



## Centre for Research & Development

### Research Supervisor (Guide) Profiles

#### Discipline of Supervision: Law



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#### **Areas of Specialisation:**

Constitutional Law and Human Rights, Civil and Criminal Law, Public Policy, Regulation, Health Law, Intellectual Property Rights and Technology Law

Dr. Manjunath has carried out significant research in the field of health law, with a focus on the medico-legal aspects of the doctor-patient relationship in the context of increasing commercialization in healthcare. His work critically examines the evolving dynamics between doctors and patients, analysing the legal, ethical, and professional challenges that arise within contemporary medical practice. Using qualitative and inductive research approaches, he conducted surveys among consenting doctors and patients from private hospitals in Mysuru to understand perceptions of trust, accountability, and communication in medical treatment. His research also involved a detailed examination of medico-legal case studies to assess the causes behind the rising incidence of litigation against medical professionals. The study highlights key issues such as lack of informed consent, breaches of patient confidentiality, treatment by unqualified practitioners, medical errors, inadequate documentation of medical records, and instances of false or exaggerated claims. Through this work, He analyses the broader impact of unethical practices, distrust, and commercialization on the healthcare system. With a strong interest in medical ethics and healthcare regulation, he aims to contribute to the development of more effective legal frameworks that strengthen the doctor-patient relationship and promote accountability, transparency, and fairness in the Indian healthcare sector.

#### **Selected Publications:**

- 1. Manjunath M S. (2021)** Health Related Information, its benefits and legal ramifications on Doctor-Patient Relationship, Centre for Environmental Law Education, Research and Advocacy (CEERA), National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru, Volume 7, 2021, ISSN No. 2348-7046. <https://repository.nls.ac.in/jlpp/vol7/iss1/7>
- 2. Manjunath M S. (2022)** Burden of Covid-19 pandemic on doctor-patient relationship (A medico-legal perspective), Aut Research Journal (UGE CARE), Volume XIII, Issue VI, June 2022.
- 3. Manjunath M S. (2023)** Medico-Legal Exploration of Doctor-Patient Relationship: Role of Consumer Protection Act 2019, Anvesak (UGE CARE), Vol. 53, No.1(III) January-June 2023, ISSN: 0378-4568