

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON JUDICIAL ETHICS CONCLUDED SUCCESSFULLY IN MATS LAW SCHOOL



MATS Law School, MATS University Raipur (C.G.) successfully concluded the International Seminar on Judicial ethics on 14th feb 2016 at University Campus. The Second day of the seminar marked the presence of luminaries from different arena of law including Prof. (Dr) Ryszard Strzelczyk, a Senior advocate of the supreme court of Poland and Prof. in Lazarski University, Prof. (Dr.) Aneta Lazarska , Hon'ble Judge of High Court of Warsaw Poland, Prof (Dr.) Pradeep Kumar, President of IEEF Europe Justice K.J. Thaker, Judge Gujrat High Court, Prof. (Dr.) R. Venkata Rao, Vice- Chancellor NLSIU, Bangalore, Prof. (Dr.) B.P. Panda, Vice-Chancellor MNLU Mumbai, Dr. Mohammad Sharif H.O. D PG Department Patna Law College, Patna University. Participants from various Law colleges including National LAW Colleges and Top Private Universities, participated and presented their papers with full zeal.

In two days seminar the important highlights included signing of MoU for teaching and research collaboration in between MATS Law School of MATS University and Maharashtra National Law University, Mumbai, Lazarski University Warsaw and UAS University Nysa Europe. Another notable highlight was the release of MATS University Law Journal by the dignitaries prior to commencement of the proceedings.

Hon. Justice Thaker, Judge Gujarat High Court congratulated Prof (Dr.) G.P. Tripathi for organizing this seminar on a topic of 'Judicial ethics'. He compared the ethics of the time by making reference to Theories of action and destiny. He said that, one moment of time cannot not be bought with million dollars." Ethics is what institution requires you to do that you take oath in". He made reference to the book on 'Law of Lawyers' by Gandhiji, which was the basic book of ethics available to us. But now time has changed he said, students are lucky to get such opportunities to discuss on this topic of ethics.

Prof (Dr.)B.P. Panda, Vice-Chancellor MNLU Mumbai, critically discussed ethics. He said that why you want to peep into personal life of a judge . You should see the judgment. He said that position of judge must be honored. Personal ethics of judge should be subject of his concern . By referring to Media Trial, he said that media is there to distract judge but judges do not bother about it. Judges are trained to

strongly face it. Indian Judges and Judgments have marked their position in world. India has rich tradition of judge and judgment, he said.

Prof. (Dr.) Rao thanked Dr. Tripathi for providing youngster a platform through the seminar to express their views. Referring to the issue of uncle Syndrome which is one of the causes of the downfall of the public image of the courts. Prof Rao accepted the reality and advised the system to find out the ways to tackle it. To this Prof. Tripathi suggested transfer of judges from the court where their sons and wives are practicing to the nearest place to avoid any such blame on the judiciary. Prof. Tripathi also pointed out proxy practice which is rampant in the courts particularly before those who are elevated from the same bar. Hallet Syndrome is another problem wherein relations between bench and bar get strained. Prof. Rao. Agreed to the suggestions and commented on you may win the case but not people by such comments.

Dr. G.P. Tripathi said that in his paper he shared his twenty years experience from bar. He suggested to read and refer the book by Justice Lahoti on topic of Canons of Judicial Etics. He said that the concept of ethics is not new, it is derived from Shrimad Bhagwat Gita.

Prof. (Dr) Ryszard Strzelczyk, a Senior advocate of the supreme court of Poland and prof. in lazarski university said that earlier the work of the Judge was to find out the truth but now the Judgments are based on the proceeding and evidence as to how it is presented before them. He appreciated Indian Culture and said that India is a country of people having ethics within and he said that the people are too sympathetic because of the ethics imbed in them since birth. He said that it is real and not fake. On comparing the situation with Europe, he said that people in India are more sympathetic to judiciary as compared to that of Europe. In Europe, this type of nature of people is hard to find.

Prof. (Dr.) Aneta Lazarska , Hon'ble Judge of High Court of Warsaw Poland supported the view of Prof. Ryszard Strzelczyk. She said that she appreciates her decision of coming to India and to MATS Law School of MATS University Raipur as this culture is so unique. She Congratulated Faculties, Students, Coordinators and staff of MATS University for the love and concern she got. She was again and again thankful for MATS and she congratulated Director Prof. G.P Tripathi for organizing the seminar.

Prof (Dr.) Pradeep Kumar, President of IEEF Europe also conveyed his heartfelt congratulation to the organizers of the Seminar and he said that this event is remarkable because of the presence of Judges from Poland which he rarely observed in any other institution in Country. This Seminar has opened the gate for students and faculties for further tie-ups in future from university of Poland for their academic growth. He even motivated students to come to Poland for further studies and internship as he was so impressed by the coordination and co-operation shown by Students of MATS Law School.

Prof (Dr) Ryszard Strzelczyk, Hon Justice Aneta and Prof. Pradeep Kumar personally interacted with each student and attended their queries relating to various issues from the topic of seminar and also in general. Students were also found to be very excited and participated in the discussion with full zeal. They even interacted personally with each faculty members and suggested different opportunities which they have due to the signing of MoU with Universities of Lazarski and UAS Nysa, Poland, Europe. They invited each faculty members to Poland, Europe for further research and development.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Biju John related principles of management and judiciary and he said that Judicial ethics is very important topic to be discussed about. By making remark over Judicial Independence, he said that Independence of judiciary is the sine quo non of a system wherein democratic system of governance is in practice, therefore it is very important to preserve Judicial Independence.

Hon Gajraj Pagariya ji, the chancellor of the university was represented through CEO Mr. Priyesh Pagariya who rose to welcome the Hon'ble guest from Europe and India in seminar. The registrar of the university Mr. Gokula Nanda Panda propose the vote of thanks.

The Seminar Concluded with flying Colors with the glimpses and memories to be cherished forever. MATS Law School, MATS University feels proud for the success of the event and looks forward to organize such events in future also.