

## Gujarat National Law University Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India

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## National Symposium on Real Estate Laws and Practices at GNLU

Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar (GNLU) organised a national level symposium on "Emerging Dynamics of Real Estate Laws and The Challenges Ahead" on March 1, 2014 for the real estate stakeholders at various levels. The symposium deliberated upon Land Acquisition, Affordable Housing, Real Estate Growth, the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Bill and the emerging concept of Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs).

The symposium started with the insightful inaugural address by Dr. Bimal N. Patel who stressed upon the phenomenal growth of real estate and housing sector in last few decades and how law and policy has failed to keep pace with it. Dr. Arun Mohan (Author & Senior Advocate) delivered a special address. Key names from the Real Estate sector present on the occasion, such as Ms. Shirley Ballaney (Senior Principal Planner, HCP Design, Planning and Management Pvt. Ltd), Mr. Sachin Gulaty (Head of Valuations from Jones Lang LaSalle), Mr. Tejas Karia (Partner, Amarchand & Mangaldas & Suresh A Shroff & Co.), Mr. Neelkanth Aher (Founder, International Real Estate Bank), Mr. Sougata Maitra (Head, Government Advisory at Jones Lang LaSalle), Mr. Sachin Shroff (President, National Association of Realtors), Mr. Ashish Jain and Ms. Meera Shidhaye (Principal Associate, Amarchand & Mangaldas & Suresh A Shroff & Co.) emphasized the importance of the various issues.

Dr. Arun Mohan whole heartedly distributed copies of "Housing for Middle the Class"; while Mr. Neelkanth Aher appealed to facilitate the common man to buy his dream GHAR (Good Home at Affordable Rate).

The University has taken the lead amongst the premier national law schools to enter the field of Real Estate. The symposium was held in collaboration with CCEL, NAR, GIHED and NAREDCO. Builders, developers, apartment buyers, land owners, consumers, bankers, lawyers, students, architects, engineers, contractors, brokers across Gujarat turned out in large numbers for attending the symposium including Rajkot, Surat, Ahmedabad, Vadodara and Gandhinagar.



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Spear heading the fellowship on real estate Mr. Anand Shrivas in his remarks credited the success of national symposium exclusively to Dr. Bimal N. Patel's vision of promoting better regulatory regime and future for the realty sector across India.

The University has through this event launched a Certificate Course on Real Estate Law which is to be held on weekends from March 8, 2014 to April 6, 2014 which is open for all interested stakeholders.

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