

NSU holds a Book Discussion on ‘WAR’ by Andrew Clapham

A Book Discussion on ‘War’ by Andrew Clapham was held on 10 February 2022 at North South University (NSU). It was jointly organized by the Center for Peace Studies (CPS) of the South Asian Institute of Policy and Governance (SIPG), NSU, and the Department of Law, NSU.

The author of the book Prof. Andrew Clapham from International Law at the Graduate Institute Geneva discussed his book at the program. Other discussants were Dr. Norman Kenneth Swazo, Professor, Dept. of History and Philosophy, and Dr. Ishrat Zakia Sultana, Assist. Prof., PSS, NSU. The moderator of the program was Dr. Md. Rizwanul Islam, Prof., and Chair, Dept. of Law, NSU, and the session were concluded by Dr. Abdul Wohab, Assist. Prof., PSS, and Coordinator, CPS, NSU.



This book examines how notions about war continue to influence our concepts of rights and obligations in national and international law. It also considers the role of international law in limiting the forbidden and legitimate actions in times of war or armed conflict. The book includes an overall account of the evolution of the contemporary laws of war. It concludes that claiming to be in a war or an armed conflict does not grant anyone a license to kill people, destroy things, and acquire other people's property or territory.