



**Centre for Post Graduate Legal Studies**

**3 day Litigation Clinic for law students and young lawyers**

**20-22 October 2016**

**Skill Building on the Art and Practice of  
Trial, Corporate and Environmental Litigation**

**Context:**

Knowing how to conduct litigation in India is a vital component of legal education. The three day workshop is designed to allow lawyers and students to develop and hone their litigation skills on a practical level.

**Uniqueness:**

During this workshop, the participants will learn the procedure of civil, criminal, corporate and environment litigation. These sessions provide an excellent opportunity to learn directly from practicing lawyers with long and varied experience. A case study designed specifically for the Workshop will be used during the sessions. The case study used for all the topics to be presented during the Workshop.

**Objective:**

1. Provide a basic overview of Indian court systems and reforms
2. Apprise the participants on the basic qualities of an advocate and etiquettes
3. Inculcate the art and practice of trial court litigation covering civil and criminal litigation, and also at the Supreme Court and High Courts;
4. Understand the uniqueness of the corporate and environmental litigation; and
5. Comprehensively equip students to develop basic litigation skills

**Pedagogy:**

The sessions will be a combination of lecture style presentations and practical demonstrations. Case studies and participatory activities will be a part of all sessions.

**Contact:**

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**Faculty Coordinator**

Dr M V Shiju, Associate Professor, TERI University [mvshiju@teriuniversity.ac.in](mailto:mvshiju@teriuniversity.ac.in), Tel: 9899703105

**Fees:**

Rs 2500/- without accommodation

Rs 4000/- with accommodation (*accommodation for 2 nights*)

Cheque/DD should be favouring, "**Registrar, TERI University**" and payable at New Delhi and addressed to: **Please send the letter to,**

Dr M V Shiju

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## Programme Agenda:

**Day 1 : 20 October 2016**

**Session 1**

**10:00 to 11:00 AM**

Overview of the Court System in India – Evolution, Present stage, Hierarchy of Courts under CPC & CRPC, Tribunals, Forums, etc

***Faculty: Dr Jacob P Alex, Advocate, High Court of Kerala***

**Tea**

**Session 2:**

**11:30 to 12:30 PM**

Role of an advocate in Indian Legal System – Qualities of an Advocate – Skills to be developed – Art of advocacy

***Faculty: Dr Jacob P Alex, Advocate, High Court of Kerala***

**Lunch**

**Session 3:**

**2:00 to 3:00 PM**

Civil litigation –drafting suit – evidence – trial – argument – pleadings –procedures – notices – execution -

***Faculty: Shyam Nandan, Advocate on Record, Supreme Court of India***

**Tea**

**Session 4:**

**3:30 to 5:00 PM**

Civil litigation (contd)

***Faculty: Shyam Nandan, Advocate on Record, Supreme Court of India***

**Day 2: 21 October 2016**

**Session 5**

**9:30 to 11:00 AM**

Litigation in High Court and Supreme Court & about PIL – Writ jurisdiction – kinds of writ – Original & Appellate Jurisdiction -Special leave petition – Letters Patent Appeal - First & Second Appeal

**Faculty: Mohit Abraham, Director Legal, UBER, India**

**Tea**

**Session 6**

**11:30 to 1:00 PM**

Litigation in High Court and Supreme Court & about PIL (contd)

**Faculty:**

**Mohit Abraham, Director Legal, UBER, India**

**Dr Jacob P Alex, Advocate, High Court of Kerala**

**Lunch**

**Session 7:**

**2:00 to 3:30 PM**

Corporate Litigation – Various forms of business organisation, General -Legal Opinions, reporting & liaison to various government authorities, Company Law -compliances, advices, mergers, acquisition & amalgamation, CLB vs NCLT, Taxation – Corporate tax, service tax, excise ,customs, GST Bill

**Faculty: Sidharth Sharma, Resident Counsel, Tata Sons**

**Tea**

**Session 8**

**4:00 to 5:30 PM**

Corporate Litigation (contd)

**Faculty: Sidharth Sharma, Resident Counsel, Tata Sons**

**Day 3: 22 October 2016**

**Session 9  
9:30 to 11:00 AM**

Environmental Litigation – Pollution control – liason & report to Board, compliance under various environmental acts, safety, disputes settlement before National Green Tribunal –process and procedures

**Faculty: Shibani Ghosh, Advocate on Record & Lawyer at NGT**

**Tea**

**Session 10  
11:30 to 12:30 PM**

Environmental Litigation (contd)

**Faculty: Shibani Ghosh, Advocate on Record & Lawyer at NGT**

**Lunch**

**Session 11  
1:30 to 2:30 PM**

ADR – Settlement of cases – mediation, conciliation, Arbitration, Lok adalat, CPC

**Faculty: Krishnan Venkataraman, Arbitration Counsel**

**Tea**

**Session 12  
3:00 to 4:00PM**

ADR (contd)

**Faculty: Krishnan Venkataraman, Arbitration Counsel**

**Session 13**

M V Shiju

<p><b>4:00 to 5:00 PM</b></p> <p>Challenges before present legal system - Judicial Reforms – reduction in time &amp; cost</p>	<p>Dr Jacob P Alex</p> <p>Krishnan Venkataraman</p> <p>M P Ram Mohan</p>
<p><b>5:00 to 5:30 PM</b></p> <p><b>Certificate distribution</b></p>	

## Faculty Profile

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### **Dr Jacob P Alex**

Dr Jacob P. Alex practices at the High Court of Kerala dealing mainly on Constitutional and Civil matters. Dr Alex served as Law Clerk-cum-Research Assistant to Hon'ble Justice S Rajendra Babu (Former Chief Justice of India) in the Supreme Court of India. Jacob has conducted research pertaining to law reforms on different issues for National Judicial Academy; Ministry of Law & Justice; United Nations Development Program; etc.

### **Shyam Nandan**

Shyam Nandan is an Advocate on Record, Supreme Court of India. He started his practise at the District Courts of Delhi, primarily at Tis Hazari court and went on to practice before High Court and Supreme Court. Shyam worked with Gopal Subramaniam as junior advocate.

### **Krishnan Venkataraman**

Krishnan Venkataraman is engineer turned lawyer having degrees from IIT Bombay, Harvard University and an LL.B from Delhi University. Krishnan is arbitration specialist and a counsel for NHAI, NHPC, L&T, GMR and Reliance Infrastructure. He has been a visiting faculty at Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad.

**Mohit Abraham**

Mohit is Director- Legal & General Counsel, Uber India. Mohit has been as an Associate Partner at Khaitan & Co, New Delhi and an Advocate-on-Record, Supreme Court of India. Mohit was earlier associated with PXV Law Partners and an Associate at Amarchand and Mangaldass

**Shibani Ghosh**

Shibani Ghosh is a public interest lawyer specializing in environmental and access to information laws. She is a Fellow at the Centre for Policy Research in New Delhi and a Research Fellow (2014-2015) at the Sustainability Science Program at the Harvard Kennedy School. Her litigation work and research has focused on domestic environmental law and regulation, wildlife protection and the right to information.

**Sidharth Sharma**

Sidharth Sharma is Tata Sons' Resident Counsel in New Delhi and his areas of practice are corporate and commercial laws. Earlier, Sidharth worked as a corporate legal advisor for 8 years with the Tata group at their headquarters in Mumbai.