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DISCUSSION ON "FROM DRAFT TO CONSTITUTION: THE LEGAL LEGACY OF BN RAU"

Date: 15th February 2025

The Symbiosis Centre for Constitutional Law Studies (SCCLS) held an insightful discussion on the 15th of February, 2025, on the topic "From Draft to Constitution: The Legal Legacy of BN Rau" in honor of the great contribution of B.N. Rau to the Indian Constitution. This event provided a platform for participants to delve into the pivotal role B.N. Rau played in shaping India's constitutional framework.

The discussion began with a warm welcome address by Pihu Tolani, a student member of SCCLS. She emphasized the importance of understanding and recognizing B.N. Rau's contributions to the drafting of the Indian Constitution. As the advisor to the Constituent Assembly, B.N. Rau's legal expertise and deep understanding of constitutional matters were indispensable in laying the foundation of India's democratic structure.

The event was planned by Prof. Parth Sharma, Faculty In-charge of SCCLS, and executed under the able coordination of Dr. Prashant Dhage and Prof. Namrata Singh. Dr. Dhage and Prof. Singh shared a comprehensive understanding of BN Rau's monumental role, discussing his efforts in preparing the first draft constitution and the profound influence his legal guidance had on the final document.

A particularly notable segment of the event was the rich, meaningful discussion among the nine first-year BA/BBALLB students, who actively participated in exploring the nuances of B.N. Rau's legacy along with other student members of the Centre. These participants reflected on his meticulous work, translating complex legal principles into the Constitution, and how his guidance helped pave the way for India's legal framework.

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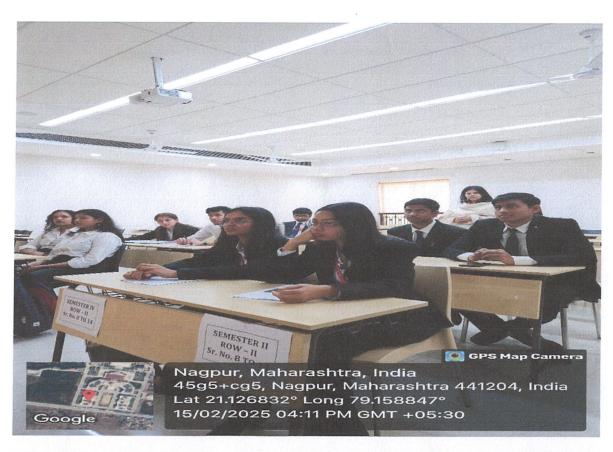
The discussion highlighted how B.N. Rau's expertise extended beyond just the drafting process. He was instrumental in guiding the Assembly in formulating laws that ensured democracy, equality, and justice for all citizens, laying the cornerstone for a just society. The students reflected on how his contributions continue to resonate today, as the Constitution remains the bedrock of India's legal system.

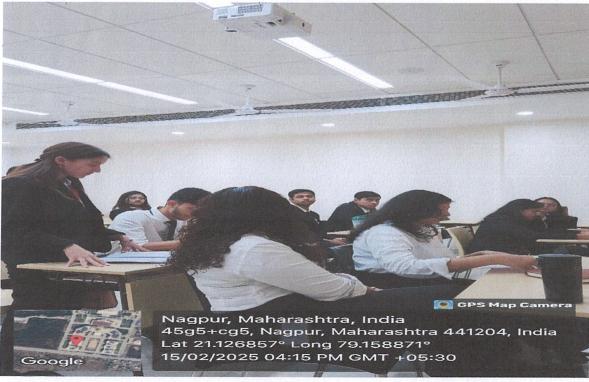
The event not only celebrated B.N. Rau's legacy but also aligned with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 4 (Quality Education) and 16 (Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions). By engaging in this discussion, participants gained a deeper understanding of constitutional law, contributing to their academic growth and promoting the spirit of justice.

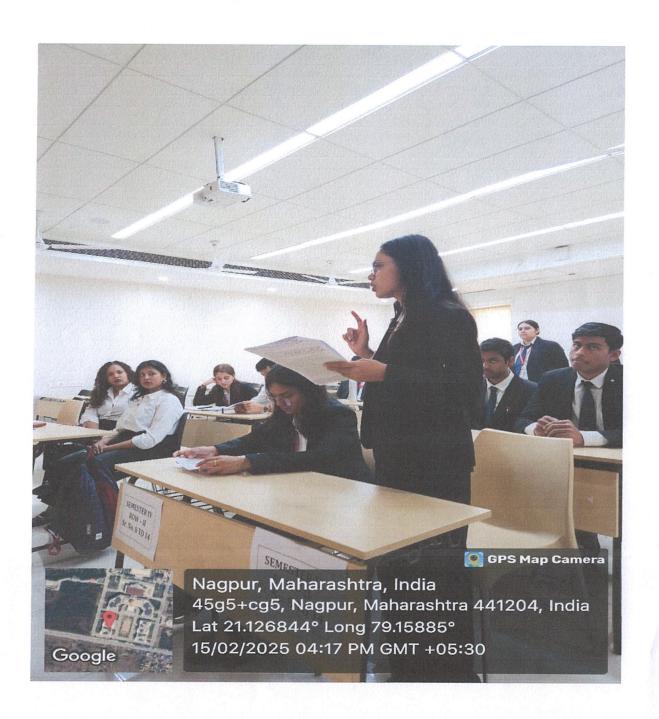
The event concluded with the Vote of Thanks, delivered by Ms. Bhoomi Belani, a student member of SCCLS. She expressed heartfelt gratitude to the speakers, participants, and the entire organizing team for their invaluable contributions in making the event a success. She particularly acknowledged the profound significance of B.N. Rau's work, reinforcing the importance of studying his contributions for a richer understanding of India's constitutional journey.

The event's success was largely attributed to the able guidance of Dr. Sukhvinder Singh Dari, Director of Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur, and Dr. Deepti Khubalkar, Deputy Director, who provided valuable insights and direction in organizing the event. Special appreciation was extended to the IT Department for their technical support and assistance in ensuring smooth execution of the event.

This event successfully honored the legacy of B.N. Rau. It was a fitting tribute to his work, particularly in the month of February, which marks his birth anniversary. The event provided valuable insights into the early legal foundations of India's Constitution.







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