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## COLLEGIATE-CUM-CULTURAL PURSUITS

### Alumni Meet 2025

(8<sup>th</sup> November, 2025)



The University Institute of Laws, Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana, successfully hosted its Alumni Meet, themed “Reconnect, Reignite, and Rediscover”, with an overwhelming attendance of over 120 participants, including alumni, faculty, and student volunteers. The day began at PAU Ground with an exciting cricket match, where the current students emerged victorious against the alumni followed by light-hearted games emphasizing teamwork, including Tug of War, three-legged race, and the lemon spoon race. The celebrations culminated in a formal dinner at Friends Regency, honoring the convergence of “the past and present.” Alumni were individually recognized for their professional achievements. Key contributions included Adv. Hariom Jindal donating ₹1 Lakh, Adv. Gagandeep Saini offering to repair and maintain office premises, and Adv. Diwakar Madra generously providing a cricket kit for students. The meet was conducted under the guidance of Chief Patron Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Director Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, and faculty coordinators Prof. (Dr.) Aman Amrit Cheema, Dr. Sarita Paul, and Dr. Nisha Jindal. The programme was efficiently supported by student coordinators Chetan Sharma, Karanvir Singh Sidhu, and Palak Garg, along with 25 core committee members and the entire student volunteer team.



## Legal Aid Cell Observes Legal Services Day to Promote Access to Justice (10<sup>th</sup> November, 2025)

The Legal Aid Cell of the University Institute of Laws, Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana, in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Ludhiana, observed Legal Services Day, emphasizing that access to justice is a right for all, especially the marginalized and underprivileged. The session focused on legal literacy and free legal aid available to women, children, SC/ST communities, persons with disabilities, and low-income individuals.

Advocates Pradeep Kapoor, Moham Singh, and Rajwant Kaur addressed the gathering, highlighting avenues for free legal aid in civil, criminal, matrimonial, property, and family matters, and stressing alternative dispute resolution mechanisms such as mediation, conciliation, and Lok Adalat.

Held under the patronage of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig and guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, the programme was coordinated by Dr. Vaishali Thakur, Dr. Homa Bansal, Mrs. Sumanpreet Kaur, and Student Coordinator Sidharth Sharma. Around 65 students participated, reaffirming UIL's commitment to legal awareness, social responsibility, and equal access to justice.



## “Know Your Right: RTI Workshop” (12<sup>th</sup> November, 2025)



The University Institute of Laws, Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana, successfully hosted a skill development workshop, “Know Your Right: RTI Workshop”, aimed at educating participants about the Right to Information (RTI) Act and its applications. Over 65 participants from the institute attended the event, which featured esteemed speakers Mr. B.K. Mehta, Retired District and Sessions Judge and Advocate at the Punjab and Haryana High Court, and Adv. Vipin Sagar, President of the District Bar Association, Ludhiana.

The workshop included an RTI Drafting Competition, where participants demonstrated their understanding of the RTI framework. Karamjot Singh Kalra (LL.B. 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester) and Shubham Sood (LL.B. 1<sup>st</sup> Semester) secured the first and second positions respectively, showcasing exceptional drafting skills.

The event was held with the support of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Vice Chancellor, Panjab University, Chandigarh, and Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, PURC, Ludhiana. Faculty coordinators Prof. (Dr.) Aman Amrit Cheema and Dr. Nisha Jindal, along with student coordinators Muskan Jindal and Vansh Bansal (LL.B. 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester), played a key role in organizing the programme. The workshop provided valuable insights into the RTI Act, emphasizing its role in promoting transparency and accountability in governance. The University Institute of



Laws, PURC, Ludhiana, remains committed to organizing such initiatives to enhance legal awareness and foster skill development among students and professionals.

## Poster Making Competition

(27<sup>th</sup> January, 2026)



The Legal Aid Cell of the University of Laws, Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana, organised a Poster Making Competition to highlight the importance of international law in maintaining peace and global order. The competition witnessed enthusiastic participation from students and encouraged creative expression on the theme “Peace Has Rules: Why International Law Matters.”

The event was held under the patronage of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Vice-Chancellor, Panjab University, and the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, PURC, Ludhiana. The programme was efficiently coordinated by the Faculty Coordinators Dr. Vaishali Thakur and Dr. Homa Bansal, along with the Student Coordinators Sidharth Sharma (B.A. LL.B., 4<sup>th</sup> Semester) and Ritika Mahajan (B.A. LL.B., 4<sup>th</sup> Semester). A total of 16 students actively participated in the event.

The competition was judged by Dr. Rajni Bagga. The First Prize was awarded to Manjot Kaur (B.A. LL.B., 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester), while the Second Prize was secured by Simrandeep Kaur (B.A. LL.B., 4<sup>th</sup> Semester). Through such initiatives, the University of Laws, PURC, Ludhiana, reaffirms its commitment to promoting legal awareness, peace, and respect for international law.

## Session on “Safeguarding Human Rights in the Era of Digital Transformation” (29<sup>th</sup> January, 2026)

The Legal Aid Cell and Placement Cell, in collaboration with the Sardar Udham Singh Study Circle, successfully organized an informative session on “Safeguarding Human Rights in the Era of Digital Transformation” at Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana. The session saw active participation from 60 students and was held under the aegis of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Vice Chancellor, Panjab University, Chandigarh, and the able guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, PURC, Ludhiana.



The keynote address was delivered by Shri Priyank Kanoongo, Member, National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), and Former Chairperson, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR). Shri Kanoongo shared valuable insights on the impact of digital technologies on fundamental human rights, including privacy, data protection, digital surveillance, and protection of vulnerable groups, especially children. He emphasized the need for strong legal frameworks, responsible use of technology, and greater awareness among citizens to ensure technological advancement does not compromise human dignity and constitutional values. He also encouraged students to actively

contribute to promoting digital ethics and human rights through legal awareness and advocacy.

The programme was efficiently coordinated by Dr. Vaishali Thakur, Dr. Rajni Bagga, and Mr. Vishal, along with Student Coordinators Gurnoor Kaur and Ishleen Kaur (B.A. LL.B., 4<sup>th</sup> Year). Faculty members and students actively participated in the interactive session following the lecture. The event concluded with a vote of thanks and a felicitation ceremony, expressing gratitude to the esteemed speaker for his enlightening address and for inspiring young legal minds.

## **“Think Before You Click.” Guest Lecture on the importance of cyber safety and digital law (31<sup>st</sup> January, 2026)**

The University Institute of Laws, Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana, organised an online guest lecture on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2026 on the paramount importance of cyber safety and digital law, aptly titled “Think Before You Click.” The session was delivered by Dr. Ayush Saran, a renowned authority in Cyber Law and a Certified Internet Crime Investigator.

The lecture explored critical aspects of responsible digital engagement, highlighting the legal implications of online actions and the importance of maintaining a safe and secure digital presence. Dr. Saran's comprehensive insights covered four key areas: which explores social media safety on platforms like WhatsApp, Instagram, and Twitter; financial protection against net banking and UPI fraud; defense against cyber predators; and a clear understanding of IT rules governing the digital world.

The guest lecture served as a timely reminder of the significance of cyber security awareness in today's digitally interconnected world. By equipping participants with the knowledge and skills required to navigate the complexities of the digital landscape, the event contributed meaningfully to promoting a culture of cyber safety and digital responsibility. A total of 35 students attended the lecture.

The event was organised under the patronage of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Vice-Chancellor, Panjab University, and Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana. It was meticulously coordinated by Dr Nisha Jindal, Faculty Coordinator, and Palak Garg, Student Coordinator.



### **NSS INITIATIVES**

## **Session on AI-Driven Legal Technologies (20<sup>th</sup> January, 2026)**

During National Youth Week, the NSS Unit of Panjab University Regional Centre (PURC), Ludhiana, successfully organised an informative session on “AI-Driven Legal Technologies” on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2026, with the objective of creating awareness among students about the growing role of artificial intelligence in the legal profession. A total of 60 students participated in the session. The event was conducted under the aegis of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Vice-Chancellor, Panjab University, Chandigarh, and the able guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, PURC, Ludhiana.



The session highlighted the transformative role of AI in legal research, case management, contract analysis, compliance, and judicial processes. The lecture was delivered by Mr Ritesh Singhania, Assistant Information Technology Officer at the Punjab Bureau of Investigation, along with Mr Sumeet Singh, Mr Simranjeet Singh, and Ms Jaitey, who shared valuable insights into the practical application of artificial intelligence in the legal and investigative domains. The resource persons elaborated on various AI-based legal tools and platforms that assist lawyers and law students in enhancing efficiency, accuracy, and access to justice.

The programme was coordinated by Dr Meera Nagpal (Programme Coordinator) and Mrs Sumanpreet Kaur, along with the Student Coordinators Gurnoor Kaur (B.A. LL.B., 4<sup>th</sup> Year) and Dhruvak Garcha (B.A. LL.B., 3<sup>rd</sup> Year), ensuring the smooth and successful organisation of the event.

Students actively participated in the session and raised insightful questions regarding the impact of AI on traditional legal practices and employment opportunities. The interactive discussion enabled participants to gain a broader perspective on the increasing interconnection between technology and law.

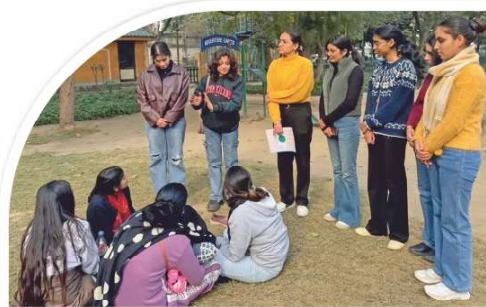


## Republic Day with Awareness on Fundamental Rights (22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2026)

To mark Republic Day, the NSS Unit of Panjab University Regional Centre (PURC), Ludhiana, organized a day-long event, themed “The Heart of the Republic: Fundamental Rights” The initiative aimed to sensitize students and the public about constitutional safeguards and the importance of individual liberties.

Held under the aegis of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Vice-Chancellor, Panjab University, Chandigarh, and the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, PURC, Ludhiana, the day began with a Poster Making Competition at the PURC campus. Students demonstrated creativity through watercolours, sketches, and digital concepts, depicting the struggles and triumphs of constitutional rights, each poster accompanied by a slogan or legal justification. The initiative continued at a nearby Community Park, where students conducted a public awareness drive, engaging walkers, families, and youth groups in discussions about the practical relevance of Fundamental Rights and the role of youth in upholding democratic values.

The programme was efficiently coordinated by Dr. Meera Nagpal (Programme Coordinator) and Mr. Baldev Singh, with Student Coordinators Sukrit Bassi (B.A. LL.B., 5<sup>th</sup> Year) and Manmeet Kaur (B.A. LL.B., 3<sup>rd</sup> Year). Through this initiative, PURC students demonstrated that the Heart of the Republic beats strongest when citizens are aware, engaged, and legally empowered.



## Day Camp for Improvement of the Status of Women (29<sup>th</sup> January, 2026)

The NSS Unit of Panjab University Regional Centre (PURC), Ludhiana, organized a Day Camp for the Improvement of the Status of Women at Village Sunet, District Ludhiana. The initiative aimed to promote respect, equality, and dignity

for women through community outreach and awareness activities. The programme was conducted under the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Vice-Chancellor, Panjab University, Chandigarh, and Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, PURC, Ludhiana.

The day camp engaged NSS volunteers in meaningful interactions with local residents, including women and families, to understand social conditions and challenges faced by women. Various awareness-based activities were conducted to encourage positive attitudes toward gender equality. The central theme of the programme, “When Women Rise, Society Rises,” emphasized the importance of collective efforts in improving the status of women at the grassroots level. NSS volunteers also took a pledge to reaffirm their commitment to gender equality and the protection of women's rights.

The event was conducted under the supervision of Dr. Meera Nagpal, NSS Programme Coordinator, with the support of Faculty Coordinator Ms. Banveer Kaur Jhinger and NSS volunteers Mayank Gupta and Haritik Puri (B.A. LL.B., 2<sup>nd</sup> Year). The coordinated efforts of the NSS team ensured the smooth execution of the programme, including the distribution of refreshments. The day camp successfully reinforced the commitment of

NSS volunteers and PURC, Ludhiana, to empowering women and promoting social awareness in the community.



## Cleanliness Drive and Pledge Ceremony on National Youth Day (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2026)

To commemorate National Youth Day during national youth week the National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana, successfully organised a Pledge Ceremony and Cleanliness Drive with the objective of promoting civic responsibility, selfless service, and social awareness among students and staff. The event was conducted under the aegis of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Vice Chancellor, Panjab University, Chandigarh and able guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, PURC, Ludhiana. The programme commenced with a pledge ceremony on 19th January 2026, wherein total of 50 NSS volunteers actively participated and took a collective pledge to uphold the values of courage, self-discipline, social harmony, and responsible citizenship. The pledge aimed at instilling a sense of duty towards the nation and encouraging individuals to contribute positively to society. Following the pledge ceremony, a cleanliness drive was conducted within and around the campus premises. NSS volunteers enthusiastically took part in cleaning lawns, and surrounding public areas. It was co-ordinated by respected Dr. Meera Nagpal (Programme Coordinator), Mrs. Sumanpreet Kaur, along with Student Coordinator, Gurnoor Kaur (B.A. LL.B 4th Year), ensuring the smooth and successful organization of the event. The drive highlighted the message of "Swachh Bharat, Swasth Bharat" and emphasized that cleanliness is not merely a one-day activity but a continuous habit. Necessary cleaning materials were arranged, and volunteers worked in a disciplined and coordinated manner.



### ACHIEVEMENTS

## Best Memorial Award at International Moot Court Competition (14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2025)

The University Institute of Laws, Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana, proudly announces a remarkable achievement that our student team clinched the prestigious Best Memorial Award at the 3rd Dr. S.M. Juniwal Ranka International Moot Court Competition, organized by Apex University, Rajasthan, from 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

The competition witnessed rigorous participation from 53 top law schools and universities worldwide. This award is a testament to the students' exceptional legal research, analytical skills, and exemplary written advocacy. The successful team comprised Nandini Taank and Chetan Sharma (B.A. LL.B., 4<sup>th</sup> Year) and Setika (B.A. LL.B., 3<sup>rd</sup> Year).

This accomplishment was achieved under the astute guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Renu Vig, Vice Chancellor, Panjab University, and Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, PURC, Ludhiana, with dedicated mentorship from Dr. Vaishali Thakur, Head of the Moot Court Committee. UIL, PURC Ludhiana, takes pride in fostering excellence in advocacy, research, and practical legal skills among its students.



## **“Best Team Award at Arun Jaitley Memorial Moot Court Competition”**

**(14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2025)**



The University Institute of Laws, Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana, proudly celebrates the outstanding achievement of its students for securing the Best Team (Winner) position in the Arun Jaitley Memorial Moot Court Competition, organized by the School of Law, ITM University, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh, held from 14<sup>th</sup>–16<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

Our brilliant students from B.A. LL.B. (5<sup>th</sup> Year) — Jesus Goyal, Divyansh Yadav, and Harsh Kumar — demonstrated exceptional advocacy skills and legal acumen, standing out among nearly 36 participating teams, including

prestigious National Law Universities and other private institutions from across the country. Their remarkable performance earned them the Winners' trophy, medals, and a cash prize of Rs. 51,000.

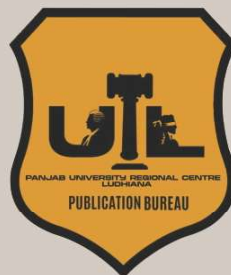
This success reflects the students' dedication and hard work, guided by the mentorship of Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Virk, Director, PURC, Ludhiana. The University Institute of Laws, Ludhiana, applauded this triumph, which adds another feather to its cap and serves as an inspiration for all aspiring advocates. Heartiest congratulations to the team for bringing laurels to the institution.

## **Felicitation of Ms. Hemlata Aul at Republic Day Function**

**(26<sup>th</sup> January, 2026)**

On behalf of Panjab University Regional Centre, Ludhiana, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to Ms. Hemlata Aul, our dedicated clerk, for receiving the prestigious Award of Honor on the occasion of Republic Day at Panjab University Chandigarh. This recognition, presented by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Renu Vig, in the presence of esteemed university officials, stands as a testament to Mrs. Hemlata's unwavering commitment and tireless work ethic. Her contributions, are indispensable for the smooth and efficient functioning of our institution. We take immense pride in honouring such an exceptional member of our institution.





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