

DR. AMBEDKAR COLLEGE, DEEKSHABHOOMI, NAGPUR
DEPARTMENT OF LAW

NAME OF THE PROGRAMME:	MEDIATION AWARENESS PROGRAM Organized by DLSA, Nagpur.
NAME OF THE SPEAKERS:	Justice R.P. Pandey Adv. Rajendra Rathi CA Ravindra Kumar
NAME OF THE PROGRAMME SUPERVISOR:	DR. PRATIMA LOKHANDE (Co-Ordinator of Legal Aid Clinic)
	DR. VAISHALI A. SUKHDEVE (Member of Legal Aid Clinic)
DATE AND DAY:	DATE: 18 TH JULY 2026, SATURDAY
TIME:	11:00 AM
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	30 (Girl and Boys)
VENUE:	ROOM NO. 910- Judges Conference Hall, District Court, Nagpur

The “Mediation Awareness Programme” was organised by District Legal Aid Services Authority on 18th July 2026 at Judges Conference Hall, Nyaya Mandir, District Court, Nagpur and total 30 students attended the programme from Dr. Ambedkar College of Law, Deekshabhoomi, Nagpur. Legal Aid Clinic of the Department of Law is always instrumental in promoting legal education and legal aid activities. The students were nominated by Dr. Pratima Lokhande, Co-ordinator of Legal Aid Clinic with the purpose to enhance and promote Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) techniques among budding lawyers through such awareness programs.

With over 5 crore cases pending in Indian courts, the programme emphasised mediation’s critical role in achieving swift, cost-effective justice. Three distinguished speakers provided comprehensive insights into mediation’s foundations, techniques, and commercial applications.

Speaker I: Foundations and Societal Need – Justice R.P. Pandey (Retd. Judge & Lok Adalat Mediator):

Hon'ble Justice Pandey defined mediation as a collaborative, party-centric process where a neutral mediator facilitates negotiation without imposing outcomes—distinguishing it from adversarial litigation. He outlined a mediator's core conduct: maintaining neutrality, ensuring confidentiality, and employing active listening, paraphrasing, and reframing to foster mutual understanding. He stressed that mediators control the process, not the result; parties retain decision-making authority. Highlighting mediation's societal urgency, he cited the massive judicial backlog and noted that while commercial litigation takes 7–10 years, mediation can resolve disputes in 30–90 days. He also emphasised its cost-effectiveness, relationship preservation, and alignment with the constitutional goal of access to justice.

Speaker II: Techniques and Types – Adv. Rajendra Rathi.

Advocate Rathi elaborated on mediation's practical conduct. He detailed four primary types: Facilitative (traditional negotiation assistance), Evaluative (assessing positions' practicality), Transformative (empowering parties and fostering mutual recognition), and Formulative (structuring dialogue). He underscored essential techniques—active listening, strategic questioning, paraphrasing, reframing, summarising, and recognition—emphasising that a skilled mediator must adapt their style flexibly based on the dispute's nature and the parties' relationship to build trust and move negotiations forward constructively.

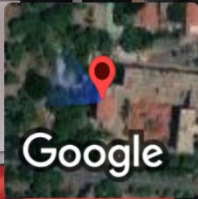
Speaker III: Commercial Aspects – CA Ravindra Kumar.

Mr. CA Kumar focused on mediation's growing legal mandate in commerce. He detailed the critical legal framework: Section 12A of the Commercial Courts Act, 2015 (mandating pre-litigation mediation for disputes valued at ₹3 lakhs or more, barring urgent interim relief) and the landmark Mediation Act, 2023. The 2023 Act establishes the Mediation Council of India, mandates prelitigation mediation for commercial disputes, and sets a resolution timeline of 3 months (extendable by 2 months with consent), with the period not counting toward limitation. He highlighted mediation's commercial benefits: speed, drastically lower costs, enforceable settlement agreements, confidentiality for sensitive business information, and the preservation of ongoing commercial relationships stark contrast to litigation's adversarial nature.

Thus, the programme successfully underscored that mediation is no longer merely an alternative but a legal prerequisite for many commercial

disputes. By blending foundational principles, practical techniques, and statutory mandates, the speakers equipped participants with a holistic understanding of mediation's transformative potential. As India moves toward a culture of amicable out-of-court settlements, awareness initiatives like this are vital for decongesting courts and fostering a more efficient, collaborative dispute resolution ecosystem. All the attendees of the Department of Law gained sufficient practical knowledge about one of the important techniques of the Alternative Dispute Resolution in the form of Mediation.





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ATTENDANCE SHEET

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NAME	CLASS	SIGN
ANAGHA WAWARE	VII th Sem BALLB 5 th yr	Anagha
AVANI MESHAM	VII th Sem BALLB 5 th yr	Avani
CHETNA DEHARIYA	VII th Sem BALLB 5 th yr	Chetna
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PRIYA GROVER	LLB, 3 rd year 3 rd sem	PRIYA GROVER
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SARVESH MIRZAPURE	VII th Sem BALLB 5 th yr	SARVESH MIRZAPURE
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TISHA PUSATE	VII th Sem BALLB 5 th yr	TISHA PUSATE
VIDHI CHANDRASHEKHAR	VII th Sem BALLB 5 th yr	VIDHI CHANDRASHEKHAR
VIDHI TIWARI	VII th Sem BALLB 5 th yr	VIDHI TIWARI
VIDHYZ CHOURE	VII th Sem BALLB 5 th yr	VIDHYZ CHOURE
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PRANALI BHANGEY	LLB, 3 rd year 3 rd sem	PRANALI BHANGEY
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The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor/Director/Principal

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3. Central India College of Law, Sadar, Nagpur
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7. Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Law College, Dikshabhumi, Nagpur

Subject :- Mediation Awareness Programme on 18th July, 2026

Reference :- Mediation Action Plan 2026-2027

Respected Sir/Madam,

Apropos of the subject, I am to inform your goodself that District Mediation Centre, District Legal Services Authority, Nagpur is organizing "Mediation Awareness Programme" on 18th July, 2026. at 11.30 a.m. at "Judges Conference Hall" (Room No. 910) situated on 9th floor, G+9 Extension Building, Nyaya Mandir, District Court, Nagpur.

I Kindly request you to nominate **20 students** of your college/School who your good self deems fit for attending said programme as participants.

Please communicate the names of those students by return of email latest by **13th July 2026** to the office of DLSA, Nagpur. (Email- dlsanagpur@rediffmail.com)

You are also requested to direct them to be present in uniform at venue on **18th July 2026** at. 11.30 a.m. sharp.

Thanking you in anticipation.



Dr. V. D.
7/7/2026

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Secretary (Judge)
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