

To,
The Registrar General,
Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Allahabad,
Prayagraj (U.P.)

Through,
The District and Sessions Judge,
Agra

Subject: Request for Permission to Pursue LL.M. Course on Dispute Resolution from Jindal Global Law School powered by upGrad, O.P. Jindal Global University, District Sonapat, Haryana

Sir,

Kindly refer to the captioned subject. In this context, it is submitted that I have applied for permission to pursue a Master of Law (LL.M.) course in Dispute Resolution from Jindal Global Law School, powered by upGrad, O.P. Jindal Global University, District Sonapat, Haryana while continuing my Judicial and Administrative work as a Judicial Officer.

Certain objections were raised on my application dated April 19, 2024 for permission to pursue the LL.M. course.

Regarding the objections raised, It is to submit that, as per the instructions and guidelines provided by the Hon'ble High Court Allahabad, I **have not started the admission process for my LL.M. so far.** I will start the admission process only after obtaining the due permission from the Hon'ble Court.



The LL.M. programme at Jindal Global Law School, powered by upGrad, O.P. Jindal Global University, District Sonapat, Haryana, is designed to be conducted in virtual mode, allowing students the flexibility to engage with the coursework without disrupting their professional commitments. This is a regular course specially designed for working legal professionals who are looking to advance their career in the Master of Law. In this connection, please refer to Page No. 28 of the prospectus, which is attached hereto for reference. It is mentioned in the prospectus that for this blended learning course, physical attendance is not needed and only classes on weekends will be done.

I am intending to take admission for academic session 2024-2025 which will be in virtual mode and is scheduled to be held on weekends, spanning 2–3 hours per week. The entire programme is structured into three trimesters, culminating in a duration of 12 months or one year.

The LL.M. course on Dispute Resolution offered by O.P. Jindal University, primarily consists of pre-recorded lectures and virtual classes conducted on weekends. There are no day-to-day classes that would interfere with my Judicial and Administrative duties. **I will also not take any study leave to complete this course.**

I am also asked to explain the term Blended Learning. Blended learning is an approach to education in which traditional classes are supplemented with technology and learners take advantage of online resources. In Blended Learning teachers take advantage of technologies. Blended learning relies on a broad array of technologies which include computers,



interactive whiteboards, videoconferencing, cloud-based solutions, or a full online curriculum. **In the context of LL.M. through blended learning, there will be pre-recorded lectures that will be given to us for each trimester, and there will be online classes on weekends through which we can interact in-person with teachers through virtual mode. The blended learning programme offers the replacement of physical classes with virtual classes.** Blended learning program is a regular course specially designed for working legal professionals who are looking to advance their career in the Master of Law.

I have attached my Declaration, Consolidated List of Universities Recognised by UGC, in which, at S.No. 280, the name of the above said University is mentioned, which means the said University is recognised by UGC, this list is attached hereto for the reference. I have also attached the email communication from Sneha Walwanker, Academic Counsellor, O.P. Jindal Global University, upGrad, informing the said college and LL.M. course for academic session 2024-2025 is recognised by UGC. I have also attached a screenshot of Wikipedia in which it is mentioned that O.P. Jindal Global University, Haryana, is affiliated with the University Grants Commission. I have also attached a screenshot of the page from the official website of O.P. Jindal Global University, Haryana, in which it is mentioned that Jindal Global Law School offers an LL.M. for academic session 2024-2025, which is UGC approved. It is humbly requested that you please consider these details while processing my above request for permission.

I am fully aware of the importance of maintaining the highest standards of performance and efficiency in my judicial role. I assure you that my



commitment to my judicial duties remains unwavering, and I assure the Hon'ble High Court that I will ensure that my participation in the online LL.M. course does not in any way compromise the quality or timeliness of my Judicial and Administrative work. I am prepared to manage my time efficiently and make the necessary adjustments to accommodate both responsibilities effectively.

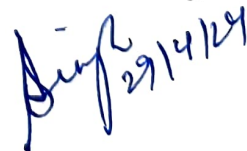
In light of the aforementioned details, I respectfully request the Hon'ble High Court Allahabad to grant permission for the commencement of the LL.M. admission procedure at Jindal Global Law School, powered by upGrad, O.P. Jindal Global University, District Sonapat, Haryana, thereby enabling me to pursue advanced studies in law.

I would like to mention that admissions for the above LL.M. course for the academic session 2024-2025 have already started and will be closed in the month of May.

It is humbly requested to place my request before the Hon'ble Court for kind consideration.

Regards,

Yours Faithfully,



(Smt. Shikha Singh)

Additional Civil Judge (J.D.)

Agra

Dated: 29.04.2024

Enclosures Attached