

PROFILE

DR. SUREKHA SOMABALAN

5 year LL.B(Hons), LL.M, Ph.D , NET

PRESENT DESIGNATION

Associate Professor, Head of Department (Law), Bhavan's PALSAR

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

NET (Law)

Awarded PhD (Law), University of Calcutta.

2 year full time **LL.M**, University of Calcutta. (*Secured first class first position in LL.M examination*)

5 year **LL.B (Hons)**, University of Calcutta. (*Recipient of 'Sarat Chandra Memorial Cash Prize' for securing the highest marks in the LLB Examination*).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Dr. Surekha Somabalan has 12 years of teaching experience.

Prior to joining Bhavan's PALSAR she was engaged in ***full time teaching position(10 years)*** in a Government Aided Law College affiliated to University of Calcutta, in Kolkata, West Bengal. She has also been associated with the following reputed institutions (Law and Management) in Kolkata.

- 1. Guest faculty** , Post Graduate Course in Human Rights, Department of Anthropology, ***University of Calcutta***
- 2. Guest Lecturer of Law**, Distance Education Training Program of Master of Laws (LL.M), ***Annamalai University***

3. **Guest Faculty of Law**, Master of Business Administration (MBA) Program, *Indian Institute of Engineering, Science and Technology* (Formerly Bengal Engineering and Science University BESU)
4. **Guest lecturer of Law**, 5 year LL.B, Jogesh Chandra Chaudhuri Law College, affiliated to *University of Calcutta*
5. **Guest Lecturer of Law**, 3 year LL.B, Sarsuna Law College affiliated to *Vidyasagar University*
6. **Visiting faculty** for law papers in Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA), Bachelor of Sports Management (BSM), Bachelor of Hospital Management (BHM), and Master of Business Administration (MBA) programs, George Group of Colleges, affiliated to *West Bengal University of Technology*

SEMINARS CONVENED

1. UGC sponsored two day **National Seminar** on “*Human Trafficking in India: Special Emphasis on Child Trafficking*”.
2. UGC sponsored two day **National Seminar** on “*Euthanasia and its Legal Status – A Comparative Study*”
3. UGC sponsored two day **National Seminar** on “*The Importance of Swami Vivekananda in Indian Socio – Political and Legal Aspects in the 21st Century*”.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

1. “*The Impact of Law on Society*”, at UGC sponsored International ‘Seminar on Society, Law and Humanity’ organized by Jogesh Chandra Chaudhuri Law College, affiliated to University of Calcutta.
2. “*Surrogacy: Analysis of Human and Ethical Issues*”, at UGC sponsored two day National Seminar in collaboration with INDIA’S SMILE on ‘A Socio-Legal Study on Surrogacy: A Rented Accommodation for the Foetus’ organized by Surendranath Law College, affiliated to University of Calcutta.
3. “*Role of Technology in Enhancing Academic Productivity and shaping the future of Education*”, at UGC sponsored State Level Seminar on ‘Evolution of New Techniques for Enhancement and Advancement of Academic Quality for

Motivating Students’ organized by Jogesh Chandra Chaudhuri Law College, affiliated to University of Calcutta.

4. **“Right to Health with reference to Access to Medicines”** at two day National Seminar on ‘Right Based Society: Its Transformation & Evaluation’ organized by Surendranath Law College, affiliated to University of Calcutta.
5. **“Medical Negligence Liability under the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 : A Judicial Perspective”** at National Level Seminar on ‘Creation of Consumer Awareness’ organized by Jogesh Chandra Chaudhuri Law College in Collaboration with the Department of Consumer Affairs and Fair Business Practices, Government of West Bengal.
6. **“Child and the Indian Constitution”** at two day National Seminar on ‘ Child Rights & Protection : Policy Dialogue & Achievements’ organized by Ekla Chalo, An Organisation for Urban and Rural Development in collaboration with the West Bengal Commission for Protection of Child Rights, Government of West Bengal and sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ERC), Ministry of H.R.D., Government of India.
7. **“Critical analysis of the Pre- Conception and Pre Natal Diagnostic Technique Act, 1994”** at Seminar on ‘Pre- Conception & Pre Natal Diagnostic Technique Act’ organized by Department of health & Family Welfare in collaboration with Department of Law, University of Calcutta.

PARTICIPATION IN SEMINARS

1. National Seminar on **‘Capital Market Reforms and Regulations in India : Issues and Challenges’** jointly organized by Jogesh Chandra Chaudhuri Law College and University of Calcutta- Calcutta Stock Exchange Centre of Excellence in Financial Markets, Department of Commerce, University of Calcutta.
2. International Seminar on **‘New Frontiers of Law in a Globalised World : Prospects and Challenges’** organized by Department of Law, University of Calcutta in collaboration with the British Council.

RESEARCH GUIDANCE

1. ***“International Human Rights Law and the LGBT”***, Dissertation, Post Graduate Course in Human Rights, Department of Anthropology, University of Calcutta.
2. ***“Sexual Harassment at Work Place”***, Dissertation, Post Graduate Course in Human Rights, Department of Anthropology, University of Calcutta.
3. ***“Representation of Gender in Indian Films and Advertisement”***, Documentation , Post Graduate Course in Human Rights, Department of Anthropology, University of Calcutta.
4. ***“Role of Sick Industrial Undertakings in Indian Economy”***, Dissertation, LL.M, Directorate of Distance Education, Annamalai University.
5. ***“A Study of Social Insurance in India”***, Dissertation, LL.M, Directorate of Distance Education, Annamalai University.
6. ***“A Comparative Study of Compensation in Employees Compensation Act vis-à-vis Other Laws”***, Dissertation, LL.M, Directorate of Distance Education, Annamalai University.
7. ***“Study of Speedy Justice as a Human Right in the context of Consumer Laws in India”***,Dissertation, LL.M, Directorate of Distance Education, Annamalai University.
8. ***“Child Labour in India : Policies and Welfare Measures”***, Dissertation, LL.M, Directorate of Distance Education, Annamalai University.
9. ***“Medical Negligence and Consumer Courts- Changing Trends”*** , Dissertation, LL.M, Directorate of Distance Education, Annamalai University

TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMMES ATTENDED

1. UGC – Sponsored **Refresher Course** in ***Human Rights & Social Justice***, organized by University Grants Commission, Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC), university of Calcutta.
2. Faculty **Orientation Programme** on ***Criminal Law*** organized by the Centre for Regulatory Studies, Governance and Public Policy (CRSGPP) , the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS), Kolkata.

3. **Training Programme on *Right to Information Act, 2005*** organized by the Centre for Regulatory Studies, Governance and Public Policy (CRSGPP) , the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS), Kolkata.
4. **Training Programme on *Human Rights*** organized by Ekla Chalo, An Organisation for Urban & Rural Development in collaboration with National Human Rights Commission (NHRC).
5. **Training Programme on *Human Rights*** organized by the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS) in association with the National Human Rights Commission.

COURSES TAUGHT/TEACHING

UNDER GRADUATE

1. 5year **BBA, LL.B** Course under University of Calicut.
2. 5 year **B.A. LL.B** General and Honours Course under the University of Calcutta.
3. 3 year **LL.B** Course under Vidyasagar University.
4. 3 year **BBA** Course under West Bengal University of Technology.
5. 3 year **BSM** Course under West Bengal University of Technology.
6. 3 year **BHM** Course under West Bengal University of Technology.

POST GRADUATE

1. 2 year **Post graduate Course in Human Rights**, under University of Calcutta.
2. 2 year **MBA** Course under West Bengal University of Technology.
3. 3 year **LL.M** Course under Directorate of Distance Education, Annamalai University.

RESEARCH WORK COMPLETED

1. Ph.D Thesis titled '*Socio-Economic Impact of TRIPS Agreement on Pharmaceutical Patents in Developing Countries with Special Reference to India*'.
2. LL.M dissertation titled '*Enforcement of Patent Rights in India: Problems and Prospects*'.

PUBLICATIONS

“Role played by Consumer Protection Act, 1986 in relation to Consumerism and Consumer Awareness”,

JCC Law Review ISSN2231 296X 2016

“Fundamentalness vis-a vis Justiciability of Directives under the Constitution of India”

JCC Law Review ISSN 2231 296X2015

“Right to Health With Reference to Access to Medicines under the TRIPS Regime”

KIIT Journal of Law and Society ISSN 2231-5144

“India’s Environmental Movements as a New Social Movement”

Chapter in Book, Environmental Sustainability and Social Justice (Forthcoming)

“Surrogacy : A Study of Human and Ethical Issues”

Surendranath Law College.