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REPORT OF NATIONAL WEBINAR ON

“RIGHTS OF RIVERS : AN UNFINISHED AGENDA”

27TH SEPTEMBER, 2021

- SPEAKERS: -
1. Dr. MANJERI SUBIN SUNDER RAJ,
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 2. NABEELA SIDDIQUI
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Fulfilling its commitment towards nurturing the environmental values, Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur through the Centre for Environmental Law and Policy [CELP] is celebrated the World River Day on September 27, 2021 by organizing a national webinar on the topic “Rights of Rivers: An Unfinished Agenda”.

One of the primary objectives behind this activity is orienting the young legal minds towards their obligations towards protection and conservation of environment and in turn to make them stewards of sustainable development.

The distinguished speaker for the webinar were Dr. Subin Sunder Raj and Ms. Nabeela Siddiqui. The moderator of the webinar Sachin Tripathi, introduced the guest speakers and briefly laid the framework for the webinar by introducing the concept of Rights of Nature.

During his discourse, Dr. Subin crisply introduced the very important concept of earth jurisprudence, the importance of shift in approach from anthropocentric to eco-centric and further went to discuss the rights of the rivers. He also elaborated on the judicial pronouncements granting the rights of the rivers.

Ms. Nabeela Siddiqui during her discourse elaborately discussed about the international perspectives of river water conflict by explaining the various theories that govern them and aptly crafted out the measures to resolve water conflicts by illustrating the example to Indus water Treaty.

The webinar was very well received by the participants, which was reflected through the range of intriguing questions ranging from the conflict between the tradition and cultural rights vis-à-vis right of rivers, the issues of guardian ship of rivers, the role of public trust doctrine in management of natural resources etc.

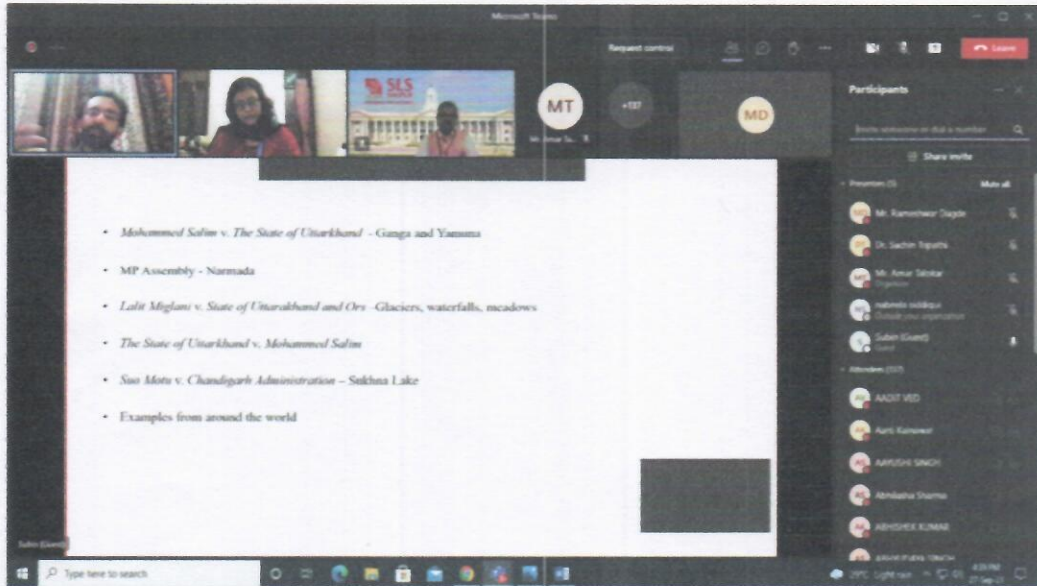
The webinar was equally graced by all the faculty member of the Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur and enthusiastically participated in the academic discussion.

The webinar ended up with an unequivocal admission that,

“Rivers are the lifeline of any nation. Let’s respect and preserve them. Allow them to flow freely and cleanly.”

Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari delivering the welcome address





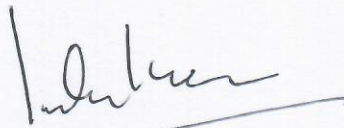
DR. SUBIN SUNDER RAJ ADDRESSING THE PARTICIPANTS



Ms. NABEELA SIDDIQUI addressing the participants.

The webinar ended up with a formal vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Sachin Tripathi, Assistant Professor, Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur.




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