



**Name: Professor (Dr.) Gangotri Chakraborty**

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Her first appointment was in the University College of Law, University of North Bengal, District Darjeeling, in West Bengal where she was appointed Lecturer in Law in 1986. She became Reader in 1998. In the year 2000 she joined the W.B. National University of Juridical Sciences(WBNUJS) as its founding faculty as Associate Professor and its first Registrar. She was appointed Additional Professor in open selection in the year 2001 and again in 2003 in an open selection she was appointed a full Professor of Law in the W.B. National University of Juridical Sciences. As the first Registrar of the W.B National University of Juridical Sciences she was instrumental in setting up of the University, housing it in its own building and looked after the entire affairs of the University and its Halls of Residence under the able and expert supervision of Prof. N.R Madhava Menon.

On an invitation from Prof V.S. Mani, the founder Vice Chancellor of The Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat, Prof. Chakraborty moved to Gandhinagar as its founding faculty as a full Professor of law in 2004. She helped actively to set up the Gujarat National Law University. At GNLU she was Dean Academics, Dean Students' Affair, Controller of Examinations and Chief Warden of the Halls of Residence. In 2005, due to the demise of her mother and failing health of her father she joined the Department of Law at University of North Bengal as Professor and Head of the Department of Law. She is presently Professor of Law at the same Department. In addition to this, Professor Chakraborty is also the Director (Honorary) of the UGC Human Resource Development Centre, University of North Bengal.

During her tenure in the WBNUJS, Prof. Gangotri Chakraborty was the head of the School of Economic and Business Laws and a member of the School of Constitutional and Jurisprudential Studies. Despite her administrative work she was a very active and highly appreciated teacher. She has been a member of the Executive Council in WBNUJS and she was a member of the Academic Council both in WBNUJS and GNLU.

Prof. Gangotri Chakraborty has done two major projects, one for the UNDP which has already been published and one for the Department of Women and child Development, MHRD, Gujarat. She is deeply involved in women's rights advocacy, an active member of the Legal Services Authority both at the State level and at the National Level. She is an active member of the three NGOs namely the SURAHA working for the destitute, The North Bengal Council for the Disabled working for the differently abled persons and the Society for Improved Environment working on environmental issues.

She has published about 42 articles. There are 2 books to her credit. She is also an active person on the radio and television shows on legal issues.

She received the award for Best Teacher of the Year 1999-2000 Conferred by Lions Club of Siliguri, Terai, Dist 322D. She visited University of Assam as UGC fellow in August 2009 and taught Jurisprudence there. On 04 September, 2009 she has been awarded the first "Prof. N. R. MADHAVA MENON ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD-2009" instituted by the Society of Indian Law Firms and Bar Council of India.