Annual Report 2014-15

First Annual Convocation of KSLU:

The 1st Annual Convocation of our University was held on 22nd Nov. 2014. His Excellency Shri Vajubhai Vala, Governor of Karnataka & Chancellor of the University conferred the degrees. Shri K. Parasaran, M.P. & Former Attorney General of India, delivered the Convocation address. Shri T. B. Jayachandra, Hon'ble Minster for Law & Parliamentary Affairs and Pro-Chancellor of the University graced the occasion. Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. N. Venkatachalaiah, Hon'ble Mr. Justice S. Rajendra Babu, Former Chief Justices of India and Prof. G. V. Ajjappa, Professor Emeritus were conferred with Doctor of Laws, (Honoris Causa) for the immense service rendered by them in the field of law.

Conferment of UGC 12(b) status for KSLU:

The UGC team consisting of Prof. (Dr.) Ranbir Singh, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, National Law University, Delhi, Prof. (Dr.) S. C. Raina, Delhi University, Delhi, Prof. (Dr.) Akhlaq Ahamad, Aligarh Muslim University, Prof. (Dr.) David Ambrose, Head Dept of Legal Studies, University of Madras, Chennai and Shri Gopukumar, Regional Coordinator, UGC, Bengaluru visited the University on 19th &20th Sep. 2014.

The 12(b) status was conferred by the University Grants Commission, New Delhi on 10th Feb. 2015.

Inauguration of Students Union & Gymkhana Activities:

The Students Union & Gymkhana Activities for the year 2014-15 was inaugurated by Prof. Ambalike Hiriyanna, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Karnataka State Folklore University, Gotagodi (Haveri) on 20th Oct. 2014.

Special Lectures

To expand the horizon of the students and faculty the following special lectures were organized.

- i. An orientation programme was organised on 5th Aug. 2014 for the students of first year B.A.,LL.B.(Hons.) and BB.A.,LL.B.(Hons.) programmes. Prof. (Dr.) T. R. Subramanya, Vice-Chancellor, addressed the students.
- ii. Dr. M. K. Nagaraja, Visiting faculty, NLSIU and Rtd. IGP, addressed the students on "Competition, Litigation and Law" on 20th Aug. 2014
- iii. Sri. S. M. Jamdar, Rtd. IAS & Director, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Rani Channamma University, Belagavi, delivered a lecture on "Criminology, Criminal Law and Criminal Justice" on 27th Aug. 2014
- iv. Madam Yamouna David, Senior Advocate, Paris Bar Association, Paris, spoke on "UN Resolution on Happiness & Wellbeing, 2011" on 2nd Sept. 2014
- v. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Huluvadi G. Ramesh, Judge, High Court of Karnataka, delivered a lecture on "Fundamentals of Constitution" on 4th Sept.2014
- vi. Prof. (Dr.) T. R. Subramanya, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, spoke on "The Place of Teachers" on 5th Sept.2014
- vii. Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. Billappa, Judge, High Court of Karnataka addressed the students on "A few thoughts on defenses in criminal trial" on 27th Sept.2014
- viii. Sri. G. C. Tallur, Former Secretary to Dept. of PWD, Government of Karnataka, spoke on "Gandhi as an Advocate" on 9th Oct. 2014
 - ix. Dr. Sandeepa Bhat, Associate Professor, National University of Juridical Science, Kolkata, West Bengal addressed the students on "Paradox of Environmental Measures under the GATT" on 9th Oct.2014
 - x. Dr. Susheelkumar V. Ronad, Asst. Prof., DIMHANS, spoke on "Living with Schizophrenia" 17th Oct.2014
 - xi. Prof. (Dr.) O. V. Nandimath, Registrar, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru, delivered a special lecture on "Role of Lawyers on Contract Management & Contract Negotiation" on 10th Nov. 2014
- xii. Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. Billappa Judge, High Court of Karnataka, gave a speech on "Smile-A-Gift" on 14 Nov. 2014
- xiii. Prof. (Dr.) K. Chidananda Gowda, Former Vice-Chancellor, Kuvempu University, Shivamogga, spoke on "Technology and Intellectual Property Rights" on 18th Feb. 2015

- xiv. Prof. (Dr.) O. V. Nandimath, Registrar, National Law School of India University,
 Bengaluru delivered a special lecture on "Drafting of Contracts" on 2nd March 2015
- xv. Dr. Vinod Kulkarni, Senior Consultant in Neuropsychiatry, Hubballi spoke on "Psychological problems & stress management" on 24th March 2015
- xvi. Dr. V. D. Karpoormath, Rtd. District Surgeon & Vice-President, Indian Red Cross Society, Dharwad gave a speech on "Importance of blood donation" on 24th March 2015

Endowment Lecture:

The prestigious late Sri. L. G. Havanur Endowment Lecture was jointly organized by Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi and Lawyers' Forum for Social Justice, Bengaluru on 21st Nov. 2014. Hon'ble Mr. Justice S. Rajendra Babu, Former Chief Justice of India delivered Lecture on "Non-Discrimination as Constitutional Morality". Prof. Ravivarma Kumar, Advocate General was also present on the occasion.

Karnataka State Law University Teachers' Empowerment Programme:

The University has initiated a unique, thought-provoking series of special lectures to orient and empower the teachers of all the affiliated law colleges of the University:

- i. Prof. M. K. Ramesh, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru addressed the teachers on "The pleasure of learning law with students" on 18th January 2015.
- ii. Prof. V. S. Mallar, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru, spoke on "Contextualizing Constitutional Law Teaching" on 20th January 2015.
- iii. Dr. Gururaj Karajagi, Syndicate Member & Director, Academy for Creative Teaching, Bengaluru, delivered a lecture on "Ethics in Teaching" on 23rd January, 2015.
- iv. Prof. (Dr.) O. V. Nandimath, Registrar, NLSIU, Bengaluru, spoke on "Making Law Teaching Effective" on 24th January 2015.

Moot Court Activities:

In order inculcate the practical professional skills & improve the argumentative capacity of the budding lawyers, the Law School organized the following Moot Court competitions:

i. The Second State level Kannada Moot Court Competition was organized from 29th to 30th Nov. 2014. It was inaugurated by Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.N. Nagamohan Das, Former Judge, High Court of Karnataka, Bengaluru and Shri. H. K. Jagadeesh, Addl. Law Secretary, Ministry of Law, Justice & Human Rights, Government of Karnataka.

The finals were presided over by Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. Billappa, Judge, High Court of Karnataka and Shri K. B. Navalgimath, Asst. Solicitor General of India, High Court of Karnataka, Dharwad. 24 teams all over the state participated in the competition. The topic on the constitutional validity of legalizing of prostitution was intensively debated & scholarly arguments were put forth by the enthusiastic mooters.

ii. The Second Moot Court Competition in International Law was held from 28th Feb. to 1st March 2015. It was inaugurated by Prof. S. G. Bhat, Former Vice-Chancellor, NUALS, Kochi.

The finals were presided over by Prof.(Dr.) A. David Ambrose, Head Dept of Legal Studies, University of Madras, Chennai and Shri Krishna Dixit, Addl. Solicitor General of India, High Court of Karnataka and Prof. (Dr.) T. R. Subramanya, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, KSLU, Hubballi. Around 20 teams from reputed National Law Institutes across the country participated in the competition. It aroused a lot of interest and created an atmosphere of learning amongst the participants.

Workshops/Conferences/ Seminars:

In the light of the fast changing global scenario and to keep pace with new developments, workshops/conference/seminars have been organized in the emerging areas for the benefit of students and teachers.

- i. National Conference on "Students Legal Aid Clinics" was organized in association with Karnataka State Legal Services Authority, Bengaluru on 18th Oct. 2014 and was inaugurated by Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. Billappa, Judge, High Court of Karnataka and Shri. A.G. Nijagannavar Member Secretary, Karnataka State Legal Services Authority, Bengaluru, was the guest of honour. The resource persons in the technical sessions were Shri. M.K. Vijaykumar, Senior Advocate, Karkala, Dist. Udupi, Shri M. Ramesh Rao, Principal District and Sessions Judge, Dharwad, and Prof. M.R. K. Prasad, V. M. Salgaocar College of Law, Panjim, Goa.
- ii. National Seminar on "Dynamics and Dialectics of Human Rights in India" was jointly organized with National Human Rights Commission, New Delhi on 31st Oct. 2014 and was inaugurated by Hon'ble Justice Dr. Y. Bhaskar Rao, Lokayukta, Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru. The Technical Sessions were addressed by Dr. Sairam Bhat, Associate Professor and Coordinator of CERA, National Law School of India University, Prof. V.S. Mallar, Visiting Faculty Chair Professor (V.R. Krishna Iyer Chair on Public Law & Policy Choice) National Law School of India University and Dr. Anuja S., Assistant Professor, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru.
- iii. A one day Conference on "SAKAL as Vehicle of Social Welfare Schemes" was organized in association with Karnataka Higher Education Council, Bengaluru on 10th March 2015 and was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) T. R. Subramanya, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, KSLU. The technical sessions were addressed by Dr. Raindranath Shanbhag, President, Human Rights Protection, Udupi, Smt. Vidya Dinakar, Social Activist & Sri. R. V. Srikara, IT Consultant, Dharwad.
- iv. A one day National Conference on "Surrogacy: Issues and Challenges" was organized in association with Karnataka Institute for Law and Parliamentary Reform, Bengaluru on 17th March 2015 and was inaugurated by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Subhas Adi, Upalokayukta, State of Karnataka, Bengaluru. The technical sessions were addressed by Dr. Sanjeev Kulkarni, Gynecologist & Social Activist, Prof. Joga Rao, NLSIU and Dr. Sairam Bhat, Associate Professor, Coordinator of CERA, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru.
- v. A one day National Conference on "Research Methodology in Contemporary times" was organized in association with Karnataka Higher Education Council, Bengaluru on 19th

- March, 2015 and was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) M. I. Savadatti, Former Vice-Chancellor, Mangalore University. The technical sessions were addressed by Prof. (Dr.) C. K. N. Raja, Former Dean & Chairman, Dept. of Law, Mysore University, Prof. (Dr.) Sudhindra Rao, Rtd. Professor, Dept. of History, Mangalore University & Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Professor & Director, Symbiosis Law School, Pune.
- vi. A one day National Conference on "Right to Education Accessibility and Quality Dimension" was organized in association with Karnataka Higher Education Council, Bengaluru on 27th March, 2015 and was inaugurated by Hon'ble Justice Nadoja Dr. S. R. Nayak, Chairman, Karnataka State Law Commission & Former Chief Justice, High Court of Chattisgarh. The technical sessions were addressed by Prof. (Dr.) Dilip Ukey, Former Vice-Chancellor & Head, Dept. of Law, University of Pune, Dr. Sheshamurthy, Syndicate Member, Davangere University, Dr. Niranjanardhya V. P., National Law School of India University & RTI activist and Prof. M. R. K. Prasad, V. M. Salgaokar College of Law, Goa.

Professional Development Workshop for Law Teachers:

A workshop on Family Law was organized from 4th to 8th Feb. 2015 in order to update and to revisit the teaching methodologies in Family Law. The programme was organized in association with International Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Chair, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru & Menon Institute of Legal Advocacy Training, Trivendrum, Kerala. It was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) N. R. Madhava Menon, Founder Vice-Chancellor, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru & Former Vice-Chancellor, National University of Juridical Science, Kolkata, West Bengal.

Prof. (Dr.) P. Ishwara Bhat, Vice-Chancellor, National University of Juridical Science, Kolkata, Prof. (Dr.) Poonam Saxena, Vice-Chancellor, National Law University, Jodhpur and Prof. (Dr.) S. B. N. Prakash, Adjunct Professor, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru were the guests & the resource persons on the occasion. The technical sessions for five days were addressed by eminent academicians & jurists such as Hon'ble Justice Roshan Dalvi, Judge, High Court of Bombay, Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Kumar, Judge, High Court of Karnataka, Prof. (Dr.) R. Venkata Rao, Vice-Chancellor, National Law School of India

University, Bengaluru, Dr. Sarasu Thomas, Associate Professor, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru. More than 45 law teachers all over the country participated in the workshop.

Release of KSLU Law Journals:

- KSLU Law Journal (KSLUJ) Volume II, Issue No.1 was released by Prof. (Dr.) R. Venkata Rao, Vice Chancellor, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru on 20th Aug. 2014. He lauded the efforts of the University for its continued efforts to bring the quality journals periodically.
- Keeping up the tradition of promoting research skills amongst students' community, KSLU brought out Volume II of Student Law Review on 27th April 2015 by Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. S. Patil, Judge, High Court of Karnataka.

Extension activities:

To orient and prepare the students towards social responsibilities and obligations the following programmes were organized:

- i. Independence day was celebrated on 15th August 2014 by planting the samplings on the occasion. Prof. (Dr.) T. R. Subramanya, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor addressed the gathering.
- ii. Gandhi Jayanti was celebrated onn 2nd October 2014 and Shri T. V. Manjunatha, IFS, Registrar, KSLU inaugurated Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.
- Kannada Rajyotsava was celebrated on 1st Nov. 2014 and Shri T. V. Manjunatha, IFS, Registrar, KSLU addressed the gathering.
- iv. "Law Day", was celebrated on 26th Nov. 2014. A special lecture was delivered by Shri Ramesh Rao, Principal District & Sessions Judge, Dharwad.
- v. Republic day was celebrated on 26th Jan. 2015 and Prof. (Dr.) T. R. Subramanya, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor addressed the gathering. The staff and students joined for Swachh Bharat Abhiyan on the occasion.

- vi. Legal Awareness camp was organized at Jnanavikasa Training Institute for Women, Hubballi for the women trainees of the Institute on 14th March 2015. Dr. G. B. Patil, Associate Professor and Dr. Rajendra Hittanagi, Assistant Professor, KSLU's Law School were the resource persons on the occasion.
- vii. Blood donation camp was organized on 24th March 2015 More than 30 students and the staff donated blood.
- viii. a state level Elocution Competition on "The Role of Law Students in ensuring Good Governance" was organized to commemorate the birth anniversary of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Former Prime Minister of India, as "Good Governance Day", on 26th March, 2015. More than 20 affiliated law colleges of KSLU took part in the competition.
- ix. Legal Awareness camp was organized on 30th March 2015 Rural Development & Self Employment Training Institute (RUDSETI), Dharwad for the trainees of the Institute. Shri. M. Ramesh Rao, Principal District & Sessions Judge, Dharwad, addressed the gathering.
- x. NSS Special camp was organized at Kalkeri village, Dharwad from 23th March to 28th March 2015. The camp was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) T. R. Subramanya, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. Shri. T. V. Manjunatha, IFS, Registrar, Prof. C. S. Patil, Dean & Director of Law School, Dr. G. B. Patil, Associate Professor, Village Panchayat members & President participated in the camp.
- xi. Legal Awareness camp was organized at Jnanavikasa Training Institute for Women, Hubballi for the women trainees of the Institute on 29th April 2015. Prof. C. S. Patil, Dean & Director of Law School was the Chief Guest on the occasion.
- xii. "Youth & Cooperative", a unique programme was organized in association with Karnataka State Souharda Federal Cooperative Ltd., Bengaluru for the students of affiliated law colleges on 14.05.2015. in order to inculcate cooperative culture and values amongst the students, titled It was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) T. R. Subramanya, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and Shri Gurunatha Janthikara, President, Karnataka State Souharda Federal Cooperative Ltd., presided over the function. Shri Anup Deshpande, Syndicate Member, KSLU, Shri Sharanagouda Patil, Managing Director, Prof. P. A. Siddanthi, Rtd. Professor and others graced the occasion.

Extra-curricular activities:

Youth Festivals are organized at the zonal and Inter-zonal level annually in order to promote art, rich culture and tradition and to bring out the hidden talents in the students,. This year the zonal youth festivals were organized in the following affiliated law colleges in the respective zones:

- i. Zonal youth festival of Bengaluru Zone I was organized at Al-Ameen Law College, Bengaluru, from 30th to 31st Oct. 2014.
- Zonal youth festival of Mangalore Zone was organized at Vaikunta Baliga Law College,
 Udupi, from 31st Oct. to 1st Nov. 2014.
- iii. Zonal youth festival of Gulbarga Zone was organized at Seth Chunnilal Amarchand Bohra Law College, Raichur, from 26th to 27th Nov. 2014.
- iv. Zonal youth festival of Bengaluru Zone II was organized at Sheshadripuram Law College, Bengaluru, from 13th to 14th Feb. 2015.
- v. Zonal youth festival of Hubballi Central Zone was organized at R. L. Law College, Davangere, from 23^{rd} to 24^{th} Feb. 2015.

The Inter-zonal youth festival for the academic year was held from 8th to 9th April 2015. It was inaugurated by Shri. S. Shivaram, Well-known Director & Actor, Bengaluru and Prof. (Dr.) M. G. Ishwarappa, Rtd. Principal & Folklorist was the Guest of honor. The students who had secured first place in the Zonal youth festival were invited to participate in the said event. More than 150 students from 24 affiliated law colleges participated in the event.

The valedictory function was graced by Shri. T. N. Seetaram, Famous Director & Actor, T. V. Serials, Bengaluru.

Activities of Career Guidance Bureau:

In order to assist, guide and facilitate the students to select the right career options and study opportunities abroad. under the aegis of KSLU's Career Guidance Bureau, career guidance workshops were held in the following affiliated law colleges in the respective zones:

- Hubballi Central Zone organized at KSLU's Law School, Hubballi, on 4th May 2015.
 More than 180 students studying in final from 20 affiliated law colleges participated in the event.
- ii. Mangalore Zone organized at SDM Law College, Mangalore, on 11th May 2015. More than 190 students studying in final from 10 affiliated law colleges participated in the event.
- iii. Gulbarga Zone organized at Siddartha Law College, Gulbarga, on 13th May 2015. More than 200 students studying in final from 15 affiliated law colleges participated in the event.
- iv. Bengaluru Zone II organized at BMS Law College, Bengaluru, on 15th May 2015. More than 250 students studying in final from 23 affiliated law colleges participated in the event.
- v. Bengaluru Zone I organized at KLE Law College, Bengaluru, on 16th May 2015. More than 250 students studying in final from 22 affiliated law colleges participated in the event.

Outstanding achievements of staff:

Ms. Sharada R. Shindhe, Assistant Professor of Law was awarded with the prestigious Dr. D. C. Pavate Memorial Fellowship at Centre of International Studies/Department of Politics & International Studies, Cambridge University.

Outstanding achievements of students:

Students of KSLU's Law School brought laurels in various competitions. To mention a few:

- Two NSS volunteers of our Law School represented the Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi in the 19th National Youth Festival held at Guwahati, Assam from 8th Jan. 2015 to 12th Jan. 2015.
- ii. Students of KSLU's Law School won overall championship in Zonal youth festival held from 23rd to 24th Feb. 2015 at R. L. Law College, Davangere.

iii. Winners in Inter-zonal youth festival with respective places:

Sl. No.	Name of the student	Place	Event
1.	Miss. Vasavi Hegade	2 nd place	Light Vocal (Indian)
2.	Miss. Surabhi Kulkarni	2 nd place	Classical Vocal Solo (Indian)
3.	Miss. Vasavi Hegade & Group	1 st Place	Group Song (Indian)
4.	Miss. Vaishnavi Itagi	2 nd place	Classical Dance (Indian)

- iv. Sri. Ayush Bhat was selected as the University blue in table tennis and participated in South Zone Inter-University Tournament held at SRM University, Chennai from 30th Sep. to 3rd Oct. 2014.
- v. Ms. Elechi Grace secured 2nd place in 200 mtrs. at KSLU 3rd Inter-Collegiate Athletic Meet, 2015.

Sports:

The University has been promoting and encouraging the students of all the affiliated law colleges to take part in various sports events. This year 3rd inter-collegiate athletic meet was organized from 6th to 7th May 2015. The meet was inaugurated by Shri Ravindra Prasad, IPS, Commissioner of Police, Hubballi-Dharwad. 396 athletes from 49 affiliated law colleges participated in this mega event.

Shri. Basavaraj Ingalagi, International Athlete (Cross Country), South Western Railway, Gadag and Dr. M. N. Joshi, Registrar, Karnataka University, Dharwad were the guests at the valedictory function.

KSLU's Law School's Annual Sports Meet was organized on 17th May 2015 at Rani Channamma Stadium, Karnatak University, Dharwad for all the students and staff.

The Law School team participated in 11 Inter-Collegiate Tournaments organized by various affiliated law colleges.

Amongst 92 law colleges our Law School secured **First place** with **1200 points** in the points system for the academic year.

Under the able guidance and dynamic leadership of our Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) T. R. Subramanya and able assistance of the Registrar Shri T. V. Manjunatha, IFS, and equally supported by Registrar (Eva.) Prof. B. S. Reddy & the Director of the Law School Prof. C. S. Patil, the University and the Law School are marching ahead to create a mark and distinction in the field of legal education.