

SCLS Volunteers' Individual Performances

From the very inception of its journey, SCLS consistently encouraged its volunteers to strive for self-development in critical thinking, creative writing, passionate reading, deep researching, fluent public speaking, professional organising, amiable socialising and what not. A brief account of the performances of the SCLSians in different arena of legal studies given below:

Publications by SCLS Researchers

1. SCLSian *Aqib Tahmid* came up with a piece in Women Chapter. Link to the write up is: <https://en.womenchapter.com/how-ancient-history-of-laws-regarding-rape-still-haunts-us/>
2. SCLSian *Mohammad Sakawat Sejan* reflected on Forensic Evidence: <http://futrlaw.org/application-forensic-evidence-bangladesh-long-way-go/>
3. Jahedul Islam Jahed published his thoughtful write up on "E-Judiciary" in Future Law Blog: <http://futrlaw.org/e-judiciary-solving-problem-access-justice-bangladesh/>
4. *Syed Tawsif Mahdi* delivered a piece on Right to Information in the Dhaka Tribune: <http://www.dhakatribune.com/opinion/op-ed/2017/06/30/the-right-to-know/>
5. *Mahjubah Marzan* secured her place within the top 10 of the North South University Law Students Symposium. She represented and defended her thesis on the Food Safety Laws of Bangladesh there. Food Safety Law was the theme of the Ramadan Special Seminar of SCLS and SCLS afterward hosted an Essay Competition on that title. <https://www.facebook.com/nsulms/photos/gm.489669471371387/1244282832364347/?type=3>
6. *GM Shuvo* chose to research the protection of Intellectual Property of our Creative Industry. Link to Future Law Blog: <http://futrlaw.org/piracy-copyright-protection-creative-industry-bangladesh/>
7. Just a day after SCLS Workshop on Legal Writing and Publication Strategy, *Aqib Tahmid* questioned the meta principle of Bangladesh's drugs law regime in The New Age Youth: <http://epaper.newagebd.net/detail/56383/5310>
8. *Md Rejon Hider Rijvi*, a first-year student of CU Law wrote on Cyber Crimes in Digital Bangladesh. The link to SCLS BLOG: <http://sclsbd.org/responding-cyber-crimes-digital-bangladesh/>
9. SCLSians *Arafat Ibnul Bashar* and *Suporna Roy Piu* secured First and Second positions respectively in the Legal Essay Competition on Food Safety Laws organised by SCLS. Both the essays have been published in the SCLS Website: www.sclsbd.org/blog/
10. *Mohammad Shakawat Sejan* advocated treatment of international standard for the Rohingya community stranded in Bangladesh in Future Law Blog. Link to the write up is: <http://futrlaw.org/income-generating-activities-rohingyas-lever-shift-burden/>

Achievement of SCLS Olympians

1. Tanvir Shopnil, a LLM student of CU LAW displayed marvellous performance in the National River Olympiad by securing his place in the final rounds of this Olympiad held on 22nd July, 2017 in the Agargao Palli Karma Sohayok Foundation (PKSF). With the chanting "The river will wake, if you know the river". 3000 participants from 30 universities participated in that Olympiad and among them 200 students reached the final rounds jointly organised by Riverine People and The Daily Samakal.

2. The Team Objection consisting of SCLSians Shahinoor Khanam and Shoaib Shafin, two 1st year students of the Department of Law, University of Chittagong became the Runners Up of the Law Olympiad organised by SCLS. In the same competition, Team Amicus Curiae comprising SCLSians Manisha Biswas and Badhan Ghosh successfully made their way through Semifinals. Another volunteer of SCLS Arafat Ibnul Bashar was awarded with 'Best Critical Eye' in the 'Critical Eye Round' of the Law Olympiad.

Achievements of SCLS MUNners

1. Mohammed Sakhawat Sejan secured the Special Mention Award from committee of United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) in the Noakhali Science & Technology University Model United Nations (NSTUMUN). Sejan was part of a 31-member delegate representing Chittagong University Model United Nations Association(CUMUNA) at the event. In the Same Competition SCLS volunteer GM Shuvo ensured the Best Delegate Award from the Committee of United Nations Commission on Science and and Technology for Development (UNCSTD).
2. Mohammed Sakhawat Sejan secured the Best Position Paper Award in the Jahangirnagar Model United Nations (JMUN). Sejan was part of a 16-member delegate representing Chittagong University Model United Nations Association(CUMUNA) at the event. CUMUNA secured 3 Outstanding Delegate Awards and 3 Best Position Paper Awards including the one by *Shakawat Sejan*.
3. Mahjubah Marzan secured the Best Delegate Award in a Model United Nations Conference organized by the Speaker's Council. In the conference, *Mahjubah* represented the Republic of Kenya in a shadow Committee of United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
4. A group of SCLS Volunteers comprising Tohfatur Rabbi Piyal, Mohammed Sakhawat Sejan, Tanvir Taif, Arafat 'Ibnul' Bashar, Imraan Hossain Imon and Mahjubah Marzan participated in the International Model United Nations 2017 organized by the Youth Thinkers Society (YTS) at Chittagong Boat Club on August 24-26, 2017. YTS is a Nepal based international student body having its activities across Kazakhstan, India, Pakistan and Bangladesh. Tohfatur Rabbi Piyal was adjudged the Best Delegate of the UNHRC. Another SCLSian *Mohammed Shakawat Sejan* was bestowed the Special Mention Award from the same Committee.
5. A 9-member delegation of Chittagong University Model United Nations Association (CUMUNA) participated in the UNYSABMUN 2017 organised by United Nations Youth & Students Association of Bangladesh and it was held in the University of Rajshahi (6-9 October, 2017). While 3 of the Team CUMUNA were awarded in the Conference, two of them happened to be the top-notch SCLSians - Tohfatur Rabbi Piyal and Mohammed Sakhawat Sejan. *Piyal* was in the committee named World Trade Organisation (WTO) and Sejan was deliberating in the United Nations Development Programme. At the end, both of them got awarded with 'Best Position Paper Award'.
6. Tanjina Rahman Priti and GM Shuvo secured the Outstanding Delegate Award in the Dhaka University Model United Nations 2017 held during December 18-20, 2017.

Achievements of SCLS Mooters

1. SCLS has organized a Moot Court Competition named "Professor Khabir Uddin Ahmed Memorial Moot Court Competition on International Law-2017". In this competition Team SCLS was the Champion and Northern University Bangladesh

was the Runner Up team. The SCLS team consisted of Sanjana Haque Mifta, Priti Das and Mahjubah Marzan, whereby Mifta was awarded with Best Advocate Award. The team grabbed the Best Memorial Award too. In this moot court two more teams of SCLSians Jahedul Islam Jahed, Abu Jahir Jarif, Nasrin Rumpa, Tawhida Tumpa, Muhsina Drishty and Tanjina Rahman Priti participated. Both teams performed outstanding throughout the competition by making their way to the Semifinal Round. SCLSian Muhsina Drishty was awarded with Most Promising Lawyer Award.

2. 6 SCLS mooters namely Tohfatur Rabbi Piyal, Mishu Barua Antar, Syed Tawsif Mahdi, Sakhawat Sajjat Sejan, Imraan Hossain Imon and Aqib Tahmid from SCLS trained around 220 students of IIIC.
3. A SCLS team consisting of Tohfatur Rabbi Piyal, Imraan Hossain Imon and Tanvir Taif, Abdullah Al Noman and Sourav Paul conducted a moot workshop in Port City International University on.

Achievements of SCLS Debaters

1. Society for Critical Legal Studies (SCLS) formally started its Debate Wing on Thursday, September 19, 2017. As part of organisational training, SCLSians *Mr Tanvir Taif and Badhan Ghosh* were sent as Trainee Adjudicators to the BUP IV 2017 (Inter-Varsity English Debate, 19-21 October 2017) organised by the Bangladesh University of Professionals Literature and Debating Club (BUPLDC). As part of learning the Debate itself, eight SCLSians Raha Khan, Fahmida Bashar Prema, Sajal Das, Shuvo Sharkar, Tanu Sharma, Suparna Roy Piu, Mahjubah Marzan and Mithila Barua participated in the Inter-Department Debate Competition organised by Chittagong University Debating Society (CUDS) (20-21 October 2017). The team comprising Raha Khan, Fahmida Bashar Prema and Shuvo Sharkar reached the Quarter Final and the team comprising Sajal Das, *Suparna Roy Piu and Tanu Sharma* made it to the Semi Final round of Bangla Debate. Mithila Barua and Mahjubah Marzan's team of English Debate also performed well.
2. After a theoretical workshop on Ins and Outs of British Parliamentary Debate, 4 young debaters from SCLS Debate Wing were put into practical tests on 3 November 2017. Two SCLS Teams comprising *Didarul Shuvo, Shuvo Sharkar, Tanvir Taif and Badhan Ghosh* participated in the debate competition organised by FBDA at Chittagong University. Two other senior SCLSians *Tohfatur Rabbi Piyal* and *Jahedul Islam Jahed*, on the other hand, represented the Chittagong University School of Debate (CUSD) at the competition.

Participation in Young Entrepreneurs' Summit

1. SCLSians *Nimriti Ursa Kelvin*, Suman Biswas and *Badhan Ghosh* participated on November 20, 2017 at the Young Entrepreneurs' Summit & Career Camp Chittagong hosted by English Olympiad.

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The life of the law has not been logic: it has been experience. The felt necessities of the time, the prevalent moral and political theories, intuitions of public policy, avowed or unconscious, even the prejudices which judges share with their fellow-men, have had a good deal more to do than the syllogism in determining the rules by which men should be governed. The law embodies the story of a nation's development through many centuries, and it cannot be dealt with as if it contained only the axioms and corollaries of a book of mathematics. In order to know what it is, we must know what it has been, and what it tends to become. We must alternately consult history and existing theories of legislation. But the most difficult labor will be to understand the combination of the two into new products at every stage. The substance of the law at any given time pretty nearly corresponds, so far as it goes, with what is then understood to be convenient; but its form and machinery, and the degree to which it is able to work out desired results, depend very much upon its past.

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