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Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi organized One-Day National Webinar on the topic "**Challenges to Peace, Security & International Law in South Asia**" on **18 November 2021**. The Patron of the webinar was Professor (Dr.) Alka Chawla, Professor-In-Charge, Campus Law Centre and the Organising Committee consisted of Dr. Narender Nagarwal (webinar director), and Dr. Anita Yadav (Moderator). Total of 260 participants registered for this webinar.

The panel of speakers consisted of renowned academicians Dr. Srinivas Burra from South Asian University, Delhi, Dr. Gilbert Sébastian, and Dr. Uma Purushothaman from the Central University of Kerala. The webinar was inaugurated by Prof. Alka Chawla, Head, and Professor-in-charge of Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi. In her welcome address, Prof. Chawla appreciated the theme of the webinar and also highlighted certain issues of concern in terms of security, strategic and foreign policy. The webinar's foremost focus was on significant challenges to peace and security in South Asia. The three prominent academicians of the country enlightened the audience through their thought-provoking speech, ideas, and analysis.

Dr. Srinivas Burra discussed on topic "*International Law Implications of Recent Developments in Afghanistan*" wherein he discussed the major difference between recognition of state and recognition of government and political difficulty for the United Nation to give recognition to the Taliban government. He also spoke about current existing humanitarian crises occurring in Afghanistan like the food crisis, refugee crisis, women's rights issues, etc. Dr. Burra also highlighted salient features of the USA and Taliban agreement signed on 29 February 2020.

Dr. Gilbert Sébastian gave his speech on "*Kashmir Crisis and India's National Interest: The Case for a Political Solution*". Dr. Sébastian spoke about state behavior in international politics. He highlighted a realistic approach and ethical approach and its ideological clash in terms of forming the opinion. Towards the end of his discussion, he discussed the importance

of self-determination and proposed certain solutions for solving the problem concerning the Kashmir crisis.

Dr. Uma Purushothaman presented her analysis on the topic “*Mapping India’s Security Challenges*’ ’. She focused on serious security threats and political challenges for India, more specifically concerning China, Pakistan, and Afghanistan. She also touched upon threats in international relations theory and spoke about various insurgency issues in India.

The webinar ended with the concluding remarks by the webinar Director Dr. Narender Nagarwal wherein he discussed the crisis in South Asia and emphasised on stability and peace which are essential for growth, prosperity, and development of South Asia.

Dr. Anita Yadav proposed a vote of thanks. She thanked all the speakers, teachers, and participants for their intellectual discussion and enthusiastic participation.

The webinar was a great success as participants from across the country and students of Campus Law Centre joined the live Google Meet. They benefitted immensely from the speakers and the brainstorming Question and Answer session which preceded the vote of thanks.