

Centre For Environment And Disaster Management

of



Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla

#### In collaboration with

CSIR- Institute of Minerals and Materials Technology, Bhubaneswar

Organises

International Conference on "Advancing Environmental Laws for Sustainable Development"

21st March, 2025







## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON "ADVANCING ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT" (March 21st, 2025) HYBRID MODE Call for Papers

Research Papers/Articles and Case Studies from legal and non-legal fraternities across the globe are invited for presentation at International Conference on "Advancing Environmental Laws for Sustainable Development" to be organized by the Centre for Environment and Disaster Management (CEDM), Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla (India) in collaboration with CSIR Institute of Minerals and Materials Technology, Bhubaneswar on 21st March, 2025.









# ABOUT HIMACHAL PRADESH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY

The Himachal Pradesh National Law University (HPNLU, Shimla), was established by the State Government in the year 2016, by an Act of the legislature (Act 16 of 2016). Located in the geographical terrains of the Himalayas, HPNLU, Shimla, is the best place for legal education. The climate and environmental privileges of its placement make the university one of the most sought–after law education institutions. Under the academic and administrative leadership of the Vice–Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Priti Saxena, the team of HPNLU is committed to achieve new heights in legal education while proactively organising plethora of events, spreading socio–legal awareness through discussions on various legal topics of significance in contemporary world.









## ABOUT THE CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENT AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

The Centre for Environment and Disaster Management (CEDM) is a specialized Centre of Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, for conducting socio-legal research in the field of environment protection & disaster management. The Centre, since its inception, has conducted various programmes such as: International Conference on "Environmental Rule of Law and Justice", Webinar on "Contemporary Environmental Law in Covid-19 Crisis", Virtual Environmental Conclave, National Essay Writing Competition, National Photography Competition, E-Colloquium on Bhopal Gas Disaster, Special lectures of renowned academicians and legal experts on Environment Law. The Centre has its own online journal "HPNLU Journal of Environment and Disaster Management (ISSN: 2583-1429). The Centre also publishes a newsletter, The Green Gazette and has a published book titled *Expectations of* Mankind and Sustainable Development Goals (edited by Prof. (Dr.) Nishtha Jaswal, Prof. (Dr.) S S Jaswal, Prof. (Dr.) Girjesh Shukla).









# ABOUT CSIR INSTITUTE OF MINERALS AND MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY

CSIR-Institute of Minerals and Materials Technology (IMMT), Bhubaneshwar was established on 13.04.1964 under the aegis of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), New Delhi. The institute has expertise in conducting basic research and technology oriented programs in a wide range of subjects to address the R&D problems of mining, mineral and metals industries and ensure their sustainable development. For the last one decade, the main thrust of R&D at CSIR-IMMT has been to empower Indian industries to meet the challenges of globalization by providing advanced and zero waste process know-how and consultancy services for commercial exploitation of natural resources through the public-privatepartnership (PPP) approach. The institute has a specialised Department of Environment and Sustainability which is engaged in monitoring and abatement of environmental pollution in the vicinity of industries, mines, ports, ocean and other urban & rural areas as well as basic and applied research for utilization of bio-resources.







## ABOUT THE CEDM INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The human relationship with the environment has undergone a dramatic transformation. Industrialization, technological advancements, and population growth have propelled economic development at an unprecedented pace. While these advancements have brought undeniable benefits, they have also come at a significant cost – the degradation of our planet's ecosystems.

Climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution pose severe threats to the health of the planet and the wellbeing of its inhabitants. The consequences of environmental degradation are no longer distant possibilities; they are a tangible reality impacting every corner of the globe. Rising sea levels, extreme weather events, and resource scarcity are just some of the challenges we face due to unsustainable practices.

The concept of sustainable development emerged in response to this critical juncture. It recognizes the interconnectedness of environmental protection, economic prosperity, and social equity. Sustainable development aims to meet the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future







generations to meet their own needs. It necessitates a paradigm shift – a move towards development that respects ecological limitations and promotes intergenerational equity.

Achieving sustainable development is no small feat. It requires a multi-pronged approach that encompasses technological innovation, responsible resource and a robust legal management, framework. Environmental law plays a vital role in this endeavor. It provides the legal instruments to regulate human activities environmental protection. ensure and Strong environmental laws establish clear guidelines for pollution control, land use management, and resource utilization. They empower enforcement mechanisms and hold polluters accountable for their actions.

This conference on "Advancing Environmental Laws for Sustainable Development," aims to foster a critical dialogue on how environmental laws can be effectively utilized to navigate the complex challenges of our time. Through these discussions, we aim to identify gaps in current legal frameworks, explore emerging legal trends, and propose innovative solutions that advance sustainable development.







## WHO MAY ATTEND THE CONFERENCE

- Academicians, Students, and Research Scholars from law and non-law disciplines.
- Researchers and Professionals from Educational Or Research Institutions, Corporations, etc.
- Lawyers, Legal Professionals, Policy-makers.
- Professionals from Industries and Energy Sector/s.
- Officials from Pollution Control Boards, Environmental Engineering, and Environmental Sciences and Environmental Studies.

CONFERENCE VENUE: The Conference would be conducted in Hybrid-mode (online and offline at the option of the participant). The academic campus of Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla will be the Conference Venue for offline mode. The participants are required to arrange their own accommodation in the offline mode.







### AREAS OF DISCUSSIONS AND SUB-THEMES

The Conference will focus on the following sub-themes:

- Legislative and Statutory Measures for Environment Protection
- Climate Change: Law, Policy and Governance
- Renewable Energy Sector: Legal Dimensions
- Mining & Materials Technology and Sustainable Resource Management
- Innovation, Intellectual Property and Environment
- Forests and Wildlife Conservation for Sustainable Development
- Transparency and Accountability in Environmental Governance
- Environmental Impact Assessment and Mitigation for Sustainable Development
- Sustainable Development Goals
- Alternative Dispute Resolution of Environmentrelated Disputes
- Environmental Rights, Equity and Social Justice for Indigenous Communities
- Disaster Management: Law and Policies

The above identified issues /sub-themes are only illustrative. Participants may select the related topics covered under the main theme.









## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

• All abstracts (upto 500 words, excluding key words) to be submitted through the link provided below by February 13th, 2025.

#### https://forms.gle/6fTFXouXnFfKoDJDA

- Intimation of acceptance of abstract and registration details shall be shared via e-mail by February 18th, 2025. Registration and fee payment is to be completed by March 1st, 2025.
- The participants must submit full paper/manuscript latest by March 10th, 2025.
- Co-authorship is allowed up to a maximum of 2 authors, and each author must pay the registration fee and provide their name and details.
- Multiple entries for individual authors are not allowed.
- The paper should be in doc./docx. format and in a single-column layout with margins justified on both sides.
- The length of a paper should not be less than 3500 words (excluding footnotes).









- The subheading should be in font size 12, bold and Times New Roman, left-aligned.
- The main text should be in font size 12, Normal, Times New Roman, 1.5 spacing and justified.
- All references must be in the form of footnotes with font size 10, Times New Roman, 1.0 spacing and should be according to the Bluebook 19th Edition.
- The submissions should not have more than 20% Similarity Index (including footnotes). Tables and graphs should be avoided in the paper.
- The selected papers from the International Conference will be featured in the online HPNLU Journal on Environment and Disaster Management (JEDM) with ISSN: (2583–1429).

Registration fees to be paid–
For Indian Students– INR 500 (online) | INR 1000(offline)
For Students from Foreign Universities– USD 15
For Indian Professionals – INR 1000 (online)
For Indian Professionals – INR 2000 (offline)
For Professionals (Outside India)– USD 30









## TIMELINE

Sl. No.	Particulars	Dates
1.	Last date of submission of Abstract	February 13th, 2025
2.	Intimation of acceptance of abstract	February 18th, 2025
3.	Registration and Fee Payment	March 1st, 2025
4.	Submission of Paper/ Manuscript and PPT's with Cover Letter	March 10th, 2025
5.	Date of the Conference	March 21st, 2025









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