PLACEMENT CELL ALUMNI MEET

The placement cell conducted an alumni meet to strengthen alumni relations on 10th June 2024. The welcome address was given by the Hon'ble Registrar Dr. Anand Pawar who thanked all the alumni for attending the session and mentoring & supporting the students at RGNUL. The event was attended by successful and established alumni of Rajiv Gandhi National Law University of Law, Punjab including Mr. Vinit Trehan, Founding Partner at Adyant Legal, Mr. Saksham Malik, Senior Program Manager at The Dialogue, Mr. Uttkarsh Bhatnagar, Principal Associate at Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas, Ms. Trishita Dasgupta, Principal Associate at Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas, Ms. Yavanika Shah, Firm Manager at Indus Law; Mr. Anshul Gupta, Partner at ANG Partners and Mr. Rishabh Jain, Associate at S&R Associates. The placement cell presented comprehensive insights into the achievements of the Class of 2025, highlighting individual student profiles who excelled in various fields such as Arbitration, TMT, and Competition Law to the alumni. The registrar also sought valuable recommendations from the esteemed alumni to enhance the recruitment process.

Mr. Vinit Trehan recommended several strategies to strengthen alumni relations and ensure students receive the mentorship necessary to excel in the legal profession. He emphasized the importance of long-term internships, particularly in litigation chambers, to enhance legal acumen. Additionally, he suggested creating a database to recognize and maintain the alumni network. Mr. Trehan highlighted the value of regular meetings and seminars with successful alumni in litigation to further enrich students' legal experience and knowledge.

Mr. Anshul Gupta recommended strengthening the connections between alumni and the college administration. He also suggested that extending the internship period during the final semester could help students secure positions in firms and litigation chambers.

Mr. Saksham Malik provided insights on recruitment in the fields of public policy and research. He emphasized the importance of developing specialized knowledge and highlighted the value of long-term research assistantships for gaining recognition in the public policy sector. He advised the placement committee on the benefits of establishing proactive Centers and conducting seminars in niche areas, which would help students explore interests beyond dispute resolution

and general corporate law. Focusing on specific niches, rather than generic interests, can significantly enhance students' prospects during the recruitment process.

Mr. Uttkarsh Bhatnagar emphasized the importance of training students on how to effectively address and apply to firms. He offered specific advice, such as avoiding template emails and being precise and targeted in their applications. Additionally, he encouraged students to engage with niche areas not covered in the institution's curriculum by attending guest lectures.

Ms. Trishita Dasgupta built upon the recommendations given by Mr. Vinit Trehan, Mr. Uttkarsh Bhatnagar, and Mr. Anshul Gupta by emphasizing the crucial role of administration, including professors and students, in promoting placement activities. She suggested that the college should send the best CVs and placement brochures to alumni to foster and strengthen connections. Additionally, she stressed the need for a robust link between HR departments, firms, and students to encourage hiring.

Ms. Yavanika Shah emphasized the importance of close collaboration between the internship cell and the placement cell, noting that internships can often lead to Pre-Placement Offers. She recommended market mapping of alumni to facilitate easier connections between students and alumni. Additionally, she suggested holding one-hour sessions for 2nd and 3rd-year students to explain various teams, such as Capital Markets and Project Energy, to ensure they are on par with students from other institutions.

The placement cell proposed revitalizing the Alumni Affairs cell and emphasized the importance of a close working relationship between the internship and placement cells. The Hon'ble Registrar acknowledged the suggestions and recommendations, expressing the institution's eagerness to engage in conversations with its alumni. He also recommended organizing a Delhi Alumni Meet in collaboration with the college placement and internship cells.