# Two Day National Seminar on Vulnerable Sections of the Society

# 8<sup>th &</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016

# Organized by

# Department of Studies in Law, University of Mysore, Manasagangotri, Mysuru

#### Venue:

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#### **About University of Mysore**

Mysuru, the erstwhile capital of the princely State of Mysore, now a part of Karnataka in South India, is a city of many attractions. A city of palaces and eye-pleasing Indo-Saracenic buildings, it has the straddling Chamundi Hill crowning the old royal headquarters. The iconic Palace draws thousands of visitors every day. Mysore is also an academic centre having many prestigious institutions – from traditional ayurveda to modern medical sciences, business management to engineering, law to commerce. It is also the headquarters for the University of Mysore, which pioneered higher education in the then State of Mysore. It opened on July 27, 1916. Its first chancellor was the Maharaja of Mysore; the first Vice Chancellor was H. V. Nanjundajah. The university became the first outside of the Britain administration in India, the sixth in India as a whole, and the first in Karnatak. It is a state university of the affiliating type, and became autonomous on March 3, 1956, when it gained recognition from the University Grants Commission. Krishna tells Arjuna in the battlefield of Kurukshetra, "Nahi jnanena sadrusham pavitram iha vidyate" - certainly, there is no purifier in the world like knowledge. This is an advice Lord Krishna gives to Arjuna. This advice of the Lord is the motto of the University of Mysore and has stood by it's steadfastly over the last century of its existence. "Nahi jnanena sadrusham", the University's motto, is inscribed on the portals of the headquarters of the University, the Crawford Hall. This sacred objective is part of its logo.

In 1960, a major development was the conglomeration of all the post-graduate studies of the University at one location. Maharaja Jayachamaraja Wadiyar gifted the sprawling lands in Vijayasripura area on the outskirts of Mysore, when Prof. N.A.Nikam was the Vice-Chancellor.

But, the post-graduate campus got its unique identity during the tenure of the Vice-Chancellorship of Dr. K.V. Puttappa, poet laureate popularly known as 'Kuvempu'. The honour of christening the just coming up post-graduate centre as "Manasa Gangotri" goes to this poet, author of the magnum opus "Ramayana Darshanam". 'Manasa Gangotri' means 'eternal spring of the mind'.

The campus, located in the idyllic area and adjacent to Kukkarahalli Lake that has inspired many writers, lies within the heart of the heritage city of Mysore in a picturesque area of 739 acres. The creation of Manasa Gangotri, bringing together the entire post-graduate department in one campus, was a unique event in the annals of the University. This example has been emulated by other Universities in Karnataka.

The year 1966 was commemorated as the Golden Jubilee year of the University. The celebrations were inaugurated at a colorful function by none other than the President of India, Dr. S.Radhakrishnan, who was Professor of Philosophy in the Maharaja's College earlier.

Hundred years is a milestone in the history of any institution. On the threshold of this milestone, University of Mysore can look back with pride and satisfaction over its achievement in spreading knowledge to hundreds of boys and girls who from the days of its inception have occupied prestigious positions and won national and international acclaim, bringing laurel to themselves and to their alma mater. During these 100 years, the University has stood by its objective and vision of its founding fathers, and its motto 'nahi jnanena sadrusham' acting as a shining guide for thousands of students. In the words of the present Vice-Chancellor, Prof. K.S.Rangappa, who has planned the centenary celebrations on a grand scale and in a unique manner with a number of ambitious projects to commemorate the occasion: "Our University has produced eminent personalities – men of excellence and globally acclaimed personalities. It has won national status and international recognition, achieving academic excellence. Now, our vision is to take it to the global level, make it an international level academic centre."

As of July 2013, the University of Mysore was accredited "Grade A" by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). The University is celebrating its 100 years legacy from 2015-16.

#### **Department of Studies in Law**

The Department of Studies in Law was established in 1972 with its vision and mission. It is offering BA.LL.B, LL.M, & Ph.D. programmes. The specialization subjects include Constitutional Law, International Law & Business & Trade Law. Known for intensive teaching and research, the Department has gained a respectable name in the World of higher education. Its alumnus are settled in varieties of legal professions and made indelible mark in legal service in various parts of India. It has committed to focus on multi-disciplinary approach to enable more students to access affordable and quality legal education. It focuses on creating a system by which participation in an opportunity including internships in courts and like bodies for students so that there is upward mobility for every legal profession at the High Courts and Supreme Court. It emphasis on identifying and nurturing talent by providing opportunity to every individual in order to create a pool of talent based expertise and core competence. The Department tries to guarantee a legal education system of global standards and be a global leader in the global legal industry. The need of the hour is to build for the future and create access across this honorable profession. The department

strives to achieve the goal of excellence in legal education to meet the challenges of legal profession with dedicated team of experienced teachers in the department.

#### **Concept note:**

Human Rights are considered to be the primary rights of every individual without any discrimination. These rights are equally applied to all citizens of a country without any bias on the basis of sex, race, caste, community, religion or language. The main concern of the rights is welfare and wellbeing of every individual. Even the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and international covenants on political and economic rights generally do not contain provisions that favor a particular group. Certainly those documents prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender, age, national origin, property, and other classifications. The documents also promote families, motherhood, and children. However, nothing within those documents details special human rights treatment for any particular group. After all, considering the universal nature of human rights, why should a particular group is given additional attention? Would not this defeat the purpose of viewing human rights as something for everyone, and not restricted to a special group? Yes, despite the importance of viewing human rights within a universal context and not simply as something for the disadvantaged, instances arise when particular groups often require more attention to ensure human rights of those groups. This does not mean that these groups are being elevated above others. The term vulnerable refers to the harsh reality that these groups are more likely to encounter discrimination or other human rights violations than others.

Today due to social, political and cultural differences, there is deprivation in many forms and has a direct impact on the basic and fundamental rights of the people who are referred to as vulnerable and disadvantaged groups. This seminar focuses on various contemporary issues of violations of human rights of vulnerable group. The objective of this seminar is to widen the awareness and knowledge of academia, students and public on the various issues of vulnerable group.

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#### Themes of the Seminar

- Vulnerability of Dalits in India
- Adivasis
- Women and Children
- Disabled and People in custodial Institutions
- Cultural Problems of Disadvantage and Vulnerable
- Human rights of prisoners
- Human Rights and senior citizens/ elderly
- Rights of HIV/AIDS victims
- Ensuring Land rights to vulnerable
- The role of government in protecting the rights of vulnerable.
- Role of Judiciary and Rights of Vulnerable
- Role of NHRC and SHRC

#### **Call for Papers**

Seminar papers are invited from academicians, practitioners, research scholars and students.

#### **Guidelines for Paper Submission**

An abstract should contain no more than 250-300 words accompanied by a brief profile of the authors indicating their name, designation, email-id, contact number and official address. The paper should be original, problem and result oriented. The full paper must not exceed a maximum of 6000 words (excluding foot notes). The abstract and full paper must be formatted in adherence to the following guidelines:

- Font Size-Times New Roman, 12 for text, 10 for footnote.
- Line spacing- 1.5 for text, single for footnotes
- For Citation and Reference: Bluebook Method of Citation.
- File Format: Microsoft Word Document.

The full paper to be sent to <u>maruthismgconference158@gmail.com</u> and ms\_benjee@yahoo.co.in

#### **Important Dates**

Seminar dates-8<sup>th and 9th</sup> March 2016

**Submission of Abstract-** 5-03-2016

Notification of acceptance-6-03-2016

Submission of full papers -7-03-2016

#### **Registration Fee\***

Teachers/ Professionals	Rs 1000
Research Scholars	Rs 500
Students	Rs 200

• Demand Draft should be in favor of "The Chairman, Department of Studies in Law, University of Mysore payable at State Bank of Mysore, Manasaganotri Campus, Mysore"

#### Accommodation

The participants are requested to make their own arrangements for travel and accommodation. However, the Department will take care of the local hospitality.

#### **Chief Patron**

**Prof. K. S. Rangappa** Hon'ble Vice Chancellor University of Mysore

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## **Registration Form**

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