



nmims lawquest 2025

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ABOUT NMIMS

NMIMS Kirit P. Mehta School of Law (KPM SOL) which is a part of the SVKM group of Schools and Colleges under the NMIMS Deemed to be University in Mumbai has been approved by the Bar Council of India in the year 2013 which is also its year of establishment.

School of Law inculcates and nourishes all the professional virtues in a well calculated and planned manner, without undermining the 'societal values'

The academics and support mechanism in Kirit P. Mehta School of Law is to facilitate all the determined students to give their best so as to be the 'Best' when it comes to application of theory in practice. The 'Legal Skills' built by SOL during the 5 years period should enrich a student to convert challenges into

'benchmark' in legal world and withstand economic, social, political and judicial scrutiny. Kirit P. Mehta

School of Law, NMIMS aims to refine students' competency by engaging them in curricular and extra-curricular activities. Qualified faculties and support staff assist learners to easily integrate into the course and participate in events. The School of Law engages in case study model and class-debate methods as its chief teaching pedagogy

ABOUT CRC

The Centre for Research and Conferences (earlier known as Centre for Excellence) of NMIMS Kirit P. Mehta School of Law, Mumbai, was established as the Centre for Legal Research and Application, in 2018. The Centre aims to significantly enhance legal research and development, through its integration with allied disciplines, and through extensive exploration of contemporary developments in the law. The Centre for Research and Conferences engages in a discourse between various stakeholders to interact and exchange ideas pertaining to legal academia. The Centre for Research and Conferences undertakes a compendious examination and critical analysis of governmental institutions, executive powers, legal policies, and judicial guidelines. Centre for Research and Conferences endeavours to promote effective ideation and provision of a platform to formulate unconventional and pioneering recommendations to various policy making institutions for making existing legal provisions more humane and functional. All new ideas and innovations emanating from budding legal minds that work towards access to justice are welcomed and will be guided by expert resource persons.

ABOUT LAW QUEST

CRC is back with another event after completion of many successful events. We are ready to dive deep into the world of Legal Research and Publications. CRC is providing a platform for sharing and disseminating research findings and knowledge, to allow researchers to gain recognition and feedback from their peers and experts in the field. The competition further aims at facilitating networking and collaboration among researchers, both within and outside the university. Participating in such competitions on Important Legal Areas would help students to learn and grow in the Legal Field.

ARTICLE WRITING

Theme I: Crime, Law and Society

- 1. Theoretical Perspectives on Crime: From Retributive Justice to Restorative Paradigms**
- 2. Socio-Economic Dimensions of Criminality: Poverty, Marginalisation and Access to Justice**
- 3. Gender, Crime and the Law: Intersectional Approaches to Justice**
- 4. Technology and Crime: Cybercrimes, Digital Evidence, and Data Privacy**

Theme II: Cybersecurity and Digital Rights

- 1. Data Protection and Informational Privacy in the Age of Surveillance Capitalism.**
- 2. Cross-Border Jurisdictional Conflicts in Cybercrime Prosecution**
- 3. Cybersecurity Governance: National Sovereignty and International Norm-Building.**
- 4. The Digital Divide and Equity: Access, Exclusion and Rights in the Information Age**
- 5. Intellectual Property in Cyberspace: Innovation, Sharing and Enforcement**

Theme III: International and Humanitarian Law

- 1. Use of Force and Collective Security: Revisiting the UN Charter in Contemporary Conflicts**
- 2. Humanitarian Intervention and the Responsibility to Protect: Law, Politics and Morality**
- 3. International Criminal Accountability: War Crimes, Genocide and the Role of the ICC**
- 4. Non-State Actors in Armed Conflicts: Legal Status, Accountability and Challenges**
- 5. Cultural Property and Armed Conflict: Protection, Restitution and International Obligations**

Theme IV: Health and Bioethics

- 1. The Right to Health under International and Domestic Legal Regimes**
- 2. Ethical Challenges in Biotechnology: Genetic Editing, Cloning and Reproductive Rights**
- 3. Indigenous Knowledge, Traditional Medicine and Biopiracy: Legal and Ethical Dimensions**
- 4. Global Health Inequalities: Justice, Solidarity and the Role of International Institutions**

CASE COMMENTARY

Theme I: Women juvenile and custodial justice

1. **Salil Bali v. Union of India (2013)** - Juvenile Justice Act upheld, age of juvenility maintained at 18
2. **Mukesh v. State for NCT of Delhi (2017, Nirbhaya Case)** - Role of juvenile accused and reformatory justice debates
3. **Sheela Barse v. Union of India (1986)** - Rights of children in custody and speedy trial for juveniles
4. **Manuela v. El Salvador (2021, Inter-American Court of Human Rights)**

Theme II: Sports gambling and legal boundaries

1. **Board of Control for Cricket in India v. Cricket Association of Bihar (2015)** - Governance and internal disputes
2. **State of Kerala v. K. K. Narayanan (2012)** - Gambling and sports betting regulations
3. **European Superleague Company (ESL) v UEFA and FIFA, (2023, Spain)**
4. **Ladbrokes Betting & Gaming Ltd v. The Government of Norway (2007, EFTA Court)**

Theme III: Gender sexuality and personal laws

1. Navtej Singh Johar v. Union of India (2018) - Decriminalization of Section 377 IPC
2. Shayara Bano v. Union of India (2017) - Triple Talaq declared unconstitutional
3. European Court of Human Rights, Goodwin v. United Kingdom (2002)
4. Obergefell v. Hodges (2015, USA)

Theme IV: Entertainment IP and digital culture

1. Bajaj Auto Ltd. v. TVS Motor Company Ltd. (Madras High Court, 2007)
2. Indian Music Industry v. OpenAI & Others (Delhi High Court, 2025)
3. Fisher v Brooker, (2009, United Kingdom)
4. Star Wars v. Battlestar Galactica (1978, USA)

STRATEGIC GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK

Theme I: Global Governance Policy and Strategic Law-Making

1. Recalibrating Multilateral Institutions: Structural Reforms in the UN, WTO and IMF
2. National Sovereignty and the Challenges of Transnational Legal Regimes
3. Strategic Law-Making in Response to Climate Change and Global Security Threats
4. The Role of Customary International Law in Shaping Policy Norms

Theme II: Education Policy and Skill Development

1. Vocational and Skill-Oriented Training as a Policy Response to Labour Market Demands
2. Higher Education Reform and the Global Knowledge Economy
3. Education Policy, Social Justice and Inclusion in Plural Societies
4. Integration of Artificial Intelligence and Adaptive Learning in Curriculum Design

Theme III: Commercial and Corporate Law in a Changing Economy

- 1. Corporate Governance Policies: Transparency, Accountability and Shareholder Protection**
- 2. Regulatory Challenges in Start-Up Ecosystems and the Platform Economy**
- 3. Insolvency and Bankruptcy Frameworks as Instruments of Economic Stability**
- 4. Embedding Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Principles in Corporate Law**

Theme IV: Cryptocurrency, FinTech and Digital Finance Policy

- 1. FinTech as a Policy Tool for Financial Inclusion and Credit Accessibility**
- 2. Data Protection, Cybersecurity and Consumer Rights in Digital Financial Systems**
- 3. Cross-Border Financial Regulation: Addressing Tax Evasion and Illicit Financial Flows**
- 4. Harmonization of International Crypto Regulatory Standards**

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IMPORTANT DATES

Registration Open:

29th September 2025

Early Bird Close:

15th October 2025

Registrations Close:

15th November 2025

Submissions Open:

1st Nov 2025

Submissions Close:

30th Nov 2025

Results:

December 2025

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