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Participants should submit the Abstract along with the full paper latest by Wednesday, 18th November, 2020 along with the requisite fee. The details are to be shared in a Google form.

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Rs. 750/-

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Rs. 500/-

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**SHARDA
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Beyond Boundaries



VIRTUAL NATIONAL SEMINAR ON

**ROLE OF JUDICIARY
IN UPHOLDING
CONSTITUTIONALISM**

SATURDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER, 2020

About The Seminar

Within the concept of constitutionalism is the idea of limited, open, transparent and accountable government which must truly represent the will of the people and not smoke-screen the will of the people. Constitutionalism is there to tame wayward governments that see no limits to their powers or simply ignore such limits in the guise of pursuing a common or greater good.

A good constitution does not of itself guarantee constitutionalism. Neither does constitutionality guarantee constitutionalism. Constitutionalism goes beyond a good constitution and beyond constitutionality of governmental action or country's laws. It is only through entrenched constitutionalism that a country's constitution may truly serve as the supreme law, reflecting and regulating government in the interest of the people. It is recognized that an important bulwark of constitutionalism is the existence of an efficient and effective mechanism controlling and compelling compliance with the letter and spirit of the constitution. There can be no constitutionalism if there is no secure judicial review mechanism that can independently enforce the provisions of the constitution, while checking and controlling any abuses of its provisions. Supreme Court of India has led the way in its role of entrenching constitutionalism and it remains a shining example on the central role the judiciary can play in entrenching constitutionalism in the country. The courts act as active guardians of the constitution.

Admittedly in constitutionalism, courts go beyond enquiring into the constitutionality of laws. Courts play a vital role in ensuring that the constitution continues to have social relevance, often breathing life into the text of the constitution and render it relevant to cotemporary circumstances. Upholding the rule of law, as the courts do, is not just for the popular and dominant majority. A constitution would serve no useful purpose if it failed to protect the weakest, poorest and most vulnerable including the minority.

Objectives

- To appreciate concept of constitutionalism
- To understand role of Judiciary in upholding constitutionalism
- To Discuss the challenges faced by courts in upholding constitutionalism
- To Provide insights to students, academicians, etc. on sanctity of Judiciary for maintaining Constitutionalism

Key points to be covered

- Role of judiciary in transformative constitutionalism
- New Constitutionalism and the Expansion of Judicial Authority
- Judges as sentinels of constitutionalism
- Sanctity of Judiciary for maintaining Constitutionalism
- Independence of judiciary as a fundamental value of constitutionalism

Expected outcome

The Seminar will lead to better understanding of concept of constitutionalism and role of judiciary in upholding constitutionalism. It will give an insight to students and professionals on challenges faced by courts in upholding constitutionalism.

Call for paper

The organizers of the Seminar call upon the legal professionals, academicians, practitioners, research scholars, administrators, students, social activists and the representatives of governmental and non governmental organizations to present their research papers relevant to the below-mentioned themes:

- Politics and Constitutionalism
- Transformative Constitutionalism and Role of Judiciary in India
- Sanctity of Judiciary for maintaining Constitutionalism
- Modern Concept of Rule of Law
- Environmental Constitutionalism
- Judicial Supremacy in Comparative Constitutional Law
- Contemporary Constitutionalism and the dialectic of constituent power
- Mediated Popular Constitutionalism
- Judges as guardians of constitutionalism human rights
- New Constitutionalism and the Expansion of Judicial Authority

The above themes are indicative and the author can send the article on any topic related to the broad theme of the Seminar.

Guidelines for seminar paper

- Abstract should be a maximum of 250 words indicating the theme of proposed research with five relevant keywords. The research paper should be strictly thematic.
- Full Paper must consist of minimum 2500 words and maximum 6000 words excluding references and footnotes (Descriptive footnotes and substantive text in the footnotes is not permitted).
- Footnotes must follow The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (Harvard, 19th Edition).
- Abstract and Full paper is to be submitted in soft copy in MS-Word format (Times New Roman, font size 14 for the heading, 12 for the text and 10 for the footnotes with 1.5 spacing for the text and 1.0 spacing for the footnotes).
- A separate MS-Word File should be submitted containing the article title, followed by Author's Name, Co-author's Name (if any) affiliation, communication address, email and phone details.
- Submission of a declaration stating that the work is original and bonafide.
- Only one co-author is permitted.

Chief Guest



INAUGURAL SESSION

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Dipak Misra
Former Chief Justice of India



VALEDICTORY SESSION

Hon'ble Ms. Justice Indira Banerjee
Judge, Supreme Court of India