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OBJECTIVE

To achieve professional excellence through hard work, sincerity and dedication by being an integral part of an organization that enables me to acquire a deep insight and contribute to jurisprudence with the objective of reducing ambivalence that surrounds the evolving contours of international law.

ACADEMIC RECORD

Year	Degree/ Certificate	Institute/ School, City	Grade/Percentage
2013 [expected year of graduation 2014]	LL.M. (Human Rights)	National Law School of India University, Bangalore (NLSIU).	Currently pursuing. Highest marks in 'Protection of the Rights of the Minorities'.
2013	Credit Course on Media Laws	NLSIU.	Currently pursuing.
2013	Credit Course on Gender and Development	Conducted by Dr. Nandita Singh at NLSIU.	Result awaited
2013	PG Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights Law	DED, NLSIU, Bangalore.	Grade: B+
2013	Hindi	Rajasthan State Open School	86%
2013	Credit Course on Labour Law	Conducted by International Mission for Justice at NLSIU.	Grade: O
2012	B.A., LL.B.	Army Institute of Law, Mohali (AIL).	73.66%. Secured Third position in College and sixth in Punjabi University, Patiala (out of 335 students). Highest marks in Jurisprudence.
2011	Certificate of Proficiency in IT Fundamentals & Microsoft Office 2007	NIIT Academy, Jodhpur	Qualified
2010	Diploma in Cyber Crime Prosecution & Defence	ASCL, Pune	88%
2007	Class XII: CBSE (Science Stream)	Delhi Public School, Jodhpur (DPS)	77.2%, First Division
2005	Class X: CBSE	DPS	94.8%, State Topper
2001	International Assessments for Schools (English)	The University of New South Wales, Australia	Distinction

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Year	Award	Raison d'être
2010	Tata Merit Scholarship	Secured second position in third year of B.A., LL.B. with 74.27%

2009	ESSA Scholarship	Secured 73.9% in second year of B.A., LL.B.
2008	ESSA Scholarship	Secured 76% first year of B.A., LL.B.
2005	Meritorious Award from the then Governor of Rajasthan Smt. Pratibha Patil	State Topper in Class X.
2005	Special Invitation to CSIR Programme on Youth for Leadership in Science	State Topper in Class X.

WORK EXPERIENCE

1. Prof Sheshiash V Shashthri, NLU Jodhpur (March 2013)

Assisted in preparation for classes on Jurisprudence and Refugee Law; prepared and allotted project topics; provided project consultation and reading materials to students; made papers for two continuous assessment exams; conducted class on dharma; assisted on various conference papers and abstracts; prepared proposals for NHRC projects; assisted Prof. I P Massey on latest case-laws and moot proposition.

2. Amarchand & Mangaldas & Suresh A Shroff & Co, New Delhi (14 September to 7 October 2011)

Conducted research and due diligence on Bangalore Metro Project; researched extensively on EIA regulations; wrote research paper on 'Evolving Environmental jurisprudence: WTO on Environment Protection and Trade'.

3. Hon'ble Mr Justice Govind Mathur, Judge, Rajasthan High Court, Jodhpur (29 June to 15 July 2011)

Researched on matters pertaining to Habeas Corpus, Probation Law and Criminal Law; wrote a Research Paper on 'Securing Right to Liberty: Development of the Concept of Habeas Corpus and its Relevance'.

4. Mr Dinesh Yadav, Addl. Advocate General, Rajasthan, Jaipur (6 June to 24 June 2011)

Dealt and researched on cases related to service matters and Criminal Law; prepared briefs and wrote a Research Paper on 'Parole: An Unwarranted Extension of the Rights of Accused'.

5. Luthra & Luthra Law Offices, New Delhi (2 February to 21 February 2011)

Researched on various permits, licences and clearances required for setting up Nuclear Power Plant, Biogas Power Plant, Natural Gas Power Plant and Wind Energy Power Plant in different states.

6. J Sagar Associates, Mumbai (12 October to 29 October 2010)

Researched on supplier's liability with reference to Civil Nuclear Liability Bill 2010 and various international instruments on the same; assisted the Due Diligence Team; worked extensively on property deeds.

7. Major R P Singh (Retd.), Addl. Advocate General, Rajasthan, Jaipur (1 July to 30 July 2010)

Assisted in drafting petitions; read briefs and researched on cases relating to Criminal Law and writ petitions; wrote Research Paper on 'Enforcement of Writ of Habeas Corpus against Private Individuals'.

8. Praja Yatna (People for Education Movement), Jaipur (7 June to 25 June 2010)

Conducted analysis on role of education in curbing child labour; examined cases with special reference to Right to Education Act 2009 and Article 21 (a) of the Constitution of India.

9. Desai & Diwanji, Mumbai (13 July to 4 August 2009)

Researched on permits and licences under labour laws, petroleum laws etc.; examined applicable laws of Red Herring Draft Prospectus related to newspaper industry; assessed applicability of Urban Land Ceiling Act 1976.

10. Mr P K Lohra, Senior Advocate, Rajasthan High Court, Jodhpur (15 June to 10 July 2009)

Dealt extensively with drafting of bail applications; researched on cases related to Criminal Law and Constitutional Law; wrote a Research Paper on 'Right of Private Defence under the Indian Penal Code'.

11. Mr Prithvi Raj Singh, Advocate, Rajasthan High Court, Jodhpur (1 July to 26 July 2008)

Assisted in various issues relating to Criminal Law and Property Law by research and drafting of various legal documents, attending client meetings and High Court proceedings.

12. Mr Kawal Singh Loha, Advocate, Rajasthan High Court, Jaipur (9 June to 28 June 2008)

Attended proceedings at the High Court and the Sessions Court; dealt and researched on cases relating to Family Law, Criminal Law and writs; wrote Research Paper on 'Welfare of Child v. Parental Rights'.

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

- Delegate for **International Conference on ADR- Conciliation and Mediation** being organized by the International Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution at Vivanta by Taj, Bangalore on 7 December 2013.
- Paper titled "*Coastal Commons And Conservation Cascades: Drawing India's Roadmap For Environment Sustainability Under The CRZ*" selected for presentation at the **International Workshop on Climate Change Impacts and Societal Adaptation** organized by Central University of Rajasthan (India) and Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute (Sweden) from 6-8 November, 2013.
- Abstract titled "*Drawing the Model Code for Campaign Finance in India: The Metamorphosis of Mr Hyde into Dr Jekyll*" was selected for presentation in **National Seminar on Political and Judicial perspective on Electoral Reforms in India** organized by ILS Law College, Pune from 6-7 September, 2013.
- **Rapporteur for One Day National Conference on "Advantages of Madrid Protocol"** organized by MHRD Chair on Intellectual Property Right and CIPRA, NLSIU on 31 July 2013.
- **Presented paper** titled "*Resolving Dichotomy Between TRIPS And Right To Health: The SAARC Experience With Special Reference To India And Sri Lanka*" in the **International Conference on Regional Economic Cooperation in SAARC: Problems and Prospects for Investments** held at NALSAR, Hyderabad on April 5th and 6th, 2013.
- **Rapporteur for Roundtable Conference on Patent and Copyright Law in India: Emerging Issues** organized by CIPRA, NLSIU and University of Pennsylvania Law School at NLSIU, Bangalore on 17 July 2012.
- Student Delegate for **International Conference for Asia-Pacific Region, the 23rd Lawasia Conference 2010** held at India Habitat Centre, Delhi from 11- 14 November 2010.
- **International Conference of Jurists on Judicial Reforms** organised by Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana and International Council of Jurists held on 13 March 2010 at Panchkula and 14 March 2010 at Chandigarh.

PUBLICATIONS

- *Death Penalty in Rape Cases: Are we Making India Safe for Its Women?*, (1)2 INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF RESEARCH & ANALYSIS (ISSN 2347-3185) 484, 484-495 (2013), available at <http://www.ijra.in/uploads/41587.1461525926Shivika%20Choudhary%20FULL%20PAPER.pdf>.
- *Coastal Commons and Conservation Cascades: Indian Saga at Protection Attempts Under the CRZ Notifications*, (1)2 ENVIRONMENT, LAW AND SOCIETY JOURNAL (2013), published by Centre for Environment and Law of the National University of Advanced Legal Studies. Kochi and Lexis Nexis. (Paper selected for publication)
- Submitted *From Nuremburg To International Criminal Court: A Critical Analysis Of Criminal Tribunals Challenging Impunity* for II issue of THEMIS (ISSN 2278-4020) published by IMS Law College, Noida. (Currently under consideration)
- Submitted *Charting Gay Rights Transgression And Reformation: The Naz Foundation Case As A Lever For Change* for IV issue of CHRIST UNIVERSITY LAW JOURNAL (ISSN 2278 4322) published by School of Law, Christ University, Bangalore. (Currently under consideration)

AREAS OF INTEREST

- International Humanitarian Law
- International Criminal Law
- Environmental Law
- Constitutional Law

STUDIES UNDERTAKEN

- The Dirty Politics of Toxic Trade: International Regime Governing Trans-boundary Movement of Hazardous Waste
- Evolving Environmental Jurisprudence: WTO on Environmental Protection and Trade
- Addressing Ambivalence: Linguistic Minorities in the United States
- India's Policy on Urban Traffic- What needs to be changed?
- Resolving Dichotomy Between Domestic Jurisdiction and Human Rights: Creative Interpretation to Article 2 (7) of UN Charter
- The Normative And Institutional Evolution of International Regime of Women Rights
- Juxtaposition of Universal Jurisdiction and Terrorism: Evolving Contours of International Criminal Law
- Powers and Duties of Indian Army Personnel under the Special Powers Acts: A Critical Analysis

MOOT COURT COMPETITIONS AND CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Moot Court Competitions

1. **Represented** AIL at **53rd Philip C. Jessup Moot Court Competition (National Rounds)** held at New Delhi in January 2012.
2. **Winning Team** and **Best Memorial** in the **Intra Institute Moot Court Competition 2011** held at AIL from 25-28 April 2011.
3. **Quarterfinalists** and **7th Best Team out of 55 teams** in **10th Henry Dunant Memorial Moot Court Competition 2010** (National Rounds) held at ISIL, New Delhi from 9-12 September 2010.
4. **Quarterfinalists** and **Second Best Speaker** in **13th M.M. Singhvi Memorial International Moot Court Competition 2010** held at NLU, Jodhpur from 29-31 January 2010.

Elocution

5. **Adjudicator for quarterfinals** in **WORDZ Parliamentary Debate Competition'11** held at Vivek High School, Chandigarh from 6-8 August 2011.
6. **Won the Rolling trophy** as a team in the **5th Intra Institute Debate Competition 2010** held at AIL.
7. **Won the Rolling trophy** as a team and adjudged as the **Best Speaker** in the **4th Intra Institute Debate Competition 2009** held at AIL.
8. **Won the Rolling trophy** as a team in the **2nd Intra Institute Debate Competition 2007** held at AIL.

Model United Nations

9. **Participated as a judge** of the International Criminal Court in **BITSMUN'11** held at BITS Pilani from 4 to 6 February 2011.
10. **Represented Japan** in GA Fourth Committee (SPECPOL) in **SIMUNC'11** held at Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies (Under-Graduate), Pune from 17 to 19 January 2011.
11. **Represented Gabon** in Social, Humanitarian Cultural Affairs Committee in **CHITMUN'10** held at Chitakara Institute of Engineering and Technology, Ropar on 1st and 2nd November 2010.

Quiz

12. Semi-finalist in "The Virtuoso"- AIL Intra-Institute Legal Quiz 2012 held at the Army Institute of Law, Mohali.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

1. **University Week** at NLSIU, Bangalore held in April 2013: **Won** western dance (solo), **Won** sketching competition, **Won** face painting competition, **Second** in Graffiti, **Second** in Rangoli, and **Third** in Eastern Dance (Group).
2. Secured **second** position in the **Flower Arrangement Competition** and won **third** prize in the **Tattoo Making Competition** at PEC FEST 2010 held at PEC University of Technology, Chandigarh.
3. Secured **first** position in **Chart Making Competition** held at the Institute as part of Quami Ekta Week 2010.
4. Received **Appreciation Award** for raising awareness by making posters for **Blood Donation Camp**.
5. Received **Certificate for Artistic Excellence** from the Institute in 2010 for designing the AIL Newsletter, the Institute's quarterly report Spectrum and the cover of annual magazine 'AILITE 2010'.
6. **Merit Certificate** in **Slogan Writing Competition** organized by Chandigarh Librarians' Association as part of CLA Library Related Competitions 2007.

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

- **Student Chief Editor**, NLS LL.M. Journal of Law [NLJL]. (to be launched soon)
- **Class Representative** for LL.M. Batch 2012-2014 at NLSIU for session 2012-2014.
- **Member** of **Executive Board** of Student Body Association (SBA) at NLSIU, Bangalore for session 2013-2014.
- **Student Editor** and **Graphics Designer** of **AIL Reporter**, the fortnightly newsletter of AIL.
- **Editor** and **Graphics Designer** of **Spectrum**, the quarterly report of AIL.
- **Student Editor** of **AILITE 2010-2011**, the annual magazine of AIL.
- **Member** of the organizing team of **Surana and Surana Moot Court Competition 2010**
- **Head Girl** at **Delhi Public School, Jodhpur** for the Session 2006-2007.

SOCIETIES

- **Research Fellow**, Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation's Chair on Urban Poor and Law at NLSIU from August to November 2013.
- **Member**, **Cultural Committee** (CulComm) at NLSIU for session 2013-2014.
- **Member**, **Legal Services Clinic** at NLSIU for session 2012-2013.
- **Registered Paralegal Volunteer**, **Punjab Legal Services Authority**, Chandigarh.
- **Member** of **Legal Aid Cell**, **Debating Society** and **Fine Arts Club** at AIL.

I.T. SKILLS

- Adept in using legal research applications like Westlaw, Supreme Court Case Finder, Manupatra
- **Certificate of Proficiency in IT Fundamentals & Microsoft Office 2007** from **NIIT Academy, Jodhpur**.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Date of Birth: 14 April 1989
- Languages Known: English, Hindi and Sanskrit. Pursuing French from French Alliance.