



## **Ms. Harsha Rajwanshi**

Ph.D. (Pursuing), LL.M (Gold Medalist),

LL.B, B.Sc., UGC NET, Dean of External Relations & Assistant Professor of Law

## **Teaching / Research Experience**

### **Teaching Experience**

- Assistant Professor of Law (Since July 2015)

### **Research Experience**

- GNLU-GUVNL Research Associate on Energy Law & Policy and Teaching & Research Associate (From January 2014 to June 2015)

### **Industry Experience**

- Legal Executive, Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited (From June 2012 to September 2013)

## **Area of Research/Interest**

### **Research Projects**

- Principle Investigator in the project titled "Primary care takers and Inter parental Cross-border Child Custody Disputes- Should India sign Convention on Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction 1980" funded by the Government of Gujarat through Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar. (Grant allotted Rs. 2,00,000/-)
- Prepared GNLU Research Report on UNGA and ECOSOC Voting Pattern Analysis on Aid Recipient Countries and G20 Member States
- Prepared GNLU Research Report on UN GA Voting Pattern 2010-15. (Bimal N Patel and Harsha Rajwanshi)

### **Consultancy Assignments**

- Drafted Access Benefit Sharing Agreement for Gujarat Biodiversity Board
- Proposed Model draft CSR POLICY for Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited

### **Areas of General Interest**

- Competition Law
- Company Law
- Contract Law
- Securities and Investment Law

## Current Research Interest

- International Law
- Private International Law
- Energy Law
- Advanced Contracts

## Publication

### Journal Articles

- Financing the Power Sector, Jan 2019
- The pith of reliable power supply, Sept 2018
- Decentralized distributed generation abridged, August 2018
- Sustainable Clean electricity, July 2018
- Cross subsidies in Electricity sector, June 2018
- 24\*7 Power- Let there be light in every home, May 2018
- Published an article titled “Constitutional and Legislative Dimensions to Regulate Public Health” in International Research Journal of Human Resources and Social Sciences (ISSN(O): (2349-4085) ISSN(P): (2394-4218) Impact Factor- 5.414) Volume 4, Issue 12, December 2017, Pg. 207-220.]
- Practical Lawyer Columnist on Energy Law & Policy – a Column Writer for Practical Lawyer- a monthly journal form EBC Publication (ISSN: 2211-9116) on the following topics:
  - Accelerated Power Development Reforms, (2018) PL (EL) April 100
  - Invigorating Power System Resilience, (2018) PL (EL) January 85
  - Distribution of Electricity, (2017) PL (EL) December 82
  - Transmission of Electricity, (2017) PL (EL) November 95
  - Electricity Tariff Determination v. An Overview, (2017) PL (EL) August 91
  - Ultra Mega Power Projects v. From Coastal Gujarat Power Ltd. v. Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Ltd. to Energy Watchdog v. Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, (2017) PL (EL) July 88
  - Managing the Power Networks, (2017) PL (EL) June 96
  - A Governance Lens on the Electricity Sector, (2017) PL (EL) May 86
  - Smart Grid v. Best Practice For A Modern Power System, (2017) PL (EL) March 81
  - Turning Air into Electricity, (2017) PL (EL) February 78
  - International Solar Alliance, (2017) PL (EL) January 78
  - Powering an Electricity Generation, (2016) PL (EL) December 71
  - Addressing Consumer Grievances in Power Sector, (2016) PL (EL) November 81
  - Overview of Specialised Courts in Power Sector, (2016) PL (EL) October 78
  - Specialized Tribunal for Power Sector, (2016) PL (EL) September 81
  - Judicialisation of Electricity Regulator, (2016) PL (EL) August 82
  - Regulatory Independence of the Power Sector, (2016) PL (EL) June 86
  - Consumer Participation in Electricity Regulation, (2016) PL (EL) May 75
  - Cross-Border Electricity Trade, (2016) PL (EL) April 81
  - Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage, (2016) PL (EL) March 66
  - Power Distribution Franchise, 2016 PL (EL) February 78
  - Energy Efficiency and Conservation, 2016 PL (EL) January 64
  - Net Metering, 2015 PL (EL) December 72
  - Trading of Electricity- Legal Vista, 2015 PL (EL) November 72
  - Rural Electrification: A Legal Perspective, 2015 PL (EL) October 78
  - Draft National Renewable Energy Act 2015- An Appraisal, 2015 PL (EL) September 72
  - Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation on Captive Power Plant, 2015 PL (EL) August 80
  - Captive Power Generation in India, 2015 PL (EL) July 79
  - Electricity Consumer in India, 2015 PL (EL) June 80
  - Power Theft and Unauthorized use of Electricity in India, 2015 PL (EL) May 77

- Open Access Regime in Indian Power Sector, 2015 PL (EL) April 85
- National Solar Mission of India under WTO Scrutiny, 2015PL (EL) March 64
- Regulatory Competition Dichotomy in Power Sector, 2015 PL (EL) February 64
- Reforms in Power Sector, 2015 PL (EL) January 71
- Fuel & Purchased Power Cost Adjustment, 2014 PL (EL) December 58
- Policy and Regulatory Provisions for Renewable Energy Power in India, 2014 PL (EL) November 77

### **GUVNL Research Fellowship**

- Financing the Power Sector: Jan 2019
- The pith of reliable power supply: Sept 2018
- Decentralised distributed generation abridged August 2018

### **Conference / Seminar / Workshop**

#### **Paper Presentation**

#### **Conferences**

- Presented the paper entitled, 'Development of Private International Law in Asia-Envisioning the Asian Principles of Private International Law' at 16th ASLI Conference hosted by the National University of Singapore Faculty of Law (NUS Law) from 11-12 June 2019.
- Presented a paper and awarded Best Paper Award titled "Artificial Intelligence: Will it Re-define Intellectual Property Rights?" in the International Conference on Recent Advances in Intellectual Property Law organized by Parul Institute of Law, Faculty of Law, Parul University, Vadodara, Gujarat on 28 April, 2018.
- Presented a paper titled "Mobile Applications & IPR" in the International Conference on Recent Advances in Intellectual Property Law organized by Parul Institute of Law, Faculty of Law, Parul University, Vadodara, Gujarat on 28 April, 2018.
- Presented a paper titled "Non – Conventional Trademarks: Breaking Traditionality" in the National Conference on Emerging Legal Issues (NCELI) – 2017 organized by Parul Institute of Law & Social Work, Parul University, Vadodara, Gujarat on 25 March, 2017.
- Presented a paper titled "Judicial Appointment: A Search for Perfection", in the National Conference on Constitutional Appointments: Vignettes & Vicissitudes, organized by School of Law, Christ University, Bangalore, on 13-14 January, 2015.
- Presented a paper titled "Energy Diplomacy- Lessons for India" in the International Conference on India's Foreign Relations- Southeast Asia & the Indian Ocean: Strengthening the Political, Economic, Security and Cultural Prospects organized by Centre for Foreign Policy and Security Studies, Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar in collaboration with the Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi on 12-13 September, 2014. (co-author)

#### **Participation**

#### **Conferences**

- Attended International Conference on Engaging India and Canada: Gandhian Approach to Sustainable Development Goals organised by SHASTRI INDO-CANADIAN INSTITUTE and funded by MHRD, Government of India on Monday, April 29, 2019 at India Habitat Center, New Delhi.
- Participated in the "International Conference on Law & Economics 2015", jointly organized by Gujarat National Law University Gandhinagar, Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad & Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur on 14-15 March, 2015 at Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar.

## Workshops

- Participated in the one-day workshop on “Open Data Open Knowledge” organized by Vikram Sarabhai Library, Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad and World Bank, New Delhi held on April 25, 2018 at Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad.
- Participated in Half Day Workshop on “Heritage Law: Prevention of Illicit Trafficking of Cultural Property” organized by Gujarat National Law University, through its, Indian Legal History Museum Section, in collaboration with Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), at its Campus on 18 April, 2017.
- Participated in the One-Day Workshop on “Intellectual Property Law for the Traditional and Internet Based Business” organized by Gujarat National Law University, at its Campus on 27 July, 2016.
- Successfully completed the “Research Methodology Workshop on Legal and Interdisciplinary Research” organized by Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar from 7-13 August, 2015.
- Attended the workshop on ‘The Role of Forensic Psychology and Neurocriminology in Criminal Justice Delivery System’, organized by Gujarat National Law University on 4 August, 2015.
- Participated in Capacity Building Workshop on 'Role of Legal Stakeholders in Strengthening and Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act with special focus on ABS provisions' under the aegis of the National Project on Access and Benefit Sharing under the UNEP–GEF–MoEF Project on 'Strengthening the Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Rules, 2004, with focus on its Access and Benefit Sharing Provisions' with the cooperation of National Biodiversity Authority and in partnership with Gujarat Biodiversity Board on 16 May, 2015.
- Participated in the One-day training workshop on “Doping Regulations and Sports Contract” organized by Gujarat National Law University in collaboration with National Anti-doping Agency, New Delhi and Sports Authority of India, Western Center, Gandhinagar on 18 April, 2015.
- Participated in One day Workshop on Anti-Doping Awareness on 20.03.2015 organized by Sports Authority of India under the aegis of National Anti-doping Agency at Gandhinagar.
- Participated in Capacity Building Workshop on 'Role of Legal Stakeholders in Strengthening and Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act with special focus on ABS provisions' under the aegis of the National Project on Access and Benefit Sharing under the UNEP–GEF–MoEF Project on 'Strengthening the Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Rules, 2004, with focus on its Access and Benefit Sharing Provisions' with the cooperation of National Biodiversity Authority and in partnership with Gujarat Biodiversity Board on 27 September 2014.

## Others

- Participated in the two days (16 hours) Annual Forum on “The second LSC Annual national interlinking forum on access to legal services” organized by Gujarat National Law University from 8-9 April 2017.
- Participated in the Special lecture on “Issues of Harmonization of laws on International Trade from the perspective of UNCITRAL: The Past and The Current Work” organized by Gujarat National Law University on 11 Nov 2016 as part of collaboration with UNCITRAL (Regional centre for Asia and the Pacific, international trade law division, Incheon, Republic of Korea), towards the celebration of 2016 UNCITRAL Asia Pacific Day.
- Attended Panel Discussion at IIM Ahmedabad on Competition and Antitrust Laws in India on 23 January 2015.
- Attended and co-facilitated for Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas Convention 2015 on 7 January 2015.

## Capacity Building Training Programmes

### Organised

### Training Programmes

- Faculty Coordinator for the “Legal Training Course on Electricity Act 2003 & Policy Guidelines” conducted by Gujarat National Law University in collaboration with Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (GERC) and knowledge partnership of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)

through its GNLU-GUVNL Research Fellowship on 'Energy Law & Policy at its campus on 19-20 September, 2015.

### **Certificate Courses/Academy**

- Convenor of the 14 hours Certificate Course on “Babies crossing Borders- Surrogacy Laws and Practices” conducted by Gujarat National Law University, through its Centre for Private International Law (GCPriL), at its campus on 30 September – 01 October, 2016.
- Convenor of the 14 hour Certificate Course on “Jurisdiction, Choice and Enforcement- Interface of Conflict of Laws in Competition Law” conducted by Gujarat National Law University, through its Centre for Private International Law (GCPriL) in collaboration with Khaitan & Co. and GNLU-Khaitan & Co. Research Fellowship on Mergers and Acquisitions Laws, Policies and Practices, at its campus on 03-04 September, 2016.
- Coordinated GNLU Indian Business & Commercial Laws Academy (GIBCLA) for its summer course on ‘Indian Business & Commercial Laws’ in GIBCLA Summer School 2015 organized from 6-26 July, 2015.
- Faculty Coordinator for Certificate course on Nuclear Energy & Law in association with Nuclear Law Association, New Delhi (sub organ of International Nuclear Law Association) on 11-12 April, 2015.
- Co-facilitated for GNLU academy on Advanced Issues of International Law organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, from 3 to 8 November 2014 at GNLU.

### **Workshops**

- Co-coordinated Capacity Building Workshop on “Role of Legal Stakeholders in Strengthening and Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act with special focus on ABS provisions” under the aegis of the National Project on Access and Benefit Sharing under the UNEP–GEF–MoEF Project on 'Strengthening the Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Rules, 2004, with focus on its Access and Benefit Sharing Provisions' with the cooperation of National Biodiversity Authority and in partnership with Gujarat Biodiversity Board on 16 May, 2015.
- Coordinated One day training workshop on ‘Doping Regulations and Sports Contract’ organized by Gujarat National Law University in collaboration with National Anti-doping Agency, New Delhi and Sports Authority of India, Western Center, Gandhinagar on 18 April, 2015.
- Co-coordinated Capacity Building Workshop on 'Role of Legal Stakeholders in Strengthening and Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act with special focus on ABS provisions' under the aegis of the National Project on Access and Benefit Sharing under the UNEP–GEF–MoEF Project on 'Strengthening the Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Rules, 2004, with focus on its Access and Benefit Sharing Provisions' with the cooperation of National Biodiversity Authority and in partnership with Gujarat Biodiversity Board on 27 September, 2014.

### **Conference/Symposium/Others**

- Convenor of the One Day Symposium on “Convergence of Private International Law in IPR and Cyber Law” organized by Gujarat National Law University, through its Centre for Private International Law (GCPriL) in collaboration with GNLU-Microsoft India Chair on Intellectual Property Rights and Policy Research and GNLU-GUJCOST Research Centre of Excellence on IPR Laws, Policies and Practices, at its campus on 1 April, 2018.
- Faculty Member, Organizing Committee for the “International Conference on Law & Economics 2015”, jointly organized by Gujarat National Law University Gandhinagar, Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad & Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur on 14-15 March, 2015 at Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar.
- Co-facilitated, Post Vibrant Gujarat Summit on, “International Chemical Disasters-Safety and Security Conference, 22-23 January, 2015 organized by Gujarat National Law University in collaboration with

the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons – Nobel Peace Recipient 2013, the Industrial Extension Bureau (INDEXtb) and the Gujarat Institute of Disaster Management (GIDM), Government of Gujarat.

- Co- facilitated for Legal and Policy Framework of Indian Coastal Security – Post Lustrum of the Mumbai Attack, jointly organized by Gujarat National Law University in collaboration with Forum for Integrated National Security and Institute of Marine Engineers at GNLU on 13 December, 2014.]

## **Participated**

### **International Course/Academy: Attended/Participated**

- Participated in “GNLU International Maritime Academy (Theme: Indian Ocean Preventing, Reducing & Controlling Marine Pollution and IUU Fishing)” organized by the Gujarat National Law University in collaboration with U.S. Naval War College, Rhodes Island, at its campus between 17-24 March, 2018.
- Successfully completed the United Nations Regional Course in International Law from 20 November to 15 December 2017 in Bangkok, Thailand.
- Attended the lectures of the 2017 Summer Program granted by Xiamen Academy of International Law in Xiamen, P. R. China, from 3 to 21 July 2017.

### **Training Programmes**

- Women Master Trainer under the agreement between Gujarat National Law University and British Council for the project on Young Women Social Entrepreneurship Development Programme Phase- 2. Accordingly, Participated in Management Development Programme on Young Women Social Entrepreneurship Development Programme for British Council, May 04-09, 2015 at IIM Kozhikode.

### **Faculty Development Programmes**

- Participated in the “Faculty Development Programme” organized by the Gujarat National Law University, at its Campus from 11 to 18 May, 2017.
- Participated in the “One-week Faculty Development Programme” organized by Gujarat National Law University from 16 to 21 May 2016.

### **Short-Term Courses**

- Successfully completed “IPPO Capsule Course in Patent Drafting” conducted by Gujarat National Law University through its Centre for Intellectual Property Rights in collaboration with IPPO on 9 January 2017.
- Certificate in Cyber Laws, Indian Law Institute, New Delhi
- Certificate in Intellectual Property Laws, Indian Law Institute, New Delhi
- Certificate in RTI (Right to Information), the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT), Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Government of India (GoI)
- Certificate in Introduction to Hacking & Cyber Security, Data64 Techno Solutions Pvt. Ltd.
- 2 year Diploma program: ANIIT in Information Systems Management, NIIT Ltd.
- Certificate in Developing Interactive Websites Using Flash and Dreamweaver, NIIT Ltd.

## Honours / Awards

- Attended SHASTRI INDO-CANADIAN INSTITUTE - Indian Member Council Meeting on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, at India Habitat Center, New Delhi.
- Taken part in the work of International Law Seminar held at the Office of the United Nations at Geneva from 2 to 20 July 2018.
- Received Justice R.B Mehta Gold Medal for 'Best Outstanding LL.M Student (Stood First in the Class)
- Awarded A-type scholarship to attend the lectures of the 2017 Summer Program granted by Xiamen Academy of International Law in Xiamen, P. R. China.
- Awarded full scholarship to attend International Law Seminar 2018 organized by United Nations Office of Geneva.

## Visiting Faculty/Guest Lectures/Keynote Address

- Delivered a Session on 'Brief introduction of Private International Law' in 14 hour Certificate Course on "Jurisdiction, Choice and Enforcement- Interface of Conflict of Laws in Competition Law" conducted by Gujarat National Law University, through its Centre for Private International Law (GCPriL) in collaboration with Khaitan & Co. and GNLU-Khaitan & Co. Research Fellowship on Mergers and Acquisitions Laws, Policies and Practices, at its campus on 03-04 September, 2016.
- Panelist (invited) for Inter-parental Child Removal Issues at IIC, New Delhi on November 6, 2015; Organized by Malhotra and Malhotra Law Firm.

## Other Accomplishments

### Others

- Centre Director, GNLU Centre for Private International Law
- Member, GNLU Internal Quality Assurance Cell
- Member, GNLU Center for Sports Law & Entertainment Law
- Member, GNLU Internship, Placement and Alumni Committee
- Co-convener, GNLU Committee for Library and literature resources
- Previously held membership of GNLU Internal Complaint Committee formed under The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013, GNLU Gender Sensitization Committee
- Former Member GNLU-Gujarat Biodiversity Board, Advisory Legal Board
- Former Member, GNLU Center for Environmental Law
- Conducted an Orientation session under CLAT Awareness Programme
- Co-facilitated for CLAT 2014

## Conferences/ Seminars (In Student Capacity)

- Worked as a "Member of the Student Committee" in 'First Gujarat Law College Conference on Constitutional Law' jointly organized by Commissionerate of Higher Education, Education Department, Govt. of Gujarat and Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar on 26 February 2012.
- Worked as an "Editorial member for the 'International Seminar on Journey of Women Empowerment: Miles to Go' at Gujarat National Law University.
- Attended Guest lectures on "German Constitutional Law" held at Gujarat National Law University.
- Attended and worked as a Student Member of the Organizing Committee of the "First GNLU International Conference on Trade & Competition Law" organized by Gujarat National Law University on 5 – 6, March 2011.

## **Research & Projects (In Student Capacity)**

- Compiled the report on “Draft Legal Guidelines on 3R (Reuse, Reduce & Recycle)” and submitted to Legal Guidelines Committee on 3R's at Gujarat National Law University. The committee has undertaken a research project for preparations of the Legal Guidelines for the Reduction, Recycling and Reuse of Waste, Ministry of Environment and Forest, Government of Gujarat.
- Consolidated the report on “Reduction of backlog of cases in PSU’s” at Gujarat National Law University as to workable recommendations to the State of Gujarat for reducing the backlog of cases as part of Swarnim Gujarat Project on Speedy Disposal of Backlog of Cases.
- Reviewed the Content & Literature of paper submitted to the conference “First International Conference on Trade & Competition Law” organized by Gujarat National Law University for publication.