

## **Jindal Global Law School is the only Asian Law School whose scholars win the 2018 Thomas Edison Innovation Fellowship Award**

Jindal Global Law School (JGLS) becomes the only Law School in Asia whose professors have been awarded the prestigious Thomas Edison Innovation Fellowship 2018-19 from the Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property (CPIP) at George Mason University School of Law, Virginia, USA.

Professor Avirup Bose and Professor Natasha Nayak, Assistant Professors at JGLS have been awarded the 2018-2019 CPIP's Thomas Edison Innovation Fellowship award, which is a year-long non-resident fellowship program that brings together groups of senior and junior global scholars to develop research papers on innovation and patent law and policy.

This year two of JGLS's faculty members will be the only representatives from Asia to join a series of invitation-only conferences over the course of a year in which Edison Fellows study and discuss a structured curriculum, engage in roundtable discussions with expert senior scholars and industry representatives, and share, examine and collaborate on new areas of research on the moral and economic value of patented innovation. The Fellowship culminates in the production of substantial academic research papers that are published in law journals or other peer-reviewed academic journals.

This prestigious award to two of JGLS's faculty members is a reinstatement of O.P. Jindal Global University's (JGU) leadership in initiating interdisciplinary and high-impact research in the area of innovation and law.

Both Professor Bose and Professor Nayak are also fellows of the Jindal Initiative on Research in IP and Competition (JIRICO) (<http://www.jgu.edu.in/public/jirico/index.php>), which is an initiative of JGU focusing on cutting edge research in areas of high-technology innovation, intellectual property, challenges at the interface of patent rights and competition, involving contributions from experts in the fields of intellectual property law, competition law, economics and management. Further, JIRICO provides a unique platform to facilitate dialogue among Indian industry partners, innovators, law makers, regulators and academicians.

Professor Avirup Bose who holds law degrees from the W.B University of Juridical Sciences (NUJS) and Harvard Law School had earlier become the first Indian to be recognized as a "Next Generation Antitrust Scholar" in 2016. Professor Bose's area of research concentrates on regulatory issues and innovation.

Professor Natasha Nayak holds an LLM degree from George Washington University Law School, a BA LLB (Hons) degree from NUJS, and a Postgraduate Diploma in Economics for Competition law from King's College, London. Professor Nayak's research focuses on the emerging interface between IP and competition, especially in the pharmaceuticals and the ICT sectors. Professor Nayak is currently a visiting fellow at The Hoover Institution, Stanford University.