IDIA

UP CHAPTER REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

Increasing Diversity by Increasing Access to Legal Education (IDIA) was founded in 2010, a vision brought to life by Late Prof. (Dr.) Shamnad Basheer and carried forward by a network of dedicated members and volunteers.

IDIA identifies students from underprivileged and marginalised communities with an aptitude for legal studies and helps them from carving their niche in the legal fraternity to aiding them through their law school journey.

IDIA UP CHAPTER

IDIA UP Chapter (based entirely out of RMLNLU, Lucknow) is one of the 20 state chapters that make up IDIA. The Team Leaders and student volunteers put up endless effort to carry out IDIA's objectives within and around the state of Uttar Pradesh.

The Chapter consists of five verticals, headed by their respective Deputy Team Leaders, and having members.

THE UP CHAPTER COORDINATORS

DIRECTOR

THE DIRECTOR OF THE IDIA UP CHAPTER IS **KIRTIKAR SRIVASTAVA.** HE IS ALSO THE DIRECTOR OF HYDERABAD, ODISHA, PUNE AND TAMIL NADU CHAPTERS.

FACULTY ADVISOR

DR. K.A. PANDEY IS THE FACULTY ADVISOR OF THE UP CHAPTER. A STALWART IN THE FIELD OF CRIMINAL LAW, HE OVERSEES THE FUNCTIONING OF THE TEAM.

TEAM
DIVISION

The UP Chapter is headed by Aman Raj and Harshita Yadav as the **Team Leaders.**

The Chapter has five separate teams or verticals for the efficient working of the organization:

- **Sensitization and Trainee Selection Vertical**
- **Training and Materials Vertical**
- **Fundraising Vertical**
- **Legal Services Vertical**
- **Scholar Development Vertical**

SENSITIZATION AND TRAINEE SELECTION VERTICAL

An integral part of IDIA's endeavour is to create scholars. This begins with **sensitization sessions for underprivileged students** at various schools in different parts of India. The students are then **selected through an aptitude test and a series of interviews**. IDIA then **trains these selected students** through a rigorous program for up to 2 years, administered by IDIA volunteers or reputed coaching centres for the leading law entrance examination.

Once selected, IDIA **arranges for sponsorships/scholarships and mentorship** schemes to help candidates blossom to their full potential and take their rightful places as leading lawyers and community advocates.

SENSITIZATION AND TRAINEE SELECTION VERTICAL

THE UP CHAPTER'S SENSITIZATION & TRAINEE SELECTION VERTICAL IS HEADED BY ANANYA KUMAR (4TH YEAR) AND SHASHWAT SINGH (2ND YEAR) AS THE DEPUTY TEAM LEADERS

MEMBERS OF THE VERTICAL

Naman Agarwal, Abhavya Sharan, Sarvagya, Aditi Joshi, Abdul Haseeb, Ansh Chaurasia, Aviral Singh, Siddharth Singh, Arnav Mathur, Summya, Jigisha Khunteta, Harshil Dey and Nipun Sapru.

SCHOOLS SENSITIZED

1

JAWAHAR NAVODAYA VIDYALAYA, PIPERSAND

- 16th of September 2022
- 35 students in attendance
- Conducted by Ananya Kumar, Shashwat Singh, Ansh Chaurasia, Jigisha Khunteta, Harshil Dey

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VIDYAGYAN SCHOOL, SITAPUR

- 11th October 2022
- 25 students in attendance
- Conducted by Ananya Kumar, Sumyya, Naman Agarwal, Jigisha Khunteta

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VIDYAGYAN SCHOOL, BULANDSHEHR

- 17th October 2022
- 30 students in attendance
- Conducted by Harshil Dey, Ansh Chaurasia, Siddharth Singh

SCHOOLS SENSITIZED

4

INDIAN PUBLIC INTER COLLEGE, ALAMBAGH

- 18th of October, 2022
- 53 students in attendance
- Conducted by Shashwat Singh, Naman Aggarwal

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D.A.V INTER COLLEGE, SHERKOT

- 3rd of December, 2022
- 88 students in attendance
- Conducted by Abdul Haseeb, Sarvagya Agarwal

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P.J.M INTER COLLEGE, SHERKOT

- 17th October 2022
- 30 students in attendance
- Conducted by Harshil Dey, Ansh Chaurasia, Siddharth Singh

SCHOOLS SENSITIZED

7

DD CENTRAL ACADDEMY, JALALPUR

- 20th of December, 2022
- 20 students in attendance
- Conducted by Naman Aggarwal, Arnav Mathur

8

WADIA GLOBAL ACADEMY, NAJIBABAD

- 19th and 20th October 2022
- 139 students in attendance
- Conducted by Sarvagya Agarwal, Abdul Haseeb

9

HOLY ANGEL ACADEMY, DHAMPUR

- 27th of September, 2022
- 12 students in attendance
- Conducted by Sarvagya Agarwal, Abdul Haseeb

TRAINING AND MATERIALS VERTICAL

IDIA selects around 70-80 underprivileged and marginalised students each year and **train them for 1-2 years** for CLAT and other competitive law entrance examinations.

The selected IDIA students (Trainees) who have cleared the IDIA National Aptitude Test are put through a rigorous **training and mentorship program**.

This is administered by IDIA **volunteers from the top law schools** across the country, along with leading **CLAT coaching centres** who have partnered with IDIA for this purpose.

TRAINING AND MATERIALS VERTICAL

THE UP CHAPTER'S TRAINING AND MATERIALS VERTICAL IS HEADED BY ANUSHKA VERMA (3RD YEAR) AND KARTIKEYA MISRA (2ND YEAR) AS THE DEPUTY TEAM LEADERS.

MEMBERS OF THE VERTICAL

Achala Baheti, Adarsh Singh, Dhairya Kumar, Sarvagya Agarwal, Tejaswini L, Arjun Maheshwari, Ashish Chauhan, Isha Agarwal, Sneha Gupta, Saransh Jauhari

IDIA TRAINEE

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TRAINEE- SNEHA

- Senior Mentor- Nisha Verma
- Junior Mentor - Achala Baheti

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TRAINEE- ARMAAN

- Senior Mentor- Nisha Verma
- Junior Mentor - Arjun Maheshwari

3

TRAINEE- RISHU

- Senior Mentor- Nisha Verma
- Junior Mentor - Ashish Chauhan

IDIA MENTORS

4

TRAINEE- SUMIT

- Senior Mentor- Tejaswini L
- Junior Mentor - Dhairya Kumar

5

TRAINEE- ADITYA

- Senior Mentor- Adarsh Singh
- Junior Mentor - Isha Agarwal

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TRAINEE- UTKARSH

- Senior Mentor- Adarsh Singh
- Junior Mentor - Sarvagya Agarwal

IDIA MENTORS

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TRAINEE- SAUMYA

- Senior Mentor- Tejaswini L
- Junior Mentor - Sneha Gupta

8

TRAINEE- GARGI

- Senior Mentor- Tejaswini L
- Junior Mentor - Suhani Jain

FUNDRAISING VERTICAL

The activities of each chapter are majorly funded through the funds raised by the individual chapter. Moreover, the funds are sent to the central team, which further helps the trainees and scholars with their legal education.

The Fundraising Vertical raises funds through organizing various activities in the campus and via online medium as well.

The Fundraising Vertical also organizes an Annual Essay Writing Competition, the flagship event of the UP Chapter.

FUNDRAISING VERTICAL

THE UP CHAPTER'S FUNDRAISING VERTICAL IS HEADED BY APARNA TIWARI (2ND YEAR) AS THE DEPUTY TEAM LEADER.

MEMBERS OF THE VERTICAL

Isha Agarwal, Sarvagya Agarwal, Ashish Chauhan, Achala Baheti, Saransh Jauhari, Aditya Kumar, Sneha Gupta, Arjun Maheshwari, Harshil Dey, Jigisha Khunteta, Kshitija Pal, Dhairya Kumar, Tejasswini L, Nipun Sapru, Kanak Goel, Rituraj Kumar, Arnav Mathur, Abdul Haseeb and Vaishnavi Singh.

EVENTS ORGANIZED

1

INTRA-UNIVERSITY QUIZ COMPETITION ON MENTAL HEALTH

- 10th of September, 2022.
- 22 students participated in the event.
- Amount raised Rs. 1732.

2

NAWAAZISH

- 1st of October, 2022.
- 50+ students took part in the event.
- Amount raised Rs. 4200.

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HALLOWEEN STALL

- 17th and 19th of October, 2022.
- 50+ students in attendance.
- Amount raised Rs. 3047.

UPCOMING EVENTS

4

4TH NATIONAL ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION

- Upcoming event.
- Collaborating with IBC Laws Blog and Neeraj Associates.

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BOOK STALL AT *RIWAAYAT & AAVAHAN*

- Upcoming event.
- Collaborating with Cultural Committee and Sports Committee of RMLNLU.

LEGAL SERVICES VERTICAL

IDIA's newly created Legal Services Vertical aims to conduct **legal awareness sessions** for various communities across the State that are socially and economically marginalized to reduce the inaccessibility of legal assistance and support.

They also particularly focus on schools, educational institutions, and non-governmental organizations with the aim of **disseminating basic legal knowledge and awareness.**

LEGAL SERVICES VERTICAL

THE UP CHAPTER'S LEGAL SERVICES VERTICAL IS HEADED BY ADITI SINGH (2ND YEAR) AS THE DEPUTY TEAM LEADER.

MEMBERS OF THE VERTICAL

Kanak Goel, Madhav Tripathi, Arjun Maheshwari, Uday Maurya, Shivam Shukla, Abhavya Sharan, Achala Baheti, Rituraj Kumar and Harshil Dey.

LEGAL SENSITIZATIONS CONDUCTED

1

SURBHI BHARTI NGO, LUCKNOW

- 9th of October, 2022
- 20-25 women of varying age group attended the session.
- Conducted by Aman Raj, Aditi Singh, Kanak Goel, Uday Maurya

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SADBHAVNA TRUST, LUCKNOW

- 12th of November, 2022
- 25-30 women of varying age groups attended the session.
- Conducted by Harshil Dey, Aditi Singh, Aditi Joshi, Rituraj Jha

3

VIRTUAL SEMINAR ON *MARITAL RAPE*

- Upcoming event
- Collaborating with senior lawyer and activist Indira Jaising.

SCHOLAR DEVELOPMENT VERTICAL

The main task of this vertical is to **mentor the IDIA Scholars** who have cleared the law entrance examination and made up in top law colleges. This team **assists these scholar**s throughout their journey of five years in law school, providing them guidance and support and every step. They also assist the scholar with the hurdles of law school such as **academics, mooting, internship**, etc.

THE UP CHAPTER'S SCHOLAR DEVELOPMENT VERTICAL IS HEADED BY RUNJHUN SHARMA (2ND YEAR) AS THE DEPUTY TEAM LEADER.

IDIA SCHOLARS

UDAY MAURYA

RMLNLU '25

SUMYYA SIDDIQUE

RMLNLU '26

INTISAR ASLAM

NUSRL '26

IDIA SCHOLARS

ABHINAV SHUKLA

NUSRL '27

ASHUTOSH SONKAR

NLUD '27

AMAN UPADHYAY

NUSRL'26

INFORMATION OFFICER & SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATOR

THE UP CHAPTER'S INFORMATION OFFICER & SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATOR (IO) IS HARSHIL DEY (2ND YEAR).

The IO is responsible for documentation and record-keeping of all the activities of the different verticals of the Chapter.

THANK YOU!