

## FROM THE CHANCELLOR's DESK

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Dear Readers

**I**t gives me immense pleasure to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Faculty of Law, Teerthanker Mahaveer University, on the remarkable launch of Teerthanker Journal of Law and Governance, an academic initiative of the Teerthanker Mahaveer College of Law and Legal Studies. This significant milestone reflects the University's continued commitment to fostering intellectual growth, promoting scholarly excellence, and contributing meaningfully to the field of legal education, governance and research.

The vision behind this journal, conceived by the Faculty of Law, deserves special commendation. Their dedication, foresight, and academic leadership have inspired the creation of a platform that will encourage critical thinking, informed discourse, and innovative research in law and governance. Such endeavors are vital in today's rapidly changing legal and socio-political landscape, where the rule of law and sound governance remain the cornerstones of a just and progressive society.

I am confident that Teerthanker Journal of Law and Governance will serve as a beacon of knowledge for scholars, practitioners, and students alike. It will not only enrich legal scholarship but also strengthen the university's mission to advance quality education rooted in ethics, justice, and societal well-being.

I congratulate the editorial board, contributors, and the entire team whose collective efforts have brought this vision to life. May this journal continue to inspire intellectual inquiry, uphold academic integrity, and contribute to shaping a future guided by wisdom, equity, and the spirit of Mahaveer's teachings of Right Perception (Samyak Darshan), Right Knowledge (Samyak Gyan) and Right Conduct (Samyak Charitra).

With best wishes for great success and a meaningful scholarly journey ahead.

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Suresh Jain  
Chancellor  
Teerthanker Mahaveer University, Moradabad

## FROM THE VICE CHANCELLOR's Desk

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Dear Readers

It is with immense pride and academic enthusiasm that I present the inaugural issue of the Teerthanker Journal of Law & Governance a landmark initiative by the Faculty of Law, Teerthanker Mahaveer University, Moradabad.

In times of rapid social, economic, and legal transformation, the need for scholarly engagement with pressing issues such as governance, justice, constitutional values, human rights, and regulatory frameworks is more urgent than ever. This peer-reviewed, bi-annual journal has been conceptualized to meet that need offering a platform for rigorous research, critical analysis, and interdisciplinary dialogue.

The journal is not only a medium for publishing original and high-quality research but also a vehicle to encourage multidimensional perspectives on contemporary issues. I am confident that it will inspire scholars and practitioners alike to approach legal and governance challenges with deeper academic insight and innovation.

This initiative will also contribute to enhancing the university's academic standing and foster a culture of research-led policy debate and reform. I firmly believe the Teerthanker Journal of Law & Governance will evolve as a meaningful contributor to national and global discourse on law and governance.

I take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to the editorial board, advisory committee, and all contributing authors for their dedication, scholarly commitment, and shared vision. Their efforts truly reflect TMU's mission of academic integrity, diversity, and excellence.

May this journal become a beacon of scholarly inquiry and a driving force for transformative change.

Warm regards and best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'V K Jain', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Prof. (Dr.) V K Jain  
Vice Chancellor  
Teerthanker Mahaveer University, Moradabad

## FROM THE HEAD OF ACADEMICS

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Dear Readers

**I**t fills me with immense pride and profound joy to extend my heartiest congratulations to the College of Law & Legal Studies on the launch of its publication, “Teerthanker Journal of Law and Governance.” This scholarly endeavour is not merely an academic milestone but a vibrant testimony to the College’s unwavering pursuit of truth, justice, and intellectual enrichment.

A journal, at its core, is the voice of an institution’s intellect and conscience, a confluence of ideas that dares to question, interpret, and illuminate. As Francis Bacon wisely wrote, “Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested.” May this journal belong to that rare category which nourishes the intellect and stirs the spirit, inviting scholars to think deeply, write fearlessly, and engage earnestly with the evolving paradigms of law and governance.

The release of “Teerthanker Journal of Law and Governance” embodies our shared vision of fostering a culture where learning transcends classrooms, where research becomes a dialogue with society, and where knowledge serves humanity with wisdom and grace. I envision this journal as a luminous forum where scholars, practitioners, and students come together to deliberate upon the moral, ethical, and legal foundations of our civilization, thereby strengthening the bridge between thought and action.

May this noble initiative grow into a beacon of scholarly excellence and integrity, guiding generations to uphold justice with compassion and intellect with humility. I wish this journal to soar to great heights of wisdom and repute, ever guided by truth, scholarly rigour, and the spirit of transformation.

My best wishes for its enduring success.

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Prof. Manjula Jain  
Dean-Academics  
Teerthanker Mahaveer University, Moradabad

# FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

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Dear Readers

It gives me immense pleasure to present the inaugural edition (July–December 2025) of the Teerthanker Journal of Law & Governance. This first issue marks an important milestone for the Faculty of Law, Teerthanker Mahaveer University, as we create a dedicated platform for quality research, academic dialogue, and policy-oriented study in the domains of Law, Governance, and Public Administration.

The contemporary world is witnessing unprecedented changes in legal frameworks, governance structures, and administrative practices. Today, academic inquiry must go beyond theoretical understanding and engage with pressing societal challenges, technological disruptions, justice delivery reforms, and the evolving role of institutions. The journal aims to contribute to this process by encouraging scholarship that is analytical, socially relevant, and interdisciplinary in nature.

Each article published in this edition reflects rigorous intellectual effort and scholarly commitment. Together, they address key themes including legislative reform, public decision-making, institutional accountability, access to justice, and citizen-centric governance. We believe such contributions will inspire further research and stimulate meaningful academic and policy discussions.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all contributors, peer reviewers, and members of the editorial board for their support in bringing this publication to fruition. Their dedication to academic excellence has helped us set a strong foundation for future editions.

I invite academicians, legal practitioners, researchers, and students to read, engage, and contribute to upcoming issues. With this inaugural volume, we embark on a journey to build a credible, insightful, and impactful scholarly platform.

With Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Dixit', written in a cursive style.

Prof. (Dr.) Harbansh Dixit  
Dean, Faculty of Law  
Teerthanker Mahaveer University, Moradabad

## FROM THE EDITOR

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Dear Readers

I am delighted to present this edition of the Teerthanker Journal of Law and Governance, a scholarly platform committed to advancing critical dialogue, innovative research, and interdisciplinary understanding in the field of law and governance. As Principal of Teerthanker Mahaveer College of Law and Legal Studies and Editor of this journal, it is my privilege to welcome our readers, contributors, and well-wishers who continue to support our academic endeavors with dedication and enthusiasm.

In an era marked by rapid socio-legal transformation, the role of legal scholarship becomes more significant than ever. The journal aims to nurture informed discourse by publishing high-quality research papers, case analyses, policy reviews, and conceptual studies that address contemporary challenges in law, public policy, and governance. Our commitment is not only to maintain academic rigour but also to encourage young researchers, practitioners, and academicians to engage in meaningful, impactful research.

This issue reflects diverse perspectives and explores emerging themes that resonate with current national and global developments. I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the authors for their valuable contributions, to the editorial team for their tireless efforts, and to the reviewers for upholding the standards of publication.

I sincerely hope that our readers find this issue insightful, intellectually stimulating, and relevant to their academic and professional pursuits. Your continued support motivates us to strengthen the journal's quality and broaden its scholarly reach.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sushil Kumar', written in a cursive style.

Prof. (Dr.) Sushil Kumar

Principal, TMCLLS

Editor, Teerthanker Journal of Law and Governance