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## Four GNLU students selected for the LAMP Fellowship To be mentored by a Member of Parliament for a period of 10-11 months

**Gandhinagar, April 11, 2018**: Four students of the five-year undergraduate programme of GNLU have been selected for the prestigious LAMP Fellowship <<u>http://lamp.prsindia.org/thefellowship</u>>:

- 1. Ms Arnaaz Ameer
- 2. Ms Nirja Shah
- 3. Ms Shipra Mishra
- 4. Ms Shefali Mehta (Now in Copenhagen, Denmark under Exchange Programme)

This is the **fourth consecutive year** when GNLU students have been selected for the LAMP Fellowship.

The Legislative Assistants to Members of Parliament (LAMP) Fellowship provides an opportunity for young Indians to be mentored by a Member of Parliament for a period of 10-11 months, subject to the Parliamentary calendar. The LAMP Fellows work full time with the assigned MP, from the beginning of the Monsoon session to the end of the Budget session of Parliament. Throughout the eleven months, the LAMP Fellow works closely with the MP, providing extensive research support for his/her parliamentary work.

The primary role of a LAMP Fellow is to provide research inputs to help the MPs fulfil their parliamentary duties such as asking questions, raising matters of public importance, participating in debates, writing speeches, drafting private member Bills, among others. The Fellows will be based in Delhi during the Fellowship Period. LAMP Fellows will also engage with policymakers and experts from diverse sectors through participation in workshops on important policy and development issues. During the intersession period, workshops are conducted on subjects like Health, Education, Infrastructure, Public Finance, etc.

After the Fellowship, several LAMP Fellows have pursued advanced degrees in institutions like ISB, IIMs, Yale University, Columbia University, Oxford and LSE. Others have chosen to work in areas such as policy research, political consulting, public relations and the development sector. Some Fellows have continued to work with MPs.

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