



Launch of Special Issue of Global Trade and Customs Journal & Panel Discussion

The Global Trade and Customs Journal is a reputed international journal in the field of international trade law. In 2019, Professor James J. Nedumpara, Head & Professor of the Centre for Trade and Investment Law was invited to edit a special Issue of the GTCJ. The Special Issue, focused on India and titled '*India in the International Economic Order: Issues and Perspective*', has articles and contributions from many eminent Indian trade experts and scholars. This Special Issue has collated views of trade experts and scholars on various aspects of international trade and India's role in and perspective on emerging issues in international trade.

Panel 1: India and the Contemporary International Economic Order

The first Panel will focus on the theme '**India and the contemporary international economic order**'. Like the Special Issue, the Panel will discuss the emergence of India as a key player in the global trade regime. The Panel will discuss the competitive strength of the Indian Economy and the evolution of India's trade policy over the last several decades.

Panel 2: Investment, FTAs and Other Emerging Issues in the International Trade Regime

The second Panel will focus on theme 'Investment, FTAs and Other Emerging Issues in the International Trade Regime'. The Second Panel will discuss new areas in international economic law which have emerged in the recent past including India's approach to Bilateral investment treaties, perspective on e-commerce and government procurement policies the Generalised System of Preferences, among other issues.

About the Centre for Trade and Investment Law

The Centre for Trade and Investment Law (CTIL) was established in the year 2016 by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, at the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT). The Centre's primary objective is to provide sound and rigorous analysis of legal issues pertaining to international trade and investment law to the Government of India and other governmental agencies. The Centre is aiming to create a dedicated pool of legal experts that who could provide technical inputs for enhancing India's participation in international trade and investment negotiations and dispute settlement.

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Programme Schedule

Time	Schedule
5.15 pm	Tea & Coffee
5.30 pm	Welcome Address and Introduction to the Special Issue by Dr. James J Nedumpara , editor of the Special Issue & Head & Professor, Centre for Trade and Investment Law
5.40 pm	Keynote Address by Shri Sudhanshu Pandey , Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce, MoC&I, GoI
5.55pm	Launch of Special Issue of Global Trade & Customs Journal & Interaction with the Commerce Secretary
6.15pm – 7.00pm	1st Panel: ‘India and the Contemporary International Economic Order’ followed by Q & A Chair: Dr. Ram Upender Das , Head & Professor, Centre for Regional Trade <i>Panellists:</i> Dr. Veena Jha , Partner Ikdhwaj Advisors Ambassador V. S. Seshadri , Former Ambassador of India to Myanmar Ms. R.V Anuradha , Partner Clarus Law Associates Professor Abhijit Das Head & Professor Centre for WTO Studies Mr. Prakhar Bhardwaj Senior Research Fellow Centre for Trade and Investment Law
7.00pm – 7.45pm	2nd Panel: ‘Investment, FTAs and Other Emerging Issues in the International Trade Regime’ followed by Q & A Chair: Dr. Ram Upendra Das , Head & Professor, Centre for Regional Trade <i>Panellists:</i> Mr. Sanjay Notani & Mr. Parthsarathi Jha Partner & Associate Partner ELP Advocates & Solicitors Mr. Prabhash Ranjan , Senior Assistant Professor South Asian University Ms. Rohini Singh Sisodia Advocate Mr. Satwik Shekhar Consultant and Assistant Professor Centre for Trade and Investment Law Mr. Anupal Dasgupta Associate L&L Partners Ms. Sparsha Janardhan Senior Research Fellow Centre for Trade and Investment Law
7.45pm	Vote of Thanks by Akshaya Venkataraman

Dinner will be served at India Islamic Cultural Centre from 8.00 pm onwards