



# Programme Report - Online Seminar on New Criminal Laws

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## **REPORT on ONLINE SEMINAR ON CELEBRATION OF COMMENCEMENT OF NEW CRIMINAL LAWS 2023**

**Organized by: IQAC, Surendranath Law College**

**Date: 01.07.2024.**

**Time: 12 Noon Onwards**

**Venue: Google Meet Platform**

**Chairperson: Dr. Mohammadi Tarannum, Vice Principal, Surendranath Law College**

**Convener: Dr. Niloy Bagchi, Dr. Caesar Roy, Faculty, Surendranath Law College**

**Speakers:**

- 1. Dr. Mohammadi Tarannum, Vice Principal, SNLC;**
- 2. Dr. Rajarsi Das, Assistant Professor of Law, SNLC;**
- 3. Dr. Caesar Roy, Assistant Professor of Law, SNLC;**
- 4. Mr. Faisal Fasih, Assistant Professor of Law, WBNUJS**

### **About the College & the Event:**

Surendranath Law College, an esteemed Law college, affiliated to the University of Calcutta, has been imparting legal education since 1885.

The Government of India has appointed the 1st day of July, 2024 as the date on which the provisions of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (45 of 2023), The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (46 of 2023) and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam, 2023 (47 of 2023) which will replace the British era colonial laws, namely, Indian Penal Code 1860, the Code of Criminal Procedure 1973 and the Indian Evidence Act 1872 respectively, shall come into force.

Pursuant to it, Government of West Bengal directed all the HEIs that a day-long activities to be arranged in view of celebrating the commencement of new Criminal Laws on 1st July, 2024.

Accordingly, a series of online lectures were organised by the IQAC, Surendranath Law College with an aim of enlightening the students about the new criminal laws.

The event covered all the three new laws including aspects like necessity of such enactment, modifications made in these laws, comparison with the provisions of old laws etc.

The entire event was supervised & counseled by Prof. Dr. Mohammadi Tarannum, Vice-Principal of the Surendranath Law College and coordinated by Dr. Niloy Bagchi, Coordinator, IQAC, Surendranath Law College.

### **Objective of the Competition:**

- ❖ To promote awareness among the students on the subject.
- ❖ To encourage the students for meticulous study of new Laws.
- ❖ To encourage maximum participation among the teachers & students.
- ❖ To encourage teachers and students towards critical analysis of these new laws.

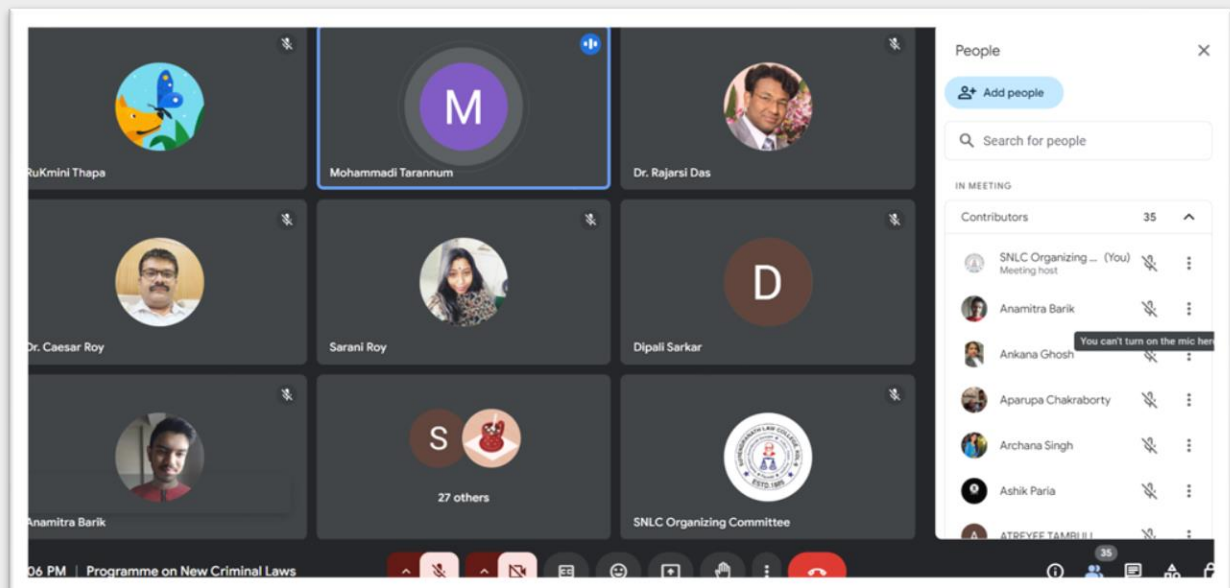
### **Benefits of the Event:**

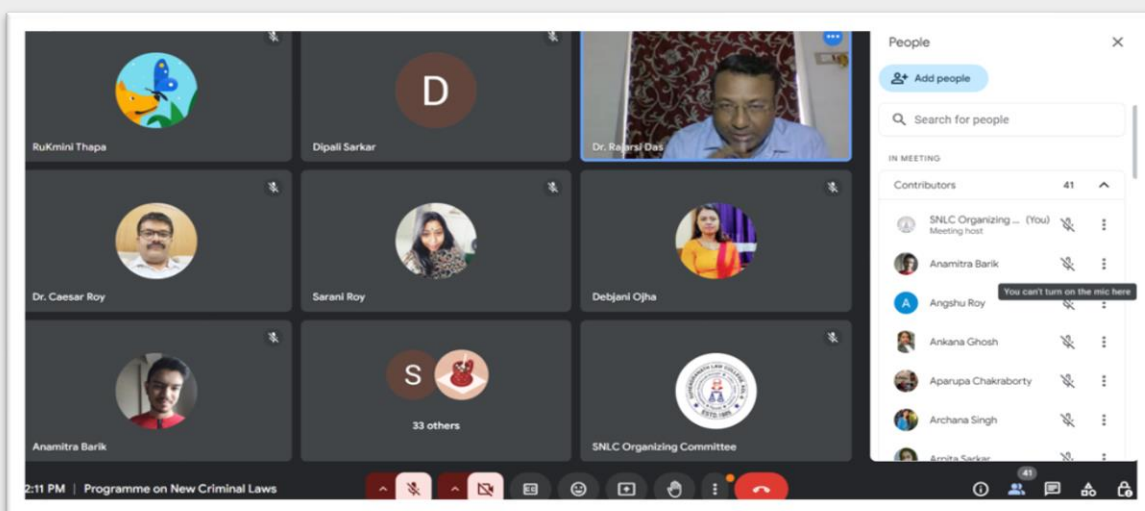
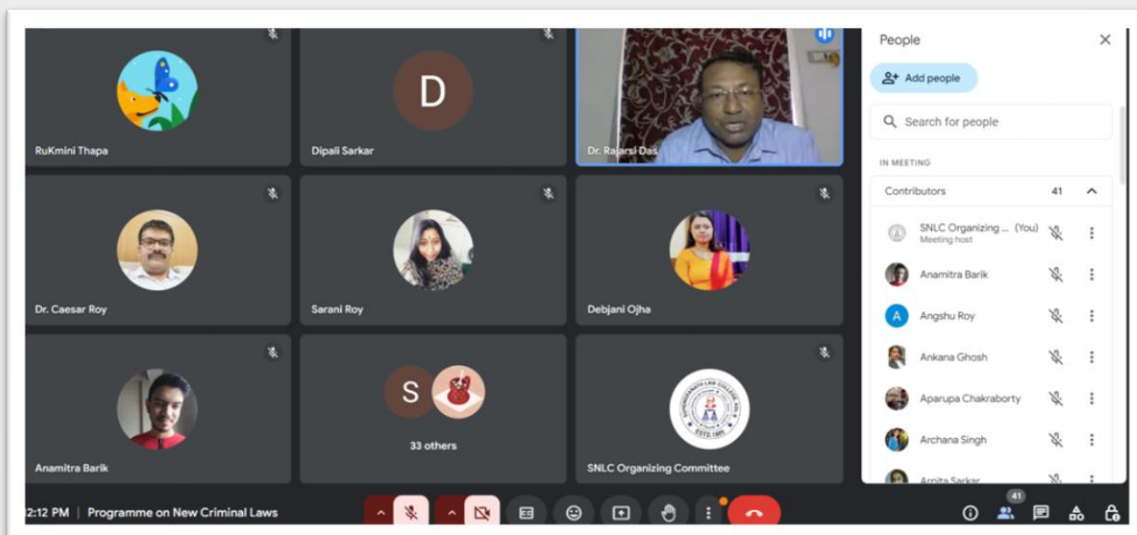
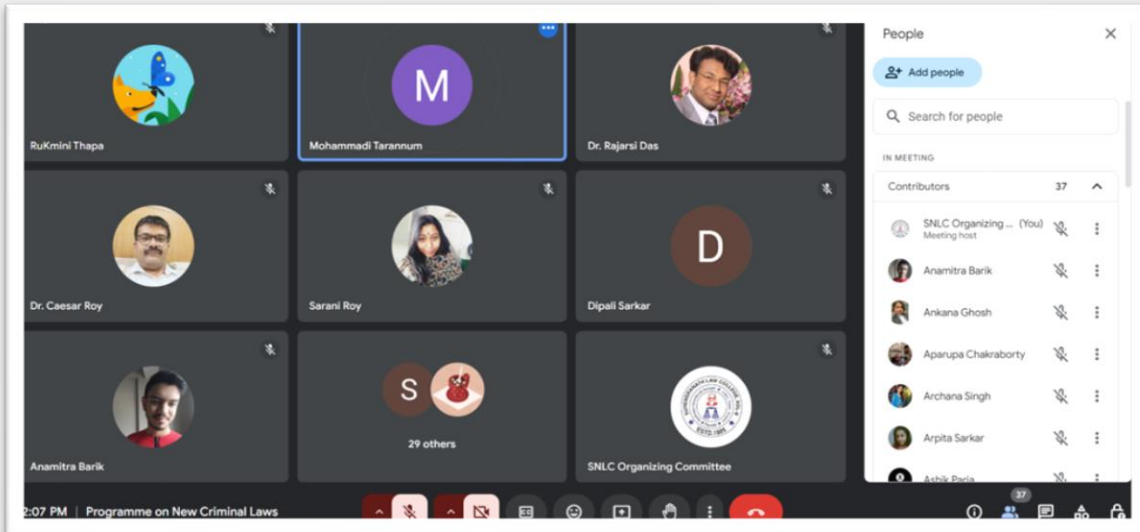
- Student's awareness on the subject
- Comparative analysis of the old and new laws beneficial for future study.

### **Outcome:**

There was a considerable turnover of students from all semester in the event. Through power point presentations the speakers have in elaborate and lucid manner explained all most all the important aspects of these new criminal laws. Students are immensely benefitted by these lectures.

### **Photos:**





Dr. Rajarsi Das (Presenting)

## “An Overview of Changes in BNS, Recognition of Chapter and Sections, Comparison with IPC” & “Discussion on Insertion of New Offences”

**DR. RAJARSI DAS**  
B.Sc(Hons), M.Sc, LL.B(Hons), LL.M, Ph.D(Law)  
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## CHAPTERISATION OF BNS

- There Are 20 Chapters in BNS
- Chapter I- Preliminary (Section 1-3)
- Chapter II- Punishment (Section 2-13)
- Chapter III- General Exceptions (Sections 14- 44)
- Chapter IV- Abetment Criminal Conspiracy and Attempt (Sections 45- 62)
- Chapter V- Offences Against Woman and Children (Sections 63-99)
- Chapter VI – Offences Affecting Human Body (Section 100- 146)
- Chapter VII- Offences Against state (Section 147- 158)
- Chapter VIII- Offences related to Army, Navy and Airforce (Section 159- 168)
- Chapter IX – Offences Related to Elections (Section 169- 177)
- Chapter X- Offences Related to Coins, Currency Notes, Bank Notes and Government Stamps (Section 178- 188)

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- Chapter XI- Offences Against Public Tranquillity (Section 189-197)
- Chapter XII- Offences by or Related to Public Servants (Section 198- 205)
- Chapter XIII- Contempts of Lawful Authority by Public Servants (Section 206- 226)
- Chapter XIV- False Evidence and Offences Against Public Justice (Section 227- 269)
- Chapter XV – Offences Affecting Public Health, Safety , Convenience, Decency and Morals (Section 270- 297)
- Chapter XVI- Offences Relating to Religion (Section 298-302)
- Chapter XVII- Offences Against Property (Section 303-334)
- Chapter XVIII- Offences Relating to Documents and Property Marks (Section 335- 350)
- Chapter XIX – Criminal Intimidation , Insult , Annoyance, Defamation, etc (Section 351- 357)
- Chapter XX – Repeals and Savings (Section 358)

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	Old Indian Penal Code, 1860	Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023
Provisions	511	358
Additions	N/A	31
Deletions	N/A	19
Modifications	N/A	Community Service for 6 offences. Minimum Punishment for 25 offences.
Imprisonment	N/A	Increased for 41 Sections
Penalty	N/A	Hiked in 82 Sections

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### Significant Takeaways

- Addition – 20 new offences have been added.
- Deletion – 19 provisions that existed in IPC have been deleted.
- Punishment of imprisonment – It has been increased in 33 offences.
- Punishment of fine – It has been enhanced in 83 offences.
- Punishment of 'community service' – It has been introduced in 6 offences.
- Mandatory minimum punishment – It has been introduced in 23 offences.
- Reorganisation of offences are made wherein similar provisions have been clubbed together.

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**Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023**

**Dr. Caesar Roy**  
Assistant Professor of Law,  
Surendranath Law College

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**Constitution of Criminal Courts and Offices [Sections 6 to 20 of BNSS]**

- **Special Public Prosecutor**
- Under BNSS, the definition of "Prosecuting Officer" includes a Special Public Prosecutor also.
- **Assistant public prosecutors [Section 19 of BNSS/Section 25 of Cr.PC.]**
- **Notice to State Government**  
Section 19 of the BNSS stipulates a new requirement that provides that when no Assistant Public Prosecutor is available District Magistrate may exercise his power of appointment of any other person as Assistant Public Prosecutor after giving notice of 14 days to the State Government

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**Major Changes in Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam [BSA]**

Presented by:  
**Fahad Faruk**  
[Assistant Professor, NLUJ]

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OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

- Evidentiary Process
- Importance of Science & Technology in Court of Law
- Principles of Scientific Evidence
- Case Study: Forensic Medicine
- Limitations of Scientific Evidence
- Admissibility & Probative Value of Electronic Evidence

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EVIDENTIARY PROCESS

- Fact**: Physical: Perceived by Senses; Psychological: Conscious Mental Conditions
- Legally Relevant**: Fact in Issue; Relevant Fact
- Admissible**: Legally Relevant in Generally Admissible Unless Barred by Any Special Provisions
- Authenticity**: Relates to the Nature of Evidence
- Proba-Tive Value**: Determined by Expert (Court Appointed Lab); Weight Attached to a Particular Admissible Fact - Depends on the Nature of Evidence

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References on Electronic Evidence

**Leading Case**

- *Ajay Pandurang Khorke v. Kailash Kishanrao Gerahtyal & Ors* (2020 SCC Online 96371)

**Recommended Readings**

- *Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation Vs. NRI Film Production Associates (P) Ltd.* (AIR 2000 KANT 140) - Guidelines for video-recording of evidence
- *Dhanraj Vs. CBI* [148 (2001) DCR 289] - A hard disk, even if it is erased, could be considered as document
- *Model Appellate Judgment Vs. State NCT of Delhi* [2011] 13 SCC 621 - Determination of movement of a person based on mobile phone
- *Ahmed v. Babbar* [2014] 19 SCC 479-83 - Application of 45B of IEA.
- *State v. State of Bihar* (2017) 8 SCC 570-55 - Challenge of non-compliance of 60B of IEA at the appeal stage.
- *Abhilash Kumar v. State of West Bengal* [Kolkata HC, 2014] - Admissibility of Email.
- *Jagdish Singh and Ors. v. The State* [Delhi HC, 2015] - Admissibility of CDR.
- *State of Karnataka v. M.R. Harish* [2019] 7 SCC 515 - Non-production of certificate to 45B on an earlier occasion in a similar case.
- *Vasanthi Kulkarni v. State of Karnataka* [Karnataka HC, 2021] - Right against self-incrimination vis-à-vis electronic record.

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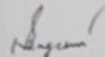
#### NOTICE


This is for information of all the students of Surendranath Law College that pursuant to the direction given by the Government of West Bengal to organize a day long activity on 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2024 to celebrate the commencement of new Criminal Laws i.e., the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023 which will replace the British era colonial laws, IQAC, Surendranath Law college is going to organize a series of online lectures on the new laws as per the schedule mentioned hereunder:

Sl. No.	Name of the Subject	Name of the Speaker	Time
1.	Welcome Speech	Dr. Mohammadi Tarannum	12.00 Noon to 12.05 PM
2.	The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023	Dr. Rajesh Das, Asst. Prof. of Law, SNLC	12.05 PM to 01.00 PM
3.	The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023	Dr. Caesar Roy, Asst. Prof. of Law, SNLC	01.00 PM- 02.00 PM
4.	The Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023	Prof. Faisal Fasih, Asst. Prof. of Law, WBNUJS	02.00 PM to 03.00 PM

Students are encouraged to participate in the program.

Link of the meeting will be provided in the official whatsapp group in due time.

  
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