




## Faculty Details proforma for DU Web-site

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Designation	Assistant Professor				
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<b>Educational Qualifications</b>					
Degree	Institution			Year	
PhD	SOAS-University of London			2017	
MPhil	Jawaharlal Nehru University			2009	
LLM	Cochin University of Science and Technology			2004	
LLB	University of Kerala			2002	
<b>Career Profile</b>					
<b>2017 Post Graduate Research Assistant, School of Law, SOAS University of London</b>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Project on 'Right to Sanitation, Equality, Health, Environment and Water: Uncovering the Linkages'</i></li> </ul>					
<b>2015-16 Senior Teaching fellow, School of Law, SOAS University of London</b>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Law and Natural Resources (Co-convening the course with Prof. Cullet, designing the course, delivering lectures, marking essays and answer sheets)</i></li> <li>• <i>Water Law (sharing lectures with Prof. Peter Mollinga, marking essays and answer sheets)</i></li> </ul>					
<b>2015 Visiting Faculty, National Law University Delhi</b>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Environmental Law and Policy (sharing lectures with Dr. Bharti Kumar, marking essays and answer sheets)</i></li> </ul>					
<b>2015 Visiting Faculty, TERI University, New Delhi</b>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Water Law and Policy (delivering lectures and marking answer sheets)</i></li> </ul>					
<b>2014 Research Assistant, Department of Development Studies, SOAS - University of London</b>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Project on 'Water and Globalisation - Privatization and Regulation in Italy, Mexico and India' (Conducting literature review on water security in India and presenting a paper</i></li> </ul>					

*on the same topic)*

**2012-2013 Assistant Professor, Amity Law School, Noida, Amity University Uttar Pradesh**

- *Environmental Law, Public International Law, International Economic Law (conducting lectures and tutorials, marking essays and answer sheets and supervising LLM dissertations)*

**2009-2012 Law Researcher and Programme Coordinator, Environmental Law Research Society, New Delhi**

- *Coordinating research and capacity building projects, conducting fieldwork, writing project reports and policy papers, organising capacity building workshops, preparing project proposals*

**2006-2009 Law Researcher, International Environmental Law Research Centre, Geneva**

- *Research project on 'Legal Issues Related to Water Sector Restructuring: Human Rights, Environment, Agriculture and Socio-Economic Aspects (writing of book chapters and helping to organise project workshops)*

**2005-2006 Research Assistant, School of Legal Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin**

*Project on 'Land Laws Pertaining to Tea Plantations in South India' (reviewing literature, organising and conducting fieldwork in Tamil Nadu and writing the draft report)*

**Administrative Assignments**

**Areas of Interest / Specialization**

Environmental Law, Water and Sanitation, Law and Natural Resources, Human Rights, Social Exclusion and Law, Public International Law

**Subjects Taught**

Environmental law, Alternate Dispute Resolutions

**Time table of the subjects taught during the current semester**

S.No.	Subject	Days	Time	Classroom
1	Environmental Law	Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday	3.50-4.45; 5-5.55; 2.55-3.50	337
2	Environmental Law	Thursday, Friday, Saturday	5-6.50; 5.55-6.50; 5-5.55	4
3	Alternate Dispute Resolution	Monday; Friday, Saturday	5.55-7.45; 6.50-7.45; 6.50-7.45	6

4	Alternate Dispute Resolution	Wednesday, Friday, Saturday	6.50-8.40; 5-5.55;5.55- 6.50	3
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## Research Guidance

## Publications Profile

### Edited volumes

- (with P. Cullet) eds., *Water Law in India - An Introduction to Legal Instruments* (New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn. 2017).
- (with P. Cullet) eds., *Water Law in India - An Introduction to Legal Instruments* (New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1<sup>st</sup> edn. 2011).

### Book chapters

- 'Right to Sanitation in India: Nature and Scope', in K.J. Joy and Sarita Bhagat (eds), *Right to Sanitation in India: Nature, Scope and Voices from the Margins* (Pune: Forum for Policy Dialogue on Water Conflicts in India, 2016), pp. 1-15
- 'Competing Uses, Users and Legal Responses: The Case of Plachimada and Rajsamand Lake', in K. J. Joy, Suhas Paranjape and Sarita Bhagat (eds), *Conflicts around Domestic Water and Sanitation in India: Cases, Issues and Prospects* (Pune: SOPPECOM, 2014), pp. 19-34.
- (with L. Bhullar), 'Access To 'Safe' Sanitation for Women: Questioning A Myopic Approach', in K. J. Joy, Suhas Paranjape and Sarita Bhagat (eds), *Conflicts around Domestic Water and Sanitation in India: Cases, Issues and Prospects* (Pune: SOPPECOM, 2014), pp. 182-193
- 'Groundwater: Legal Aspects of the Plachimada Dispute', in P. Cullet et al. eds., *Water Governance in Motion: Towards Socially and Environmentally Sustainable Water Laws* (New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2010), p. 159.
- 'Legal Regime Governing Groundwater', in P. Cullet et al eds., *Water Law for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: National and International Aspects of Water Law Reforms in India* (Abington: Routledge, 2010), p. 182.
- (with A.H. Khan), 'Water, Health and Water Quality Regulation', in P. Cullet et al eds., *Water Law for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: National and International Aspects of Water Law Reforms in India* (Abington: Routledge, 2010), p. 287.
- 'Groundwater Legal Regime in India', in B.K. Tapliyal et al eds., *Democratisation of Water* (New Delhi: Serial Publications, 2008), p. 181.

### Articles

- (with P. Cullet and L. Bhullar), 'Regulating the Interactions between Climate Change and Groundwater: Lessons from India', 42(6) *Water International* 646-662 (2017).
- 'Revamping the Groundwater Legal Regime in India: Towards Ensuring Equity and

Sustainability', 12(2) *Socio-Legal Review* 45-73 (2016).

- (with P. Cullet and L. Bhullar), 'Inter-sectoral Water Allocation and Conflicts: Perspectives from Rajasthan', 50/34 *Economic and Political Weekly* 61-9 (2015).
- 'Farmers' Rights in India: Assessing Conceptual and Implementation Issues', 4(1) *Dehradun Law Review* 29-53 (2012).
- (with P. Sampat), 'Delhi Water Supply Reforms: Public Private Partnerships or Privatisation?', 47/17 *Economic and Political Weekly* 32 (2012).
- 'Constitutionality of the Plachimada Tribunal Bill, 2011: An Assessment', 7/2 *Law, Environment and Development Journal* 151 (2011).
- 'Liberalisation of Water Services: A Critical Legal Analysis', 32 *Cochin University Law Review* 1 (2008).
- 'State Compensation for Human Rights Violations: Unveiling the Trajectory and Scope', 28-29 *Delhi Law Review* 105 (2006-07).

### **Policy and working papers**

- 'Breaking the Boundaries: Cooperative Regulation and Protection of Groundwater', in Francesco Sindico and Alberto Manganelli eds., *Groundwater Governance: Drawing Connections between Science, Knowledge and Policy Making* (Strathclyde Centre for Environmental Law and Governance, Working Paper No. 4, 2016).
- India's *Sui Generis* System of Plant Variety Protection (Geneva: Quaker United Nations Office, 2014).
- Realising the Right to Sanitation in Rural Areas: Towards a New Framework (New Delhi: Environmental Law Research Society, Policy Paper, 2012).
- (with L. Bhullar), *Water Regulatory Authorities in India: The Way Forward* (New Delhi: Environmental Law Research Society, Policy Paper, 2012).

### **Media and other publications**

- 'Making India Open Defecation Free at the Cost of Gender Equality', *IAPSDIALOGUE*, 3 May 2017.
- 'Groundwater Legal Regime in India: Towards a Paradigm Shift', *GLOBAL WATER FORUM*, 12 December 2016.
- 'A Lesser Fundamental Right to Water', *THE STATESMAN*, 05 March 2015, p. 16.
- 'Swachhh Bharat - Beyond Charity and Symbolism to Legal Rights and Duties', *KAFILA*, 12 January 2015.
- 'Plachimada: A Long Wait for Justice', *THE STATESMAN*, 18 December 2014, p. 16.

### **Book reviews**

- M. Dinesh Kumar, *Managing Water in River Basins - Hydrology, Economics and Institutions* (New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2010), in 8/2 *Journal of Resources*,

*Energy and Development* 187 (2011).

Sumeet Malik ed., *Environment Law* (Lucknow: Eastern Book Company, 2008), in *4/1 Law, Environment and Development Journal* 72 (2008).

#### Publications in the Last one year

#### **Books**

(with P. Cullet) eds., *Water Law in India - An Introduction to Legal Instruments* (New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn. 2017).

#### **Articles**

(with P. Cullet and L. Bhullar), 'Regulating the Interactions between Climate Change and Groundwater: Lessons from India', 42(6) *Water International* 646-662 (2017).

#### Conference Organization/ Presentations (in the last three years)

**September 2017:** *Critical Approaches to Environmental Law in India*, National Law University Odisha, 25 September 2017. (invited lecture)

**December 2016:** *Manual Scavenging: Revisiting the Role of Evidence*, LASSNET Conference, New Delhi, 11 December 2016. (presentation)

**November 2016:** *Right to Sanitation in India: From Formal Recognition to Realisation*, LEDC's Tenth Annual Public Evening Seminar Series on 'Human Rights and the Environment', London, 17 November 2016. (presentation)

**October 2016:** *Water Laws, Agreements and Conflict Resolution*, Training Programme on Understanding and Resolving Water Conflicts in India, organised by Forum for Policy Dialogue on Water Conflicts in India, TERI, Bangalore and ATREE Bangalore, 4-7 October 2016. (invited lecture)

**September 2016:** *Water Regulation and WRRAs in India*, National Training Programme on 'Audit of Environmental Regulatory Authorities and Bodies in the States', International Centre for Environment Audit and Sustainable Development (iCED), Jaipur, 26-30 September 2016. (invited lecture)

**February 2016:** *Workshop on Groundwater Governance: Drawing Connections Between Science, Knowledge, and Policy-Making*, Salto, Uruguay on 22-26 February 2016. (presentation)

#### Research Projects (Major Grants/Research Collaboration)

#### Awards and Distinctions

Association With Professional Bodies
Other Activities