



Centre for Law & Urban Development- Society of Construction Law Certificate Course on Construction Contracts and Disputes



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ABOUT NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, DELHI

National Law University Delhi (NLU Delhi) is one of India's foremost institutions dedicated to legal education and research. Established in 2008, it has earned a stellar reputation for academic excellence, innovation, and its commitment to shaping future leaders in law, policy, and justice.

At the heart of NLU Delhi's philosophy is a rigorous, interdisciplinary approach that blends strong theoretical foundations with practical insight. Reflecting this excellence, the University is ranked 2nd in law under the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) and has entered the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2026 in Law & Legal Studies, securing a position in the 201–250 band globally, with an overall subject rank of 223. The University offers a dynamic and intellectually stimulating environment.

NLU Delhi is home to cutting-edge research centres and initiatives addressing contemporary legal challenges—from constitutional law and criminal justice to technology policy and human rights—while its vibrant campus culture fosters critical thinking, ethical reasoning, and a strong sense of social responsibility.

With a focus on academic rigor, real-world impact, and global engagement, NLU Delhi continues to redefine the landscape of legal education in India, preparing students not just for careers but for meaningful contributions to society.

ABOUT CENTRE FOR LAW AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

The Centre for Law and Urban Development (CLUD) is an academic and research-oriented centre dedicated to the study of legal issues arising in urbanisation, infrastructure development, and regulatory governance, bridging the gap between law, policy, and industry practice through interdisciplinary engagement and informed academic discourse.

CLUD regularly organises lectures, workshops, and certificate programmes aimed at equipping students with doctrinal understanding and practical exposure to emerging areas such as construction law, infrastructure regulation, and dispute resolution. The Centre has recently been awarded a research project by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) titled “Smart Cities, Silent Citizens: The Impact of ‘Digital-by-Default’ Governance on the Autonomy and Well-being of the Oldest Old Person”. CLUD has also previously worked with the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, for the drafting of the Model Rural Transformation Bill, thereby contributing directly to policy-level reforms.

Through its initiatives, CLUD aims to build institutional capacity and promote specialised legal education in areas of growing professional relevance.

ABOUT SOCIETY OF CONSTRUCTION LAW INDIA

The Society of Construction Law India (SCL-India), an affiliate of the Society of Construction Law UK, was founded in 2016 to promote education, study, and research in construction law and related subjects, along with their dissemination in India and overseas. Society of Construction Law India has members from all stages of their professional careers who share an interest in construction law.

Society of Construction Law India was founded to fill the need for a body that promotes research and education in construction law by providing a dedicated forum. It encourages active involvement from all members and generates discourse across a broad spectrum of issues, including policy and legislation, front-end matters, dispute avoidance, and all forms of dispute resolution.

Society of Construction Law India has also signed Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) which seek to forge strategic alliances to boost construction law education, research, and training through guest lectures, joint certificate courses, events/seminars/conferences, curriculum co-design, resource sharing, and collaborative research such as white papers and policy studies.

ABOUT THE COLLABORATION

The Centre for Law and Urban Development (CLUD) and the Society of Construction Law India (SCL-India) share an existing institutional relationship formalised through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

This certificate course is being undertaken in pursuance of the said collaboration, with the objective of advancing academic engagement and capacity-building in the field of construction law through joint initiatives involving teaching, research, and industry interaction.



ABOUT THE COURSE

India is building like never before, highways, metros, airports, smart cities. The infrastructure boom is no longer on the horizon; it is happening right now. And where construction grows, complexity follows. Contracts get disputed. Timelines get contested. Claims get filed. Yet most legal professionals enter this space without the tools to navigate it.

Construction law is one of the fastest-growing specialisations in the legal market, and the demand for lawyers who can read a contract as confidently as they can read a project timeline has never been higher.

This certificate course introduces students to the legal and procedural framework governing construction projects, from the basics of contract law and statutory compliance, to standard-form contracts, regulatory structures, and the full spectrum of dispute resolution mechanisms including arbitration, mediation, adjudication boards, and injunctions, under both Indian law and international practice.

Whether you are a law student, a practicing advocate, or a legal professional looking to expand your practice, this course equips you with the foundational skills to step into one of India's most consequential and rapidly evolving areas of law. Because when the cranes go up, the contracts follow, and so do the disputes.

DAY 1: Strategic Contracting, Risk Allocation, and Project Control

- 10:30 -12:00 ● Lecture 1: Introduction to the Construction Industry and Legal Framework
- Structure and lifecycle of construction projects
 - Key stakeholders and their roles
 - Legal framework governing construction activities
 - Interaction between contractual obligations and regulatory requirements
- 12:00-12:30 ● TEA BREAK
- 12:30 -2:00 ● Lecture 2: Construction Contracts and Risk Allocation
- Types of construction contracts (lump sum, item rate, EPC, turnkey)
 - Principles of risk allocation
 - Key contractual clauses
 - Practical considerations in drafting and negotiation
- 2:00-3:00 ● LUNCH
- 3:00-4:30 ● Lecture 3: International Standard Forms and Project Risk Architecture
- Overview of FIDIC and NEC contracts
 - Comparative analysis with Indian practices
 - Allocation and management of project risks
 - Contract administration mechanisms and roles of project stakeholders

DAY 2: Dispute Strategy, Claims Management and Arbitration

10:30 -12:00 ● Lecture 4: Claims, Delay Analysis and Dispute Avoidance in Construction Projects

- Types of construction claims
- Basic methods of delay analysis
- Importance of documentation and record-keeping
- Dispute avoidance strategies

12:00-12:30 ● TEA BREAK

12:30-2:00 ● Lecture 5: Dispute Resolution in Construction Contracts: Arbitration and Beyond

- Arbitration in construction disputes and key procedural aspects
- Role of courts, including interim relief and enforcement
- Alternative mechanisms
- Practical considerations in choosing dispute resolution strategies

2:00-3:00 ● LUNCH

3:00-4:30 ● Final Cumulative Exercise

- Identify key contractual and legal issues
- Analyse risk allocation
- Frame potential claims or responses
- Suggest an appropriate dispute resolution strategy

OUR TEAM



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ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

Eligibility:

- Students in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th year of a 5-year law programme.
- Second and third year students of a 3-year LL.B. programme.
- Graduates with an interest in infrastructure and construction law.

FOR REGISTRATION PLEASE VISIT



Registration fees for-

- NLUD students: ₹2,250/- only
- Non- NLUD students: ₹3,500/- only



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