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HVPS & MCT College of Law organize Half-Day Seminar on Virtual Court

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The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Hindi Vidya Prachar Samiti's College of Law, Ghatkopar in collaboration with Manjara Charitable Trust College of Law, Airoli organized a Half Day Seminar on 'Virtual Court: A Progressive Step Towards Justice' on 01st October 2022 (Saturday) @10:30 AM – 12:00 PM in Saboo Hall. The Keynote speaker for the event was Hon'ble Jc. Chandrakant Vasant Bhadang (Acting Judge, Nagpur Bench of Bombay High Court).

The event was graced by the presence of Dr. Rajendra Singh (President, HVPS) Dr. Usha Mukundan (Director, HVPS), Dr. Unnikrishnan Nambiar (I/C Principal, MCT College of Law) and Dr. (Mrs.) Madhura Kalamkar (I/C Principal, HVPS College of Law) and Mr. Mahendra Gaikwad (Advocate, Bombay High Court).

The programme commenced with lighting of the lamp before Saraswati devi frame by all the dignitaries and a student representative. The opening Address was delivered by Asst. Prof. Amar Salve (IQAC Coordinator, HVPS College of Law). The keynote speaker was introduced by Ms. Siddhi Sawant (President of Student Council, HVPS College of Law). The dignitaries were felicitated with bouquet, shawl, shrifal and Ganpati idol. The gathering was addressed by Dr. Rajendra Singh Sir (Hon'ble President, HVPS). The welcome address was delivered by Dr. Unnikrishnan Nambiar (I/C Principal, MCT College of Law) in which he also spoke about his college. In the welcome address delivered by Dr. (Mrs.) Madhura Kalamkar (I/C Principal, HVPS College of Law), madam introduced the topic in a precise and structured manner.

The keynote address by Jc. C. V. Bhadang included the genesis and implementation of virtual courts in India. Sir shared the pros and cons of virtual court. His valuable experience regarding the challenges faced during online proceedings enlightened 211 young law students and 19 faculties from HVPS College of Law and MCT College of Law. The engaged audience asked relevant questions which were answered graciously. Mr. Mahendra Gaikwad (Advocate, Bombay High Court) shared his experience of using the virtual court setup during the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown.

This was followed by the award ceremony for the Parliamentary Debate organized on 17th September 2022 to commemorate International Day of Democracy 2022. The winning team and the best speaker were given trophies and certificates.

The closing address was delivered by Ms. Gretta Maria Castelino (Asst.Professor, HVPS College of Law) and the Vote of Thanks was professed by Ms. Anjana S. Allakkal (Asst. Professor, MCT College of Law). 91% of the participants felt that the theme and content was relevant as well as appreciated the structure of the presentation. Over 86% felt well-engaged during the seminar and almost all the participants felt that their time was valued as their questions were answered by the speaker. All students were awarded certificates of participation.



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