

Summit on Legal Education vis-a vis Social Development in the SAARC Region held during March 28-29 organized by the Indian Institute of Legal Studies.

Report on Technical Sessions

The Summit was conducted in three Technical Sessions with participation of experts as noted below :

Technical Session	Sub-Theme	Chairperson & Co-Chairperson	Speakers
I (March 28, 4.30-6 pm)	Legal Education as Instrument of Social Development in SAARC Region.	Hon'ble Justice K Sripavan, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Sri Lanka Co- Chairperson : Col. Veerendra Mohan, Deputy Judge Advocate General, 33 Corps, Sukna.	(i) Prof. Asha Bajpai, Dean, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai (ii) Mr. Tek Bahadur Ghimire, Joint Attorney Journal, Government of Nepal and (iii) Mr. Indra Nath Dey, Asstt. Professor in Law, IILS.
II (March 28, 6.30 – 8 pm)	Unification of Basic Principles of Law among SAARC countries.	Prof. (Dr.) R. Venkata Rao. Vice-Chancellor National Law School of Indian University, Bangalore Co- Chairperson : Prof. Dr. Khushal Vibhute. Dean, IIT, Kharagpur.	(i) Hon'ble Justice Biswanath Somadder. Judge, Calcutta High Court, (ii) Hon'ble Abdul Salaam Azimi, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Afghanistan and (iii) Hon'ble Justice Lungten Dubgyur. Judge, High Court of Bhutan.
III(March 29, 9.00 – 10.30 am)	Impact of British Rule in the Legal of the SAARC region and Promotion and Protection of Human Rights.	Hon'ble Justice Abdul Salaam Azimi, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Afghanistan. Co- Chairperson : Prof (Dr.) Manoj Sinha. Director, Indian Law Institute, New Delhi.	(i) Prof (Dr.) V.S. Elizabeth. National Law School India University, Bangalore (ii) Prof. (Dr.) G. Chakraborty. University of North Bengal (iii) Prof. (Dr.) S. Rajkhowa. Gauhati University and (iv) Mr. Amit

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(Technical Session I, from left : Prof. Asha Bajpai, Dean, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, Col. Veerendra Mohan, Deputy Judge Advocate General, 33 Corps, Sukna and Mr. Tek Bahadur Ghimire, Joint Attorney Journal, Government of Nepal).



(Technical Session III, from left : Hon’ble Justice Abdul Salaam Azimi, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Afghanistan, Prof. (Dr.) S. Rajkhowa. Gauhati University, Mr. Amit Dutta, .Asst. Prof. in Management, IILS and Prof (Dr.) Manoj Sinha. Director, Indian Law Institute, New Delhi.).



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The Summit was concluded with the Valedictory Session at 11 am. The Valediction was presented by Hon'ble Justice Biswanath Somadder, Judge, Calcutta High Court. Observations on the deliberations in the various Technical Sessions were placed by Hon'ble Justice K Sripavan, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Sri Lanka, Hon'ble Abdul Salaam Azimi, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Afghanistan, Hon'ble Justice Lungten Dubgyur, Judge, High Court of Bhutan, Prof. (Dr.) R. Venkata Rao, Vice - Chancellor National Law School of Indian University, Bangalore, Prof (Dr.) Manoj Sinha, Director, Indian Law Institute, New Delhi,) Mr. Tek Bahadur Ghimire, Joint Attorney General, Government of Nepal and Dr. R.Bandyopadhyay, Associate Professor & Head of Dept. Of Law, University of North Bengal.

The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Mr. Joyjit Choudhury, Chairman, Indian Institute of Legal Studies.

The Summit unanimously adopted a Resolution that a SAARC Law University should be established at the earliest opportunity, preferably, at Siliguri which borders three SAARC countries and that the Indian Institute of Legal Studies will extend all co-operation to achieve this objective. It was also resolved to request the competent authorities to include this issue in the Agenda of the upcoming SAARC Summit at Kathmandu, Nepal by the end of 2015.