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**NATIONAL SEMINAR  
ON  
SURROGACY : ETHICAL, LEGAL,  
SOCIO-ECONOMIC ISSUES  
(January 20-21, 2017)**

*Organized by:*

**SCHOOL OF LAW  
IMS UNISON UNIVERSITY  
DEHRADUN, UTTARAKHAND**

## IMS Unison University

IMS Unison University, located at the beautiful ambience of Dehradun, a constituent of Unison Group has made fast strides in the horizon of education as a premier educational and research University. Nestled amidst beautiful and serene surroundings it offers an environment that fosters learning and stimulates creativity.

Ever since its inception in 1996 as IMS Dehradun, as a non-profit organization led by a group of visionaries, it has dedicated itself for the cause of changing the face of professional education in Uttarakhand. The University today provides a platform for excellence in teaching, learning and research. State-of-the-art, Information technology is extensively used in the University contributing to the development of well-trained graduates, postgraduates and doctorate students to fulfil the manpower needs of the corporate world.

**IMS Unison University** aspires to become a renowned centre for creation & dissemination of knowledge. It aims to provide a holistic career oriented education that develops intellectual, moral and physical capabilities of the students, nurturing creativity and innovation. The University is committed for the cause of imparting quality education by providing the required academic infrastructure, developing strong industry interface and providing placement opportunities to its students.



### School of Law

School of Law is making fast strides in the horizon of legal education. It offers BALLB. (Hons.), BBALLB. (Hons.), LL.M. and Ph.D. programs. Ever since its inception School of Law has set up a sublime tradition of organizing meaningful & constructive academic programs in the pursuit of imparting quality legal education.

The academia which comprises a blend of highly qualified professionals & academicians is making every effort to perch this School of Law on a higher pedestal of academic learning & research.

**Pragyaan:** Journal of Law, a double blind peer reviewed journal published bi-annually by the School of Law is one more feather to its cap which bears testimony to the fact of its commitment for the cause of legal research.

## Concept Note

In 2005, the ICMR (Indian Council of Medical Research) had framed guidelines for ARTs (Assisted Reproductive Technologies) Clinics. However, there is no legal mechanism to enforce them or monitor compliance by clinics. The ART Bill was first drafted in 2010 by the previous UPA government. The draft prepared in the year 2012 has banned only those foreigners from hiring Indian surrogates whose own countries of origin didn't recognise commercial surrogacy as Indian practices. The Law Commission of India submitted the 228th report on Assisted Reproductive Technology procedures discussing the importance and need for surrogacy, and also the steps taken to control surrogacy arrangements. The Supreme Court of Indian in the 2008 Manji case held that commercial surrogacy was permissible in India. This was the genesis of the Assisted Reproductive Technology (Regulation) Bill, 2014.

The present need is that law to be made which must maintain the balance between the conflicting interests of surrogate mother and biological parents. It would not be easy to take away the child from mother who has suffered the pain to keep a child in womb, if a contract is enforced against her. There are various other negative social aspects of hiring a womb. At present, it is popular among childless couples but it is possible that the women may start hiring a womb even if they are physically capable of procreation of child. The reason behind may be their strong financial status, to avoid any hardships of pregnancy or in order achieve their career. So, all these aspects are yet to be considered by conducting a research.

The recent proposed draft Surrogacy Regulation Bill 2016, passed by the Health Ministry, was cleared by the Union Cabinet on the 24th of August 2016; and is set to be introduced in the Parliament soon. The Bill will regulate surrogacy in India by establishing National Surrogacy Board at the Central level and State Surrogacy Boards and Appropriate Authorities in the State and Union Territories. The legislation will ensure effective regulation of surrogacy, prohibit commercial surrogacy and allow ethical surrogacy to the needy infertile couples. This National seminar will focus on the specific area and aims to bring together thoughts of academicians, health professionals, legal professionals, experts in the field as well as students.

### Call For Papers

We cordially invite the academicians, researchers, representatives of the Civil Society and student research scholars to submit their research papers on the sub-themes to be covered in different technical sessions during the National conference on “*Surrogacy: Ethical, Legal, Socio & Economic Issues*” on January 20-21, 2017.

### Broad Sub Themes

- Ethics, Morality and Surrogacy
- Surrogacy, Law and Human Rights
- International Dimensions and Regulations of Surrogacy
- Globalization and Transnational Surrogacy
- Surrogacy, Socio-Economic and Psychological Concerns

## Submission Guidelines

The abstract should contain personal details of the author(s) in the order mentioned below. Title of the paper, name, designation, Institute/ University/ College/Organization, contact number, e-mail and address(es), of the author. Kindly indicate the name of the corresponding author in case of two or more authors. All abstracts will be peer reviewed and evaluated on the basis of originality, research rigor, relevance to the conference, and contribution to the theory and practice.



### Abstract

It Not more than 500 words. The abstract must be developed on A4-sheet in MS Word Document Format typed in Times New Roman in 12 font size with 1.5 line spacing. Should not contain more than FIVE keywords.

### FULL PAPER:

#### Title

Must be written in bold, size 14 and centered margin.

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Manuscripts must be in single spacing, font size 12 in Times New Roman and all margins: 1.5 inches (left) and 1 inch (top, right and bottom).

#### Tables

Tables must be placed as part of the text. DO NOT attach tables at the end of the manuscript. Title of the tables/figure should be written on the top of the tables/figure. Times New Roman, font 12, Bold and centered margin.

#### Software

Manuscript must be submitted in Microsoft Word 2007 in the above format ONLY.

#### Sub Title

Written in bold, size 12 and left margin.

#### Footnoting

Footnoting should be done strictly according to Bluebook 19th Edition, Times New Roman, Size 10, Line-Spacing 1.5

#### Word Limit

Articles should be generally of 4000-4500 words (excluding references and footnotes).

*We encourage potential contributors to adhere to a uniform mode of citation throughout the whole work.*

## Submissions

Submissions are to be made only in electronic form. The same may be e-mailed to [seminar.sol2017@gmail.com](mailto:seminar.sol2017@gmail.com) in MS Word format along with a covering letter addressed to Organizing Committee.

## Rules for the Participation

- No abstract or full paper shall be accepted after the last date of submission respectively.
- Participants/ Paper Presenters have to register after the acceptance of abstract with payment of required fees to be paid only through Demand Draft. No refund, once registered.
- For participants, registration is mandatory on confirmation of the participation. Only registered participants will be allowed to take part in National Seminar.
- All the registered participants will be provided a participation certificate, conference kit, lunch and tea.
- Maximum co-authors could be THREE. Each Co-author has to register separately.

### Important:

Last date for Abstract: December 17, 2016

Date for confirmation of acceptance of Abstract: Dec. 21, 2016

Last Date for Registration: December 26, 2016

Submission of full Paper: January 14, 2017

The participants are requested to send their abstracts and papers to:  
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The Best papers shall be published.

## Registration Fee

Academician / Organization Representative	₹ 1500
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Limited free accommodation during the conference is available on first come basis. Please indicate your need for such services in Registration Form. Otherwise the participants have to make their own arrangement for Accommodation. No TA/DA will be provided to participants. No accommodation will be provided to accompanying person who is participating or presenting paper in seminar.

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