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Human Rights Day Celebration: Advancing Peace, Justice, and Equality through Education 11 December 2023

Venue: Class 734, Block II, Central Campus

No. of Participants: Open to all

Christ University's Department of Economics, in collaboration with the University of Sydney, organised a guest talk titled "Nourishing India's Billions: Integrating Systems for Rural Nutrition Security" on 19 February 2025. Aligned with SDG 1 - No Poverty, the session focused on how integrated food security initiatives can serve as powerful tools for poverty reduction in India. The discussion explored the impact of key government programmes such as the Public Distribution System (PDS), Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) and PM POSHAN in ensuring affordable and nutritious food for the country's most vulnerable populations. Speakers emphasised the importance of strengthening rural food systems through sustainable agriculture, increased access to nutrition-rich foods and the use of digital innovations to enhance transparency and delivery. The interactive Q&A enabled students to engage with real-world challenges and practical solutions. The session inspired participants to advocate for inclusive policies and contribute to transformative social change.



1st National Contract Drafting Workshop and Competition 2024 14 February 2024

Venue: Room 911, Central Block, Christ (Deemed to be University)

No. of Participants: 84

The 1st National Symposium on Corporate Juris Nexus, held on September 29, 2023, in online mode via Google Meet, was a national-level symposium on employability skills, focusing on various dimensions of corporate law. The event featured in-depth discussions on topics such as Insolvency, Corporate Restructuring, Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A), Private Equity, Venture Capital, and Banking and Finance, offering participants a comprehensive understanding of contemporary corporate legal frameworks. Experts shared insights on trends, challenges, and strategies, including the use of defensive mechanisms like the "Poison Pill" in hostile takeovers. The interactive nature of the symposium encouraged active student participation, fostering critical thinking and engagement. Overall, the symposium significantly enriched participants' awareness, analytical abilities, and understanding of cutting-edge concepts in corporate law, fulfilling its goal of bridging academic knowledge with practical employability skills.



Introductory Mooting Rounds (IMR) 2023–24 31 July -01 August 2023

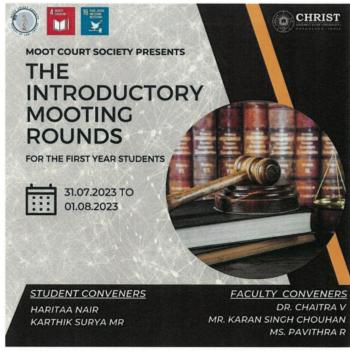
Venue: 4th and 5th Floor Classrooms (School of Law), Central Block

No. of Participants: 400

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1st National Symposium on Corporate Juris Nexus 29 September 2023

Venue: Online (Google Meet) **No. of Participants:** 64

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Internal National Ranking Rounds (INRR) 2023–24 26-27 August 2023

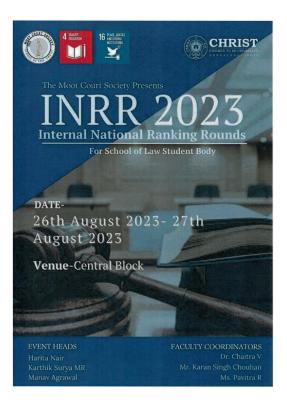
Venue: 4th and 5th Floor Classrooms(School of Law), Central Block

No. of Participants: 477

The Internal National Ranking Rounds (INRR) 2023–24, held on 26th and 27th August 2023 at the School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore, was an intra-departmental competition in mooting skills aimed at ranking undergraduate law students for participation in external moot court competitions. The event, judged by 60 external advocates comprising litigating and corporate practitioners, tested participants on Constitutional Law, covering doctrines such as basic structure, judicial review, anti-defection laws, and the definition of 'state'. Students prepared detailed memorandums for both petitioners and respondents and presented oral arguments before experienced judges who provided constructive feedback. The INRR successfully enhanced participants' research, drafting, and advocacy skills while familiarising them with real-world court procedures. With 477 participants, the event achieved its objective of promoting excellence in legal research and argumentation through active learning and professional engagement.







Internal International Scheduled Moot Ranking Rounds (IISMRR) 2023-24 2-3 August, 2023

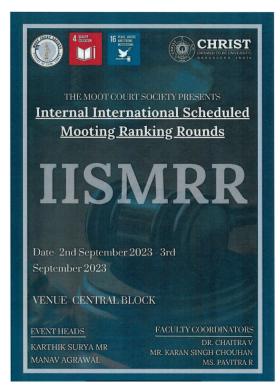
Venue: 4th Floor Classrooms(School of Law), Central Block

No. of Participants: 153

The Internal International Scheduled Moot Ranking Rounds (IISMRR) 2023–24, held on 2nd and 3rd September 2023 at the School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore, provided a platform for undergraduate BA/BBA LLB students to demonstrate and refine their international mooting skills. The event, judged by four external experts in international law, aimed to rank teams for participation in international-level moot court competitions. The problem for the rounds was based on International Criminal Law, covering issues such as genocide, war crimes, and crimes against humanity under the Geneva Conventions. Participants prepared detailed memorandums for either the Office of Prosecution or the Office of Defence and presented oral arguments before experienced judges who offered insightful feedback. With 153 participants across all five years, the IISMRR successfully enhanced students' research, drafting, and advocacy capabilities while deepening their understanding of global legal frameworks. The event achieved its goal of fostering academic excellence and international legal awareness through enthusiastic student engagement.







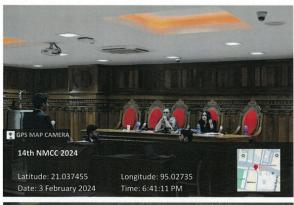
14th National Moot Court Competition (NMCC) 2024 2-4 February 2023

Venues: 4th and 5th Floor Classrooms (School of Law), Central Block

Main Auditorium, Audi Block Moot Court HALL, Central Block

No. of Participants: 121

The 14th National Moot Court Competition (NMCC) 2024, organised by the School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore, in association with Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas (CAM), was held from 2nd to 4th February 2024. The event brought together 41 teams (121 participants) from reputed law universities across India to compete in a prestigious national-level moot focused on Health Law and Constitutional Law. The proposition explored the conflict between government regulation on prescriptions and the autonomy of medical practitioners, prompting participants to engage in intensive legal research, drafting, and advocacy. Over three days, 73 external judges, including associates, senior advocates, and judges from the High Court and Supreme Court, evaluated the teams on legal reasoning, presentation, and argumentation. Participants prepared detailed memorandums for both petitioners and respondents and showcased strong analytical and oratory skills during the oral rounds. The competition not only provided a platform to hone legal acumen and courtroom decorum but also successfully achieved its goal of fostering excellence in legal education through collaboration with leading practitioners.







Internal International Mooting Championship 2024 14-18 March 2024

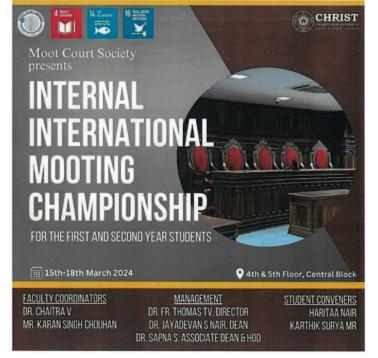
Venue: 4th and 5th Floor Classrooms (School of Law), Central Block

No. of Participants: 85

The Internal International Mooting Championship 2024, conducted from 14th to 18th March 2024 by the Moot Court Society, School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), was an intra-departmental competition designed to enhance the mooting and legal research skills of 1st and 2nd-year students. Guided by third-year coaches and judged by fourth and fifth-year students, the event provided an experiential platform for participants to draft, frame, and present legal arguments on propositions based on Public International Law, including genocide, ICJ jurisdiction, reparations, refugee law, and environmental law. The moot promoted critical engagement with issues aligning with UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 4, 14, and 16, emphasising quality education, marine conservation, and global justice. Participants honed essential advocacy skills such as argumentation, rebuttals, and professional courtroom conduct, while also gaining insight into international legal frameworks and procedures. Overall, the competition successfully fostered critical thinking, research acumen, and confidence among budding law students, equipping them for future participation in international moot court competitions.







Internal Mooting Championship 2024 22-25 March 2024

Venue: 4th and 5th Floor Classrooms(School of Law), Central Block

No. of Participants: 135

The Internal Mooting Championship 2024, organised by the School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), was held from 22nd to 25th March 2024 to enhance the mooting and legal research skills of 1st and 2nd-year students. Guided by 33 third-year student coaches and judged by 36 fourth and fifth-year students, the event served as a practical platform for participants to learn courtroom etiquette, argument formulation, and legal drafting. The moot proposition was based on the Law of Contracts, focusing on performance of contract and arbitration clauses, allowing students to understand both plaintiff and defendant perspectives. Participants were trained to conduct legal research, prepare case memorandums, and present structured oral arguments before student judges who assessed them on clarity, reasoning, and presentation. The competition successfully fulfilled its purpose of offering young law students valuable exposure to the procedures of a moot court, critical legal analysis, and advocacy skills, while fostering enthusiasm and teamwork among participants.





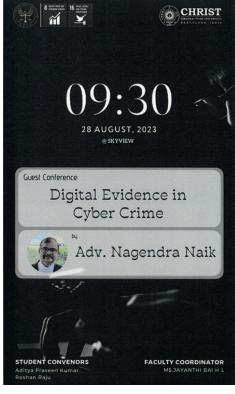
Digital Evidence in Cyber Crime 28 August 2023

Venue: School of Law, Christ (Deemed to be University)

No. of Participants: 277

The Guest Lecture on "Digital Evidence in Cyber Crime", organised by the Advanced Criminal Law Studies Committee of the School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University) on 28th August 2023, was delivered by Adv. Nagendra Naik and attended by 277 fifth-year students. The session provided valuable insights into the handling and admissibility of digital evidence in cybercrime cases, emphasising its significance under Section 65B of the Indian Evidence Act. It enhanced students' understanding of evidence collection, suspect identification, and trial procedures, while strengthening their analytical, interpretive, and practical legal skills. The lecture also aligned with SDG 16.3, promoting the rule of law and equitable access to justice by preparing future legal professionals to navigate complex digital investigations with accountability, transparency, and fairness.





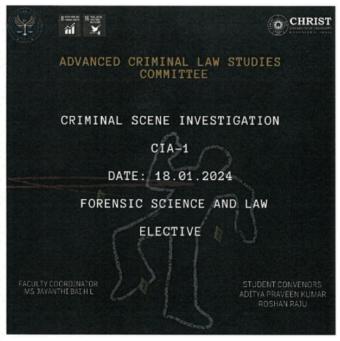
Forensics CIA: Crime Scene Investigation 18 January 2024

Venue: School of Law, Christ (Deemed to be University)

No. of Participants: 50

The Workshop on Crime Scene Investigation, titled *Forensics CIA: Crime Scene Investigation*, was conducted on 18th January 2024 by the Advanced Criminal Law Studies Committee at the School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University). The session provided fourth-year law students with hands-on experience in the practical application of legal principles related to forensic investigation. Students engaged in a mock crime scene setup where they practised evidence collection, documentation, and analysis through photographs, sketches, and detailed reports. They also conducted witness interviews to enhance information-gathering and analytical skills. The workshop emphasised critical thinking, evidence evaluation, report writing, and persuasive argumentation skills essential in legal practice. This experiential learning exercise offered invaluable exposure to real-world investigative procedures, thereby preparing students for future careers in criminal law and law enforcement.





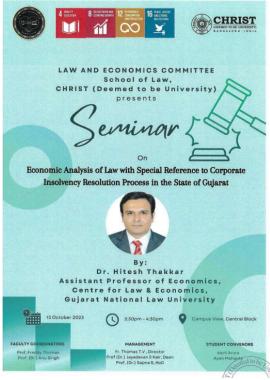
Economic Analysis of Law with Special Reference to Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process in the State of Gujarat 13 October 2023

Venue: Skyview

No. of Participants: 194

The seminar on "Economic Analysis of Law with Special Reference to Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process in the State of Gujarat", held on 13th October 2023 at Skyview, was conducted by the School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University). The session was delivered by Dr Hiteshkumar Thakkar, Assistant Professor of Economics at Gujarat National Law University, and attended by law students. The interactive lecture began with an overview of basic economic concepts and their relevance in the legal field, particularly in corporate insolvency resolution. Through real-life examples and discussions, students gained insights into how economic theories influence the Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP) in Gujarat. The seminar aimed to help second-year law students appreciate the significance of economics in legal analysis and advocacy, demonstrating its application across various legal domains. A follow-up plan was proposed to organise more interactive sessions linking economics with other areas of law.





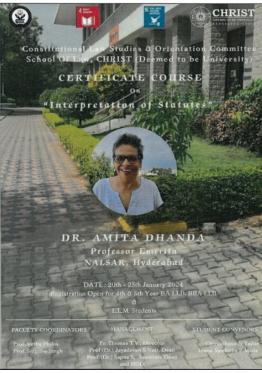
Five-day certificate course 20-25 January 2024

Venue: Room no. 505, Central Block, Christ (Deemed to be University)

No. of Participants: 50

The certificate course provided participants with a comprehensive understanding of the foundational principles and theoretical frameworks involved in the interpretation of statutes. Learners explored key building blocks such as interpretation theory and statutory construction, gaining clarity on how meaning is derived within legal texts. A major component of the course involved critically examining the relevance of traditional unitary theories of interpretation, while also engaging with alternative approaches that offer broader perspectives on statutory meaning. Participants studied various rules of interpretation and evaluated how these rules operate under different theoretical models. The course also highlighted emerging trends in judicial application of interpretive theories and rules, enabling participants to connect classroom concepts with real-world legal reasoning. Delivered through presentations and interactive discussions, the course emphasised practical application, requiring learners to apply rules and theories to both real-life and hypothetical scenarios. Overall, the course strengthened analytical skills and deepened participants' understanding of statutory interpretation.





1st National Crime Scene Investigation Competition 2023 16 October, 2023

Venue: Christ (Deemed to be University), Central Campus, Hosur Main Road, Bhavani Nagar, S.G. Palya, Bengaluru, Karnataka

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No. of Participants: 148

The 1st National Crime Scene Investigation Competition 2023 was held on 16th October 2023 at CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, in collaboration with the Directorate of Forensic Science Laboratories, Government of Karnataka. The event brought together 34 teams from universities across India, providing participants with hands-on experience in forensic investigation. The competition began with an inaugural ceremony graced by eminent forensic experts, including Dr Vinod J. Lakkappan, Dr Gowtham M.D., and Dr. Divakar C., and Sri. Peter Kiran A.. Participants were allotted 20 minutes to investigate simulated crime scenes and 45 minutes to prepare comprehensive reports based on their findings. The activity aimed to enhance students' analytical, observational, and reporting skills, emphasising the importance of unbiased evidence evaluation. The event concluded with a valedictory ceremony where KLE Law College, Bengaluru, secured first place and Kristu Jayanti College of Law emerged as runners-up. The competition successfully fostered experiential learning, networking, and practical application of forensic science in legal education.





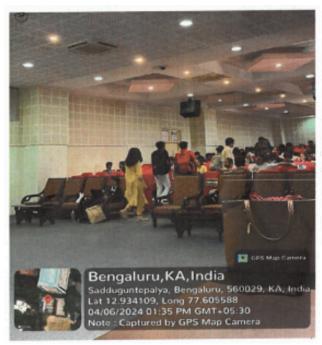


Christ University Parliamentary Debate (CUPD) 2023–24 5-7 April 2023

Venue: 4th and 5th Floor, Christ Junior College, CHRIST (Deemed to be University)

No. of Participants: 130

The Christ University Parliamentary Debate (CUPD) 2023–24, held from 5th to 7th April 2024 at CHRIST (Deemed to be University), served as a national-level platform for students from across India to engage in intellectually stimulating debates following the Asian Parliamentary Debate format. Organised in collaboration with the Christ University Debating Society, the event featured multiple rounds where participants debated on diverse propositions and were evaluated by external adjudicators based on a structured scoring system. The tournament aimed to cultivate debating skills, critical reasoning, and public speaking abilities among participants while fostering an appreciation for the art of logical argumentation. The competition also provided a space for students to understand the nuances of debating culture and showcase their advocacy skills. As a follow-up, the committee plans to conduct regular practice sessions and share resources from established debaters worldwide to strengthen the debating culture and prepare students for future national and international competitions.





First Year Debating Premier League 2023–24 16-18 October 2023

Venue: 4th and 5th Floor Classrooms (School of Law), Central Block

No. of Participants: 70

The First Year Debating Premier League 2023–24, held from 16th to 18th October 2023 at CHRIST (Deemed to be University), served as an engaging platform to introduce first-year law students to the fundamentals of Asian Parliamentary Debating. The event combined workshops and competitive rounds to familiarise students with debating procedures, rules, and techniques while enhancing their public speaking and analytical skills. Participants debated on diverse and contemporary topics such as climate change, feminism, justice, education, and philosophy, showcasing their critical thinking and argumentative abilities. The tournament culminated in a grand finale judged by a panel of six experienced senior debaters from higher batches, fostering a spirit of intellectual curiosity and healthy competition. To sustain the momentum, the committee plans to organise regular practice sessions and provide access to global debating resources, thereby nurturing a strong debating culture and preparing students for future national and international competitions.





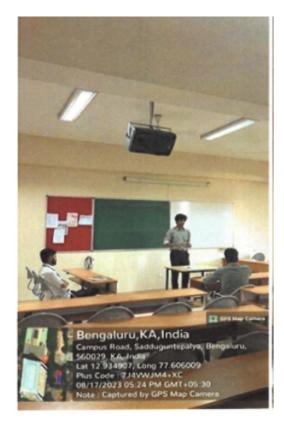


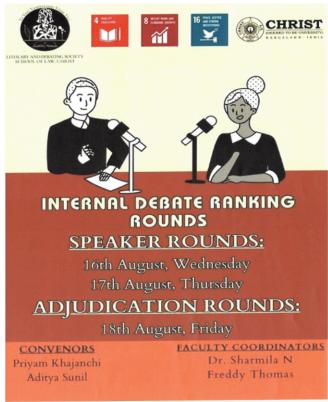
Internal Debate and Adjudicator Ranking Rounds (IDRR) 2023–24 16-18 August 2023

Venue: 4th and 5th Floor, Central Block

No. of Participants: 80

The Internal Debate and Adjudicator Ranking Rounds (IDRR) 2023–24 were conducted from 16th to 18th August 2023 at CHRIST (Deemed to be University) to enhance debating and adjudication skills among students from all five batches of the School of Law. The event included two rounds of debating and one round of adjudication, conducted in the Asian Parliamentary Debate format. Participants were assigned roles as either Government or Opposition and given 20 minutes to prepare before presenting their arguments. They were evaluated by external adjudicators based on established scoring criteria. The first two days were dedicated to speaker ranking rounds, followed by adjudicator ranking rounds on the final day. The activity fostered critical thinking, articulation, and understanding of parliamentary debating procedures while enabling students to use their ranks for participation in external debate competitions. The workshop successfully encouraged a culture of intellectual engagement and prepared students for national-level debating platforms.





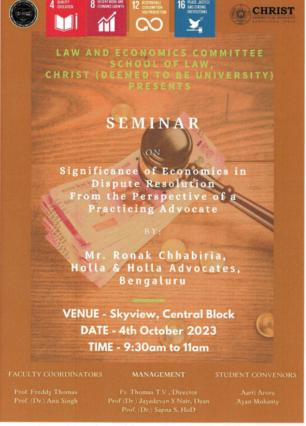
Seminar on the Significance of Economics in Dispute Resolution – From the Perspective of a Practising Advocate 4 October 2023

Venue: Skyview

No. of Participants: 250

The Seminar on the Significance of Economics in Dispute Resolution – From the Perspective of a Practising Advocate was held on 4th October 2023 at Skyview, CHRIST (Deemed to be University). The session aimed to enhance students' understanding of the role of economics in legal dispute resolution. The guest speaker began by explaining fundamental economic concepts and their practical applications in legal contexts, using real-life examples such as the *Humans of Bombay vs. People of India* case. Through interactive discussions, the session highlighted how economic reasoning influences legal strategies and client advisories. Students gained insights into viewing disputes through the lens of rational decision-making and understanding the applicability of principles like the Coase Theorem in resolving conflicts efficiently. The seminar was particularly beneficial for first-year law students, emphasising the interdisciplinary link between law and economics and encouraging them to apply economic logic in legal practice. A follow-up plan includes organising more interactive sessions to deepen students' grasp of economics in various areas of law.



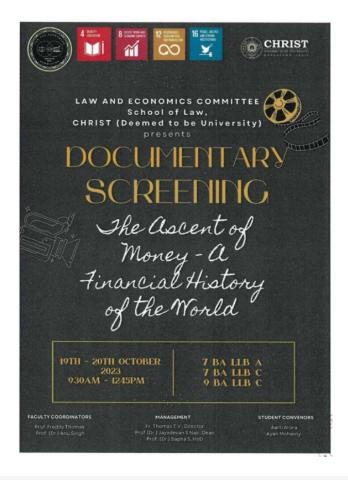


The Ascent of Money – A Financial History of the World: Dreams of Avarice 19-20 October 2023

Venue: Central Block, Christ (Deemed to be University), Central Campus,

No. of Participants: 180

The documentary screening of *The Ascent of Money – A Financial History of the World: Dreams of Avarice* was held on 19th–20th October 2023 at CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore, to enhance students' understanding of financial literacy and the historical evolution of economic systems. The session began with an introduction to the documentary's context, followed by an engaging exploration of the economic and moral implications of wealth accumulation and financial ambition. Through the screening, students gained insight into the development of money, finance, and global trade, while also reflecting on the ethical dimensions of financial practices. The documentary emphasised how economic rationality, prudence, and decision-making influence both individual and institutional behaviour. It effectively linked theoretical concepts of economics with real-world financial dynamics, aligning with law and economics courses such as *LAW333* and *LAW686D*. By fostering critical thinking and financial awareness, the event contributed to skill development, employability, and a deeper appreciation of the interconnection between economics, law, and society.



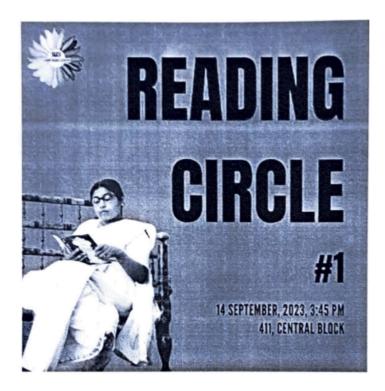
September Reading Circle 14 September 2023

Venue: Central Block, 4th Floor, Room 411

No. of Participants: 35

The September Reading Circle was held on 14th September 2023 at CHRIST (Deemed to be University), organised as an engaging academic discussion to explore feminist thought and intersectionality. The session, led by Samarth Narayanan and Snehal Khemka, focused on Nivedita Menon's "Is Feminism about Women? A Critical View on Intersectionality from India" and Mary E. John's "Intersectionality: Rejection or Critical Dialogue?" The presenters critically examined the authors' perspectives and writing styles, initiating discussions on the single-axis approach, gender-based segregation in prisons, the critical legal studies movement, and Swarana feminism. The dialogue extended to the relevance of feminism for minority communities, with case discussions such as the Hathras rape case and the Shah Bano judgment. Participants reflected on the complexities of gender identity and religion-based politics in India. The event successfully fostered critical dialogue on the meaning and inclusivity of feminism, encouraging participants to relate theoretical ideas to contemporary socio-political realities. A follow-up plan was established to conduct similar reading circles monthly.



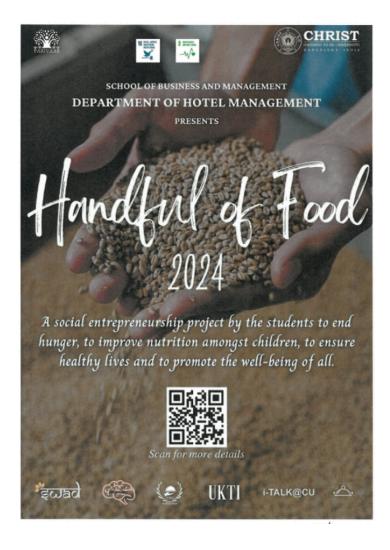


Handful of Food initiative 10-26 July 2023

Venue: Central Block, 4th Floor

No. of Participants: 35

The Handful of Food initiative, conducted from 10th to 26th July 2023 at CHRIST (Deemed to be University) in collaboration with the School of Business and Management and the Department of Hotel Management, was a meaningful social action program aimed at addressing food insecurity and promoting community welfare. Organised to commemorate the 175th anniversary of the establishment of the first educational institution by St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara, the event resumed the mid-day meal program for 130 government school children in the project area. Teaching and non-teaching staff, along with students, actively participated in preparing and distributing nutritious meals, fostering social responsibility and compassion among the university community. The initiative served as a reminder of the institution's commitment to social justice, sustainability, and inclusive development through collaborative action and community engagement.



Legal aids and awareness workshop 1 5 and 6 August 2023

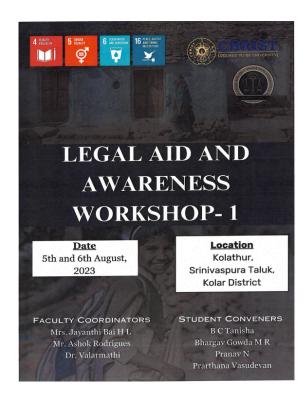
Venue: Kolathur Village, Srinivaspura Taluk, Kolar District

No. of Participants: 250

The School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), in collaboration with the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority (KSLSA), conducted the Legal Aid and Awareness Workshop I on 5th and 6th August 2023 at Kolathur Village, Srinivaspura Taluk, Kolar District. The two-day workshop was designed to promote legal literacy, community engagement, and access to justice among rural citizens. The event featured sessions by distinguished guests including Honourable Justice Sri Manu B.K., Principal Civil Judge and Judicial Magistrate of First Class, who addressed the topic "Free Legal Aid and Outcomes of the Survey"; Sri Jayarame Gowda, President, Taluk Bar Association, Srinivaspura; and community representatives such as Srinivas, Panchayat President, and Srinivasa Gowda, Advocate, who spoke on the "Importance of RTE, Free Legal Aid, and Citizens' Rights and Duties." The workshop included teaching programs, awareness rallies, and cultural performances led by final-year law students, offering them valuable field exposure to rural socio-legal realities. The students conducted surveys covering 80 households, identifying 135 villagers without birth certificates. As a follow-up, the Taluk Legal Services Authority (TSLA) initiated steps to facilitate their registration. The program provided both students and villagers an interactive platform for legal empowerment, aligning with SDG 16 - Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions, by strengthening access to justice and promoting civic responsibility through experiential learning.







Legal aids and awareness workshop 2 19 and 20 August 2023

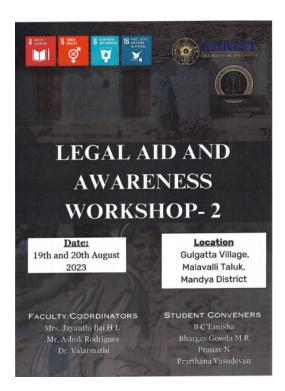
Venue: Gulgatta Village, Malavalli Taluk, Mandya District

No. of Participants: 250

The rally and survey camp held on 19 August 2023 successfully combined community engagement with legal awareness. Students and volunteers spread awareness through slogans and invited villagers to cultural and official programs. The evening cultural event featured a dance by 9 BA LLB B students and two skits highlighting the NDPS Act and the Rights of Senior Citizens. The final year students completed the survey by visiting the houses in the village. They were divided into groups wherein each group filled at least 8 survey forms, taking the total number of houses surveyed to 80, which revealed that 135 residents lacked birth certificates. During the official program, Honourable Justice Mahadesh V and Principal Civil Judge Smt. Mamatha addressed the gathering and assured assistance from the Taluk Legal Services Authority to facilitate the issuance of birth certificates, promoting access to legal identity. The event fostered interaction between villagers and officials, empowering citizens and encouraging inclusivity.







Legal aids and awareness workshop 3 2 and 3 September 2023

Venue: Seegehalli Village, Turuvekere Taluk, Tumkur District

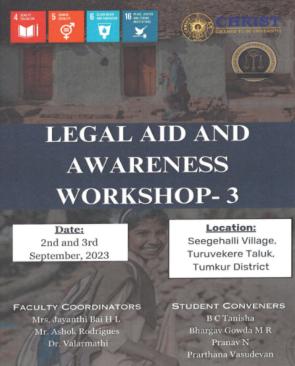
No. of Participants: 250

The rally conducted by the students and volunteers on 2 September 2023 helped engage with the villagers by spreading legal awareness through slogans and inviting them to the cultural and official programs. The cultural program held in the evening included a dance performance by the students of Class 9 BBA LLB A, followed by two skits presented by the students and committee volunteers on the NDPS Act and the Domestic Violence Act.

On the second day, the final-year students completed the survey by visiting households in the village. They were divided into groups, each completing at least 8 survey forms, bringing the total to 80 houses. The compiled group reports and overall findings were later presented during the official program. The official program, held as the concluding event, was a resounding success. Dignitaries (names to be inserted) attended and reviewed the survey report, which revealed that 135 villagers did not possess birth certificates. The Taluk Court Judge, Mr Manu, assured support through TSLA for issuing these certificates, with follow-up by LAAC, SLCU. The camp enabled villagers to directly voice their concerns and strengthened community connection, legal awareness, and civic empowerment.







Legal aids and awareness workshop 4 7 and 8 October 2023

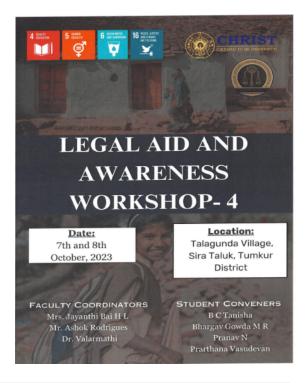
Venue: Talagunda Village, Sira Taluk, Tumkur District

No. of Participants: 250

The School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), in collaboration with the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority (KSLSA) and the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Tumkur, organised the Legal Aid and Awareness Workshop IV on 7th and 8th October 2023 at Talagunda Village, Sira Taluk, Tumkur District. The workshop was part of the Paralegal Services initiative aimed at fostering legal awareness and community empowerment in rural Karnataka. The two-day program featured diverse activities such as rallies, teaching programs, surveys, and cultural events designed to promote civic education and social justice. Students and volunteers from CHRIST University conducted household surveys across 80 homes, identifying that 197 villagers lacked birth certificates, a finding later presented during the official program. The event was graced by Ms Noorunnisa, Member Secretary, Tumkur District Legal Services Authority, who assured administrative facilitation for issuing the required documents. Through skits, dances, and interactive sessions addressing the NDPS Act and Rights of Senior Citizens, students sensitised the villagers to key legal and social issues while experiencing the challenges of rural justice firsthand. The initiative benefited the local community by enhancing legal literacy and access to entitlements while providing students with valuable experiential learning opportunities. This engagement reflected the university's commitment to SDG 16 – Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions, emphasising inclusive justice, equality, and legal empowerment at the grassroots level.







CJC teaching workshop 11 December 2023

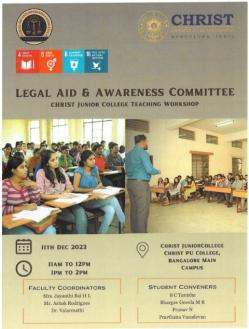
Venue: Christ Residential PU College, Bangalore, Kengeri Campus

No. of Participants: 1700

The Student Volunteers and Committee members collaborated in pairs, forming teams assigned to individual classes for interactive engagement. The program was conducted for both I PU and II PU students of the residential campus, covering six classes across science, commerce, and arts streams. Post-pandemic, the committee expanded its teaching program to other campuses, and this was the first opportunity to engage with the residential campus students. Their interest and willingness to learn made the session meaningful and beneficial for the SLCU students as well.

The legal concepts taught provided students with a foundational understanding of the rules governing everyday life. The Constitution of India, fundamental rights and duties, and the roles of the legislature, executive, and judiciary were broadly discussed. Additionally, procedures under the Motor Vehicles Act relating to registration, penalties, and the Good Samaritan law were explained. Offences concerning possession or consumption of illegal substances were addressed under the NDPS Act. The importance of public accountability was highlighted through the RTI Act, enabling citizens to question authorities and promote transparency. The Consumer Protection Act was also discussed, focusing on consumer rights and mechanisms for grievance redressal.





Teaching workshop for housekeeping staff for Christ(Deemed to be University), Bangalore Central Campus 16 January 2024

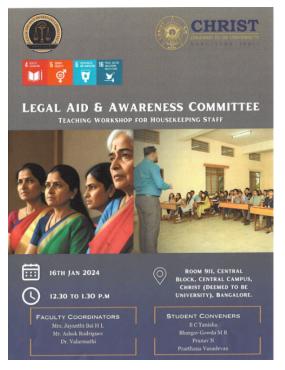
Venue: Room 911, Central Block, Central Campus, Christ (Deemed to be University), Bangalore.

No. of Participants: 70

The School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), organised a Teaching Workshop for the Housekeeping Staff on 16th January 2024 at Room 911, Central Block, Central Campus, Bangalore, in collaboration with the Housekeeping Department of the Main Campus. Conducted from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., the session aimed to raise legal awareness among the housekeeping staff, focusing on their rights and protections under Indian law. Faculty Coordinator Ms Jayanthi Bai H. L. led an interactive session covering key provisions of *The* Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013, alongside discussions on workplace ethics, property rights, and gender equality. The workshop encouraged active participation, with attendees asking questions and sharing experiences, which fostered an open dialogue on maintaining a respectful and inclusive work environment. The program empowered participants with practical legal knowledge essential for safeguarding their well-being and ensuring compliance with workplace standards. Benefiting around 70 participants, the initiative contributed to the university's goal of fostering inclusivity and dignity at work, aligning with SDG 5 Gender Equality and SDG 16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions by promoting awareness, safety, and empowerment among non-teaching staff.







Christ Junior College, teaching workshop 23 August 2023

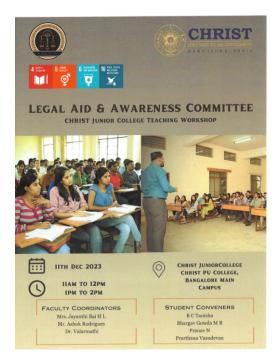
Venue: Christ Junior College, Christ PU College, Bangalore Main Campus

No. of Participants: 14,617

The School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), organised the Christ Junior College Teaching Workshop on 23rd August 2023 at Christ Junior College and Christ PU College, Bangalore Main Campus, in collaboration with both institutions. Conducted in two the workshop aimed to instil legal awareness among pre-university students. Covering vital topics such as the Constitution of India (1950), The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act (2019), The Consumer Protection Act (2019), The Right to Information Act (2005), and The Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act (1985), the sessions promoted an understanding of civic duties, legal rights, and compliance. Around 1,461 students from science, commerce, and arts streams participated in 16 interactive sessions conducted by student volunteers and committee members of the Legal Aid and Awareness Committee. Through discussions, demonstrations, and real-life case examples, the sessions encouraged critical thinking and responsible citizenship among young learners. The initiative successfully broadened the legal literacy of students, empowering them to recognise their rights and responsibilities within society, and reinforced the university's commitment to SDG 4 – Quality Education and SDG 16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions by fostering informed, aware, and socially responsible youth.







On the occasion of Human Rights Day 10 December 2023

Venue: KEC Auditorium **No. of Participants:** 1500

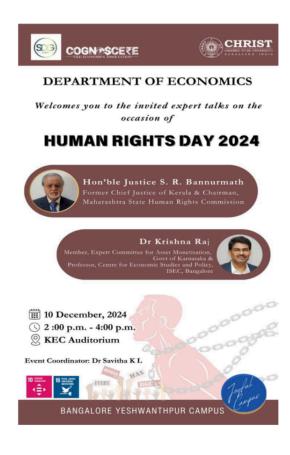
The SDG Cell of BYC, in collaboration with the Economic Association, *Cognoscere*, organised an expert talk to commemorate Human Rights Day. The event featured distinguished speakers Justice S. R. Bannurmath and Dr Krishna Raj, under the coordination of Dr Savitha K. L. The programme began with a warm welcome and introduction of the guests by Dr Vineeth Mohnadas, Head of the Department. Dr Fr. Benny Thomas, Director, delivered an inspiring address that set a reflective tone for the occasion. This was followed by the solemn Human Rights Pledge, led by Justice Bannurmath. The sessions were divided into two parts — the first conducted by Justice Bannurmath and the second by Dr Krishna Raj, each lasting 30 minutes. Both experts centred their talks on the 2024 Human Rights Day theme, "*Our Rights, Our Future, Right Now*," emphasising its urgent relevance to global justice, equality, and sustainability. Justice Bannurmath particularly highlighted Article 21 of the Indian Constitution, describing it as the "mother of all articles" and the foundation of all fundamental rights. He underscored its guarantee of the right to life and personal liberty, affirming its enduring significance in protecting human dignity and ensuring justice for all.



(A snapshot of Dr Vineeth Mohandas delivering the welcome address)



 $(A\ snapshot\ of\ Dr\ Fr\ Benny\ Thomas\ felicitating\ the\ guests)$



Inaugural activity to launch the activities of the CSA-SDG cell of the academic year 2024-25 23 August 2024

Venue: Main Auditorium Foyer, Bangalore Central campus, CHRIST (Deemed to be

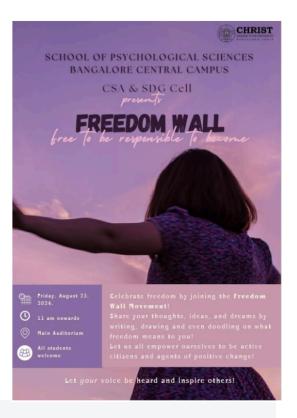
University)

No. of Participants: more than 15

The inaugural activity was organised to launch and promote the initiatives and goals of the CSA-SDG Cell of the School of Psychological Sciences. Aligned with the theme of freedom, constitutional rights, and responsibilities, the event aimed to encourage advocacy for sustainable development and social action. Its primary objective was to enhance awareness among students and faculty about the cell's mission and activities. The event coincided with the inauguration day of the Psychology Association and was open to all undergraduate and postgraduate Psychology students. As part of the engagement activities, question prompts on community engagement and sustainability were displayed on charts, inviting students to share positive messages and reflections. Student volunteers from the CSA-SDG Cell actively participated in facilitating the activity and interacting with participants. The initiative successfully fostered a sense of social responsibility and environmental consciousness among attendees. It was well received by the participants and garnered enthusiastic responses. The highlights and outcomes of the event were documented and shared on the official social media platforms of the School of Psychological Sciences, amplifying its reach and impact







Constitutional Perspective: Press Freedom and Democratic Values in India 15 July 2024

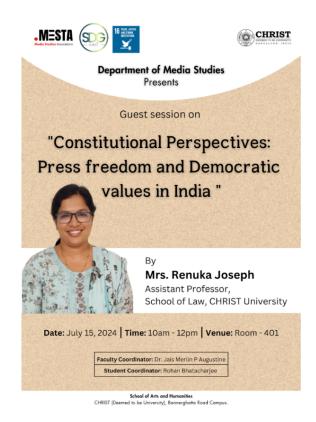
Venue: Room 401 No. of Participants: 42

Ms Renuka Joseph conducted an insightful and interactive session on "The Constitutional Perspective: Press Freedom and Democratic Values in India." The session primarily explored the laws, acts, and constitutional provisions governing press freedom in the country. Ms Joseph emphasised that while the Indian Constitution does not explicitly guarantee press freedom, it safeguards it under the fundamental right to freedom of speech and expression. Through historical references and landmark judgments such as *Bennett, Coleman & Co. Ltd. v. Union of India*, she traced the evolution of media and press law in India. The discussion delved into crucial topics, including sedition, defamation, and the rights to circulation, publication, and propagation, highlighting their legal nuances and implications. Ms Joseph also addressed the misuse of reasonable restrictions and the challenges journalists face when press freedom is curtailed.

The session concluded with an engaging question-and-answer segment, allowing participants to clarify concepts and reflect on contemporary media issues. By the end, students gained a deeper understanding of the legal framework and ethical responsibilities shaping journalistic practice in India, reinforcing the vital link between press freedom and democracy.







Constitution Day- Oath-Taking 26 November 2024

Venue: Classrooms

No. of Participants: 120+

The BCA first-year students actively participated in an oath-taking ceremony organised on the occasion of Constitution Day, reaffirming their dedication to the principles and ideals embedded in the Indian Constitution. The event sought to instil a sense of responsibility, patriotism, and civic awareness among students, motivating them to internalise and uphold constitutional values in their everyday lives. During the ceremony, students solemnly took an oath to respect, protect, and follow the Constitution, pledging to uphold the core values of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity—the very foundation of India's democracy. The initiative encouraged participants to recognise their role as responsible and active citizens, committed to promoting harmony, integrity, and respect for democratic principles.

The event served as a meaningful reminder of the Constitution's enduring relevance, inspiring young learners to translate its ideals into action and contribute positively to nation-building through conscious and ethical participation in society.

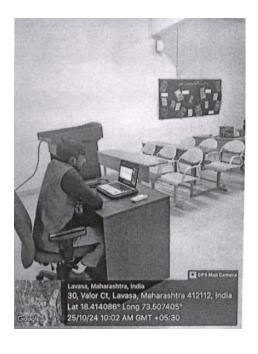


Story-Mapping Migrations: Interview Techniques and Digital Tools for Powerful Narratives 25 October 2024

Venue: Online (Google Meet) **No. of Participants:** 9

The Department of Languages organised an enriching online workshop titled "Story-Mapping Migrations: Interview Techniques and Digital Tools for Powerful Narratives." The session focused on developing key interviewing and storytelling skills essential for documenting migration experiences with empathy, accuracy, and impact. Participants learned the significance of timing, phrasing, and approach—where asking thoughtful, well-framed questions encourages openness and authenticity. The workshop emphasised balancing empathy with precision, fostering meaningful exchanges between interviewers and interviewees. A major takeaway was the importance of thorough research and active listening, ensuring interviews remain engaging and respectful. Cultural sensitivity was highlighted as crucial, including appropriate conduct and appearance when interacting with diverse communities. Students were also introduced to Story-Mapping tools such as Knight Lab, which enable users to create chronologically structured digital narratives, visually mapping migration stories through a blend of geography and storytelling

In conclusion, the workshop successfully combined philosophical reflection and digital literacy, empowering students to craft compelling, research-driven, and visually engaging migration stories. Participants left inspired to harness storytelling as a tool for connection, empathy, and lasting impact.





Conflict Resolution 2024

Venue: Bangalore Central campus, CHRIST (Deemed to be University)

The Centre for Peace Praxis successfully conducted a transformative six-day Conflict Resolution Workshop facilitated by seasoned peacebuilder Mr Inbaraj Rabbi. Designed to blend conceptual learning with real-world engagement, the workshop provided an immersive exploration of conflict, communication, negotiation, and the pathways to resolution through empathy and dialogue. Over the first four days, participants received strong theoretical grounding paired with experiential exercises, including personal assessments of their individual conflict resolution styles. These reflective and interactive sessions helped deepen self-awareness and build practical skills for addressing conflict constructively.

A powerful highlight of the workshop was a special session featuring a former inmate who had served a life sentence and was released for good behaviour. His narrative of transformation, accountability, and redemption offered a deeply human perspective on justice, forgiveness, and reconciliation. Complementing the classroom sessions, two field visits were arranged to the Rajendra Nagar Slum in Bangalore, facilitated by the NGO Marga. Through these visits, participants witnessed grassroots peacebuilding, community resilience, and everyday conflict-management practices in marginalised spaces.

The workshop concluded with a screening of *Amish Grace*, a documentary that explores the strength of forgiveness. Overall, the program exemplified the Centre's commitment to nurturing compassionate, skilled peacebuilders capable of integrating reflection with real-world praxis.

Capacity Building Workshop 2-3 February 2024

Venue: Bangalore Central campus, CHRIST (Deemed to be University)

The Centre for Peace Praxis organised a two-day Capacity Building Workshop on Psychosocial Support in Emergencies on 2–3 February 2024, facilitated by noted mental health professionals Dr Patrick Jude Lucas and Dr Veenashree Rajesh. The workshop brought together participants from varied backgrounds who share a commitment to supporting individuals and communities during crises. Across the two intensive days, attendees were introduced to essential tools, frameworks, and intervention techniques for providing psychosocial support in emergency settings such as natural disasters, conflict zones, and humanitarian crises.

The sessions offered a well-balanced combination of conceptual understanding and experiential learning. Through role-plays, case studies, group activities, and reflective exercises, participants engaged deeply with real-life scenarios and practised skills necessary for crisis response. Dr Patrick and Dr Veenashree enriched the workshop with insights from their extensive field experience, emphasising trauma-informed care, cultural sensitivity, ethical decision-making, and strategies for fostering resilience in affected populations.

The workshop concluded with a group reflection and action planning session, leaving participants with a renewed sense of confidence and preparedness. This initiative exemplifies the Centre's commitment to building community capacities for compassionate, effective, and timely psychosocial support during emergencies, ultimately strengthening the foundation for collective well-being and crisis resilience.

