



National Seminar on

BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY ACT, 2002 & ABS REGULATIONS, 2014



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ABOUT MADHYA PRADESH STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD :

Madhya Pradesh State Biodiversity Board was set up as body corporate under Section 22 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 having powers and functions delegated from the National Biodiversity Authority. The primary mandate of the Board is to collaborate with a range of partners to ensure biodiversity conservation, sustainable use and fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of the use of bio resources and sees its role in this context as that of sheath anchor.

The Board is also mandated to provide for regulated access to bio resources for commercial purpose by Indian Nationals where such regulated access will only be given if equitable sharing of benefit is deposited in the Biodiversity Fund for conservation of Biodiversity in the State and advising the state government on issues of biodiversity conservation, its sustainable use and equitable sharing of benefits.

ABOUT NLIU CARES :

The Cell for Awareness and Research in Environmental Law Studies was established on 10th December, 2007 with the objective of promoting and fostering the growth of environmental law studies and research. It has taken up the task of sensitizing the masses so as to make them aware of their role towards their environment as part of their fundamental duty under Article 51-A(g) of the Constitution of India and instilling in them the spirit of environmentalism.

CARES has been engaged with clean-up drives, Nukkad Nataks on environmental sensitization in Bhopal, dustbin installation across campus, panel discussion on sustainability as a career, and is currently affiliated with an upcoming composting unit for the local area.

ABOUT THE SEMINAR :

The Seminar on Biodiversity Conservation and Management Law is a joint initiative of Cell for Awareness and Research in Environmental Law Studies (CARES), National Law Institute University (NLIU), Bhopal and M.P. State Biodiversity Board. The focus of the seminar is the much litigated Biodiversity Act and Rules especially in light of the 2014 guidelines. The Seminar seeks to generate awareness in the expanding field of biodiversity conservation and management law amongst the legal fraternity. The unsettled interpretation on several legislative aspects demands a legal inquiry that would pave way for a uniform understanding and application of these provisions. The deliberations at the Seminar will prove fruitful for all participants and delegates with eminent jurists and experts in the field of environmental law, specifically biodiversity conservation, addressing the audience.

TOPICS FOR PAPER AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS :

We encourage scholars, professionals and students of both LL.B (3 yr/5 yr) and LL.M courses to present a unique perspective and legal interpretation with respect to the following themes under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Biological Diversity Rules, 2004.

1. Definitions of 'Biological diversity', 'Biological resources', 'Commercial utilization', and 'Value-added products' as under Sections 2(b), (c), (f) and (p)
2. Prior intimation to the State Biodiversity Board (Section 7) and the functions and powers of the Board (Section 23 and 24)
3. Sections 2, 3, 4 of the Guidelines on Access to Biological Resources and Associated Knowledge and Benefits Sharing Regulations, 2014.

Participation mode :

Sr No.	Particulars	Maximum participation		
		Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3
1	Abstracts submission	–	–	–
2	Article submission (short-listed abstracts)	10	10	10
3	Poster presentations (short-listed abstracts EXCLUDING articles selected for paper presentation)	7	7	7

Awards & Certificates :

Best article awards	3	3	3
Best poster award	1	1	1
Certificates	All short-listed abstracts		

Registration Fee :

Fee- Rs. 250/-

There shall be spot registration for all participants and delegates. The nine papers selected for presentation (three in each of the three categories) shall have the registration fee waived.

Important Dates :

Particulars	Particulars
Submission of abstracts	1st December 2015
Short-listing of abstracts	15th December 2015
Submission of articles	8th January 2016
Announcement of results	27th January 2016
Paper presentations/ Poster Presentations	6th February 2016

Accommodation :

No Travel Allowance (T/A) shall be given to any participant or delegate. ONLY the nine selected paper presenters shall be allotted accommodation at the University Guest House. All other participants and delegates are advised to make their own arrangements for accommodation. Tea/ Lunch shall be included in the Registration Fee.

For any further clarifications please send an email at biosanctum2016@gmail.com

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Instructions to authors :

- Participation from scholars, professionals and students of both LL.B (3 yr/5 yr) and LL.M courses is invited for the Seminar.
- Abstracts must be a MAXIMUM of 300-400 words.
- Article submissions are open only to the top ten short-listed abstracts. The authors of the respective abstracts shall be notified of the same.
- Articles must be a MINIMUM of 2500 words (inclusive of footnotes). The following format must be strictly adhered to:
MAIN TEXT: Font –Times New Roman; Font size -12; Spacing –1.5; Alignment –Justified; Margin – One inch on all sides.
FOOTNOTES: Font – Times New Roman; Font size -10; Spacing – Every Footnote shall be single spaced.
- The submissions should NOT contain borders, cover pages or title pages.
- References should be footnoted in any uniform format.
- Co-authorship with a maximum of TWO authors is permission.
- All submissions (abstracts/articles) are to be made in Microsoft Word Document Format electronically to biosanctum2016@gmail.com
- Author details including qualifications and institutional affiliations, details for correspondence (postal address, phone numbers and email address) etc should be provided only in the body of the Email during abstract submission, and not in the submission itself.
- The top three papers in each of the three categories of submissions shall be selected for the PAPER PRESENTATION at the seminar and be awarded prizes. The selection criteria will include: originality of the legal interpretation provided, its relevance and scope of implementation, along with the quality of presentation of the content. The selection remains the discretion of the Editorial Board exclusively.
- The top ten short-listed abstracts in each category (excluding articles selected for paper presentation) shall qualify for POSTER PRESENTATION at the seminar.
- The MAXIMUM SIZE of the poster permissible is 3ft x 3ft.
- The Best Poster in each category shall be awarded a prize and all others shall receive certificates of participation at the seminar.

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