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KARTAVYA



CELEBRATION OF 70TH CONSTITUTION DAY MOOT COURT COMPETITION

NATIONAL COORDINATING
UNIVERSITY:
NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY DELHI

ABOUT THE 70TH CONSTITUTION DAY

BACKGROUND

To mark the anniversary of the adoption of India's Constitution on November 26, 1949, in 2015 the Government decided to observe 26th November as 'Constitution Day' or Samvidhan Diwas. On this day in 1949, the Indian Constitution was adopted which came into force on January 26, 1950, marking the beginning of a new era in the history of India.

THE OBJECTIVE OF THE EVENT

UGC is organizing various yearlong awareness and sensitization programs through identified National Coordinating University and State Coordinating Universities covering HEIs in all Universities and UTs, starting from the Constitution Day, i.e., 26th November 2019 on a large pan India scale and with a greater focus on Fundamental Duties.

These include National level essay competition and state-level debate, mock parliament, and moot court competitions. Various activities like workshops, guest lectures by eminent jurists, poster making, slogan writing, and street plays.

ABOUT THE MOOT COURT COMPETITION

The celebration of the 70th Constitution Day Moot Court Competition is a part of activities conducted nationwide starting from 26th November 2019, celebrating the 70th Anniversary of Constitution Day in India. The activities are planned by the Ministry of Education and University Grants Commission with special emphasis on Fundamental Duties and seeking active participation from Higher Education Institutes across the country.

National Law University Delhi has been nominated as the National Coordinator to organize events. The theme of the 70th Constitution Day is 'Kartavya' Fundamental Duties.

View more at <https://kartavya.ugc.ac.in/default.aspx>

The National Law University, Delhi, is organizing the 70th Constitution Day Moot Court Competition, on 16-18 October 2020 on a virtual platform. The final rounds of the competition will be held from 02:00 pm to 03:30 pm on Sunday 18 October 2020. The Valedictory Ceremony will be held at 04:00 pm on the same day.

The Moot Proposition has been prepared on a contemporary issue of Environment and 'the fundamental duties'; the format of the Moot is also conducive for non-law colleges. The same has been drafted by NLUD Alumni, Mr. Tarun Agarwal and Mr. Rakesh Roshan with the guidance of Dr. Risham Garg, the Faculty Coordinator of the event.

The Moot Proposition can be accessed here:

<https://nludelhi.ac.in/announcment2.aspx?id=36262>

National Law University Delhi

National Law University Delhi is a premier law university in India established by the National Law University Act, 2007 (Delhi Act No. 1 of 2008), at the initiative of the High Court of Delhi. The mandate and vision of the University is to create a legal education center of Global standards that will compete with the best outside India and to prepare lawyers for a legal career that introduces them to a wide range of opportunities in the profession across the globe. Legal education in India has undergone a paradigm shift in the last two decades and the University has played a key role in shaping these changes while preparing students, teachers, and young advocates for emerging challenges and to solve existing ones with a clear vision and most importantly, instilling a belief that it could be achieved.

The University has hosted several international and national conferences and moot court competitions on newly emerging areas of law to be the pioneer in developing the jurisprudence for these subjects. To this end, NLU Delhi has successfully organized several moots in the past, including South-Asia Rounds of Oxford Price Media Law Moot Court Competition, India Rounds of ICC Trial Moot Court Competition, and Vis Pre- Moot. The University has gained a reputation for its impeccable quality in the organization of these events.

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE

The National Law University, Delhi (NLU Delhi), has been established with a mandate to transform and redefine the process of legal education. The University aims to create a sui generis legal education system that is able to chisel a new generation of lawyers who are able, competent and humane and who would permeate not only into the legal system of our country, but also of the world as a whole, so as to meet the challenges of ever-evolving humane society.

Our endeavour has been to transform legal education into justice education and to be an instrument of social, political and economic change. The primary mission of the University is to create lawyers who will be professionally competent, technically sound and socially relevant. They shall enter the front rows of the Bar and the Bench to address imperatives of the new millennium, uphold the values of Indian Constitution and help strengthen the rule of law in the country. This necessarily means that students at our prestigious Law University shall be the bridge connecting the law with society, economics and politics.



Prof. (Dr.) Ranbir Singh

REGISTRAR'S MESSAGE

National Law University, Delhi is a relatively younger national law school. Dynamic in approach and innovative in outlook, the NLU Delhi aspires to be known as a University with focus on research. It has already commenced its journey in this direction. Equipped with a very capable world class faculty, the NLU Delhi intends to extend quality legal education to prepare a new generation of lawyers to advance the cause of justice. The academic curriculum, pedagogy and teaching methods are designed to enable the young budding lawyers to think critically, well conversant with legal principles and practice in a holistic perspective. As a distinguishing institution, the NLU Delhi is engaged in training of teachers and other professionals in big way. The University has a strong component of legal aid segment.

The University ensures to bridge the gap between the theory and practical application of concepts through a learning process which is simulative, participative and multi-disciplinary. NLU Delhi will attempt to ignite and nurture the spirit of critical inquiry. The physical infrastructure developments on the campus are in tune with the rapid progress on the academic front. Justice T.P.S. Chawla Library supports teaching and research needs of faculty and students by providing access to a comprehensive array of legal resources both in print and electronic format along with outstanding online law collections. University sincerely intends to achieve the goal of making legal education as an instrument of social, political and economic change.



Prof. (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai

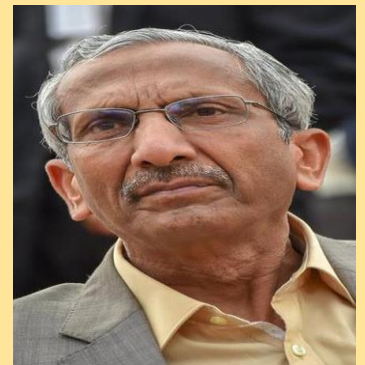
VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

“FUNDAMENTAL DUTIES AND ENVIRONMENTAL JURISPRUDENCE: CONTEMPORARY ISSUE”

BY HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADARSH K. GOEL

Born on July 7, 1953 at Hissar, Haryana. He did his B.A. Hons. and LL.B. from the Punjab University, Chandigarh. He was enrolled as an Advocate with the Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana on July 16, 1974. He practised before the High Court of Punjab and Haryana for about five years and before the Supreme Court of India and Delhi High Court for about 22 years. Designated as Senior Advocate by the Supreme Court on February 11, 1999. He was elevated as Judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court on July 2, 2001.

Appointed as Executive Chairman, Haryana State Legal Services Authority on May 17, 2005. He was the Chief Justice Acting of the Punjab and Haryana High Court from May 2, 2011 till he joined as the Senior most Judge of the Gauhati High Court on September 12, 2011. Sworn in as Chief Justice of the Gauhati High Court on December 20, 2011. Sworn in as Chief Justice of the Orissa High Court on October 12, 2013 on transfer. Elevated as Judge of Supreme Court and assumed charge on July 7, 2014. Appointed as Chairperson of National Green Tribunal on July 6, 2018.



**Hon'ble Mr. Justice
Adarsh K. Goel**

TIMELINE

DATE	EVENT
AUGUST 16, 2020	Release of the Moot Problem & Opening of Registration
AUGUST 28, 2020	Last date for seeking clarifications
SEPTEMBER 12, 2020	Last date for Registration
SEPTEMBER 27, 2020	Submission of Memorials
OCTOBER 06, 2020	Declaration of Results of Memorial - Qualifications
OCTOBER 16-18, 2020	Oral Rounds

RULES & REGULATIONS

I. ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to a student of any Higher Education Institution in India.

II. TEAM COMPOSITION

- Each team shall consist of 3 members (2 speakers and 1 researcher). This number cannot be modified under any circumstances.
- Each team shall allocate the role of speakers and researcher among themselves which will be followed during the entire competition. The team shall notify this arrangement at the time of registration to the organizers through the registration form and such arrangement cannot be modified during the competition under any circumstances.
- Each team will have a team code. Teams shall not disclose their identity or that of their region/city etc.; such disclosure shall invite automatic penalties including disqualification. The Administrator's decision in this matter shall be final.

III. ROUNDS

- There will be 2 (two) rounds of the Competition i.e. Memorial Qualification Round and Oral Rounds.
- A total of 24 teams will qualify the Memorial Qualification Round and will proceed to the Oral Rounds to be held through **virtual conferencing**.
- There will be 2 preliminary rounds, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals, and Finals.
- 8 Teams with the highest total marks [decided on the basis of total marks scored by a team during the rounds as mentioned in XI(b)] after both the preliminary rounds will proceed to compete in the Quarter-Finals.
- Similarly, 4 Teams with the highest total marks will proceed to the Semi-Finals.

- Only those teams who qualify for the Oral Rounds will be required to pay a sum of Rs.1000/- per team as registration fee through the link that will be sent later through a separate e-mail.
- Certificate of Participation will be awarded to all the teams that will register and successfully submit the memorials on the due date.
- Other Prizes include a Trophy and Certificate under each of the following heads: I. Winners ii. Runners-up iii. Best Memorial iv. Best Speaker

IV. MEMORIALS

1. The following requirements must be strictly met. Non-conformities will be penalized:

- Each team must prepare both the memorials, i.e., 1 for Petitioner and 1 for Respondent.
- Once the memorials are submitted, no revisions, supplements, or additions will be allowed.
- Memorials must be submitted on typed A 4 size paper and must contain:
 - i. Table of Contents
 - ii. Index of Authorities
 - iii. Statement of Jurisdiction
 - iv. Statement of Facts (**not exceeding 1 page**)
 - v. Statement of Issues
 - vi. Summary of Arguments
 - vii. Arguments Advanced (15 pages)
 - viii. Prayer
- Arguments advanced must not exceed 15 (fifteen) pages.
- Memorials must have a one-inch margin on all sides of each page. Font size should be 12 with font Times New Roman and 1.5 paragraph spacing. Footnotes must be in font size 10, single-spaced, and double-space between two footnotes.

- Page numbering should be on the bottom middle side of each page.
- Covers must be placed on briefs as follows:
 - I. Petitioner: Pale Blue Colour
 - II. Respondent: Pale Red Colour
- The cover page of memorials must state the following:
 - I. The Case Title
 - II. Identify the brief as Petitioner or Respondent
 - III. Name and Year of the Competition
 - IV. Team Code on the top-right corner of the page

2. Submission and Penalties

- The teams should submit the soft copy of both the memorials, in both '.docx' and '.pdf' format, by 23:59:59 on 27th September 2020 at constitution.moot@nludelhi.ac.in with the subject line as "Submission of Memorials".
- Late submissions will be subjected to a penalty of 1 mark per hour, first deduction being made at 00:00:01 on 28th September 2020.
- Violation of formatting rules will carry a penalty of 0.5 marks per violation [points mentioned under IX (1) and IX (2)].
- The maximum total penalty imposed will not exceed 5 marks. e. The memorials will be checked for plagiarism on Turnitin or similar platforms. If the similarity index is 20% or more in 'Summary of Arguments' or 'Arguments Advanced' from any source on the internet or from other memorials, it may lead to disqualification of the team. This does not include text quoted from cases or statutes.

V. ORAL ROUNDS

- After releasing the names of Top 24 teams that Qualified for Oral Rounds, the selected teams will be notified further details through one or more e-mails from the coordinating committee. **Google Meet will be used as a platform for the competition.** The participant will receive a link for the argument room through email. Each participant must join the room minimum of 15 minutes before the starting of each round. During this time period, attendance will be taken and other information [X(d) & (e)] will be filled by the bailiff.
- In each oral round, a team will be represented by 2 speakers who will present arguments and do the rebuttals / sur-rebuttals – all within the prescribed time limit of that respective round.
- **(Total 30 + 30 = 60 minutes)**
- The order of speaking must be strictly followed as follows:
 - I. Speaker 1 – Petitioner
 - II. Speaker 2 – Petitioner
 - III. Speaker 1 - Respondent
 - IV. Speaker 2 - Respondent
 - V. Rebuttal
 - VI. Sur-rebuttal
- Each team will get a total of 30 minutes to present its case. Every minute of extra time will attract automatic penalties unless allowed by the Judges. The time includes questioning by the judges.
- In the case of internet connectivity issues, the time limit can be extended up to 1 additional hour. If the problem persists, the scoring will be done by considering the completed arguments of the team that is facing such issues. If no arguments could be made then the other team will automatically get a 'win' for that particular round.

- The division of this time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to maximum all-inclusive (arguments + rebuttal/ sur-rebuttal) of **18 minutes per speaker**. The division of time shall be informed to the bailiff before the starting of the round and cannot be altered at any subsequent stage of the preliminary round. Both speakers must compulsorily speak.
- Rebuttal or sur-rebuttal shall be done by only one speaker. This shall be informed to the bailiff before the starting of each round. It cannot be altered during the entire round, though the team can change it in the next round (e.g. Semi-Finals).
- The oral arguments need not be confined to the issues presented in the memorials.
- There will be a minimum of Two Judges in each room for the preliminary rounds.
- After 2 preliminary rounds, the top 4 teams [based on total marks as given in XI. (b)] will qualify for the Semi-Finals.
- All rounds will be conducted in the manner specified above.
- The score sheets for all the rounds will be sent to the coordinating committee by the judges of the respective rounds through e-mail after the completion of each round.



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