



NEWSLETTER

December 2025

WELCOME MESSAGE FROM DESK OF DEAN



With another dynamic month behind us, I am pleased to bring you the last Newsletter for the Year 2025 i.e. December 2025, Department of Law(IIJS), University of Engineering and Management, Kolkata capturing the momentum and achievements of our vibrant legal community.

This edition captures the energy, commitment, and scholarly engagement that define our Department which is marked by impactful events, meaningful academic initiatives, and commendable achievements by our students and faculty.

During this period, the Department was having its End Term Exams and everyone is in festive mood for welcoming Christmas and New Year. Though the students encouraged themselves for interactions through Distinguished Lecture Series that enriched the academic environment. This Newsletter is a bit different from our regular monthly Newsletter as it includes vacation, observation and happiness along with learning both for the students and the faculties.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to everyone who contributed towards making this month productive and memorable. I also encourage our students to continue participating actively and making the most of the opportunities the Department provides.

My heartfelt thanks to Hon'ble Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor and Vice Chancellor for their unfettered support and encouragement to take the department to greater heights

PROF.(DR.) SHAMBHU PRASAD CHAKRABARTY

MESSAGE FROM EDITORIAL BOARD

Welcome to the DECEMBER 2025 edition Newsletter of Department of Law(IIIJS), University of Engineering and Management, Kolkata.

We, the team of 4 members (1 Faculty and 3 Obedient Musketeers) are thrilled to have everyone as a part of our vibrant academic journey for the month of December 2025. This issue is specifically crafted to keep the students and the faculties informed, inspired, and connected and happy at the same time.

This last segment of our 2025 is a mixture of some Lecture series, some reality check around the World and India, some picturesque observation both from student and faculties.

Stay tuned, stay involved, and let's make this a space for collaboration and celebration in the coming year as well.



Prof. (Dr.) Alice Dey



Esha Singh



Ishita Das



Aaman Ahmad

CURRENT AFFAIRS

(A Quick Glance Through the Globe)

1.) Fragile Ceasefire in Gaza

A US-brokered ceasefire formally halted large-scale fighting in Gaza in late 2025, but implementation remained shaky through December. Humanitarian agencies warned that while the immediate risk of famine had been pushed back, hunger, malnutrition, disease and massive agricultural destruction still threatened civilians. Unemployment in Gaza was reported near 77% by late 2025, underscoring the territory's economic collapse and dependence on aid. UN agencies urged sustained access for food, medical supplies and reconstruction materials, warning that any breakdown of the truce could rapidly reverse fragile gains.



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(A Quick Glance Through the Globe)

2. Conflicts Across Africa and Middle East

December 2025 saw multiple active conflicts, including new offensives and deadly attacks. In Yemen, the Southern Transitional Council announced capture of al-Mahrah Governorate from government forces, deepening the country's fragmentation. In the Democratic Republic of the Congo, M23 rebels seized Uvira in South Kivu, escalating tensions with Rwanda and worsening displacement. Separate insurgent attacks killed members of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps in Sistan and Baluchestan and targeted US and Syrian forces near Palmyra, highlighting persistent regional instability.



3. Global Economy Slows, Risks Rise

UN assessments in December 2025 projected global economic growth slowing to about 2.6% in 2025, down from 2.9% in 2024, amid weak trade and investment. Analysts noted that advanced economies ended the year on slightly firmer financial footing than expected, but warned that high public debt, loose fiscal policy and trade tensions left markets vulnerable heading into 2026. Many governments faced pressure to maintain defence and social spending despite limited room for fiscal tightening, raising concerns about long-term debt sustainability.

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4. Climate Action Without US Leadership

By December 2025, the United States had largely stepped back from leading global climate diplomacy, creating a vacuum increasingly filled by China and other economies. Rapid declines in the cost of solar, wind and battery technologies helped many countries expand renewables faster than earlier projections, even as overall global emissions remained too high. A Yale-linked analysis cited dozens of countries, including most of Europe and the US, that had managed economic growth while cutting emissions over the past decade, suggesting partial decoupling of growth from greenhouse gases.



5. India: Aviation Disruption and Space Milestone

India experienced both infrastructure strain and technological success in December 2025. IndiGo, the country's largest airline, cancelled thousands of flights after difficulties complying with revised pilot rest and duty rules, disrupting travel until operations stabilised by 9 December. Later in the month, ISRO launched its heaviest-ever payload, a 6,100 kg US-built AST SpaceMobile communications satellite, marking a significant advance in India's commercial launch capabilities. India also signed a comprehensive economic partnership agreement with Oman, expanding trade and investment ties in the Gulf region.

MAJOR EVENTS

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES 12.1

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CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH
UNDER THE AEGIS OF
DEPARTMENT OF LAW (IIIJS)
CELEBRATES THE HUMAN RIGHT DAY

**DISTINGUISHED
LECTURE SERIES 12.1**

DR. MANVENDRA SINGH
Coordinator, Pro Bono Club
Sharda School of Law,
Sharda University

Topic: Indian Constitution as a
Guardian of Human Rights: Evolution,
Enforcement, and Emerging Trends

MEETING LINK:
[MEET.GOOGLE.COM/FBG-SWFI-REI](https://meet.google.com/FBG-SWFI-REI)

DATE: 10TH DECEMBER, 2025
TIME: 11 AM TO 12 PM

MODE: HYBRID

ORGANISER
**PROF. SHRABANA
CHATTOPADHYAY**
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR &
ASSISTANT HOD,
DEPARTMENT OF
LAW(IIIJS), UEM KOLKATA

Date: 10TH DECEMBER, 2025

The Distinguished Lecture Series 12.1 discussed that the Indian Constitution as a guardian of Human Rights, emphasizing that rights provide dignity beyond mere survival.

Key points include:

- Fundamental vs. Human Rights: All Fundamental Rights are Human Rights, but not all Human Rights are Fundamental.
- Core Principles: Human Rights are universal, absolute, and indivisible, advocating for equality regardless of caste or creed, as championed by Nelson Mandela.
- Enforcement: The government must provide compensation for property acquisition, and the Supreme Court acts as the Constitution's protector.
- Civic Duty: Citizens should focus on civic sense rather than solely blaming the government for societal issues.

MAJOR EVENTS

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES 12.2



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UNDER THE AEGIS OF
DEPARTMENT OF LAW (IIIJS)
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**DISTINGUISHED
LECTURE SERIES 12.2**

DR. TANURUP DAS

**ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,
SCHOOL OF FORENSIC
SCIENCES
WBNUJS**

TOPIC
**DEEPPAKES, SYNTHETIC MEDIA
AND DIGITAL EVIDENCE INTEGRITY**

DATE: 16/12/2025
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TIME: 11.30 AM ONWARDS
LINK: [HTTPS://MEET.GOOGLE.COM/EAC-BBXA-TNI?AUTHUSER=0](https://meet.google.com/EAC-BBXA-TNI?AUTHUSER=0)



ORGANISER

DR. ABHISIKTA BASU
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
DEPARTMENT OF LAW(IIIJS),
UEM KOLKATA

Date: 16TH DECEMBER, 2025

Lecture Series on Deepfakes, Synthetic Media, and Digital Evidence Integrity outline three main deepfake categories, identifying audio-visual combinations as the most dangerous.

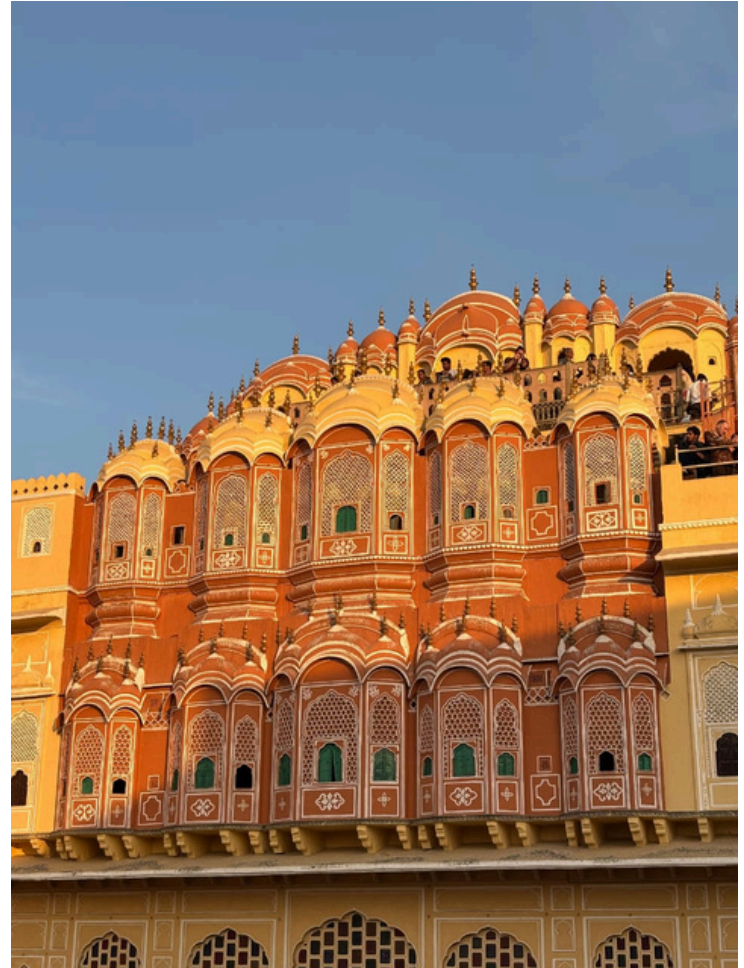
Key points include:

- **Techniques:** Manipulation types include attribute modification, entire face synthesis, face reenactment, and identity swaps.
- **Creation & Tools:** The notes depict an encoder-decoder creation process and list apps like DeepFaceLab and Face Swap Live.
- **Risks:** Uses include election manipulation, scams, hoaxes, and financial fraud.
- **Countermeasures:** Detection challenges are addressed through various digital watermarking techniques.

GALLERIA OF INDIA THROUGH THE LENS OF STUDENTS



**Lomgewala INDO-PAK War site
Jaisalmer, Rajasthan**

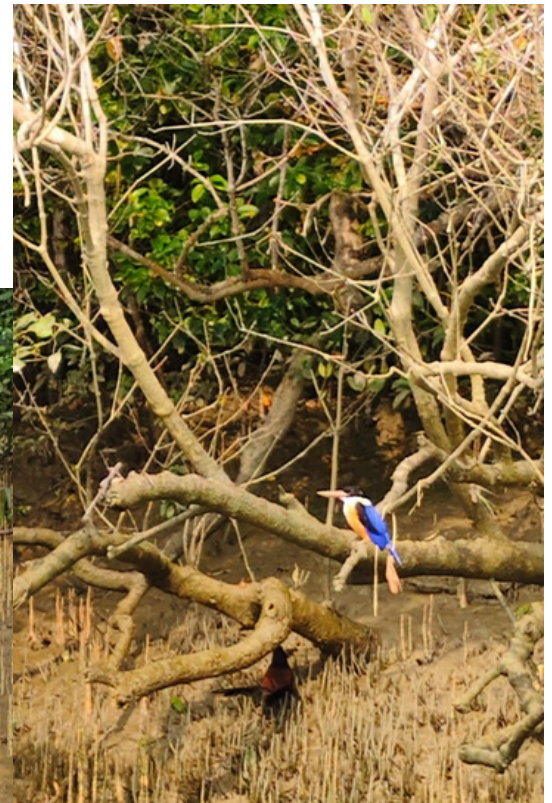
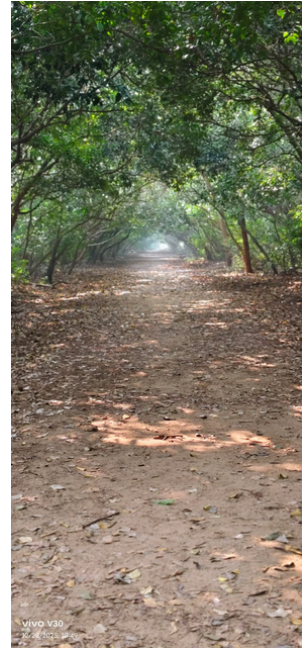


Hawa Mahal; Jaipur, Rajasthan



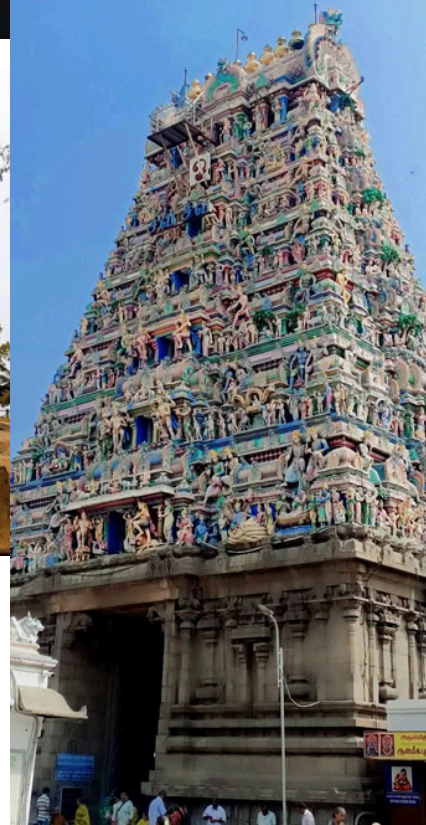
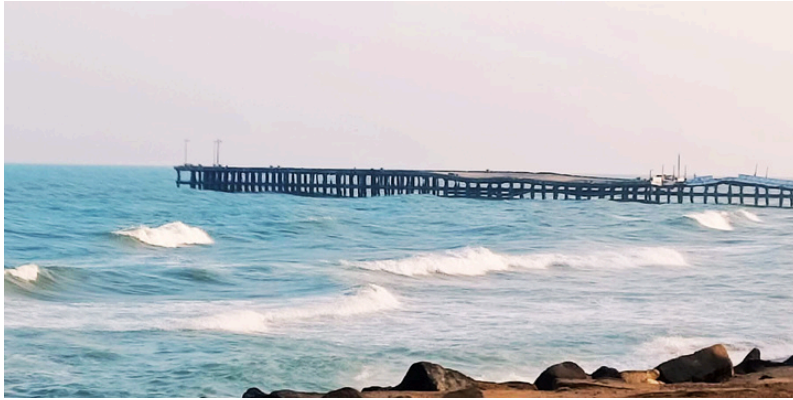
Golden Temple; Amritsar, Punjab

GALLERIA OF INDIA THROUGH THE LENS OF STUDENTS



BHITARKARNIKA, ODISHA

GALLERIA OF SOUTHERN PART OF INDIA THROUGH THE LENS OF FACULTY



**RAMESHWARAM TEMPLE, PUDUCHERRY, PONDICHERRY,
MAHABALIPURAM, BAY OF BENGAL.**

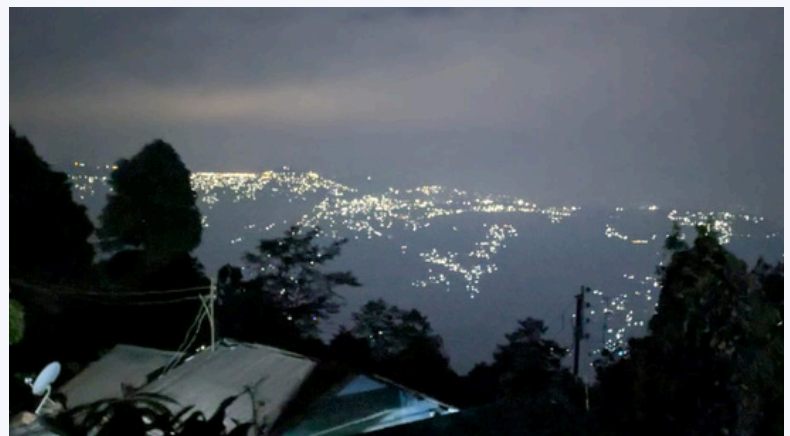
GALLERIA OF NORTH- EASTERN PART OF INDIA THROUGH THE LENS OF FACULTY



MT. KANCHENJUNGA FROM NEPAL SIMANA



**VISION OF QUEEN OF
HILLS
“DARJEELING”**



STUDENTS CORNER

THE CAPITAL IN A BLURRY VISION

Argha Sar; Batch 2024

Traveling to Delhi was an exciting experience for me. As the capital of India, Delhi is known for its rich history, magnificent monuments, and bustling streets. I had always wanted to see places like India Gate, Red Fort, Qutub Minar, and Connaught Place, and finally, I got the chance to explore them. The city truly reflects the blend of old traditions and modern life.

However, during my tour, one thing that caught my attention immediately was the pollution. As soon as I stepped out, I noticed the air was heavy and filled with smog. The sky looked dull and grey, and it was difficult to see far distances clearly. Walking through the streets, I could feel dust and smoke around me. The traffic added to the problem, with vehicles releasing fumes and constant honking making the environment stressful. Many people were wearing masks, which showed how serious the issue was.

Despite the pollution, I tried to enjoy the beauty of Delhi. The monuments stood tall, telling stories of India's glorious past. The markets were vibrant, full of colors and sounds, and the food was delicious. Yet, the pollution made the experience less comfortable. Breathing freely was a challenge, and I realized how tough it must be for the residents who face this every day.

My tour taught me two important lessons. First, Delhi is a city of great heritage and charm, worth visiting for its culture and history. Second, pollution is a major challenge that needs urgent attention. Cleaner air would make the city even more enjoyable for visitors and healthier for the people living there. I hope that in the future, strong steps will be taken to reduce pollution so that Delhi can shine in its true beauty.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

**AI AT THE CROSSROADS OF JUSTICE: INNOVATIONS IN
FORENSIC SCIENCE AND LAW**



Prof. (Dr.) Ashima Nehra,
Professor,
Clinical Neuropsychology,
Neuroscience Center,
All India Institute of Medical Sciences,
New Delhi

Topic: From Mind to Machine: Clinical
Neuropsychology and AI in Advancing Forensic
Justice

Time: 12.30 PM Onwards



Prof. (Dr.) Shilohu Rao,
National Law University, Jodhpur

Topic: Legal Accountability and Responsibility in AI
Decision Making

Time: 10.00 AM Onwards



Dr. Ranjeet Kr. Singh,
Managing Director,
Sherlock Institute of Forensic Science,
New Delhi

Topic: Digital Intelligence, Physical Evidence:
Redefining Forensic Science with AI

Time: 3.30 PM Onwards

DATE: 15TH DECEMBER - 19TH DECEMBER, 2025

The Department of Law (IIIJS), in association with HRDC, IEM UEM, is organizing a 5-day Faculty Development Program titled "AI at the Crossroads of Justice: Innovations in Forensic Science and Law". The program is scheduled from December 15 to December 19, 2025

Key Agenda Highlights:

- **Forensics & Psychology:** Sessions covered Clinical Neuropsychology and the role of AI in advancing forensic justice.
- **Legal & Digital Accountability:** Experts discussed legal responsibility in AI decision-making and redefining forensic science through digital intelligence.
- **Ethics & Challenges:** The schedule concluded with overviews of criminal laws, ethical challenges in the justice system, and the "Darkside of AI".

We pay our homage to



Dr. Prof. Satyajit Chakrabarti

(Jul 12, 1947 - Dec 19, 2024)

-- Chancellor --

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AND ACCOMPLISHMENT**