

MESSAGE FROM THE PATRON-IN-CHIEF



Dear Readers and Contributors,

It is with great pride and pleasure that i present the latest issue of MAGLAW Student Journal, centered on the theme: **“International Law at Crossroads: Navigating Geopolitical Friction.”** In an era marked by shifting geopolitical alliances, armed conflicts, humanitarian crises, and rapidly evolving global challenges, international law stands at a defining moment. The principles that have long governed relations between States are increasingly being tested by emerging political realities, compelling the international legal order to adapt while preserving its foundational values of peace, justice, cooperation, and respect for human dignity.

This issue of MAGLAW seeks to provide a meaningful platform for examining these pressing developments and encouraging informed legal discourse. By engaging with these contemporary issues, we reaffirm the essential role of legal scholarship in critically assessing the effectiveness of international legal institutions and norms in addressing the complexities of an increasingly interconnected yet divided world. Such scholarly engagement not only deepens our understanding of existing legal frameworks but also contributes to shaping future approaches to global governance and international cooperation.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the editorial team for their dedication and meticulous efforts in bringing together this remarkable volume, and to all the authors whose insightful contributions have made this edition possible. This journal stands as a testament to your perseverance, scholarship, and unwavering commitment to academic excellence. May this edition inspire meaningful dialogue, encourage further research, and contribute to thoughtful reflection on the evolving role of international law in an increasingly dynamic world.

Warm regards,

Prof. (Dr.) Vandana Arora
Chairperson, Department of Laws
Patron-in-Chief, MAGLAW

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



Dear Contributors and Readers,

As we proudly present Volume V, Issue 1 of the MAGLAW Student Journal, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated authors, judicious reviewers, meticulous editors, and valued readers whose continued encouragement and commitment make this scholarly endeavour possible. Their collective efforts have enabled the journal to flourish as a vibrant platform for legal discourse and a forum where emerging scholars engage with some of the most pressing issues confronting the legal world today.

The theme of this edition, invites us to reflect upon the increasingly complex and dynamic nature of the international legal order. The contemporary world is witnessing unprecedented geopolitical tensions, armed conflicts, humanitarian crises, economic rivalries, and rapid technological transformations that continue to test the resilience of international legal institutions and norms. In such a climate, legal scholarship assumes an even greater responsibility—not merely to interpret the law as it exists, but to critically examine its effectiveness, identify emerging challenges, and contribute thoughtfully to its progressive development.

To every aspiring legal scholar, I extend an invitation to engage courageously with the evolving challenges of international law. Question conventional wisdom, explore emerging legal frontiers, and contribute perspectives that advance thoughtful dialogue on issues of global significance. I hope this edition informs, inspires, and encourages critical reflection, fostering meaningful conversations that extend beyond these pages and contribute to the continued evolution of international legal scholarship.

Warm regards,

Prof. (Dr.) Shipra Gupta
Editor-in-Chief, MAGLAW

MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGING EDITOR



Dear Readers and Contributors,

MAGLAW Journal has consistently endeavoured to serve as a forum for rigorous legal scholarship, critical reflection, and informed academic engagement. In bringing together this special issue, the journal has sought to address a subject of enduring significance and contemporary urgency, while also offering a platform for original and thoughtful student writing.

This volume has reflected the journal's continued commitment to scholarly quality, clarity of argument, and fidelity to the highest standards of legal research and publication. The contributions included in this issue have examined the chosen theme with care, depth, and analytical precision, and have demonstrated the breadth of insight that young scholars have brought to the study of law.

The theme of this special issue has assumed particular importance in a world increasingly marked by geopolitical uncertainty, frictions in foreign relations, and a gradual weakening of the values of tolerance and mutual respect that have long supported international cooperation. At a time when instability across regions has tested established legal norms and institutional frameworks, sustained reflection on international law has become not only relevant but necessary. The essays in this volume have therefore engaged with questions that lie at the heart of the contemporary international legal order.

Warmest congratulations and best wishes are extended to all the authors whose contributions have enriched this issue. Their work reflects diligence, intellectual seriousness, and a commendable engagement with pressing legal questions. It is hoped that this publication will serve as a meaningful contribution to ongoing academic discourse and encourage further scholarly inquiry.

Warm regards,

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MESSAGE FROM THE STUDENT EDITORS

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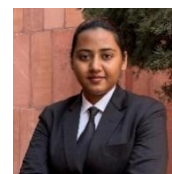


Global instabilities and geopolitical frictions invariably permeate our everyday lives- whether subtly or profoundly. It has therefore become crucial for us to understand the legal frameworks governing them.

While tolerance is an excellent quality in any diplomatic relationship, a critical juncture arises where holding wrongdoers accountable becomes vital.

In an era defined by shifting global dynamics; robust legal scholarship serves as a vital tool to navigate and challenge these transgressions. With this special issue, we have sought to bring forth these pressing discourses through the rigorous research papers of our authors. We hope this volume offers fresh insights and expands your understanding of these complex contemporary challenges. Our deepest gratitude and best of luck to our contributors & sincere regards to the Patron-in-Chief, Editor-in-chief, and Managing Editor, for establishing a diversely academic forum of learning through MAGLAW,

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One of the most rewarding aspects of working on a journal is witnessing the ideas evolve from an initial manuscript into a polished piece of legal scholarship. This edition reflects that journey. Every contribution has been strengthened through shared commitment of authors, reviewers, and the editorial team to maintaining the highest academic standards. Every submission is subjected to rigorous editorial scrutiny to ensure originality and adherence to ethical research practices.

This year's theme, "**International Law at Crossroads: Navigating Geopolitical Friction**," is particularly significant in a world where legal questions increasingly transcend national boundaries. The contributions featured in this volume engage with some of the key issues faced by the international community today, offering thoughtful analyses that encourage readers to examine contemporary legal developments from diverse perspectives.

I extend my sincere gratitude to our **Patron-in-Chief, Editor-in-Chief, and Managing Editor** for their constant support and leadership throughout the editorial process. My heartfelt appreciation also goes to our contributors, whose hard work, patience, and trust have enriched this edition with their research and insights. I hope you find this volume insightful, engaging, and worthy of the thoughtful effort that has gone into bringing it to life.

Happy Reading!.