



## **SYMBIOSIS LAW SCHOOL, NAGPUR**

### **REPORT**

#### **National Workshop on Understanding Geographical Indications and Copyright & Fair use**

**13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2021**

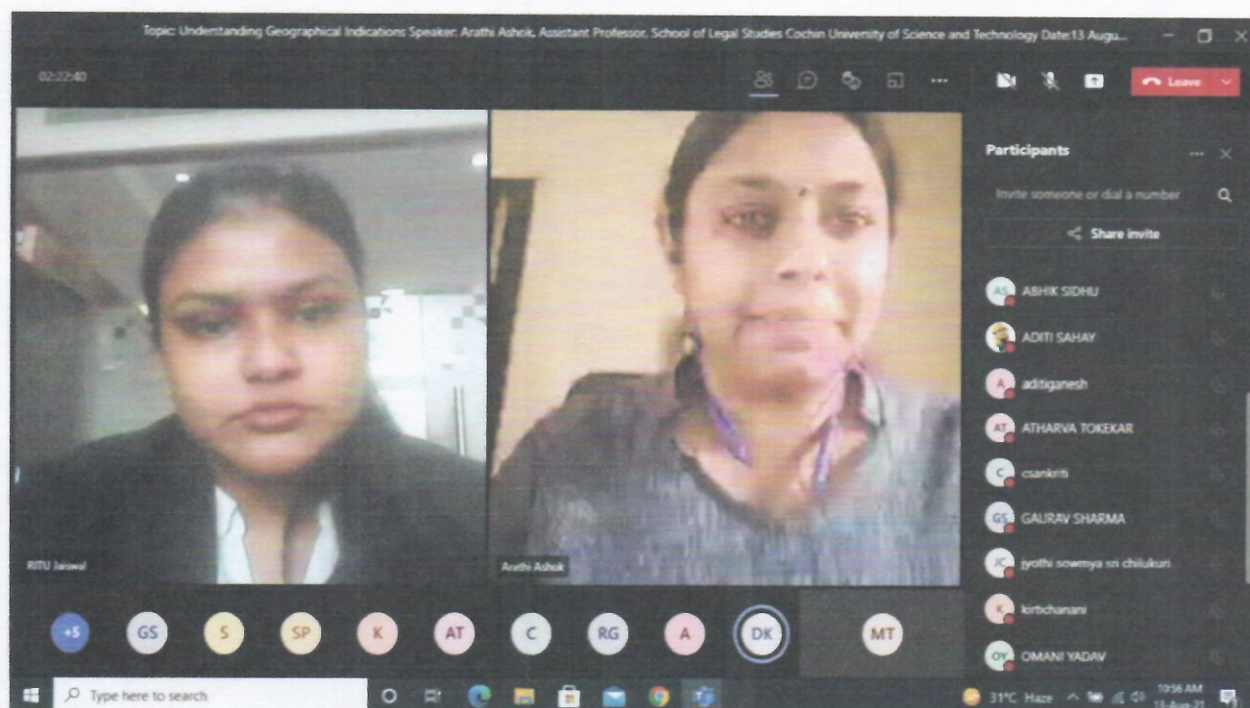
Symbiosis Law school Nagpur organized organize talks, workshops, seminars by exceptional speakers coming from the Industry and other related fields to share their vast experience related to contemporary legal issues. With this objective two days' workshop on IPR was organized by the CIPRA Cell at SLS Nagpur, on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 on the topics; 'Understanding Geographical Indications' and 'Copyright and Fair use' on respective dates.

Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Director of Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur, in his Welcome Address welcomed the guests and appreciated the time spared by the speakers for addressing the gathering on this important topic and He also emphasized upon the importance of Intellectual Property Rights. The session one on Understanding Geographical Indications was moderated by Ms. Ritu R.Jaiswal, Student, SLS, Nagpur under the supervision of Dr. Deepti Khubalkar, In- Charge, CIPRA Cell and Asst. Professor, SLS, Nagpur.

The guest speaker Ms. Arathi Ashok, Assistant Professor, School of Legal Studies Cochin University of Science and Technology spoke on Understanding geographical indications. The session started at 11:00 a.m. During her address she explained the meaning and functions of Geographical Indications. She explained international regime by covering salient features of Paris Convention, 1883, TRIPS agreement, Madrid System, Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks, 1891, Additional Protocol, 1989 and role of India as signatory to it. Ms. Arathi also talked about the modes of protecting it around the world. During her address she covered various controversies and casestudies such as Basmati Rice dispute. She also explained about the provisions of the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999, procedure for registration, effect of registration and adjudicatory system in India.

Session two of the workshop was conducted on 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. The guest speaker of the session was Adv. Shhaurya Sah, Partner, Sah and Malhotra Associates, New Delhi. Adv. Sah guided the students about the importance of registration of copy right, rights of copyright holder, meaning of fair use and infringement to copyright. He gave various examples relating to unfair use of copyright by discussing cases. Adv. Sah explained the topic “Copyright and Fair use” in a very lucid manner to the attendees. Session was coordinated by Mr. Himanshu Dhakad, Student, SLS, Nagpur.

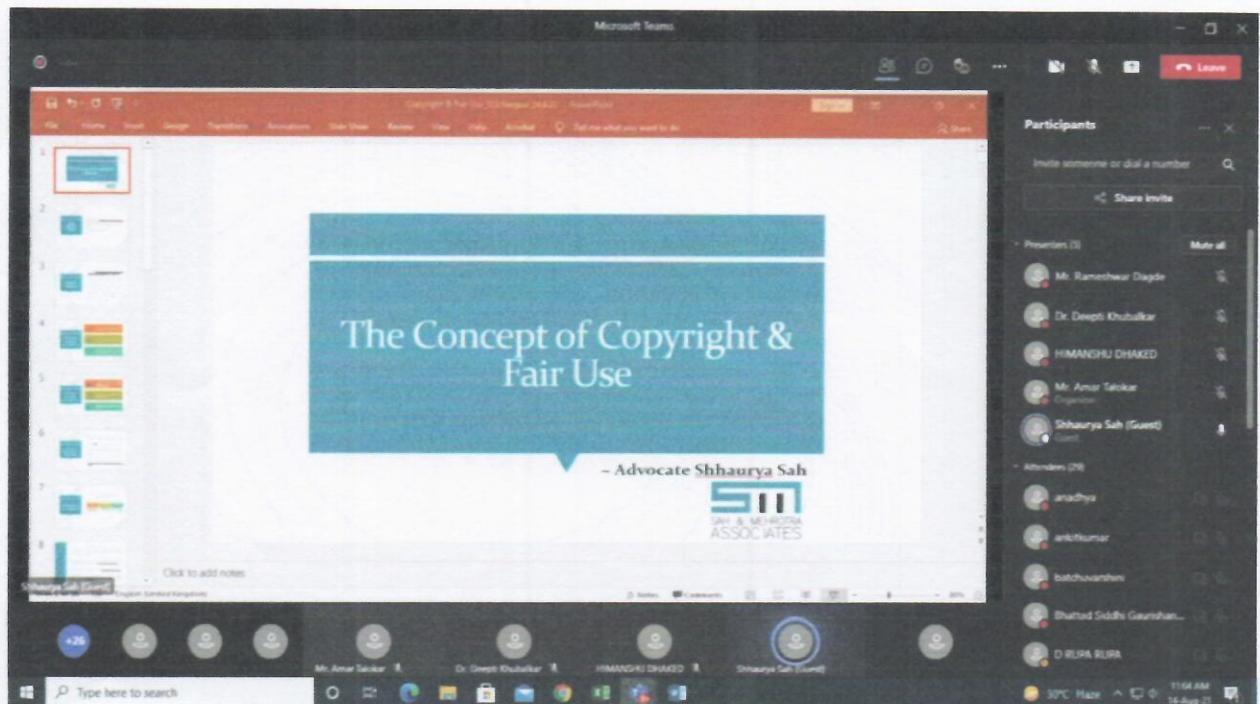
The sessions were followed by a question answer session in which the speaker enthusiastically dealt with the questions raised by the attendees. The lecture was attended by the students of SLS and faculties. Total number of participants was 145. The lecture received huge response and wonderful feedback.



Ms. Arathi Ashok addressing the gathering.



Dr. Deepti Khubalkar, Asst. Professor welcomed the guest speaker Shhaurya Sah.





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