

**SINGLE CREDIT COURSE
ON
“21ST CENTURY CHALLENGES TO INTERNATIONAL LAW”**

The Tamil Nadu National Law School organized a Single-Credit Course on 21st Century Challenges to International Law by Prof. Susan Karmanian, Former Associate Dean, International and Comparative Legal Studies, George Washington University.

Although International Law has been a aspect of discussion for a long time by scholars and legalists alike, the advent of the 21st century and the improvements in terms of technology and communication to name a few, post various challenges to International Law as it stands now. The course was spread over 5 days from the 16.04.18 through to 20.04.18. Mr. Pritam Dey, Assistant

Professor of Law coordinated this Course. The objective of the course was to give a primer and also simultaneously deal with the challenges that International Law has to deal with. There was one topic that was chosen for each day of class and this was carefully selected by Prof. Karmanian who also tried to cover as much as possible in the 5 days she taught the students.

The course ranged from International Organizations like the United Nations Organization and the possible changes that can be made into the UN Charter to help the UN function better on day 1 and the class moved onto the Human Rights and the various International instruments that talk about Humans Rights like UDHR, ICCPR and ICESCR on day 2. Prof. Karmanian, on day 3 of the course delved into the topic of Non state actors and the governance gap that existed with regard to them in International Law. The penultimate day of the class focused on Investor-State Arbitration and the need for the any State to



balance out its economic need by foreign investment and also the need to regulate them within the State with its domestic laws and the bilateral treaties that are in force. The Final day of the course the class was on the interface and the points of difference between the Private and Public International Law.



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