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REPORT WITH PHOTOGRAPHS ON LANGUAGE: COMMUNICATION AND ADVOCACY SKILLS ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS

Effective language, communication, and advocacy skills are fundamental for law students, as they form the bedrock of legal practice. These skills are essential for various aspects of the legal profession, including courtroom proceedings, client consultations, negotiations, and drafting legal documents.

- 1. Language Lab: The integration of an English Language Lab in the College is of paramount importance, particularly for students hailing from vernacular backgrounds such as Marathi or Hindi. Proficiency in English is crucial for Law students as it is the predominant language used in legal documents, court proceedings, and professional communications. An English Language Lab provides a structured environment for students to enhance their language skills, thereby bridging the gap between vernacular and professional requirements. [Language Lab papers are attached]
- 2. Communication and Advocacy Skills: Effective communication involves active listening, clear articulation of thoughts, and persuasive speaking. In a courtroom setting, a lawyer must present arguments convincingly to the judge and jury. The students practice these skills through moot court competitions, where they simulate real court proceedings and receive feedback on their performance. Advocacy involves representing and defending clients' interests. Strong advocacy skills require the ability to analyse cases, develop strategies, and argue persuasively. For example, in a consumer protection case, a lawyer must advocate for a client who has been wronged by a corporation, presenting evidence and legal arguments to support the client's claim. Students develop these skills through internships and Legal Aid. [Sample of Moot Court Sessions, Internships and Legal Aid details attached]

Note: The file being voluminous sample documents are attached for ready reference

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