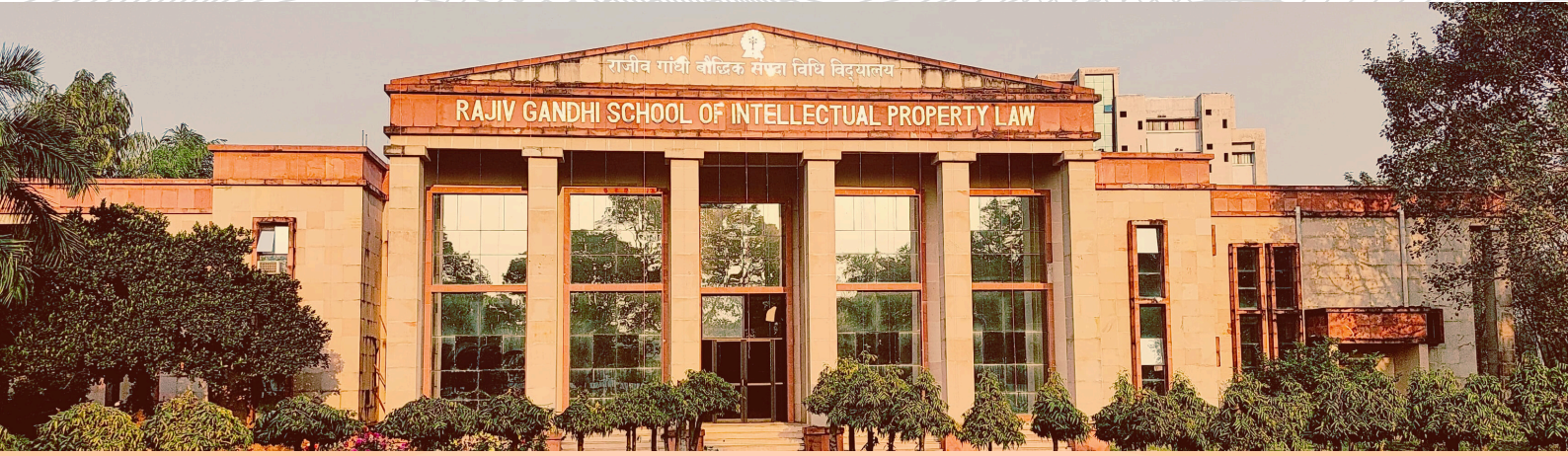# INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KHARAGPUR
RAJIV GANDHI SCHOOL OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW
PRO BONO CLUB

ORGANIZES

3RD

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LEGAL EDUCATION, PROFESSION AND INTEGRATING PRO BONO CULTURE FOR BETTER ACCESS TO JUSTICE

APRIL 12 - 13, 2025

Mail : probono.iitkgp [AT] gmail.com

About the Conference:

The primary objective of our upcoming conference is to establish a dynamic platform that brings together students, researchers, academicians, legal practitioners, and other stockholders to contribute significantly to the ongoing discourse surrounding essential reforms in India's Pro Bono culture. In India, Pro Bono Legal Services have traditionally been carried out in an unorganized manner by individual lawyers, NGOs, and law firms. The conference seeks to address this by fostering collaboration and discussions that will lead to a more structured and impactful Pro Bono legal framework. By providing a space for dialogue, we aim to catalyze positive changes that will make justice more available, accessible, and affordable for all members of our society.

Furthermore, our focus extends to protecting the rights of the illiterate, the unheard, and the unfortunate segments of our society. We believe in building a robust Legal Aid System that not only addresses pressing concerns but also ensures a fair and just legal representation for those who need it the most. Join us in shaping the future of Pro Bono legal services in India, where our collective efforts can make a lasting impact on the lives of those who are underserved in our communities.

Eligibility:

The Conference is open to academicians, students, researchers, practitioners, and other stakeholder interested in the subject.

Call for Paper:

Pro Bono Club, RGSoIPL, IIT Kharagpur, invites paper from legal professionals, academicians, practitioners, research scholars, administrators, students, social activists, and the representatives of governmental and nongovernmental organizations to present their research papers on the following sub-themes:

- NEP 2020 and Legal Education Reform
- Pro Bono Lawyering in Digital India
- New Criminal Laws and Pro Bono/ Legal Aid Services
- Engagement of the Bar, Bench, Law Universities and Indian Law Firms in Developing Pro Bono Culture in India

- Exploring Newer Technologies for Advancing Access to Justice and Clinical Legal Education
- Inculcating the Culture of ADR and Client Centered Lawyering in Pro Bono Services
- Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility in Pro Bono Practice
- Measuring the Impact and Success of Pro Bono and Legal Aid Programs
- Best Practices in Consumer Clinics, Startup Clinics and IP Clinics.

Note:- Author(s) are at their discretion to choose any other sub-theme for their paper that corresponds to the principle agenda of the Conference. Joint authorship is allowed up to two authors.

Submission and Formatting Guidelines:

- Abstract: An abstract of 300-350 words outlining the central theme(s) of the paper.
- Paper: Sole or Co-authorship of not more than 2 authors.
- Length: Papers should be between 4000 and 5000 words (excluding footnotes).
- ·English: Follow British spelling and punctuation conventions.
- Font Size and Style: Kindly use Times New Roman 12 point for the main text and 10 point for footnotes.
- Headings: The heading should be used as per the following style:

  First heading: 14 pt, Bold, Center

  Second heading: 12 pt, Bold, Left aligned

  Third heading: 12 pt, Italics, Centre

- Line Spacing: The line spacing of the main text of the paper should be 1.5. The line spacing words between footnotes should be 1.
- Indent: Left and Right indent should be 0.5 on both sides.
- References: OSCOLA 4th Edition.

Quotations/ Quotation Mark: Quotations over 25 words should be indented. Double quotation marks should be used; single quotation marks should be used only for quotes within a quotation.

Abstract shall be submitted to this Link by 9th March 2025:
https://forms.gle/BqiNvt5ipxybJa1T8

Kindly Note: At least 1 author should be physically present during Conference days.

Registration Fee:

Category	Registration Fees
Outsider Students	INR 1500/- (Excluding Accommodation)
Researchers	INR 2000 (Excluding Accommodation)
Faculty	INR 3000/- (Excluding Accommodation)
Industry	INR 4000/- (Excluding Accommodation)
Participation Without Paper Presentation	INR 1000/- (Excluding Accommodation)

Accommodation:

Accommodation may be provided in the New Technology Guest House on payment basis as per the following (request to be made during Abstract Submission):

D/B AC Room per Day:

- Single Occupancy (Rs. 1500+ 12% GST for 24 Hours Check-in and Check-out)
- Double Occupancy (Rs. 2000+ 12% GST for 24 Hours Check-in and Check-out).

Important Dates:

- Last Date for Abstract Submission: 9th March, 2025
- Last Date of Communication of Acceptance of Abstract: 16th March, 2025
- Last Date for Registration and Payment in IIT Portal: 23rd March, 2025
- Submission of Full Paper: 4th April, 2025
- Date of Conference: 12th and 13th April, 2025

For Queries:

Mail us at: probono.iitkgp [AT] gmail.com

Pro Bono Team of RGSoIPL, IIT Kharagpur

GLIMPSES FROM THE SECOND NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LEGAL EDUCATION, PROFESSION AND INTEGRATING PRO BONO CULTURE FOR BETTER ACCESS TO JUSTICE

APRIL 6-7, 2024

**Inauguration by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal
Judge, Supreme Court of India**

Address by Mr. Joydip Roy Additional Solicitor General for the State of MP in the Supreme Court of India

Mr. Phiroze Edulji, Sr. Advocate High Court at Calcutta

Mr. Uddyam Mukherjee, AoR Supreme Court of India

Session Chairs and Participants during Paper Presentation Sessions

Group Photograph with Hon'ble Justice Joymalya Bagchi, Hon'ble Justice Ananya Bandyopadhyay, Prof. R. Venkata Rao and Mr. Phiroze Edulji

GLIMPSES FROM THE FIRST NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LEGAL EDUCATION, PROFESSION AND INTEGRATING PRO BONO CULTURE FOR BETTER ACCESS TO JUSTICE

APRIL 8-9, 2023

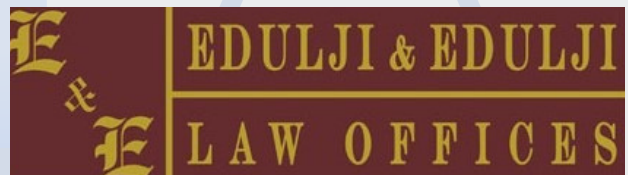**Hon'ble Justice Bagchi**

Hon'ble Justice Basak

Hon'ble Justice Bandyopadhyay

Our Previous Sponsors and Partners