





Report of the 2nd EDITION OF 11 DAY CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME / FDP ON INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM

Jointly Organized by

LAW TEACHERS INDIA &

CENTRE FOR ADVANCED STUDY IN INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW, RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB

JUNE 30 TO JULY 11, 2025

The Centre for Advanced Study in International Humanitarian Law, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, in collaboration with Law Teachers India, organized the second edition of a capacity-building program on Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) from 30th June- 11th July, 2025. More than 300 participants attended this FDP.

The main focus was to make the participants aware of the importance Indian Knowledge System into academic curricula. The speakers highlight India's rich intellectual and philosophical heritage as crucial for legal education. The program aimed to foster engagement with indigenous knowledge traditions and their relevance today. The resource persons discussed the various shades of feminism and Marxism, highlighting their complexities. He emphasizes that modernity doesn't require abandoning Indian knowledge systems. The Indian knowledge system centers on the concept of Dharma, encompassing morality and duty. Legal education should reflect constitutional values and promote social relevance for all living beings. The new education policy encourages bilingual education and aims for globally competitive legal education. The discussion was made on integrating Indian epistemology with Western philosophies in legal studies. The resource persons also explained that modernity through Indian knowledge systems, not solely Western philosophies. They emphasized on the importance of justice, empathy, and compassion in education.

The resource persons highlighted IKS as a multidisciplinary approach applicable across various academic disciplines. The focus was made on the importance of understanding and respecting diverse knowledge systems and philosophies. It was explained that Mythology is examined as a narrative that can differ across religions and cultures. Emphasis is placed on the role of teachers in imparting positive values and knowledge to students. The Indian knowledge system is highlighted as a valuable resource for contemporary education and societal development. A call for promoting harmony among different cultures and religions is made, emphasizing coexistence. Emphasize the importance of integrating Indian stories and perspectives into classroom discussions. Highlight the need to revive historical figures and narratives in educational materials. Advocate for a focus on duty and effort over results, as taught in the Gita.

The discussion was made on connecting Indian knowledge systems with management practices. As Indian education reflects a colonized curriculum, lacking the essence of traditional Indian knowledge. Management in India emphasizes dharma (righteousness) and sustainability, contrasting with Western efficiency-focused approaches. Western management prioritizes individualism and competition, while Indian management promotes collective growth and collaboration. The importance of balancing values and skills in leadership is highlighted through examples from ancient texts. Indian knowledge systems encourage diverse interpretations and contextual understanding in management practices. The discussion emphasized that storytelling and inquiry-based approaches for enhancing engagement in Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) classes.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

DATE & TIME	TOPIC	RESOURCE PERSON	
Monday 30/06/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	The Indian Knowledge System: Exploring Modernization without Westernisation	PROF. (DR.) SHAILENDRA GUPTA Professor of Law, Faculty of Law, BHU, Varanasi	
Tuesday 1/7/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System, Law, Spirituality and Justice	PROF. (DR.) K PARAMESWARAN Professor of Law, Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar	
Wednesday 2/7/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System and Sociology	DR. SAURABH ANAND Associate Professor of Sociology, Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar	
Thursday 3/7/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System and Political Science	DR. RAVI SAXENA Sr. Assistant Professor (Political Science) Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai.	
Friday 4/7/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System and Management	DR. MALAY PATEL Associate Professor, United World Institute of Design, Karnavati University, Gandhinagar	
Saturday 5/7/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System and Economics	DR. SHWETA MOHAN Assistant Professor of Economics, NUSRL, Ranchi	
Weekly Test, Sunday, 6/7/2025			
Monday 7/07/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System and History	DR. RICHA SHARMA Deputy Director, ICSSR, New Delhi	
Tuesday 8/7/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System Science, Technology and Engineering	DR. HEENA GOSWAMI Assistant Professor of Science & Technology, Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar	
Wednesday 9/7/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System and Language	DR. DEEPAK MASHRU Assistant Professor of English, NFSU, Gandhinagar	

Thursday 10/07/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System and Sports	TARUN Assistant Professor – Research, Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar
Friday 11/07/2025 7-00 pm to 8-15 pm	Indian Knowledge System and Intellectual Property Rights	HETVI TRIVEDI Consultant WIPO, Geneva