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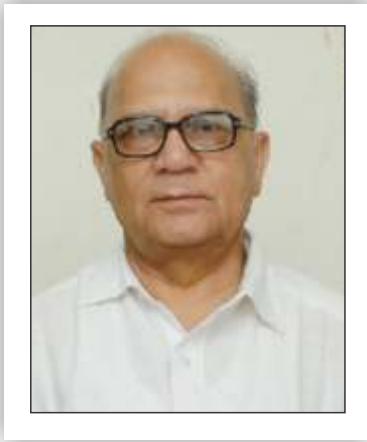
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EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



HON'BLE PRIN. B. G. JADHAV

Executive President,
Marathwada Mitra Mandal, Pune.

We take an immense pleasure in introducing you to Marathwada Mitra Mandal. It is an educational trust established in the year 1967, under the patronage of Late Shri Shankarrao Chavan, former Home Minister of India. It is a trust, registered under the Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950. Established in 1967 with the objective of providing hostel or similar accommodation in Pune to the students. This trust is established through the inspiration of socially and educationally charged personalities, with motto 'Yethe Bahutanche Hit'(Welfare of Masses). At its various educational campuses the trust has created excellent facilities of education catering to Management, Law, Commerce, Pharmacy, Engineering, etc, which provide excellent education to more than 12000 students.

In an attempt to carry forward the legacy of social responsibility of its founder president Shri Shankarraoji Chavan, the institute always endevour to extend helping hand to students from disadvantaged class. Since its establishment, it has provided free education and hostel facility to number of students and has played pivotal role in shaping their carrier. It has contributed significantly in making the dream of better life a reality for thousands of such students. Taking an inclusive approach, the institute has taken initiatives to reach to different geographical regions of Maharashtra such as Marathwada, Konkan and Vidarbha to extend financial and educational support to peoples suffering from natural calamities and social deprivation.

With the objective of imparting quality legal education, the Mandal has established the Shankarrao Chavan Law College, in 2003. Holistic development of students is the ultimate goal which college strives to achieve. In its pursuit of achieving excellence in the field of legal education, it intends to cross the barriers of traditional learning methodology with an aim of giving maximum exposure to law students and encouraging their transformation from ordinary to superlative. With this objective college conducts wide range of activities such as international and national conferences and seminars. The Cell for Human Rights Activities has organised the national seminar on the topic, "Legal Regime relating to Reproductive Rights of Indian Women and Social Reality" on 11th December, 2021. The organisers have decided to publish a book with ISBN number containing selected research papers presented in this conference. I am happy to announce that the book is now ready for publication.

My best wishes are with the college for it's constant endeavour to develop as premiere legal education institution. I also extend my worm wishes to authors for actively participating and contributing in this publication.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



DR. KRANTI DESHMUKH

Principal

With the object to edify value based legal education the Marathwada Mitra Mandal, has established the Law College with five years law course in the year June, 2003 & Three years Law course in June, 2004. We determine that the education is purely the psyche of a society as it inflates up on one generation to the other.

The Law College is affiliated to Savitribai Phule Pune University & Approved by the Bar Council of India, New Delhi. The College runs 5 years B.A. LL.B. Law Course, 3 Years LL.B. Course, LL.M.-Post Graduate Course & various Diploma Courses affiliated to the University. The Law College is a recognized Ph.D Research Center of the Savitribai Phule Pune University. Shankarrao Chavan Law College, Pune is accredited with 'A' Grade by NAAC Bangalore in its very first cycle in the year 2018.

To impart quality legal education, the college conducts wide range of curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities such as International and national

conferences and seminars, Justice P.B. Sawant National Moot Court Competition, Late Shri Shankarrao Chavan Memorial Elocution Competition etc. To provide specific and focused training in various areas of law the college also has established various centres and cells such as Cell for Human Rights Activities, Centre for Advanced Legal Research and Training, Centre for Public Policy and Governance, Centre for Criminal Justice Administration. The Cell for Human Rights Activities is inaugurated at the auspicious hands of senior advocate Hon'ble Ram Jethmalani. With an objective of sensitizing students about various human rights issues, it conducts various activities such as seminars, conferences, workshops, competitions and awareness programmes etc.

The reproductive rights of women constitute an integral part of human rights which is often described as the gateway for the realisation of all other human rights. However, they are the neglected most and given the least attention. They encompass a spectrum of civil, political, economic and social rights, ranging from the rights to health and life, to the rights to equality and non discrimination, privacy, information, and to be free from torture or ill treatment. In spite of an explicit recognition of these rights in international and domestic legal regime, the social acceptance and unawareness pose serious challenge to the effective implementation of these rights. Further in case of certain class of persons such as LGBTQI, their reproductive rights are required to be recognised and backed by effective mechanism of implementation. To discuss these and many other allied issues regarding the reproductive rights of Indian women, the Cell for Human Rights Activities of our college considered it necessary to have the brain storming discussion regarding the same and for this it conducted the one day national seminar on the topic, "Legal Regime relating to Reproductive Rights of Indian Women and Social Reality". The seminar was one of the prominent events conducted in 'Human Rights Week' celebrated by the cell in the academic year 2021-2022. The seminar was benefited by valuable inputs from academicians, judges, advocates and social activists. It received overwhelming response and participants from various prestigious institutes participated and presented their research papers

I congratulate the organising committee of this seminar for coming with this publication which consists of quality research papers. I am sure that this publication will give insight to the readers as to legal regime relating to reproductive rights of Indian women and social reality pertaining to the same.

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