

Centre for Transparency and Accountability in Governance



ACTIVITIES INVOLVED

CTAG while upholding commitment to the rule of law , to raise awareness on transparency and accountability in governance; to empower students, lawyers, citizens and public officials, to contribute effectively to ensure transparency and accountability in governance and to create and promote quality research in the area of transparency and accountability in governance. CTAG is engaged in the following activities establishing the fundamental objective of the centre:

- (1) Providing consultative services to people, NGO, civil societies on the Right to Information Act, 2005 and other issues related to good governance.
- (2) Conducting sensitization programmes on issues pertaining to good governance: street play, skit, awareness camps etc.
- (3) Organizing seminar/conference, workshop, debate/discussion, quiz etc on good governance issues.
- (4) Publication of journals, magazine, newsletter etc on good governance issues.
- (5) Designing of Course curriculum for, Certificate, Diploma, PG and UG on good governance.
- (6) Orientation/Training of Public Information Officers, First Appellate Authorities, and Information Commissioners under the RTI Act, 2005, faculty members, civil societies, NGOs etc. on good governance.
- (7) Conducting quality research on issues of good governance.
- (8) Collaborating with NGOs, Civil Societies, Public Authorities for conducting research and undertaking projects regarding good governance.
- (9) Filing suit/petition/application/appeal before the Supreme Court, High Courts and other Courts & Tribunals for the promotion of issues related to transparency and accountability in governance of public and private institutions.

(10) Any other assignment related to transparency and accountability in governance.

International Programs: Lectures

1. Delivered lecture on RTI to the Parliamentarians from Kenya from 10-30-12pm3.45pm on 23 June 2017 at BPST, Lok Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi
2. Delivered lecture on RTI to the officers the State Legislature from Afghanistan from 2.15pm-3.45pm on 07 Dec 2016 at BPST, Lok Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi
3. Delivered a spl lecture on 'RTI' in the International Training Programme organised by the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training, Lok Sabha Secretariat, at 2.15pm on 23 Feb 2017.
4. Delivered lecture on RTI to the officers the State Legislature from Afghanistan from 2.15pm-3.45pm on 07 Dec 2016 at BPST, Lok Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi
5. Delivered lectures on 'RTI' in the International Training Programme organised by the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training, Lok Sabha Secretariat, at 2.15pm on 22 Nov 2016.
6. Delivered a Spl. lecture on RTI during International programme on training on legislative reforms for foreign nationals at the BPST, Parliament House Complex, New Delhi on 27 Feb 2016 from 11:45am-1:15pm.
7. On Right to Information on 23 Nov 2015 from 2.15pm-3.45pm at the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training, Lok Sabha Secretariat, to 54 Foreign Delegates from 20 Countries.
8. On Right to Information on 01 December 2014 from 2.30pm-4pm at the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training, Lok Sabha Secretariat, to 47 Foreign Delegates from 28 Countries.
9. On Right to Information on 26th Feb 2016 from 11.30am-1:15pm at the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training, Lok Sabha Secretariat, to 47 Foreign Delegates from 25 Countries.

National Programs : Lectures

1. Delivered lecture on RTI to the IRS Probationers from Ministry of Finance from 10.30am-12pm on 24 March 2017 at BPST, Lok Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi
2. Delivered lectures on 'RTI' in the National Training Programme organised by the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training, Lok Sabha Secretariat, from 3pm-4.30pm on 10 March 2017.

3. Delivered lecture on RTI to Labour Commissioners from 2pm-5pm at VV Giri National Labour Institute on 07 Nov 2016.
4. Induction programme at the NATRSS two lectures
5. Delivered lectures on How to do quality research and human rights of teachers at the ASC, BPS Women University on 25 July 2016 from 2pm-415pm
6. Delivered a lecture on Social Security & Employees Compensation Law in India for NGOs, officers of Trade Unions etc from the North-East States on 29 March 2016 from 2pm-3:30pm at VVG NLI during an Labour Commissioner Induction programme
7. Delivered a lecture on Employees Provident Funds Scheme for NGOs, officers of Trade Unions etc from the North-East States on 29 March 2016 from 3:45pm-5:15pm at VVG NLI during an Labour Commissioner Induction programme
8. Access to Information Law in India on 22 Sept 2015 from 2pm-5pm at VVG NLI during an Labour Commissioner Induction programme
9. Delivered lecture at the GNLU to the Officers of JAG Army, Navy and Air Force on Constitutional Paradigms of Fundamental Rights of Defence Forces from 0930-1045 hrs on 27 July 2015
10. Delivered lecture at the GNLU to the Officers of JAG, Army, Navy and Air Force on Due Process during Conducting, Domestic Inquiry, Court Marital and Armed Forces Tribunal from 1115am-1pm hrs on 27 July 2015
11. Delivered lecture at the GNLU to the Officers of JAG, Army, Navy and Air Force on Judicial Review of Actions of Court Martial and Armed Forces Tribunal from 0930-1045 hrs on 28 July 2015
12. Delivered lecture at the GNLU to the Officers of JAG, Army, Navy and Air Force on Freedom of Information and Armed Forces from 1115-1pm hrs on 28 July 2015
13. Delivered lecture at the VV Giri NLI to Newly appointed Labour Inspectors and Central Labour Officers of Ministry of Labour and Employment, on Right to Information from 2pm-5pm on 28 June 2015
14. Delivered a Special lecture at the UGC Academic Staff College, Khanpur, Haryana during the UGC Orientation Programme Course on “conducting quality research in social sciences” of teachers on 6 June 2015 from 330pm-430pm.
15. On Employees Provident Funds Act, 1952 from 345pm-515pm on 30 April 2015 at VVGiri, National Labour Institute, Noida, Central Government Asstt. Labour Commissioners/Officers
16. On Employees State Insurance Act, 1948 from 2pm-330pm 30 April 2015 at VVGiri, National Labour Institute, Noida, Central Government Asstt. Labour Commissioners/Officers
17. NLU on 24 April from 2pm-330pm on Social security Schemes in India to Officers of Indian Revenue Services

18. Delivered a special lecture to the probationer officers of Defence Estate Organisation on Separation of Powers and Governance on 9 March from 245pm to 5pm, organised by NLU Delhi.
19. Delivered a Special lecture at the Capacity Development Programme for Teachers in Administrative Law and Governance (15-21 Dec 2014) on “Administrative Law and administrative actions” on 16 December 2014 from 1000am-1130am.
20. Delivered a Special lecture at the Capacity Development Programme for Teachers in Administrative Law and Governance (15-21 Dec 2014) on “Delegated Legislation” on 17 December 2014 from 230pm-4.45pm.
21. Delivered a Special lecture at the UGC Academic Staff College, Indore, M P during the UGC Refresher Course on “RTI endeavours in India and abroad” of teachers on 6 December 2014 from 230-4pm.
22. Delivered a Special lecture at the UGC Academic Staff College, Indore, M P during the UGC Refresher Course on “How to conduct quality research on human rights” of teachers on 6 December 2014 from 4.15-5.45pm.
23. On Right to Information on 17 Oct 2014 from 12pm-145pm at the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training, Lok Sabha Secretariat, to officers of State Legislative Departments
24. Delivered lecture on the Consumer Protections Law in India to the Probationers PF Commissioners from 2 pm to 5.pm on August 2014 at NATRSS, Ministry of Labour, Government of India.
25. Delivered a speech on Impact of corruption on the quality of education and research in India on 05 Oct 2014 from 1115-1130 during a four days’ workshop on Fight Against Corruption at RGNUL, Patiala Punjab,
26. Delivered lecture on the Consumer Protections Law in India to the Probationers PF Commissioners from 1000 am to 12.15 pm on 9 July 2014 at NATRSS, Ministry of Labour, Government of India.
27. Delivered a special lecture on the RTI Act, 2005 to the Officers of the Oil India Ltd, Government of India, on 7 July 1115-1315 at VVG NLI, Noida UP
28. Delivered lecture on Fundamentals of Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 to the Officers and members of trade unions at the Oil India Ltd (PSU) from 3.00 pm to 4.30 pm on 24 June 2014 at Oil India Ltd, Duliajan, Dibrugrah, Assam, organised by the VV Giri National Labour Institute Noida.
29. Delivered lecture on Domestic Inquiry and Principles of Natural Justice from 3.30 pm to 5.30 pm on 11 June 2014 at NATRSS Ministry of Labour, Government of India.
30. Delivered a Special lecture at the UGC Academic Staff College, BPS Mahila University, Khanpur Kalan, Hayana, during the UGC Orientation Course on the employment rights of teachers on 7 June 2014 from 2pm to 4 pm.
31. Delivered a Special lecture at the UGC Academic Staff College, BPS Mahila University, Khanpur Kalan, Hayana, during the UGC Orientation Course on the Rights under the RTI on 7 June 2014 from 1145 am to 1.15 pm.

32. Delivered a special lecture on RTI from 2.15-5pm on 24 April 2014 for the Labour Officers of the North-East States in a training programme organised by the VV Giri National Labour Institute Noida.
33. Delivered lecture on the case law related to the EPF&MP Act, 1952 from 1545 pm to 5.15 pm on 6 December, 2013 at NATRSS Ministry of Labour, Government of India.
34. Delivered lecture on practice procedure and standards of proof in quasi-judicial proceedings: legal and constitutional perspective to Provident Fund commissioners on from 1000 am to 1300 pm on 9 October, 2013 at NATRSS Ministry of Labour, Government of India.
35. Delivered Special Lecture on Social Security Protections to Workers in Service Sector at V.V.Giri National Labour Institute on 25 Sept 2013 from 2pm to 5pm
36. Delivered Lecture at IIPA, New Delhi on Judicial Review on 11 September 2013 from 1130-1pm to the officers of vigilance Dept of local bodies
37. At NLU Ranchi on Labour Law I from 15 July to 19 July 2013 two lectures per day.
38. UGC Academic Staff College, University of Indore, two lectures on RTI on 7 March 2013 from 230 pm to 530 pm during UGC Refresher Course.
39. UGC Academic Staff College, University of Indore, two lectures on human rights of teachers on 8 March 2013 from 1030 am to 1330 pm UGC Refresher Course.
40. Delivered Special lecture to senior officers of Central and state legislative departments on Delegated Legislation during training Programme in Legislative Drafting on 16 Jan 2013 from 1215pm-2pm at BPST, Parliament to India.
41. Special Lectures to Labour Officers of state of Haryana on social security and industrial relations from Sept 21 2012 from 230pm-5pm at the Haryana Institute of Personnel Administration, Gurgaon, Government of Haryana.
42. Delivered special lectures on the Contract Act, sale of goods and Negotiable instruments, to the officers of the PEC Ltd, Ministry of Trade and Commerce during 21-25 June 2010 organised by the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade New Delhi.
43. Delivered Special Lecture on Indian Legal System to Foreign Students at the NLU Delhi, in August 2010.

Invitation as Speaker/Chairperson in Conferences/Workshops/Programs

1. Invited as Co-Chair in one technical session during a national seminar on electoral reforms organised by the Faculty of Law, Jamia University, Delhi on 28 Jan 2017.
2. Invited as a speaker in panel discussion on funding of political parties organised by the ADR, New Delhi on 24 Jan 2017.
3. One of the panellists for Discussion on Transnational Corruption on 26th Nov, 2016 organised by the Transparency International India and CTAG, NLU Delhi.
4. Lecture on RTI to Govt. officers of State Legislative Departments on 18 Oct 2016 at BPST, Govt of India.

5. On 17 Oct, 2016 Combating corruption one day workshop delivered a speech on Corruption control in India.
6. Chaired one technical session in a National Seminar on Access to Justice on 14 Oct 2016 at Amity Law School.
7. Two lectures on 07-9 Oct 2016 on RTI and Corruption Control to ACB officers of State of Kerala and others at Trivandrum, IBA CLE NLS Bangalore.
8. Invited a panellist during one day training program cum workshop on RTI organised by the NUJS on 27 Sept 2016.
9. Invited to deliver lectures on various issues related to the functioning of RTI Lectures to Senior Officers, Panchayat members, teachers etc. of Govt Haryana Distt. Rohtak on 27th May 2016 from 10am-3.30pm.
10. One day Conference on “Strengthening Public Grievance System and Role of Civil Society” By Transparency International India at India International Centre New Delhi, Delivered a Speech on Public Grievance Mechanism for RWA on 25 Jun 2013.
11. Invited by the National Campaign on Protection of Right to Information (NGO) for the discussion on framing of draft rules on the whistle blowers protection on 05 July, 2014 from 1030am-430pm.
12. Invited to deliver a special speech on the Employees Compensation Act, 1923 on 15 July 2014, in the National workshop on determination of compensation for clinical trial victims.
13. Invited by the Haryana Institute of the Public Administration to deliver special lectures on the Right to Information from 10-30am to 3-15pm on 17 July 2014 at Rohtak Haryana in a two days’ workshop on Right To Information Act, 2005.
14. Invited to deliver special lectures on RTI Scheme in Haryana during State workshop on RTI for PIOs, and other Govt officials of Haryana Government, at Jhajjar District, on 29 Oct 2013 from 10:30-2pm.
15. Delivered a special lecture on RTI on from 11am-230pm on 25 Feb 2014 for Government Officers, Members of Panchayat, and general public, organised by the HIPA, Government of Haryana, at Panipat, Haryana.
16. Chairperson during a National Conference on Human Rights at Institute of Law, Kurukshetra University, Haryana on 18 November 2014.
17. Chairperson during a National Conference on RTI organised by the HIPA and Faculty of Law, BPS University Khanpur Sonapat, Haryana on 20 November 2014.
18. Delivered a speech on RTI and Corruption Control on 22 March 2015 during National Colloquium on combating Corruption and promoting good governance organised by the National Centre for Good Governance, Dopt and IBA-CLE Chair, NLSIU.
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20. National Colloquium on Human rights and Human Dignity on 25 April 2015 Co-Chairperson in one Technical session organised by the Mody University, Faculty of Law, Sikar.
21. On RTI and enforcement during Workshop on RTI organised by the HIPA, Govt of Haryana from 1200-1345 on 28 April 2015 to Public servants of Government of Haryana in Distt, Panipat and Karnal.
22. RTI Lectures to Senior Officers of Govt Haryana Distt. Rohtak on 29 Set 2015 from 10-1.30 PM.
23. RTI Lectures to Senior Officers of Govt Haryana Distt Rohtak on 29 Set 2015 from 2pm-3.30pm.
24. Invited as speaker on “Access to Information” in a week programme for Middle Level Officer of Lok Sabha, from 230-4pm on 27 Oct 2015 by the BPST, Lok Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi.
25. Invited as speaker on “Adjudication of Industrial Disputes in India” in a two day National Workshop on Managing Contract Labour System for Professionals, from 230-330pm on 29 Oct 2015 by the All India Management Association, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
26. Resource person in a specific technical session on medical negligence and liability of legal practitioners’ during two days national Conference on Consumer Protection Law organised by NLU Delhi on 19-20 Feb 2016.
27. Resource person in a specific technical session on Legal Education and Social Justice during two days national colloquium on Legal Education organised by School of Law and Governance, Mody University, Sikar Rajasthan from 27-28 Feb 2016.

Organised Conference/Seminar/training programme

1. International Conference: International conference on transparency and accountability in governance: issues and challenges on 13-14 Oct, 2012 at NLU Delhi
2. National Conference: Member Of Organizing Committee Of National level seminar organized by the Faculty of Law National Law University Jodhpur on 21 Feb 2009
3. National Workshop on freedom of information: challenges and solutions, on 6 April 2013 at NLU Delhi
4. Debate on “Political Parties under RTI on 24 August, 2013
5. Organised International Conference on Corruption in Governance from 15 Nov to 16 November 2013 at NLU Delhi
6. Organised a capacity development programme for teachers in administrative law and governance from 15 Dec to 21 Dec 2014 at NLU Delhi.

7. International Conference: International conference on Transnational Corruption: challenges and solutions, 14-15 March 2015 at NLU Delhi
8. International Work shop on Empirical Research from 16-22 Nov 2015 at the NLU Delhi.
9. Organised a capacity development programme for teachers in Labour and Industrial laws and governance from 30 Nov to 06 Dec 2015 at NLU Delhi.
10. International Seminar on Freedom of Information: challenges and solutions, 19 March 2016 at NLU Delhi
11. organised an International Conference on Transparency and Accountability in Justice Administration System: 24-25 Sept 2016
12. Discussion on Transnational Corruption on 26 Oct 2016 with the support of Transparency International India.
13. Debate Competition on Combating Corruption on 05 Nov 2016 with the collaboration with the ONGC, Govt of India
14. Orientation program on Advanced Labour Law scheduled to be organised in the Month of 12-18 Dec 2016
15. Organized one-day program on deliberation on the Role of Law in promotion of Business ethics” on 30 March 2017 in collaboration with the CII- ITC Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Development, New Delhi
16. Deliberation on Labour Code on Social Security and Labour Welfare on 30 May 2017 in collaboration with the Ministry of Labour and Employment and VV Giri NLI Noida.

PUBLISHED RESEARCH PAPERS

International Publication

1. Revitalizing The Faith Of People In Free Legal Aid Services Provided By The Empanelled Legal Practitioners’: Challenges And Solutions, published in International Journal International Journal of Law and policy Review [IJLPR] Vol. 1 2012 No. 2 NUJS Kolkata India, ISSN No (O) 2278-3156 2 July 2012
2. Editorial: Imperatives of ensuring accountability of elected representatives of people: International Journal of Transparency and Accountability in Governance, NLU Delhi, May 2015, ISSN NO: 2395-4337
3. Paper titled Ethical Standards in Eradication/Controlling Corruption in Governance: A Critique” published in e-journal: 2e-IJLPR (2015) International Journal International Journal of Law and policy Review NUJS Kolkata India, ISSN No (O) 2278-3156 Vol.4 No.2 July 2015, Page no 313-330

Recognition from National publication/Institutions

Research Paper titled “Challenges Of Information Technology In Promoting Legal Education And Research: A Critical Analysis” has been published in Sept 2012 by The Editor, University News Association of Indian Universities AIU House, 16 Comrade Inderjit Gupta Marg (Kotla Marg), New Delhi- 110002

JOURNALS (OFF LINE): NATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

1. Research paper titled “Access to quality legal aid services provided by the LACs in Delhi: A Critical scrutiny published by the Journal of Law and Public Policy ISSN-2350-1200, Vol-III, 2016, published by NLSUI, Bangalore
2. Research Paper titled “*Impact of Corruption on the Quality of Education and Research in India: A critique*” has been published in August 25-31, Vol No 52 No 34, 2014 in the University News Association of Indian Universities AIU House, 16 Comrade Inderjit Gupta Marg (Kotla Marg), New Delhi- 110002 ISSN-0556-2257
3. *The Right To Information Endeavour From Secrecy To Transparency And Accountability has been published in NALSAR Review Vol 6 Number 1,2011 published by the NALSAR Hyderabad*
4. Research paper titled “*Strengthening the Mission of Right to Information in India*” has been published in June 14, 2011 edition of the Supreme Court Cases. Referred Journal on Law
5. Research paper titled *Government Hospitals And The Consumer Protection Act, 1986*, Published in Indian Bar Review Vol XXXVIII (3) 2011 July- Sept 2011
6. Research Paper titled “*Liability Of The Legal Practitioners’ For Professional Negligence: A Critical Analysis*” was published by the Journal of the Indian Law Institute of India, New Delhi in July-September 2009, vol 51 No. 3 ISSN NO-019-5731
7. *The Right to Recall of People’s Representative and the World’s largest Democracy*” has been published in May 2009, by the Lawz , New Delhi
8. *The Fight for the Right to Information: Eliminating corruption in India*: November 2007 Lawz, New Delhi
9. *Free Legal Aid: Poor men’s help at home*: August 2006, Lawz, New Delhi
10. *The Lok Adalat System – The Instant Justice*: 11 September, 2006, Tax Company Business Advisor published by The TAX Publishers, Chopasani Road Jodhpur Rajasthan,

RESEARCH PAPERS IN ONLINE JOURNALS

- 1) Research paper titled “*Empowering Voters to Recall People's Elected Representatives for Non-Performance*” published by the All India Reporter, Rating: 3.17, available at <http://airwebworld.com/articles/index.php?article=1011>
- 2) Research paper titled “The Right to Information Endeavour from Secrecy to Transparency and Accountability” (2011) 6(1) NALSAR Law Review 108 available at the <http://www.commonlii.org/in/journals/NALSARLawRw/2011/8.html>
- 3) Research paper titled “Challenges of Information Technology in Promoting Legal Education and Research: A Critical Analysis. The said article is available at the <http://www.commonlii.org/in/journals/NLUDLRS/2012/61.pdf>

PUBLICATION OF RESEARCH ARTICLE IN BOOK

- 1) Research paper titled “*Restoring the confidence of the people in free legal aid services in India*” has been published in the book titled ‘Legal aid catalyst for social change’ by Satyam Law International New Delhi, Apr, 2012; Page No: 190-203 ISBN: 987-81-921204-2-3
- 2) Paper titled “role of ethics in elimination of corruption from public life: a critical appraisal Book on transparency and accountability in governance: issues and challenges, Oct, 2012, NLU Delhi Press, ISBN No. 978-81-923638-7-5
- 3) Presented research paper titled “*Empowering Freedom of Information Endeavour To Ensure Transparency and Accountability In Governance of Public Authority* in Book on international conference on transparency and accountability in governance: issues and challenges Oct, 2012, NLU Delhi Press, ISBN No. 978-81-923638-7-5.
- 4) Paper titled “RTI Empowerment” in Transparency and Accountability in Governance, NLU Delhi
- 5) Paper titled “Impact analysis of terms and conditions of employment on quality of legal research and education published in the spl book titled “.Legal Education in India: essay in the honour of Professor Ranbir Singh ”published by the Universal Publication New Delhi,2014 ISBN 978-93-5035-401-8
- 6) Research paper titled “ A critical analysis of right to quality legal aid services provided by the LACs” have been published in the Conference Book Proceedings ISBN-978-93-5254-3 published by the Dept. of Law, Kerala University, Trivandrum
- 7) Article titled *Comparative scrutiny of access to information in the SAARC Countries*; published in the Edited Book on Comparative RTI Laws in the SAARC Nations with the ISBN-978-93-84272-11-1 , CTAG NLU Delhi, 2017.

Special workshop for Drafting Course curriculum

Attended and actively participated and drafted a course curriculum on “transparency and Accountability in Governance” for the students of LLB, in a four days’ workshop on Fight Against Corruption organised by the IBA-CLE Chair NLSUI Bangalore from 02 Oct to 05 October, 2014 at the RGNUL, Patiala, Punjab.