

Press Note

Inter-Semester Public Speaking Competition

The School of Legal Studies, ICFAI University Sikkim successfully organized an inter-Semester Public Speaking Competition on 24th September, 2025, held at the Moot Court Room. The event was conducted under the supervision of Faculty Coordinator: Dr. Prasanata Chhetri, Assistant Professor along with the student coordinators Miss Mooksam Hangma Subba (BA.LLB IX) and Bishal Thakur (BBA.LLB IX)

The competition witnessed active participation from students of BA.LLB IX, BBA.LLB IX, BA.LLB VII, BBA.LLB VII, and LLB V Semesters, showcasing their oratory and legal reasoning skills on a dynamic platform designed to prepare them for future roles in the legal field.

Aimed at fostering confidence, articulation, persuasive advocacy, and other key attributes essential for legal professionals, the participants addressed a variety of contemporary legal and social topics, including AI and Legal Practice: Will robots replace Lawyers, Family Mediation vs. Litigation: What serves justice better, Cyber Crimes as a Modern White Collar Crimes, Intellectual Property and AI-generated content, media influence on ongoing trials and public perception, Euthanasia and the right to die with dignity, etc. Each participant was allotted 15 minutes to present their views. The competition was judged by Faculty members (School of Legal Studies) Mr. Rinchen Tamang, Assistant Professor and Dr. Kailesh Sharma, Assistant Professor who assessed participants on criteria such as content, relevance of the theme, clarity, legal reasoning, delivery, and confidence.

After a closely contest, Miss Aastha Sapkota from (BA.LLB, IX Semester) emerged as the winner, followed by Mr. Ayush Kumar Bose from (BA.LLB, IX) Semester in second place, and Kipa Chungma, also from BA.LLB IX Semester, securing third place.

The event proved to be not only an academically enriching experience but also a motivating platform that encouraged students to engage critically with real-world legal issues beyond the classroom. It successfully highlighted the importance of informed dialogue and effective communication in the legal profession.