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# ARTICLE WRITING COMPETITION

TO CELEBRATE VIGILANCE AWARENESS WEEK  
(OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup> - NOVEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>)

Organised by by the Publication and Research Committee,  
Centre for Transparency and Accountability in Governance  
(CTAG) NLU Delhi and in collaboration with the UN Global  
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# WHAT IS IT?

Vigilance Awareness Week is an annual observance in India, typically held in the last week of October, to raise public awareness about corruption and promote integrity, transparency, and accountability in public governance. It coincides with the birthday of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on October 31st, honoring his commitment to probity and good governance. During this week, various government bodies, public sector undertakings, and educational institutions organize activities like administering integrity pledges and holding awareness sessions to encourage everyone to collectively fight corruption.

# THEMES?

Participants may choose to write on any one of the following themes:

1. **Efficacy of Integrity in Combating Corruption**
2. **Combating Corruption through Collectivism**
3. **Role of Student Organisations in Combating Corruption**

Each of these themes seeks to highlight the multifaceted nature of corruption and the need for ethical, social, and institutional mechanisms to address it effectively.

# ELIGIBILITY?

The competition is open to all undergraduate and postgraduate students enrolled in any recognised university or institution (except National Law University, Delhi students).

*The students submitting their manuscript are also required to take the integrity pledge and submit an undertaking of the same.*

# AWARDS?

The top three articles from each theme will be awarded a cash prize of ₹5,000 each.

Winners will also receive an internship opportunity with CTAG, NLU Delhi.

The piece will also be published in the MTAG Magazine, subject to scrutiny.

# SUBMISSION DETAILS?

Deadline: 11:59 p.m., 30th October 2025

Submission Email:

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# SUBMISSION GUIDELINES?

- Word Limit: 3000 words (exclusive of footnotes).
- Citation Style: OSCOLA, 4th Edition.
- Formatting:
- Body: Times New Roman, Font Size 12, 1.5 Line Spacing.
- Footnotes: Times New Roman, Font Size 10, Single Line Spacing.

## **Judgment Criteria**

Submissions will be evaluated based on:

- Depth and quality of research;
- Originality and substantive contribution to the chosen theme;
- Arguments supported by verifiable data and credible sources; - Novelty and avoidance of repetition of existing literature;
- Analytical rigour and inclusion of implementable recommendations.

# INTEGRITY PLEDGE

I believe that corruption has been one of the major obstacles to the economic, political, and social progress of our country.

I believe that all stakeholders, such as the Government, citizens, and the private sector, need to work together to eradicate corruption.

I realize that every citizen should be vigilant and commit to highest standards of honesty and integrity at all times and support the fight against corruption.

I, therefore, pledge: '

- To follow probity and rule of law in all walks of life;
- To neither take nor offer bribes;
- To perform all tasks in an honest and transparent manner;
- To act in public interest;
- To lead by example, exhibiting integrity in personal behavior;
- To report any incident of corruption to the appropriate agency