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Event Report: Lecture on New Approaches and Ideas on Human Dignity: An International Comparative Perspective by Dr. Krystian Complak

On 16 October 2024, the International Cell at Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur, organized a highly engaging online lecture as part of its International Lecture Series. The session, "**New Approaches and Ideas on Human Dignity: An International Comparative Perspective**," was delivered by **Dr. Krystian Complak**, a distinguished Professor of Constitutional Law at the University of Wroclaw, Poland. The lecture was designed for the faculty, LLM students, and all BA LLB and BBA LLB students of Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur. It provided an in-depth exploration of human dignity globally and its evolving constitutional and international law interpretations.

Dr. Complak began by tracing human dignity's philosophical and legal evolution, from its roots in natural law to its recognition in modern constitutions and international treaties. He discussed its importance as a foundational principle in human rights law and its critical role in shaping legal norms across various jurisdictions.

One of the key aspects of the lecture was Dr. Complak's **comparative analysis** of how human dignity is understood and protected across different legal systems. He highlighted the diverse approaches to human dignity in European, American, and Asian legal traditions, offering examples from the **Polish Constitution**, the **European Convention on Human Rights**, and various international instruments. He emphasized how these legal systems interpret human dignity in varying cultural, political, and historical contexts.

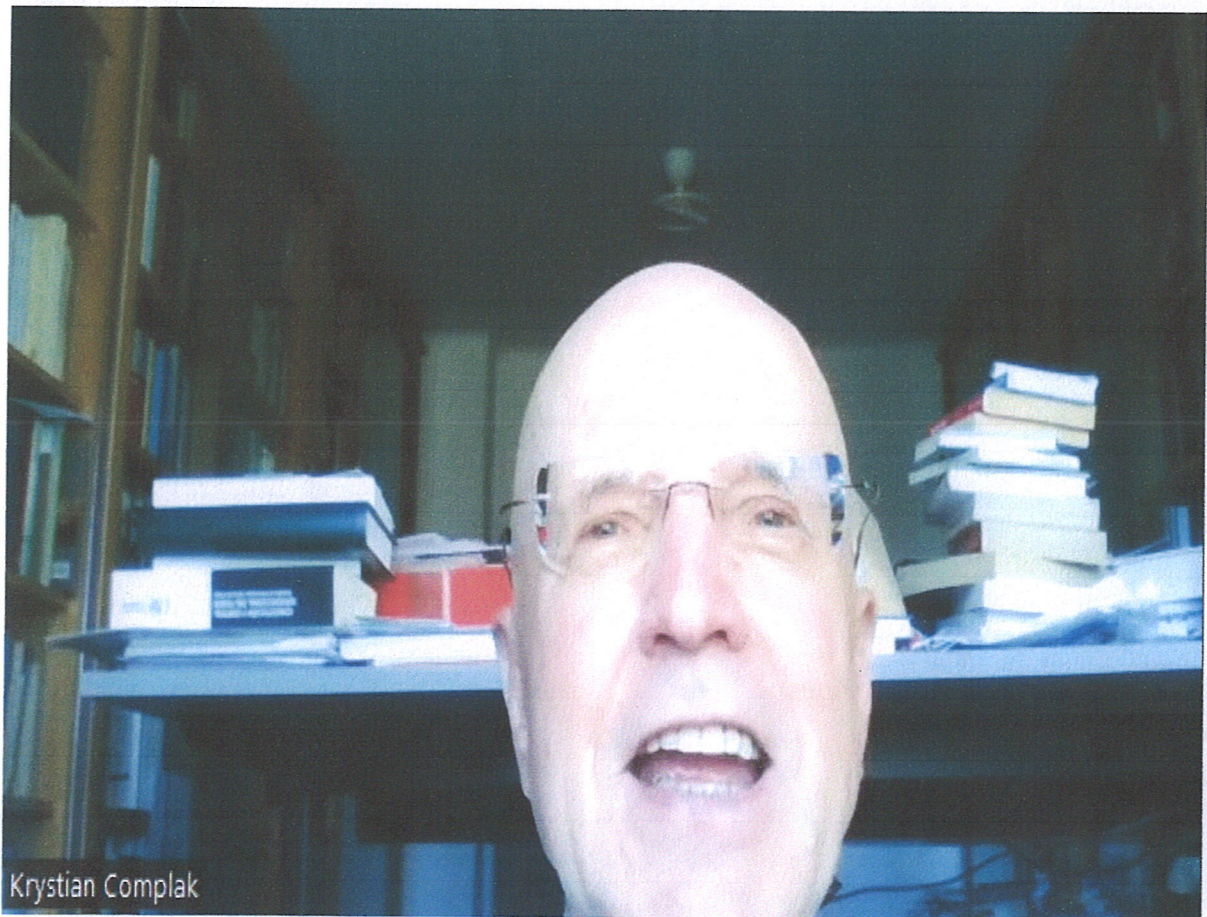
The lecture also delved into the role of constitutional courts in protecting human dignity. Dr. Complak illustrated how judicial review in various countries plays a crucial role in upholding human dignity, often shaping the constitutional landscape through landmark decisions that reflect contemporary understandings of dignity.

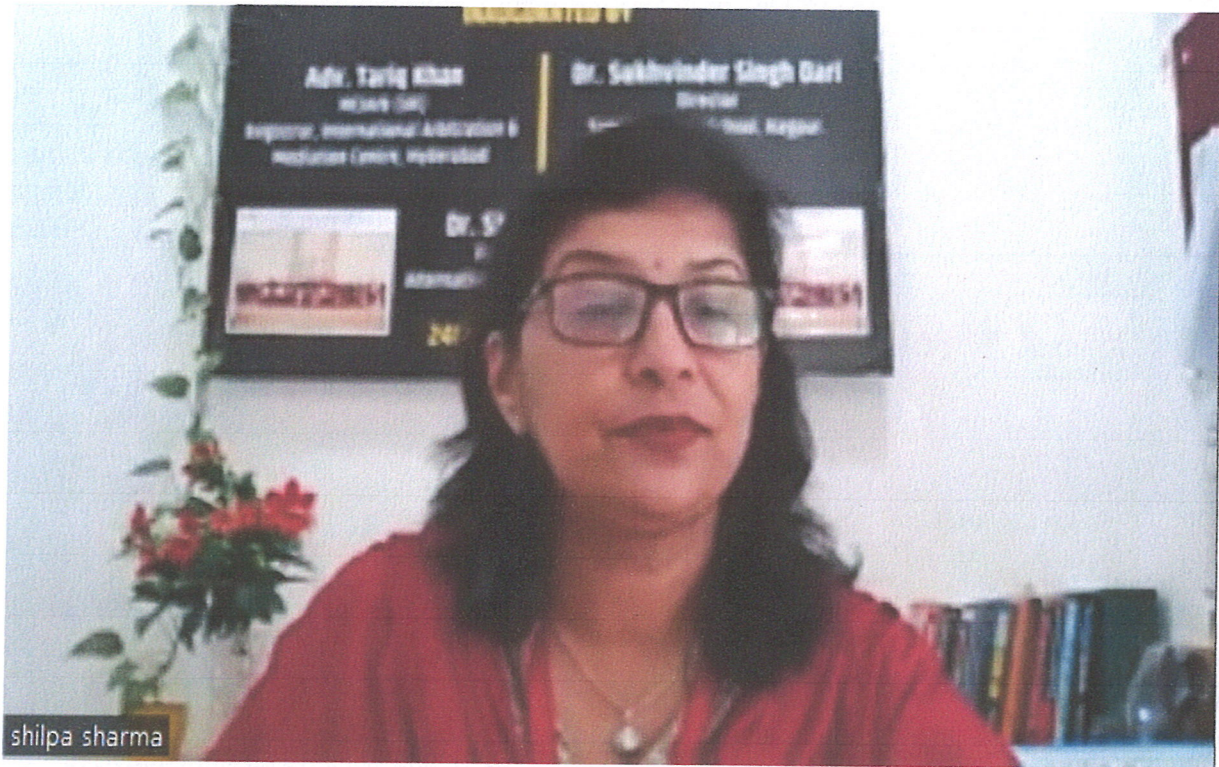
Dr. Complak discussed how the principle of human dignity intersects with global challenges such as climate change, migrants' rights, and international conflicts. He proposed that a global consensus on human dignity could serve as a common legal and moral framework to address these issues, calling for greater international cooperation and strengthening human rights protections worldwide.

The lecture concluded with an interactive, where students and faculty members engaged with Dr. Complak. They raised questions related to the practical application of human dignity in domestic legal systems, the challenges of protecting dignity in authoritarian regimes, and the role of international institutions like the United Nations in promoting dignity-based norms globally. Dr. Complak answered these questions with great depth and clarity, providing valuable insights into the complex interplay between law, philosophy, and global human rights concerns.

Conclusion:

The online lecture, organized by the **International Cell at Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur**, was an enriching and thought-provoking session that gave attendees a deeper understanding of the evolving concept of human dignity from an international comparative perspective. Dr. Complak's expertise and ability to draw connections between legal theory, constitutional law, and global human rights challenges made the session highly relevant for students and faculty. The insights shared during the event will inspire future legal research and advocacy in human rights.





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