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Report on the Two-day
National Seminar (Hybrid Mode)

HORIZONS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE : LAW AND JUSTICE



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

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Report on Two-Day National Seminar Programme

Horizons of Artificial Intelligence: Law and Justice

Date: 17th April, 2026

Venue: Inaugural at Department of Law Seminar Hall, Amartya Sen Block, Central University of Tamil Nadu.

Mode: Hybrid (offline & Online)

Organized by: Department of Law, School of Legal studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu.

Introduction:

The Central University of Tamil Nadu, Department of law has successfully organized the Two-day National Seminar Programme on the theme Horizons of Intelligence: Law and Justice. The intersection of AI with the legal system has led to profound questions about governance, accountability, ethics, and justice. The event aimed to have a sharing of minds on the rapid growth of Artificial Intelligence across every domain of human activity.

Inaugural Session:



The session commenced with Lightning of Lamp by all dignitaries. The Two-day National Seminar began with a formal welcome address delivered by Dr. Meera S, Head of Department of Law, Central University of Tamil Nadu, setting the tone for discussions on the intersection of Artificial Intelligence and Law, followed by felicitation of the Dignitaries.

The felicitation address was given by Prof. Dr. N. Rajagopal, Dean, School of Legal Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu highlighting the growing use of AI in various fields including the judicial system.

Followed by our dean the next felicitation address was given by Dr. R. Parameswaran (Librarian), Central University of Tamil Nadu.

The Presidential address was delivered by Prof. Sulochana Shekhar, Controller of Examination, Central University of Tamil Nadu, noting that AI has become part of daily life but it cannot replace human reasoning.



The Keynote address was given by Prof. Dr. A. David Ambrose, Guest of Honour. He highlighted that law is a tool for social engineering and with the rapid growth of AI and technology, there should be proper legal control and regulations to avoid misuse.

Special address:

The special address was delivered by Dr. Ranjit Oommen Abraham, Professor, Head of Department, Department of Cyberspace Law and Justice, TNDALU, Guest of Honour stated that AI is not completely reliable and there is a need for proper legal awareness.

Conclusion:

The session concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. Deepali Rani Sahoo, Associate Professor, Department of Law, Central University of Tamil Nadu. She expressed gratitude to all Dignitaries, Keynote Speakers, and faculty members for sharing their invaluable insights. Her words reflected appreciation for the collaborative efforts ensured the smooth execution of the Two-day National Seminar.

Panel Discussion:

Following the Inaugural, the National seminar proceeded with the Panel discussion.



The seminar continued with a panel discussion on the topic Horizons of AI: Law and Justice. The session was headed by Prof. Dr. A. David Ambrose and moderated by Prof. Dr. P. Sakthivel, Central University of Tamil Nadu. The Panellists included Prof. Dr. A. David Ambrose, Dr. Ranjit Oommen Abraham, Professor and Head of Department, Department of Cyberspace Law and Justice, TNDALU, Dr. Sangeetha Sriraam, Assistant Professor, Central University of Tamil Nadu

Prof. P. Sakthivel introduced the dignitaries and started the panel discussion**.**

Dr. Sangeetha Sriraam raised an important question about whether AI has moral responsibility. She discussed that if AI affects human rights, it is unclear who will be held liable. She compared AI to a dangerous tool which is safe only when it is under human control.



Dr. Ranjit Oommen Abraham pointed out that there is a lack of proper training and laws related to AI in India. He highlighted issues like fake news and deepfakes caused by AI. He also mentioned that law is not keeping pace with technology and there is a need for proper legislation.

Prof. Dr. A. David Ambrose explained the development and use of AI in law, such as contract analysis and dispute resolution. He said that AI can assist in decision-making but it can be biased and cannot think like humans. He emphasized that AI cannot replace human moral judgment and proper regulations are necessary.

The panel discussion concluded with valuable insights on the role of Artificial Intelligence in law and the need for proper regulation.

Technical Session:

The seminar also included technical sessions for paper presentations. A total of four sessions were conducted, of which three were held in online mode and one was conducted offline.

The offline session was chaired by Prof. Dr. Ranjit Oommen Abraham and included 7 participants, who presented papers on various aspects of Artificial Intelligence and law.

The online session –1 was chaired by Prof. Dr. Deevanshu Shrivastava and included 6 participants, covering diverse topics such as AI governance, liability, and digital rights.



The online session–2 was chaired by Dr. Utpal Kumar Raha and had 7 participants, focusing on issues relating to AI and intellectual property, constitutional perspectives, and surveillance.

The online session–3 was chaired by Dr. Aarthi Priya S and included 11 participants, discussing themes such as AI in legal profession, healthcare, privacy, and social justice.

Participants presented their research papers on various themes related to Artificial Intelligence, law, and justice. The sessions provided a platform for academic discussion and exchange of ideas.

Date: 18th April, 2026

Venue: Valedictory at Department of Chemistry Seminar Hall, Venkataraman Ramakrishnan Block, Central University of Tamil Nadu.

Mode: Hybrid (offline & Online)

Organized by: Department of Law, School of Legal studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu.

Inauguration of Legal Aid Clinic:

The second day commenced with the arrival of the Chief Guest, Honourable Mr. Justice N. Anand Venkatesan, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Madras, who was received by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor with a guard of honour.



This was followed by the formal inauguration of the Legal Aid Clinic. The dignitaries then proceeded to the Seminar Hall, where the programme continued with the invocation song, followed by the lighting of the lamp.

The programme continued with the Welcome Address delivered by Dr. Meera S, Head of the Department, Central University of Tamil Nadu, who welcomed all the dignitaries and explained the objectives of establishing the Legal Aid Clinic.

The Felicitation Address was given by Prof. Dr. N. Rajagopal, Dean, School of Legal Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu, who emphasized the importance of societal expectations and distributive justice, and how the Legal Aid Clinic would help achieve these goals.

Followed by the dean the next felicitation address was given by CA G.R. Giridharan Finance Officer, Central University of Tamil Nadu.

Followed by the Finance officer, Prof. R. Thirumurugan, Registrar, Central University of Tamil Nadu highlighted the contributions of the Vice-Chancellor and Justice Anand towards social development and appreciated the efforts of Dr. S. K. Balashanmugam and Dr. Sangeetha Sriraam in establishing the Legal Aid Clinic.



The Special Address was given by Thiru. Bava Chelladurai, Writer and Story Teller, who spoke about his initiatives in social development, including restoring dilapidated schools. He stressed the importance of living with ethical principles, stating that it would bring peace and reduce the burden on courts. He also explained the concept of Aram with an inspirational reference.

Followed by Thiru. Bava Chelladurai, Mr. M Manickam, Sub Judge, District Legal Services Authority, Thiruvarur highlighted the importance of establishing Legal Aid Clinics in schools and colleges and their role in helping the needy.

The Presidential address was delivered by Prof. M. Krishnan, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Central University of Tamil Nadu emphasized that living with ethical principles is more important than education. He also highlighted the contributions of various departments of the university towards social development.

Guest Address:



The guest address was given by Honourable Mr. Justice N. Anand Venkatesan, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Madras, spoke about the growth of Artificial Intelligence and its increasing role in daily life and in the field of law. He pointed out that while AI has many benefits, it can also provide incorrect information, especially in legal citations. He stressed that the letter of law and the spirit of law lie with human beings and are lacking in AI. He also cautioned that AI can influence human thinking emotionally and psychologically, and that people are increasingly

relying on the internet. He emphasized that justice should focus on the needs of common people rather than only high-profile cases. He concluded by advising that humans should not lose their essence to AI and encouraged everyone to remain aware and responsible in controlling AI.

Conclusion:



The session concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. S K Balashanmugham, Assistant Professor, Central University of Tamil Nadu, he shared his inspiration for contributing to legal services. He spoke about his initiative to establish the Legal Aid Clinic to support the downtrodden and uplift rural communities. He expressed gratitude to everyone for their support in making the initiative successful.


























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