



THE KERALA LAW ACADEMY
LAW COLLEGE THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

(Affiliated to University of Kerala)



in association with Centre for Advanced Legal Studies And Research (CALSAR) & IQAC KLA



28TH INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR [VIRTUAL]

Maritime Progress and Sustainability

31st January 2026

ABOUT THE KERALA LAW ACADEMY LAW COLLEGE

The Kerala Law Academy Law College, established in 1966 by the legal luminary Late Dr. N. Naryanan Nair, who is the founder head of the institution, is a seat of excellence in legal education, consultancy, research and in pioneering law reforms. The prestigious institute of Kerala Law Academy is situated in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city of Kerala, India, on a hill in the midst of sylvan splendour silhouetting the blue sky. The liberal ambience of the research wing "Center for Advanced Legal Studies and Research" (CALSAR), is facilitative to kindle novel thoughts and ideals. The 'Academy Law Review' which has won international acclaim ever since its appearance in print in 1977 is evocative of the true spirit of THE Kerala Law Academy. The Kerala Law Academy Law College is a front runner when it comes to academics and extracurricular activities which is evident from the constant deliberation on the part of the Kerala Law Academy to provide the best stimulating atmosphere to the students to harbour and bring out the polished version of themselves through various events of national and international importance. The moot teams of the Academy are the baton bearers of the competitions of the new era. Academy's social commitment is embedded in its socio-legal clinics and consultancy services. The Kerala Law Academy Law College is affiliated to the University of Kerala.

The Kerala Law Academy is always a pacesetter in bringing out the untapped nuances in the dynamics of inculcating erudition. The state-of-the-art methods of education apposite to meet the needs of the changing times is a thunderous example of the same. Teachers who are adept in their respective discipline are strongly encouraged to nurture students. The global standards set at KLA in the field of teaching and research spur us on in our relentless pursuit of excellence, making it more or less a way of life.



ABOUT

28th International Seminar

The Kerala Law Academy Law College, in collaboration with the Centre for Environmental Science and Law and the Centre for Advanced Legal Studies and Research (CALSAR), along with the IQAC KLA, is organizing a one-day international seminar titled “Maritime Progress and Sustainability “.This significant event is scheduled for January 31, 2026, and will be held virtually from The Kerala Law Academy Campus in Peroorkada, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.

The seminar aims to explore the pursuit of maritime progress and enduring sustainability represents a non-negotiable prerequisite for ensuring that the burgeoning growth of global shipping, littoral development, and ocean-based economic sectors does not incur the irreversible cost of environmental degradation. Given that the world's oceans serve as fundamental pillars supporting global commerce, sustaining diverse livelihoods, upholding critical biodiversity, and executing planetary climate regulation, the integration of sustainable maritime methodologies is paramount. These practices are indispensable for safeguarding marine ecosystems while simultaneously facilitating robust economic prosperity. Through a deliberate strategy of harmonizing technological innovation with rigorous conservation stewardship, sovereign nations stand to realize profound, long-term advantages, notably the attainment of cleaner marine environments, enhanced navigational safety, and the establishment of resilient coastal communities. In the current global context, sustainable maritime development transcends a simple matter of importance; it constitutes an existential necessity for the viability of the planet and the enduring trajectory of the global economy.



Adv. Nagaraj Narayanan
Director, The Kerala Law Academy
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Technical Session – 1

Time: 9 am – 10 am

CHAIR: Dr. Rakendu C. K.

Assistant Professor, Department of Law
University of Kerala

Student Moderator: V. Vinaya

Student Co-ordinator: Anchitha V.

Special Session – 1

Time: 9 am – 10 am

CHAIR: : Dr. Nikhilesh N.

Assistant Professor, The Tamil Nadu
Dr Ambedkar Law University

Student Moderator: Ivania Francis

Student Co-ordinator: Harikrishnan R.

INAUGURAL SESSION

10:00am

- Welcome Address : **Mrs. Prajitha P. G.**
Associate Professor,
The Kerala Law Academy Law College
- Inaugural Address : **Prof. (Dr.) S. Santhakumar**
Director of Gujarat National Law University
(GNLU),Gujarat
- Presidential Address : **Adv. V. J. Mathew**
Senior advocate at V. J. Mathew &
Co. International Law Firm, India
Former Chairman, Kerala Maritime Board
Vice President Indian Maritime Law Association
- Vote of Thanks : **Mrs. Priya M. K.**
Assistant Professor,
The Kerala Law Academy Law College

Moderators : Nair A. Manibala & Muhammed Nazeer

Technical Session – 2

Time: 10 am – 11 am

CHAIR: Mohan Raj T. P.

Assistant Professor

Government Law college Ernakulam

Student Moderator: Vihan Vinod

Student Co-ordinator: R Anathapadmanabhan

Special Session – 2

Time: 10 am – 11am

CHAIR: : Prof. (Dr.) Gifty Oommen

Professor Christ University, Bengaluru

Student Moderator: S. Madhav

Student Co-ordinator: Afrin M. I.

Technical Session – 3

Time: 11 am – 12 pm

CHAIR: Dr. Rangaswamy D.

Assistant Professor of Law (SG)

Karnataka State Law University,
Hubballi, Karnataka

Student Moderator: Elizabeth Mariam Koshy

Student Co-ordinator: Niranjan Arun
Nampiyanathu

Technical Session – 4

Time : 11 am – 12 pm

CHAIR: : Sreeja B. G.

Assistant Professor (SG) & HOD,
School of Law Hindustan Institute of
Technology And Science, Chennai

Student Moderator: Amrita P. Kurup

Student Co-ordinator: Hari Krishnan R.

Special Session -3

Time: 11 am – 12 pm

CHAIR: Prof. Dr. V. Balaji

DEAN & HoD i/c Department of Maritime Law
Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University,
Chennai.

Student Moderator: Muhammed Nazeer

Student Co-ordinator: Brinda Lakshmi S.

Technical Session – 5

Time : 12 pm – 1 pm

CHAIR: : Dr. Rahul Mishra

Associate Professor ,
Chairperson At Manipal Law School,
Manipal Academy of Higher Education,
Bangalore

Student Moderator: Meenakshi A. J.

Student Co-ordinator: Nitthu S. Jeevan

Special Session -4

Time : 12 pm – 1 pm

CHAIR: Dr. Binu Mole K.

Director, School of Legal Studies

Cochin University of Science & Technology
(CUSAT)

Student Moderator: Asna Fathima S. S.

Student Co-ordinator: Gayathry Gangadharan

Technical Session – 6

Time : 2 pm – 3 pm

CHAIR: : Dr. Saji Sivan S.

Associate Professor,
VIT School of Law, Chennai

Student Moderator: Vihan Vinod
Student Co-ordinator: Akshara D. N.

Special Session -5

Time : 2 pm – 3 pm

CHAIR: Dr. Abhay Singh

Assistant Professor, GMU

Student Moderator: Jessica

Student Co-ordinator: Akshara. D. N.

Technical Session – 7

Time : 3 pm – 4 pm

CHAIR: : Dr. Anita A. Patil

Associate Professor, Co-Ordinator
Centre for Women & Child Welfare Policy,
Co-ordinator- Internal Quality Assurance Cell,
Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru

Student Moderator: S. Madhav

Student Co-ordinator: Brinda Lakshmi S.

VALEDICTORY SESSION

5:00 pm

- Welcome Address : **Mrs. Devinath A.**
Assistant Professor,
The Kerala Law Academy Law College
- Chief Guest : **Prof. (Dr.) Vani Kesari A.**
Director, Prof. N.R. Madhava Menon
Interdisciplinary Centre for Research Ethics &
Protocol (ICREP)
Dean, Faculty of Law,
Former Director School of Legal Studies,
Cochin University of Science & Technology
- Special Address : **Prof. Sarah Agneta Simons**
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Research Associate, Seafarers International
Research Centre, Cardiff University, UK.
Professor, Forensic Victimology & Criminology,
Dept of Sociology, Ahmadu Bello University,
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- Vote of Thanks : **Mr. Manu Krishna**
Assistant Professor,
The Kerala Law Academy Law College

Moderators : Nitthu S. Jeevan & Seren Susan Thomas

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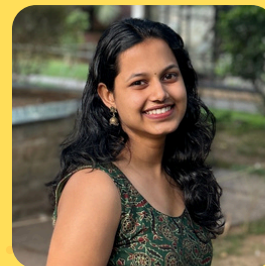
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