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About Delhi Law Review (Student Edition)

The Delhi Law Review (Student Edition) is an annual, double-blind, student-reviewed and edited *journal*. It was introduced with the objective of involving students in promoting academic research and facilitating debate on contemporary legal issues in India. The *journal* assumes an inter-disciplinary orientation and is wide enough to include national and international legal and policy-based issues within its sweep. As of 2020, seven volumes of the *journal* have been made available online which can be accessed on the Faculty of Law website: [Delhi Law Review \(Student Edition\)](#).

Types of Submissions

Volume VIII of the *journal* invites original and unpublished manuscripts from all academicians, authors, legal professionals and students from India and abroad in the following categories:

I. Long Articles (6,500-8,500 words)

Submissions in this category are expected to engage with the theme and literature of a particular topic comprehensively. The article should identify significant lacunae and offer innovative reassessment along with constructive suggestions.

II. Essays/Short Articles (3,500-6,000 words)

Essays/short articles are more concise in scope and are focused on a particular issue and offer new perspectives and critical insights on the selected topic.

III. Case Notes and Legislative Comments (1,500-2,500 words)

Notes and Comments must trace the line of cases in which the decision appears and comment on its implications on the evolution of that branch of law. Similarly, a legislative comment or policy proposal must identify the object and expected impact of the legislative action/policy proposal in question.

IV. Book Review (1,000-1,500 words)

Book Review is a critical commentary on the published book. Reviews must capture the central theme of the book and present an analysis of the same. Please note that the *journal* invites reviews of books that have been published within the past two years (2019 and 2020).

Note: The prescribed word limits are inclusive of footnotes and exclusive of abstract.

Submission Guidelines

I. General Instructions

- Long articles and short articles must be accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 200 words.
- Up to 2 co-authors are allowed for all categories, except Case Notes and Legislative Comments wherein co-authorship is not permitted.
- While authors are advised to adhere to the word limit of each category, the *journal* may be flexible on the word limit depending on the quality of the article.
- Authors are encouraged to submit manuscripts on current legal issues. Pieces scrutinising *sub judice* matters will be preferred.
- Authors are requested to employ gender-neutral language as much as possible.
- All works must be original and unpublished, and must not be pending for review before any other journal. Any form of plagiarism will result in immediate disqualification for publication in Vol. VIII of the Delhi Law Review (Student Edition).
- Deadline for submission is **01 November 2020, 11:59 p.m. IST**.

II. Format

- In accordance with the double-blind review process, the name of the author(s) or their institutional affiliation must not be mentioned anywhere in the manuscript or its properties.
- Authors are suggested to use as few words as possible in the title of the article.
- The main body of the manuscript should be in Times New Roman style, font size 12, with 1.5 line spacing and footnotes in Times New Roman Style, Size 10, with 1.0 line spacing.
- Footnotes should conform to the **ILI Citation Rules**. The ILI Citation Style Guide is available at: <http://www.ili.ac.in/cstyle.pdf>. Please note that submissions with endnotes will be rejected.
- Footnotes should be placed at the end of quotation or sentence. When referring to a specific word or phrase, the footnote number should be placed directly after the word or phrase.
- For submissions involving empirical research, authors must submit relevant datasets along with the article.
- Foreign words not currently absorbed into the English language must be italicised (e.g. *mens rea*, *nemo judex in causa sua*, etc.).
- **Headings:** The number of levels of headings should not preferably exceed four and each heading must be numbered.
 - **First Level Heading:** The main headings should be centred, emboldened and typed in upper case, denoted with capital Roman numerals (I, II, III, etc.).
E.g. **I. INTRODUCTION**
 - **Second Level Heading:** The second level headings should be left-aligned and emboldened with first letter of each word capitalised. The heading should be preceded by capitalised alphabets (A, B, C, etc.)
E.g. **A. Legal Scrutiny of the Case Law**
 - **Third Level Heading:** The third level headings should be left-aligned and emboldened with first letter of only the first word capitalised. The heading should be preceded by English numerals (1, 2, 3, etc.)
E.g. **2. Contours of the judgment**

- **Fourth Level Heading:** The fourth level headings should be left-aligned and italicised with first letter of only the first word capitalised. The heading should be preceded by lower case Roman numerals ((i), (ii), (iii), etc.).

E.g. (i) *Reference of dispute*

- **Quotations:**

(a) For quotations within the text– single quotation mark.

(b) For quotations within quotations– double quotation marks.

Where the quotation exceeds fifty words, it should be typed as a separate paragraph.

- **Punctuation:**

(a) For quotations: All punctuation marks, except full stops which are not part of the quoted sentence, must fall within quotation marks.

E.g. ‘All those narratives,’ he said, ‘were based on biased perspectives.’

(b) For footnoting: All footnoting numbers must be placed after the punctuation.

E.g. X supports the idea,¹ but Y opposes it.²

- The first page of the manuscript should only contain the name of the paper followed by a 200-word abstract. The second page should commence with the main body of the manuscript.

III. Submissions through E-mail

Volume VIII will only accept electronic submissions. These may be emailed to student.delhilawreview@gmail.com under the subject heading ‘Delhi Law Review (Student Edition) Vol. VIII Submission’.

All submissions must contain the following:

1. The manuscript in Word format (.doc or .docx) as a mail attachment. PDF/other formats/hard copy submissions will not be accepted.
2. The body of the email must mention
 - a) Name of the author(s);

- b) Contact number(s);
- c) Course and academic year (if applicable);
- d) Qualifications (if applicable);
- e) Institutional affiliation;
- f) Title of the paper;
- g) Type of submission (Long Article, Essay/Short Article, Case note & Legislative Comment); and
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“I/we declare that the manuscript is an original and previously unpublished work written by me/us. I/we agree to tackle any dispute relating to my/our manuscript including copyright, defamation or contempt and agree to suffer the loss, if any, caused by violating copyright or any other rights.”

Note:

1. The Editorial Board of the *journal* shall conduct a strict editorial review of the submissions and retains absolute discretion with respect to acceptance/rejection of articles.
2. Upon submission, the manuscript shall be the property of Faculty of Law, University of Delhi. Henceforth, articles accepted for publication may be cross-published/republished. Such cross-publishing/republishing shall not require the prior consent of the author(s).

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