

FUTURE OF LEGAL EDUCATION

Ways to ensure interdisciplinary, participatory and practice-oriented pedagogy

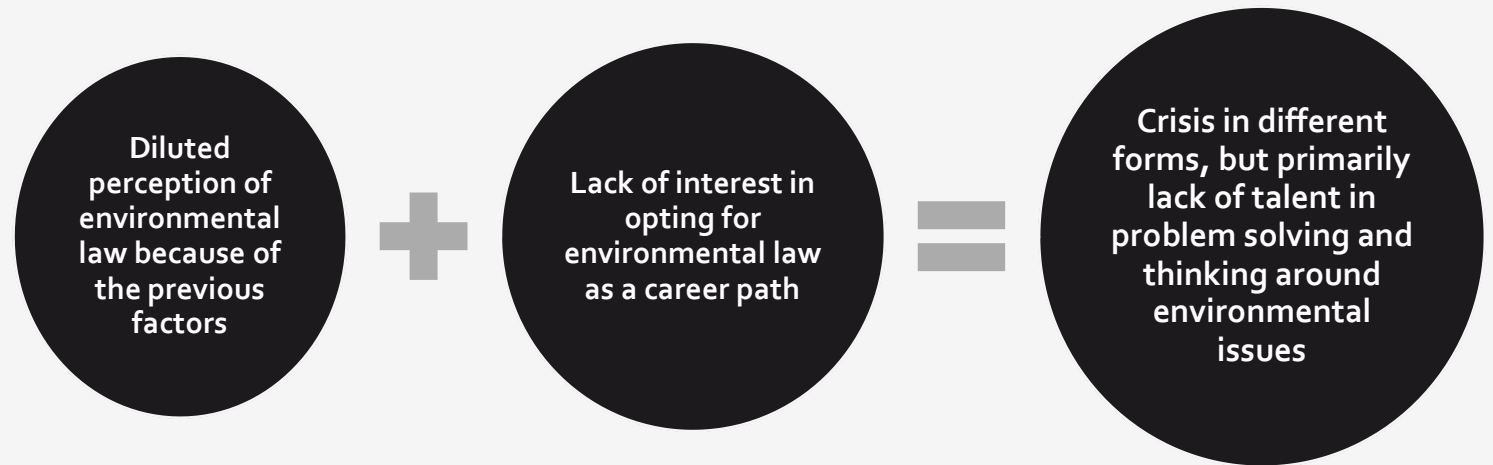
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The Challenge !

- Lack of Interdisciplinary Research Centers on various branches of law;
 - Barriers in innovative clinical legal models;
 - Lack of a South Asian vision for environmental lawyering;
 - Lack of comparative law research and curriculum design; and
 - Trailblazing as a mode to explore a career as a lawyer with options for innovative areas of practice.
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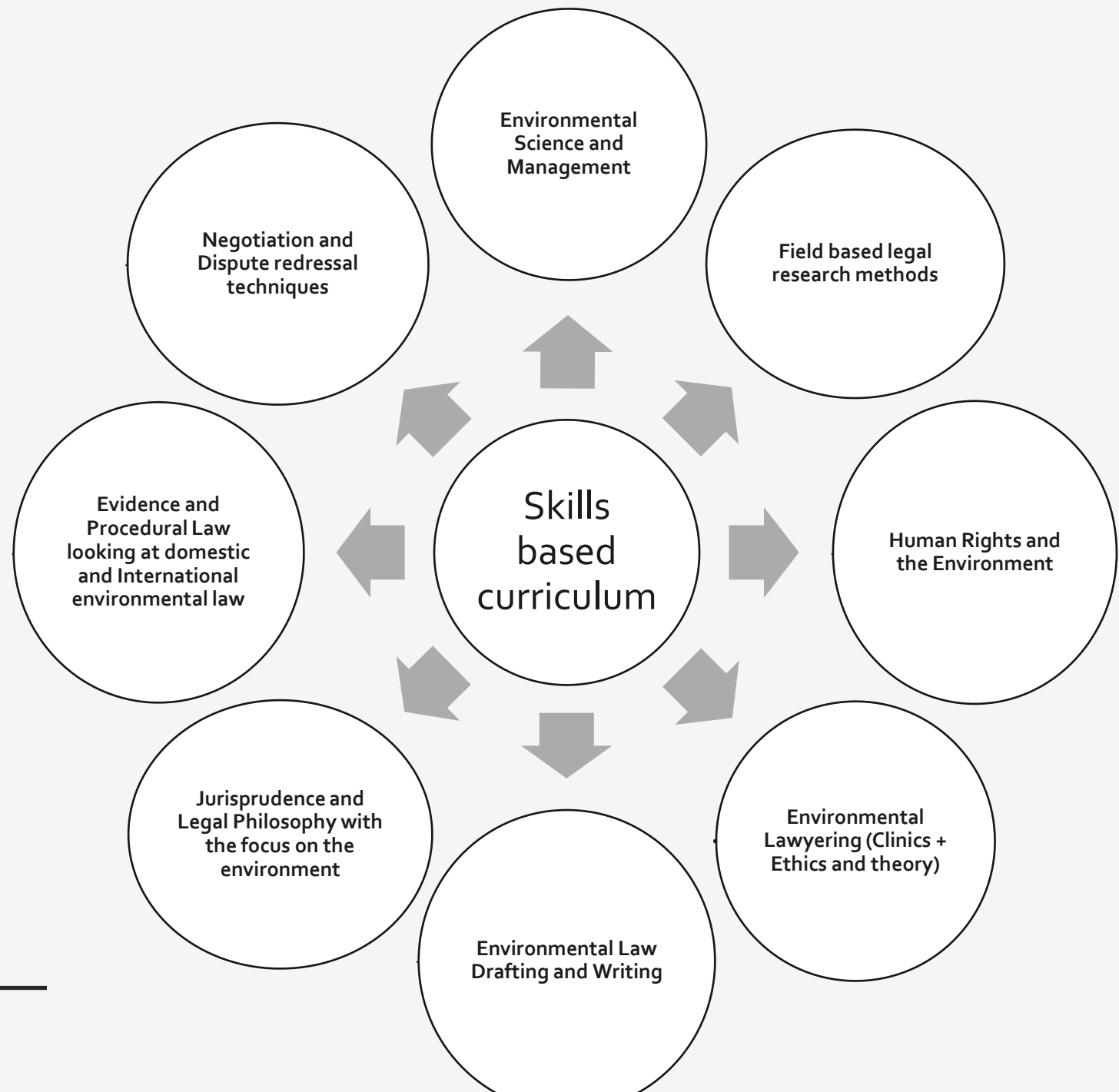
*Two-fold
nature of
the problem
– Taking
Environmental Law as
an example*



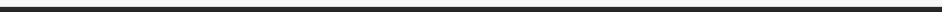
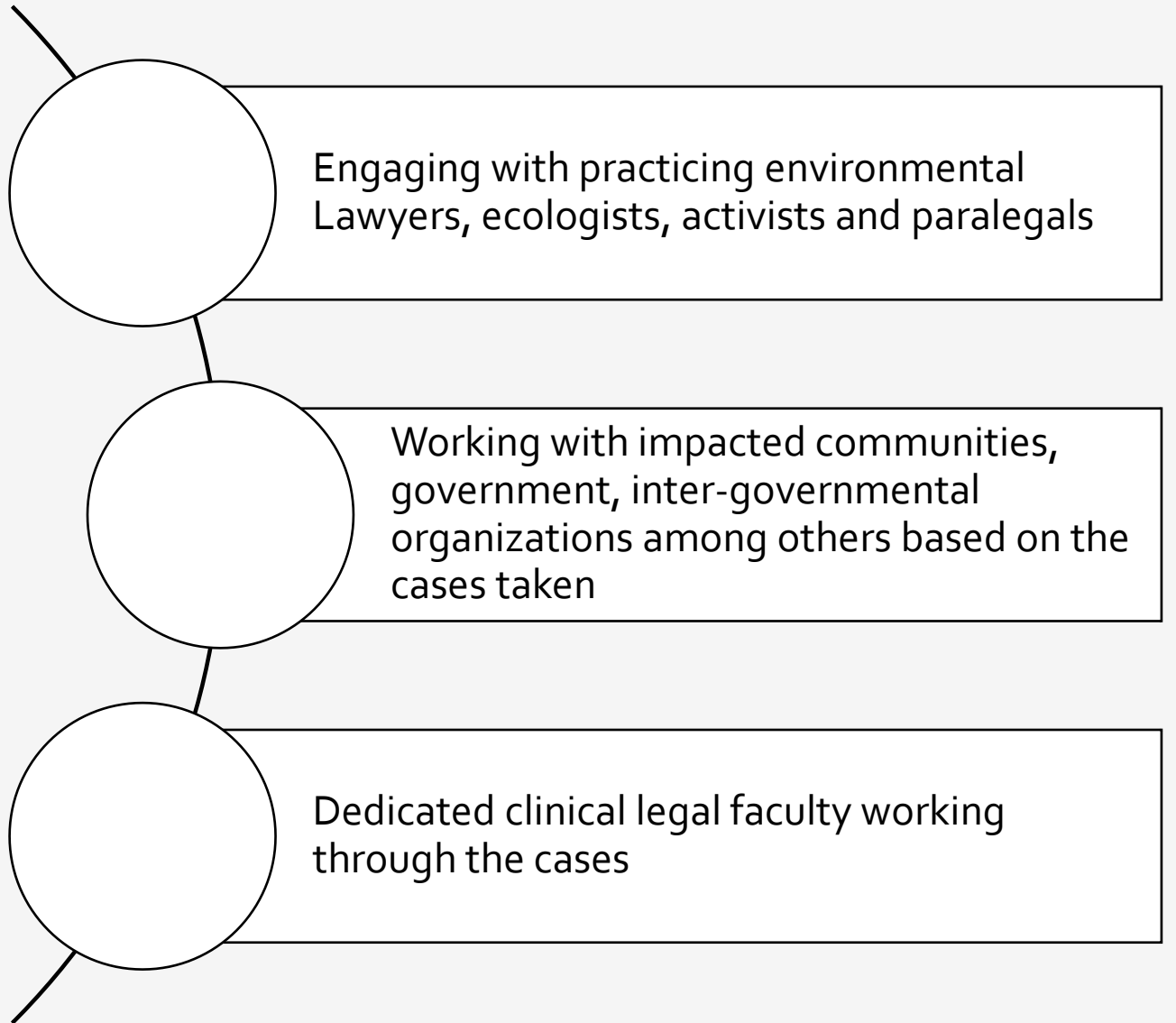
Initiatives to address the crisis

- Interdisciplinary Curriculum Design
 - Clinical Legal Models for the Indian Context
 - Dispute resolution and Conflict Redressal Centers
 - Drafting Studios
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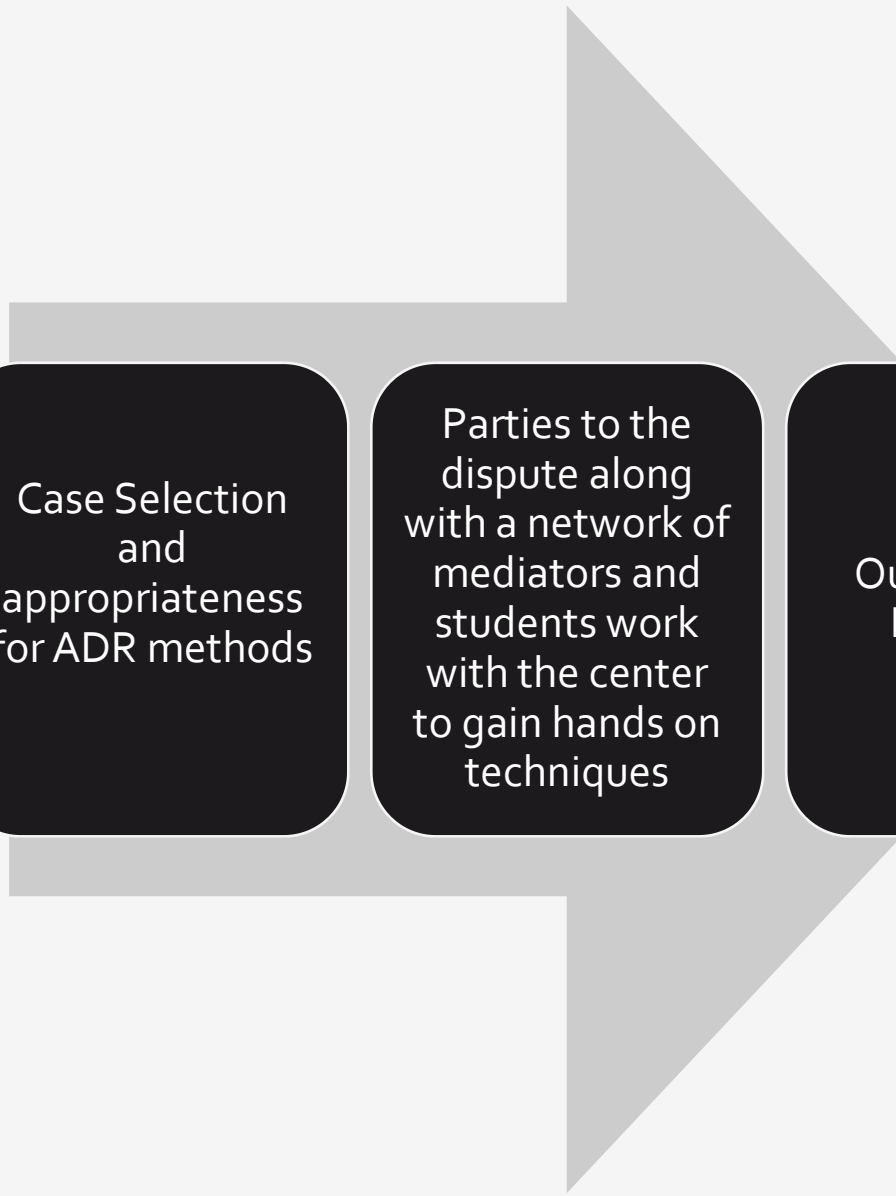
Interdisciplinary Curriculum Design – An example



Clinical Legal Models




Dispute and Conflict Redressal Centers



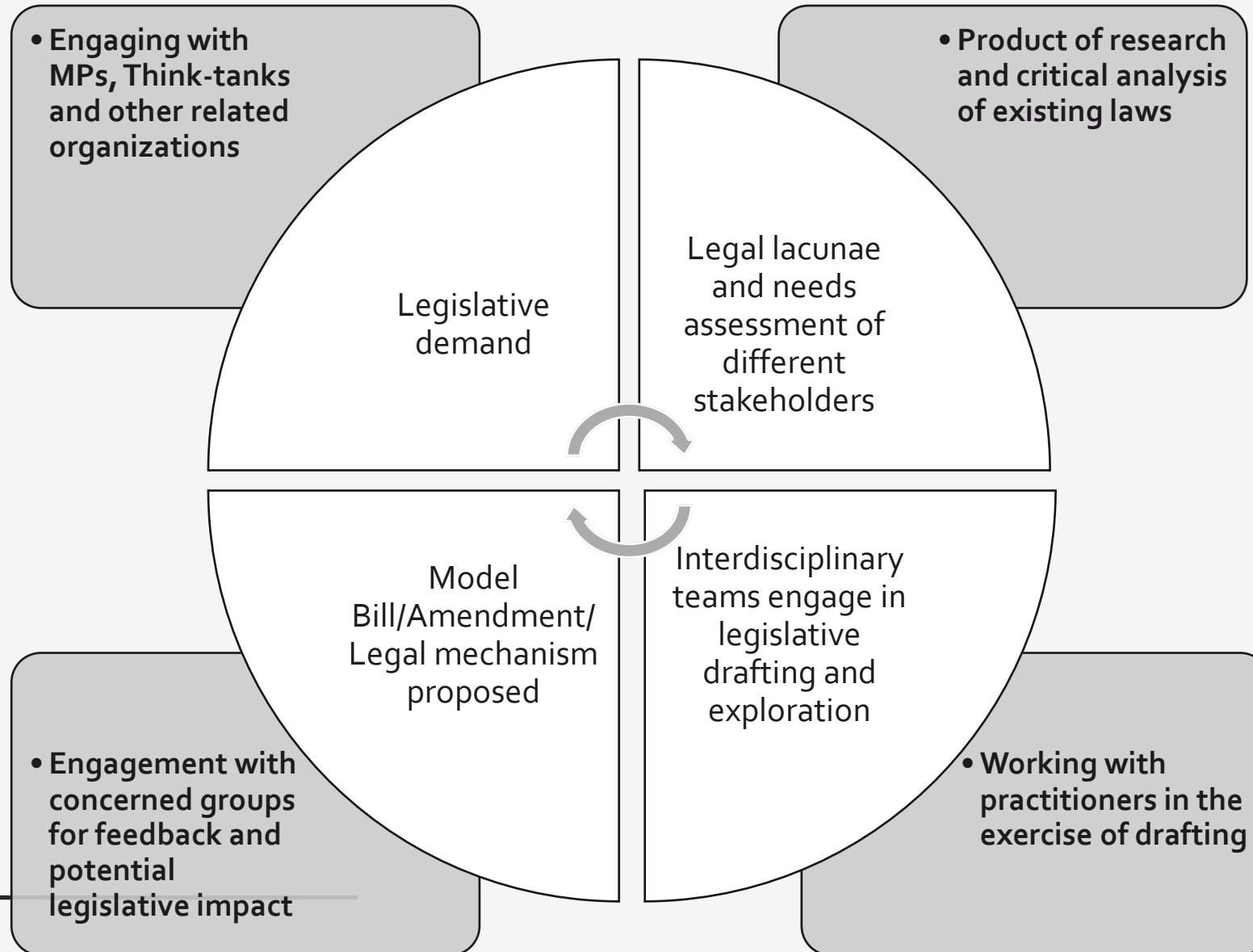
Case Selection
and
appropriateness
for ADR methods

Parties to the
dispute along
with a network of
mediators and
students work
with the center
to gain hands on
techniques

Outcome and
Learnings



Environmental Law Drafting Studios



*Future of
Environmental
Law:*

Kaleidoscopic



2 Examples



CLIMATE CHANGE, COMING SOON TO A COURT NEAR YOU

REPORT SERIES PURPOSE AND
INTRODUCTION TO CLIMATE SCIENCE

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The Law, Economics, & Policy of the COVID-19 Pandemic



Climate Science

Socio-economics

**Public
Policy**

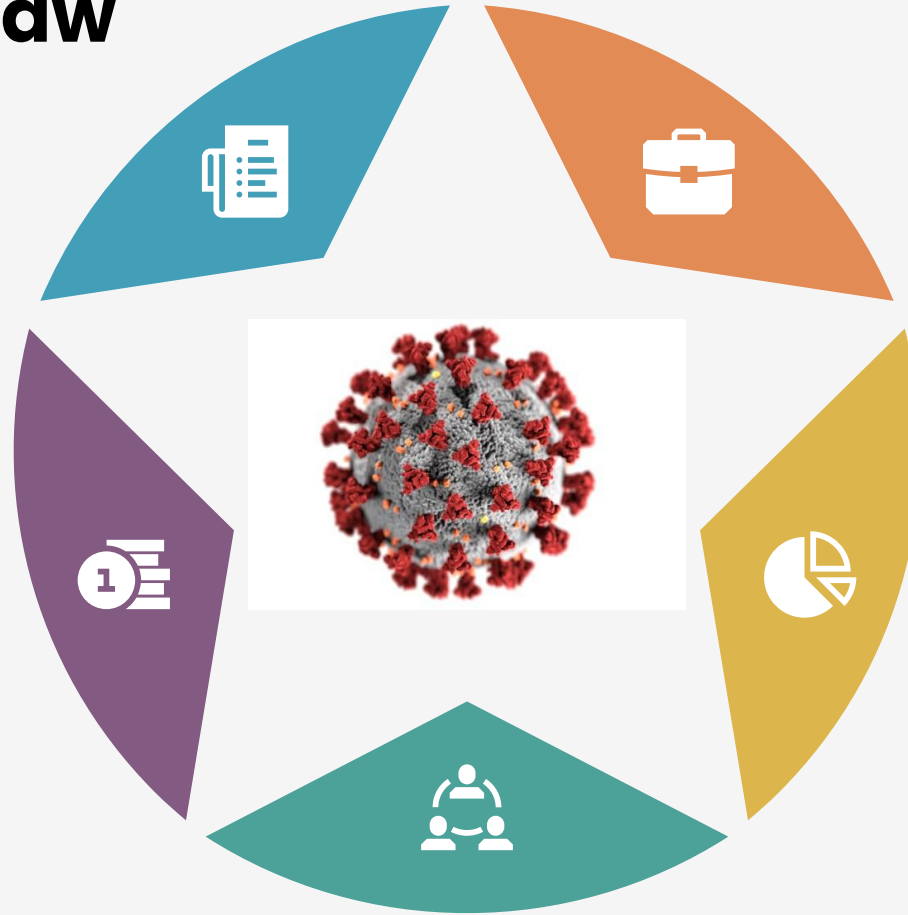
IPR

Human Rights



**Wildlife Trade
Law**

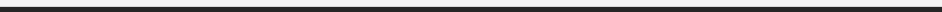
**Trade
Law**



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**Human Rights
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Biodiversity Law

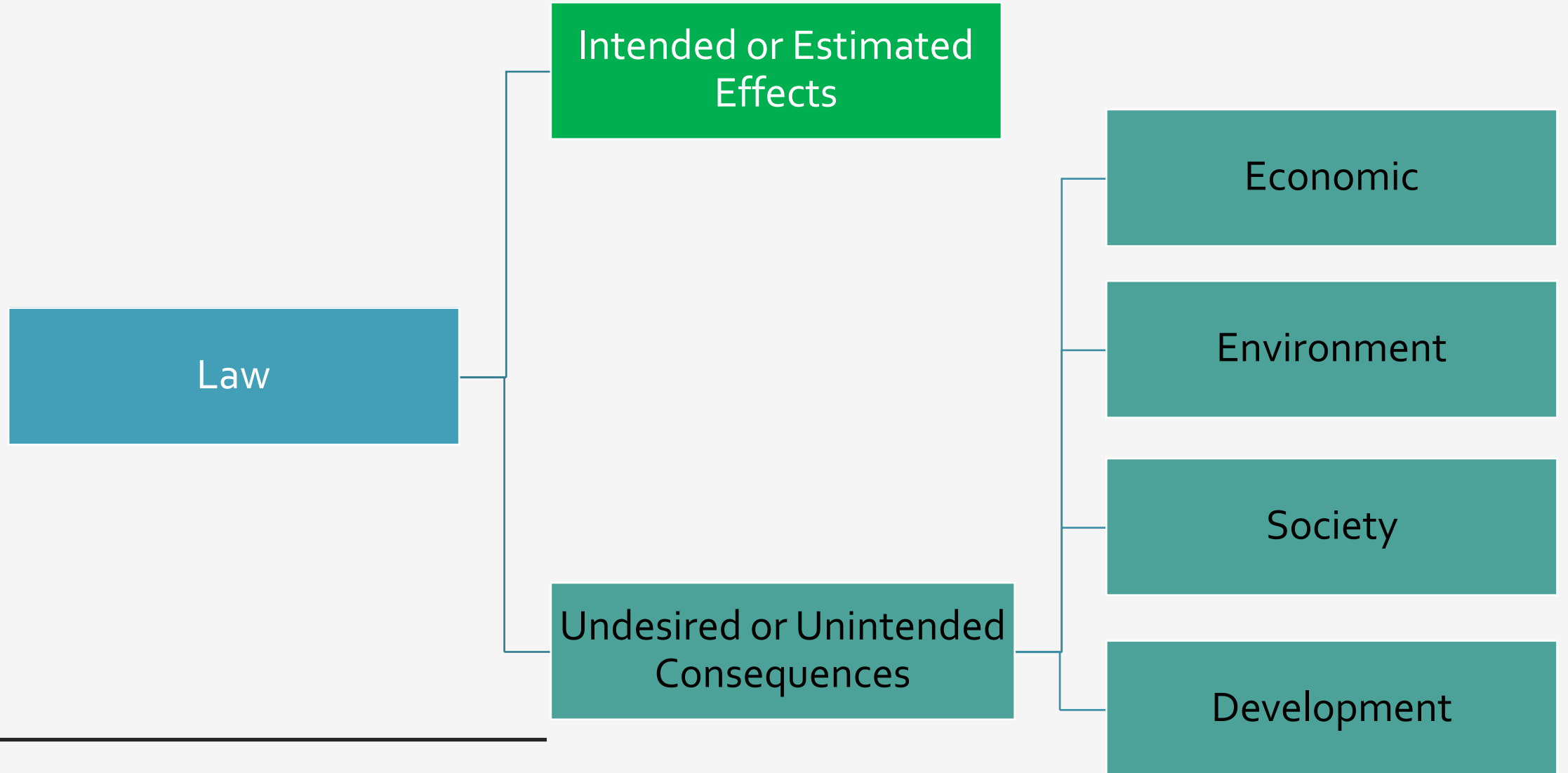


New Approach

*Legislative
Impact
Assessment*



Law & its Impacts



Legislative Impact Assessment

Legislative Impact Assessment (LIA)

Framework built specifically for assessing impact & effectiveness of law arising by act of Parliament or Legislature, ***before enactment***.

Framework designed to be ***built into existing law-making processes*** of legislature.

May be appropriately modified to assess regulatory proposals or delegated legislation.

Why focus on legislation?

Amending primary legislation is a lengthy process.

Delegated Legislation or Executive rules are comparatively more flexible.

Laws which are knee-jerk, ad-hoc or founded on trial & error attempts or simply poorly conceived can prove to be very costly

*IF WE DESIRE RESPECT
FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
LAW, WE NEED TO MAKE
IT RESPECTABLE !*