

**National Seminar
on
Emerging Trends of
Alternative Dispute Resolution in India**

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Organized by

Faculty of Law
Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi-110025

Concept Note

About the Institution

Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) was established in 1920. Jamia Millia Islamia is one of the few educational institutions which came into being in response to the nationalist call of freedom struggle to boycott educational institutions supported or run by the British colonial rule. Its mentors, teachers and students played a vital role during the Indian struggle for independence. It became a Central University by an Act of Parliament in 1988. In Urdu, Jamia means 'University', and Millia means 'National'. Jamia has nine faculties namely, Education, Humanities & Languages, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, Engineering & Technology, Law, Architecture & Ekistics and Dentistry. Besides, it has 30 centres of learning and research. Jamia Millia Islamia has been ranked at the 12th position among Universities in the country and stands 6th among Central Universities as per the MHRD's National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) India Rankings Report-2018.

The Faculty of Law was established in 1989. Over the past three decades, the Faculty has made significant progress in order to give due emphasis to the expanding horizons of the legal profession. In its continuous endeavours in this regard, the Faculty has since introduced a **Five-Year Integrated B.A.LL. B (Hons.) Programme** from the academic session 2002-2003 thereby replacing the three-year LL.B. Course; a two-year **Post-Graduate Programme (LL.M.)** in three specialized streams of Personal Laws, Corporate Laws and Criminal Laws and a **Ph.D. Programme**, both having commenced from the academic session 2000-2001. The Faculty of Law has also started the LL.M. (Executive) Programme for legal professionals from the year 2017. **LL.M. (Executive) Programme** presents a unique opportunity to specialize in the core topics of legal practice and to do so through a flexible structure that accommodates the demands of professional life.

JMI's Faculty of Law is one of few law faculties that are preparing to offer a new **Post Graduate Diploma in Labour Laws (PGDLL)** from the year 2018 to equip students/professionals with the knowledge and capacities required to act as dispute resolution practitioners, including arbitrators, mediators and conciliators. As a holistic occupationally directed programme, it will produce graduates ready to practice after undergoing the basic practical exposure considered necessary by the industry.

The scientific and technological developments in the field of air and space are so rapid that they have posed challenge to the legal fraternity. The constant increasing volume of disputes in the field of air and space has also resulted in the manifold increase in the legal practitioners working in the field of air and space in the developed countries like United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Russia, Japan, France, Australia etc. Keeping this in mind, the **Post Graduate Diploma in Air and Space Laws (PGDASL)** is a unique initiative undertaken at Faculty of Law, JMI, New Delhi. The Course is designed to provide an in-depth understanding of Air Law and Space Law along with some fundamental principles of public international law related to air and space. The course would be extremely useful to the candidates having wide-ranging background from legal to scientific. **The Faculty of Law, JMI has been placed at 6th position in the MHRD's National Institutional Ranking Framework India Rankings Report-2018.**

About the Seminar

The Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) technique, as the name suggests, evolved as an alternative to the conventional method of dispute settlement by courts. Alternative Dispute Resolution is a technique for resolution of disputes outside the courts. These techniques are encouraging and prospective option for resolution of disputes in India.

With the growth of laws and number of cases, the conventional method of dispute settlement by courts is under great pressure. In order to reduce the burden of Court and save time, efforts are made to resolve the disputes by resorting to Alternative Dispute Resolution techniques. The Arbitration, Mediation, Conciliation and Negotiation are the primary tools of Alternative Dispute Redressal. Arbitration is the most preferred option as it is a speedy remedy since the rules of evidence and procedure are far more flexible; there are no crowded dockets; arbitrators are experts in the issues being addressed; there can be a relevantly higher level of confidentiality and privacy; whereas corruption and political overreach are minimized; and the parties can choose preferred laws and procedures to be applied.

With the globalization, liberalization and rapid growth of international trade, there is higher growth of settlement of international disputes through International Commercial Arbitration. While keeping the growth of India's economic development coupled with the renewed confidence of foreign investors to invest in India, it has become important to provide a swifter justice delivery system to resolve commercial disputes. For a country like India with its burgeoning cases waiting to be disposed with limited judicial

outreach, arbitration can be a valuable option to resolve the disputes. The Seminar endeavors to cover the emerging issues and challenges faced for settlement of disputes through alternative dispute resolution techniques in India.

Objective of the Seminar

Alternative Dispute Resolution is being increasingly acknowledged in the field of law and commercial sector. The very reasons for origin of Alternative Dispute Resolution are tiresome processes of litigation, higher costs and inadequacy of the court system. In the final quarter of the last century, there was phenomenal growth of science and technology. It has made a great impact on commercial life while increasing competition throughout the world. It also generated a concern for protection of the rights of the parties. The legal system does not provide adequate response to the new regime and problems relating to the commercial world which requires speedy and effective resolution of disputes. In this context, dispute resolution through ADR techniques are seen as more effective and viable. Considering its significance, the Faculty of Law, JMI is organizing a Seminar on Alternative Dispute Resolution with the following proposed objective:

- To enhance the knowledge, understanding and scope of ADR;
- To explore and expound the understanding of the emerging trends of ADR;
- To create awareness of importance of ADR as part of justice delivery system;
- To strengthen the implementation of ADR effectively;
- To equip the students and professionals with practical aspect of ADR techniques to promote independent career in the field; &
- To look for futuristic assessment of best practice in the area of ADR.

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) is a collection of techniques used for the purpose of resolving conflicts informally while avoiding lengthy and costly legal procedures. The present seminar has been conceptualized with the objective of taking stock of the progress made by India in the sphere of law; while creating space for discussion on matters pertaining to legal issues concerning Alternative Dispute Resolution.

In this background there is an incessant call to hold seminars, conferences, workshops, symposia and discussions to elicit valuable inputs from the ground so as to effectively shed light on the usage of the best practices of dispute resolution techniques in India. The Seminar aims to enhance the understanding of the legal issues related to dispute resolution techniques while providing an updated account of law incorporating the recent amendments in the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.

This National Seminar offers an opportunity to experts from various disciplines comprising of Researchers, Academicians, Policymakers, Government Organizations, Law Experts, International Lawyers, Judges, Negotiators, Diplomats, Government Representatives, National Organizations, Media Representatives, Non-Governmental

Organizations and Students to come together and share their valuable thoughts on the issues relating to following majors themes:

- (i) Alternative Dispute Resolution System
- (ii) Emerging Issues in Arbitration, Conciliation, Mediation and Negotiation
- (iii) Legislation and ADR Practices in India
- (iv) Role of Judiciary in ADR
- (v) ADR and Criminal Justice System in India
- (vi) Scope of Institutional Arbitration in India
- (vii) International Commercial Arbitration
- (viii) Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards
- (ix) Mediation in Family and Matrimonial Disputes
- (x) Online Dispute Resolution
- (xi) Emergency Arbitration

The above themes are indicative and the author can send the article on any topic related to the broad theme of the Seminar.

Call for Papers

Seminar papers are invited from the academicians, practitioners, researchers, scholars and students on the issues related to the above themes. It is also proposed that the selected papers by the Committee will be published in a special volume on the Seminar in the form of an edited book with ISBN No. Authors of selected papers would be given an opportunity to present their papers as per requirement of the theme during sessions on the day of the seminar.

Guidelines for Submission

Interested authors should submit an abstract of their original research/conceptual papers and empirical studies/case studies briefly describing objectives, methodology, major results and its implications in about 300-350 words. All abstracts will be peer reviewed and evaluated before final acceptance. Authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to submit and present full paper at the seminar. Accepted abstracts are likely to be published in the Souvenir of the projected Seminar. The length of the full papers should normally not exceed approximately 5000 words (excluding tables, figures, illustrations and references etc.) and it must be typed in Times New Roman Font Size 12 on A4 size paper with 1" margin on all sides with 1.5 line spacing using MS Word. The Blue Book: A Uniform System of Citation (19th ed.) must be strictly adhered to while submitting the abstract and full papers.

All the Abstracts and Full-length papers shall be sent as an attachment on email id. **nationalseminar.fol@jmi.ac.in**

Registration Procedure & Fees

Participants willing to attend the Seminar should fill the enclosed Registration Form and submit it latest by **30thSeptember, 2018**. Filled-in registration form can be sent

electronically @nationalseminar.fol@jmi.ac.in or by post. **Registration Fees can only be paid in cash at the Registration Desks on the inaugural day at the venue [Faculty of Law, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi-110025].**

Types of Delegates	Registration Fee
Professionals (NGOs/Media Persons/Polycymakers)	Rs. 1000
Academicians	Rs. 800
Research Scholars	Rs. 600
Students	Rs. 400
Foreign Delegates	US\$ 50

Note

- Last Date for Submission of Abstracts by Post/E-mail (Softcopy): **9th September, 2018**
- Intimation on Selection of the Abstract: **10th September, 2018**
- Last Date for Submission of Full Paper: **30th September, 2018**
- Soft Copy of the Submissions should be addressed at: **nationalseminar.fol@jmi.ac.in**
- Hard Copy of the Submissions should be sent at: **The Dean, Faculty of Law, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi-110025**
- Details of Seminar Sessions will be updated on the web-site of JMI
- On the spot registration will be available at Registration Desk on the day of seminar.
- No TA/DA will be paid to participants.

Venue

The venue of the Seminar will be **Faculty of Law, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi-110025**

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