

National Conference on “Development and Human Rights”

The Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi, was established with the pious vision to transform Karnataka State into a legally conscious society, by providing quality legal education that is professionally competent and socially relevant so as to realise the constitutional primordial goal of social, economic and political justice and secure human rights to every common man. The mission is to promote research activities to create basis for making law and legal institutions socially vibrant. The University periodically organises conferences, workshops, etc., on issues that affect society, to provide a platform to the best of the legal minds to express innovative ideas that may lead to necessary law reform.

Human rights have recommended themselves to be couched in fundamental documents at the international and national level. Their realisation will add quality dimensions to human lives. However, there arise paradoxical dimensions due to various factors which jeopardise the effectiveness of human rights. Development in myriad fields is one of those important factors which will affect human rights profoundly. It has both positive and negative effects on human rights. Scientific and technological advancements in the field of agriculture has led to food sufficiency; in the field of medicine has enhanced the quality and longevity of lives; in the field of communication has converted the globe into a village; in energy sector there is a quantum jump; etc. Thus development has created a conducive environment for human rights to flourish. At the same time development has pushed human rights to marginal positions. The developmental activities have produced massive displacement, endangered environment, intrusion into tribal areas, invaded privacy, affected the unborn, endangered safety of individuals, etc., resulting in a massive threat to human rights of millions of people. A time has come wherein the challenges that are held out by developmental activities to human rights are to be squarely addressed, the suitability of existing legal regime to tackle these challenges reviewed and the ways forward chalked out.

In this connection the Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi has organising a National Conference on “Development and Human Rights” on 14th December, 2018. The interested academicians, lawyer, research scholar, representatives of non-governmental organisations and public spirited individuals are invited to present research papers on any of the following themes.

- Development enhancing standard of life.
- Development contributing to human rights.
- Agribusiness and food sufficiency.
- Advancement in medicine adding quality to right to life.
- Dams and development.
- Infrastructural development and right to movement.
- Right to housing and infrastructural development.
- Technological innovations as tools of good governance.
- Development affecting human rights of vulnerable / marginalised.
- Pollution and human rights of victims.
- Rights of project affected and project displace people.
- Clinical trials of pharmaceuticals and human rights.
- Threats of technological innovations to privacy.
- Developments affecting rights of the tribal people.
- Modern marketing and threat to traditional means of livelihood.
- Weapons of mass disaster and survival of human race.
- Invasion of social media into cultural rights.
- Fake news afflicting right to information of citizens.
- Technology affecting freedom to vote.
- Any related issues.

Interested persons may email abstract of their paper to dean@kslu.ac.in by 7th December 2018. Only those whose abstracts are accepted will be allowed to present the papers. The University proposes to bring out the selected papers in the form of a book.

It is to be noted that the paper presenters' will be provided with accommodation and other local hospitality on the day of the conference. However, the University will not defray their travelling expenses. There is no registration fee. The Principals are invited participate in the conference and are requested to circulate this brochure amongst their faculty members and encourage participation.