

Report on One Day Webinar
“An Approach to Ancient Indian and Modern Jurisprudence” to Mark the 120th Birth
Anniversary of Justice M.C Chagla
Held
On
24th October 2020

The programme was organized to mark the 120th birth anniversary of Justice M.C Chagla who was a renowned jurist and is remembered for his contribution to the development of modern jurisprudence through his decisions. There were 54 academicians, 15 research scholars and 47 students registered for the programme but only 100 could participate since the participation was limited to 100 members only. The programme began with the invocation song by Dr. Sridevi Krishna, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of the programme. The guest speaker Dr. T.R Maruthi, Professor, Dept. of Studies in Law, UOM, Mysore was welcomed and introduced by Smt Deepu.P, Principal.



Speaking in this occasion **Dr. T.R Maruthi**, stressed upon the learning through civilization. He said India is rich in culture and there are many cultures which influence our living. The civilizations we came across had faced many wars and every time there is a task to regain peace. During war we find breach of rights whereas during peace there is presence of justice. In Ancient India there was a tremendous development of culture and other matters like astronomy, medicine; grammar etc. there was also systematic development of law which was based on ‘Dharma’-the truth, belief etc. there was a transformation from Dharma to Veda and thus there lies the transformation of civilization. Modern Jurisprudence is known for collective justice and religion has brought not only tolerance but also acceptance. Further speaking on science he mentioned about natural science which is an inanimate matter and Social science which deals with social behavior of human beings. Jurisprudence is also one of the social sciences which deal with knowledge of law, skills, principles etc. it is the mother of all law which comprises of theories and concepts of law. Speaking on the Public Policy he said Indian law has the oldest

pedigree on Hindu Law. The personal laws guide the life of people and their living. Though there is Westernization influence, it does not matter at all when it comes to the enforcement of personal laws. He highlighted the influence of modern jurisprudence citing August Comte, Austin, and Bentham etc. In his concluding remarks he said a new theory in jurisprudence is required which is in line with the postmodern era.

Vote of Thanks was proposed by Prof K.B Vasudeva, Director of Legal Studies.