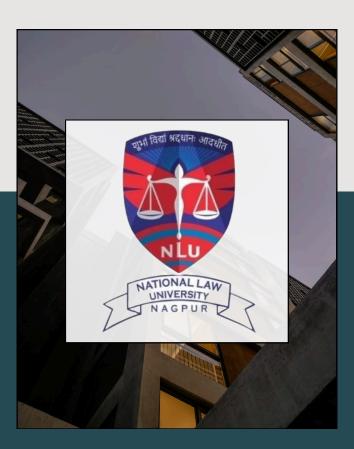
# THE 2<sup>ND</sup> NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GENDER JUSTICE: BREAKING STEREOTYPES, DISCRIMINATIONS AND PREJUDICES

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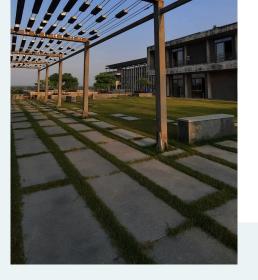


# About MNLU, NAGPUR



Maharashtra National Law University (MNLU), Nagpur was established by the Government of Maharashtra in 2014. The university is an academic community striving for excellence and holistic development to contribute meaningfully to society. It aims to produce socially responsible accountable legal professionals. To realize this vision, the university, through its centres, works to develop legal and intellectual acumen within its academic community, fostering a confident and critical outlook towards the profession and society.







The Centre for Gender Justice Studies, an initiative by Prof. (Dr.) Shilpa Jain, Professor of Law at Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur, aims to address the emerging rights of diverse genders and ensure their freedom to fully realize basic rights. Committed to contributing meaningfully to the field, the Centre undertakes interdisciplinary studies involving legal academia and other stakeholders, enriching the global discourse on gender justice.

Gender equality is not only a fundamental human right but a necessary foundation for a peaceful, prosperous, sustainable world. It is important to observe that sex is biological manifestation, while gender is a social tag that is based on certain pre-defined norms. The Constitution of India guarantees equality before the law and equal opportunity for all, yet overcoming discrimination and prejudice remains a long journey. Additionally, Goal 5 of

the Sustainable Development Goals 2015 aims for gender equality by 2030. Achieving this calls for resilience against persistent barriers. To achieve an overall development, the marginalized genders must engage socially, economically and politically on a larger level. In this backdrop MNLU, Nagpur is organizing the 2nd National Conference on "Gender Justice: Breaking Stereotypes, Discriminations and Prejudices."

# Call for PAPERS

MNLU, Nagpur invites original research papers for presentation at the 2nd National Conference on "Gender Justice: Breaking Stereotypes, Discriminations and Prejudices." Contributions are welcomed from academicians, legal practitioners, researchers, scholars, and students.

The listed sub-themes are indicative, not exhaustive, and contributors are encouraged to explore any relevant topic within the broader theme.

Selected authors will be invited to present their papers during the Conference sessions.

Full papers selected through a peer-review process will be published in a special edited volume with an ISBN.











# **THEMES**

#### GENDER AND LAW

- Impact of New Criminal Laws on Gender Rights and Vulnerabilities
- Gender Justice within Global Legal Frameworks and Treaties
- Paternity, Custody and Visitation in Personal Laws of Father
- Gender and Faith: Navigating Power, Identity, and Belief

#### **GENDER AND ART**

- Trans and Queer Expression Through Contemporary Art
- Changing Representations of Masculinity in Visual Culture
- Feminist and Intersectional Narratives in Film and Media

#### **3** GENDER AND TECHONOLOGY

- Artificial Intelligence: Perpetuator of Gender Bias
- Algorithms of Influence: Digital Identities and Queer Representation Online
- Incel Culture and the Manosphere as Sites of Gendered Identity Formation Online
- Gender Equality through Technology

# **THEMES**

#### 4 GENDER AND ENVIRONMENT

- Climate Change, Migration, and Gendered Vulnerabilities
- Environmental Justice: Intersections with Gender and Power
- Rethinking Nature and Resources through Feminist Political Ecology

#### 5 GENDER AND HEALTH

- Mental Health: Breaking the Silence
- Reproductive and Bodily Autonomy Across the Gender Spectrum
- Trans and Non-Binary Health: Rights, Access, and Gaps in the Health Care System

#### GENDER AND ECONOMICS

- Economic Marginalization of LGBTQIA+ Communities
- Power, Patriarchy, and Masculinity in Economic Structures
- Gender Budgeting: An Economic Analysis







# SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

#### FOR ABSTRACT:

The abstract should not exceed 300 - 350 words, accompanied by a cover page stating the following:

- Theme and Sub-theme
- Title of the paper
- Name of the Author(s)
- E-mail address
- Postal address
- Contact Number

Only the selected abstracts will be permitted for presentation.

Abstracts must be submitted on or before 18th January, 2026 on the following link:

#### https://forms.gle/DJsfcau2Y5DW38886

**Note:** Co-authorship is permitted to a maximum of two authors and at least one author must attend the Conference to present the paper. All submissions must be the author's original and unpublished work.

#### FOR RESEARCH PAPER:

- The word limit of the paper shall be 4000-6000 words (exclusive of footnotes).
- The font style of the paper should be Times New Roman with font size 12 for the main text and 10 for the footnotes.
- The line spacing for the main text and footnotes should be 1.5" and 1" respectively. (Endnotes are not permitted).
- Margin of 1" should be maintained on all four sides of the pages.
- Citation Style: Bluebook, 20th edition.
- The file name should be in the format given.
- Nomenclature Name of Author + Title of paper. The abstract and full paper has to be submitted in .doc format.
- The plagiarism limit is 10%. The submitted manuscript must be original human-authored work and not contain any text generated by artificial intelligence.
- All papers must be submitted on or before February 22, 2026.

## MODE OF CONFERENCE

The Conference shall be held in hybrid mode. The participants can choose to present either in online mode or at the campus of Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

- 1. Abstract Submission: January 18, 2026
- 2. Intimation of Acceptance: January 25, 2026
- 3. Date of Final Registration: January 31, 2026
- 4. Full Paper Submission: February 22, 2026
- 5. Conference Date: March 7, 2026

### **AWARDS**

One paper from each theme will be given the BEST PRESENTATION Award Certificate. The Award will be selected from amongst the papers which are received well within the specified deadline for submission of full paper and has adhered to all the rules related to formatting and has paid the requisite Conference registration fee. Selected papers under each theme will be published in a book carrying ISBN number.

# REGISTRATION DETAILS

Abstract selection will be communicated via email. After the selection of the Abstract, participants are required to pay the registration fees (exclusive of accommodation charges) and upload the receipt to the registration form. Fee payment for registration can be done through the link provided through email. The last date for payment of the registration fee is January 31st, 2026.

Accommodation will be provided on first come first serve basis, with additional charges.



# PAYMENT DETAILS

#### Registration Fee:

Students & Research Scholars

- 1. Single Authorship Rs. 1,500
- 2. Co-Authorship Rs. 2,300

**Academicians & Professionals** 

- 1. Single Authorship Rs. 2,000
- 2. Co-Authorship Rs. 3,000

# Meet

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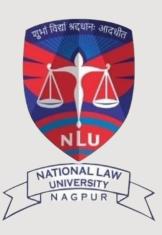


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