



Social Transformation Through Dynamic Education
**BHARATI VIDYAPEETH'S
NEW LAW COLLEGE, KOLHAPUR**



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STUDENTS BAR ASSOCIATION



Policy Statement

Prologue

The Students Bar Association (SBA) of New Law College, Kolhapur is a student-led academic and professional body constituted to promote legal education, professional ethics, advocacy skills, and leadership among law students. The Association functions under the guidance of the Principal and Faculty Advisors and aligns with the objectives of legal education prescribed by the Bar Council of India and the affiliating university.

1. Preamble

The Students Bar Association (SBA) of New Law College, Kolhapur is a representative and professional body of law students established to promote academic excellence, professional ethics, leadership qualities, and practical exposure to the legal profession.

The SBA functions as a bridge between students, faculty, the legal fraternity, and society, while upholding the values of justice, integrity, discipline, and service.

This policy statement defines the aims, objectives, composition, duties, and responsibilities of the Students Bar Association (SBA) and provides a framework for its smooth and effective functioning.

2. Aims

The Students Bar Association aims to:

1. Foster a professional and ethical culture among law students.
2. Encourage academic excellence and practical legal learning.
3. Develop leadership, advocacy, and organizational skills.
4. Promote awareness of constitutional values, rule of law, and social justice.
5. Provide a common platform for students to voice academic and professional concerns.
6. Foster academic excellence and professional competence among law students
7. Develop advocacy, research, drafting, and communication skills
8. Promote ethical values, discipline, and professional responsibility



9. Encourage participation in legal aid, social justice, and community service
10. Create a platform for interaction between students, faculty, legal professionals, and institutions

3. Objectives

The objectives of the Students Bar Association are:

1. To organize academic activities such as seminars, workshops, moot court competitions, debates, and guest lectures.
2. To enhance practical legal skills including drafting, pleading, advocacy, research, and client counseling.
3. To encourage participation in legal aid, legal literacy, and social outreach programs.
4. To promote discipline, unity, and mutual respect among students.
5. To represent students' interests before college authorities in academic and co-curricular matters.
6. To coordinate with bar associations, courts, NGOs, and legal institutions for exposure and training.
7. To nurture professional responsibility, ethics, and respect for the judiciary and legal system.

4. Composition of the Students Bar Association

The Students Bar Association shall consist of the following members:

4.1 General Body

All bona fide students enrolled in SBA of New Law College, Kolhapur shall be members of the General Body of the SBA.

Executive committee shall be formed from the members of General Body of SBA.

4.2 Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall be elected or nominated as per college rules and shall consist of:

1. President
2. Vice-President
3. Secretary
4. Joint secretary – two
5. Treasurer



4.3 Faculty Advisors

One or more faculty members nominated by the Principal to guide and supervise the activities of the Association

5. Duties and Responsibilities

5.1 Duties of the Students Bar Association

1. To plan and conduct academic, co-curricular and Extra-curricular activities throughout the academic year
2. To maintain discipline and uphold ethical standards, holistic approach in all activities
3. To ensure inclusive participation of students in SBA programs
4. To maintain proper records of meetings, activities, and finances
5. To function in accordance with college rules, university regulations, and directives of the Principal
6. To coordinate with the students, Statutory and non-statutory committees

5.2 Responsibilities of Office Bearers

- President: To preside over meetings, represent the Association, and ensure smooth functioning
- Vice President: To assist in planning and execution of activities
- Secretary: To maintain records, correspondence, and minutes of meetings
- Joint secretary: To assist the secretary, administer the policy decisions of SBA
- Treasurer: To manage funds responsibly and maintain financial transparency

6. Code of Conduct

All members of the Students Bar Association shall:

- Act with integrity, discipline, and mutual respect
- Avoid any activity detrimental to the reputation of the institution
- Adhere strictly to professional ethics and college regulations
- Not discriminate on any grounds among the members or students.



7. Amendments

This policy statement may be amended with the approval of the Principal and the Governing Body of the College, based on recommendations of the Students Bar Association.

8. Conclusion

The Students Bar Association of New Law College, Kolhapur shall serve as a dynamic platform for nurturing competent, ethical, and socially responsible future legal professionals.

9. Activities that can be conducted under the Students Bar Association (SBA)

These activities focus on professional development, advocacy skills, legal awareness, and student engagement.

It will be the responsibility of Executive Committee to plan the activities regularly under the guidance and supervision of IQAC.

1. Academic & Advocacy Activities

- Moot Court Competitions (Intra-college & Inter-college)
- Client Counselling Competitions
- Mock Trial & Mock Lok Adalat
- Judgment Writing & Case Commenting Workshops
- Bare Act Reading Sessions (IPC, CrPC, CPC, Constitution)
- Legal Drafting & Pleading Classes
- Research Methodology & Citation Workshops

2. Professional Exposure & Skill Development

- Guest Lectures by Advocates, Judges & Senior Counsels
- Court Visit Programs (SC, District Court Kolhapur, High Court Bench)
- Internship Guidance Sessions
- Chamber Practice Orientation
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Workshops
- Cyber Law & AI in Law Seminars
- Legal English & Communication Skills Training



3. Legal Awareness & Social Responsibility

- Legal Literacy Camps (Villages, Slums, Colleges)
- Legal Aid Clinics (in collaboration with DLSA Kolhapur)
- Street Plays (Nukkad Natak) on legal awareness
- Celebration of Constitution Day, Legal Services Day
- Women & Child Rights Awareness Programs
- Cyber Crime Awareness Campaigns
- Environmental Law Awareness Drives

4. Competitions & Student Engagement

- Debate & Extempore Competitions
- Quiz Competitions (Law & Current Affairs)
- Essay & Article Writing Competitions
- Poster Making & Slogan Competitions
- Legal Start-up / Lawpreneur Ideas Pitch
- Inter-departmental Legal Fests

5. Publications & Research

- Students Law Journal / Newsletter
- Case Law Updates Board
- Monthly Legal Blog or Podcast
- Research Paper Presentation Series
- Translation of Judgments into Marathi (for public access)
- College Magazine

6. Cultural & Co-Curricular Activities

- Traditional Day & Legal Attire Day
- Advocates' Day Celebration
- Cultural Fest with Legal Themes
- Drama on Historic Legal Cases
- Photography & Reel-Making on Legal Awareness



7. Leadership & Administration

- SBA Elections & Student Governance
- Committee Formation (Academic, Cultural, Legal Aid)
- Event Management & Leadership Workshops
- Interaction with Bar Associations of Kolhapur
- Interaction with Legal Services Authority (TLSA, DLSA)
- Coordinate with Alumni Association

8. Special Maharashtra-Specific Initiatives

- Marathi Legal Terminology Workshops
- Sessions on Practice in Subordinate Courts
- Lok Adalat Participation Programs

9. Annual Flagship Events

- Annual Law Fest
- National Seminar / Conference
- Inter-College Moot / Debate
- Legal Aid Week

