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Biographical Sketch

Dr. Utpal Kumar Raha, has earned his doctoral degree in the area of the law of the sea at Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur. He has been writing in the area of the law of the sea on topics encompassing maritime security, marine pollution besides, the law and policy on underwater cables in the reputed journals. His book on protection and regulation of submarine cable has created interests among academicians and industries. He has also presented research works in different national and international platforms. Before that he has completed his masters from prestigious Hidayatullah National Law University, Raipur and qualified for UGC-NET. He has earned two bachelor degrees from University of Calcutta and the University of Burdwan respectively.

Areas of Specialisation and Research

Public International Law

Law of the Sea

Submarine Cable Protection and Regulation

Marine Environmental Law

Maritime Security

Teaching Experience

August 2021 till date- Assistant Professor, St. Xavier's University, Kolkata,

Dec 2014-Jun 2020 - *Teaching Assistant*, Rajiv Gandhi School of Intellectual Property Law

Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur,

Administrative Responsibility

St. Xavier's University, Kolkata:

Internship Coordinator (1st & 2nd Year)

Library Coordinator (Faculty, Xavier Law School)

Member of Intellectual Property Rights, (Research & Development Cell (RDC))

Invited Lectures and other Activities

- 1. A resource person at the Two-Day International Conference on Contemporary Trends in Public International Law held at the School of Legal Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kerala, on February 23 – 24, 2024.**
- 2. Deliver online lecture on 'Protection and Regulation on Submarine Cable' at Jindal Global School, on Sep 14, 2023.**
- 3. Online session on 'Protection of Women' under the Domestic Violence Act 2005 at the Department of Social Work, SXUK, on 3 April 2023,**
- 4. Online session on 'Submarine Cables Protection and Regulations' on 19 April 2022, Gujrat Maritime University, Gujarat**
- 5. Online sessions on "Regulation of Submarine Cable" on 24 April 2022 and 01 May 2022 Maharashtra National Law University**
- 6. Judge in the International Rounds of the 2022 the Netherlands Institute for the Law of the Sea (NILOS) Moot Court Competition**

Faculty Development/Orientation/ Refresher Course

- 1. Seven Days Faculty Development Programme on Human Rights by the Justice V. R. Krishna Iyer Chair on Human Right, the School of Legal Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kerala, 27th May to 2nd June 2024.**
- 2. One-Day Workshop on 'Teaching Law Beyond Google' by Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) WBNUJA & SXU Kolkata on 20th April 2024.**
- 3. A 8- Week NPTL –AICTE Faculty Development Programme on International Trade Law Feb-Apr 2024**

4. A 4-Week Faculty Induction/Orientation Programme for “Faculty in Universities/Colleges/Institutes of Higher Education” from 20 February – 21 March, 2023 and obtained Grade A.
5. Online Inter-Disciplinary two-week Refresher Course in “Advanced Research Methodology” from 21 June – 05 July, 2023 and obtained Grade A+.
6. ‘One-week Faculty Development Program on ‘Institutional Values and Best Practices’ from 20th to 27th June 2022 including a field visit which was organized by St. Xavier’s University, Kolkata,
7. Online session on the International Maritime Organization - The World Maritime University (IMO-WMU International Conference - Protecting the Ocean - Moving forward at 50: London Convention & Stockholm Declaration – 12 – 13 October 2022,
8. Online 4-Week Faculty Induction/Orientation Programme for “Faculty in Universities/Colleges/Institutes of Higher Education” from 20 February – 21 March, 2023, Teaching Learning Centre Ramanujan College, University of Delhi,
9. Online Two-week Refresher Course Advanced Research Methodology 2023, Teaching Learning Centre Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, . 23 Jan, 2023 - 6, Feb. 2023,

Conferences

Paper Presentation on:

1. Online session on IMO-WMU International Conference - Protecting the Ocean - Moving forward at 50: London Convention & Stockholm Declaration – 12 – 13 October 2022
2. ‘ Protection and Regulations of Submarine Cables : Strengthening Municipal Law as Way forward, 2 to 4 March 2023 at Indian Society of International Law, New Delhi
3. ‘The Sinking Islands and Sundarbans : Impact of the Dubious Climate Action on the South Asian Delta Region’, 22nd February 2023 at South Asian University, New Delhi
4. ‘International Conference on Integrating Ignatian Pedagogy into Research and Practice’ 11th & 12th December 2021, St. Xavier’s University, Kolkata
5. International Conference on Climate Change Impacts, Vulnerabilities, and Adaptation: Emphasis on India and Neighborhood (CCIVA) on 26th and 02 March, 2019, CORAL, IIT Kharagpur, WB, India.

6. International Legal Research Conference on the 16th and 17th November 2018, Colombo, Sri Lanka
7. ICPP 2018 : 20th International Conference on Public Policy Amsterdam, The Netherlands, August 6 - 7, 2018
8. Presented a paper at 'The 5th Biennial Conference of the Asian Society of International Law 2015, Bangkok, Thailand

Summer Course

ISIL's 14th Summer Course on International Law 2015 [June 1-12]

Publications

Book(s) Authored/Edited

- (2021) *Protection and Regulation of Submarine Cables: Comparative Analysis and Model Framework*, (Utpal Kumar Raha et al), Springer Nature, Singapore, ISBN : 978-981-16-3436-9

Chapter/Article published in Books

- (2018) "*Legal Audit- A Compilation of Recent Socio-legal Issues in India & Abroad*", Legal Analysis of the Submarine Cables Regime with Special Reference to the Exclusive Economic Zone: A Grey Area of the Law of the Sea, (Utpal Kumar Raha), Edited by Anindhya Tiwari, Pp 42-48, ISBN : 978-93-87910-23-2.

Article published in Peer-reviewed journals

- (2021) "Policy Framework for Mitigating Land-Based Marine Plastic Pollution in the Gangetic Delta Region of Bay of Bengal -A Review", *Journal of Cleaner Production*, (Utpal Kumar Raha et al), Vol. 278 (1), ISSN: 0959-6526

- **(2023) Driving Factors of Peoples’ Migrations across the Sinking Islands of Indo-Bangla Sundarbans Regions: A Legal Analysis**, 47 (2-3) *Cochin University Law Review* 306- 22, (ISSN 0970-0331).
 - **(2018) “Critical Telecommunication Cable Infrastructure under the Law of the Sea Convention (UNCLOS 1982)”**, National Capital Law Journal, (Utpa Kumar Raha), Vol 15, Pp 65-75, ISSN : 0972-0936.
 - **(2018) “Critical Telecommunication Infrastructure in South Asia: An Opportunity for Sri Lanka and India”**, Sri Lanka Journal of International Law, (Utpal Kumar Raha), Vol 25, Pp 79-102, ISSN: 1391-5568.
 - **(2016) “The Enrica Lexie Case at the Permanent Court of Arbitration : An Analysis”**, Indian Journal of International Law , (Utpal Kumar Raha), Vol 56, Pp 221-238, ISSN: 0019-5294) (print version) (ISSN: 2199-7411) (electronic version)
 - **(2018) “Prosecution of Piracy Need for a Specific Legislation in India”** The NSURL Journal of Law & Policy, (Utpal Kumar Raha), Vol 5, Pp 107-118, ISSN: 2349-9982.
 - **(2017) “Maritime Threats to the South and Southeast Asia: Scope for a Regional Agreement”**, Kathmandu School Law Review, (Utpal Kumar Raha), Vol 5, Pp 49-64, ISSN : 2091-2110
 - **(2015) “Renewable Energy in India: Study on Law and Policy”**, Energy Law Report, (Utpal Kumar Raha), Vol 5, Pp 147-159.
 - **(2014), ‘Crime Against Women: A Social Curse’**, Journal of Centre for Social Justice, (Utpal Kumar Raha), Vol 1, Pp 99-122, ISSN : 2348-599X
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