



# **Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur**

**Report**

## **Webinar on Intellectual Property Rights**

**Topic**

**“Patents and Access to Vaccines in the time of Covid”**

**9<sup>th</sup> November, 2020**

Symbiosis Law school Nagpur organised webinar on Intellectual Property Rights on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020 from 03.30pm to 4.30pm. The theme was focused on “Patents and Access to Vaccines in the time of Covid.” The speaker for the session was Prof Siva Thambisetty, Associate Professor of Law, London School of Economics & Political Science, London.

The Webinar started with the Welcome address by Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Director of Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur. While addressing, he raised the concern over compulsory licensing, access to future Covid vaccine and sustainability and availability for Indian markets. He stressed that the present topic needs deliberations as it’s a valid consideration for both developed and developing countries. Welcoming Prof Siva Thambisetty, he expressed his gratitude for accepting the invitation and guiding the students on the technical issue, which can only be channeled by an expert. He also thanked the participants for attending the workshop.

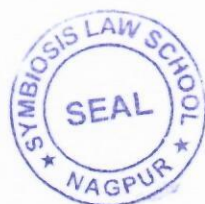
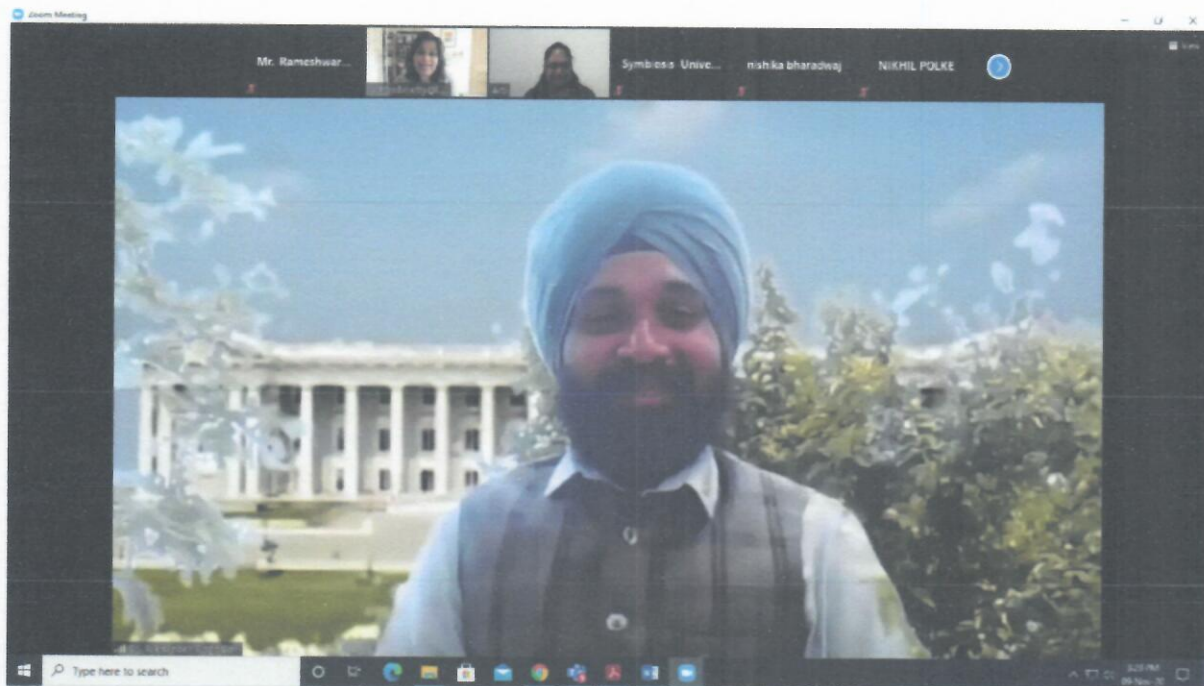
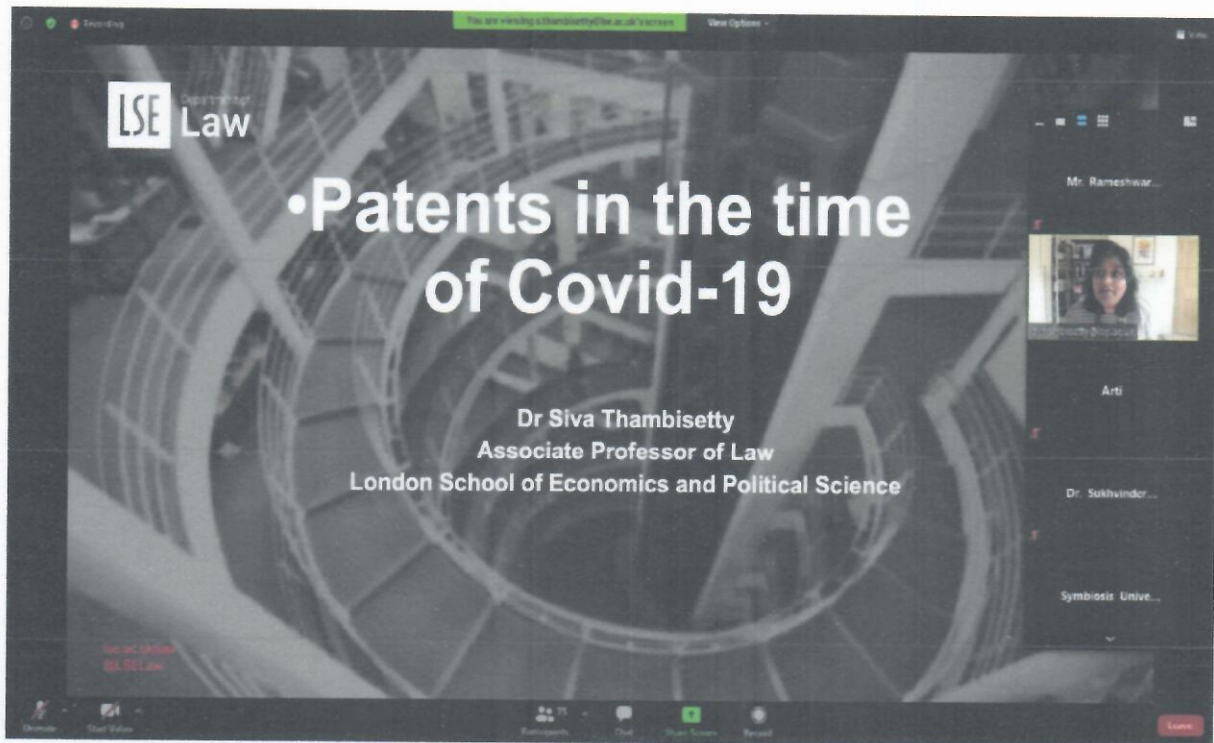
The Speaker of the workshop Prof Siva Thambisetty, began with discussion that the self-centered attitude of developed nations is resulting into private gazumping of the Covid vaccination process. How different Nations specially developed ones are toying in to buy the vaccine prior to hitting the markets. She went ahead to suggest how co-laborating and co-operation is necessary and a smart option in which almost 170 countries are part of this pool initiative. She suggested that by end of 2021 about two billion doses will be made available. In further submissions she elaborated the two promising treatments and its process of Patent registration. She elaborated how license of technology will solve the problem arising out of Patents. She concluded by discussing the


private initiative and private motivation that will help in build IP as a modular structure. All the students were pleased with the extended comprehension.

Dr. Aarti Mohan Kalnawat, faculty, SLS, Nagpur moderated the program and introduced the resource person, Vote of thanks was proposed by Prof Sayalee Surjuse, Faculty, SLS Nagpur.







  
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