



THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF ADVANCED LEGAL STUDIES, KOCHI

National Webinar on  
**Constitutional Morality &  
Transformative Constitutionalism**

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### **About the Webinar**

The National University of Advanced Legal Studies is conducting a 3 Day National webinar on “Constitutional Morality and Transformative Constitutionalism” from 14th October 2020 to 16th October 2020. The idea of transformative constitutionalism focuses on the role of the state and the nature of obligation imposed on the state to ensure protection of individual rights. Unlike the traditional understanding of the role of the state, where the state takes a back seat and intervenes only as prescribed by the Constitution, the key element of the transformative constitutionalism is to ensure the emancipation and constant development of the Constitution to secure the ideals of liberty, equality and fraternity through an active, positive and dynamic role played by the state in safeguarding these rights. The Indian judiciary in the recent past, through path breaking landmark decisions, has changed the face of Part III of the Constitution. Giving due importance to substantive equality and anti-discrimination, the Courts have recognised the need to remove a static interpretation of the equality and dignity clauses in India and to have a Constitution that is guided on the principles of transformation rather than medieval notions of hierarchy and discrimination.

The webinar intends to create discussions over such a shift in the adjudication of constitutional morality and thereby enhance the understanding of Constitutionalism, Transformative Constitutionalism and the Constitutional Morality doctrine in India used as a tool in adjudicating fundamental rights.



### About NUALS

The National University of Advanced legal Studies (NUALS), Kochi is a university established by the Government of Kerala vide Act 27 of 2005 of the Kerala State Legislature. By the same Act, the National Institute for Advanced Legal Studies (NIALS) established by the Bar Council of Kerala Trust in 2002 merged with the NUALS. In 2008, an amendment streamlined the powers and functions of the authorities of the University and ensured the active involvement of the Government of Kerala. The University is recognised by the University Grants Commission under section 2(f) of the UGC Act. It is also a member of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU). The main objects of the University are: (a) to advance and disseminate learning and knowledge of law and legal and judicial processes, professional legal education and their role in national development; (b) to develop in the student and research scholar a sense of responsibility to serve the society by developing skills with regard to advocacy, legal services, legislation, law reforms etc., and (c) to promote legal and judicial reforms needed to strengthen the administration of justice in India. The Chief Justice of India subject to his consent is the Visitor and the Chief Justice of Kerala, the Chancellor of NUALS.

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## **SCHEDULE**

### **DAY 1**

<b><u>DESCRIPTION</u></b>	<b><u>DIGNITORIES</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>
Welcome Address	Prof. Mini S.	04:00 P.M.
Presidential Address	Prof. Dr. K.C. Sunny	04:05 P.M.
Inauguration and Key Note Address	Justice Jayasankaran Nambiar	04:15 P.M.
Special Address	Adv. Aishwarya Bhati	04:45 P.M.
Vote of Thanks	Ms. Nandita Narayan	05:15 P.M.

### **DAY 2**

Technical Session 1	Paper Presentations	9:30-11:30 A.M.
Special Lecture	Adv. Arvind Narrain	11:30 - 01:00 P.M.
Technical Session 2	Paper Presentations	02:00 - 03:00 P.M.
Technical Session 3	Paper Presentations	03:30 - 05:00 P.M.
Special Lecture	Mr. Vikram Raghav	05:00 - 06:00 P.M.

### **DAY 3**

Technical Session 4	Paper Presentations	9:30-11:00 A.M.
Technical Session 5	Paper Presentations	11:00- 12:30 P.M.
Technical Session 6	Paper Presentations	02:00 - 03:00 P.M.
Technical Session 7	Paper Presentations	03:30 - 05:00 P.M.
Panel Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prof.(Dr.) V. R Jayadevan, Principal, GLC, Thrissur</li><li>• Dr. P Puneeth, Associate Professor, JNU.</li><li>• Sr. Adv. Arundati Katju, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court Of India</li><li>• Adv. Suhirth Parthasarathy, Advocate, Madras High Court</li></ul>	05:00 - 06:00 P.M.
Valedictory Function	Dr. Saby Ghoshray, Law Scholar	06:00 - 07:00 P.M.



**Inaugural Address**



**J. A.K. Jayashankaran Nambiar**

*Judge,  
High Court of Kerala*

**Special Address**



**Sr. Adv. Aishwarya Bhati**

*Senior Advocate &  
Add'l. Solicitor General,  
Supreme Court of India*

**Valedictory Address**



**Dr. Saby Ghoshray**

*Legal Scholar*

**Special Lecture**



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