<u>CALL FOR PAPERS: NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TOURISM LAWS BY MAHARASHTRA</u> <u>NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, AURANGABAD (MARCH 28th – MARCH 29th 2023).</u>

About the University:

The State of Maharashtra realizing the importance of quality legal education and need of well-trained law graduates to the Bar, Bench and professions took a very bold decision by creating three National Law Universities in the State of Maharashtra at Mumbai, Nagpur and Aurangabad. Further all the three are independent and autonomous institutions created under the Maharashtra National Law University Act, 2014. Maharashtra National Law University, Aurangabad, commenced its operations from March 16th, 2017. The commencement of the University has fulfilled the aspirations of the people of the Marathwada region for an institution of national importance in Aurangabad. The University presently has strength of close to 400 students in various courses and pursuing various degrees. The University is conducting its 1st National Conference on Tourism Laws as a joint venture between the *Centre for World Affairs* and the *Centre for Research in International Comparative Laws* in the upcoming even semester of the academic year 2022-23.

About the Conference:

"Around the world, in countries at all development levels, many millions of jobs and businesses are dependent on a strong and thriving tourism sector. Tourism has also been a driving force in protecting natural and cultural heritage, preserving them for future generations to enjoy."

> Mr. Zurab Pololikashvili, Secretary General, UNWTO

Developments post-2015 have led to the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development along with Sustainable Development Goals, in particular, Goals 8, 12 and 14, are directly and indirectly connected to tourism. Sustainable tourism is firmly positioned in the 2030 Agenda.

Tourism is a booming sector, in spite of its positive effects, negative effects of tourism cannot be side-lined. However, in case of India, tourism is governed by direct and indirect legislation pertaining to various facets of tourism industry and inter-related affairs. There is a need for updated tourism policy in light of changing socio-economic dimensions. There are various emerging areas in tourism sector that needs revived attention by researchers, practitioners, policy makers and social activists.

Theme: Tourism Laws in India

Sub-Themes:

- 1. Tourism Policy in India
- 2. Tourism in post Covid-19 Scenario
- 3. Tourism and Environmental Issues
- 4. Tourism and Poverty
- 5. Tourism and Lack of Legislative Action
- 6. Tourism and Development
- 7. Medical Tourism
- 8. Reproductive Tourism

The following areas may also be explored by the authors:

- Laws for Historical Monuments in India Tourism Perspective.
- Rules and regulations for Wildlife Tourism in India Critical View
- Decades of Tourism Policy in India Study of State & Central Government cooperation.
- Tourism law and its leverage during COVID 19 to tourism industry
- How much legal is tourism law?
- Are Indian tourism laws detrimental to its development?
- Legalities in Medical Tourism
- Promised service delivered to customers? If not how does tourism law come in hand? (Service gap in tourism – law for tourist rescue)
- Recruitment Rules and Academic Quality in Tourism A Review

Note: The topics are merely indicative; the participants are encouraged to explore emerging and contemporary legal and policy issues surrounding tourism law.

Mode of Conference: Physical Mode

Eligibility:

Any interested researcher, academician or policymaker from Indian and foreign institutions can submit their paper.

Abstract Submission Guidelines:

- a. Each interested applicant must fill up the Google Form for registration latest by
 December 15th 2022 using the following link:
- Each applicant must submit a 500-word abstract providing an overview of the proposed paper by e-mail to <u>cwa@mnlua.ac.in</u> no later than December 31st 2022.
- c. Maximum of 5 keywords are to be provided along with the abstract.
- d. Co-authorship is permissible up to two authors only.
- e. UGC Guidelines pertaining to plagiarism must be strictly adhered to by the author/s.
- f. Acceptance of the abstracts shall be communicated via email by **January 10th 2023**.
- g. On selection of the abstract, the author(s) must pay the required fees no later than January 25th 2023.

Important Dates (Tentative):

a. Filling up the registration form-	December 15 th 2022
b. Submission of abstracts-	December 31 st 2022
c. Communication of acceptance of abstract-	January 10 th 2023
d. Payment of registration fees-	January 25 th 2023
e. Submission of Paper-	March 10 th 2023
f. Presentation at the Conference-	March 28 th - 29 th 2023

Registration Details:

- **a.** For primary registration, click here.
- **b.** Registration fees:

i.	For presenters-	Rs. 4500 per person (inclusive of lodging)
		Rs. 2000 per person (excluding lodging)
ii.	For Participants-	Rs. 1000 per person (excluding lodging)

*Cost inclusive of breakfast, lunch and snacks

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