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ABOUT SVKM'S NMIMS

Shri Vile Parle Kelavani Mandal (SVKM) first established Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies as a social initiative in 1981 to cater to the rising demand of management institutes in the country, and since then it has emerged as a globally reputed university. Built on this inspiring legacy today, NMIMS stands proud as a Deemed-to-be University offering multiple disciplines across multiple campuses. NMIMS (Deemed-to-be University) today is a top-ranked multidisciplinary University with Category-I status given by UGC, and A+ Accreditation by NAAC with 3.59 CGPA.

With 17 specialized schools, 8 campuses, more than 17000 students and about 750 full-time faculty members, 10 faculty members with Fulbright Scholarship and Humboldt International Scholarship for post-doctoral researchers, it has been the vortex of rich ideas for the academic community. Consistent academic quality research focus, faculty from top national and global institutes, and strong industry linkages at NMIMS have placed it amongst the nation's prime centers of educational excellence and research today.

Our motto-
"Transcending Horizons..."

ABOUT KIRIT P. MEHTA SCHOOL OF LAW

The Kirit P. Mehta School of Law (KPMSoL) of SVKM's NMIMS (Deemed to be University) was established in the year 2013 approved by the Bar Council of India aims to provide quality legal education to learners of law. With a global focus and international outreach, the law school sensitizes learners to advance human dignity, social and economic welfare, and justice through knowledge of law. It aspires to be a global centre of scholarly excellence in the field of law and justice, and to prepare outstanding and innovative law professionals with a socially responsible outlook through comprehensive legal education.

NMIMS School of Law has its campuses in Mumbai, Navi Mumbai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Indore, Chandigarh and Dhule.

ABOUT CENTRE FOR EXCELLENCE

The Centre for Excellence of NMIMS Kirit P Mehta School of Law, Mumbai, was established as the center for legal research and application, in 2018. The Centre aims to significantly enhance legal research and development, through its integration with allied disciplines, and through extensive exploration of contemporary developments in the law. The Centre for Excellence engages in a discourse between various stakeholders to interact and exchange ideas pertaining to legal academia.

The Centre for Excellence undertakes a compendious examination and critical analysis of governmental institutions, executive powers, legal policies, and judicial guidelines. The Centre for Excellence endeavors to promote effective ideation and provision of a platform to formulate unconventional and pioneering recommendations to various policy making institutions for making existing legal provisions more humane and functional. All new ideas and innovations emanating from budding legal minds that work towards access to justice are welcomed and will be guided by expert resource persons.

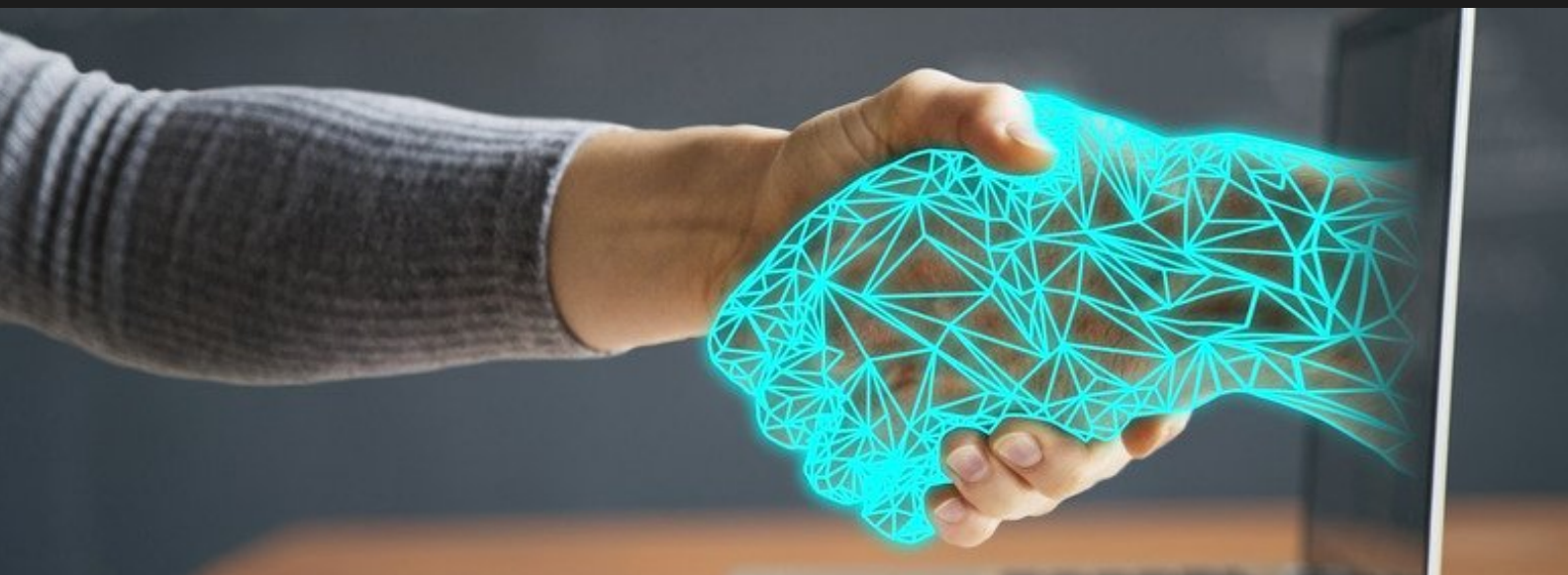
ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The 4th Edition of the NMIMS Kirit P. Mehta School of Law's Seminar, as spearheaded by the Centre for Excellence, aims to be an interdisciplinary forum for the fruitful exchange of knowledge. The program will consist of plenary, half plenary, invited and contributed papers falling broadly within the scope of the conference. Some of the invited papers may be tutorial in nature from keynote speakers, while others will review recent work in specialised fields.

“Research is seeing what everybody else has seen and thinking what nobody else has thought.”

- Albert Szent-Györgyi

THEME OF THE SEMINAR



“Cyber law governs the power of cyberspace, harnessing its wonders and hindering its evils.”

Cyber law is a relatively new field that draws from traditional law. It is becoming an increasingly important field in the modern technological world. It is multi-disciplinary, covering criminal and civil issues ranging from financial crimes to cyber bullying. Privacy, control, and access are all areas with which cyber lawyers regularly engage. As a quickly developing and growing field, cyber law promises to ensure more diverse possibilities in the future. The eminent English jurist Salmond has rightly observed that law seeks to regulate the conduct of individuals in the society.

Cyber law can be described as an endeavour to integrate the challenges presented by human action on the internet with legacy systems of laws applicable to the physical world. Cyber law has three basic building blocks—netizens, cyberspace and technology. It covers a broad area, encompassing many subtopics as well as freedom of expression, digital and electronic signatures, access to and utilisation of the internet, data protection and online security or online privacy. Generally, cyber law is alluded to as the law of the web, but the term does not have a fixed definition.

The main reasons to enact cyber laws are, firstly, to prevent computer abusers from carrying on their illegal activities for personal gains; secondly, to prevent political rivalry so that innocent people do not become victims of their criminal acts. The internet is not just a world full of information, friends, fun, education and sports, but also a world full of drug dealers, cyber stalkers, psychopaths and even recipes to make bombs, and therefore cyber law plays a vital role in maintaining cybersecurity.

“If you think you know-it-all about cybersecurity, this discipline was probably ill-explained to you.”

— Stephane Nappo

Therefore, the Centre for Excellence, through its Seminar, aims to disseminate legal knowledge pertaining to Cyber law.

OBJECTIVES

- To set up a stage for the students and researchers to discuss this issue in detail and to clarify the idea, thought and reasoning of emerging laws and policies.
- To spread awareness and discuss newer concerns and to create this issue as the center of concern, keeping in mind the landmark judgments given by the Supreme Court and international fora in the past few years.
- To seek public opinion with the intent to begin a healthy conversation about the viability of Cyber Law with a focus on the events that have taken place in the recent past.
- To have a discussion that enlightens the outcome, unsolved questions, and further explores new dimensions.

SUB-THEMES

The theme for the Seminar is set to be Cyber law. The Sub-Themes include, but are not restricted to, the following:

1. OFFENCES RELATED TO THE CYBERSPACE AND CYBERCRIME

- Child pornography, online grooming and issues related to minors
- Offensive speech, cyber-balkanisation and limits to the freedom of expression in the cyberspace
- Cyberterrorism and measures to curb violent online crimes
- Trolling, bullying, internet targetting and other forms of harassment online
- Cyber-extortion, crypto-jacking, and ransomware
- Illegal activities including gambling and buying and selling of contraband goods online
- Identity theft, digital forgery, phishing, fraud and economic crimes through the internet
- Criminal jurisprudence behind cybercrimes

2. INTERNATIONAL LAW AND CYBERSECURITY

- International cooperation for the prevention of cyber-laundering and cyber-warfare
- Interplay of various international instruments relating to the cyberspace, and issues relating to cyber-citizenship
- Digital sovereignty, interception and surveillance
- Jurisdictional issues pertaining to cybersecurity and cyber law
- Impediments in application of international law in the cyberspace and rights of states and other entities

3. DATA PRIVACY AND PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Privacy pertaining to the information of children
- Privacy of data related to pharmaceutical transactions and healthcare
- Data theft, consumer protection and liability in case of illegal use of data
- Ethical hacking, cyber-espionage and data privacy issues involved

4. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS AND CYBER LAW

- Copyright infringement issues such as linking, software piracy, software counterfeiting, and others
- Cyber-squatting, domain-hijacking, meta-tag, domain-name disputes, and means of infringement of trademark
- Protection of content-creation on social media platforms and cyber-gaming
- Software licenses including freeware, shareware, demoware, and related issues

5. DIGITAL FORENSICS AND INVESTIGATION OF CYBER-ACTIVITIES

- Efficiency and legality of mobile forensics
- Issues relating to admissibility of cyber forensic evidence and its evidentiary value
- Legality of appointment of private investigators
- Efficiency of currently used digital forensic techniques
- Judicial training and reforms effectuated by cyber police

FORMAT OF THE SEMINAR

- Abstracts of 250 words will be invited, inclusive of 5 keywords.
- Upon selection of abstract and communication of acceptance to the author, the submission of the research paper will be invited.
- Submissions in the form of research papers, 2000-5000 words in length, inclusive of footnotes, are invited from professionals, academicians, research scholars, and students.
- A presentation will be made by the participants through PPT or any other means of presentation, upon selection of their manuscript.
- Further, we will strongly encourage the presentation of new and unpublished work.
- The seminar shall be conducted on an online platform.
- The top 3 presenters will receive cash prizes and other awards.

AUTHOR'S GUIDELINES

1. Original research papers are welcomed on the above-mentioned topic but not restricted to the sub-themes as given.

2. The paper can be co-authored. However, a maximum of three authors per entry is allowed.

3. The author(s) shall specify in their submission:

- Title of the paper with the sub-theme.
- Names of author(s).
- Name of the College/University.
- Email address and contact number.
- Sub-theme under which submission is made.

4. The Abstract and the Full paper should be submitted in .doc/.docx format with the following specifications:

- Font Type: Times New Roman
- Font size: 12 pts
- Line spacing: 1.5
- Footnotes Font Type: Times New Roman
- Footnotes: Font size: 10 pts
- Footnotes Line spacing: 1
- Margin to be of 1 inch on all sides
- Citation: Any uniform pattern of citation.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Last Date for Abstract Submission 13/12/2021
- Last Date for Payment of Registration Fee 14/12/2021
- Last Date for Paper Submission 17/12/2021
- Date of Seminar 18/12/2021

Communication of acceptance or rejection of abstract will be within 24 hours of submission.

REGISTRATION FEES

Student Single Author	Rs. 500/-
Student Co - Authors (2)	Rs. 800/-
Student Co - Authors (3)	Rs. 1000/-
Professionals/Academicians/ Research Scholars	Rs. 900/-

CONTACT INFORMATION

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