

# Mishkat Papers Submission Guidelines

**Project Mishkat** invites submissions for **Mishkat Papers** (MP). MP aims to curate cutting-edge critical works on intersection of Muslim identity, socio-economic exclusion, and the Indian legal framework. The submissions should reflect original, evidence-based research grounded in the legal and socio-political realities of the country.

## 1. Submission Categories

## Mishkat Paper Series (MPS) - Published/Working papers

- For scholars, practitioners, and researchers.
- <u>Published Papers:</u> peer-reviewed, open-access articles offering in-depth legal or socio-legal analysis.
- Working Papers: pre-published versions intended to foster early-stage discourse. Authors can submit revised versions to journals or other platforms.

## Mishkat Paper-Students Series (MPSS) - Published/Working papers

- For students and early-career researchers.
- <u>Published Papers:</u> academic essays, field-based reflections, or research papers published in open access.

 Working Papers: pre-published versions aimed at encouraging early-stage discourse, with mentorship and feedback provided during the review process. Authors can submit revised versions to journals or other platforms.

### 2. General Guidelines

- Submissions should be between 3,000 and 10,000 words.
- Use Times New Roman, 12-point font, 1.5 line spacing, and 1-inch margins on all sides.
- Your paper should include:
- Abstract (max 300 words)
- Keywords (4–6 words that best describe your topic).
- Citation in OSCOLA Style (4<sup>th</sup> edition).
- Author bio (100 words at the end): include your name, affiliation, and a short introduction at the end of the article. For MPSS, only name and affiliation are enough.

<u>Disclosure Statement:</u> Authors must disclose any potential conflict of interest. In case of any conflict-of-interest, PM reserves the right to retract the paper at any stage.

Originality: The manuscript draft must be original work. Any use of AI must be disclosed at the time of submission. We reserve the right to retract the paper found to misuse AI tools at any stage.

#### 3. Thematic Areas

The topics may include but are not limited to:

- Legal and Institutional Discrimination
- Communalization of Law and Public Spaces
- State Regulation of Religious Practices

- Erosion of Minority Educational Autonomy
- Citizenship, Identity, and Legal Disenfranchisement
- Socio-Economic Exclusion and Legal Response
- Personal Laws and Judicial Behaviour
- Minority Rights and Judicial Response

#### 4. Review Process

- Pre-published drafts will receive response within a week. Comments will be provided in not more than 4 weeks from the date of submission.
- All submissions will be approached in a constructive fashion. Comments will be provided to enhance the pre-publication quality of the paper.
- For published manuscripts, author(s) will receive confirmation about publication of their work within a week.
- Once accepted, each manuscript will be assigned a unique reference number and will be published on Project Mishkat's website.
- PM follows free access policy. All manuscripts published on PM website will be available for download at no cost.

Please submit the manuscript and any queries to: <a href="mailto:projectmishkat@gmail.com">projectmishkat@gmail.com</a> copying Dr. Jiyaul Haque, Research Head, Project Mishkat at <a href="mailto:Jiyaul.jnu@gmail.com">Jiyaul.jnu@gmail.com</a>

Submissions should be made with the following subject line: Mishkat Paper Submission\_Published/Working\_Author Name.

**Final Note:** We are establishing a forum dedicated to reflective legal discourse grounded and informed by an interdisciplinary perspective. We invite contributions that address the challenges and opportunities facing Muslims in India today, particularly from the legal lens.