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The Indian Society of International Law was established in 1959 thanks to the vision of enlightened individuals like Shr V. K. Krishna Menon, Shri G. S. Pathak, Dr. Nagendra Singh, Justice R. S. Pathak, Shri Ram Niwas Mirdha, Dr. Krishna Rao, Prof. Harnam Singh, Prof. C. J. Chacko, Dr. Anand Prakash, Prof. B. S. N. Murti, Shri C. V. L. Narayan and others, under the patronage of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, with a view to projecting the views of the newly independent states on international law, particularly those of India. The objectives of the Society *inter-alia* are

A) to foster nation-wide, the study and development of international law;

B) to interpret through its forums and publications, the application of international law as chiefly affecting India;

C) to encourage the comparative study of the application of international law in other states; and

D) to promote research in international law.

It has indeed been a long and fulfilling journey for the Society as it has earned a pride of place among the community of international lawyers the world over. The Society’s achievements reflect the hard work put in by eminent individuals like Dr. Nagendra Singh,
Shri K. Narayan Rao, Prof. M. K. Nawaz, Prof. R. P. Anand, Prof. Rahmatullah Khan, Shri G. V. G. Krishnamurti, Dr. P. C. Rao, Dr. S. P. Jagota, Dr. R. K. Dixit, Dr. P. S. Rao and a host of others. In more than five decades of its existence, under the leadership and guidance of such distinguished person, the Society has emerged as a prestigious research and teaching centre of international law in India.

The Society also honours Indian international law experts for their lifetime contribution to the development of international law and its wider appreciation. Late M. K. Nawaz and Prof. B. S. Murthy were conferred this honour. The ISIL has also bestowed Life Time Teacher’s Award to Prof. R. P. Anand, Prof. Rahmatullah Khan, Prof. V. C. Govindaraj, Dr. P. S. Rao and Prof. Upendra Baxi.

In its endeavour to disseminate international law, the Society has received the support and cooperation of various ministries particularly the Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Environment and Forests Law. It has benefited from the guidance and support of many judges—present and past—of the Supreme Court of India and the High Courts.
The Society undertakes several activities to promote its objectives. The membership of the Society is open to all persons, irrespective of nationality and profession, interested in the promotion of its objectives. The membership is of four kinds: Life, Associate, Student and Corporate. The membership entitles:

- Four quarterly issues of the Indian Journal of International Law
- Books and other publications of the Society at concessional rates
- Participation in conferences, seminars and other activities of the Society, and
- Access to library

Applications for the membership of the Society are referred to the Executive Council for consideration. The present membership base has not only widened but it also embraces international law teachers, students, practitioners and members of the bar.

Over the years, the Society has conferred honorary membership upon several eminent foreign scholars of international law, namely Roberto Ago, V. M. Korestky, Francis Nyalali, Keba Mbaye, Carl August-Fleischhauer, Ni Zhengyu, Herbert W. Briggs, R.
Indian Journal of International Law

The quarterly journal, Indian Journal of International Law (IJIL) has been published by the Society since 1960. The Journal has acquired the distinction of being a premier legal periodical from the developing World and is circulated all over the world. It publishes well-researched articles/papers, research notes and comments, Judgments and Advisory Opinions of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and Judgments of the Supreme Court of India on matters of international law. The IJIL also has an official documents section, which inter alia contains select resolutions adopted by the UN bodies, texts of multilateral and bilateral treaties entered into by the Government of India, enactments of the Indian Parliament and other relevant documents on international law.

From 2015, the ISIL has started a digital/online version of the IJIL. The ISIL and Springer India Pvt Ltd entered into an agreement to bring online version of the IJIL to ensure wider reach to the Journal readers.

ISIL Year Book of International Humanitarian and Refugee Law

The Society also publishes ISIL Year Book of International Humanitarian and Refugee Law, focusing on the development of international humanitarian law (IHL) and refugee law. Besides articles, notes and comments, and book reviews, the Year Book also contains important documents published on the subjects during the year under review.

Newsletter

The ISIL has started publication of a quarterly newsletter: The Indian Society of International Law Newsletter since January 2002.

Books & Monographs

The ISIL has published several books and monographs on international law.
The teaching wing of the Society - The Indian Academy of International Law and Diplomacy, was established in October 1964 to further the objective of promoting knowledge of international law in this country. It conducts the following seven one year Postgraduate Diploma Courses and a certificate course. International Law & Diplomacy
1. International Law & Diplomacy
2. International Trade & Business Law
3. Human Rights, International Humanitarian Law and Refugee Law
4. International Law,
5. Law of International Institutions
6. Intellectual Property Rights Law
7. International Environmental Laws
8. Private International Law (Certificate Course)

The courses at number four and five are affiliated to the University of Delhi.

Over the years, the Diploma courses have been found immensely useful by diplomatic personnel, government officials, practicing advocates, university students, persons working with non-governmental organizations and journalists specialize in international affairs.

The Faculty for these courses is drawn from the ISIL, Jawaharlal Nehru University, University of Delhi, Legal & Treaties Division of the Ministry of External Affairs, Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Commerce, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), senior legal professionals in the public and private sector enterprises, law practitioners and activists.

From 2015, the ISIL jointly with the Faculty of Law, University of Lisbon, Portugal has began to conduct the short term Diploma Course in European, Comparative and International Law in which professors from University of Lisbon teaches the subject. Every year in the month of June the classes will be conducted at the ISIL, New Delhi, India.
Conferences, Seminars & Symposia

UGC Refresher Course for Teachers, Training Programme for Government Officers, Summer and Winter Courses for Law Students and WIPO-India Summer Course on IP

The ISIL has been conducting a Refresher Course on International Law and also on Human Rights for college and university teachers every year on behalf of the University Grants Commission. It also conducts training programmes for government officers of various ministries of Government of India and a Summer Course for law students and teachers. It also conducts winter course every year on a contemporary theme of International Law. Over the years, it has attained an enviable reputation throughout India and has been receiving participants from all parts of the country. Notably the ISIL has conducted the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)-India Summer School on Intellectual Property from 2nd March-13th March 2015, in collaboration with WIPO.

The Annual Conference is an important event in the activities of the Society. It attracts participation from the academic and legal communities from all over the country. It provides an opportunity for international law teachers, practitioners and people working in non-governmental
organizations (NGOs) to exchange views and acquaint themselves with the latest developments in international law. The objective of this exercise is to widen the perspectives of the participants to cope with the ever-expanding horizons of this discipline.

Thus, over the years, the Annual Conference and its popularity among international law teachers, students, lawyers and others has made the Society a national venue for international law discourse.

International Conference

International Conferences have become an important feature of the ISIL. They have provided a forum for in-depth discussion on the emerging trends in various branches of international law among the practitioners, teachers and scholars of international law of different nationalities.

The ISIL held its First International Conference on International Law in the New Millennium: Problems and Challenges ahead in New Delhi from 4 to 7 October 2001; its Second International Law Conference from 14 to 17 November 2004. Buoyed by their success, ISIL is now holding regularly every year an international conference on specific themes. The Third International Conference on the Emerging Trends in International Criminal
Jurisprudence was held on 10-11 December 2005. And the Fourth International Conference on Private International Law took place on 2 & 3 December 2006. The Fifth International Conference on International Environmental Law was conducted on 8-9 December 2007. The Seventh International Conference on "Legal Regimes of Sea, Antarctica, Air and Space" was organized on 15-17 January 2010. The Eighth International Conference on "Emerging Concerns in Public International Law" held on 23 to 25 February 2012. The proceedings of the international conferences (souvenir) are being published.
Golden Jubilee Celebrations to Commemorate 50th Years of the Establishment of the Indian Society of International Law

The Indian Society of International Law celebrated year-long golden jubilee celebrations to commemorate its establishment. The ISIL was founded on 4 February 1959. To mark this event a memorable one, it organized a series of events throughout the year. Some of the activities included the annual conference, special lectures by eminent scholars of international law, moot court competition on international law, publication of a book on the history of the ISIL. It concluded with an international conference on theme “International Law in the Contemporary World” held on 3-4 February 2009 in which academics, intellectuals, international lawyers, judges from many countries participated.

4th Biennial Conference of the Asian Society of International Law and World Congress on International Law

The ISIL and the Asian Society of International Law (ASIL) jointly organized the 4th Biennial Conference of Asian Society of International Law on Asia and International Law in the Twenty First Century on 14-16 November 2014. The Conference, held at the India Habitat Centre, was inaugurated by Hon’ble Vice-President Dr. Hamid Ansari. Inaugural Session was also addressed by Judge Xue Hanqin, International Court of Justice, The Hague. Three Plenary Session and 25 parallel sessions were conducted. A Student Workshop on Research in International Law.

4th Biennial Conference of the Asian Society of International Law and World Congress on International Law
was also organized and was inaugurated by Professor Laurence Boisson de Chazournes, President, European Society of International Law (ESIL).

The World Congress on International Law on “Contemporary Issues of International Law” held on 9-11 January 2015 at Vigyan Bhawan and India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. Hon’ble Shri M. Hamid Ansari, Vice President of India inaugurated the World Congress at Vigyan Bhawan. Judge Peter Tomka, President, International Court of Justice (ICJ), The Hague and Justice Dalveer Bhandari, Judge, ICJ, The Hague also addressed the inaugural session. Judge Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf, Judge, ICJ also shared the Inaugural dias.

Every year, the Society organizes V. K. Krishna Menon Lecture in the memory of its founder President Late Shri V. K. Krishna Menon. The Ministry of Human Resources Development of the Government of India has provided financial assistance for this purpose.

The Society in collaboration with the ICRC organizes an annual national-level Moot Court Competition in the memory of the founder of the ICRC-Henry Dunant. Over the years, Henry Dunant memorial Moot Court Competition on International Humanitarian Law has attained international reputation. The ambit of the competition has been expended to include South Asia Round represented by India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Iran.
Memorandum of Association

With a view to strengthening its role at the national level deliberative and research institutions in international law, the Society has entered into synergistic relationships with international governmental and non-governmental organizations, such as the UNHCR, the ICRC, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and other UN bodies and Italian Society of International Law, American Society of International Law, University of Washington School of Law and Faculty of Law, University of Lisbon. It also collaborates with various Ministries of the Government of India. To promote an interdisciplinary approach to the changing nature of international economic and trade law, it interacts with bodies, such as Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), Confederation of Indian Industries (CII), Associated Chamber of Commerce (ASSOCHAM), Infrastructure Industry and Logistics Federation of India (ILFI) and Confederation of Indian Small and Medium Enterprises (CISME).

Library

The Society’s library started functioning in the early sixties and has over the years built-up a good collection of approximately 25,000 volumes of books and journals. The reference section has an appreciable collection of material indices reference books, encyclopedias, dictionaries and legal lexicons. An important feature of the library is its collection of primary documents e.g., documents of the United Nations (UN), reports of the International Court of Justice (ICJ), and the International Law Commission (ILC). It receives more than one hundred reputed journals of international law and of allied areas. The library offers the following services: circulation, reference, inter library loan, bibliographies, press clippings, photocopying and exchange of publications. Access to library is available on liberal terms. From 2015, ISIL library subscribes Hein Online for three years.

The Indian Society of International Law is housed at the V. K. Krishna Menon Bhawan on Bhagwan Dass Road, facing the Supreme Court of India and next to the Indian Law Institute (ILI). It has two in-house air-conditioned conference halls with a seating capacity of 80 & 100, respectively, a full-fledged auditorium of 250 seats to host seminars/ conferences and symposia and a number of class rooms, office space etc.
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