## **Dispute Resolution Committee Event Report**

## 'Significant Incorporation of Technology in ADR proceedings Post/During the Covid-19 Pandemic'

The Dispute Resolution Committee of NMIMS, Navi Mumbai School of Law organized its first webinar on the topic 'Significant Incorporation of Technology in ADR proceedings Post/During the Covid-19 Pandemic' on August 8, 2020 with Advocate Shalvi S. Mehta (Arbitration lawyer) as the guest of honour and speaker.

The speaker took over the platform and enlightened the 2nd and 3rd year law students on different aspects of Alternative Dispute Resolution, ranging from Negotiation to Mediation to Conciliation to Arbitration to Online dispute resolution (ODR). ,ODR was the main focus of the event. The main take out of the webinar was:

- ODR is now the "Only Dispute Resolution" and a long journey is yet to be covered when it
  comes to standardizing professional ethics and overcoming procedure and hurdles like
  cross examinations, hot-tubbing, place of arbitral award, etc, and,
- To ace ODR, the elixir is 3A's i.e., Access, Advancement and Adaptability.

Lastly, the speaker also addressed the importance of ADR in today's world and elaborated the topic using examples from her life. After the event was concluded by the speaker, the committee also conducted a workshop, briefing the students about Mediation, Negotiation and Arbitration proceedings in order to give them a better idea of the procedure involved and to prepare them for various ADR Competitions held Nationally and Internationally.

The webinar as well as the workshop witnessed an overwhelming participation and response from the audience of 80+ law students. The speaker engaged the audience and managed to pique their interest and develop a sense of inclination towards the field of alternative dispute resolution, for which, the Dispute Resolution Committee expresses its utmost gratitude to the speaker. It would not have been possible without her. The committee further plans on bringing such events for the students of School of Law and hopes to see the same enthusiasm that was experienced in the first webinar.