



Devi Sharvani Education Society's V.M. Salgaocar College of Law Miramar - Panjim, Goa, 403 001 - India

V.M. Salgaocar College of Law Perspective Plan (2024-2029)

Since its inception in 1973, V.M. Salgaocar College of Law has been a pioneer in legal education in Goa and India. The College has continually evolved to meet the demands of a dynamic global environment, upholding its mission of imparting quality legal education in pursuit of justice and service to humanity.

Mission & Vision

Mission

Excellentia Justitia et Humanitas (Excellence in Legal Education in pursuit of Justice and Service to Humanity).

Vision

Guided by the principle "Let Justice be done though the Heavens Fall," the College strives for excellence in legal education, fostering respect for human dignity, and upholding justice and equity.

Strategic Objectives for 2024-2029

1. New campus for the Institution

- In its latest initiative, the College envisions a new state-of-the-art building equipped with modern amenities designed to enhance the learning environment, facilitate research, and foster collaboration.
- The Management in consultation with the IQAC and the faculty members conducted several meetings to discuss the layout of the new campus and the

V. M. Salgaocar College of Law Miramar, Panaji Goa amenities that would be required to cater the needs of the students and the faculties.

- The building is designed to accommodate students from within and outside the State of Goa, as we aim to broaden the legal education outreach.
- The proposed building will include advanced lecture halls, specialized legal clinics, digital resource centres, and collaborative spaces, positioning the College to expand its academic offerings and community outreach.

2. Autonomy by 2026-2027

- With a clear vision to achieve autonomy by 2026-2027, V.M. Salgaocar College of Law will actively work towards enhancing its academic and institutional framework.
- To provide the college with greater control over its academic programs,
- To enable to introduce innovative courses and redesign its curriculum to better address contemporary legal challenges.
- To adapt to new academic policies, course offerings, and examination structures will enhance the flexibility of the institution in catering to the diverse needs of its student body and legal landscape.
- To provide an opportunity to experiment with new pedagogical approaches, integrate emerging legal fields.
- To provide an opportunity to innovate in assessment systems and course structures.
- As part of its preparations for autonomy, the College will work towards fulfilling all necessary criteria and submitting the required documentation.

3. Deemed University by 2029-2030

- In addition to its aspiration to achieve autonomy by 2026-2027, V.M. Salgaocar
 College of Law has set its sights on an even more ambitious goal: to attain the
 status of a deemed university by 2029-2030. This milestone would represent a
 significant leap forward in the institution's growth and development, offering
 unprecedented opportunities to expand its academic reach and global influence.
- To enable the College to confer degrees independently, thereby enhancing its ability to craft specialized, interdisciplinary, and innovative academic programs that are aligned with the evolving needs of both the legal profession and society.
- To enable the College to attract and retain internationally renowned faculty members and global collaborations.
- The College will be better positioned to secure research grants, scholarships, and endowments, which will not only boost its financial sustainability but also enable it to offer more opportunities for students, faculty, and researchers.

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4. Value-Oriented Legal Education

To produce legally proficient and ethically driven professionals, the College will:

Expanded Legal Aid Outreach

- ✓ Increase the number of legal aid camps, focusing on underserved areas.
- Encourage active student involvement in Legal Aid Cells and Social Justice Clinics.
- Develop on-campus, subject-specific clinics that involve administrative support, research, and advocacy.

Environmental & Social Responsibility

- Conduct awareness campaigns on environmental conservation and sustainability.
- ✓ Host events on significant legal and social dates to foster respect for gender equality, rule of law, and human rights.

5. Enhancing Global Competence

To prepare students for global challenges, the College will:

• New Certificate/Diploma Programs

✓ Launch diploma and certificate programs in emerging areas like AI and Law, Cyber Law, Climate Law, and Human Rights Law, based on industry needs and professional feedback.

• International Collaborations & Student Exchange

✓ Establish collaborations with international universities, law firms, and industries to facilitate student exchange and joint research projects.

• Industry Connections & Guest Faculty

✓ Invite prominent legal experts, including advocates, judges, and academicians, as guest faculty to provide industry insights.

• Career Development & Internships

✓ Strengthen career counselling services and expand internship opportunities with leading law firms, corporations, and public sector organizations.

6. Advanced Use of Technology

Embracing digital transformation is key to the future of legal education, and the institution will:



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ICT-Enabled Classrooms

✓ Ensure Wi-Fi enablement and ICT modernization in all classrooms within the new building.

• Enhanced E-Learning Resources

 Expand access to leading online legal databases and e-journals for a broader scope of legal knowledge.

Automation of Administration & Academic Processes

✓ Implement online systems for admissions, exams, and student services, as well as cloud-based accounting software for efficient financial management.

7. Bridging the Gap Between Classroom and Courtroom

To better prepare students for real-world practice, the College will:

Hands-on Legal Training

- ✓ Increase opportunities for Moot Court competitions, Mock Trials, and ADR Competitions.
- ✓ Launch certificate courses in Civil and Criminal Practice to bridge theoretical knowledge and practical skills.

Real-World Exposure through Clinics

✓ Expand the reach of Legal Aid Cells and specialized clinics (e.g., Child Rights Clinic, Consumer Clinic, and Prison Clinic) to expose students to authentic legal challenges.

8. Contribution to Legal Development

Enhancing the College's role in research and legal reform, the College will:

Research & Publications

✓ Encourage more research projects and publication efforts on evolving legal issues.

Legal Reforms & Public Interest Litigations (PILs)

✓ Engage students and faculty in identifying legal gaps and advocating for amendments to existing laws through PILs.

Workshops on Legal Compliance

 ✓ Host workshops on critical legal issues, focusing on legal empowerment and compliance (e.g., POCSO Act, POSH Act, and RTI Act).

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9. Legal Education as a Service to Humanity Committed to social justice and community service, the College will:

Expanding Legal Aid Cells and Clinics

✓ Broaden the scope of services provided by Legal Aid Cells and clinics, such as the Child Rights Clinic and Labour Law Club.

Social Justice Initiatives

✓ Engage students and faculty in advocating for social causes, focusing on justice access, gender rights, and human trafficking.

Monitoring & Evaluation

The College will implement a continuous monitoring mechanism to track progress in key areas such as student success, faculty development, research output, and community outreach. Stakeholder feedback will be incorporated periodically to refine the plan and ensure the College stays on course.

The 2024-2029 Perspective Plan reflects the College's commitment to staying at the forefront of legal education while adapting to a changing global landscape. By building a new, modernized campus and pursuing autonomy by 2026-2027 and deemed university status by 2029-2030, V.M. Salgaocar College of Law is positioned to continue its legacy as a beacon of legal education and a vital contributor to legal reform in India. This plan embodies the College's dedication to expanding its impact, responding to global legal trends, and advancing justice, equity, and academic excellence.

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