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**COLLEGE OF LAW**



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# ABOUT US (SCL)

**Founded in 2017 under the Soundarya Educational Trust (SET)**, Soundarya College of Law (SCL) is dedicated to providing quality legal education to students, fostering both academic excellence and holistic development. Set amidst the serene surroundings of two campuses Havanoor Extension Campus and Soundarya Nagar Campus SCL is committed to offering a blend of traditional values and modern education in a learner-centric environment.

As part of the Soundarya Group of Institutions, SCL provides an array of programs, including 3-Year LL.B and 5-Year B.A.LL.B & B.Com.LL.B courses. Affiliated to Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi, the college strives to cater to the dynamic demands of the legal profession, industry, and research. Our institution emphasizes not only academic learning but also the development of co-curricular skills, including sports, to ensure the overall growth of students.

Our vision is to be a leading institution that imparts quality legal education while upholding strong values, contributing to a just and egalitarian society. We aim to channelize the potential of our students to seize global opportunities. With our motto, "Your Success, Our Commitment," Soundarya College of Law is dedicated to shaping the future leaders of the legal profession.

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## CEO'S MESSAGE

Empowering legal minds for a Just Society at Soundarya College of Law, we are dedicated to shaping a generation of legal professionals who not only excel academically but also embody integrity, empathy and commitment to social justice. We believe that true legal education extends beyond the classroom; it requires deep engagement with real-world issues, critical thinking and dedication to ethical practice. Our programs blend rigorous academics with hands-on learning and community outreach, all aimed at fostering a profound understanding of the law's role in shaping society. We invite you to join us on this journey of knowledge, growth, and impact as we cultivate leaders who are prepared to advocate positive change and uphold the principles of justice.

**Mr. Keerthan Kumar, CEO,  
Soundarya Group of Institutions**

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## Motto

“  
**Your Success  
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## Vision

To emerge as a leading institution dedicated to delivering quality legal education, rooted in strong values, to foster a just and egalitarian society. Our vision is to inspire and guide talent to seize emerging global opportunities.



## Mission

Foster continuous learning and cultivate intellectual growth through a learner-centric approach. Equip students with employable skills to become global change-makers. Mobilize efforts towards achieving sustainable development goals. Empower societal transformation by sharing and applying acquired knowledge and values.



Spoorthi is a reflection of the achievements and incredible work that our student community and faculty members have been doing. Striving for academic excellence has been our motto and the work done by each one of them is a testimony to this. We are strongly committed to train the

students to become highly committed individuals and make meaningful contributions to society. Strengthening the skills, imbibing strong values and the right attitude is what we believe in. In pursuit of this, we have aligned our activities and curated events that help student's progress in achieving these goals. While keeping the larger goal in mind, we are collaborating with all the relevant stakeholders to achieve excellence in teaching-learning, research and extension activities.

**With Best Wishes and Warm Regards,**

**Dr. Rajashree K  
Principal**



## **Mr. Vishwas Puttaswamy** **Vice Principal**

There is so much on offer for you here at Soundarya College of Law. SCL is dedicated to ensuring students receive the best possible education and we prioritize student success and put students at the heart of everything we do. Our academic standards continue to improve each year to ensure that students are both engaged and able to succeed in an ever-changing world.

Through rigorous academics, hands-on training, moot court practices, internships, and industry interactions, we prepare our graduates to meet the challenges of a dynamic legal world with confidence and competence. Our qualified and experienced faculty member are committed to working hard to help the students achieve their full potential. At Soundarya College of Law, we take pride in offering a state-of-the-art campus that reflects our commitment to quality education and holistic development. Our infrastructure is thoughtfully designed to create an environment that is both inspiring and conducive to learning.

Soundarya College of Law is more than just a place to study – it is a space where knowledge meets opportunity, where ambition meets support, and where future legal professionals are shaped in an environment of excellence. I hope that all of you feel proud of being a part Soundarya group of Institutions.

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# CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



## Aarambh 2024: Orientation & Bridge Course for Freshers

The Aarambh Orientation and Bridge Course Programme was held from 2nd to 19th September 2024 which marked a meaningful beginning for the incoming batch of students.



## LEX GENESIS: Inauguration of the Academic Year 2024-2025 and Freshers Day

The academic year 2024-2025 was inaugurated with immense enthusiasm during the vibrant event LEX GENESIS held on 19th November 2024. Marking the beginning of a new academic journey, the celebration also welcomed the incoming batch of freshers. The event was honoured by the presence of Shri Mohamad Rafi Pasha, KAS, Deputy Commissioner of Commercial Tax, Government of Karnataka, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.



## 5 Days Contract Drafting Workshop

A five-day online workshop was conducted from 4th November 2024 to 8th November 2024 on Contract Drafting, by renowned legal expert Mr. Bhumesh Verma, Managing Partner, Corp Comm Legal. The program equipped students with essential skills to draft clear and effective contracts, blending theory with practical



## World Human Rights Day 2024 Celebration

World Human Rights Day was observed on 10th December 2024 with a meaningful and insightful event that highlighted the importance of human rights advocacy and awareness. The occasion was graced by Dr. Priyanca Mathur, Head and Associate Professor at the Center for Research in Social Science and Education (CeRSSE), JAIN (Deemed-to-be) University.



## Honouring Creativity: Blog Writing Competition Prize Distribution

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organized the Prize Distribution Ceremony on 10th December 2024 of the Blog Writing Competition, 2024. This interdisciplinary initiative brought together participants from across the sister institutions of Soundarya, The winners were honoured with certificates, cash prizes of ₹3000/-, ₹2000/- & ₹1000/- by the Chief Guest, Dr. Priyanca Mathur, Head and Associate Professor at the Center for Research in Social Science and Education (CeRSSE), JAIN (Deemed-to-be University). The winners included: First Prize: Bukka Gyanasree, Soundarya PU Composite College (MEBA), Second Prize: Keerthana R., Soundarya State School, Third Prize: Paavan Gowda K. R, Soundarya College of Law.



# FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

 One-Day Faculty Development Program (FDP) on “A Roadmap for Reforms in Legal Education and Research in the 21st Century” was organized on 19th October 2024 to equip faculty members with insights into the evolving landscape of legal education. The program was led by Prof. (Dr.) Chetan Basavaraj Singai, a distinguished academic, Dean, and Academic Lead, School of Law Public Policy, Chanakya University. He addressed current challenges and exploring innovative approaches to enhance legal pedagogy, research output, and institutional growth.

 Session one of the Faculty Development Program was held on 13th November 2024. Ms. Ramya Sheshadri, Manager Corporate Engagement, Student Development and Entrepreneurial, SIMS and Ms. Rishma Banan, Soft Skill Trainer, SIMS led discussions on the importance of professionalism, etiquette, and body language in academic settings.

 The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Soundarya College of Law organised a FDP on the Revised NAAC Framework on 30th December 2024. The Resource Person for the event was Dr. Nagarathna, Academic Advisor and Principal of Ramaiah Institute of Business Studies. She explained the key changes in the new framework, including the revised assessment methodology, enhanced focus on student outcomes, and the importance of fostering a research-oriented environment in educational institutions.

 On 17th January 2025 Session Two of the Faculty Development Program took place with Ms. Rishma Banan, Soft Skill Trainer, SIMS. This session focused on enhancing email etiquette for professional communication, covering best practices for email structure, tone, and clarity. Additionally, the session delved into the principles of mentorship, discussing the significance of mentor-mentee relationships and strategies for effective guidance. Participants engaged in practical exercises, gaining actionable skills to improve both communication and mentorship.

 In collaboration with Law Teachers India, the Seven Days Executive Development Programme (EDP) 2025 was organized from 13th to 19th January 2025. The event was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) C. Basavaraju, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi, who emphasized the importance of financial management and academic planning in higher education institutions. The week-long online program featured distinguished speakers, including Vice-chancellors, Deans, and Professors, who shared insights on leadership, governance, financing, human resource management, and research.



**Prof. (Dr.) C. Basavaraju,**  
Hon'ble Vice Chancellor,  
Karnataka State Law University,  
Hubballi.



**13th January 2025**

Leadership Strategy In  
Development of Higher  
Education Institution

**Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kumar Sinha,**  
Vice Chancellor, DNLU Jabalpur.



**14th January 2025**

Governance in Higher  
Education Institution

**Prof. (Dr.) Purvi  
Pokhariyal,** Campus Director  
& Dean SLFJPS, National  
Forensic Sciences  
University, Delhi Campus



**15th January 2025**

Developing Extended  
Curricular Activities In  
Higher Education Institution

**Prof. (Dr.) M R K Prasad,** Professor  
of Law, V M Salgaocar College of  
Law, Goa



**16th January 2025**

Financing in Higher  
Education Institution

**Prof. (Dr.) Y S R Murthy,** Vice  
Chancellor, The Assam  
Royal Global University.



**17th January 2025**

Human Resource Management  
In Higher Education Institution

**Prof. Anand Prakash Mishra,**  
Professor Of Practice &  
Director, Admission, O P Jindal  
Global University, Sonipat.



**18th January 2025**

Teaching and Research In  
Higher Education Institution

**Prof. (Dr.) Vijay Kumar Singh,**  
Dean, Faculty Of Law, SRM  
University, Delhi NCR.



**19th January 2025**

Future Pathway For Effective  
Growth Of Higher Education  
Institution

**Prof. (Dr.) Prof Pradeep Kulshreshtha,**  
Dean, School Of Law, Bennett  
University (Times Group), Greater  
Noida.

## Kannada Rajyotsava Celebration

- ❖ Kannada Rajyotsava was celebrated with the hoisting of Indian and Karnataka flags on 1st November 2024. NSS volunteers and faculty members actively participated, fostering a spirit of pride, and cultural harmony.
- ❖ The Cultural Committee organized Kannada Rajyotsava celebration on 11th November 2024. The campus came alive with the vibrant colours of Karnataka's flag, while students dressed in traditional attire embraced the spirit of the occasion, adding to the festive atmosphere.

## Inauguration of Dr. D.V. Gundappa Lecture Series

The inaugural session of the Dr. D.V. Gundappa Lecture Series was held on 16th November 2024. The Chief Guest Hon'ble Mr. Justice Krishna S. Dixit, Judge, High Court of Karnataka, highlighted Dr. D.V. Gundappa's legacy in literature, philosophy and civic thought, echoing the spirit of Kannada Rajyotsava.



## MOOT COURT SOCIETY

### Mooting Excellence Takes Center Stage At The Inaugural Intra-College Competition

December 16th, 2024, marked a thrilling day as the Moot Court Society hosted its very first Intra-College Moot Court Competition, bringing together dynamic teams in a spirited battle of wit and legal acumen.

The competition was a true test of advocacy skills, with participants navigating complex legal scenarios and showcasing impressive courtroom prowess. The winners of this event were Theekshan Bhonsle and Mithilesh from 2nd Year B.Com, LLB, while the runners-up were VKT Krishnadas Unni and Vishwas P from 1st year 3rd Year LLB.

### Moot Court Representation By Our Students:

Our students showcased commendable performances in various moot court competitions. At the 7th KLE Surana & Surana Moot Court Competition held from 22nd to 24th November, the team comprising VKT Krishnadas Unni (1st Year, 3-Year LLB), Theekshan Bhonsle (2nd Year, B.Com LLB), and Mithilesh Shetty (2nd Year, B.Com LLB) advanced to the Quarter Finals. Notably, Theekshan Bhonsle was awarded the Best Student Advocate award for his exceptional oratory and advocacy skills.

Rupini, Amith, and Yathin from 3rd Year, 3-Year LLB were Quarter Finalists at the Chanakya Moot Court Competition held on 23rd and 24th December.

Team consisting of VKT Krishnadas Unni (1st Year, 3-Year LL.B), Vaishnavi B (3rd Year, B.A. LL.B), and Suhas (1st Year, B.Com LL.B) represented our institution at the 3rd RILS Inter-University Moot Court Competition conducted by Ramaiah Institute of Legal Studies from 26th to 28th December.

## ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION SOCIETY

### Mastering the Art of Mediation: A Journey into Dispute Resolution

Ms. Meena P. Wagray a renowned mediator, Advocate, High Court of Karnataka and founder of Outofcourt.in, highlighted mediation's growing role in legal practice, emphasizing its effectiveness as a powerful tool for peaceful dispute resolution on 21st October 2024.



### A Hands-On ADR Experience with Mr. Mohit Mokal

The ADR Society hosted an engaging online workshop on Mediation and Negotiation, facilitated by Mr. Mohit Mokal on 7th December 2024. The session aimed to sharpen participants' skills in Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) by exploring into crucial topics such as the principles of mediation and negotiation, the stages of mediation, effective negotiation strategies, and the ethical considerations involved in these processes.



### Exploring Conflict Resolution: ADR Workshop on Mediation

Shri Prasad Subbanna, advocate and mediator, led an ADR Workshop on Mediation on November 12th, 2024. This session provided the tones of conflict resolution, with Shri Subbanna exploring the impact of positive and negative energy in conflicts and emphasizing the structured process of mediation.



### Fostering Mediation Excellence: New Partnership with Mohit Mokal Mediation

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Mohit Mokal Mediation was signed on 13th January 2025 to equip students with essential skills in mediation and conflict resolution through structured training and learning opportunities.



# INTERNSHIP AND PLACEMENT CELL



## Freshers Dive into the World of Internships

The Internship and Placement Cell welcomed freshers on October 23rd, 2024, with an insightful session on the Introduction to Internships. Adding a personal touch, senior students took the spotlight, sharing their internship experiences – from navigating legal environments to building professional networks. The interactive session allowed freshers to connect with their seniors, gaining practical insights and forging connections for future internships.

## Shaping Careers: Workshop on CV Drafting and Interview Preparation

An enriching workshop on mastering CV drafting and interview preparation was organised on 9th November 2024 by the Internship and Placement Cell. Advocates Harshita Singh and Harish Vashisth led the sessions, offering invaluable insights into crafting impactful CVs, avoiding common pitfalls, and honing essential skills for law firm interviews.



## Youth Unite for a Tobacco-Free Future: NSS Volunteers Take a Stand

NSS volunteers participated in the Tobacco-Free Youth Campaign 2.0 organized by the Karnataka State Government at the Mahatma Gandhi Statue, Vidhana Soudha, Bengaluru, on October 15th, 2024.

# NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

## Sparking Dialogue: NSS Hosts Spot Debate on Combating Corruption

The NSS Unit hosted a Spot Debate Competition on 5th November 2024, centred on the theme “Challenges and Solutions to eliminate Out Corruption in India.” The teams engaged in a dynamic discussion, showcasing their critical thinking and public speaking skills. Sakshi Singh 3rd Year B.Com.LL.B secured first place, followed by Krishna Das and Vishwas P 1st Year LL.B.



## Empowering Justice: Observing National Legal Services Day

The NSS Unit observed National Legal Services Day on 9th November 2024 to promote awareness of free legal aid and access to justice. Guest speaker Adv. Harish Vashisht, Advocate, High Court of Karnataka emphasized the importance of pro bono work, followed by lecture on legal aid. Students took a solemn pledge to uphold justice for marginalized communities.

### Inspiring Voices: Spot Elocution Competition on Children’s Day

The NSS Unit organized a Spot Elocution Competition on the theme “Future of Today’s Children in India” to mark Children’s Day on 14th November 2024. The students delivered insightful speeches, addressing key topics such as education, technology, and child development. The jury evaluated the participants and declared Vaishnavi 3rd Year BA.LL.B as the first-place winner.

### National Constitution Day

The NSS Unit commemorated National Constitution Day on 26th November 2024 by paying homage to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar at Medarahalli, Chikkabanavara.

### Empowering Democracy: Observing National Voter’s Day

The NSS Unit observed National Voter’s Day on 24th January 2025, highlighting the importance of unbiased voting in strengthening democracy.



## THE LEGAL SERVICES CLINIC



### Prioritizing Mental Health in the Workplace: World Mental Health Day 2024

The Legal Services Clinic observed World Mental Health Day on October 10th , 2024, embracing the theme, "It is Time to Prioritize Mental Health in the Workplace." The event featured Dr. Rajendra K. M., Associate Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at NIMHANS, Bengaluru, as the Chief Guest. Dr. Rajendra shared invaluable awareness on the importance of mental health, sparking meaningful conversations and promoting awareness about mental well-being in professional spaces.

## LITERARY AND DEBATE SOCIETY



### Book Review Session: I Came Upon The Lighthouse Shantanu Naidu.

The Literary and Debate Club organized a book review session on 4th November 2024, featuring I Came Upon a Lighthouse by Shantanu Naidu. Key conversations centered around Tata’s profound influence on Naidu’s life and initiatives, like “Motopaws,” a project dedicated to protecting stray dogs. The review was led by Ms.Monisha M, Assistant Professor,SCL.

### Constitution Day Celebration: Embracing Democratic Values

On 5th December 2024, Chief Guest Prof. Dr. Satish Gowda N, Chairman, Department of Studies in Law, University Law College, Bangalore University, Bengaluru, delivered an inspiring address highlighting the pillars of democracy, the importance of responsible citizenship, the transformative power of education, the significance of voting, and the vital role of libraries in shaping informed societies.



### Debate Competition: Engaging Young Minds On Constitutional and Civil Discourse

A Debate Competition was organized to encourage students to explore important constitutional and social issues shaping the nation. Students engaged in discussions on two significant topics: The Impact of Article 370 on the Unity and Integrity of India and the Need for a Uniform Civil Code in India. After a closely contested round, the winners were 1st Place Krishnadas – 1st Year LLB and 2nd Place Theekshan – 2nd Year B.Com., LLB.

## WOMEN'S CELL

### Empowering Her: Promoting Awareness On Sexual and Reproductive Health

The Women's Cell organized a session on "Empowering Her: A Talk on Sexual and Reproductive Health" on 22nd November 2024. The keynote address was delivered by Ms. Sony Ulahannan, a renowned consultant psychologist known for her expertise in women's health and mental well-being. The session encouraged open dialogue and empowered participants with knowledge essential for personal and social well-being.



# SPORTS JOURNEY

## Dunking with Determination: A Thrilling Run at the KSLU Basketball Tournament

The college basketball team represented our institution at the KSLU Basketball Tournament held on October 28th and 29th, 2024.

## Checkmate! Showcasing Strategy At The KSLU Chess Tournament

Student's participation in the KSLU Chess Tournament on November 30th, 2024, highlighted the team's strategic skills and competitive spirit, reflecting a strong commitment to excellence and enthusiasm for the game of chess.

## Kicking Goals: Three Students Selected For the KSLU Football Team

Our students have earned their spots on the KSLU Football Team during the selection trials held on December 18th, 2024. The selected students are: Ajith Kumar (5th Semester, 5 Year BA .LLB) Badruddin (1st Semester, 3 Year LLB) Syed Rahil (5th Semester, 5 Year BA. LLB).

## Spiking Success: A Remarkable Showing At the KSLU Volleyball Tournament

Our college took part in the KSLU Volleyball Tournament on November 26th and 27th, 2024. The event served as a fantastic platform for our team to display their skill & teamwork.

## A Proud Moment: Suchith Reddy To Lead The KSLU Cricket Team

Suchith Reddy, a 4th Year B.Com.LLB student, has been selected for the prestigious KSLU Cricket Team on 22nd November 2025, at KSLU.



# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

## Rakshitha K. Shines at National Volleyball Championship

Rakshitha K. 2nd Year B.Com.LL.B student participated in the 11th South Zone National Invitational Volleyball Championship – 2024, held in Puducherry from 9th to 11th October 2024 in the Under-17 Girls' Category. The team emerged as Runners-Up, securing 2nd place in this prestigious championship.

## Victory in Voice and Verdict:

A special mention to Theekshan Bhonsle, 2nd Year B.Com LL.B, who received the Best Student Advocate Award for his outstanding advocacy skills, courtroom presence, and persuasive arguments in the 7th Surana & Surana K.L.E Moot Court Competition 2024, held from 22nd to 24th November.

## Words of Impact

Shreya U, a 3rd Year B.A. LLB student, secured the third position in an essay competition organized by the Centre for Research in Social Sciences and Education (CeRSSE), in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Public Administration – Karnataka Regional Branch (IIPA-KR) held on November 26th, 2024.

# FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

## Ms. Claudia Nadh, Assistant Professor

Soundarya Institute of Management and Science, in collaboration with Bharatiya Shikshana Mandala, proudly organized a heartfelt program to honour esteemed educators on 24th October 2024.. We are thrilled to announce that Ms. Claudia Nadh, Assistant Professor at Soundarya College of Law received the prestigious "Shikshak Sanmaan" Award.

## Ms. Monisha M, Assistant Professor

1. Best Participant at the Illuminate Entrepreneurship Bootcamp, conducted on 15th November 2024 at Soundarya Institute of Management and Science. The event was organized in association with the Entrepreneurship Cell of IIT Bombay, bringing together aspiring entrepreneurs from various institutions.
2. Participated in GIBS IRE TALKS on "From Zero to One: The Practicalities of Starting & Scaling a Venture" Presented by Mr. Kunal Bhardwaj, Founder, Reevoly. Previously Sr. Director Dailyhunt & VP Testbook At GIBS Business School, Bengaluru on January 23rd, 2025.

## Ms. Akshatha Poovappa N, Assistant Professor

1. Participated in the Certificate Course on "Fundamentals of International Politics" organised by Centre for Research in Social Science Research and Education (CeRSSE), Jain (deemed-to-be) University, Bangalore, held on 17th September to 3rd October 2024.
2. Chair Person for the Online National Student Seminar on the theme & quote Transforming Tomorrow: A Call for Climate Action, & quote organised by Centre for Research in Social Science Research and Education (CeRSSE), Jain (deemed-to-be) University, Bangalore held on 20th December 2024.
3. Presented a paper entitled "The Impact of Gender Equality on Biodiversity Protection Bringing the Gap for Climate Change Resilience" in International Conference on "Navigating Cross- Functional Collaboration for Ecological Security Pattern" Organized by Mount Carmel College, Autonomous in Association with Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) held on 17th and 18th of January 2025.

# EVENTS GALLERY



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