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Call for Papers National Conference

Constitutionalism in India: Evolution, Progress and Contemporary Challenges

(23-24 March 2017)

Venue: Ansal University, D-421

Key Themes:

- ❖ Indian Secularism- Myth or Reality?
- ❖ Article 370- Past, Present and Future
- ❖ Amendments and the Changing landscape of Indian Constitutionalism
- ❖ Socialism and Indian Judiciary
- ❖ Constitutionalism through the prism of Feminism
- ❖ Emerging trends in Legislative, Executive and Judiciary relations

Conference Conveners-

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** Selected articles will be published in Department's Peer reviewed Journal and in the book on the theme of the Conference*

Background of the theme:

Constitutionalism is a political philosophy based on the idea that state authority is derived from the people and should be limited by a Constitution that clearly expresses the powers and limitations of governments. Clearly the powers of the state are not untrammelled. Constitutionalism has a vibrant history in all the major legal system of the world. Many thinkers and schools of thought have analyzed and theorized about Constitutionalism and its historical origins. To illustrate, the Social Contract notion of Constitutionalism was presumed on the idea of a 'contract' between people and the state, which was revocable in the event the moral idea of the original contract was tampered with or defeated.

The Constitution was drafted by the Constituent Assembly after intense deliberations on almost all conceivable issues amidst broad agreements and disagreements. This deliberative exercise incorporated the existing Constitutional best practices prevailing in different parts of the world. The culmination of this legendary exercise resulted in a Constitution, which was a unique blend of international and indigenous values. Values like Secularism and Socialism though were not expressly mentioned in the original Constitution were frequently subject to judicial deliberations which inevitably required analysis rooted in law, ideology and public policy considerations. Even today, despite numerous judgments by the Supreme Court and Constitutional Amendments the exact meaning of these values remains uncertain, highly context specific and susceptible to diverse interpretations. In light of the same, the objective of the National Conference is to invite bright intellectual minds to reassess major themes of the Constitution in a broad historical setting to appreciate the role that legal history can play in helping demystify their meaning in contemporary times. The rationale of the Conference is a belief that historical analysis can be used a methodology to understand and appreciate the correct and appropriate meanings of Constitutional ideas and help in their present day application in a globalised legal order. Additionally, the participants are welcome to touch upon political, economic and sociological dimensions of themes in their analysis of historical constitutionalism, its development and contemporary challenges. The participants can address the sub-themes using the methodology of historical analysis.

Papers from Social, Legal and other diverse background are invited.

Important dates:

<i>Submission of Abstract</i>	<i>5 March 2017</i>
<i>Confirmation of Abstract</i>	<i>6 March 2017</i>
<i>Submission of Full Paper/ Demand Draft/ Registration form (Soft Copy only)</i>	<i>12 March 2017</i>
<i>National Conference</i>	<i>23-24 March 2017</i>

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

Note: the theme and sub-theme are not a restriction; the author can select any topic relevant with the theme and the sub themes

ABSTRACT:

The abstract should not exceed 350 words and must be accompanied by a cover page stating the following-

- Sub-theme
- Title of the Paper
- Name of the author(s)
- E-mail address
- Postal address and Contact Number

FULL RESEARCH PAPER:

- The paper should not exceed 4000 words (exclusive of footnotes)
- Co-authorship is permitted with a maximum of two authors only.
- Registration fee as per each author
- In case of co-authorship at least one author must attend the seminar to present the paper.
- The main text should be in Times New Roman with font size 12 and spacing of 1.5.
- The footnotes should be in Times New Roman, font size 10 with single line spacing.
- One-inch margins on all sides should be maintained.
- Citation style: Bluebook 20th Edition
- All correspondence must be sent to email: sol@ansaluniversity.edu.in

The paper must be accompanied with the scanned copies of the duly filled Registration form, DD details, and the cover page, the details of which are mentioned in the abstract guidelines. All submissions must be the author's original work and unpublished work. Plagiarized submissions will be disqualified.

Registration Fees:

<i>For Students</i>	<i>INR 1500</i>
<i>For Faculty, Research Scholar and other Professionals</i>	<i>INR 2500</i>
<i>On the Spot Registration</i>	<i>INR 3000</i>

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Note: Registration fee is not refundable. The institute will not provide any TA/DA

- Registration fees include Conference kit, Lunch/tea, courier charges for the book, which will be sent to the participants after publication.
- The Conference proceedings shall be published in e-souvenir with the abstracts of the selected papers.
- Selected articles will be published in Department's Peer Reviewed Journal and in Book on the theme of the Conference.
- All the delegates are requested to bring one hardcopy of the original full paper and ID proof.

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