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Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs : Legal and Regulatory Challenges in India

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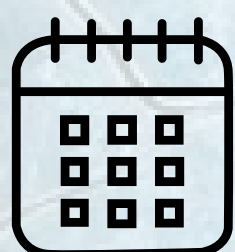
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ABOUT SAVEETHA SCHOOL OF LAW

SAVEETHA SCHOOL OF LAW, SAVEETHA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL AND TECHNICAL SCIENCES (SIMATS), ESTABLISHED IN 2009, AIMS TO STRIVE FOR QUALITY LEGAL EDUCATION WHILE MAINTAINING HIGH STANDARDS OF LEGAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING. THE SCHOOL OF LAW IS LOCATED CLOSE TO THE CITY IN A SERENE ATMOSPHERE, PROVIDING AN IDEAL ENVIRONMENT FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE.

WE CARRY THE VISION OF IMPARTING EXCELLENCE IN LEGAL EDUCATION, AND OUR MISSION IS TO WIDEN AND NURTURE THE INTELLECTUAL CAPABILITIES, LEADERSHIP QUALITIES, AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG LEGAL MINDS. SAVEETHA SCHOOL OF LAW IS RANKED 13TH AMONG ALL LAW INSTITUTIONS IN INDIA AND 1ST IN TAMIL NADU AS PER THE NIRF RANKINGS 2023. THE INSTITUTION IS ACCREDITED WITH NAAC GRADE A++, RECOGNIZED BY THE BAR COUNCIL OF INDIA (BCI), AND APPROVED BY THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION (UGC).

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THE ACADEMIC SYSTEM IS FULLY DIGITALIZED WITH FLIPPED CLASSROOMS AND E-BOOKS MADE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS. THE CAMPUS ALSO PROVIDES SOPHISTICATED AIR-CONDITIONED CLASSROOMS, SMART BOARDS, UNINTERRUPTED WI-FI CONNECTIVITY, EXPERIENCED FACULTY, STATE-OF-THE-ART TEACHING METHODOLOGIES, A WELL-EQUIPPED LIBRARY, CAFETERIA, HOSTEL FACILITIES, PLAYGROUNDS, AND MANY OTHER MODERN AMENITIES TO ENSURE A HOLISTIC LEARNING EXPERIENCE.

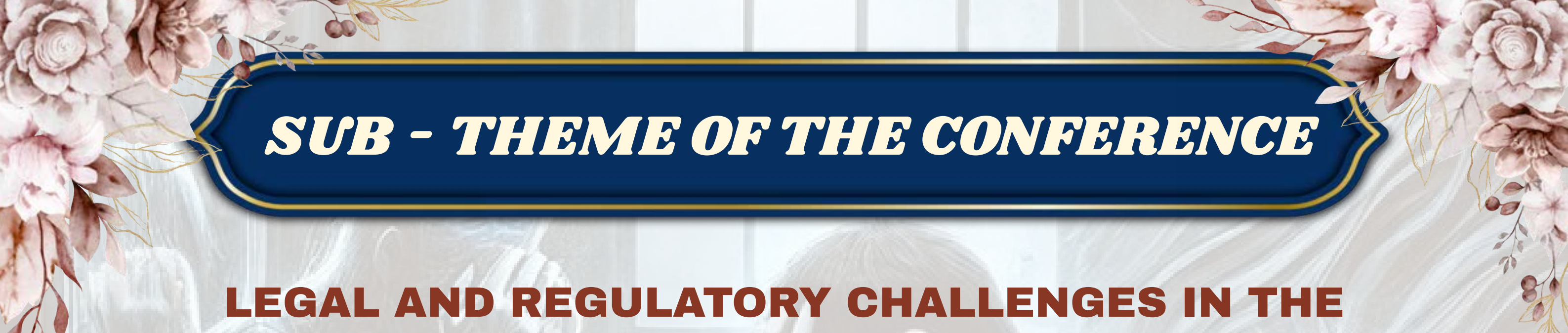




ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

THIS ONE-DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE CRITICALLY EXAMINES INDIA'S LEGAL, REGULATORY, AND POLICY LANDSCAPE SURROUNDING RARE DISEASES AND ORPHAN DRUG DEVELOPMENT. WHILE MILLIONS OF INDIVIDUALS IN INDIA SUFFER FROM RARE CONDITIONS, PHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT REMAINS LARGELY ORIENTED TOWARDS HIGH-VOLUME AND COMMERCIALY VIABLE MARKETS. THIS CREATES SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES IN ENSURING INNOVATION AND EQUITABLE ACCESS TO MEDICINES FOR INDIVIDUALS AFFECTED BY RARE DISEASES.

APPLYING A PUBLIC CHOICE THEORY PERSPECTIVE, THE CONFERENCE EXPLORES HOW POLITICAL INCENTIVES, REGULATORY INTEREST GROUPS, RENT-SEEKING BEHAVIOURS, AND PUBLIC POLICY MARKET FAILURES INFLUENCE HEALTHCARE LEGISLATION AND PHARMACEUTICAL INCENTIVES. IT FURTHER EXAMINES THE INTERACTION BETWEEN GOVERNMENTAL DECISION-MAKING, REGULATORY FRAMEWORKS, PHARMACEUTICAL INTERESTS, AND PUBLIC HEALTH PRIORITIES. THE FORUM AIMS TO BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN ECONOMIC POLICY MODELS, REGULATORY LAW, AND PUBLIC HEALTH EQUITY, ENCOURAGING INFORMED INTERDISCIPLINARY DISCUSSION ON THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES SURROUNDING ORPHAN DRUG DEVELOPMENT IN INDIA.



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LEGAL AND REGULATORY CHALLENGES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF ORPHAN DRUGS IN INDIA A PUBLIC CHOICE THEORY PERSPECTIVE

- 1. NATIONAL POLICY FOR RARE DISEASES (NPRD): CRITICAL APPRAISAL OF POLICY INCENTIVES, PUBLIC FUNDING MECHANISMS, AND IMPLEMENTATION GAPS.**
- 2. PUBLIC CHOICE & REGULATORY ECONOMICS: EVALUATING INTEREST GROUP DYNAMICS, LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES, AND POLITICAL ECONOMY IN PHARMACEUTICAL REGULATION.**
- 3. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS VS. ACCESS TO MEDICINES: PATENT EXCLUSIVITY, COMPULSORY LICENSING, AND ORPHAN DRUG DESIGNATION FRAMEWORKS IN INDIA.**
- 4. CLINICAL TRIALS & REGULATORY EXPEDITIONS: CHALLENGES IN DRUG APPROVAL PROCESSES UNDER THE NEW DRUGS AND CLINICAL TRIALS RULES (2019).**
- 5. ECONOMIC INCENTIVES FOR R&D: MARKET EXCLUSIVITY, TAX CREDITS, AND PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP MODELS FOR LOW-VOLUME DRUG DEVELOPMENT.**
- 6. PRICE CONTROL & AFFORDABILITY: THE ROLE OF NPPA, TRADE MARGIN RATIONALIZATION, AND HEALTH EQUITY FOR RARE DISEASE PATIENTS.**

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