

**Report on Guest Lecture on Legal and Ethical Aspects of Medicine- Interface  
between Law and Medicine**

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Department of Pharmacy Practice, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, had organized a Guest Lecture on ‘Legal and Ethical Aspects of Medicine – Interface between Law and Medicine’ at Seminar Hall of JSS College of Pharmacy on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019. The Guest Speaker was Dr. Nataraju, Principal of JSS Law College, Mysuru. The lecture was attended by V and VI year Pharm D students and M. Pharm (Pharmacy Practice) students.

Dr. Nataraju started off his talk by explaining difference between policies and laws and gave a brief introduction to various policies, guidelines, and laws that pertain to provision of Health care in India. He enumerated the different principles of medical ethics and duties and obligations of healthcare professionals towards patients and public. He spoke about the various articles in the constitution that pertain to public health like Right to Health, Right to Health and Environment, and Right to Health and Medical Assistance with examples of case studies where the Supreme Court imposed a positive obligation upon the state to take steps for improving medical care in the country. He also provided information about Medical negligence, tort laws, consumer laws, right to life and right to privacy with case studies as examples for students to understand the concept better. He briefly listed out the various National Health Legislations that have come into effect since 1936 and their amendments and also listed out various laws of socio-economic interest and community welfare. He ended his talk with a brief outline of the Pharmacy Practice Regulation, 2015. The lecture was followed by a question and answer session and interaction with the students.

