

ONE DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR
ON
**SOCIAL AND LEGAL DIMENSIONS OF DISABILITY LAWS AND
POLICIES IN INDIA**

Organised by
**POST GRADUATE TEACHING DEPARTMENT OF LAW
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About the Department:

Post Graduate Teaching Department of Law was established in the year 1963 under the Third Five Year Plan on the basis of the recommendations of UGC. The Department was established to promote advanced training in law and research. Our University adopted a Ph.D Ordinance which permitted registration of students for the Ph.D. Programme in Law. It became effective from the academic session 1973-74. At present, institutionalized instructions are offered in SEVEN specializations in the department which include:

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Group D	Business Law
Group E	Environment and Legal Order
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About the Seminar:

Traditionally, the approach towards persons with disabilities both nationally and internationally has been built on a medical model i.e model of care and entitlement based on charity and the assumptions that disability is an individual pathology, a condition grounded in the psychological, biological or cognitive impairment of the individual. The medical model led to generate a negative attitude and approach towards the PWD, which eventually, challenged by the social model. The social model focuses on the complex ways that economic relations, cultural meanings, social practices, and institutional settings participate in the disablement of persons. It explores how the many daily activities and basic pleasures that people with disabilities cannot enjoy are rooted not in their own limitations, but in the way society was designed-by the non-disabled and for the non-disabled. And it is that design that socially burdens people with disabilities-not their biological impairments.

The Constitution of India within its general welfare perspective made certain provision for the persons with disabilities under Article 15, 16, 21, 23, 25 not only expressly provides equality and fairness in the field of education, employment, religious rights etc but also prohibit discrimination towards PWD. The 1970s marked a new approach to disability. The concept of human rights for disabled persons began to become more accepted internationally. The Declaration on the Rights of Disabled Persons, adopted by the General Assembly on 9 December 1975, encouraged national and international protection of the rights of the disabled. Recognition was given to the fact that disabled persons were entitled to the same political and civil rights as others, including measures necessary to enable them to become self-sufficient. This was the era when there was a shift from welfare based approach to the rights based approach for the PWD.

For getting in tuned with this rights based approach the parliament enacted The Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act 1995, The Rehabilitation Council of India Act 1992 and The National Trust Act 1999 along with various policies for the upliftment of the PWD. But unfortunately all these acts and policies are more inclined towards the medical model than the social and legal model for the PWD.

Recently, as India became signatory to the United Nations Convention for Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) 2006 the disability studies has moved from the margins to a position of greater visibility and distinction. The academic understanding of the relationships between disability and the law has grown more sophisticated, though the infusion of disability theory into the making of law has been still slow. The legal model shows the gradual shift from the traditional doctrinal analysis that adopted the view that discrimination on the basis of disability is forbidden, to a more elaborated understanding of people with disabilities as a minority group, along with growing attention to disability as a separate branch of legal studies altogether. The State has also developed various new policies but still the effective impact of it is yet to be seen. Hence this Seminar aims to review the disability laws and Policies existing in India, and to critically overview the social and legal dimensions of disability law and policies in India.

Seminar Themes:

- Disability and Fundamental Rights
- Disability and Human Rights
- Disability Law and Role of State

- Disability and Right to equality in Education, Employment and Social Security
- Disability and Health Law
- Disability Law and Policies in India
- Disability Law and United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disability
- Disability and Cultural Perspective
- Disability and Religion Perspective
- Disability Law and Attitudinal barriers towards disabled
- Disability Law and Rights of Women
- Disability and Social Perspective

Any other topic relevant with the title of the Seminar will be allowed.

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- The submission shall be in MS Word format strictly.
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- Last Date of acceptance of Abstract: 15th August 2016
- Last Date for submission of full paper: 1st September 2016

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