



GUEST LECTURE ON “PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA” BY MR. YASH S. VIJAY

The NLIU-Legal Aid Clinic recently conducted an interactive lecture on “Practice and Procedure of the Supreme Court of India”, delivered by Mr. Yash S. Vijay, Advocate-on-Record at the Supreme Court of India and an esteemed alumnus of NLIU Bhopal. The lecture offered a clear and structured overview of the various procedural routes to approach the Supreme Court, along with an in-depth understanding of its scope and jurisdiction.

Mr. Vijay commenced the session by addressing the heavy workload of the Supreme Court, noting that a significant portion of its docket arises from Special Leave Petitions under Article 136. He further explained that the Court also exercises original jurisdiction under Article 131 and writ jurisdiction under Article 32. Emphasis was laid on the fact that the Supreme Court not only decides cases but also plays a governance role in various matters.

The lecture also explored the internal dynamics of bench compositions and the polyvocal nature of the Court, highlighting their impact on consistency and predictability in decision-making. Mr. Vijay also provided insights into forum selection and how procedural discretion may influence legal outcomes

Additionally, the session clarified the distinctions between appellate, review, and curative petitions, discussed the advisory jurisdiction under Article 143, and addressed the Court’s contempt powers under Article 129. The session further contributed to ongoing discussions on federalism, access to justice and judicial accountability by examining how the Supreme Court operates through a blend of procedural insights and broader institutional perspectives.

The Legal Aid Clinic extends its sincere gratitude to Mr. Yash S. Vijay for conducting this insightful session and to all participants for their enthusiastic involvement.

We look forward to organising more such academic initiatives in the future.

