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### **About NLU ASSAM, JOURNAL ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW REVIEW**

The National Law University, Assam, Center for IPR Studies, **JOURNAL ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW REVIEW (JIPLR)**, is peer reviewed Journal published Annually by the National Law University Assam, Guwahati. It is a faculty run Annual Refereed Journal whose primary objective is to serve an important academic forum for legal scholarship in IPR matters. The **JOURNAL ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW REVIEW (JIPLR)**, will promote reflective thinking by providing a socially relevant legal knowledge. This review is an earnest attempt to provide an effective research tool by sparking scholastic conversation among a diverse group of academicians, judges, jurists, practitioners, students, activists, scholars and prominent thinkers.

The review will publish scholarly articles, comments on recent decisions by courts, short notes, legislative analysis and solicit reviews of latest books from renowned connoisseurs of law.

All submissions will undergo a rigorous editorial process devised to hone and strengthen tone and substance.

NLU Assam welcomes contribution for the First Volume of the **JIPLR 2016** from academicians, judges, jurists, practitioners, students, activists, scholars and prominent thinkers across the globe.

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## **THEME : INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS**

### **Categories for Submission**

The Publication Committee of **JIPLR** is inviting quality research papers from:

- Academicians and professionals (inter-disciplinary with law);
- Judges and Advocates;
- Research Scholars;
- Students, if the editorial board deems it fit to be an extraordinary scholastic work

“**JOURNAL ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW REVIEW (JIPLR)**” which is a peer-reviewed journal edited by faculty members at the National Law University, Assam as well as by external reviewers.

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:

1. **Research papers:** Between 7000 and 10000 words, inclusive of footnotes. Papers in this category are expected to engage with the theme comprehensively, examine literature comprehensively and offer an innovative reassessment of the current understanding of that theme. It is advisable, though not necessary, to choose a theme that is of contemporary importance. Purely theoretical pieces are also welcome.
2. **Notes/Comments:** Between 3000 and 5000 words, inclusive of footnotes. This section should include a thought provoking and innovative piece consisting chiefly of personal opinions and analysis.
3. **Case/Report Comments:** In between 2500- 3000 words, inclusive of footnotes. This part should entail an analysis of contemporary 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 about, and comment on implications for the evolution of that branch of law.
4. **Book/Reports Review** : Word limit is 2000- 3000 for review of a book relevant to the themes. The review should identify the relevant arguments put forth by the author and present a comprehensive analysis of the same.

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- Submissions should be in Times New Roman, font of size 12 with 1.5 line spacing, justified text and 1 inch margins on all sides of an A4 sheet. (page number)
- Footnotes should be in Times New Roman, font of size 10 with 1.0 line spacing. Endnotes are not allowed.
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  - **1. LEVEL 1 HEADING:** All Capitals & **Bold**;
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- ❖ Authors shall be required to submit an author profile, post submission of 200 words before their contribution can be considered for publication.
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- ❖ Submitted entries must not have been sent for consideration at any other place for presentation or publication.
- ❖ Co-authorship is allowed. Maximum number of Co-author for a submission shall only be one.
- ❖ Authors should provide their contact details, designation and institutional affiliation in the covering letter for the submission.

- ❖ Footnotes must conform to the **Standard Indian Legal Citation Manual (SILC)**, Rules of legal citation (Latest edition attached)
- ❖ Copyright of all entries shall exclusively vest with NLU ASSAM. The submission would imply that the author has assigned such rights to NLU ASSAM.

All submissions will go through an initial round of scrutiny and shortlisted contributors will be informed by November 30, 2016. We are exploring the possibility of organizing a writers' workshop if we receive a sufficient number of quality submissions. Please note that we will make the final selection of contributions on the basis of comments received from external reviewers. We will expect the selected contributors to incorporate this feedback. We aim to publish this issue in Dec 2016. A hard copy of this issue as well as a letter of acknowledgement will be sent to each contributor.

**The Last date for the submission: November 20, 2016**

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