

CURRICULUM VITAE

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**Professor of Law and Dean (Chairman), Faculty of Law
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PERSONAL PARTICULARS

Date of Birth : 12 Aug. 1955
Place of Birth : Nellore, A.P., India

EDUCATION :

1996 : Ph.D in Law (Legal Regime of Consumer Protection in India: A Critical Study with Reference to The Consumer Protection Act, 1986), Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, India. Adjudged **Best Thesis** for the year 1996 and awarded **Gold Medal**

1982 : LL.M. – **Commercial Laws** (**Company Law**, Law of Banking, Law of Insurance, Law of Carriage by Air and Sea, Labour law and Legal Theory). Recipient of **Merit Certificate**, **Nagpur University**, India.

1979 : B.L. (Bachelor of Laws), obtained First Class from S.V.University,India

EMPLOYMENT:

From 2002 Professor of Law, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, India

2013 -2014 (on lien) Professor and Head, School of Corporate Law, Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs, (Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi)

1994 -2002 : Associate Professor of Law, Andhra University. Visakhapatnam

1985-1994 : Lecturer in Law, Faculty of Law, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam

1983-1985 : Lecturer in Law, N.V.P. Law College, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam,

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

1. Awarded **Commonwealth Fellowship** by U.K. Commonwealth Scholarship Commission to work at Faculty of Law, **University of Sheffield, U.K.** (2001-2002) as Commonwealth Academic fellow
2. **Best Academician Award** (2008), by Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, India,
3. **“Best Researcher Award”** (2001) by Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, India.
4. **“Best Thesis Award”** (1996)by Andhra University, Visakhapatnam. ,India
5. **Merit Certificate** in LL.M (Nagpur University, India)

Research Projects:

International

Expert Consultant to the Project of **City University of Hongkong** to modernize Hongkong Consumer law

Member of the Research Group headed by **Prof. Paolo Farah, West Virginia University (USA)** and Visiting Professor, Harvard Law school and contributed a chapter on “Legal protection to consumers in developing countries: An Asian perspective” in Paolo Farah (edited) “China’s Influence on Non trade Concerns in International Economic Law” *Ashgate Publishing* (UK), ISBN 978-1-4094-4848-8. (to be released and will be translated in Italian and Chinese languages)

National:

Expert Reviewer of White Paper released on ‘Direct Selling’ by Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi)

Co-ordinator, SAP- DRS-I (2009-13) UGC funded programme

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

Dean/Chairman, Faculty of Law, Andhra University from 2014 till to-date

Principal, University of College of Law, Andhra University (2008-2011)

Head, School of Corporate law, Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs, (Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi) 2013- 14 (on lien)

Head of the Department of Law, Andhra University, India (2007 -.2008)

Chief Warden, Law College Hostel, Andhra University (2002-2005)

Asst. Principal, College of Law, Andhra University (1999-2001)

Former Secretary, Association of British Scholars (British Council), Visakhapatnam Chapter

UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

Member, Academic Council, Chanakya National Law University, Patna
 Former Member, Executive Council, A.P. University of Law, (Present Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University) Visakhapatnam, AP. India
 Chairman, Board of Studies in Law, Andhra University, India (August 2006 -March 2007)
 Convener, Research Forum, Andhra University, College of Law (Jan. 2000 - March 2007)
 Member, Board of Studies, Sri Padmavathi Mahila Viswavidyalayam (2012-14)
 Member, Board of Studies, Kakitya University, Warangal
 Member, Board of Studies, S.V. University, Tirupathi
 Member, Board of Studies, Centre for Social Policy Inclusion and Exclusion, Andhra University
 Member ,Selection Committees/ external examiner/academic work collaborator in National law School of India University, Banguluru, NALSAR law University, Hyderabad, Chanakya National Law University, Patna, National Law University, Cuttack and National Law University, Jodhpur

SEMINARS ATTENDED

International Seminars:

Presented a paper on “Consumer Protection in times of Crisis: Indian Experience” at International Conference held at Faculty of Law, **University of Amsterdam, Netherlands** (29th June -1st July 2015)

Presented a paper on “Teaching Consumer Law: Developing Countries’ Perspective with special reference to India” at International Conference on “Teaching Consumer Law” organized by Center for Consumer Law, **University of Houston, US** on May 23, 2008

Presented a paper on ‘Rural Consumers – Indian Experience’ at International Conference on Consumer Law held in **Capetown, South Africa**, April 11-13, 2007.

Participated in International Seminar on Consumer Law held at Auckland, **New Zealand** in April 2001 and presented a paper on “Medical Negligence and Consumer Law”.

Participated in International Conference on Consumer Law at Osgoode Law School, York University, Toronto, **Canada** in 1995 and presented a paper.

Participated in Asian Seminar on Consumer Law at Kaulalumpur, **Malaysia** in 1993 and presented a paper on “Regulation of Unfair Contracts: Indian Perspective”

Delivered a lecture on “Access to justice in India” organized by Center for Comparative European and International law, **University of Sheffield, U.K.** in March 2002.

Attended a workshop on “Group teaching in Law” organized by **U.K.** Legal Education center at **York University, U.K.** in April 2002.

Visited Faculty of Law, **Oxford University, UK** and had academic interaction with Prof. Weatherill in 2002

Visited Department of Criminal Justice, **Clark Atlanta University, US** on May 21, 2008

Attended International Conference on Consumer Law at **NALSAR**, Hyderabad, India in Feb. 2009

JOURNAL ARTICLES:

‘Historical Evolution of Consumer Protection and Law in India:’ Journal of Consumer and Commercial Law, **University of Houston Law Center**, Center for Consumer Law, Vol.11 No. 3, Summer 2008 p. 132

The Regulation of Unfair Contracts – Indian Perspective’ published in the book entitled ‘Developing Consumer Law in Asia’ by Faculty of Law, **University of Malaya** and International Organization of Consumers Union (IOCU) (Seminar Proceedings – The Asian Seminar on Consumer Law 9-12 Aug 1992) 1994, p.117.

‘Consumer Access to Justice: Indian Perspective’ **Consumer Journal (Nigeria)** Vol .2, No.1 2006 at p.52

‘Unsafe Foods and Consumer Protection- Recent Legal Trends, ‘25 years of Consumer Protection Act: Challenges and the way Forward’, National Law School of India University (2014), p267

Arbitration and Consumer Protection: The Indian Perspective, The ICFAI University Journal of Alternative Dispute Resolution, Vol.VIII No. 1, January, 2009 , p.49

“Contract for Services and The Consumer Protection Act, 1986” –Published in “Introduction to Consumer Protection in India” ed. by Prof. Rammohan Rao (2006)

“Informal Sector and Women Workers” Indian Factories and Labor Reports (FLR) Feb. 2004, p.33.

‘E-Justice: Is it possible under Information Technology Act’ Andhra Law Times (ALT) 2003, p.40

‘Consumer’s Right to Information: Taking the Right seriously’ - Apex Court Expressions 2003, Vol.3 Part4, p.31.

‘A Lapse in the Supreme Court’ (Madras Law Journal, 1985 1 MLJ p.15)

‘The Consumer Protection Act, 1986 – A Critical Appraisal’ (All India Reporter (AIR), Jan, 1989 p.12)

‘*Caveat Emptor* and the Consumer Protection Law’ (Central Indian Law Quarterly, Jan-March, 1989, p.123.)

‘Consumer Protection Act 1986 – Easy Access to Law’ (Lexet Juris Sept. 1988, p.52)

‘Consumer Law and the Rule of *Locus Standi*’ (Supreme Court Journal (SCJ) Vol.3, Part II, Oct 1990 p.39)

‘Unfair Trade Practices-Consumer’s Legal Remedies (Research Notes, Andhra University, Vol.1, 1997, p.4.).

“University Services and Consumer Law” – Festschrift Volume (2003) in honor of Prof. Jagannatha Rao, Professor of Law, Berhampur University, p.315.

“Medical Negligence and Consumer Law : Indian Experience”, 4 AULJ 2003, p.213.

‘A New Dimension to Worker’s Right to Strike’ (Supreme Court Journal (SCJ) Vol., Sept. 1987, p.31.

‘Some Developments in the Vexed Area of Contract of Service’ (Supreme Court Journal (SCJ) Vol. 1 Part II, Feb. 1989, p.20)

‘Unfettered Discretion of the Banker’ (Commercial Law Gazettee, Nov. 30, 1984, p.2)

‘Right to work as a Fundamental Right’ (Labour and Industrial Cases, Lab I.C. 1991, p.39.)

‘Notice to Quit and the Concept of Manufacturing Process’ (Andhra Weekly Reporter,1991(2), p.35.

“The Power of Transfer – A Legal Issue” (Labour and Industrial Cases – Lab I.C. 1992, p. 113)

Educational Institutions and the Consumer Protection Act’ (Research Notes, Vol.2 No. 1996, Andhra University, p.2.)

‘Pre-Natal injuries and Parental Responsibilities: Legal Dimensions’ (2000 AULJ 3 131)

‘Consumer Protection Act, 1986 - A Boon to the Consumer (Research Notes, Andhra University, Vol.1 No.8, 1995, p.4)

A chapter on “The Concept of Law and Justice’ in the Study material on Law for the Administrators published by Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie

Course Material on “Products Liability and Consumer Services” to P.G.Diploma course for the Distance Education Dept. of National Law School of India University, Bangalore (2011)

Course Material for LL.M (Labour Law) students of Andhra University on “Wages” and “Agricultural Labour”

BOOKS IN THE PRESS

Consumer Law in India: Legal Challenges (Agreement with **Thomas Reuters**)

Legal Dynamics of Consumer Protection in India (Delhi Publisher)

RESEARCH PAPERS SUBMITTED AT SEMINARS

Participated in International Conference on Consumer Law at Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto, Canada, during 25-27 May 95 and presented a paper on ‘Consumer Access to Justice-Indian Perspective’

Presented a paper on “Poverty and Food Security: Consumer interests with reference to Indian Experience” at International Conference on Consumer Law at **NALSAR**, Hyderabad, India in Feb.2009

Presented a paper on “Teaching Consumer Law: Developing Countries’ Perspective with special reference to India” at International Conference on “Teaching Consumer Law” organized by Center for Consumer Law, **University of Houston, US** on May 23, 2008

Presented a paper on ‘**Rural Consumers – Indian Experience**’ at International Conference on Consumer Law held in **Capetown, South Africa**, April 11-13, 2007.

Participated in the Asian Seminar on Consumer Law organized by International Organization of Consumers Unions (IOCU) and the Faculty of Law, University of Malaya at Kaulalampur, Malaysia from 9-12 August, 1993 and presented a paper on ‘The Regulation of Unfair Contracts – Indian Perspective’.

Presented a paper on “Medical Negligence and Consumer Law” at International Seminar organized at Auckland, New Zealand in April 2001.

Presented a paper on ‘New International Economic Order (NIEO) and General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) at American Studies Research Centre, Hyderabad, Indian in an interdisciplinary seminar on ‘Issues in American Society 1970-90 from 1-12 April 1991 organized by the United States Educational Foundation in India (USEFI).

Presented a paper on ‘Products Liability – A New Dimension in Consumer Protection’ at the National Seminar on ‘Consumer Protection, Evolving Norms and Institutions’ organized by Department of Law, Cochin University, India from 16-18, March 1989.

Presented a paper as co-author on ‘Consumer Disputes Redressal Agencies – A Critique’ at the National Seminar organized by the Cochin University, India from 16-18, March, 1989.

Presented a paper on ‘Hire Purchase Agreements and Consumer Protection Law’ at the National Seminar on Consumer Protection, organized by Kakatiya University, India, in March, 1990.

Presented a paper as Co-author on ‘Most Favoured Nation (MFN) Clause and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) – A Critical Study’ at the National Seminar on International Economic Law organized by Post-Graduate Teaching Department of Law, Nagpur University, India in February 1988.

Presented a paper on “Informal Sector and Women Workers: Only sympathy but no legal remedy” at a National Seminar organized at Sri Padmavathi Mahila Viswavidyalayam, Tirupati, 20-22 Nov. 2003.

Presented a paper on ‘Medical Negligence and the Consumer Protection Act, 1986’ at a National Seminar on Medical Practice and the Law’ organized by S.K. University, Ananthapur, A.P. during 14-15 March, 1988.

Presented a paper on ‘Land Acquisition Law’ in a symposium organized at Academic Staff College, Andhra University in January 1999.

Presented a paper on ‘Banks and Legal Changes’ in a seminar on ‘Banks And New Challengers’ organized in Sep. 1999 at Visakhapatnam.

Presented a paper on ‘Pre-Natal Injuries and Parental Responsibilities – The Need for Immediate International Attention’ at a seminar on “Human Rights and Human Rights Education” organized by Dr.B.R.Ambedkar College of Law, Andhra University on Dec.26, 1999.

Presented a paper on ‘E-Justice : Is It Possible Under Information Technology Act, 2000’ organized by A.U. College of Engineering and Dr.B.R.Ambedkar College of Law, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam during 9-10 September, 2000.

Presented a paper on ‘Medical Negligence and the Doctors Duty of Care’ in the Refresher Course in Law organized by the Academic Staff College, Andhra University from 1-27, March 1993.

Presented a paper on “Educational Services and Consumer Protection Act, 1986” organized by Department of Commerce and Management, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, India in October 2000.

Participated in the National Seminar on ‘ Corporate Spectrum: Legal Facies,” April 10-11,2015 organised by Faculty of Law, IFHE, Hyderabad

Participated in the National Seminar on ‘Corporate Social Responsibility” organized by College of Law, Osmania University, Hyderabad in 2015

SEMINARS ORGANIZED:

National Seminar on ‘**Corporate Justice**” organized as Head,School of Corporate Law (2013-14), Indian Insitute of Corprate Affairs (Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi) on 28th November, 2013

Workshop on “Companies Act, 2013: A New Vista For Corporate Accountability” organized as Head, School of Corporate Law (2013-14), Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi) December 10,2013

National seminar “Science and Technology and Human Rights “at Andhra University under UGC SAP Programme held on 28 the March,2012.

National Seminar “**Child Rights A Human Rights Perspectives**” at Andhra University under UGC SAP Programme held on 27th March, 2011.

National Seminar “**Human Rights and Gender Justice – New Challenges**” at Andhra University under UGC SAP Programme held on 5th and 6th Feb,2010.

Workshop on ‘**Companies Act, 2013 – A New Vista for Corporate Accountability**’ organized by Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi) at Visakhapatnam on 10th December, 2013

Seminar organized as Secretary of Association of British Scholars (ABS- British Council) on ‘**Contemporary Environmental Problems of Urban Areas**’ during 13th-14th March, Viskhapatnam in collaboration with Department of Envrionmental Sciences, Visakhapatnam

National Seminar organized as Secretary of Association of British Scholars (ABS- British Council) Vishakhapatnam Chapter on “**Environmental Protection and Climate Security (Low Carbon Future)**” in March 2008

National Seminar on **Science, Technology and Human Rights** organized by College of Law, Andhra University, 28th Mar 2012 under UGC - SAP Prgoram

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Indian Law Institute (ILI) New Delhi, India.
International Jurists Organization (Asia)
Indian Institute of Public Administration ,New Delhi
International Association for Consumer Law

TEACHING WORK

Subjects Teaching/Taught

LL.B. Alternative Dispute Resolution

Special Contracts
Law of Property
Consumer Law

LL.M. Labour Laws, Business Law

Research Guidance

Research Supervisor to guide scholars of LL.M and Ph.D programs of Andhra University
Research guide to supervise the research work of Ph.D scholars of Acharya Nagarjuna University,,India.

External Examiner for Ph.D evaluation for many Universities including National law Schools in India

Research Guidance (Ph.D programme) -Ph.D.s Awarded :10

- G.Gopalakrishna “Life Insurance as a Concept of Social Security” .
- Y,Papa Raot “Freedom of Contract: A legal Illusion “
- K. Srigouri “Human Rights Dimensions of Labour Rights: An Integral Approach “.
- Brooke “ Copyrights with reference to Indian and Ethiopian legal Systems”
- K. Sailaja “Legal Profession in India: A Critical Study .”
- Ch. Lakshmana Rao “Multinational Corporations in India: A legal Study.”
- Narra Venkataramana “Land Acquisitions in India: A legal Study “.
- K. Manmada Rao ” Intellectual Property Rights and Dispute Settlement Mechanism:
A Critical Study “.
- Ch. Vijay “Patents and Trade Marks law in India: A Critical Study”
- S.V.B. Anitha Rani “Rights of Labour in the era of Globalization: Legal Perspective” .
- Ch.Ramadevi “Role of Arbitration in Labour Disputes: A critical Study”
(Thesis submitted for evaluation)

Names of Referees

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