

# Global Initiative of Academic Network (UGC-GIAN)

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Topic: ACCESS TO ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE: GLOBAL AND INDIAN TRENDS

**Duration:** November 28 – December 04, 2023 (7 days)

Dr Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University organized a certificate credit course under the aegis of GIAN between 28th November 2023 to 4th December 2023 on the topic *ACCESS TO ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE: GLOBAL AND INDIAN TRENDS* with Professor (Dr.) Gitanjali Nain Gill, Northumbria University, Newcastle, U.K. as expert foreign faculty.



The objective of the course was to develop a broad understanding of environmental justice, which involves participation in environmental controversies. How can participatory mechanisms help to meliorate issues of inequality, recognition, and the larger question of capabilities and functioning of individuals and communities? How far the discourse and understanding of environmental justice have broadened to include issues of fairness, equity, standing, rights of disadvantaged populations in developing countries and meaningful participation in the decision-making process to promote environmental governance? The course focused on a strong procedural dimension that reflects fair, open, informed, and inclusive state institutional processes.

The program dealt at length with India's commitment to secure environmental justice, which has assumed practical importance.



#### **Guest Faculty-**

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# **Modules**

- 1. Conceptualizing Environmental Justice and its Changing Paradigm, Nov. 28-29
- Specialized Environmental Courts and Tribunals: A Global Perspective, Nov. 30
- The National Green Tribunal of India: Accessing Environmental Justice, Dec. 01-04



The credit course also traced and evaluated the role of the Indian judiciary (Supreme Court of India and the National Green Tribunal) in contributing to and promoting access to environmental justice and governance.

The course involved lectures, participatory exercises and concluded with an assessment of the participants by the foreign faculty.



The successful candidates were awarded 1 credit for the course. The total number of students who credited for the course stood at 74 out of 100.



The course overall comprised of 15 lectures, out of which 13 lectures were delivered by Prof. (Dr.) Gitanjali Nain Gill and two lectures were delivered by Dr. Atul Kumar Tiwari (Host Faculty), Dr. RMLNLU, Lucknow.

The programme was successfully coordinated by Dr. Malay Pandey, Local Coordinator, UGC-GIAN, Dr. RMLNLU, Lucknow.

