Court had held that a person cannot be automatically deprived of his/her property rights acquired either by way of intestate or testamentary succession, due to the mere factum of joining a religious order and having renounced worldly pleasures.
- ❖ Govt. launches Tele-Law through Common Service Centres to mainstream legal aid in rural India
- ❖ For the sake of legalizing betting and gambling, the Law Commission of India has invited views and suggestions from stakeholders and general public.
- ❖ SC Says Aadhaar Not Mandatory, But Linking it to PAN Mandatory for Those Who Have It - 09.06.2017 Supreme Court, while upholding Central Government's decision to link Aadhaar to PAN for filing IT returns said that it is not compulsory for those who don't have an Aadhaar card to link it with PAN.
- ❖ Wages Withheld Due To Disciplinary Action Can't Be Restored Under Payment of Wages Act - 07.06.2017 Supreme Court has held that prescribed authority under Payment of Wages Act(PWA) is not an appellate authority in disciplinary proceedings and therefore it has no right to sit in appeal and to set aside the order of withholding of increments passed in disciplinary proceedings.

Meetings

- ❖ On January 11, 2017 Shri Justice Ajit Singh, Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court and Chancellor of NLUJA, Assam, Shri Justice Hrishikesh Roy, Judge, High Court of Guwahati and Chairman, Construction Committee, NLUJA, Assam, Shri Justice Ujjal Bhuyan, Judge, Gauhati High Court, Shri V.K. Pipersenia, Chief Secretary, Government of Assam, Shri Alok Kumar, Additional Chief Secretary (PWD), Government of Assam and other dignitaries visited National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam campus and participated in the construction review meeting.
- ❖ Shri Justice Ajit Singh, Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court, Shri V.K. Pipersenia, Chief Secretary Government of Assam and other dignitaries visited National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam for Construction Review Meeting on February 25, 2017.
- ❖ Construction Review Meeting was held on March 08, 2017 at National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam under the chairmanship of Shri Justice Ajit Singh, Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court and Chancellor of NLUJA, Assam where Shri V.K. Pipersenia, Chief Secretary, Government of Assam and other dignitaries were present.
- ❖ A meeting of the Research Advisory Committee of NLUJA, Assam was held on February 11, 2017.
- ❖ 7th Finance Committee Meeting was held on March 16, 2017 at Conference Hall, National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam, Assam, Amingaon.

Meetings

- ❖ 5th Academic Council Meeting was held on March 18, 2017 under the chairmanship of Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice-Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam at the Conference Hall, National Law University, and Judicial Academy, Assam, Amingaon.
- ❖ Visit of Shri Justice Ajit Singh, Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court, Shri V.K. Pipersenia, Chief Secretary, Government of Assam and other dignitaries to National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam for Construction Review Meeting on March 18, 2017.
- ❖ Visit of Shri Justice Ajit Singh, Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court, Shri V.K. Pipersenia, Chief Secretary, Government of Assam and other dignitaries to National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam for Construction Review Meeting on March 20, 2017.
- ❖ 20th Executive Council Meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Prof. (Dr.) J. S. Patil, Vice-Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam on March 21, 2017.
- ❖ Meeting with faculty to build Vision NLUJAA held on March 28, 2017.
- ❖ 18th General Council Meeting at National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Shri Justice Ajit Singh, Chancellor and Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court was held on April 19, 2017.
- ❖ Monthly Review Meeting with Faculty and non-teaching staff of National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam on April 20, 2017.
- ❖ Prof. J. S. Patil, Vice Chancellor, NLUJA, Assam and his team had a meeting with Dr. Mridul Hazarika, Vice Chancellor, Gauhati University and other university officials for developing a collaboration for building foreign languages courses at National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam on April 25, 2017.
- ❖ Meeting with Medhassu e-Solutions Ltd. Project Manager Mr. Partha Pratim Baruah and his colleagues Mr. Kishore Raj Kumar and Pranjal Sarma to automate student attendance and examination process was held at the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam on May 23, 2017.
- ❖ Meeting of the University Examination Committee with Prof. S. Nandi of IIT, Guwahati to work out grading system and CGPA was held on May 27, 2017.
- ❖ IQAC Meeting of Sub-committees to review the work progress on NAAC and AAA committee reports preparation was held on June 06, 2017.
- ❖ Meeting of the non-teaching staff was held on June 07, 2017 to develop administrative refinement based on the module prepared by the administration at the National Law University And Judicial Academy, Assam.
- ❖ A Faculty Meeting was held to constitute the coordination committee to evolve MoU with Assam Government on Chief Minister's Good Governance Fellowships was held on June 20, 2017.
- ❖ Campus Review meeting was held on June 20, 2017 at National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam with Hon'ble Chief Justice and Chief Secretary and other Judicial and Government officers.
- ❖ Meeting with World Bank and Government of Assam officers on drafting the Inland Water Transit Regulatory Authority Act by NLUJAA research team was held on June 20, 2017. Mr. Bharat Bhusan Dev Choudhury, Additional State Project Director, IWT, Mr. Musfiquir Rahman, Joint Director, IWT, Mr. Biju Ninan Oommen, Senior Port Specialist, The World Bank, Mr. Manik Sarma, Consultant of the project were present.

আন্তঃৰাষ্ট্ৰীয় আলোচনা-চক্ৰত অসমীয়া শিক্ষার্থী

গুৱাহাটী, ২০ জুন : ব্ৰাহ্মণ পৰিষদে ২৭ আৰু ২৮ জুনত অনুষ্ঠিত হ'বলগীয়া এখন আন্তঃৰাষ্ট্ৰীয় আলোচনা-চক্ৰত অসমীয়া শিক্ষার্থীয়ে গৌৰৱ কঢ়িয়াই আনিছে। তেওঁলোক হৈছে বাজাখনাত থকা বাঙালী শিক্ষার্থীয়ে।

আইন বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ৰ পঞ্চম বৰ্ষৰ শিক্ষার্থী নিশিগন্ধা পৰিয়াল আৰু অতিৰিক্ত চক্ৰত।

অন্তৰ্জাতিক বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় আৰু পৰিষদৰ সঞ্চালক হৈছে ইন্ডিয়া ইন ইণ্টাৰন্যাছনেল ল'জিকাল নামৰ বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ত কৰ্মশালানত অনুষ্ঠিত হ'ব। উক্ত আলোচনা-চক্ৰত অসমীয়া শিক্ষার্থীয়ে অতিৰিক্ত চক্ৰত।

বিদ্যা হৈছে—বহিৰবৰ্ণপূৰ্বক কুটনৈৰ দৃষ্টিভঙ্গিৰে একমুখি হ'ল। ছফা সম্প্ৰদায়ৰ প্ৰদৰ্শনৰে।

নেপালী সম্প্ৰদায়ৰ এটা ভাগ ল' ছফা সম্প্ৰদায়ৰে সুৰীয়া বাণীৰ মণ্ডিত সন্তান হোৱা গভীৰ সমাজিক-বাজনৈতিক সমস্যাৰ কথাৰে গবেষণা-প্ৰবন্ধ প্ৰস্তুত কৰা হৈছে। আন্তঃৰাষ্ট্ৰীয় পৰ্যায়ত ল' ছফা সম্প্ৰদায়ৰ সমস্যাখিনি বিস্তাৰিত উপস্থাপন কৰাত গবেষণা-প্ৰবন্ধ সমস্যা হ'ব বুলি আশা কৰা হৈছে।

উদ্ৰেখ, গবেষণা কামত ভিত্তিত আইনৰ শিক্ষার্থী নিশিগন্ধা পৰিয়ালৰ বাজাখনত তথ্য আৰু জনসংযোগ সঞ্চালকালয়ৰ বিশেষ জনসম্পৰ্কৰী বিদ্যা বাণীৰ পৰিয়াল আৰু গীতাঞ্জলি পৰিয়ালৰ সুযোগ কৰা।



Centre for disability studies

GUWAHATI, May 19: The Centre for Disability Studies and Health Laws, National Law University, Assam was inaugurated recently. The chief guest of the function was Justice Ajit Singh, Chief Justice, Gauhati High Court, a press release stated.

As part of the ceremony, more than forty disabled people from Kamrup were fitted with prosthetic limbs by the Jaipur-based Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti. The function was conducted under the supervision of Kamrup DC Vinod Seshan

Legal discourse on Muslim women

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, May 2: A legal discourse on the topic 'Muslim women – law, religion and politics' was held at the NEF Law College auditorium in the city on Monday.

among the stakeholders about how law works," she added.

A Faizur Rahman, an independent researcher on Islamic jurisprudence, explained the system of marriage and divorce in Islam in very simple and lucid language. He pointed out that the total number of divorced Muslims is only 0.025 per cent of the total population.

Only a smaller percentage of women could be affected by triple talaq. He stressed that the number is so small that there is no reason to get over it.

An interactive session that followed tackled a number of queries, which the speaker tackled with facts and figures.

150 lawyers, teachers, students, members of civil society attended the session, said a press statement.

Permanent campus of Nat'l Law University inaugurated

CORRESPONDENT

JALUKBARI, March 25: The permanent campus of the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam was inaugurated today at Amingaon.

The inaugural ceremony was attended by dignitaries including Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal, judges of the Supreme Court Justice J Chelameswar, Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde, Justice Abhay Manohar Sapre and Justice Amitava Roy along with the Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court Justice Ajit Singh, other judges of the High Court, State Chief Secretary VK Pipersenia and other distinguished guests.

Prof JS Patel, Vice Chancellor of the university in his welcome address recalled the contributions from all the stakeholders in building the university including the former chancellors, vice chancellors and registrars of the university.

Justice Hrishikesh Roy of the Gauhati High Court and chairman of the construction committee of the National Law University, Assam, highlighted the importance of the permanent campus for proper development of the legal intelligentsia amongst the students in particular and the greater north-eastern region in general.

Chief Justice Ajit Singh of the Gauhati High Court and Chancellor of the university in his speech said, "Today we have taken a step forward by

inaugurating the new campus. It's a small step, and I believe that this bold and firm step would enable us to run in the near future and make this university able to match its pace with other universities across the country in the marathon of teaching and learning."

Justice J Chelameswar, a former chancellor of the university talked to the students and the audience at large about the importance of developing analytical skills for further discourse in the legal field. He further said, "We live in a democratic country, but I believe that democracy has not taken roots completely in this country. In terms it is a democracy, but in content it is still struggling to be really democratic."

Chief Minister Sonowal, while addressing the august gathering brought to the notice of all that the time has come to instill legal awareness amongst the common masses as it is still a luxury for the educated few. He also reiterated the unflinching support of the government to institutions like the National Law University, Assam in achieving such a dream.

In his vote of thanks Chief Secretary Pipersenia acknowledged the contributions from all the three wings of democracy – Judiciary, Executive and Legislature – in coming together and creating history in the form of establishing a one-of-its-kind legal education centre in North East India, the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam.

Nat'l Law University Permanent campus inauguration tomorrow

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, March 23: The permanent campus of the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam, will be ceremonially inaugurated at Amingaon, Kamrup tomorrow.

The ceremony will be attended by several dignitaries including Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal and the Supreme Court Justices J Chelameswar, Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde, Justice Abhay Manohar Sapre and Justice Amitava Roy along with the Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court Justice Ajit Singh, other judges, state law officers and legal officers. The National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam has been established by the State Government for the purpose of enactment of the Law School and Judicial Academy, Assam Act, 2011. Chief Justice of India is the Chancellor of the University.

The University started regular classes in September, 2011 from the temporary campus at the Ulubari North East Judicial Officers' Training Institute. The university

'Juvenile act must be part of syllabi'

Pranjal Baruah | TNN

Guwahati: A state-level workshop on Juvenile Justice (JJ) (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, called for greater awareness about the act among schoolchildren to curb juvenile crime.

The two-day workshop, organized by the Centre for Child Rights, National Law University and Judicial Academy (Assam), Assam State Commission for Protection of Child Rights and Unicef (Assam), began on Friday. Officials of Child Welfare Committees (CWCs), members of the Juvenile Justice Boards (JJBs) and legal officers from across the state will be sensitized during the workshop.

Ved Kumari, professor of law at University of Delhi and former chairperson of Delhi Judicial Academy, said elements of the JJ act should be included in school syllabi.

"Under the new law, juveniles between 16 and 18 will be sent to a children's court that can pronounce the child guilty. Such juveniles can be detained in a place of safety until they reach the age of 21. If not found to be reformed by 21, they can be sent to jail," a JJB official explained.

Till June last year, at least 1,977 cases were pending before JJBs across the state. The Assam Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Rule, 2011, clearly states JJBs should complete every inquiry within four months.



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