



**G H Raisoni University, Saikheda
With
G H Raisoni Law College, Nagpur
And
Maharashtra State Biodiversity Board, Nagpur**

Organizing
TWO DAY'S INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR
on

**“Resolution of Access Benefit Sharing
via Alternative Dispute Resolution
With Reference
To Bio Diversity Act, 2002”**

23rd-24th October 2021



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SEMINAR



ABOUT GH RAISONI UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF LAW, SAIKHEDA

GH Raisoni University was established on 13th June, 2016 under the Madhya Pradesh Niji Vishwavidyalaya (Staphna evam Sanchalan) Adhiniyam Act (No.17 of 2007) at Saikheda, on the border of Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh. Situated at a distance of approximately 60 kms from Nagpur and Chhindwara, Raisoni University is famous for its vibrant community of academicians and learners. Although our journey as an autonomous University has just begun, Raisoni Group of Institutions (RGI) has a glorious history of around two decades of existence in the education sector. From acquiring a single engineering college in Nagpur in 1998, to growing into one of the leading educational groups in Central India with its presence in 6 major cities, Raisoni Group of Institutions enable its students to choose and succeed in the field of their choice.

G H Raisoni University is an independent and coeducational institution that provides Diploma, Undergraduate, Post Graduate and Doctorate programs with various specializations and research facilities in the domain of Agriculture, Pharmaceutical Science, Engineering, Management, Law, Hospitality Management and many more along with skill-based training that is the need of today's economy.

As a University, GHRU seeks to achieve the highest levels of distinction in the discovery and transmission of knowledge through its student centric approach in the teaching and learning processes. The University's generous financial aid program ensures that talented students from all economic backgrounds can afford education as per their interests and abilities.

We are committed to creating responsible citizens who are the epitome of the highest ethics and social conduct. Undoubtedly, we are fully equipped and motivated to nurture 'Karma Yogis'. And, our strategy is governed by 4 major objectives: students' satisfaction, excellence in teaching, outstanding research and social responsibility. Our mantra is Learn. Research. Repeat

ABOUT GH RAISONI SCHOOL OF LAW NAGPUR

As one of India's leading law colleges, G H Raisoni Law College is thriving in the face of change. It offers three years LL.B. and five years BA LL.B. programs and imparts high quality theoretical and practical training with well-equipped Library which includes textbooks, reference books and varieties of skill-oriented training aids. Special emphasis is given to build up attributes such as National Moot Court Competition and Annual Guest Lectures by eminent personalities to help clarify students career goals and develop aptitude. Apart from that, focusing on building up students' personality, communication –skills and public speaking is an important part of our curriculum. Further, students are exposed to practical realities through various cells like cybercrime cell, consumer cell, ADR cell, human rights cell and IPR cell.



MAHARASHTRA STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD, NAGPUR

Maharashtra State Biodiversity Board, a statutory autonomous body (established under section 22(i) of Biological Diversity Act, 2002) is in existence since 2nd January 2012. It is mandated to conserve biological diversity and secure its sustainable management. Equitable distribution of benefits due to access of biological resources is to be shared with the protectors of biodiversity. This Access Benefit Sharing (ABS) involves diverse stakeholders. Under the inspiring guidance of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra State Shri Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray; Board is committed to secure effective implementation of Biological Diversity Act, 2002. Eco restoration of biodiversity by 2030 is the immediate mandate of the Board. The state has 28649 operational Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) covering all Village Panchayats and Municipal Councils/ Municipal Corporations. Consultation with stakeholders becomes essential prerequisite to facilitate conflict resolution in the existing ABS stalemate scenario. Synergy among stakeholders is sure to restore and stabilize declining biological diversity of the State. Guidance of Chairman, National Biodiversity Authority Dr. V.B. Mathur and Chairman of Maharashtra State Biodiversity Board Dr. S.H Patil, Member Secretary, Maharashtra State Biodiversity Board Shri Praveen Srivastava to collaborate with G H Raisoni College of Law, Nagpur. Seminar focussing on Potential of Alternate Dispute Redressal (ADR) to resolve conflicts related to Access Benefit Sharing (ABS) is critical to secure distributive justice between users and protectors of biological diversity. The seminar shall surely discern unexplored dimensions of ADR to secure expeditious justice delivery to all the stakeholders to secure expeditious justice delivery to all the stakeholders.



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ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The two-day International Seminar endeavors to cover the emerging issues and challenges faced while settlement of Access Benefit Sharing (ABS) via Biodiversity Act, 2002 through Alternative Dispute Resolution Techniques in India.

The need for alternatives to the formal legal system has engaged the attention of the legal fraternity, comprising judges, lawyers and law researchers for several decades now. This has for long been an integral to the process of judicial reform and as signifying the access to justice approach.

While keeping the growth of India's economic development coupled with the renewed confidence of foreign investors to invest in India, it has become important to provide a swifter justice delivery system to resolve commercial dispute. For a country like India with its burgeoning cases waiting to be disposed with limited judicial outreach arbitration can be a valuable option to resolve the dispute.

India is one of the world's most biologically and culturally diverse countries. India is also one of the 'mega diversity' countries. It is ranked ninth in the world in terms of higher plant species richness. At the eco system level, India is also well-endowed, with ten distinct biogeography zones. It also contains two of the world's 25 biodiversity hotspots, because of their extra ordinary high level of species richness and endemism, and threatened status. Consequence of both, the diversity of these conditions and of the various ethnic populations living in India, the country has become an important center of diversity of many domesticated species, including various cereals, millets, vegetables, temperate and tropical fruits, fiber crops, medicinal and aromatic plants.

Due to rapid loss, and over exploitation in particularly large number of epiphytes, herbs, and climbers, they are disappearing from their native regions over the years. Many orchids, tree, ferns, medicinal herbs of hills, and cycads were considered as major endangered plant species. Many Indian species of plants and animals are said to be threatened in their habitats. A good number of plant and animal species are considered to be extinct from the planet earth due to various natural and anthropogenic activities. Globalization and rapid growth of India's economic development coupled with the renewed confidence of foreign investors investing in India, it has become important to provide a swifter justice delivery system to resolve commercial disputes.

Countries have sovereign rights over the genetic resources found on their territory. When benefits arise from research or development on genetic resources, including when it leads to the commercial use of a developed product, these benefits should be shared fairly and equitably with the country providing these resources.

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Intergenerational equity focuses on the rights of future generations. It is a notion that is implicit in ecological sustainability. It views the human community in a partnership among all generations. Each generation has the right to inherit the same diversity in natural and cultural resources enjoyed by previous generation and to have equitable access to the use and benefits of these resources. At the same time, the present generation is custodian of the planet for future generation, obliged to conserve this legacy so that future generations may also enjoy these same rights. Intergenerational equity extends the scope of social justice into the future

Highlights:

- Advanced Scientific Research in Law
- Interaction with Eminent Experts
- Panel Discussion
- Global Views through the eyes of Internationally Renowned Experts
- Paper Presentation
- Delegates Publication in Peer reviewed Journals
- E-Certificates to Presenters

Who Can Attend

- Undergraduate Students
- Postgraduate Students
- Research Scholars/ Ph.D. Students
- Academicians
- Law Professionals
- Professionals from Scientific Background
- Non-Government Organizations
- Government and Private Organizations



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AIMS OF SEMINAR

1. To discuss the usage of biological resources and contribution of users towards it.
2. To inherit the natural and cultural resources for our future generation.
3. To review laws and procedures related to Access Benefit Sharing of the biological resources.
4. To discuss and scrutinize the National and International protocol relating to the biodiversity.
5. To discuss the problems of loss of biodiversity and its implications with ADR.

OBJECTIVE OF THE SEMINAR

1. The seminar aims to bring together eminent Conservationists, Naturalists, Researchers, Scholars and Students under one roof to discuss about issues and implications of Biological Diversity Act, 2002 via Alternative Dispute Resolution.
2. The seminar also aims to discuss and pool together the various ideas and research findings for the prosperity and conservation of the biodiversity on planet earth.

THEMES FOR PAPER PRESENTATION

- Current and Potential role of ADR with respect to resolution of Access Benefit Sharing
- via Bio-Diversity Act, 2002.
- WIPO Alternative Dispute Resolution for Biodiversity.
- Opportunities through ADR conflict resolution in Access Benefit Sharing.
- The relationship of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) of 1992 with Alternative Dispute Resolution.
- Sustainable development and Biodiversity related Conventions and other International agreements, processes and settlements through Conciliation or Mediation like institutions.
- Access Benefit Sharing and Biological Diversity in practice.
- National committees and international co-operation in resolving biological diversity issues with Alternative Dispute Resolution.

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REGISTRATION FOR SEMINAR

FOR PAPER PRESENTATION

Student - Rs.100

Professional - Rs. 200

For Attendees
FREE

CALL FOR PAPER

SUBMISSION OF PAPER:

- The paper should be original and unpublished offering new insights, a new approach, or new knowledge to the body of literature.
- The abstract should be of a maximum of 300 words followed by minimum of 5 keywords in the format given.
- All participants should email their respective abstracts before the deadline.

FORMAT OF PAPER:

The manuscript should follow the format:

- Title of the paper, Name, Position with Institute name, Contact no. and Email address.
- Approximately 300 words of abstract followed by a minimum of 5 keywords along with the final paper.
- The paper should follow the font Times New Roman size 12 (Justify alignment) and heading size 14 (aligned centrally) in MS-Word Format.
- All references should follow the MLA style. All tables and figures should be appropriately numbered.

Registration Link : https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAItQLSd3NRbqLR06_304fe8Jb7b-nQjkrkE6Q0XBdeRjpcQGw3Mtg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0

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Inaugural Session

23rd October 2021
10:30 am onwards

Chief Guest

Justice R. K Deshpande
Former Judge Bombay High Court

Guest Of Honor

Dr. S. H Patil
Chairman MSBB, Maharashtra

Dr. Ashok Pawade

Dean
GHRU, School of Law, Saikheda(M.P)

Guest Of Honor

Shri Justin Mohan
*Member Secretary, NBA
Chennai*

Technical Session I

Adv. Pranjit Bhattacharya

*Member Chartered Institute Of
Arbitrators, London (MCIARB)*

Adv. Dhanya Mallar

*Advocate Kerala High Court
and Associated With Bucerius Law School,
Germany*

Adv. Om Shrivastava

*Central Government Council
National Green Tribunal (CZ), Bhopal*

Dr. Sairam Bhatt

*Prof. of Law & Centre Coordinator
Centre for Environmental Law Education,
Research & Advocacy (CEERA),
Banglore*

Shri Achalendra Reddy

Technical Member NBA, Chennai

Break 01:30 PM To 2:30 PM

Technical Session II

Shreyas Jayasimha

*Simha Law Maxwell Chambers Suites,
Singapore*

Neeti Sachdeva

*Secretary,
Mumbai Centre For International
Arbitration*

Shri Vijay Kumar Sharma

Secretary AMWA, Nagpur

Adv. Nawneet Vibhaw

*Partner at Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co.
New Delhi*

Adv. Atual Pande

*Bombay High Court, Nagpur Bench,
Nagpur*

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Presentation Day

24th October 2021

Time : 10:30 am

Panelist

Dr. Vijay Kumar

*Associate Professor, P.G. Department of Sociology,
Hislop College, Nagpur*

Adv. Wilson Mathew

*Bombay High Court,
Nagpur Bench, Nagpur*

Dr. Ashish Badiye

*Head & Assistant Professor,
Department of Forensic Science, Government
Institute of Forensic Science, Nagpur*

Valedictory Program

24th October 2021

Chief Guest

Justice Zaka Haq

*Former Judge,
Bombay High Court, Nagpur Bench, Nagpur*

Praveen Srivastava

*IFS
Principal Chief Conservator of Forest and
Member Secretary, Maharashtra State
Biodiversity Board, Nagpur*

Dr. Ashok Pawade

*Dean,
GHRU, School of Law*

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Chief Patron

Shri. Sunil Raisoni
Chancellor

Patron

Dr. Meena Rajesh
Vice Chancellor

Honorary Chair

Praveen Srivastava
IFS
Principal Chief Conservator of Forest
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Biodiversity Board, Nagpur.

Dean

Dr. Ashok Pawade

Organizing Secretary

Dr. Sona Kumar

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Ms. Ranuka Thakur

Co-Convener

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Ms. Yashi Sharma
Ms. Devyani Sharma

