CONSTITUTIONAL LAW SOCIETY, NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA

CALL FOR BLOG POSTS
The National Law University Odisha is a premier autonomous law university located amidst the beautiful and peaceful foliage of Cuttack, Odisha; a vibrant addition to India’s national law universities. The University came into being through a Notification under The National Law University Orissa Act (Orissa Act 4 of 2008).

Within a short span, NLUO has made its mark as a university engaged in teaching and research in law. Faculty research output has always been of a remarkable standard. The student community’s engagement with co-curricular activities has yielded impressive results. The liberal yet demanding academic culture coupled with the friendly environment has ensured that students harness their full potential and contribute in the area of their choice.
Constitutional Law Society, National Law University Odisha was established in October, 2018.

The purpose behind the establishment of the Society is to generate debate and dialogue on various nuances of the subject of Constitutional Law.

The Society is a student run body that seeks to work towards creating an interest in Constitutional law across the legal fraternity. The activities undertaken by the committee are aimed at enabling people to have a holistic understanding of constitutional principles and constitutional jurisprudence.
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We are glad to invite posts from students, researchers, academicians, legal practitioners, and those who support the cause to further the objectives of CLS.

**Theme: Elections in India**

Elections constitute a distinct sub-genre of representative democracy, which is the essence of our Constitution. In many ways, the electoral process impacts the constitutional processes. The establishment of a new, legitimate political order becomes a precursor to ensure that the ideals of the Constitution are fulfilled. Therefore, elections raise pertinent questions which have wide ramifications on the constitutional texture of the nation and the Indian democracy at large.

To foster discussion on the inter-relationship between Elections in India and its effect on the Constitution and Indian democracy the CLS, NLUO is pleased to invite blogs on the theme “Elections in India”.
SUB-THEMES

An enumerative list of sub-themes is provided below:
1) The Mavlankar Rule: The Selection of the Leader of Opposition
2) Common Election Plan: An Action Plan for simultaneous Local and National Elections
3) Should a candidate be able to stand from two different Constituencies in a Lok Sabha Election?
4) Electoral Bonds and the Lok Sabha Election 2019
5) Constitutionality of Post-Poll Alliances
6) Rajya Sabha Members and Should They be Eligible for Central Ministership?
7) Should there be a time-specific embargo on politicians from contesting Elections on defeat?
8) Bypolls: A Critical Analysis
9) Implementation of the Model Code of Conduct in the age of Electronic Media
10) Political Defections and their Legality
11) Voting Rights of Resident 'Non-citizens'

Note: The CLS blog will be selecting submissions only on the theme “Elections in India”, till 30th June, 2019. The above list is enumerative in nature and authors are free to send blogs on other aspects of Elections in India.
CONTENT GUIDELINES

• Entries which come up with a creative and enriching outlook on this contemporary constitutional issue shall be appreciated.

• The blog encourages comprehensiveness. Submissions can be in the form of articles, short notes, case briefs, book reviews, views and opinions.

• Submissions should be precise and the maximum word limit is 1000 with no minimum cap (exclusive of endnotes).

• Author must use endnotes and NOT footnotes.

• The relevant sources must be mentioned in the main body of the text. Any reference made should be in the form of hyperlinks in the main body of the blog post.

• Font face: Times New Roman, size: 12 pt., line spacing: 1.5 pt., citation: uniform and justified.

• For Endnotes, font face: Times New Roman, size: 10 pt. and line spacing: 1 pt.

• Submissions should be the original work of the author(s).

• The author is responsible for the accuracy of facts, views and opinions stated in the post.

• Any sort of plagiarism or non-conformity with the specified guidelines will lead to rejection of the submissions.
SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

• Interested authors are requested to send their articles in doc/.docx format to clssubmission@gmail.com

• An article may be co-authored by a maximum of two people.

• Submissions for the blog shall be reviewed on a rolling basis.

• The submissions must be accompanied by a covering letter bearing the Title of the Submission, Name(s) of the Author(s), Affiliation(s), Institute/Organization, Contact Number and E-mail address for future reference.

• By sending the submissions, the author(s) agree to assign exclusive copyright in the work to NLUO. NLUO shall be entitled to, without limitation, publish the submission (or part(s) thereof) in any manner it sees fit (with due acknowledgement to the author) and edit the entries for publication without permission from or further notice to the author.

• The selected entries shall be published on the CLS NLUO blog.
EVALUATION CRITERIA

The submissions will be evaluated on the following criteria (in no particular order):

- Originality
- Brevity
- Persuasiveness
- Accuracy/Credibility
- Relevance

**Note:** CLS follows a disciplined editorial review of the submissions received and exercises absolute discretion in accepting the submissions.
For clarification of any queries, you may contact us at +(91) 9468631470 (Siddharth Panda, Co-Convenor) or drop a mail at clssubmission@gmail.com