



**BENNETT**  
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THE TIMES GROUP

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# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2025

ON

THEME

**ROLE OF JUDICIARY  
IN UPHOLDING  
SOCIAL, ECONOMIC  
AND POLITICAL  
JUSTICE**



**24<sup>TH</sup>-25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025**

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# THE TIMES GROUP

**A 186+ YEAR JOURNEY OF LEADERSHIP,  
INNOVATION & GROWTH MARCHES ON!**

1835-95

1838

The original precursor of The Times of India (TOI) is launched as The Bombay Times and Journal of Commerce.



1861

The paper acquires The Telegraph and Courier to form Bombay Times & Standard & is then renamed as The Times of India. A truly national platform is born.

1892

TJ Bennett partners with FM Coleman to form Bennett, Coleman & Co Ltd (BCCL).

1940-86

1946

Ramkrishna Dalmia buys BCCL & the paper passes from British to Indian hands.



1947

Launch of Hindi newspaper Navbharat Times & the Delhi edition of The Times of India

**NBT**  
नवभारत टाइम्स

1952

Movie industry magazine Filmfare is launched.

**FILMFARE**

1954

First edition of the iconic Filmfare Awards, to honour artistic & technical excellence in the Hindi-language film industry. These became an institution with the upgradation and broadcast of not just the national Filmfare Awards, but also their regional variants.

1955

Sahu Shanti Prasad Jain buys BCCL from his father-in-law Ramkrishna Dalmia.



1959

Femina, magazine for women, is launched.

**FEMINA**

1961

The Economic Times, No. 1 business newspaper in India, is launched.

1962

Marathi newspaper Maharashtra Times is launched.

**महाराष्ट्र टाइम्स**

1964

The first Miss India pageant is held. This became a pathbreaking platform for women's empowerment, especially when it was telecast across the country in later years.



1987



In 1987, a brand new era began with **Vineet Jain** joining the BCCL Group, transforming it from a newspaper and magazine company into one of the largest media and education conglomerates, with leadership across **Print, Radio, Digital, TV, and Out of Home Media.**



1988-2004

1990

Times School of Marketing is launched. It, along with Times' Media School (which was set up earlier), emerges as a major source of talent for the media industry.

1991

BBC features The Times of India among the world's six great newspapers.

BCCL ventures into TV programme production for Doordarshan under the brand Times TV.



1993

Vineet Jain launches India's first private FM radio entity under the brand name Times FM for FM radio programming on a single channel shared by many media companies.

1994

Vineet Jain conceives of and launches TOI's trailblazing entertainment and lifestyle supplements namely Bombay Times, Delhi Times, etc. They were the first of their kind by any newspaper in the world and became a template for others.

1996

Launch of economictimes.com - ET's news website and timesofindia.com - TOI's news website - the Group's first foray into the Internet, as conceived of by Vineet Jain, followed by Indiatimes.com a year later.

1998

In a major initiative for a media company, the group launched Times Music which currently owns ~45,000 musical tracks across genres.

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music

1999

Vineet Jain incorporated Times Internet Limited - India's biggest digital media entity.

2001

Radio Mirchi - Nationwide private FM broadcasting company is launched by Vineet Jain.



2004

Group enters TV broadcasting with the launch of Zoom, a Bollywood & Lifestyle channel.

**ZOOM**

2004

JV with BBC to form magazine publishing company Worldwide Media. Subsequently, the Times Group bought BBC's share to make WWM a wholly-owned company.

2005-15

2005

Times OOH, the No.1 Out of Home advertising company in India, is established by Vineet Jain. The Times of India is acclaimed as world's No. 1 selling English daily broadsheet newspaper.

**TIMES OOH**

2006

Vineet Jain conceives of and launches leading property services entity Magicbricks.com

Launch of leading TV news channel Times Now.

**Magicbricks** **TIMES NOW** ACTION BEGINS HERE

2007

Launch of Junglee Music, a brand of Times Music dedicated to film music, with acquisition of music rights of Akshay Kumar starrer 'Welcome'.



2009

Launch of ET Now business news channel.



2010

Launch of English movie channels Movies Now & Remedy Now 3 years later.



2013

Vineet Jain conceives of and launches Times Pro, an award-winning EdTech initiative, for Indians who want to advance their careers; tie-ups with IITs/IIMs for executive education courses.



2014

Vineet Jain expands Times Group into film production and distribution with the launch of Junglee Pictures, whose first movie (Dil Dhadakne Do) was released in 2015. It has released 10 award-winning movies till 2024 including Talvar, Bareilly ki Barfi, Raazi, Badhaai Ho, Badhaai Do, Doctor G, etc.

2014

ET Panache, the lifestyle supplement of The Economic Times conceived of and launched by Vineet Jain.

**ET Panache**

2015

Inaugural edition of India's leading business summit - ET Now Global Business Summit (GBS); graced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi as Chief Guest & in subsequent years.



2016



**BENNETT**  
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THE TIMES GROUP

**A PEERLESS LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP & INNOVATION IS LAUNCHED -** With the vision to nurture and empower the youth, **Vineet Jain** launches Bennett University - in the multi-disciplines of **Engineering, Applied Sciences, Management, Law, Media and Liberal Arts.**

2017-24

2017

Radio Mirchi expands to a total 74 stations in 64 cities and becomes the No. 1 radio company in India by revenue and number of stations. Extension of English news channel space through the launch of Mirror Now & Times Now World.



2021

Launch of Hindi general news channel (Times Now Navbharat) and Hindi business news channel (ET Now Swades).



2023

Times Music forges long term equity partnership with Primary Wave, USA-based music publishing company & home to legends like Bob Marley, James Brown, Whitney Houston, etc.

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music

2023

Launch of Maverik Movies, a film production house focussing on South Indian languages. Mirchi expands its digital offering by acquiring Gaana.



2024

Entry into sports on global scale: Major presence in new age & fastest growing sport - Pickleball - with the launch of Pickleball World Rankings (PWR), the PWR World Series, PWR World Tour, PWR India Tour & League in partnership with Pickleball Asia.





# ABOUT BENNETT UNIVERSITY

Bennett University, a State Private University has been established by “The Times Group”, India’s largest media conglomerate through Act No. 24 of 2016 passed by the Government of Uttar Pradesh. The University at present offers unique interdisciplinary and contemporary courses through its Schools of Computer Science Engineering and Technology, Engineering and Applied Sciences, Management, Law, and Media & Liberal Arts. In addition, the University has also established the Centres for Innovation & Entrepreneurship and External Relation & Executive Education.



**186+**

Years of Leading Change



**40,000+**

Advertisers & Corporate Network



**850+**

Start-Ups Mentored & Funded



**50+**

Leading Brands in India



**16,000+**

Employees



**50+**

Digital Businesses across industries





# ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF LAW

Bennett University ventured into the domain of higher education in Law and established School of Law in 2017 with a vision to strive for excellence in teaching, research, and advocacy towards Justice for all by shaping thought leaders in public policy of national and international dimensions. The school imbibes the best practices of national and international law schools in terms of curriculum, pedagogy, innovation in teaching methods and to add new interfaces addressing emerging new issues. Invested and promoted by the largest media enterprise, which is a natural ally in voicing people's rights, has envisaged this school to educate and train the future thought leaders in the field of Law. The School of Law, Bennett University is a knowledge space not only to acquire a professional degree but also to shape the compassionate individual under the professional robe.





# **ABOUT CENTRE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LAW AND HUMAN RIGHTS**

The Centre for Constitutional Law and Human Rights (earlier Centre for Constitutional Law Studies) aims to foster an understanding of constitutional law and to advance critical thinking, analysis and scholarly debate on issues related to constitutional and human rights law. Addressing the acute need for the dissemination of knowledge about our constitutional values, the centre seeks to engage in the promotion of our constitutional philosophy and to serve as a platform for delving deeper into issues of public law, constitutional rights and governance. It advocates adoption of interdisciplinary, critical and comparative approaches towards the study, research and understanding of constitutional law. It aims to lead research on perennial and contemporary issues in Constitutional Law and Public Law (including Administrative Law) and political theory. It seeks to develop expertise in different methodologies and inter-disciplinary approaches spreading across environmental studies, women and child rights, human rights, comparative public law, empirical socio-legal studies, and law and justice.

## **ABOUT THE CONFERENCE**

The judiciary stands as a cornerstone in the edifice of justice, ensuring that the rights of individuals are protected and that societies remain equitable and democratic. In 2025, the Supreme Court of India marks a significant milestone—its 75th anniversary. Established in 1950, the Court has evolved into a cornerstone of India's democracy, safeguarding the Constitution and ensuring justice for over a billion citizens. In India, the judiciary's role has extended beyond mere adjudication; it has encompassed the active promotion and protection of socio-economic and political justice, as envisioned in the Constitution. The moment is opportune to reflect not just on the Court's transformative journey, its current challenges, and its future role in upholding the rule of law but also upon the larger question of the role of the judiciary in upholding the ideal of justice in any constitutional system.

The Centre for Constitutional Law and Human Rights, committed to critical legal research and transformative pedagogy, is organising an international conference titled “Role of the Judiciary in Upholding Social, Economic and Political Justice.”

The present conference aims to explore the multifaceted role of the judiciary in upholding the different dimensions of justice across diverse legal systems. It further seeks to critically examine the various facets of justice—social, economic, political, legal, procedural, and distributive—and explore the contribution of judiciary in actualizing them within contemporary legal frameworks. It exhorts an exploration of avenues for strengthening the capacity of the judiciary to uphold social, economic, and political justice in an ever-evolving global landscape.

## **OBJECTIVES**

The conference seeks to:

- To analyse the multi-dimensional nature of justice: Delve into various dimensions of justice and their interconnections.
- To assess the Judiciary's Role: Evaluate how the judiciary interprets and enforces these dimensions through case law and constitutional interpretation.
- To Identify Challenges: Discuss contemporary challenges faced by the judiciary in upholding justice, including institutional constraints and societal disparities.
- To Propose Reforms: Suggest reforms to enhance the judiciary's effectiveness in delivering justice across all dimensions.



# CALL FOR PAPERS

To ensure a focused and multi-dimensional engagement with the topic, the conference will be structured around the following thematic axes and original submissions relevant to these themes are invited from students, academicians, scholars, and researchers.

## I *Social Justice*

- Judicial Interpretation of Fundamental Rights
- Expansion of the scope of fundamental rights to include socio-economic entitlements.
- Judicial role in ensuring right to education, health, and livelihood.
- Public Interest Litigation (PIL) as a Tool for Social Justice
- Impact of PIL on marginalized communities.
- Judicial Activism and Social Reform
- Gender Justice and the Judiciary
- Judicial contributions to advancing women's rights and combating gender-based discrimination.
- Judiciary's Role in Ensuring Minority Rights
- Protection of religious, linguistic, and cultural minorities through judicial pronouncements.

## II *Economic Justice*

- Judicial Oversight of Economic Policies
- Judiciary's role in scrutinizing economic policies and their impact on social equity.
- Judicial review of economic legislations and their alignment with constitutional principles.
- Access to Economic Justice for Marginalized Groups
- Barriers faced by economically disadvantaged groups in accessing justice.
- Judicial Role in Labour Rights and Welfare
- Protection of workers' rights through judicial intervention.
- Judicial directives aimed at reducing economic inequalities.
- Environmental Justice and Economic Development
- Judicial approaches to sustainable development.

## III *Political Justice*

- Judicial Safeguards for Civil and Political Rights
- Judiciary and Electoral Reforms
- Role of the judiciary in promoting free and fair elections.
- Judicial Oversight of Political Institutions
- Scrutinizing the functioning of political institutions for adherence to constitutional principles.
- Judicial intervention in cases of abuse of power by political entities.
- Safeguarding individuals from politically motivated actions through judicial intervention.
- Judiciary's Role in Strengthening Democracy
- Enhancing democratic governance through judicial pronouncements.
- Judicial contributions to the evolution of democratic norms.

## IV *Procedural Justice*

- Fairness in Judicial Processes
- Ensuring transparency, accountability, and impartiality in judicial proceedings.
- Access to Justice and Legal Aid
- Providing legal assistance to the underprivileged and marginalized sections of society
- Judicial initiatives to enhance access to justice.



- Addressing issues like case backlog and delays in the judicial system.
- Reforms aimed at improving judicial efficiency.
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Mechanisms
- Promoting methods like mediation and arbitration to resolve disputes.
- Technology and Access to Justice
- Digital initiatives in the judicial system.

## **V Judicial Independence and Accountability**

- Ensuring Judicial Independence
- Judicial Accountability Mechanisms.
- Balancing judicial independence with accountability.
- Transparency in Judicial Appointments
- Necessary reforms in the judicial appointment process.
- Public trust and confidence in the judicial system.
- Judicial Reforms for Strengthening Institutions
- Institutional reforms for better governance.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Participation is open for students, research scholars, academicians and industry experts from law and other social sciences stream.

**Note:** For UG/PG/ Ph.D. students, there is no bar on the number of participants from the same College/University/Institution.

## **GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSIONS**

The abstract should not exceed 800 words and must indicate the theme of the proposed research with relevant keywords. It must be accompanied by a cover page which should include:

- Sub-theme of the paper
- Title of the Paper
- Name of the author(s)
- E-mail address
- Postal address and Contact Number
- Co-authorship is allowed. (Maximum two authors.)

### **Note:**

- All Abstract submissions are required to be mailed to [sol.constitutionallaw@bennett.edu.in](mailto:sol.constitutionallaw@bennett.edu.in) before the last date of Abstract Submission.
- Subject Line of the Mail should be {Abstract Submission for International Conference on Role of Judiciary}.
- Document Name must be in the following format:  
[Author Name\_ Title of the Paper].

## **IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR FULL LENGTH PAPER SUBMISSION**

- **Word Limit** – 4000 to 8000 [Excluding footnotes and Abstract]
- **Citation Format** – JILI Citation.
- **Font** – Times New Roman (12), Line-Spacing: 1.5.



# IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMELINES

- **Abstract Submission and Registration:** July 30, 2025
- **Date of acceptance of Abstract:** August 15, 2025

**Note:** Participants are required to register for this International Conference once they receive acceptance mail for their abstract from the side of the Organising Committee. Further details regarding the registration and the guidelines for full length paper submission shall be intimated later.

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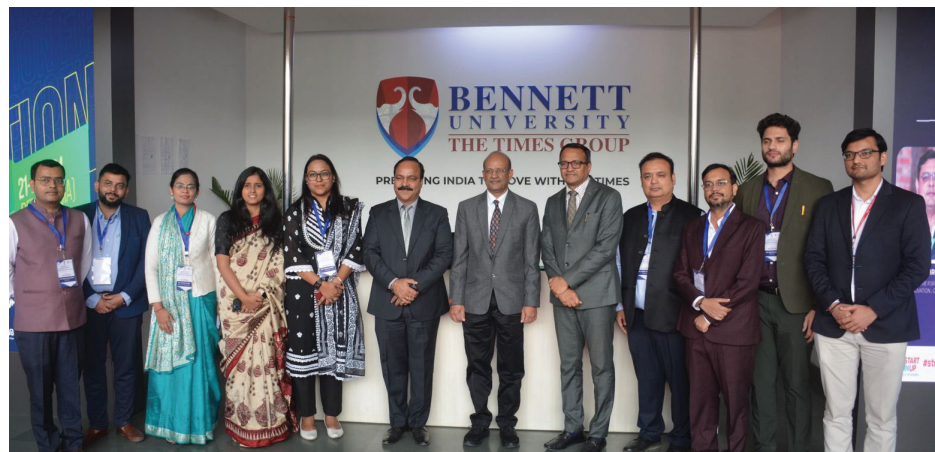
## REGISTRATION FEES

- **Single Authorship** - INR 1500 *[Except Students and Research Scholars]*
- **Co-Authorship** - INR 1000 each *[Except Students and Research Scholars]*
- **Research Scholars** - INR 700 *(For Single/Co-Authored Paper)*
- **Students** - INR 500 *(For Single/Co-Authored Paper)*

## AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES

- The best paper in each theme shall be awarded with 'Best Paper Presenter Certificate'.
- Selected papers will be published in an ISBN Book.
- All presenters will be awarded with a certificate of presentation.
- All attendees will be awarded with a certificate of participation.

**Note:** The organising committee reserves the right to terminate the participation of any participant in case if the latter is found to be indulging in any sort of nuisance.



# BENNETT UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP



## Mr. Vineet Jain

**Chancellor, Bennett University,  
Managing Director, BCCL**

Awarded Entrepreneur of the Year Award in 2013 for transforming BCCL into India's Most Respected and Largest Media Group

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