

## Guest Lecture Report

On 29<sup>th</sup> July 2024, the Faculty of Law at Baba Mastnath University hosted a distinguished guest lecture titled “Aao Karen Rajnama through Special Lok Adalat”. This initiative, led by the Supreme Court of India, spanned from 29<sup>th</sup> July to 3rd August 2024 and aimed to promote alternative dispute resolution methods for addressing legal conflicts efficiently and amicably. The event was organized under the guidance of Dr. Ritu, Convener, with support from Co-Convener Dr. Harvinder Barak. The esteemed guest speaker, Sh. Rajbir Kashya, Senior Advocate at the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Rohtak, graced the occasion with his valuable insights. A total of 47 participants, including students and faculty members, engaged actively in this enlightening session.



The guest lecture began with an introductory address by Dr. Ritu, highlighting the significance of alternative dispute resolution mechanisms in reducing the burden on traditional courts. Sh. Rajbir Kashya delivered a compelling session, elucidating the principles and practices of Lok Adalats and their role in fostering accessible and affordable justice. Through practical examples and case studies, he emphasized the importance of mediation and conciliation as viable alternatives to litigation.

The session also included an interactive segment where participants posed thought-provoking questions about the implementation and challenges of Lok Adalats in the Indian judicial system. The Co-Conveners ensured the smooth conduct of the event, fostering an engaging and thought-provoking atmosphere throughout the session.



This guest lecture addressed a critical societal need for accessible, speedy, and cost-effective justice, aligning closely with the objectives of the Lok Adalat initiative. By empowering future legal professionals with knowledge about alternative dispute resolution, the event aimed to promote a more inclusive and equitable judicial system. Such initiatives contribute significantly to achieving Sustainable Development Goal 16 (Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions), which emphasizes the importance of promoting peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development.

Furthermore, the event underscored the transformative potential of Lok Adalats in bridging the justice gap for marginalized communities. By resolving disputes efficiently and amicably, these initiatives strengthen social harmony and reduce the strain on the formal judicial system. The session encouraged participants to view law not merely as a profession but as a tool for societal transformation.



The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from 47 attendees, including students and faculty members. The interactive discussions provided attendees with a deeper understanding of the practical applications and societal relevance of Lok Adalats. Participants left the session with a renewed sense of responsibility and commitment to fostering accessible and equitable justice in their future legal endeavors.

The guest lecture, “Aao Karen Rajnama through Special Lok Adalat,” organized by the Faculty of Law, was a significant step towards promoting awareness and understanding of alternative dispute resolution mechanisms. By fostering dialogue on such pertinent issues, the event reaffirmed Baba Mastnath University’s commitment to contributing to the development of a just and equitable society. Through such initiatives, the university continues to align its efforts with global sustainability goals, creating a meaningful impact on society and the legal profession.