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## HANDBOOK

## FIMT PRO-BONO CLUB

IN COLLABORATION WITH NYAYA-BANDHU (PRO-BONO LEGAL SERVICES)
AN INITIATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE



FIMT INSTITUTUTIONAL CAMPUS, KAPASHERA, NEW DEHI



## FROM THE DESK OF





## Shri V.K.N. Bhardwaj

**Chairperson, FIMT Group of Institutions** 

For inculcating a sense of social responsibility in the students Legal aid has been an integral part of teaching at Fairfield Institute of Management and Technology. We encourage Students to bring in social, economic and political changes for promoting equal access to justice through legal aid interventions of the Pro Bono Club. Students of Fairfield Institute and technology are urged to constantly strive toward capacity building awareness and empowerment of marginalised communities.





## Dr. Nalini Joshi

**Executive Director, FIMT Group of Institutions** 

I congratulate the PRO BONO Team of School of Law for the successful inauguration of Pro Bono Club. The Nyaya Bandhu (Pro Bono Legal Services) is the Government of India's primary initiative to establish a framework for dispensation of pro bono legal services across the country. Being a member of the pro bono community is more than simply a role; it is an opportunity to contribute to justice and make a significant difference. I am glad our students got the opportunities and I am proud that they engage with a cause that tries to make justice available to all. To see the students of Fairfield Institute of Management and Technology take the lead in this regard fills our hearts with immense pride.





## Prof. (Dr.) Shaveta Gagneja

**Director, Fairfield-School of Law** 

Engaging in awareness programs expands the understanding of students about the societal issues and align them with Club's dedication to community service. Organising and participating in the club's competitions not only sharpens legal knowledge but also facilitates networking with fellow legal enthusiasts. These experiences shall enrich academic journey which is being instrumental in steering student's career towards a more socially conscious and impactful trajectory. I appreciate the comprehensive learning participation and the platform provided for students' personal and professional growth.





## A MESSAGE FROM



#### Dr. Shivani Singh, Nodal Officer

**Assistant Professor, Fairfield-SOL** 

The FIMT- Pro bono club is constituted to strengthen the Nyaya Bandhu (Pro Bono Legal Services) program which is an initiative under the Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice. The objectives of the FIMT Pro Bobo Club are two-fold: Firstly, to improve efficiency and quality of pro bono legal services by providing assistance to pro bono advocates through law students. Secondly, to instil in young legal minds their responsibility to the community by understanding and practicing pro bono legal services for the unassisted and disadvantaged persons in the societies. To achieve the objectives the Pro Bono Club undertakes a series of activities like community care legal assistance, promotion of Alternate Dispute Resolution mechanism, research and reporting etc.



### Ms. Tanishka, Faculty Convenor Pro Bono Club

**Assistant Professor, Fairfield-SOL** 

I am pppointed as Convenor on 23rd January, 2024 of Pro Bono Club of Fairfield Institute of Management and Technology. In our pursuit of justice and community service committed to bridging legal gaps, we engage in a myriad of activities. From providing free legal aid to marginalized communities to hosting workshops on legal awareness, our initiatives echo our dedication to social responsibility. Our legal clinics offer practical assistance. We undertake regular education, public out-reach programs in our adopted villages empowering individuals with the knowledge they need.



#### Mr. Sagar Panday, President

BA-LLB, Fairfield-SOL

My name is Sagar Pandey, I am the president of Pro Bono Club and very delighted to share my experiences and the learning which I have achieved through Pro Bono club. Various opportunities are provided to Pro Bono associates to assist the Department of Justice to provide legal aid to the general public .Great exposure is provided to the associates as we get to attend various conferences and national level events and sometimes to represent out country too. I got the chance to represent my nation as the liaison officer in the Ist Regional Conference on access to legal aid .It is all because of the constant support of our respected Chairman Sir and the Director, FIMT School of Law & the faculty members are always ready to assist us in any of difficulties .We as a student of this college are fortunate to have the chance to be the part of this club . Thankyou FIMT.



### Mr. Ayush Awasthi, Executive Secretary

**BA-LLB**, Fairfield-SOL

I am delighted to share the enriching journey and personal growth I've experienced as a Pro Bono Associate, contributing to the Department of Justice's initiative to expand legal aid access nationwide. The collaborative effort involves establishing pro bono clubs in various law colleges through the Pro Bono Club scheme, ensuring that legal assistance reaches both rural and urban areas. As a Pro Bono associate, I have been provided with numerous opportunities to assist the Department of Justice in delivering legal aid to the public. The exposure has been remarkable, with opportunities to attend conferences and national-level events. I have even had the privilege to represent my college and country as the Liaison Officer at the 1st Regional Conference on Access to Legal Aid. Our college and faculty members' constant encouragement and dedication have resulted in this achievement.



### Ms. Glory Singh, Member

Pro Bono Associate, Fairfield-SOL

PRO Bono club at my law college isn't just about fulfilling requirements; it is a transformative experience that propelled me forward in both my academic and professional pursuits. As I look back, here's how the club helped me thrive: Talking about expanding legal horizons, the club exposed me to various areas of law that went beyond our curriculum. From attending Seminars on emerging legal issues to volunteering in legal aid clinics, I gained insights into diverse legal fields, sparking my interest in specialised areas. I might not have otherwise considered. Volunteering my legal skills to those in need was incredibly rewarding.



## ABOUT THE PRO BONO CLUB



The Nyaya Bandhu (Pro Bono Legal Services) is the Government of India's primary initiative to establish a framework for dispensation of Pro Bono legal services across the country. Under the programme, practicing advocates who are interested in undertaking Pro Bono work, are connected, via mobile technology with eligible marginalised beneficiaries, after due scrutiny for delivery of Pro Bono (free of charge) legal services. In order to strengthen the Nyaya Bandhu network, Department of Justice proposed to set up and integrate pro bono panel of lawyers in each High Court (curated and moderated by the respective High Courts), within its Nyaya Bandhu programme. It envisages integrating the Nyaya Bandhu programme within the institutional framework of the justice system in India, so as to ensure its optimum utilization and impact.

## **OUR OBJECTIVES...**



TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AND QUALITY OF PRO BONO LEGAL SERVICES BY PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO PRO BONO ADVOCATES THROUGH LAW STUDENTS.

TO INSTILL IN YOUNG LEGAL MINDS THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO COMMUNITY BY UNDERSTANDING AND PRACTICING PRO BONO LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE UNASSISTED AND DISADVANTAGED PERSONS IN THE SOCIETIES.

THIS ENDEAVOR
WILL GIVE
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# ACTIVITIES OF THE PRO BONO CLUB....

- Community Care Legal Assistance (CCLA)
- Research, Documentation & Reporting.
- Promote Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanism.
- Recognition and Awards for PBAs and Alumni Nyaya Bandhu Advocates.

"It is lawyers who volunteer who have the most direct impact on those in need."

Chief Justice Debra Todd



## **INAUGURATION OF PRO-BONO**



## FAIRFIELD - SCHOOL OF LAW

Inaugural of Pro Bono at FIMT ,Chief Guest/ Dignitaries at the Event were – Justice Manju Goel, Former Judge Delhi High Court , Adv Krishan Mahajan , Ms. Sneha Program Coordinator







The inaugural event raised awareness about the Pro Bono Club and the importance of pro bono work among students, faculty, and staff.

The event motivated students to actively engage in pro bono activities and community service, leading to increased student involvement in social causes.

Attendees were inspired to take action, leading to a surge in volunteer efforts and pro bono projects initiated by the club and its members.

The event served as an educational opportunity for attendees to learn about various social issues and the role they can play in addressing them.











## FLAGSHIP EVENTS...

# LAUNCH AND INAUGURATION OF THE NEW TELE LAW 2.0 APP

Event was organized by the Ministry of Law and Justice, Department of Justice to launch and inaugurate the new tele law 2.0 app at Siri Fort Auditorium on Date of the Event

Chief Guest/ Dignitaries for the Event were – Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Law and Justice, Secretary Justice, Shri S.K.G Rahate; Special Secretary, DoJ, Shri Rajinder Kumar Kashyap; JS (A2J, DoJ) Shri Niraj Kumar Gayagi; and Shri Akshay Kumar Jha, COO, CSC.

Our students attended the same.







### **AWARENESS PROGRAMME**

ON ACID ATTACK AND BULLYING WITH DISABLED CHILDREN IN SCHOOL AND COLLEGE ORGANIZED BY THE PRO BONO CLUB IN COLLABORATION WITH DSLSA









# POSTER- MAKING COMPETITION



Fairfield Institute of Management and Technology Pro Bono Club organized poster making competition on the Theme Female Foeticide, the right to gender, LGBTQ+ rights, Cyberbullying, Gender Stereotypes, Sexism, Environmental Conservation and the role of women in society.







# VISIT TO SAMADHAN, MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION CENTRE DELHI HIGH COURT

Visit to Delhi High Court on 13-10.2023 It was an Educational Visit to Samadhan, Delhi High Court Mediation and Conciliation Centre. Students got an insight into the workings of the Court and the Conciliation and Mediation Centre. This tour also helped the students to understand the role of the Mediator and ADR methods indispensing justice. Moreover, the visit bridged the gap between theory and practice.









# WORKSHOP ON THE COURT PRACTICES & ETIQUETTES



Fairfield Institute of Management and Technology, Pro Bono Cub organized a Workshop on Court Practices & Etiquettes. One of the key takeaways from the seminar was the significance of courtroom attire. Adv. Zamir elucidated the importance appropriate dressing sense, adhering to the traditional attire of the legal profession. He shared anecdotes where adherence to professional attire enhanced the credibility of attorneys and evoke respect from judges and peers.







Through role-playing exercises, students were given the opportunity to understand dynamics of courtroom interactions. These simulations mase the student to practice with effective communication, proper addressing of the court, and the art of persuasion. sessions practical These helped develop students confidence in their ability to navigate complex the landscape legal of proceedings.



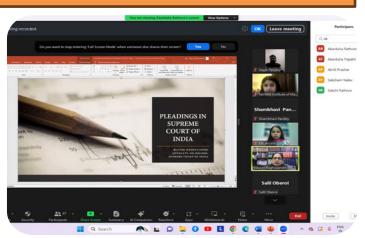
# ONLINE 30 HOURS CERTIFICATE COURSE ON DRAFTING, PLEADING AND CONVEYANCING



30 Hours Certificate Course focused on the importance of precision and clarity in drafting and pleadings. The renowned resource persons engaged navigated through the intricate aspects of legal drafting, providing valuable insights and practical tips along the way. Throughout the course, experts in the field meticulously elucidated the fundamental principles of drafting legal documents, emphasizing the importance of precision, clarity, and coherence.







Experts Covered various aspects of pleadings in Supreme Court, including the importance of pleadings, their role in shaping the course of litigation, and the specific requirements and procedures for drafting pleadings in the Supreme Court. They highlighted key principles and guidelines for crafting effective pleadings, emphasizing clarity, precision, and adherence to legal standards. Additionally, they discussed notable case law examples to illustrate practical insights into pleading strategies and pitfalls to avoid.







## Nyaya Bandhu

## (Pro Bono Legal Services)

Free legal services for marginalised persons from registered Pro Bono Advocates, available on Nyaya Bandhu Mobile App





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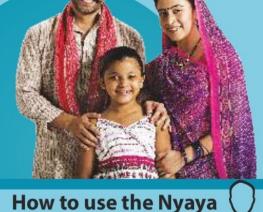
Nyaya Bandhu Mobile App allows marginalised persons (referred to as 'Applicants'), seeking free legal services, to easily connect with registered Pro Bono Advocates. Nyaya Bandhu Mobile App is available in Hindi and English all over India

## Who is an Applicant?

Any person falling under Section 12 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987

Section 12 Categories	Proof of Eligibility*
Member of a Scheduled Caste	Government issued ID identifying category
Member of a Scheduled Tribe	Government issued ID identifying category
Victim of trafficking in human beings or begar as referred in Article 23 of the Constitution	Any legal/government document certifying this status
Woman or a Child	Government issued ID identifying category
Person with disability	Government issued disability certificate
Person in custody	Court order/documents
An industrial workman	Employment ID/certification
Victim of a mass disaster, ethnic violence, caste atrocity, flood, drought, earthquake or industrial disaster	Any legal/government document certifying this status
Person with annual income less than as specified under law	Income certificate
Other	Any legal/government document certifying this status

<sup>\*</sup>Applicant must submit proof of eligibility at the time of registration on the Nyaya Bandhu Mobile App



## Bandhu Mobile App?

#### Steps, if you are an Applicant

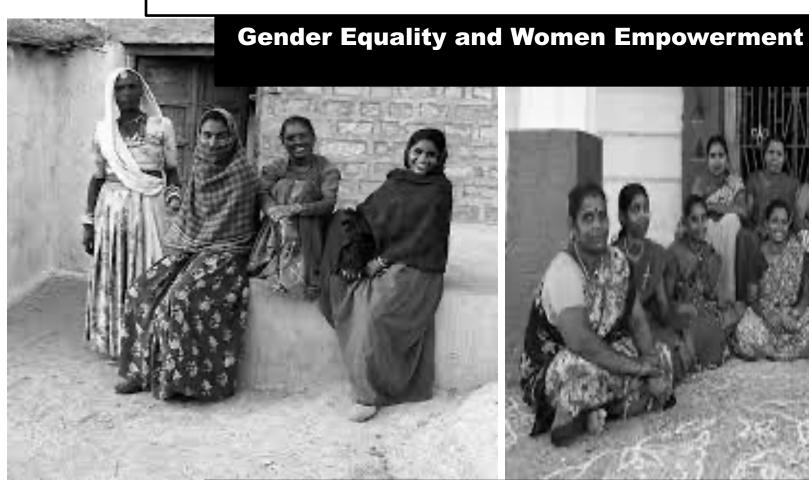






## Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere -Martin Luther King Jr.









**Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of** Children) Act, 2015.









## GLIMPSES











"Pro bono publico - 'for the public good' - not just in the sense of professional work undertaken voluntarily and without payment, but in the sense of a public service to those who are unable to afford the services of skilled professionals. It is a noble and necessary calling for all attorneys." – Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye (October 2014)









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