



**DEVI SHARVANI EDUCATION SOCIETY'S
V.M.SALGAOCAR COLLEGE OF LAW
ANNUAL REPORT (2018-19)**



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ABOUT COLLEGE

Devi Sharvani Education Society was founded by Late Mr. V. M. Salgaocar, an industrialist and philanthropist of Goa in the year 1972 and is registered under the societies Registration Act 1860. Mahadevrao Salgaocar College of Law was established in the year 1973 with the generous donation from the founder Late Mr. V. M. Salgaocar who named the college in the memory of his father, Late Mr. Mahadevrao Salgaocar. The College was started with the view to meet the long felt need of the people of Goa for Legal Education. In the year 1997, as per the decision of the Governing Council, the name of the College was changed to V.M. Salgaocar College of Law.

The College is situated on a spacious land area at Miramar with its own building of 2525.72 sq. mts plus 2379.93sq.mts Library building. It has a sufficient number of classrooms which are spacious, well ventilated and lit and which are also air conditioned. Also, provision has been made of LCD projectors & internet connection in each and every classroom. In addition to fully equipped and well lighted classrooms, the College has three air conditioned staff rooms, well-resourced moot court room, air conditioned conference hall, Governing council room, furnished child rights clinic room, canteen, gymnasium, book bank and other facilities. The college has independent three floored library named as 'HIRABAI V. SALGAOCAR LIBRARY' which is well equipped including on line legal data base and digital library. Further a video digital camera is made available for the college and the college premise is kept under constant CCTV surveillance. The College is a full-time College and functions from 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. It has well qualified and competent teaching faculty and administrative staff.

Imparting quality legal education for over four decades in the State of Goa, the College has the unique distinction of being the first law college in India to be awarded "A" grade by NAAC. It has proudly kept up its tradition of excellence and has been once again awarded "A" grade by NAAC during its re-accreditation in 2012. It is the first to secure the All India Institutional Excellence Award in 2011.

The Law Degree Programme at this College is a Professional Degree Programme and is especially designed for those who intend to take law as a profession either as advocates or law consultants or law officers or any other related field.

In addition to regular classroom teaching, students are required to actively participate in the various learning processes like

- Seminars,
- Symposiums,
- Moot Courts,
- Client Counseling,
- Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanisms such as Mediation & Negotiation,
- Mock Trial,
- Work Shops,
- Law clubs,
- Pursue clinical legal education,
- Group Discussions,
- Debates etc.

In addition, they are required to participate in moot courts organized by the College, attend the legal aid cells every week ends, attend court, learn court ethics, follow up cases, and attend lawyer's office as required under the teaching program.

The students are also provided a platform to participate in plethora of competitions such as debates, skits, moot courts, client counseling, mediation, negotiation etc. Such competitions are based on legal topics and mock cases which are organized at the state level, national as well as international level. This gives them an opportunity to undergo pre training exposure simultaneously while pursuing their studies. The law degree programme is an intensive course and the students are required to be actively involved in the activities of the College. They have to also undergo internship training during 4th and 5th year of the course.

The College has established a permanent Consumer Clinic, Prisons Clinic and Child Rights Clinic to provide legal aid to the aggrieved parties. The College is also known for rendering valuable, tangible and free of cost service to the community in the State of Goa through Legal Aid activity.

The Institution is unique for having 27 permanent Legal Aid Cells established in Goa for creating legal awareness on laws, obtaining senior citizen cards; Krishi Cards, check implementation of welfare schemes and to provide such other service.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF 2018-19

1. Knowledge Steez Award

V. M. Salgaocar College of Law was conferred the Knowledge Steez Award of Excellence for contribution to the field of Legal Aid and Justice Education at the 3rd National Conference on Human Rights and Gender Justice on 23rd June 2018 in Indian Law Institute, New Delhi.



2. Convocation 2018

Goa University conducted its Annual Convocation on 7th July 2018. It was a proud moment for VMSCL as the following students' secured gold medal.

Laxman Sawant - Gold Medal - LL.M (Overall)

Rukhsar Shaikh - Gold medal, LL.M (Legal Theory)

Gautami Phadte - Gold Medal (Constitutional Law)

Vrushika Kauthankar - Gold Medal, LL.B



3. First Place in Newspaper Supplement Making Competition

VMSCL won the First Place and a consolation prize in newspaper supplement making competition organized by Economics and History Department of Fr. Agnel College, Pillar on 14th August, 2018. The students of SY.B.A.LLB and T.Y.B.A.LLB participated in the competition. The theme was Goa as a Wedding destination and unexplored heritage sites of Goa. The students were guided by Asst. Prof. Ms. Meghana Kapdi and Asst. Prof. Ms. Danica Menezes.



4. Winners in Taekwondo

Karena Shirodkar won Gold medal and Sanjana Chodankar and Asifa B. Khan won Bronze Medals in Taekwondo Competition organised by Goa University.



5. Best Mediator award at NLIU INADR International Law School Mediation Tournament

Rashmita Monserrate, Aditi Singh and Vaibhavi Rane represented VMSCL at 7th NLIU INADR International Law School Mediation Tournament, National Law Institute University, Bhopal. Rashmita won the Best Mediator award and the team was adjudged as the second best mediation team.



6. Best advocate award Shankarrao Kanitkar National Moot Court Competition

Siddhi Naik and Ujwala Narvekar represented VMSCL at 13th Shankarrao Kanitkar National Moot Court Competition at Modern Law College, Pune. Siddhi Naik won the best advocate Award.



7. Winners of legal Tournament 2019 at Symbiosis Law School Pune

- Chengalvarayan, Anusha Almeida and Rhea Almeida won the Best Mediation Team
- Anusha Almeida and Rhea Almeida - The Second Best Mediating Pair
- Chengalvarayan - Semifinalist (Mediator)
- Kabir Sabnis and Rajdeep Prabhugaonkar - Semifinalists (Client Counseling)



8. Winners of Law Quiz at Juris Open at G. R. Kare College of Law, Goa

Sachin Panicker and Herrah Barreto were declared as the winners of the Law quiz at Juris Open 2019 organized by G. R. Kare College of Law, Goa.



9. Champions of Students' Parliament Competition 2019

VMSCCL won Students' Parliament Competition 2019. The event was organised by Goa Legislature Forum, Goa Legislature Secretariat. The Best Parliamentarian Award was bagged by Ms. Rajlaxmi Bhatkar and The Best Speaker Award by Mr. S. B. Chengalvarayan. An achievement worth lauding was attained because of the continuous support of the Principal of VMSCCL Dr. M. R. K. Prasad and tireless efforts of the student participants and Faculty Coordinators Prof. Fouzia Rizvi, Prof. Aamod Shirali, Prof. Hegel D'Costa and Prof. Danica Menezes for mentoring and guiding the students.



10. Achievement at Second Surana and Surana & Dr. M.S Ramaiah Tort Law Moot & Judgment Writing Competitions

Isha Saglani, Natasha Couto, Prabhav Shirvoikar represented VMSCL at Second Surana and Surana & Dr. M.S Ramaiah Tort Law Moot & Judgment Writing Competitions from 8th to 10th March 2019. Isha Saglani was adjudged as the 2nd best student advocate.



HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED IN 2018-19

1. Oration on Cyber Crime and Importance of Organ Donation:

A Guest lecture on Awareness on Cyber Crime cum Organ Donation was organized by the Tiswadi Taluka Legal Service Committee and North Goa District Legal Service Authority on 5th July 2018 for the Third Year LL. B (Degree) and Fifth Year B.A. LL. B students as a part of Professional Competency Building series. Speakers for the event were Hon'ble Judge Pooja Kavlekar, Chairperson, Tiswadi Legal Service Committee, Dr. Shekar Salkar, Oncologist, Manipal Hospital, and Mr. Malikarjun Cyber Forensic Expert, Cyber Crime Police Station.



2. History Society Inauguration:

History Society of V. M Salgaocar College of Law was inaugurated at the hands of Prof. Prajal Sakhardande on 3rd August 2018. The faculty in-charges of the society are Asst. Prof. Meghana Kapdi and Asst. Prof. Meghana Shet.

3. GST Clinic Inauguration:

The GST clinic was inaugurated on 13th of August, 2018 amidst the presence of CGST Commissioner, Goa who was the chief guest for the function and Chartered Accountant Pradip Kakodkar who was the Guest of Honour. They both shared knowledgeable insight about GST and how it has become the biggest Indirect tax reform in India. The faculty- in- Charge of the clinic are Prof. Dr. Naguesh Colvalkar, Asst. Prof. Danica Menezes and Asst. Prof. Amir Jamadar.



4. Panel Discussion on the Supreme Court Judgment on Passive Euthenasia: Socio-Medico-Legal dimension

VMSCCL, Society for Youth Development, Sanjeevan Naguesh-Ponda and The International Centre- Goa conducted a Panel Discussion on the Supreme Court Judgment on Passive Euthenasia: Socio- Medico-Legal dimension on 24th August 2018 at ICG, Dona Paula. The event was chaired by Dr. Pushkar, Director- ICG. Dr. M. R. K. Prasad, Advocate Parag Rao, Dr. Shekhar Salkar, Ms. Madhuri Rao, and Prof. Agnelo V. Afonso were the speakers of the event.



5. Guest Lecture by Prof. Gabrielle Appleby from University of New South Wales

The University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia visited college on 16th August 2018 for a deliberation on future collaborations for Knowledge Exchange Program. Guest lecture to Final year students was conducted by Prof. Gabrielle Appleby from University of New South Wales, Sydney on the topic- Why do we need judges?



6. Dahi Handi Celebrations

On 7th September 2018 the student council of VMSCCL organised a Dahi handi competition/celebration. The arrangements were made with the help of few enthusiastic student volunteers. DJ was arranged to play music. TY degree won the first place and SY degree finished second. The celebration was concluded with prize distribution.



7. Lex Infinitum

Lex Infinitum, the International Mediation Competition was organised by VMSCL on 9th - 12th January 2019 at V. M. Salgaocar Institute of International Hospitality. A total of 24 teams, national as well as international, participated in the Competition. The winners are as follows:

- Best Negotiating teams: NUS Singapore
- Best Mediator: Jagiellonian University, Poland
- Runners Up Negotiating team: GLC Mumbai
- Mediator (Runner Up): Christ University, Bengaluru

8. Street Plays by Child Rights Clinic

Child Rights Clinic of V. M. Salgaocar College of Law, Miramar Panaji Goa celebrated National Girl Child Day on January 24th 2019. 16 students enacted a street play showing various vices pertaining to a girl child e.g. inequality at home, sexual abuse, menstrual problems and the humiliation faced and finally Eve teasing. The street play was performed at Panjim Market, Kadamba Bus Stand at Patto and finally at Caculo Mall in Panaji. The students were cheered and well appreciated by the crowd.



9. The Second Regional Consultation on Strengthening and Promoting Law School Clinics in India

V.M. Salgaocar College of Law, Miramar in association with Jindal Global Law School, Haryana organised The Second Regional Consultation on Strengthening and Promoting Law School Clinics in India on 6th February, 2019. The Resource persons included Dr. Frank Bloch, Vanderbilt University, Law School, Chicago, Mr. Alok Agarwal and Mr. Sunil Chauhan from NALSA, Prof. Ajay Pandey from Jindal Global Law School, Haryana and Prof. Dr. M.R.K. Prasad, Principal, VMSCL. Schools from Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Karnataka and Goa participated in this Consultation.



10. Translation of Guidelines regarding the Rights of Arrested Person in Konkani

The Legal Aid Society of V.M.Salgaocar College of Law, Miramar in association with Inspector General of Police, Government of Goa and Official Language Department of State of Goa was successful in completing its project on Translation of Guidelines regarding the Rights of Arrested Person in Regional language, Konkani. Shri. Parmaditya, Deputy Inspector General of Police, Government of Goa unveiling the banner on rights of Arrested Persons in the presence of other dignitaries. DIG appreciated the efforts of the members of Legal Aid Society and stressed upon the need to bridge a gap between general public, law and state agencies.



11. Inauguration of Centre for Disability Rights

V. M. Salgaocar College of Law, inaugurated its Centre for Disability Rights at the hands of Shri. Ashok Agarwal, Member Secretary, National Legal Service Authority, New Delhi in the presence of other dignitaries and members of Clinic on 6th February, 2019.



12. Annual Prize Distribution

VMSCL organised its annual day on 9th March 2019 and distributed prizes to felicitate meritorious students in academics as well as sports. The Chief Guest for the function was Mr. Sidharth Kuncalienkar, Chairman GSIDC. The programme was Compered by Ms. Joslyn Dsouza and Ms. Aishwarya Sinari. Dr. S. Mandrekar gave the vote of thanks.

