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Judge's Lecture Series

Guest: Hon'ble Justice Ravi R. Tripathi, Chairperson, Gujarat State Human Rights Commission and Former Judge, Gujarat High Court

Date, Day and Time: February 23rd, 2022 Wednesday 11.30 am onwards

Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur in its continued efforts to provide quality legal education and providing exposure to its students, initiated Judge's Lecture series, where Judges from the Supreme Court and High Court interact with students on contemporary legal issues.

For the First Lecture, Hon'ble Justice Ravi R. Tripathi, Chairperson, Gujarat State Human Rights Commission and Former Judge, Gujarat High Court was the guest. The session was on "Access to Justice: Role of Human Rights Commissions in India".

The session started with the welcome address by Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Director, Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur. Dr. Dari emphasized on how it is crucial for students to gain practical exposure to the nuances of law-making. The objective of Judge's Lecture series was an attempt in providing the same to the students.

The session began with Justice Tripathi addressing the topics in a two-fold manner: Access to Justice and Role of Human Rights Commissions in India. He mentioned how justice may be inaccessible to the vulnerable and marginalized sections of the society due to economic, social or cultural factors. He emphasized on how access to justice and to the rights guaranteed by the law must require additional interventions in ensuring it being available to individuals despite these barriers. He elaborated on the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 in establishing Legal Services authorities at the National, State, District and Taluka-level in extending free legal services to the

certain marginalized and vulnerable sections. He also emphasized how Legal aid cells in Law schools aid and support them in bridging the gap and making people aware of the same. Later, he spoke on the role of Human Rights Commissions in India and the inviolable nature of human rights available to all persons. He recalled few incidents in his tenure as the Chairperson of the SHRC, to give an insight to their role and functioning. He concluded the session with emphasizing the violations of human rights can be brought to the notice of these Commissions, by any public-spirited individuals.

The lecture followed with a Question-and-Answer session, with the guest and students deliberating on contemporary issues. The lecture was concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Jimmy Jose, Assistant Professor, SLS Nagpur. More than 100 students attended the session.



Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Director welcoming Hon'ble Justice Ravi R. Tripathi



Hon'ble Justice Ravi R. Tripathi addressing the participants

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