



## CALL FOR PAPERS

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#### About JDSPR

The JOURNAL FOR DISABILITY STUDIES AND POLICY REVIEW (JDSPR) is peer reviewed Journal published bi-annually by Centre for Disability Studies and Health Laws, National Law University Assam, Guwahati.

This is one of the flagship journals of National Law University, Assam. It has been established with the objective of becoming a formidable instrument in taking the standard of legal research in country up by several notches. It is a bi-annual faculty & students-edited journal focusing on inter-disciplinary and multi-disciplinary approaches towards legal writing. The Journal aims to publish articles, case comments, book reviews on all aspects of disability studies and related issues. Here the special emphasis is placed on contemporary challenges and policies of disability jurisprudence. Further believing in fact that JDSPR is only of its kind in the region, hence the issues related to North East Region are cordially invited. The Journal aims at giving the opportunity to legal academia, research scholars, students, advocates, members of non-governmental organizations and activists working in the area of disability studies. Further as centre, we believe the active participation of persons with disabilities is most important requirement in this discourse, hence our special invitation is for people with disabilities, so that they can share their first hand experience with us. Hence, the Journal will serve as the platform for innovative thought sharing and will aim at contributing in dynamic growth of disability literature

It is a faculty-student run bi-annual Refereed Journal whose primary objective is to serve as an important academic forum for disability discourse and scholarship. The JDSPR will promote reflective thinking by providing a socially relevant knowledge. This review is an earnest attempt to provide an effective research tool by sparking scholastic conversation among a

diverse group of researchers, academicians, judges, jurists, practitioners, students, activists, scholars and prominent thinkers.

The review will publish scholarly articles, comments on judgements, short notes, legislative analysis and solicit reviews of latest books from renowned connoisseurs of disability studies.

All submissions will undergo a rigorous editorial process.

NLUA Assam welcomes contribution for the first Volume of the **JDSPR** from researchers, academicians, judges, jurists, practitioners, students, activists, scholars and prominent thinkers across the globe.

### **About the Centre**

The Centre for Disability Studies & Health Laws (CDSHL), National Law University Assam is the one such platform which aims at bringing the people from academia, research, government departments, non-governmental organizations, along with the other stake holders. The Centre for Disability Studies & Health Laws (CDSHL), is only of its kind functioning in the North-East Region. The region is lacking in disability-rights oriented deliberations. The main reason for the same is the tough geographical conditions, scattered human habitation, problem of transportation and communication, weak healthcare delivery system, natural disaster, lack of awareness, poverty, and poor infrastructure and accessibility. This centre will serve as the role model for taking dialogue into reality. While bridging this gap, centre will try to set a standard for right to 'act' in terms of the modern day disability jurisprudence. The idea is also highlighted under the provisions of United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) and further tried to be archived by recent Disability Laws of the country.

### **About the University**

The National Law University, Assam (NLUA) has been established by the Government of Assam by way of enactment of the National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam Act, 2009 (Assam Act No. XXV of 2009). The Hon'ble Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court is the Chancellor of the University. NLUA promotes and makes available modern legal education and research facilities to its students, scholars and faculty drawn from across the country, including the North East, hailing from different socio-economic, ethnic, religious and cultural backgrounds.

## **Categories for Submission**

The Publication Committee of **JOURNAL FOR DISABILITY STUDIES AND POLICY REVIEW (JDSPR)** is inviting quality research papers from:

- Researchers
- Academicians and professionals (inter-disciplinary with law and social sciences);
- Judges and Advocates;
- Research Scholars;
- Students

Research paper should be thematic and identification of sub-themes will be highly appreciated. It should have proper research questions and should also reflect the findings. The submission can be sent under the following category:

**Research Articles: (5000 and 7000 words):** Authors have to submit research papers which comprehensively examine the topic. It should reflect innovative re-assessment of the theme. It is advisable, though not necessary, to choose a theme that is of contemporary importance. Purely theoretical-analytical pieces are also welcome.

**Notes / Comments: (2000 and 3500 words)** This section should include a thought provoking and innovative piece consisting chiefly of personal opinions, analysis or criticism on recent development from the legal perspective.

**Case / Report Comments: (maximum 2500 words)** This part should entail an analysis of recent Indian or International judicial pronouncements relevant to the themes. It must identify and examine the line of cases in which the decision in question came.

**Book Review: (1000- 1500 words)** The Reviewer should identify the relevant arguments put forth by the author and present a comprehensive analysis of the same. The Hard copy of the book must be provided. [Word limit is inclusive of footnote]...

### **Guidelines for Submission:**

1. Submissions should be in Times New Roman, 12 fonts with 1.5 line spacing,
2. Justified text and 1 inch margins on all sides of an A4 sheet.
3. Footnotes should be in Times New Roman, 10-font size with 1.0 line spacing.
4. Endnotes/Bibliography and in-text citations are not allowed.
5. Headings should follow the following standard:
  - ✓ **TITLE OF THE SUBMISSION:** Upper-case, bold, font size 14
  - ✓ **HEADINGS:** Upper-case, bold, font size 14
  - ✓ **Sub-Headings:** Title-case, bold, font size 12
  - ✓ **Sub-Sub-Heading:** Title-case, italics, font size 12

6. Submissions must contain an Abstract (250-300 words) that outlines the main questions or themes addressed in the paper followed with five Keywords.
7. The Research Paper has to be submitted along with a Covering Letter, addressed to Mr. Sachin Sharma, Coordinator, Centre for Disability Studies and Health Laws, National Law University Assam.
8. Submissions must be emailed at [cgs@nluassam.ac.in](mailto:cds@nluassam.ac.in) (only in .docx format). The cover letter should include the author's profile.
9. The submission must be the original work of the author and must not have been submitted elsewhere or pending review.
10. Co-authorship is allowed. Maximum number of Co-author for a submission shall only be one.
11. Mode of citation will be OSCOLA (Oxford University Standard for the Citation of Legal Authorities), latest edition.
12. For further queries kindly e-mail at [cgs@nluassam.ac.in](mailto:cgs@nluassam.ac.in). and can also check centres web page: <http://nluassam.ac.in/cds/index.html> & university website: <http://nluassam.ac.in>
13. **31<sup>st</sup> July 2017** is the **last date** of submission.

All submissions will go through an initial round of scrutiny and shortlisted contributors will be informed by August 16<sup>th</sup> 2017. We aim to publish this issue in September 2017. A hard copy of this issue as well as a letter of acknowledgement will be sent to each contributor.

