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Judge's Lecture Series

Guest: Hon'ble Justice Jasti Chelameswar, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India

Date, Day and Time: May 2nd, 2022 Monday 11.00 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 Third Lecture, Hon'ble Justice Jasti Chelameswar, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India was the guest. The session was on "Constitutional Governance and Rule of Law".

The session started with the welcome address by Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Director, Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur. Dr. Dari emphasized on how the series attempts to give an insight into the judicial processes and activism in varied conceptualizations of law and justice. The objective of Judge's Lecture series was an attempt in providing the same to the students.

The session began with Justice Chelameswar discussing the concept of State, the role of a Government and its regulation through a written Constitution. He emphasized on how the Government to govern and regulate the conduct in the society is indispensable. Even with the democracy, some higher legal principles are required to govern the law-makers. The higher legal principles are those emanating from the Constitution. He emphasized on how the three organs ensure effective coordination and protection of individual rights through Constitutional law.

He furthered discussed on Rule of law, particularly starting from looking at the legal basis of the law or use of law by the Executive. The evaluation of law being consistent is a dynamic process by referring and relying on the Constitutional values and principles.

The session continued with some examples including *Shreya Singhal v. Union of India* judgment (2015), Lord Wentworth's speech in the House of Lords, the challenges with the arbitrary usage of the powers, incorporation of *ex-post facto* law in the Indian Constitution. He concluded the session by emphasizing that it is only by ensuring and upholding rule of law that a life with dignity can be assured to all individuals.

The lecture followed with a Question-and-Answer session, with the guest and students deliberating on some contemporary issues pertaining to the topic. 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 Jasti Chelameswar



Hon'ble Justice Jasti Chelameswar addressing the participants

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Jasti Chelameswar
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