



NATIONAL SEMINAR

ON

**PRISON ADMINISTRATION AND REFORMS WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS
ON LEGAL AID AND LEGAL SERVICES**

ORGANIZED BY

CENTRE FOR ADVANCED STUDIES IN CRIMINAL LAW (CASCL)

IN ASSOCIATION WITH

PUNJAB LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, CHANDIGARH

RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW

PUNJAB

ON

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ABOUT PUNJAB STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

The Legal Services Authority Act, 1987 came into force throughout the country w.e.f. 09.11.1995. Thereafter the Punjab Government constituted Punjab Legal Services Authority which came into being on 04.10.1996. Hon'ble Chief Justice of Punjab & Haryana High Court is the Patron-in-Chief while the Hon'ble Judge is Executive Chairman of this Authority. Judicial officer of the rank of District Judge is the Member Secretary of the Authority. At each district and sub-divisional level, District Legal Services Authority as well as Sub-divisional Legal Services Committees have been constituted. District and Sessions Judge is the Chairman of District Legal Services Authority whereas Additional Civil Judge (Senior Division) is the Chairman of Sub-Divisional Legal Services Committee. The *Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987* aims at providing free and competent legal services to the weaker section of the society with a view to ensure that opportunities for securing justice are not denied to any citizen by reason of economic or any other disability. Punjab State Legal Services Authority aims to provide legal assistance, strengthening the team of Para-Legal volunteers, encourage ADR methods etc. for the State of Punjab.

ABOUT RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB

Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL) Punjab, was established by the State Legislature of Punjab by passing the *Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab Act*, (Punjab Act No. 12 of 2006). The Act incorporated a University of Law of National stature in Punjab, thereby fulfilling the need for a Institute of Excellence in legal education. This National Seminar is initiated under **Centre for Advanced Studies in Criminal Law (CASCL)** at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab in association with Punjab State Legal Services Authority is taking an initiative in the improvement of administration of criminal justice system as a whole at regional, national and international levels.

PRISON ADMINISTRATION AND REFORMS WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON LEGAL AID AND LEGAL SERVICES (THEME)

The main objective behind organizing this seminar is to provide a common platform for Academicians, Scholars, Advocates and Administrators dealing with Prison Administration and Legal Services. The Seminar intends to focus on the challenges, strategies and reforms which seek the improvement in the Prison System and protects the Human Rights of prisoners confined therewith. The Seminar will also focus on the Legal Aid for prisoners and any form of legal services which could ensure a fair trial and life of dignity for them. The emerging trends in criminal justice system emphasize on the Alternatives to Imprisonment and Restorative Justice Theories which have a relevant impact on the Prison Administration System today, nationwide. National Policies in regard to juvenile and women offenders also need to be implemented effectively. The Seminar aims to provide a forum to the speakers to come up with the latest developments, challenges and reformative solutions which can contribute to further in the area of research and also suggest improvements in functioning of the Prison Administration.

Sub Themes

- Legal Representation and Legal Aid to Under Trial
- Human Rights and Prisons
- Legal Services to Women and Juvenile Offenders
- Offenders on Death Row and Clemency
- Alternatives to Imprisonment
- Probation and Parole
- Custodial Death and Inquests
- Overcrowding of Prisons and Privatization of Prisons
- Rape and Sexual Abuses in Prisons
- Review of Jail Manuals
- Rights of Prisoners
- Prisons and Restorative Justice
- Information and Computerization Services in Prisons

Call for Papers

Papers are invited from the academicians, practitioners, researchers, scholars and students on the issues related to the above themes. Papers selected by the Committee will be published in the form of an edited book with ISBN No. Only one co-author shall be allowed.

Guidelines for the Papers

An abstract of 300 – 350 words accompanied by a brief profile of the author containing his/her email ID, contact number and official address should be sent. The Paper should not be of more than 6000 words. It must be typed in Times New Roman Font Size 12 on A4 size paper with 1” margin on all sides with 1.5line spacing using MS Word. A uniform system of citation must be strictly adhered to while submitting the abstracts and full paper. All the abstracts and full length papers shall be sent on email id: casclseminar2016@gmail.com

ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation will be provided as per availability on payment basis.

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Registration fees must be sent via demand draft in the name of Registrar, RGNUL, Punjab, payable at Patiala.

Postal Address

Registrar
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law,
Bhadson Road, Sidhuwal, Patiala, Punjab-
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Registration Form

Students- Rs 500/-

Research Scholars- 700/-

Teachers- Rs. 1000/-

Accommodation Charges- Rs 500/- per day

Important Dates

Last Date for Submission of Abstract	March 16, 2016
Date of Intimation in case of Selection of Abstract	March 20, 2016
Last Date for Submission of Full Paper with Registration Fees	March 31, 2016

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