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FROM THE DESK OF DIRECTOR ...

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It is with great pride and pleasure that I present Volume 4 of the Quarterly Bulletin of the Index Institute of Law. This edition stands as a testament to our institution's unwavering commitment to academic excellence, professional ethics, and the holistic development of future legal professionals.

At Index Institute of Law, we believe that legal education extends beyond textbooks and classrooms. Through moot court competitions, legal awareness programs, research activities, seminars, workshops, and community outreach initiatives, we strive to cultivate analytical thinking, leadership, and a strong sense of justice among our students.

The accomplishments highlighted in this volume reflect the dedication of our faculty, the enthusiasm of our students, and the collective efforts of everyone associated with the institution. Their passion for learning and pursuit of excellence continue to strengthen our academic environment and inspire meaningful contributions to society.

As we release this fourth volume, I congratulate the editorial team and all contributors for documenting the achievements and activities that define our vibrant academic community. I am confident that this bulletin will serve as a source of inspiration and encourage our students to continue their pursuit of knowledge, integrity, and professional excellence.

I extend my best wishes to all our readers and look forward to many more milestones in the journey of the Index Institute of Law.



FROM THE DESK OF DEAN ...

Dr. Surendra Kumar Nirala

Dean, Index Institute of Law

It is a matter of great pride and satisfaction to present this quarter's bulletin of the Index Institute of Law. This period has been marked by significant academic activities, student engagement, and continued efforts towards excellence in legal education.

Our institute remains committed to nurturing competent legal professionals equipped with strong ethical values, critical thinking abilities, and practical knowledge. The successful conduct of expert lectures, seminars, court visits, and awareness programs has provided our students with valuable exposure beyond the classroom.

I appreciate the enthusiasm and dedication of our students, as well as the sincere efforts of our faculty members who continuously strive to maintain high academic standards. Their collective contribution is instrumental in the overall development of the institution.

As we progress ahead, I encourage everyone to remain focused, innovative, and committed to learning and growth. Let us continue to uphold the ideals of justice, integrity, and professionalism in all our endeavors.

I extend my best wishes to all for their future success.

CAMPUS NEWS

DR. AMBEDKAR JAYANTI

Index Institute of Law celebrated Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti on 14 April 2026 in the Moot Court Hall with great enthusiasm and reverence. The event was organized to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, the principal architect of the Indian Constitution and a pioneer of social justice. Around 50 students and faculty members participated in the celebration.

The program commenced with floral tributes to Dr. Ambedkar and Goddess Saraswati, followed by inspiring addresses by Dr. Surendra Kumar Nirala, Dean, and Dr. Ajay Mishra, who highlighted Dr. Ambedkar's invaluable contributions to constitutional development and social equality. The speakers emphasized the importance of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity in contemporary society.

The event was effectively coordinated by Mr. Bhisma Kumar Dehariya, Assistant Professor, while the vote of thanks was delivered by Ms. Khushi Narwani, Assistant Professor. The program concluded with the National Anthem, inspiring students to uphold constitutional values and contribute positively to society.



Malwanchal Yoga Mahotsav

Students of Index Institute of Law proudly participated in the Malwanchal Yoga Mahotsav 2026, a historic event organized at the Index Campus, Indore. The grand yoga gathering created a remarkable world record with the participation of over 35,000 individuals in a collective yoga session and received recognition from the World Book of Records, London. The event was conducted as part of the Ministry of AYUSH's initiatives promoting health, wellness, and the spirit of yoga.

The students enthusiastically joined thousands of participants, including educators, professionals, social organizations, and yoga enthusiasts from across the region. Their active involvement reflected the institute's commitment to holistic development, physical well-being, and social participation. The Mahotsav not only celebrated the importance of yoga in daily life but also inspired students to embrace healthy lifestyles, discipline, and community engagement.



FACULTY CORNER

Protection of Women under the POCSO Act: Effectiveness and Challenges



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The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, is a landmark legislation enacted to safeguard children, particularly girls, from sexual abuse, harassment, and exploitation. The Act provides a comprehensive legal framework for reporting, investigating, and prosecuting sexual offences against minors. It ensures child-friendly procedures during investigation and trial, protecting victims from further trauma.

The effectiveness of the POCSO Act is evident in the increased reporting of offences and greater awareness regarding child protection. Special courts established under the Act aim to ensure speedy trials and justice for victims. The law also mandates the reporting of offences, thereby reducing the chances of crimes remaining hidden. However, several challenges continue to hinder its implementation. Delays in investigations and court proceedings often affect the timely delivery of justice. Social stigma, fear of retaliation, and lack of awareness discourage many victims and

families from reporting offences. In rural areas, inadequate infrastructure and insufficient training of law enforcement officials further complicate enforcement. Additionally, balancing the rights of the accused with the protection of victims remains a legal challenge.

Therefore, while the POCSO Act has significantly strengthened the protection of women and girl children, effective implementation, awareness campaigns, and institutional support are essential to achieve its objectives fully.



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Forensic Evidence



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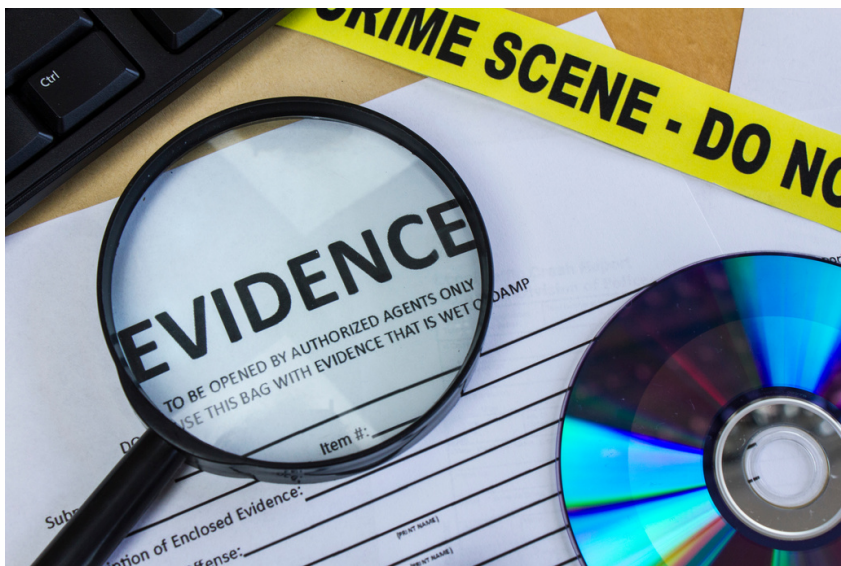
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Forensic evidence plays a crucial role in the modern criminal justice system by helping investigators establish facts and determine the truth behind a crime. It refers to scientific evidence collected, analyzed, and presented in legal proceedings to support or refute allegations. Unlike eyewitness testimony, forensic evidence is often considered more reliable because it is based on scientific methods and objective analysis.

Common types of forensic evidence include DNA samples, fingerprints, bloodstains, hair fibers, ballistic reports, toxicology results, digital records, and forensic documents. Experts examine these materials using specialized techniques to identify suspects, reconstruct crime scenes, and establish links between individuals and criminal activities.

The significance of forensic evidence lies in its ability to provide accurate and impartial information. It helps law enforcement

agencies solve complex cases, supports fair trials, and reduces the risk of wrongful convictions. In many instances, forensic science has also been instrumental in exonerating innocent individuals through advanced DNA testing and other scientific methods.



In India, forensic evidence has gained increasing importance with advancements in technology and criminal investigation procedures. Courts often rely on expert opinions and scientific reports to reach informed decisions. As crime becomes more sophisticated, the use of forensic evidence continues to strengthen the administration of justice, ensuring greater accuracy, transparency, and credibility in the legal system.

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Corporate Criminal Liability



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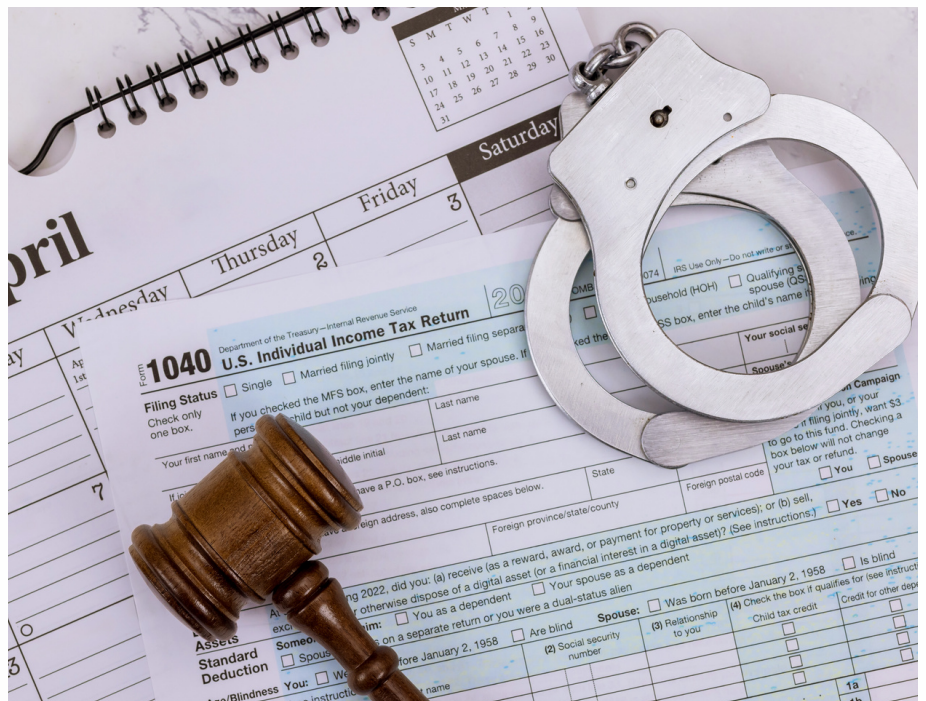
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Corporate Criminal Liability is the legal concept that a company can be held responsible for criminal acts committed by its employees, directors, or agents while acting on behalf of the organization. Although a corporation is an artificial legal person, modern legal systems recognize that it can cause harm to society through unlawful activities and should therefore be accountable for its actions.

Corporate crimes may include fraud, corruption, bribery, money laundering, tax evasion, environmental violations, and other offences committed for the benefit of the company. Courts generally attribute the acts and intentions of key individuals, such as directors and senior managers, to the corporation. This enables the company to be prosecuted and punished for criminal conduct.

The primary purpose of corporate criminal liability is to ensure accountability and deter businesses from engaging in illegal practices. It encourages companies to establish effective compliance mechanisms, maintain ethical standards, and promote responsible corporate governance. Holding corporations liable also helps protect consumers, employees, investors, and the public from the harmful consequences of corporate misconduct.

In India, the concept has developed through various judicial decisions and statutory provisions. The Supreme Court has affirmed that corporations can be prosecuted for criminal offences, including those involving criminal intent. Corporate criminal liability thus plays a significant role in promoting transparency, ethical business practices, and public confidence in corporate institutions.



STUDENT CORNER

ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION



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The environment is essential for the survival of all living beings. It provides clean air, water, food, and other natural resources necessary for life. However, increasing pollution, deforestation, and industrial activities have caused serious environmental problems. To protect the environment, citizens and organizations can seek legal remedies through Public Interest Litigation (PIL).

Public Interest Litigation is a legal mechanism that allows any individual or group to approach the court for the protection of public interest, including environmental issues. In India, PIL has played a significant role in safeguarding the environment. The Supreme Court and High Courts have passed several important judgments to control pollution, protect forests, conserve wildlife, and ensure a clean and healthy environment. PIL helps enforce the fundamental right to life under Article 21 of the Constitution, which includes the right to live in a pollution-free environment. It also encourages public participation in environmental protection.

Thus, Public Interest Litigation serves as an effective tool for environmental justice and sustainable development. It ensures that government authorities and industries fulfill their responsibilities towards environmental conservation.

सूचना के अधिकार का महत्व

सूचना का अधिकार (Right to Information - RTI) लोकतांत्रिक व्यवस्था का एक महत्वपूर्ण आधार है। यह नागरिकों को सरकारी विभागों और सार्वजनिक संस्थाओं के कार्यों, निर्णयों तथा योजनाओं से संबंधित जानकारी प्राप्त करने का कानूनी अधिकार प्रदान करता है। भारत में सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम, 2005 लागू होने के बाद शासन प्रणाली में पारदर्शिता और जवाबदेही को बढ़ावा मिला है। इस अधिकार के माध्यम से नागरिक सरकारी कार्यों की निगरानी कर सकते हैं तथा यह सुनिश्चित कर सकते हैं कि सार्वजनिक धन का उपयोग उचित और जनहितकारी उद्देश्यों के लिए हो रहा है।

RTI भ्रष्टाचार को रोकने का एक प्रभावी साधन भी है, क्योंकि इसके डर से अधिकारी अपने कार्यों में अधिक सावधानी और ईमानदारी बरतते हैं। इसके अतिरिक्त, यह नागरिकों को सशक्त बनाता है और उन्हें शासन प्रक्रिया में सक्रिय भागीदारी का अवसर देता है। सूचना का अधिकार सामाजिक न्याय, सुशासन और लोकतांत्रिक मूल्यों को मजबूत करने में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाता है। आज के समय में, जब पारदर्शिता और उत्तरदायित्व की आवश्यकता पहले से अधिक है, सूचना का अधिकार नागरिकों और सरकार के बीच विश्वास स्थापित करने का एक प्रभावशाली माध्यम बन गया है। इसलिए प्रत्येक नागरिक को इस अधिकार की जानकारी होनी चाहिए और आवश्यकता पड़ने पर इसका उचित उपयोग करना चाहिए।



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