



# ICFAI UNIVERSITY TRIPURA Faculty of Law Organizes

Seven Days Online Faculty Development Program

## THE STUDY OF NEW CRIMINAL LAW: FROM COLONIAL TO MODERN ERA

15<sup>th</sup> July-21<sup>st</sup> July, 2024

#### BRIEF REPORT OF ALL SESSIONS FOR MEDIA PR:

<u>Day: 1 on 15/07/2024 (Inaugural Session & the 1st Session on, "Philosophical Views into changes in the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, More Specifically, Chapter. 1-4" by Dr. Amol Deo Chavhan, Associate Professor of Law, NLUJA Assam):</u>

The inaugural session of the workshop on New Criminal Laws began with a welcome speech by Prof. Dr. Biplab Halder, emphasizing the integration of digital evidence and social values in legal frameworks. Dr. A. Ranganath wished for the program's success, while Dr. Debabrata Roy's keynote address highlighted significant changes in new criminal laws, such as a 60-day charge sheet timeframe and a chapter on women and children. Dr. Amol Deo Chavan's session detailed the philosophy behind criminal law reforms, focusing on modernity, technological advancements, and community service. Dr. Nabarun Bhattacharjee concluded with a vote of thanks.

### <u>Day: 2 on 16/07/2024 (2<sup>nd</sup> Session on, "The Changing Aspect of Documentary Evidence as Per the New Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023"Dr. Sarfaraz Ahmed Khan Associate Professor, WBNUJS, Kolkata):</u>

Dr. Sarfaraz Ahmed Khan started his presentation with the mentioning of the changing aspect of documentary evidence as per the new Bharatiya Sakshaya Adhiniyam. Dr Ahmed also mentioned about the electronic form of documents & electronic record under section 2(t) of the IT Act. He further have discussed about section 2(o) relating to data & (ha) relating to communication device. Further Dr Ahmed has also mentioned relating to the changing nature

of evidence relating to documents. Dr Ahmed also discussed about the secondary evidence contained in section 58 of the Adhiniyam & the changes that were made in clause 6, 7, 8 & clause 8 being a further explanation of clause 5 which was earlier present in the Indian Evidence Act. Clause 6 being oral admission, 7 being written admission & 8 being evidence of a person who has examined a document, the original of which consists of numerous accounts or other documents which cannot conveniently be examined in courts & who is skilled in the examination of such documents.

#### <u>Day: 3 on 17/07/2024 (3<sup>rd</sup> Session on, "A Critical Analysis of Offences Against State & Organised Crime as Per Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023" by Prof. (Dr.) Anurag Deep Professor, the Indian Law Institute):</u>

Dr. Deep's session provided an in-depth and insightful analysis of the offences against the state and organized crime under the BNS. His thorough examination of key legal provisions, landmark case studies, and the evolving nature of organized crime offered valuable perspectives for legal scholars, practitioners, and policymakers. The session highlighted the need for continuous adaptation of legal frameworks to effectively address and mitigate the threats posed by these serious offences.

### <u>Day: 4 on 18/07/2024 ("An Overview of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita & Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita" by Dr. Sudhanshu Ranjan Mahapatra Professor, Guru Ghasidas Viswavidyalaya, Bilaspur, Chatishgarh):</u>

Dr. Sudhanshu Ranjan Mahapatra started his presentation with the saying that law is like dancing tool which changes according to the needs of the society. He then further said that it was the British Raj at that point of time who pressured lord Macaulay to introduce the IPC in which several offences & their punishment would be prescribed. He further have made discussion relating constitutional provisions of Article 21 that how any legislation made to hamper Article 21 would be declared as ultravires.

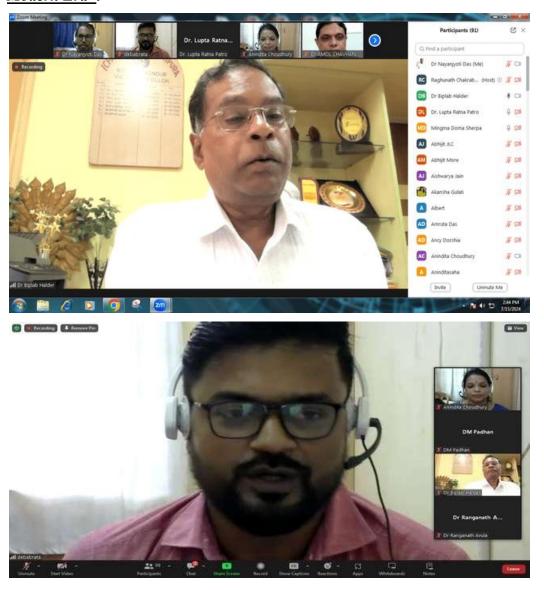
### <u>Day: 5 on 19/07/2024 ("Comparative Study of Old Indian Penal Code & Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023" by Dr. Minaketan Sahu Associate Professor Sambalpur University, Odisha):</u>

The fifth day of the FDP, with Dr. Meena Ketan Sahu's session, provided an in-depth exploration of the BNS's innovative approaches and its potential to transform the Indian criminal justice system. The session was a significant contribution to the ongoing discourse on legal reforms, highlighting the importance of integrating justice, cultural values, and contemporary legal principles.

Day: 6 on 20/07/2024 ("The New Criminal Codes: A Critical Perspective" Prof. Dr.B.T.Kaul Advocate of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India & Delhi High Court, Former Chairperson of Delhi Judicial Academy, & Former Professor of University of Delhi: Prof. Dr. B.T. Kaul has very nicely clarified that 'Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita is a posthumous tribute to Lord Macaulay as most sections remain the same essence. According to him all

tribute to Lord Macaulay as most sections remain the same essence. According to him all these Codes could have been much better if they were better debated in the Parliamentary Sessions or subjected to review by the Law Commission before Enactment. And, he also explained that there are a lot of Grey Areas in Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita which need to be & can only be can only be clarified by Legislative Action & the sooner they are clarified, the better it will be for our justice system.

<u>Pictures of Online 07 Days FDP on "The Study of New Criminal Law: From Colonial to Modern Era":</u>





Day: 7 on 21/07/2024 ("Reforms in Criminal Procedure under the *Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita Act*, 2023 with Special Reference to Bail and Investigation Procedures" by Dr. Ranjeeta Mukherjee Associate Professor, Xavier Law School, Kolkata:

Dr. Ranjeeta elaborately discussed about the basic changes made in case of cognizable offences through the electronic mode of communication. She focused on the change made in BNSS i.e along with oral and written the electronic communication mode has been introduced. The resource person has dissected the pros and cons of electronic FIR procedure and also clarified the doubts of the Participants. How the forensic method of communication procedure effective it was highlighted by Dr. Mukherjee Madam.

Another key focus of Dr. Mukherjee is the changes made in BNSS in regards to the Bail Procedure. She highlighted to streaming areas of changes in BNSS regarding Bail are mainly the term of Bail Bond and provision of strict rule regarding the grant of bail of a person against whom multiple cases are pending.

The last session has enriched all the participants with the valuable knowledge's regarding these two basic things of BNSS and old Criminal Procedure Law that is in case of Investigation and Bail which are very basic for all the Legal fraternity.

Today's Valedictory Session was started with the speech of Dr. A. Ranganath, Registrar, ICFAI University, Tripura. Sir has shared his valuable words regarding the reflection of Last 7 days Faculty Development Programme on the Legal Teaching Fraternity as well as on the society. Following Dr. Ranganath's speech Dr. Zigisha Pujari, Principal, Faculty of Law, ICFAI University Tripura has make a review of all the sessions of last 7 days FDP. After Dr. Zigisha Pujari's speech few of the participants have shared their valuable remarks and experiences of last 7 days programme. Lastly the programme was ended by a very fascinating Vote of Thanks by Dr. Raghunath Chakrabarty, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, ICFAI University, Tripura. Relating with Guru Purnima Dr. Raghunath has recited a poem of Rabindranath Tagore which brings a delightful ending to the last 7 days session.

