

**UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW AND LEGAL STUDIES,
GURU GOBIND SINGH INDRAPRASTH UNIVERSITY**



National Conference on Customary Laws and Customary Rights

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INDRAPRASTH UNIVERSITY

CALL FOR PAPERS

NEW DELHI

Venue: GGSIPU, Main Campus, Dwarka Sec-16C

Date: 29th -30th January, 2026

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University (GGSIPU), accredited “A+++” Grade by NAAC and ranked among the world’s top 1000 institutions, and 93 in the NIRF rankings 2025, is committed to facilitating and promoting studies, research and development aim of facilitating and promoting studies, research and development work in emerging areas of higher education with a special focus on work in emerging areas of higher education with a special focus on professional education.

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW AND LEGAL STUDIES

Established in 2001, University School of Law and Legal Studies (USLLS), ranked 22 in the NIRF rankings 2025 envisages advancement of institutional expertise in the area of legal research and education by augmenting academic and professional excellence, developing critical and relentless engagement with legal theory and practice, synergizing law, legal research, legal education and action to further the quest for justice. USLLS became the first law school established by the State Government of Delhi.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

This conference aims to explore the intersections of customary law with modern legal frameworks, focusing on how traditional practices can be harmonized with contemporary legal standards without losing their essence. The idea is to explore how customary laws adapt or resist to the new realities with the transience of social norms, economic transformations and influence of globalization.

THEMES AND SUB THEMES

The conference welcomes research papers related to, but not limited to, the following thematic areas:

1. Customary Practices and cultural expressions
2. Customary Law and Customary Rights
3. Intersection of Customary Law and Formal Legal Systems
4. Environmental Issues and the Question of Social justice
5. Gender and legal systems
6. Customary Law in Modern Legal Systems: Challenges and Policy Recommendations
7. Miscellaneous:
 - Legal frameworks supporting indigenous entrepreneurship, sustainable economic initiatives, and customary practices in health and well-being.
 - Exploring the intersection of customary practices with modern public health systems and wellness frameworks.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The conference is designed to engage a diverse group of stakeholders, including but not limited to:

- Open to students, researchers, academicians, and practitioners across multidisciplinary fields with an interest in exploring and understanding customary law.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The conference aims to achieve the following outcomes:

- The conference will provide enhanced understanding of the complexities of customary law and its role in modern society.
- It will provide policy recommendations that can be used by lawmakers and practitioners to better integrate customary law into the national legal framework.
- The conference will work to lay down opportunities for collaboration between academics, legal practitioners, and community leaders for future research and projects on customary law.
- For a wider reach out, a compilation of papers and proceedings from the conference will be published in a special issue of a journal or as an edited volume.

EDITORIAL POLICY

- Only original and unpublished work must be submitted. The submitted work must be not under consideration for publication elsewhere.
- Author(s) must take particular care that their work does not infringe on the rights of third parties.
- **Plagiarism should not exceed 10% and the use of AI is strictly prohibited.**
- Decision of the Editorial Board on all matters shall be final.
- **Only selected abstracts will have to make the payment.**

IMPORTANT DATES

- Last date of **abstract submission**: 30th November, 2025
- Last date of **final paper submission**: 11th January, 2026

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Abstract Submission

- Each applicant must submit an abstract of **300 words** with **4 keywords** providing a clear overview of their proposed paper. It must include research methodology and main objective of the paper and conclusion.
- Abstracts should be submitted by **30/11/2025** via **email** to **usllsconference.2026@gmail.com**.
- Notified abstracts will be informed within 10 days of last date of submission.

Submission of Final Papers: Authors whose abstracts are accepted are invited to submit a full paper adhering to the following guidelines:

- **Word Limit**

The paper should not be less than 6000 words.

- **Format Requirements**

Font: Times New Roman, **Size:** 12pt, **Alignment:** Justified and, **Line spacing:** 1.5

- **Citation Style**

The paper should follow the **ILI rules** of footnoting.

Font: Times New Roman, **Size:** 10pt, **Alignment:** Justified and, **Line spacing:** 1.

- **Structure of the Paper**

Title

Author Name(s) and Affiliation(s)

Abstract (300 words)

Keywords (4–6)

Introduction

Main Body (with appropriate headings/subheadings)

Conclusion

References / Bibliography

Presentation Guidelines

Details of the paper presentation will be notified later to the selected participants.

Other details

- Up to **one co-author** allowed.
- Only the selected abstracts will be required to pay the registration fees.
- **Accepted Full papers will be published in edited book with recognized national or international publisher**
- Submissions must be made to **usllsconference2026@gmail.com**.

EVENT DETAILS

Conference Date: 29-30th January 2026.

Conference Venue: Main campus, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Sector 16-C, Dwarka, Delhi.

Registration Details:

After abstract selection registration forms with details will be shared with the authors to pay the **Registration fees**.

Registration fees

i. For Faculty members	Rs. 1,000/-
ii. For scholars, students	Rs. 500/-
iii. For Foreign Nationals	50 USD
iv. For Co-Authors	Same as the other author

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