

## Hariyali - Environmental Law Cell

- **Introduction:** The Environmental Law Cell is a student run initiative which raises awareness about environmental conservation and climate change, within and outside the college. The cell also aims to give students a platform to discuss the recent developments in environmental law.
- **Faculty Coordinators:** Ms. Varsha Khandagale, Ms. Vindhya Gupta
- **Student Coordinators:** Prerna Murarka, Anukriti Anand, Geethika Satti, Khushboo Tilokani, (all V BA LLB), Rachana Sinnarkar (IV BA LLB), Snehil Priyadarshi, Megha Phadkey, Harshita Mittal, (all III BA LL.B), Shivangi Desai, Shreya Choudhary and Mohak Khinvasara (all II BA LL.B),
- **Details of the activities:**
  - a. **Weekly Sessions**
    - **Title of the session:** Inaugural Session on “Volunteering Challenges and Coordination during Environmental Crisis”

**Date:** 20 August 2021

**Mode:** Online

**No. of Participants:** 30

**Report:** The inaugural session on "Volunteering Challenges and Coordination during Environmental Crisis" featured Mr. Sathya Natarajan as the speaker. Mr. Sathya Natarajan, an environmental law expert and engineer by profession, shared insights on challenges faced by volunteers and the need for effective coordination during environmental crises. The session aimed to understand the challenges faced by volunteers, discuss legal frameworks supporting volunteer initiatives, and explore ways to enhance coordination with mitigation agencies.

- **Title of session:** Movie Screening and Launch of ILS Hariyali Blog

**Date:** 2 February 2022

**Mode:** Online

**Resource Persons:** Megha Phadkay and Mohak Khinvasara

**No. of Participants:** 22

**Report:** On the occasion of World Wetlands Day, a movie screening of Incredible Wetlands (IMPA Award Winning Documentary) (on the importance of wetlands was held followed by the launch of the ILS Hariyali Environment Law Blog.

- **Title of Session:** Effect of Climate Change on Vulnerable Groups

**Date:** 9 February 2022

**Mode:** Online

**Resource Person:** Shreya Choudhary

**No. of Participants:** 9

**Report:** The session was conducted to inform the students about the consequences of climate change for different sections of the population and what legal steps can be taken to protect them.

- **Title of Session:** Green Fiscal Policy

**Date:** 16 February 2022

**Mode:** Online

**Resource Person:** Mohak Khinvasara

**No. of Participants:** 5

**Report :** The session was conducted to educate the participants about what is a green fiscal policy and how it can be used to incentivise climate action.

- **Title of Session:** Landmark Cases which Paved the way for Climate Change Activism in India

**Date:** 24 February 2022

**Mode:** Online

**Resource Person:** Geethika Satti

**No. of Participants:** 4

**Report:** The session was conducted to discuss the role of the judiciary in environmental conservation and how landmark rulings have worked to protect the environment.

#### **b. Competitions conducted**

- **Title of the Competition:** Earth Day Elocution Competition

**Date:** 22 April 2022

**Level:** Intra-college

**Details of the Judges:** Ms. Madhavi More, PhD Scholar, ILS Law College

**Nos. of Participants:** 7

**Winners:** Shubham Kenekar, Sejal Patil , and Kunal Behl

**Prize details:** Letter of Appreciation

**Report:** In the light of Earth Day, an elocution competition on the topic Invest in Your Future was organized via google meet. 7 students from various classes participated and the competition was judged by Ms. Madhavi More, PhD Scholar, ILS Law College, who expressed her appreciation for the enthusiasm shown by the participants.

#### **c. Other Activities including Webinars/Guest Lectures conducted, etc.**

- **Title of Session:** E-Baithak

**Topic:** History of Environmental Governance

**Date:** 10 November 2021

**Mode:** Online

**Resource Person:** Mohd. Anas Khan, Project Associate, Centre for Civil Society

**No. of Participants:** 50

**Report:** E-baithaks are essentially free flowing discussions on a specific topic. The ILS Hariyali Environmental Law Cell, in association with Centre for Civil Society, Delhi, organized the e-baithak on the topic History of Environmental Governance. It was a two hour discussion on the approach of the Indian Government and Judiciary towards environmental conservation in the past century.

**Details of Collaboration/ sponsorship:** Centre for Civil Society, Delhi