

DR. AMBEDKAR COLLEGE, DEEKSHABHOOMI, NAGPUR
DEPARTMENT OF LAW
Academic Session - 2019-2020

NAME OF THE PROGRAMME: Law Vision 2020 by SMCA

NAME OF THE CHIEF GUESTS: 1. Hon'ble Shri J. S B Shukre, Judge, Nagpur Bench, Bombay HC (Inauguration)

2. Brig. Jamwal, Commandant, Institute of Military Law (Valedictory)

NAME OF THE PROGRAMME CO – ORDINATORS: 1. DR. VARSHA DESHPANDE

DATES: 13th Feb to 16th Feb 2020

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING TEAMS: 16

VENUE: COLLEGE AUDITORIUM, LECTURE HALLS, MOOT COURT HALLS, DR. AMBEDKAR COLLEGE, DEEKSHABHOOMI, DEPARTMENT OF LAW, NAGPUR.

DETAILED REPORT LAW VISION 2020

Law Vision 2020, the 14th consecutive year of this mega law fest, got inaugurated in a glittering inauguration ceremony in the College hall on the 13th of February 2020. Hon'ble Justice S B Shukre graced the Inaugural ceremony as the Chief Guest. In his inaugural address he threw light on how the profession of law is getting increasingly engaging and interesting. He spoke about how creative minds of students can contribute immensely to the gradual evolution of law. As a brilliant example to substantiate his point he brought out before the law students the whole journey of legal interpretation that culminated into the scripting of the doctrine of basic structure of the Constitution. He congratulated the participants for venturing to participate in an event like this. Thus law vision 2020 commenced with the blessings that were showered by an erudite member of the judiciary. The Principal of the college Prof R V Patil presided over the Inauguration ceremony and in his Presidential address, congratulated the Law Dept for organizing this mega event. He also pointed out how the judiciary in India is an extremely sensitive institution and that, as students of law, they have to shoulder the responsibility of upholding the integrity of this institution in future.

The 14th of Feb i.e. the second day of Law Vision 2020 commenced with a Legal Drafting Competition in the Law Department, wherein students were required to demonstrate their drafting skills which is an important raw material in a lawyers craft. The students were required to draft different legal instruments and the same were judged by Adv Manoj Sable. Also, the elimination rounds for case study and client counselling competitions were held on this day.

This was immediately followed by the final round of the case study competition. The students were given a case which they were expected to critically analyse and present. The questions posed by judges made this event very challenging for the participants of this competition. The event was judged ably by Adv Vivek Awchat and Adv Jameel Khan. The second half of this day saw a tough fight of the teams in the Preliminary rounds of the Moot Court competition. In this round the teams had to argue from both sides. There were total 6 courtrooms that witnessed an amazing display of lawyering skills of young students of law. A total of 12 judges, all legal practitioners before the Nagpur High Court judged these rounds. This engaging competition brought an end to the proceedings of the second day of Law Vision 2020

The 15th of Feb began with the Quarter final rounds of the Moots in the morning. A total of 8 teams were pushed in the quarter final rounds. These rounds were also judged by able lawyers from the Nagpur High Court. From these quarter final rounds 4 teams were pushed into the Semi finals which were also held the same day in the law building. Intense grilling by lawyers in this round made this competition a truly interesting one. Also, on this day, the final rounds of the client counselling competition was held. 5 finalists in this competition were judged on the basis of their ability to seek instructions from the client, to gather relevant information from them, and to give them the correct legal advice in the matter. Students of law who were presented as clients before the teams did a phenomenal job in presenting the problem before the teams. This competition was judged by 5 different lawyers.

The last day of law vision 2020 i.e. the 16th of Feb commenced with a very interesting final round of the moots, wherein all of us were live witnesses to both the teams at their very best. The robust presentation of arguments on the part of both the teams was a sight to behold and there can be no doubt that both our finalists made the job of the judges very difficult. Team from GLS Ahmedabad emerged the final winner and KES Mumbai were the runners up. Adv Uday Dastane and Adv Renuka Sirpurkar were the able judges of this final round.

Apart from these events, we had also invited essays by students on a contemporary topic like "Nature and Scope of Personal Law Reforms through the Institution of the Judiciary". Thus the writing skills and analytical power of the students was put to test in this competition.

This, in brief was all that transpired in these four days at Law Vision 2020. So engaging was this event that none realized how these four days passed away. The Valedictory ceremony was graced by the presence of yet another erudite guest of ours Brig A D Jamwal, Commandant of the Institute of Military Law Kamptee. He delivered a captivating address and informed the students of law about how they could look for a bright career in the Armed Forces. He furnished the students with detailed information about the JAG branch and invited them to visit the IML campus. He also congratulated the college for organizing such a meaningful event. The

prize distribution was also done by Brig Jamwal. The Valedictory ceremony was presided over by Principal R V Patil. Shri Vilas Gajghate, Member, Smarak Samiti, was also present on the dias.



Figure 1: Inauguration of Law Vision 2020 at the hands of Hon'ble Shri Justice S B Shukre, Judge, Nagpur Bench, Bombay HC



Figure 2: A packed auditorium – Students and Teachers attending the Inauguration of Law Vision 2020



Figure 3: Final Round of the Moot Court Competition in progress



Figure 4: Case Study Competition in Progress



Figure 5: Brig. Jamwal delivering the Valedictory address