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10th to 26th Feb 2026

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Programme Timings

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM,
Every day except Sundays & Public Holidays

Total Hours

28 Hours

Mode

Online (through Cisco WebEx)

Programme Fee

For External Participants: ₹1,000
For GNLU Participants: ₹500



About GNLU

Gujarat National Law University (GNLU), located in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India, was established by the Government of Gujarat under the Gujarat National Law University Act, 2003 and is recognised by the Bar Council of India and University Grants Commission. GNLU is a student-centric, multidisciplinary, and research-focused University, dedicated to building an environment enabling critical thinking on fundamental legal issues. It offers B.A., LL.B. (Hons.), B.Com., LL.B. (Hons.), B.Sc. LL.B. (Hons.), B.B.A., LL.B. (Hons.), B.S.W. LL.B (Hons.), LL.M. and Ph.D. in law and allied subjects. GNLU has been ranked among the Top 5 National Law Universities in India by NIRF 2025 Rankings and the Best Law School in Gujarat with 5 Stars by GSIRF. It is the only National Law University to have established its own satellite campus at Silvassa, UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.



About CWCR



Established in September 2020 under the aegis of GNLU, the Centre for Women and Child Rights (CWCR) aims to develop, promote and support advanced interdisciplinary studies and research at the intersection of law and policy in areas including gender rights, reproductive justice, and social inclusion. Our initiatives include critical legal research, student-led advocacy, and collaborative projects aimed at fostering meaningful change. As part of our efforts to strengthen women's rights and gender justice, we organised a 15-day certificate course in March 2025 on *Reproductive Justice in India*, which concluded with 16 speakers and 900+ participants. We have also successfully organised courses on *Gender Jurisprudence in India* and *Child Rights in India* in the year 2022 and 2023 respectively.





About V. V. Giri National Labour Institute

V. V. Giri National Labour Institute, under the Ministry of Labour of Government of India, is an autonomous civil service training institute dedicated to the research in the field of labour and training of civil servants which includes labour administrators, trade unions, public sector managers and other government functionaries concerned with labour.

Research related to Labour is one of the primary activities of the institute which also undertakes seminars, workshops and lectures on specific issues periodically. V.V.Giri National Labour Institute has been offering M.Phil. and Ph.D. courses since 2019 in collaboration with Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.



About the Programme



Organised as part of March for Women Initiative 2.0, this capacity building programme seeks to examine how questions of gender intersect with issues of economic agency, justice, and development. Through a comprehensive 14-day schedule, participants will have an opportunity to look into the past development of feminist economic thought, study the lived realities and systemic challenges determining women's labour across sectors such as sex work, manual scavenging, and domestic work, and critically correspond with the underlying dynamics that reinforce gendered economic inequalities. The programme aims to bridge theoretical frameworks with ground realities, incorporating perspectives from activism, policy, and lived experiences to present a nuanced understanding of gender justice in economic contexts.

Details of the Programme

- The course shall be over a span of three weeks (14 days).
 - There will be 2-hour sessions each day.
 - **Timings:** 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
 - **Dates:** 10th to 26th February 2026
 - **Holidays:** Mahashivratri (16th) and Sundays (15th & 22nd)
 - **Platform:** Cisco Webex. The link for the meeting(s) will be shared with all **registered participants**.
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Programme Objectives

1. Learn the trajectory of feminist economic thought from early industrial changes to present neoliberal frameworks.
2. Look into the underlying barriers that still prevent women from participating in the economy in a variety of fields, including entrepreneurship, agriculture, informal and digital economies, and unpaid care work.
3. Using knowledge from different stakeholders at the forefront of gender and economic justice to investigate how gender interacts with caste, class, and sexual orientation to produce uneven economic opportunities.
4. Review policy approaches, including gender budgeting, labour safeguards, & rights-based economic frameworks.

Expected Participants

- Students of law, economics, social sciences, and related disciplines
 - Legal professionals, advocates, and judicial officers
 - Development practitioners and social workers
 - Policy researchers and government officials
 - Activists and members of civil society organisations
 - Journalists and media professionals
 - Anyone interested in deepening their understanding of gender and economic justice
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Resource Persons & Topics



13 FEB

Dr. Balwinder Kaur (she/her)

Associate Professor of Law,
Dr. B.R. Ambedkar National Law University

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM IST

Topic: Women and their Role in the
Informal Sector

13 FEB

Dr. Shashi Bala (she/her)

Senior Fellow (Faculty),
V. V. Giri National Labour Institute

3:00 PM to 5:00 PM IST

Topic: The Growing Need to Empower
Rural Women and their Economic Growth



17 FEB

Dr. Sharon Barnhardt (she/her)

Director, Research at the Centre for Social and Behaviour Change,
Ashoka University

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM IST

Topic: Development Economics & Behavioural
Activities and its Impact on Gender Policy

19 FEB

Mr. Rameez Raja (he/him)

Senior Research Fellow,
Aligarh Muslim University

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM IST

Topic: Transgender Inclusion in Economic
and Financial Sector



20 FEB

Dr. Sona Mitra (she/her)

Director,
Institute for What Works to Advance Gender Equality
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM IST

Topic: Female Employment and Work
Patterns among Urban Women in India

Resource Persons & Topics



21 FEB

Dr. Dhanya M B (she/her)

*Fellow (Faculty),
VV Giri National Labour Institute
3:30 PM to 5:30 PM IST*

Topic: Women's Work in Transition: Microfinance, Entrepreneurship, & the Gig Economy

23 FEB

Anweshaa Ghosh (she/her)

*Research Fellow & Program Lead,
Institute of Social Studies Trust
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM IST*

Topic: Role of Digitalisation & Non-traditional Livelihood on Women's Economic Empowerment



24 FEB

Dr. Sanghamitra Dhar (she/her)

*Programme Lead,
Gender Responsive Budgeting Unit, UN Women ICO
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM IST*

Topic: Women's Empowerment & Inclusive Growth through Gender Budgeting

25 FEB

Dr. Asha Verma (she/her)

*Assistant Professor of Law,
Gujarat National Law University
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM IST*

Topic: Women's Socio-Economic Empowerment and its Need



MORE TO BE REVEALED SOON!



Registration

- For External Participants: ₹1,000
- For GNLU Participants: ₹500

Certification

Requirements for getting a certificate include:

- **Mandatory Attendance:** 75% requirement
 - **Evaluation:** A 30 marks MCQ test shall be taken on the last day, with at least a 50% score required for the certificate
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Steps to Register

- All participants must register through the link given below for receiving links to the programme sessions.

[Registration Form](#) [[Click Here](#)]

<https://forms.gle/EiccHXrNKfk2eLgV6>

Last Date of Registration: 9th February 2026
(Extended)

- The fee must be paid during registration only.
- Click on the payment link given below. You will be redirected to the payment gateway. Select “Capacity Building Programme on Women at Work: Aligning Gender Justice and Economic Freedom” and pay INR 1,000/500 as the course fee.
- Click on the registration form link provided above. You will be redirected to a Google Form. Fill in details like name, email ID, contact number, and affiliation, and attach a screenshot of the proof of payment.
- You will receive an email confirming your registration.

[Payment Link](#) [[Click here](#)]

<https://rzp.io/rzp/FOKv2Nb>

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