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GNLU Builds Research Base in Frontier areas of Food Security, Economic Analysis of Law and Contracts

GNLU is pleased to present its most awaited publications, namely “Food Security Law-Interdisciplinary Perspectives” & “Economic Analysis of Law: An Indian Perspective”. The books are a compilation of contributions of academicians and researchers from various part of the globe. Another book titled, “Law Relating to Electronic Contracts”, one of the first comprehensive books on E-Contracts in India has been authored by Dr RK Singh, Assistant Professor of Law at GNLU.

Economic Analysis of Law: An Indian Perspective

This book is an effort by the Department of Economics, Gujarat National Law University, under the guidance and editorship of Prof. (Dr.) Bimal N. Patel, Director, GNLU, Associate Professor Dr Ranita Nagar and Mr.Hitesh Thakkar. An insightful foreword of the book has been given by Prof. Ariel Porat, who is a Visiting Professor of Law, University of Chicago. The book has been divided into eight parts, each of which touch upon various facets of the law, ranging from an introduction of the basic models of economic analysis of law to the specialized arenas of the constitutional law, commercial law, torts, personal laws, crime and environmental law. Each part contains essays which deal with the broad theoretical perspectives covered under that part and is supplemented with case laws which should enable the reader to acquire a greater appreciation of the application of economic analysis to practical situations.

This publication is an attempt to foster greater research into economic analysis of laws in India in order to create a separate body of knowledge ultimately aimed at achieving the highest degree of welfare in society.

Food Security Law-Interdisciplinary Perspectives

GNLU and Centre for Food Security and Agro Economy is pleased to come up with this book which has been edited by Prof (Dr) Bimal N. Patel and Dr. Ranita Nagar. The book deals with the Food Security Act, 2013 which aims to provide food security to the rural and urban Indian population. This book delves into the features of the landmark legislation and adopts a multidisciplinary approach to the pertinent issue of food security. The authors have discussed a wide range of issues, contending that in India, food security must be recognized in accordance with international law. The book touches upon

various concerns of the tribal society such as livelihood security, education, health etc which must be addressed simultaneously in an integrated approach. This research endeavor focuses on intellectual property rights in relation to food security and resistance to genetically modified (GM) seeds and crops vis-a-vis the “Gene Revolution” in the country.

It also covers the challenges faced by the Public Distribution System and the role of the Indian Railways in the successful implementation of food security laws. It reveals the interface of Indian railways, the food-grains freight scenario, the operating efficiency and limitations in an attempt to understand and address the challenge of the spatial movements of food grains, comparison of rail freight with wholesale price index, cascading effect on general price level and global positioning of food grains.

This book will be extremely useful to students, academicians, researchers and policy makers as it provides a unique multidisciplinary approach to the issue of food security.

Law Relating to Electronic Contracts

Electronic contract (e-contract), an emerging concept in the field of Contract Law, is a species of enforceable agreement created, fully or partly, electronically. The book, attempts to address the entire gamut of legal issues that arise in the context of e-contracts. The book discusses and addresses the concepts and legal issues (such as, ‘formation of e-contracts’, ‘validity and enforceability of e-contracts’, ‘applicability of established principles of contract law to e-contracts’, ‘jurisdictional issues’, ‘consumer protection and standard form contracting in the electronic age’, ‘resolution of disputes’, etc) which have emerged as a result of the emergence of conception of contracts in electronic form, either fully or partly. This book also outlines the ‘general principles of contract law’, as these principles, developed over the years, are applicable to all types of contracts notwithstanding whether they are formed electronically, orally or through paper based communications. Further, many of the issues that arise for consideration relate to how these conventional contract law principles would apply to modern forms of contracts which are concluded electronically. This book is, thus, an endeavour to advance the development of jurisprudence of Contract Law in India.

Although this book is written specifically keeping in consideration the need and requirements of students; yet, it will be very useful to teachers and legal practitioners as well. In addition, this text is valuable also to anyone wishing to gain a thorough understanding of e-contracts.



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