

Manav Rachna University, Faridabad

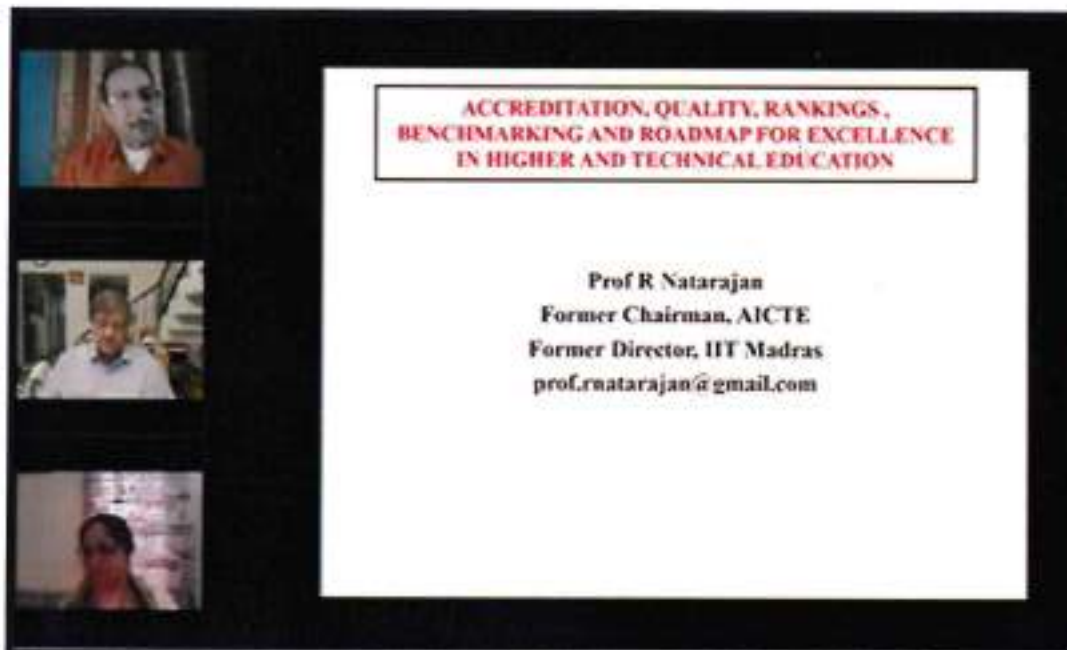
Report for Webinar on "Quality and Excellence Issues in Higher and Technical Education"

Resource Person: Prof. (Dr.) Ramamurthy Natarajan, Former Director of IIT-Madras

Date: 31st October, 2020

Mode: Go-to-Webinar (Online)

On October 31st, 2020, a webinar on "**Quality and Excellence Issues in Higher and Technical Education**" was held by Dr. Ramamurthy Natarajan. The webinar aimed to discuss the challenges and opportunities related to ensuring quality and excellence in higher and technical education and the way they can be addressed. Dr. Natarajan spoke about "Accreditation, Quality Rankings, Benchmarking and Roadmap for Excellence on Higher and Technical Education". The session was inaugurated by Prof. Sangita Banga and by Prof. (Dr.) I.K. Bhat, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Manav Rachna University, Faridabad.



Session in progress with Prof R Natarajan

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Manav Rachna University organized a webinar on 'Quality & Excellence Issues in Higher & Technical Education' on 31st October 2020. The...

Dr. Natarajan with Prof. (Dr.) I.K. Bhat, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Manav Rachna University

Dr. Natarajan started the webinar by emphasizing the importance of quality in education and how it is linked to the development and progress of society. He talked about the challenges faced by educational institutions in maintaining high standards of quality and excellence in the face of changing technologies, pedagogies, and global trends.

THE SUBJECTIVE CONSIDERATIONS IN ASSESSMENT OF QUALITY

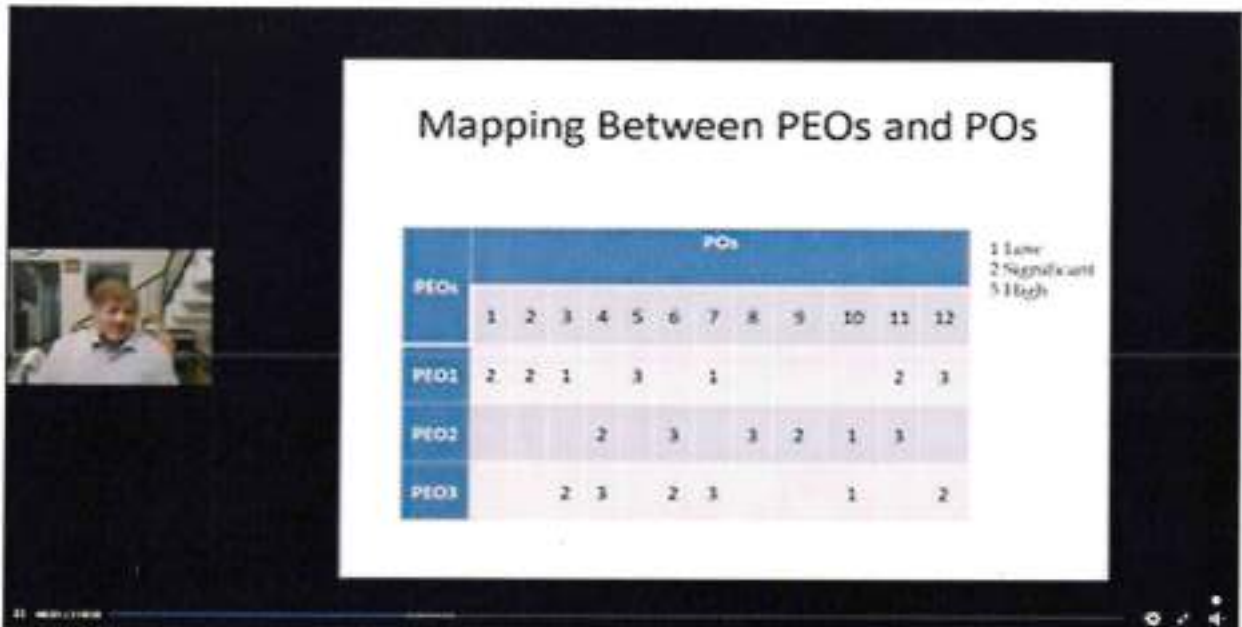
- There are several human activities where Quality assessment is **necessary and inevitable**, but the techniques employed are quite **subjective**, and depend to a large extent on the human sensory perceptions :
 - Sight - Beauty Contests
 - Sound - Music
 - Taste - Tea, Wine
 - Touch - Comfort levels in AC
 - Smell - Perfumes
- It is also well to recognize that we do not have unequivocal measures for many things in life :
 - Feelings - Love, compassion
 - Intellect - IQ is an attempt
 - Emotion - EQ is an attempt

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During the webinar, Dr. Natarajan also discussed various issues related to quality and excellence in higher and technical education, such as curriculum design, faculty development, assessment and evaluation, and industry-academia collaboration. He emphasized the need for a comprehensive approach to quality management that involves all stakeholders, including students, faculty, administration, and industry.



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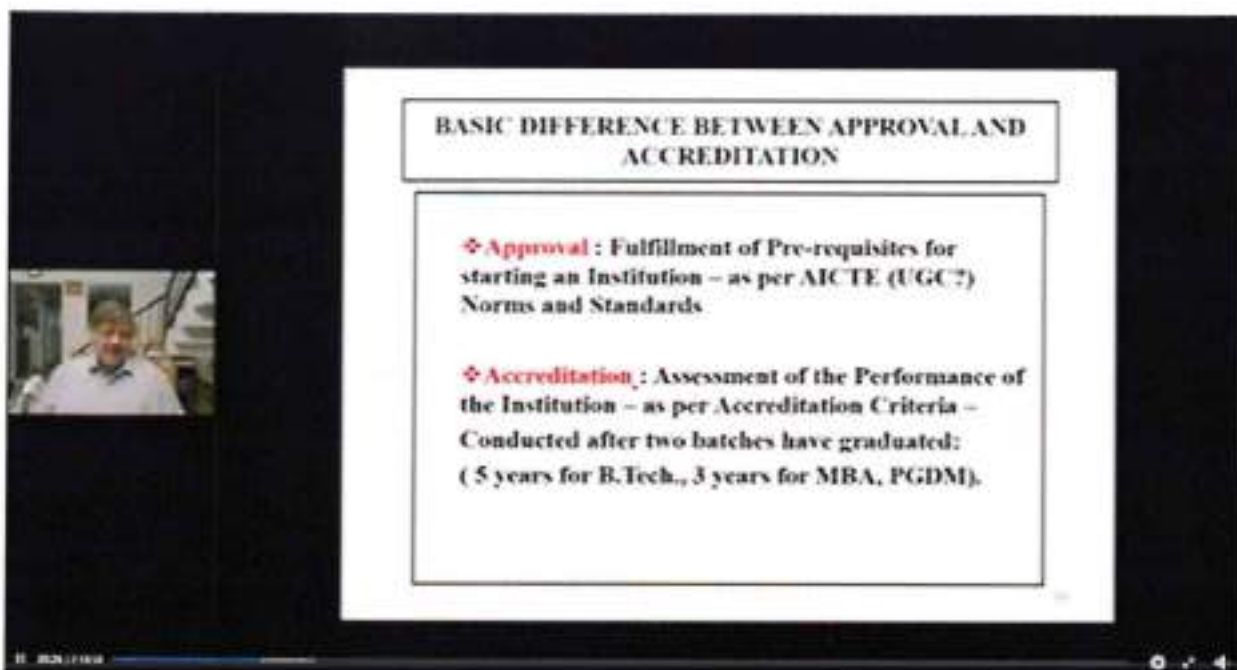
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Session in progress with Prof R Natarajan

Dr. Natarajan highlighted the role of accreditation in ensuring quality and excellence in higher education. He talked about the various accreditation bodies and processes, both national and international, and how they help institutions to benchmark themselves against global standards of quality. He also discussed the importance of self-assessment and continuous improvement in maintaining and enhancing quality in education.

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BASIC DIFFERENCE BETWEEN APPROVAL AND ACCREDITATION

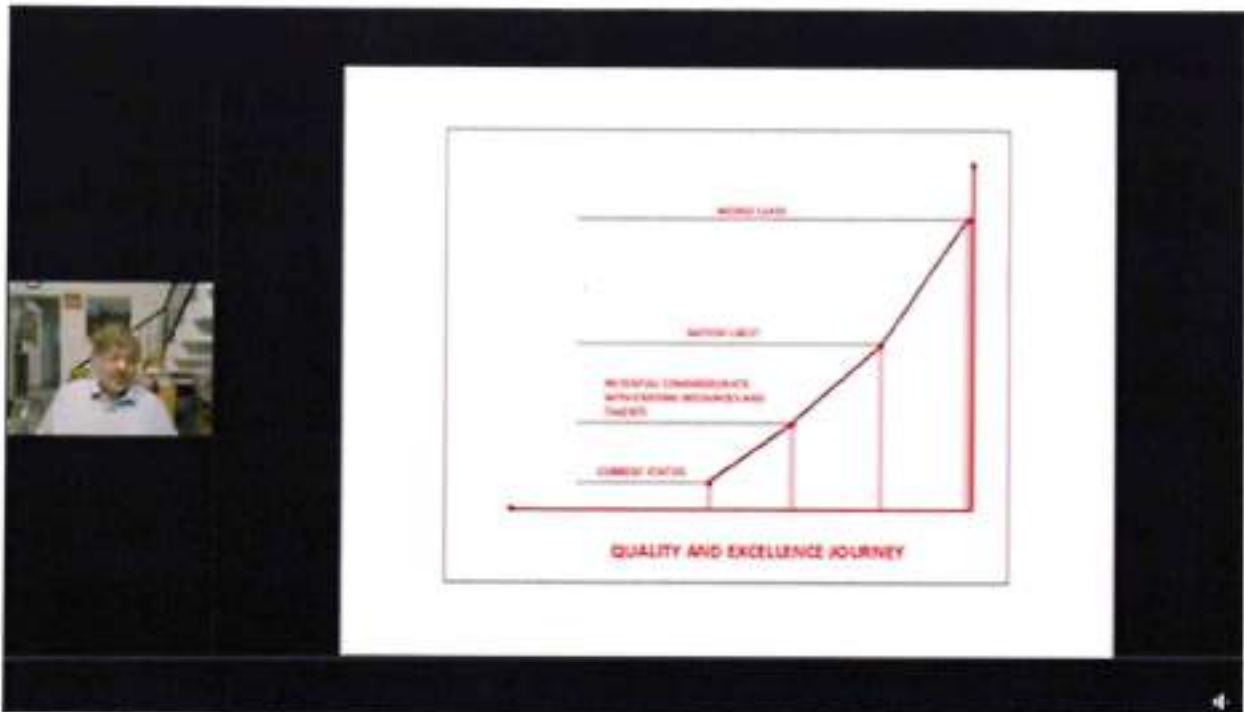
- ❖ **Approval** : Fulfillment of Pre-requisites for starting an Institution – as per AICTE (UGC?) Norms and Standards
- ❖ **Accreditation** : Assessment of the Performance of the Institution – as per Accreditation Criteria – Conducted after two batches have graduated: (5 years for B.Tech., 3 years for MBA, PGDM).

Session in progress with Prof R Natarajan

The webinar also covered the role of technology in education and how it can be used to enhance the quality of teaching and learning. Dr. Natarajan talked about the various technological tools and platforms available for educators, such as online learning management systems, virtual classrooms, and interactive multimedia resources. He emphasized the need for educators to adapt to new technologies and pedagogies to ensure that students receive the best possible education.

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Session in progress with Prof R Natarajan

In conclusion, the webinar on "Quality and Excellence Issues in Higher and Technical Education" by Dr. Ramamurthy Natarajan was an insightful discussion on the challenges and opportunities related to ensuring quality and excellence in education. The webinar provided a comprehensive overview of the various issues related to quality management in higher and technical education and highlighted the role of accreditation, self-assessment, and technology in maintaining and enhancing quality. The webinar was an excellent resource for educators, administrators, and anyone interested in the field of education.

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Cordially invites you to participate in the National Webinar on :
“National Education Policy - 2020 through the Lens of Inclusion”

On 2nd November, 2020 @ 10:45am to 1:15 pm

Google meet link and e-certificates will be provided to all the participants



Keynote Speaker :

Dr. Babita Parashar
(Dean, Faculty of Education and
Humanities,
Manav Rachna University,
Faridabad)



Keynote Speaker :

Mr. Ravi Prakash Singh
Lecturer, National Institute for
the Empowerment of Persons
with Intellectual Disabilities,
Navi Mumbai



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Manav Rachna University, Faridabad
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Report on National Webinar on National Education Policy-2020 through the Lens of
Inclusion

Date: 2nd November, 2020

Mode: Go-to-Webinar (Online)

Keynote Speakers: Mr. RaviPrakash Singh (Lecturer, National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities, Navi Mumbai), Dr Babita Parashar (Dean, Faculty of Education and Humanities, Manav Rachna University)

The Faculty of Education and Humanities organized a webinar on the topic: National Education Policy -2020 Through the Lens of Inclusion, on November 2, 2020.

The webinar was started with the introduction and welcome note given by Mr.Sharv Anand, Assistant prof., Faculty of Education. He then invited Dr. I. K.Bhat, Honourable VC, MRU to deliver the inaugural address. Dr Bhat in his address highlighted the significance of inclusion in the present times and applauded the efforts put in by the Faculty of Education and Humanities for having taken initiative to contribute their bit in this regard through the deliberations during the webinar.





Participants from NEP Webinar on 2nd November,2020

Dr Rashee Singh, HOD, Faculty of Education and Humanities projected a brief about MRU and Faculty of Education and Humanities. She enumerated various points as to how MRU as a State university and Faculty of Education and Humanities, as a part of it, have an edge over other institutions pertaining to research and Methodology of Teaching and Learning to name only a few. It was , then, followed by two Technical sessions.



Hon'ble VC, MRU. Dr. IK Bhatt addressing the participants

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The 1st session was very skillfully conducted by Dr Babita Parashar, Dean, Faculty of Education and Humanities. In her deliberations, she stressed upon the need of empathy and will to make a change in children with Special needs. She said that the difference will be made in dealing and handling those children when we accept them as we accept normal children. Mr. Ravi Prakash Singh, was the esteemed resource person for the Technical session-2. He, through his comprehensive powerpoint, highlighted the facts and provisions made by the Government with regard to the Education of special Children from time to time. Though his main emphasis was on the latest NPE policy 2020. After both the sessions, meaningful interaction took place between the speakers and participants. The webinar was concluded with the vote of Thanks proposed by Dr Kiran Gupta, Associate Prof., Faculty of Education and Humanities. It was, in fact, a great learning experience for everyone.



Manav Rachna University
Department of Management and Commerce
Webinar Report on Importance of Literature Review in High-Quality Research

Date: 13th Feb 2021

Time: 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Mode: Google meet

Resource Person: Dr. Sunita Bishnoi, Associate Professor, Department of Management Studies, DAV Institute of Management

Department of Management and Commerce, MRU organized an online FDP on the topic **Importance of Literature Review in High-Quality Research** on 13th Feb 2021 from 11:00 am - 12:30 noon on Google meets platform.

Dr Sunita Bishnoi consented to be the speaker and enlighten the faculty with her 18 years of rich experience in Research and Teaching. Dr Bishnoi has Published 35 Research articles in national and international refereed journals. She has successfully guided six PhDs. Scholars of Maharshi Dayanand University and at present six more scholars have been pursuing their PhD under her guidance.



Resource Person Dr. Sunita Bishnoi

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sunita Bishnoi'.



The session was coordinated by Dr Animesh Singh, Associate Professor, DMC-MRU. The session was attended by MRU faculty members.

Dr. Sunita Bishnoi emphasized the importance of making an excel sheet of all studied research papers. She also talked about making a balance between quality and quantity of research papers reviewed. She discussed the relevance of the research model and its relatedness with the theoretical model, along with importance of reviewing high-quality research papers (Published in Scopus, WOS & EBSCO etc.) She advised faculty to visit libraries of MDU Rohtak and MDI Gurugram apart from MRU library. Another point of discussion was the importance of timelines and focused research related to the research topic.

Dr Bishnoi also addressed faculty queries in the end. The session concludes with the vote of thanks given by Dr Pragati Chauhan and Dr Animesh Singh.

A literature review is an essential component of high-quality research. It involves a systematic and critical evaluation of existing research, theoretical and empirical literature on a particular topic. Here are some reasons why literature review is important in high-quality research:

1. Contextualizes the research: A literature review provides context to the research by demonstrating how the proposed study fits within the existing body of knowledge. It helps to establish the relevance of the research by identifying gaps in the existing literature.
2. Identifies research questions: A literature review helps to identify research questions by highlighting the limitations of existing studies and identifying areas where further research is needed. This process helps to refine the research question and ensures that the research addresses a significant and relevant issue.
3. Informs the research design: A literature review helps to inform the research design by identifying appropriate research methods and data collection techniques. It also helps to identify potential biases and limitations of previous research, which can be addressed in the design of the current study.
4. Supports the research argument: A literature review provides evidence to support the research argument. It helps to establish the theoretical framework for the research and provides evidence to support the research hypotheses or research questions.

Animesh Singh



MANAV RACHNA UNIVERSITY, FARIDABAD

FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND HUMANITIES

Report on Virtual Workshop on EViews and SPSS

Date: 15.05.2021

Expert(s):

1. Dr Sachita , Associate Professor, Department of Management and Commerce , Manav Rachna University, Faridabad.
2. Dr. Animesh , Associate Professor, Department of Management and Commerce , Manav Rachna University, Faridabad.

Department of Management and Commerce, MRU organized a virtual workshop on EViews and SPSS on May 15, 2021. The session covered data analysis like descriptive analysis, correlation analysis, stationarity test, and regression analysis through EViews.

Dr. Sachita Yadav and Dr. Animesh gave a hands-on session on the creation of new variables, reliability test, Cronbach Alpha, regression, EFA, CFA, and factor analysis through SPSS.

The session was coordinated by Dr. Yogita Singh, and was attended by the faculty members and research scholars.

EViews and SPSS are both statistical software packages commonly used in the fields of economics, social sciences, and business. Here is a brief overview of each software and some of their features:

EViews: EViews (Econometric Views) is a statistical software package designed for time-series analysis and econometric modeling. It allows users to manipulate and analyze data using various econometric techniques. Some of the key features of EViews include:

- **Time-series analysis:** EViews is designed specifically for analyzing time-series data. It includes a range of tools for time-series analysis, including ARIMA, VAR, and VEC models.
- **Graphical user interface:** EViews has a user-friendly interface that allows users to easily import, manipulate, and analyze data.



Animesh

- **Programming capabilities:** EViews includes a programming language called EViews Programming Language (EPL) that allows users to automate tasks and create custom analyses.
- **Integration with other software:** EViews can import and export data in a range of formats, including Excel, Stata, and SAS.

SPSS: SPSS (Statistical Package for the Social Sciences) is a statistical software package widely used in the social sciences. It allows users to analyze data using a range of statistical techniques, including regression analysis, factor analysis, and cluster analysis. Some of the key features of SPSS include:

- **Data management:** SPSS includes a range of tools for data management, including data cleaning, merging, and transformation.
- **Statistical analysis:** SPSS includes a range of statistical techniques, including regression analysis, ANOVA, and factor analysis.
- **Graphical user interface:** SPSS has a user-friendly interface that allows users to easily import, manipulate, and analyze data.
- **Integration with other software:** SPSS can import and export data in a range of formats, including Excel, Stata, and SAS.

In summary, EViews and SPSS are both powerful statistical software packages that are widely used in academia and industry. They offer a range of tools for data analysis and statistical modeling, and both have user-friendly interfaces that make them accessible to users with varying levels of experience.

Animesh





Chairperson, Advisory Board Speaks

The Dalai Lama says – “The Purpose of Life is Happiness.” Whatever be the phase of life, the two keys to a happy life are: stay inspired and stay organised. Whether teaching or learning, both need discipline and character. Ambition is the driving force; patience and determination are the tools.

A story from Paulo Coelho in The Alchemist has left an indelible mark on me. In an intimate exchange, the grandmother tells the grandson about five qualities of an inanimate object which, if one manages to hang on, peace and greatness in life can be achieved together. The messages of the pencil are:

First, you are capable of great things, but you must never forget that there is a hand guiding your steps. We call that hand God, and He always guides us according to His will.

Second, now and then, I have to stop writing and use a sharpener. That makes the pencil suffer a little, but only to be sharper. So you too must learn to bear certain pains and sorrows because they will make you a better person.

Third, the pencil always allows us to use an eraser to rub out any mistakes. This means that correcting something we did is not necessarily a bad thing; it helps to keep us on the right path.

Fourth, what really matters in pencil is not its wooden exterior but the graphite inside. So always pay attention to what is happening inside you.

Finally, the pencil's fifth quality: it always leaves a mark; in just the same way, you should know that everything you do in life will leave a mark, so try to be conscious of that in your every action.

As a teacher, leave your mark, be a role model teacher. As a student, leave your mark; be a role model pupil. Take the things as they are. Having seen the difficult phase of Corona, we all know that we may not be able to control Corona, but we can certainly change ourselves and learn to live the best way we can with Corona too. A virtual world is something we are living in. Those who have the strength of character, live a disciplined life and are full of ambitions have not been scarred, much less defeated by Corona.



At the Faculty of Law, Manav Rachna University, we understand this transdisciplinary application of legal knowledge by offering practice-driven and application-based legal education.

While the study of Law is intellectually exciting and financially remunerating, we understand that a well-trained lawyer has to appreciate the issues involved and may have to dwell into scientific studies and other disciplines of social sciences. With this understanding, our professors aim at providing an experiential learning platform to students with a focus on clinical legal education, case study methodologies, academia-industry legal profession integration, and holistic professional development. Faculty of Law, Manav Rachna University ranked No.3 among the Top Law Schools of Excellence in India and No. 5 among the Top Law Schools in Haryana by CSR-GHRDC Law Schools Survey 2021.

Indeed a testimony to the experiential and new-age law education offered to MR students through case studies, moot court sessions, legal aid camps, workshops, and much more.



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LLM – (Specialisation – Commercial Arbitration, Corporate Law, Constitutional Law, Criminal Law)

PhD. – in Law



ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

The eighth meeting of the Advisory Board was held in online mode and was chaired by Justice RC Lahoti (Former Chief Justice of India) on 17 October 2020. In addition to the Advisory Board members, the meeting was attended by all key management personnel from MREI and MRU.



CERTIFICATE COURSES

The Faculty of Law has collaborated with SUVEEKSHA Eduskills and Bar & Bench to offer short-term specialised Online Certificate Courses in different areas of Law. As a starting point, three Courses have been developed – Legislative Drafting, Competition Law, and International Arbitration – and more are soon to follow.

Appreciation Course in Legislative Drafting

The **FOUR-day Appreciation Course in Legislative Drafting** has been curated and mentored by Shri P K Malhotra, Former Law Secretary, Govt of India and Executive Chairperson, Centre for Legislative Studies and Research, Manav Rachna University. Conducted on weekends, the Course is designed to facilitate working professionals and students to gain additional knowledge and skill on legislative drafting. Sessions are conducted by experts from the Ministry of Law & Justice and accomplished professionals in academia.

Course on Comparative Competition Law

The TEN-week **Course on Comparative Competition Law** is designed to take participants through the comparative framework of Competition Law in India, the US and the EU. The Course was started on 4 June and will end on 13 August 2021. Practising

lawyers and professionals have been invited to take sessions spread over 60 hours.

CERTIFICATE COURSE ON COMPARATIVE COMPETITION LAW

Course on Practice of International Arbitration

The TEN-week **Course on Practice of International Arbitration** started on 15 June and will end on 21 August 2021. Over 40 law students and practising advocates have registered for the Course, which will focus on Arbitration in India, with a comparative analysis of the legislative and procedural framework as seen in an international setting.

COMPETITIONS

Legal Vignette



Legal Vignette – an Online Case Presentation Competition was organised by the Moot Court Committee on 26 and 27 February 2021. Over 20 teams participated and presented landmark judgments in different areas of Law.

The winners of the competition were Ruchika Sharma and Priyanka Yadav from NorthCap University. Simriti Bali of Delhi Metropolitan Education has secured the Runner's Up Position. The Second Runner-Up is Chetna Priyam, from ICFAI Law School.



Upcoming Moot Court Competition

The **Law & Technology National Moot Court Competition** is proposed to be held in August 2021. It will be in collaboration with Pricewaterhouse Coopers (PwC). The problem for this year's competition is centred around the issues of privacy, WhatsApp's new policy and the IT Rules of 2021.



CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

Webinar Series

Faculty of Law organised a Webinar on **Consumer Protection Act, 2019 – HITS and MISSES** on 13

March 2021. The Speakers were Honorable Justice R.K. Agrawal, President NCDRC and Joy Basu, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India.



A Webinar on **Interface between Big Tech and Competition Laws** was held on 28 November 2020. The invited guests of the webinar include Dhanendra Kumar, Former CCI chairperson; Karan Chandhiok; Abhishek Singh Baghel; and Yaman Verma, among others.



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EIGHTH MANAV RACHNA PUBLIC LECTURE

The Manav Rachna Public Lecture is a series where the University invited eminent people to speak on significant social, cultural and legal issues of public interest. The Eighth Manav Rachna Public Lecture was organised by the Faculty of Law on 24 July 2020. This lecture was delivered by Gourab Banerji SA, who took for his theme *Continuing Relevance of Fundamental Duties in these COVID-19 times*.



8th Manav Rachna Public Lecture Continuing relevance of Fundamental Duties in these COVID-19 times



ACADEMIC COOPERATION

In an attempt to forge academic ties with other law schools, the Faculty of Law partnered with National Law University Odisha (NLUO) and the VM Salgaocar College of Law, Goa, to host a webinar on *Clinical Legal Education: International Perspectives*. The webinar saw participation from 369 delegates from 23 countries. The distinguished speakers for the event were Dr David McQuoid-Mason (Professor, University of KwaZulu Natal, Durban South Africa), Dr Srikrishna Deva Rao (VC, NLUO), Bruce Lasky (Partner, Lanna Lawyers, Thailand), Dr MRK Prasad (Professor and Principal, VM Salgaocar College of Law, Goa), Dr Mizanur Rahman (Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh) and Dr Daniel Brantes Ferreira (Advocate, Arbitrator and Professor of Law, Brazil).



A webinar on *Legal Education in the BRICS* was held on 11 August 2020. This was an academic cooperation initiative between institutes of higher learning from BRICS countries. The Faculty of Law was a joint organiser of this event along with the University of KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), South Ural State University (Russia), Wuhan University School of Law (China) and the Brazilian Centre for Mediation & Arbitration (CBMA).



ORIENTATION FOR CLASS OF 2020

The Faculty of Law saw a very distinguished cast of speakers who addressed incoming class of 2020 online through Microsoft teams platform.

A two week long orientation program was organized from 15 September which signified the start of the academic journey for the incoming class.

This journey saw our students navigated the five years at law school to emerge on the other side as tech savvy, socially responsible members of legal profession.

The speakers were: Ravindra Shrivastava, Senior Advocate, Manish Lamba , Senior Vice President (Legal) DLF Cyber City Developers , Tariq Khan, Principal Associate, Advani & Co., Ojasvita Srivastava, General Counsel, Securitas & Founder, Project Abhimanyu, Jayant Bhatt, Advocate, Karishma Vora, Barrister, 39 Essex Chambers, Bharat Chugh, Advocate, Satyajit Gupta, Head Legal, EXL India



ORIENTATION PROGRAM - CLASS OF 2020

To welcome students of the Integrated B.A./B.L.A./B.COM./LL.B. (HONS.) and LL.M. Programs

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LAW DIALOGUES

Faculty of Law, Manav Rachna University started series of 'The Manav Rachna Law Dialogue'. The First Law Dialogue was on "Internships- Bridging the gap between expectations and reality."

The event was graced by the General Counsels of top Multi-National Corporations which included Mr. Manish Lamba, Senior Vice President (Legal) DLF; Mr. N Swaminathan General Counsel, Tower Vision; Mr. Prabhu Tandon Partner, Sai Krishna Associates; and Mr. Sachin Kalra Deputy General Council HT Media. The talk was organized for the students of all three batches.

The delegates talked about their journey as successful lawyers. The main focus of the talk was to explain the importance of additional courses that students can opt with their LLB. The dialogue was very informative and the students fully utilized the opportunity provided to them.



THE MANAV RACHNA LAW DIALOGUES

FACULTY OF LAW, MANAV RACHNA UNIVERSITY
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"AN OVERVIEW OF ANTI-CORRUPTION LAWS IN INDIA"
ON WEDNESDAY, 29TH APRIL 2020 AT 12:00 PM


Distinguished Speaker
Senior Partner, Senior Advisor
Honorary Professor, AICTE


Opening Remarks
Senior Counsel, Director
Faculty of Law, AICTE


Moderator
Deputy General Counsel, HT
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Construction Law Series

The Centre of Excellence on Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) collaborated with the Society of Construction Law-Young Leader's Group (SCL-YLG) to hold a series of masterclasses on Construction Law.

The **FIRST** one-day Masterclass on **Managing Ground Condition Claims** was held on 5 December 2020. The distinguished faculty consisted of Rohit Singhal (CEO, Masin), Mohan Pillay (Partner & Head of Office, Pinsent Masons MPillay, Singapore), Wee Jian Ang (Partner, Pinsent Masons MPillay, Singapore), Naresh Thacker (Partner, Economic Laws Practice), and Alok Jain (Associate Partner, Economic Laws Practice). The Moderator of the Panel Discussion was Sagrika Wadhwa (Advocate, Delhi High Court). The speakers deliberated on the most common dispute in Infra Projects, i.e. Change in ground conditions. Leading international law firm Pinsent Masons MPillay was the Knowledge Partner to this Masterclass.



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Event Facilitator

 Rohit Singhal CEO, Masin	 Kevin Nash Deputy Registrar & Centre Director, Singapore International Arbitration Centre	 Atul Sharma Managing Partner, Link Legal	 Padmaja Kaul Partner Indus Law & Member Steering Committee SCL - YLG
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The **SECOND** one-day Masterclass of the Construction Law Series on **Effective Management of Complex Construction Arbitrations** was conducted on 20 March 2021. Highlights of the Webinar were its Speakers, including Justice AK Sikri (International Judge, Singapore International Commercial Court), Nusrat Hassan (Co-Managing Partner Link Legal), Anand Srivastava (Partner Link Legal), Mohan R Pillay (Head of Office, Pinsent Masons), Ang Wee Jian (Partner Pinsent Masons MPillay), Kevin Nash (Deputy Registrar & Centre Director, Singapore International Arbitration Centre), and Atul Sharma (Managing Partner, Link Legal). The event was chaired jointly by Shashank Garg (Partner Advani & Co.) and Padmaja Kaul (Partner Indus Law & Member Steering Committee SCL - YLG).

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A Masterclass with International & Indian Experts

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Ajay Thomas
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Dr. Anand Deshpande
Senior Counsel, International Arbitration, India

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The CADR–Manav Rachna Conversation Series

A series of Conversation webinars are hosted by the CADR at the Faculty of Law, which provide a unique platform for representatives of leading organisations in the realm of private and public international Law to provide insights into the aims, objectives, origins, functions of their respective organisations, and also shared their personal insights on contemporary global legal affairs.

The first edition of this Conversation Series featured Dr Christophe Bernasconi, the Secretary-General of the Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH), in conversation with Ajay Thomas, Director of the Faculty of Law at Manav Rachna University on 17 December 2020.



The CADR–Manav Rachna Conversation Series

Dr. Anand Deshpande
Senior Counsel, International Arbitration, India

in conversation with

Ajay Thomas
Director of the Faculty of Law at Manav Rachna University

The second edition of this Conversation Series featured Professor Raphael Heffron of the Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy (CEPMLP) at the University of Dundee, Scotland. Prof. Heffron spoke on the theme *Weathering the Storm: Energy Disputes, the Energy Transition and Impact of COVID-19* on 17 July 2020.

WEBCAST

Weathering the Storm
Energy Disputes, the Energy Transition and Impact of COVID-19

Distinguished speaker

Professor Raphael Heffron
Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy (CEPMLP) University of Dundee, Scotland

Moderator

Shashank Yadav
Senior Counsel, International Arbitration, India

Opening Remarks

Ajay Thomas
Director of the Faculty of Law at Manav Rachna University

Date : Friday, 17 July 2020 | Time: 4:30 pm
(Indian Standard Time)

The CADR organised online discussion on *Soft way of doing hard things: Do women make better mediators?* on 12 December 2020. The theme was inspired by an article written by Dr Catherine Turner of Durham Law School. The speakers for the event were Veena Ralli (Mediator and Organizing Sect of Samadhan), Chitra Narayan (Advocate and Mediator), and Hazel Tang (Counsel, ICC International Court of Arbitration, Singapore).

LIVE WEBINAR

Soft way of doing hard things:
Do women make better mediators?

Distinguished Speakers

- Heena Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai
- Chitra Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai
- Heena Singh**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai

Moderators

- Ajay Thomas**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai
- Shruti Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai

UNCITRAL – UNCCI Series of Webinars

CADR also hosted a series of six webinars on various aspects of the Law and practice of ADR. The co-organisers of these webinars included the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law's (UNCITRAL) Regional Centre for Asia-Pacific and the UNCITRAL National Coordination Committee for India (UNCCI). These webinars covered topics relating to the current work being done by UNCITRAL, including mediation, commercial arbitration, insolvency, and investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS).



Webinar On

**Arbitration in India:
The Good, the Bad and the Ugly**

Speakers

- Hon'ble Justice Mr. V.K. Rajhans**, Hon'ble Justice, Supreme Court of India
- Justice Madhav Laxmi**, Hon'ble Justice, Supreme Court of India
- Garvath Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai

Moderators

- Ajay Thomas**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai
- Shruti Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai

Webinar On

**Investor State Dispute Settlement:
Thesis, Anti-Thesis and Possible Synthesis**

Distinguished Panelists

- Dr. Anjali Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai
- Dr. Anjali Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai
- Dr. Anjali Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai

Opening Remarks by

- Ajay Thomas**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai

Moderators

- Dr. Anjali Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai
- Dr. Anjali Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai

WEBINAR

**Mediation and Arbitration:
Friends or Foes?**

Distinguished Speakers

- Dr. Anjali Kulkarni**, Director, Institute of Mediation Studies, Mumbai
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WEBINAR

SETTING ASIDE OF THE ARBITRAL AWARD - SCOPE OF SECTION 34

16 MAY 2020 2:00 PM



HON'BLE JUSTICE L. NAGESWARA RAO
JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA



MR. R.V. VISWANATHAN
OF ADVOCATE



ADV. SHASHANK GARG
PARTNER, ADVANNA & CO
ADVOCATE



ADV. SAMEER JAIN
PARTNER, ADVANNA & CO
ADVOCATE

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WEBINAR

CHALLENGES AND ISSUES IN THE PRACTICE OF ARBITRATION

15 MAY 2020 9:00 PM



HON'BLE JUSTICE B.D. GAVRI
JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA



HON'BLE JUSTICE C.S. PATEL
JUDGE, SUPREME COURT OF INDIA



ADV. ANIL N. NARKIANI
CHIEF PARTNER, ADVANNA & CO
ADVOCATE



ADV. SHASHANK GARG
PARTNER, ADVANNA & CO
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Webinar On

Mediation as a Tool for Conflict Management

Distinguished Speakers



Justice Madan Lokar
Former Judge
Supreme Court of India



Dr. Judith Arocas
Legal Ethics
UNC, USA



Nandini Hanvi Sharma
JURIST, Mediating Legal Center
Member of UNC Commission

Moderators



Dr. Nandini Hanvi Sharma
Professor of Law
Independent Mediation Practitioner



Shreyas Deshpande
Senior Counsel
Mediator



Ajay Thomas
Senior Counsel
Mediator, Arbitrator



WEBINAR

Cross Border Insolvency: Should India adopt the UNCITRAL Model Law?

Distinguished Speakers



Alan L. Cooper
Co-Founder, Insolvency & Bankruptcy
Law Center, USA



Anne Lehman
Senior Counsel
UNC, USA



Dr. M. Viswanathan
JURIST, Mediating
Legal Center, USA



Sumant Katoch
Managing Director
Insolvency Law Associates

Opening Remarks



Soumit Ghoshal
Senior Counsel
UNC, USA



Anshu Kulkarni
Senior Counsel
UNC, USA



Anshika Sharma
Senior Counsel
UNC, USA



Apurva Das
Senior Counsel
UNC, USA

Moderators






The Centre for Legislative Studies and Research (CLSR) was established in October 2020. The purpose of the Centre is to conduct and promote research in the field of legislative affairs of the state. The Centre is headed by PK Malhotra, Former Law Secretary. The Centre is managed by Dr SK Bose as Centre Director.

The Centre's activities were unveiled through the launch webinar on *The Art and Science of Legislative Drafting* held on 10 October 2020. The speakers for the webinar were Dr G. Narayana Raju (Secretary Legislative Department), PK Malhotra, Satya Prakash (Legal Editor, The Tribune), and in-house speakers.



Constitution Day

26 November is celebrated every year in India as 'Constitution Day'. On this day in 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India.



The CLSR and the Faculty of Law hosted a webinar on the theme: *Is it time to overhaul the Constitution?*



Appreciation Course in Legislative Drafting

CLSR, as part of its continuous endeavour, offered a Four day Online Appreciation Course in Legislative Drafting, curated and mentored by PK Malhotra, the Executive Chairperson of CLSR, and was conducted on the Suveeksha Eduskills platform. CLSR is preparing to start the second edition of the Course in the month of July 2021.



FACULTY NEWS

Publications and Paper Presentations

- Dr Somdutt Bhardwaj, "E-Commerce and Smart Contract: Contingencies under contract law and limitation of autonomous performance" 11(04) *Doga Rangsong Research Journal* (April 2021).
- Dr Somdutt Bhardwaj, "E-Commerce and Smart Contract: Contingencies Under Contract Law And Limitation Of Autonomous Performance" 10(04:2) *Doga Rangsong Research Journal* (April 2021).
- Dr Somdutt Bhardwaj, "Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Act 2019 v/s Global Best Practices in Road Safety" 10(06:11) *Doga Rangsong Research Journal* (June 2020).
- Book Chapter by Dr. SK Bose, "Intersectionality of Literature, Law and Culture" in *Global thoughts and opinions*, INLR (March 2021).
- Dr SK Bose, "Legal Research – An Inter – disciplinary Approach" 7 *International Journal of Arts, Humanities and Management Studies* (December 2020).
- Dr SK Bose, "An insight into Free Speech, Dissent, right to protests, strikes and lockouts" 4(1) *International Journal of Law Management & Humanities* (2021).
- Dr Seema Gupta, "Are we doing enough to protect ourselves digitally? - An empirical study" *All India Reporter, Journal Section* (2021).
- Ajay Bhatia, "Role of Workplace Happiness in achieving Sustainable Academic Performance: A Study on Selected Private Universities in Delhi NCR" in *World Review of Entrepreneurship Management and Sustainable Development* (2021).
- Ajay Bhatia, "Investigation of Quality of Work Life on Teachers' Workplace Happiness during Challenging Times" 20(3) *Empirical Economics Letters* (May 2021).
- Dr Sanya Yadav, "Bilateral Investment Treaties under International Investment Arbitration: A comparative study between India, United States and Australia" 8 (1) *International Journal of Research and Analytical Reviews* PP 684- 694 (March 2021).
- Dr Ashima Saxena, "Does Aging impacts on Financial Behaviour and Investment Decisions" in *Global Journal of enterprises Information System* (December 2020).
- Chaitali Wadhwa and Pooja Trehan, "Complexities of the workplace for the LGBTQ + community" IV *International Review of Human Rights Law* (2021).
- Akansha Ghose, "Climatic analysis of waste management at household level" 9(1) *Journal of Global Research & Analysis* (2021).
- Akansha Ghose, "Of Buildings and Bloody Legacies" Newspaper Article/Opinion in *wire.in* on 11/05/2021.
- Dr Versha Vahini, "Alternative Dispute Resolution in India: Emerging Perspectives" 10(06:11) *Doga Rangsong Research Journal* (June 2020).
- Dr Versha Vahini, "A Study of Legislative and Judicial Paradigm Swings" 10(07:11) *Doga Rangsong Research Journal* (June 2020).

- Dr Versha Vahini, *Text Book on Indian Competition Law* (2020).
- Research paper presented in International Conference - Title of Paper: *Law and Society*, Name of Author: Dr Somdutt Bhardwaj, New Delhi, 15 to 16 May 2021.
- Research Paper presented in National Conference - Title of Paper: *Critical Analysis of Draft Bill on Data Protection, 2018*, Name of Author: Shivam Gaur, Seminar: Criminal Law Reforms in recent times Issues and Challenges, Venue of Conference: Baba Mast Nath University, March 2021.
- Research paper presented - Title of Paper: *The underlying Impediments of Environment Impact*, Name of the Author: Dr Sanya Yadav, Seminar: National Seminar, Venue of Conference: ICFAI University, Dehradun, 2nd and 3rd April 2021.

Online Courses and Faculty Development Programs

- Dr Seema Gupta completed two online courses – *Legal Research and Writing* in November 2020 from Lawcopus Law School and, *Qualitative Research Methods* from University of Amsterdam in January 2021.
- Ajay Bhatia completed an online course through Coursera from ISB on "A Life of Happiness and Fulfilment" in June 2021.
- Dr Sanya Yadav completed online Course on *Global Diplomacy: the United Nations in the world* on 18 November from University of London.
- Dr SK Bose attended a two-day FDP on *Effective Teaching - Learning in Higher Education* from Jain (Deemed to be University) from 28 to 29 May 2021.
- Dr Somdutt Bhardwaj participated in a five-day Online FDP on *AICTE training and learning (ATAL)* conducted by Vellore Institute of Technology, January 2021.
- FDP attended by Dr Versha Vahini, Tarunedep Kaur, Akansha Ghose and Shobhit Mohan an IQAC workshop on *Reflective Teaching* on 22 May 2021.
- Dr Sanya Yadav participated in an online FDP on *Gender Equity & Right for Women*, February 2021.
- Dr Sanya Yadav attended seven-day FDP on *Human Rights in Contemporary India: Issues and Challenges*, HPNLU Shimla in April 2021.
- Dr Sanya Yadav and Sakshi Bahuguna attended a five-day FDP on *Overall Personal and Professional Development* by Research Foundation of India, JHERF & Academic Research Guide Association in May 2021.
- Dr Sanya Yadav attended five-day FDP on *Implementation of OBE and Online Teaching* by NITTTR, Chennai in May 2021.

Invited Lectures/Judge of an Event

- Dr Seema Gupta judged the Event "Express It", a tribute to Subhash Chandra Bose, where she was the judge.
- Ms. Chaitali Wadhwa was invited as Judge-Arbitrator at 11th edition of Moot Shanghai, held in March 2021. Moot Shanghai 2021 is a pre-moot in advance of the 28 William C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot.

