

Extension Lecture Series

Title: Land Acquisition Law and Practice

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Venue: Moot Court Hall- 01, Lloyd Law College

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Rapid urbanization and industrial growth in almost all major cities has forced government to acquire land for executing infrastructure projects. Due to inadequacy of proper legal regime on compensation and rehabilitation part, such land acquisitions has faced a considerable opposition from landowners and farmers, which finally resulted in delayed execution of projects. Striking a harmonious balance between the interest of landowners and industrialization growth of country is the need of the day, which Land acquisition Act, 1984 was failed to address. Considering the scenario, two bills "The Land Acquisition (Amendment) Bill 2007 and "The Rehabilitation and Resettlement Bill, 2007" were introduced in Lok Sabha in 2007, but got lapsed on dissolution of 14th Lok Sabha. The consequences of land acquisition in India are manifold. The empirical and theoretical studies on displacement through the acquisition of land by the government for development projects have so far focussed on the direct and immediate adverse consequences of land acquisition. Most of the analytical as well as the descriptive accounts of the immediate consequences of land acquisition for development projects broadly enumerates eight 'risks' or of development-induced displacement. These eight risks are very much direct and basic in nature which is landlessness, joblessness, marginalization, and loss of access to common property resources, increased morbidity and mortality, food insecurity, homelessness among others.

Lloyd Law College organised a broad discussion on the topic and provided an opportunity to its students to analyse as well as assess the said subject and to suggest various ideas in this regard so that the solutions to the problems can be achieved. The subject was discussed by Mr. Qudrat Pasha who has an expertise in the related topic. He engaged the students throughout the lecture by indicating the present scenario and by discussing the relevant cases with respect to the said topic.

Mr. Qudrat Pasha is presently the Assistant Legal Advisor in the department of Land & Building. He works in this department and represents the Government of NCT of Delhi with his notable works in his specialised field.