



# PRO BONO CLUB



**RAJIV GANDHI SCHOOL OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW  
INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KHARAGPUR**

## ORGANIZES

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON  
CITIZENSHIP, IMMIGRATION  
AND REFUGEES: ISSUES,  
CHALLENGES AND ROADMAP  
FOR FUTURE INDIA**

**CONFERENCE DATES**

**AUGUST 10-11, 2024**

Abstract Submission/ Intimation for  
Participation without Paper Presentation shall  
be submitted to the Link below by June 30, 2024:

<https://tinyurl.com/b6fe4s5u>



Conference Location : Ben Gupta Auditorium, RGSolPL, IIT Kharagpur

## About the Conference:

Citizenship, immigration, and refugee issues are increasingly significant topics globally, influencing policies, societies, and individual lives. In the Indian context, these issues hold profound implications, necessitating a comprehensive exploration of their complexities, challenges, and potential solutions. The Conference aims to serve as a pivotal platform for scholars, policymakers, activists, and stakeholders to engage in insightful discussions, exchange ideas, and chart a roadmap for India in addressing several critical issues. These issues include but not limited to:

- **Citizenship Rights and Obligations:** Examining the evolving notions of citizenship in India and addressing issues related to citizenship rights, responsibilities, and inclusivity.
- **Immigration Policies and Practices:** Assessing the effectiveness of existing immigration policies, exploring socio-economic impacts, and identifying areas for improvement in managing immigration processes.
- **Refugee Protection and Integration:** Understanding the challenges faced by refugees in India, including legal protections, access to essential services, and integration into host communities.
- **Socio-Cultural Dynamics:** Analyzing the socio-cultural implications of citizenship, immigration, and refugee movements on identity, diversity, and social cohesion within Indian society.
- **Human Rights Implications:** Evaluating the human rights implications of citizenship, immigration, and refugee policies, and advocating for the protection of fundamental rights for all individuals, regardless of their legal status.
- **Legal Frameworks and Policy Solutions:** Assessing the adequacy of existing legal frameworks and proposing policy solutions to address gaps and ensure the protection of rights for citizens, immigrants, and refugees alike.



These critical issues intersect and impact various aspects of Indian society, including governance, human rights, social cohesion, and economic development. The conference aims to facilitate discussions and collaboration among stakeholders to develop comprehensive strategies and policy recommendations for addressing these multifaceted challenges effectively. This Conference seeks to catalyze meaningful conversations, foster collaborations, and contribute to the development of inclusive and rights-based approaches towards citizenship, immigration, and refugee issues in India. Together, we may envision a future where the rights and dignity of all individuals, regardless of their citizenship status, are upheld and respected while giving proper consideration to the national interest.

### **Target Audience**

The conference is open to academics, researchers, policymakers, legal experts, human rights activists, representatives from civil society organizations, and other stakeholders interested in citizenship, immigration, and refugee issues in the Indian context.

### **Call for Abstracts:**

We invite abstracts from academics, researchers, policymakers, legal experts, human rights activists, representatives from civil society organizations, refugee communities, and other stakeholders interested in citizenship, immigration, and refugee issues on the following sub-themes and related areas mentioned above:

- **Understanding Citizenship Dynamics:** Delve into the evolving notions of citizenship in India, including debates surrounding citizenship rights, obligations, and identity.
  - **Immigration Policies and Practices:** Analyze the existing immigration policies, their effectiveness, and the socio-economic impacts of immigration on Indian society. processes.
  - **Refugee Protection and Integration:** Explore the challenges faced by refugees in India, including legal frameworks, access to services, and integration into host communities
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- **Socio-Cultural Impacts:** Examine the socio-cultural dynamics shaped by citizenship, immigration, and refugee movements, including their influence on identity, diversity, and social cohesion.
- **Human Rights and Legal Frameworks:** Assess the human rights implications of citizenship, immigration, and refugee policies, and examine the adequacy of existing legal frameworks in safeguarding rights.
- **Global Perspectives and Best Practices:** Draw insights from international experiences and best practices in addressing citizenship, immigration, and refugee issues to analyze policy and practice in India.

**Note:** Author(s) are at their discretion to choose any other related areas for their abstracts that corresponds to the principle agenda of the Conference. Joint authorship is allowed up to two persons. In case of selection of abstract, if there are two authors, both authors have to register and pay registration fees separately in the IIT portal.

### **Submission and Formatting Guidelines for Abstract and Paper:**

- Abstract: An abstract of 300-350 words.
- Paper: Sole or Co-authorship of not more than 2 authors.
- Length: Papers should be between 5000 and 6000 words (excluding footnotes).
- English: Follow US spelling and punctuation conventions.
- Font Size and Style: Kindly use Times New Roman 12 point for the main text and 10 point for footnotes.
- Headings: The heading should be used as per the following style:
- First heading: 14 pt, Bold, Center
- Second heading: 12 pt, Bold, Left aligned
- Third heading: 12 pt, Italics, Centre
- Line Spacing: The line spacing of the main text of the paper should be 1.5. The line spacing words between footnotes should be 1.
- Indent: Left and Right indent should be 0.5 on both sides.
- References: OSCOLA 4th Edition.
- Quotations/ Quotation Mark: Quotations over 25 words should be indented. Double quotation marks should be used; single quotation marks should be used only for quotes within a quotation.

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Kindly Note: At least 1 author should be physically present during Conference days

### **Registration Fees:**

<u>Category</u>	<u>Registration Fees</u>
Paper Presenter- Outsider Students	INR 2000/- (Excluding Accommodation)
Paper Presenter- Researchers	INR 3000/- (Excluding Accommodation)
Paper Presenter- Faculty	INR 3500/- (Excluding Accommodation)
Paper Presenter- Industry/Practitioner	INR 4000/- (Excluding Accommodation)
Participation Without Paper Presentation	INR 1000/- (Excluding Accommodation)

### **Accommodation:**

Accommodation may be provided in the New Technology Guest House on payment basis as per the following (request to be made during Abstract Submission):

- D/B AC Room per Day: Single Occupancy/ 1 Person without Sharing (Rs. 1500+ 12% GST for 24 Hours Check-in and Check-out)
- D/B AC Room per Day: Double Occupancy/ 2 Persons Sharing Basis (Rs. 2000+ 12% GST for 24 Hours Check-in and Check-out).

### **Important Dates:**

- Last Date for Abstract Submission/ Submission of Information for Participation without Paper Presentation: 30 June, 2024
- Last Date of Communication of Acceptance of Abstract: 07 July, 2024 (After selection of abstract, link for registration and payment in IIT portal will be provided)
- Last Date for Registration and Payment in IIT Portal: 20 July, 2024
- Submission of Full Paper: 04 August, 2024.
- Date of Conference: 10 and 11 August, 2024 (10 August 9 AM till 11 August 5 PM)

### **For Queries:**

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