



BANKURA UNIVERSITY

(West Bengal Act XIX of 2013 – Bankura University Act, 2013)

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

**Main Campus, Bankura Block-II, P.O.: Purandarpur, Dist.:
Bankura, Pin- 722155, West Bengal**

TWO-DAY
INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR
ON
“THE CONTOURS OF BIOTECHNOLOGY
AND LAW”
(Hybrid Mode)

DATE: 14th & 15th October, 2025

Registration & Abstract Submission Link:

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About Bankura University

Bankura University was established by the West Bengal Act XIX of 2013 and the assent of the Governor was first published in the Kolkata Gazette, Extraordinary, of 6th January, 2014. Bankura University is committed to the dedicated task of disseminating higher learning in this region and it promises to move into a glorious future by promoting the study of indigenous folk and cultural tradition as also by a sustainable rural and tribal development. Bankura, historically known as Mallabhum, can truly boast of a rich heritage of traditional cultural excellence. It is evident in its traditional Dokra art, the intellectual and artistic triumphs of the 18th-century mathematician Subhankar (the well-known Subhankari Arya), the temple town of Bishnupur and the artistic contributions of Jamini Roy and Ramkinkar Bej. This university will sustain and strengthen a unique dissemination of knowledge systems in language, literature, cultural studies, social sciences and multiple branches of the study of science. Now, it comprises of four campuses at Purandarpur, Puabagan, Mithila and Chhandar in Bankura district. Bankura University is recognized under Section 2(f) & 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 and also accredited by NAAC. Department of Law has started its journey in 2014 along with other 10 departments of the Bankura University. The department is a part of the School of Social Sciences in this University. At present the department offers two courses, namely, Master of Laws or LL.M. and Ph.D. in Law. From the very beginning department has emphasized in doing research on the various fields of Law including various socio-legal problems.

About Department of Law

The Department initially came into existence with scanty meagre resources in terms of the faculty and infrastructure; but with the passage of time, it made a significant progress in the academic domain as well as in other aspects. The Department started its Masters Programme (LL.M.) in the year 2014 and Ph.D in 2016.

The courses run by the Department are in great demand in society, as a result of which one self-financing private law college viz Sarsuna Law College, Kolkata has been introduced under the affiliation of Bankura University. The Department of Law has progressed and grown into a prestigious Institute of legal study and research in the State. The Department has a rich library with modern facilities.

In the year 2016, the Choice Base Credit System (CBCS) Pattern was introduced and the present syllabus is based on the model curriculum framed by the University Grant Commission. This change in syllabus was much awaited and a demand was there to include new developments in the field of Law. To make this course more career oriented, the entire syllabus was modified thoroughly. At present, institutionalized instructions are offered in two specializations in the department which include Corporate Law and Constitutional Law & Administrative Law.

It has a well-equipped computer laboratory with Internet facility.

All the members of the faculty have computers with Internet facility.

The Faculty of Law has been successfully pursuing higher standards of academic excellence. Faculties and Scholars of the Department also publish research papers on topics of contemporary relevance in various National and International Journals.

CONCEPT NOTE

The gradual exploration and masterminding over the techniques on mapping, mimicking and manipulating the genetic code of the organisms by the human being, open up the new vista of the applications of biology unfolding itself in the areas ranging from the issues of genetical engineering, biodiversity, agriculture, food technology, energy conservation, advancement in pharmaceuticals and health system , technological development for facilitating information technology and artificial intelligence to the issues concerning bio security, bio terrorism and possibilities of alterations of the human gene pool.

Basically, biotechnology is a process whereby the modern development of science and technology is applied to living organisms as well as parts, products and models thereof to alter living or non-living materials for the production of knowledge, goods and services. The advent of the techniques of biotechnology involves manipulation of biological systems and organisms to open up the new vista of capabilities, opportunities, knowledge and developmental activities having both the negative, positive and societal pursuits. The emerging techniques of biotechnology contains both triumph and tribulations, hopes and fears, expectations and apprehensions. It is an enabling technique which allows the human being to incorporate human made changes in DNA or in the genetic code of the plants, animals and microbial systems to facilitate the modern amenities and development in pace with the needs of the Globalisation. Through genetic modification techniques new traits are introduced into animals, crops and micro-organism to improve productivity as well as to grow resistance power against diseases, pests, etc and also to make the foods nutritionally enriched. This genetic modification techniques are the outcome of the astonishing development and exponential growth of biotechnology.

This exponential growth of biotechnology especially in the form of genome sequencing, synthetic biology and nanotechnology when in one aspect is ensuring the quality and durable life for all the humans in the same breath posing a serious threat to the existence of the human life itself as they enable the human being to make biological weapons and spread bio-terrorism. Bio-terrorism may have the more disastrous resultant even than the nuclear war but with lower or negligible costs. Biological weapons are made through acquiring the microbes- just like the anthrax, the name which was become popular during gulf war- readily available in nature, relatively easy to transport without detection, can be affected different areas at a time and can cause casualties more than the devastating impacts of a tactical nuclear weapon and easy for the warmongers to escape from the area before identification of such attack by the authorities.

Call for Papers

The aim of this seminar is to find out how far our legal system, whether international or municipal laws, policies, regulations etc. are equipped to address and resolve the issues emerging from the exponential growth of biotechnological conflict. This seminar also intends to explore the political and social implications of the growth of biotechnology, the ethical issues concerning human intervention on the biological properties and the potentialities of the jurisprudential aspects of our legal mechanism as well as the judicial interventions to ensure quality life under an enabling environment to save the mankind and humanity.

This seminar will therefore address, but not limited to, the following issues:

- 1. The intervention of law and the growth of biotechnology**
- 2. The changing contours of trade laws and biotechnology**
- 3. The growth of stem cells involving legal & ethical issues**
- 4. IPRs and Biotechnology**
- 5. The intersection of laws and transgenic crops**
- 6. The laws and policies on cloning**
- 7. The Fourth Estate of Human Rights & the growth of biotechnology**
- 8. Biological weapons and Bioterrorism**
- 9. Biotechnology and Biosecurity**
- 10. Law and genetic Engineering**
- 11. Right to Privacy, Biodata and Genomics**
- 12. Health Laws and Biotechnology**

Submission Procedure

The Academicians, Scholars, Jurists, Lawyers and Students are invited to send the Abstract consists of not more than 300 (Three Hundred) words of their scholarly writings with four to six keywords within 20th September, 2025

To Submit the Abstract as well Registration Process follow the link Given Below:

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Registration Process

Registration is mandatory for the participants to participate in the seminar. The participants have to register themselves by filling up the registration form through the Registration link attached herewith within 20th September, 2025. The registration fee as mentioned below may be paid through online mode in the below mentioned Bank Account.

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Registration Fees

Academicians, Lawyers and Jurists for Paper Presentation:	₹1500
Research Scholar and Students for Paper Presentation:	₹1000
Paper Presentation in Online Mode (for all categories):	₹1000
Alumni (online/offline):	₹1500
Participants (online/offline):	₹800
Foreign Delegates (Paper Presentation / Participation):	US \$30

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Local Hospitality, Tea/ Coffee, Snacks, Seminar Lunch and Seminar Kits will be provided to the participants. Due to the paucity of fund, we cannot provide any Travelling Allowances or Accommodations. However, on request of the participants we can arrange the Hotels within reasonable prices.

The Law Department, Bankura University will provide Certificate for Paper presentation and for Participation. Memento will be provided to the Alumni of the Department of law, Bankura University.

Book Proposal

The organisers may think of publishing a book with an ISBN number from a reputed publisher on the basis of the selected papers through the peer review process after completion of the seminar. Full-length scholarly writings, not below 5000 words, can be sent to bkulawseminar@gmail.com

Important Dates

Commencement of Registration Process and submission of Abstract:	26 th August, 2025
Last Date of Registration & Abstract Submission:	20 th September, 2025
Communication of acceptance of Abstract:	22 nd September, 2025
Submission of Full Paper:	Within 13 th October, 2025

Venue

Virtual Mode / Online Mode and In Person
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By Roadway Communication

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Take Cab to Esplanade/
Karunamoyee



Take AC/Non-AC Bus to Durgapur



From Durgapur take AC/Non-AC Bus to Bankura (Heavy More Bus-Stop)



Take E- Rickshaw to Bankura University

Durgapur Airport



Take Cab to Durgapur City Center/
Railway Bus Stand (Preferable)



By Railway Communication

Kolkata Airport



Take Cab to Howrah Jn./
Santragachi Jn.



Take Trains from Howrah Jn./
Santragachi Jn. To Bankura Jn.

From Bankura Jn. Take E-Rickshaw/
Cab to Bankura University

