

Virtual Summer School on Disability Studies inaugurated at GNLU

Sign language interpreters arranged for the live conversion of lectures into sign language for the participants with impaired hearing

Produce knowledge in support of justice for people with disability – GNLU Director Dr Shanthakumar

Gandhinagar, August 08, 2020: Gujarat National Law University (GNLU) has organized a nine-day virtual Summer School on Disability Studies from August 08 to 16, 2020.

This programme aims at providing the participants with different dimensions of disability. More particularly, it will focus on the legal aspects of Disability Studies.

One unique feature of this virtual summer school is that participants include students with impaired hearing. For their benefit, organizers have arranged two sign-language interpreters. These interpreters will convert the lecture into sign language live so that hearing-impaired participants can understand the same and take full benefit of the school.

In his inaugural address, GNLU Director Dr Shanthakumar said that our world has a long history of discrimination against persons with disability. Through neglect, ignorance, prejudice, and false assumptions, as well as through exclusion, distinction, or separation, society prevents persons with disabilities from exercising their economic, social, or cultural rights on an equal basis with persons without disabilities. We should, therefore, research disability studies to produce knowledge in support of justice for people with stigmatized bodies and minds.

Over nine days, different experts in the field will deal with various aspects of disability.

The summer school is organized under the aegis of GNLU Centre for Disability Studies.

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