**Workshop on Social Contract to Legal Contract conducted by Rainmaker**

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A team of experts headed by Mr. Nikhil Chandra from Rainmaker organized the workshop on 2-11-12 at Amity Law School, Delhi. Mr. Nikhil Chandra is an alumnus of the N.L.S.I.U., Bangalore and was listed by Chambers and Partners as one of India’s leading capital market Lawyers in 2007. The themes/topics of the workshop were **Social Contract to Legal Contract** and **Life Cycle of Business Laws** for 1st year students and 5th / 4th year students respectively.

The first session began at 11.40 am (Duration one hour) in Moot Court Hall for 1st year Students (Section A & B). Second session, (12.35 pm to 1.30 pm), was also for 1st year students but this time for section C & D. Some of the very pertinent issues relating to social contract to legal contract were discussed. The basic purpose of the workshop for 1st year students was to create a paradigm for discussion on the nature of law and democracy from a layman’s perspective. The workshop was designed to better understand the role of law in a democracy, the interdependence on the state and its machinery and to question what parts of the system need change from a legal
perspective. The workshop was very interactive in nature and was intended to provide food for thought for all the junior law students before they commence studying the Law in greater detail.

A 2 hour workshop for final year/4th year students commenced at 2.00 pm in Moot Court Hall after the delicious lunch at Wall Street. The workshop on Life Cycle of Business Laws sought to provide a broad overview of business laws in India (encompassing securities laws, acquisition laws, FDI, debt etc.) from the point of view of a business from its inception. Using this approach allowed a student to understand clearly the rationale and requirement for such a regulation as well as get a perspective on the issues at the end of their future clients. The workshop proved to be interactive in the nature, with practical examples and was intended for all law students irrespective of their future area of practice (be it litigation or corporate law).