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Biographical Sketch

Dr. Ankita Chakraborty currently serves as an Assistant Professor at St. Xavier's University, Kolkata. She also served the National Law University, Meghalaya, as Assistant Professor from July, 2023 to June, 2025. She has completed her doctoral thesis on "Enforcement of Sex Trafficking Laws in India-Towards Justice for Victims" from the Rajiv Gandhi School of IP Law, IIT Kharagpur. She holds academic distinctions from Calcutta University for her graduation and from Rajiv Gandhi School of IP Law, IIT Kharagpur for her post-graduation. With prior experience as an Assistant Professor at Sister Nivedita University, Kolkata, and Haldia Law College, West Bengal, she has also worked as a social activist and researcher at SANLAAP, India, a non-governmental organization. Dr. Chakraborty exhibits a passionate commitment to the study of sexual violence and trafficking, actively engaging in numerous National and International conferences, seminars, and workshops to refine and augment her research skills. She also has a substantial number of National and International publications within her specialized domain. Notably, her scholarly contributions received acclaim in 2021 when she was cited by National Geographic in their feature piece titled "*Stolen lives: The harrowing story of two girls sold into sexual slavery,*" highlighting her doctoral endeavors on the prosecution of sex trafficking cases. She is also associated with KIIT Law School, PTS (Police Training School) Shillong, NEPA (North Eastern Police Academy) and the Directorate of Forests, Government of West Bengal where she delivers invited lectures in her domain of expertise.

Areas of Specialisation and Research

Gender Justice and Criminal Law

Victim Justice

Feminist Criminology

Victimology

Teaching Experience

3 years 11 months

XAVIER'S UNIVERSITY, CALCUTTA (July 1, 2025 to present)

Work Profile: Assistant Professor of Law

NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, MEGHALAYA (July 3, 2023 to June 25, 2025)

Work Profile: Assistant Professor of Law

SISTER NIVEDITA UNIVERSITY, KOLKATA (Nov. 1, 2021 to 24th June, 2023)

Work Profile: Assistant Professor of Law

HALDIA LAW COLLEGE (22nd August, 2017 to 31st December, 2017)

Work Profile: Assistant Professor of Law

Administrative Responsibility

Head, Anti-Ragging Committee, National Law University, Meghalaya, From 13/09/24-25/06/2025

Warden, Girls' Hostel, National Law University, Meghalaya, From 17/10/24-25/06/2025

Member, UGEC, National Law University, Meghalaya, From 21/10/24-25/06/2025

Member, Women Cell, Sister Nivedita University, From 11/11/2022-24/06/2023

Member, IQAC, Sister Nivedita University, From 24/08/2022-24/06/2023

Publications

Book(s) Authored/Edited (*Samples given below*)

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Chapter/Article published in Books

“The Need of a Sui-generis Regime for Traditional Knowledge: Indian Perspective” with Adv. Sarosij Dasgupta in the book titled Protection of traditional knowledge and geographical indications with special reference to North-East India by National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam, Satyam Law International, ISBN: 978-81-19121-03-8, Pg-83 to 104 (2023).

“Judicial Analysis of Sex Trafficking Cases in India-A Representative Study of Trial Court Judgments” with Prof. (Dr.) Dipa Dube in an Edited Book Titled “Criminal Justice Administration in India: The 21st Century Perspective” by West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata, Segment Books, ISBN: 978-93-81513-24-8, Pg-175 to 203 (2023).

“Impact of Intellectual Property Right on Right to Culture and Science” in Human Rights in International Law: Selected Issues; ISBN: 978-620-2-01434-2, Lap Lambert Academic Publishing, International Book Market Service Ltd, 17 Meldrum Street, Beau Bassin 71504, Mauritius, Pg-41 to 65 (October, 2017).

Article published in Peer-reviewed journals

“The Enduring Legacy of British Colonialism on Sexual Exploitation in India” with Prof. (Dr.) Dipa Dube and Dr. John Winterdyk in the Journal of International Criminology, Springer, vol.4, pg. 336-348 (November, 2024). (SCOPUS)

“Criminal Justice Responses to Sex Trafficking in West Bengal, India: A Representative Study from Victims’ Lenses” with Prof. (Dr.) Dipa Dube in the Journal of Victimology and Victim Justice, Sage Publications, Pg-1 to 21 (March, 2024). (PEER-REVIEWED)

“Research Trends in Commercial Sexual Exploitation (CSE) in South-Asia: Especially India” with Prof. (Dr.) Dipa Dube in the KIIT Journal of Law and Society, Vol.8-10 (Special Issue), ISSN No-2231 5144, Pg-194 to 208 (2018-2020). (PEER-REVIEWED)

“Mass Agitations, Police Powers, and Legal Paradigms” with Prof. (Dr.) Dipa Dube in the GNLU Law Review 200, Vol. 8 (2021). (PEER-REVIEWED)

“Rising Waves of Feminism or Faltering Steps of Criminal Justice-What Plagues India?” with Prof. (Dr.) Dipa Dube in the International Annals of Criminology, Cambridge University Press, Vol. 58, Issue 2, ISSN No-0003 4452, Pg-217 to 236 (November, 2020). (SCOPUS)

“Renting the Womb-Commercial Surrogacy, Exploitation and India’s Legal Oversight” with Prof. (Dr.) Dipa Dube in the Proceedings of the 3rd International Conference on Gender Studies, TIKM Publishing, Vol. 2(1), ISSN No-2602 8611, Pg-1 to 14 (2020). (PEER-REVIEWED)

“India-The Trafficking of Persons Bill, 2018” in the Justice Report of the Canadian Criminal Justice Association, Canada, Vol. 34 Issue 3, pg-52 to 54 (October 18, 2019). (PEER-REVIEWED)

“The Anti-Trafficking Bill 2018: Does it Fulfill India’s Commitment to the International Community?” with Prof. (Dr.) Dipa Dube and Prof. (Dr.) John Winterdyk in the Journal of Human Trafficking, Taylor and Francis, Vol. 7 Issue 2, pg-224 to 237 (October 15, 2019). (SCOPUS)

“The Quest for truth in Criminal Justice-Revisiting the Malimath Committee Recommendations” with Prof. (Dr.) Dipa Dube in the Indian Journal of Criminology, NLU Delhi, Vol. 46 & 47, ISSN-0974 7249, pg-1 to 15 (January, 2019). (PEER-REVIEWED)

“Role of civil society in social transformation in India” with Avin Tiwari in the “International Journal of Research in Management and Social Science,” Vol. 6 Issue 2, ISSN No-2322-0899, Pg-89 to 98 (April-June, 2018). (PEER-REVIEWED)

“Swept Under the Carpet: Gender Related Violence Against Domestic Workers in India” with Pritam Dey in Pragyaa Law Journal of IMS Unison University, Vol.6, Issue 2, ISSN No-2278-8093, Pg-1 to 9 (April,2017). (PEER-REVIEWED)

“Religion: A Cohesive or Divisive Force in India-An Evaluative Analysis of the Legislative Framework and Judicial Pronouncements” with Pritam Dey in Indian Journal of Law and Justice

of the University of North Bengal, Vol. 8, Issue 1, ISSN No- 0976-3570, Pg-198 to 212 (March, 2017). (PEER-REVIEWED)

PROJECTS (ON-GOING/SUBMITTED)

Acting as a Co-PI in a research project on “*Domestic Violence in a Matrilineal Context: Investigating the Experiences of Tribal Women in Meghalaya*” with WBNUJS, research grant: 5 lakhs.

Acting as a Co-PI in a research project on “*Preserving and Integrating Customary Laws of Meghalaya with Modern Jurisprudence: An IKS-Based Approach*” with IKS Division, Ministry of Education, research grant: awaiting.