



**ARGUE ACTION**

PRESENTS



**1ST NATIONAL  
MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2021** 

( 18th & 19th MARCH 2021 )

**DETAILS:**

- Last date of registration: **1st MARCH 2021**
- Last date of memorial submission: **7th MARCH 2021**

**PERKS**

**WINNING TEAM:** Cash Prize worth Rs.5500+ Trophy+Certificate of Merit

**RUNNERS UP:** Cash Price worth Rs.3500+Trophy+Certificate of Merit

**BEST MEMORIAL:** Trophy+Certificate of Merit

**BEST RESEARCHER:** Trophy+Certificate of Merit

**BEST SPEAKER:** Trophy+Certificate of Merit

# ABOUT ARGUE ACTION

Located in the vibrant Financial Capital of India, Argue Action provides an enriched learning environment that has helped countless students get ahead. At Argue Action, we know what it takes to enhance our students' education. Our unique approach to learning and top-quality faculty makes Argue Action more than just a physical Law School - it's a life experience. We invite you to explore our dynamic and diverse community, and stop by for a visit at your convenience. We're extremely proud of our students and staff, who are always eager to learn, create and grow together. Give us a call to find out more about how we can help you prepare for the future.

## Mission/Vision

**“To offer accessible quality legal education, training, research and innovation and cultivate the intellectual discipline, creativity, and critical skills that will prepare students for the highest standards of professional competence in the practice of law in a global environment.”**

## FOUNDER'S MESSAGE



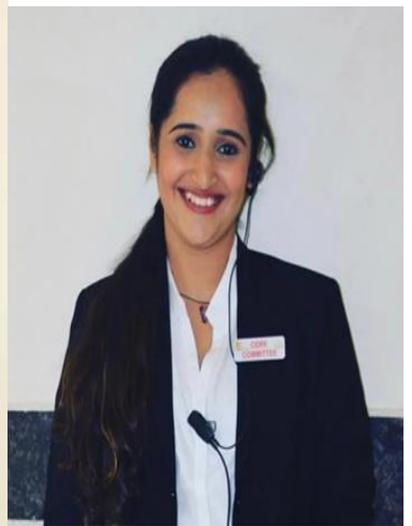
**SAKSHI BAADKAR**

**COO**



**ABHISHEK SINGH**

**CEO**



**BHAIRAVI JADHAV**

**CMO**

The quest for knowledge, insight and wisdom is part and parcel of life. The more we learn, the more we realize that we do not know. It is the aim of our family to focus on keeping our students and their families calm, reassured and informed. Our priorities are for the health and safety of our community as well as the continuity of learning for our students. Argue Action envisions to impart value based legal education with the commitment to serve society. This COVID-19 pandemic is a challenge which Argue Action has accepted as an opportunity to impart education and reach new milestones. We believe that the success of an organization is deeply rooted in its ability to keep pace with the rapidly evolving demands of time.

## **OUR EXTENDED FAMILY**



**PRANALI ALUGADE**



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# INVITATION

## 1<sup>ST</sup> NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2021

To,  
The Director/Vice-Chancellor/Dean/Head/Principal,

Ref: Invitation For 1<sup>st</sup> National Moot Court Competition, 2021.

Dear Madam/Sir,  
Greetings of the day!

We the team of Argue Action take immense pride in announcing our **1<sup>st</sup> National Moot Court Competition, 2021** to be held on **18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021** virtually.

We are pleased to invite **THREE** teams from your esteemed institution to participate in our National Moot Court Competition as per the details attached herewith. Please find attached herewith the rules, regulations, registration forms and the brochure. All the details are also available on our website <https://www.argueaction.com/>

We request you to confirm your participation at the earliest. Thank you.

Regards,  
Team Argue Action.

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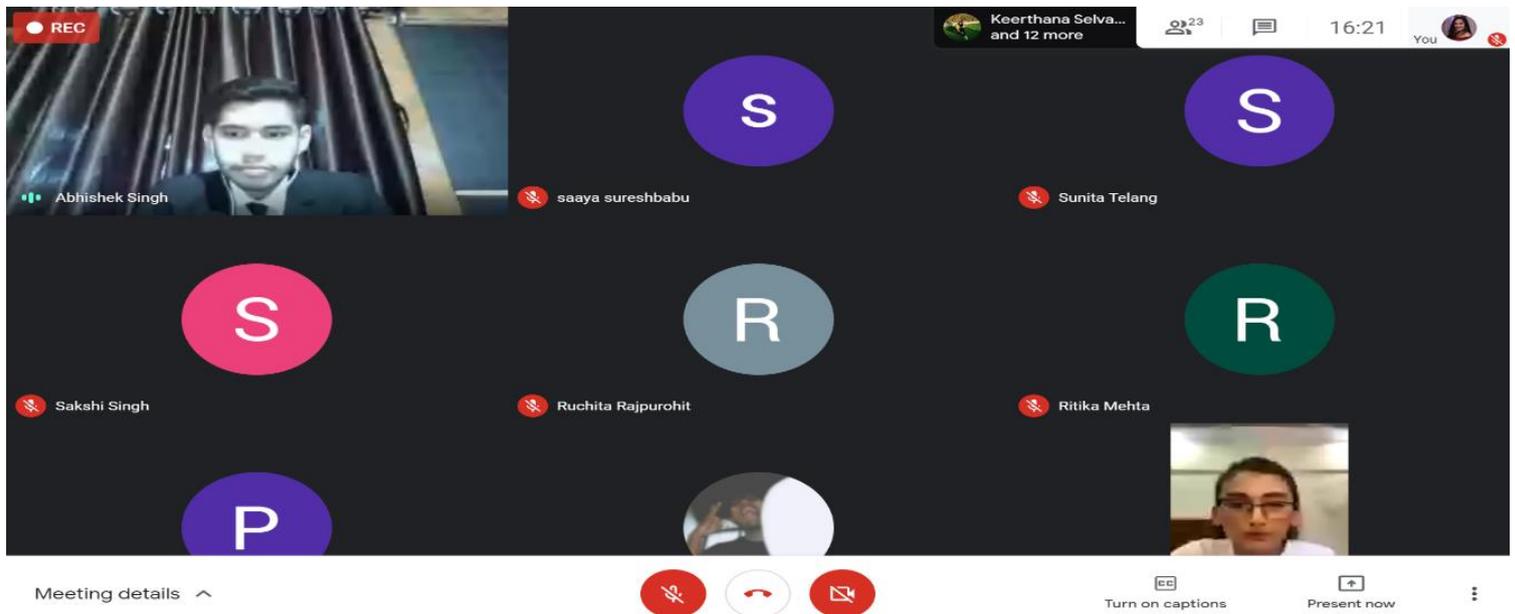
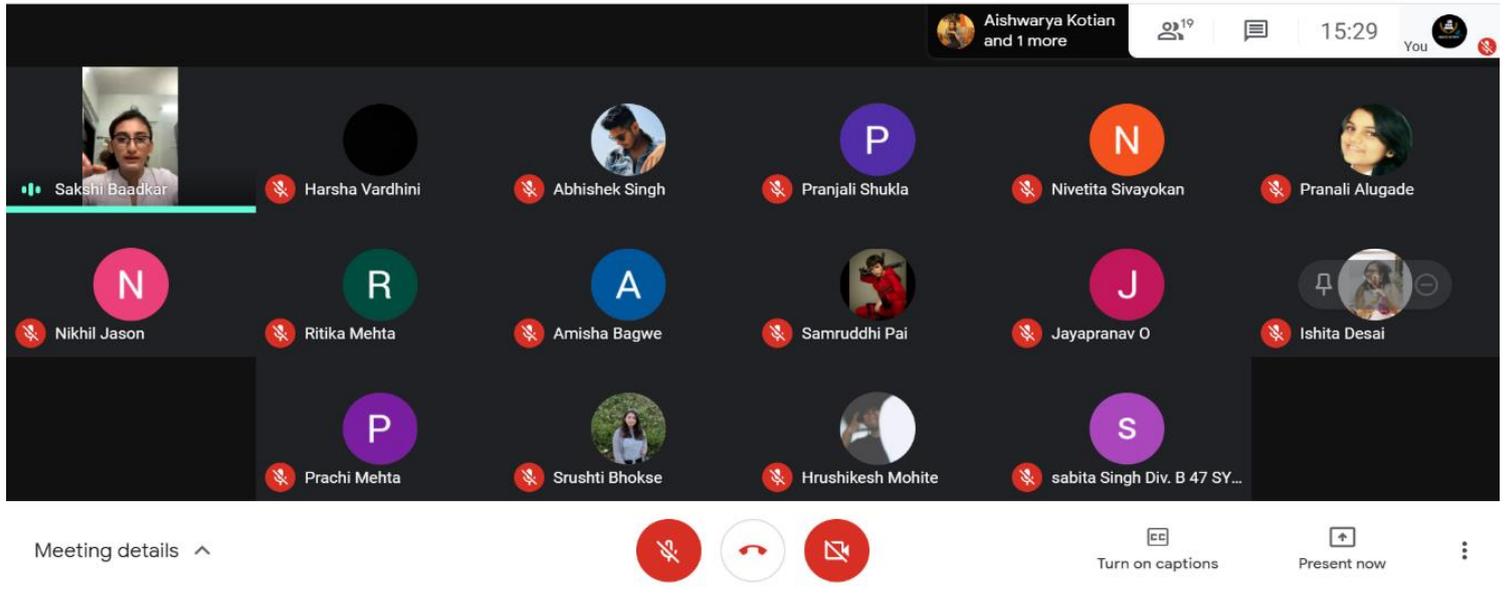
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## GLIMPSE OF BASIC & ADVANCED MOOTING GEAR



Advocacy is a skill required of many who works in a legal sphere or who aspires to work in a legal sphere. In law colleges, Moot court competitions are the primary source to learn advocacy skills but many colleges do not guide you on how to prepare for a Moot Court Competition but we at Argue action do. Argue action is an online platform aiming to help you develop your advocacy skills.

### Our 2 courses:

#### 1) Basic Mooting Gear 2) Advanced Mooting Gear

These courses help you and guide you to sharpen your mooting skills.

Our **Basic Level Mooting Gear** course covers topics such as:

- How to select a Moot
- How to acquire skills to solve the proposition or to break down the moot problem.

- How thoroughly you should research. Guides on what are the main points that we can focus on while researching.
- How to present, presentation skills.

Our **Advanced Level Mooting Gear** course covers:

- How to draft a memorial.
- How to sharpen your oratory skills
- Tips to have an edge over other teams
- Guidance on compilations and rebuttals.

## GLIMPSE OF MONO ADVOCACY COMPETITION



Mooting is an excellent way of learning, practicing and perfecting advocacy.

We at Argue Action, provide you an online platform to showcase your advocacy skills.

We had organized:

**National Mono Advocacy Competition** where students from all over the country participated.

They argued on the provided moot problem efficiently, researched thoroughly and represented themselves through online platform.

The winners were awarded with Merit certificates and internship opportunities.

Top 10 Merit holders were rewarded with discount coupons for online courses.

We at argue action, encourage learning and we believe that knowledge should not be stored , it should be shared.

## 1<sup>ST</sup> NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION

Given the prevailing circumstances we all, especially lawyers and law students, are compelled to sit inside our homes.

Argue Action, understanding the plight of students, is organizing an event which will be a whole new opportunity to turn things around and make the most of our time by upgrading our skill sets, enriching growth and knowledge, making this time productive. While pursuing a career in law, it is vital to ace research and mooted skills.

Further, we would like to take this opportunity to highlight the importance of this online event as it promotes the idea of Social Distancing despite bringing in the law students together on a single platform.

The main objective of the competition is to appraise the students about presenting the case, drafting memorials and arguing the case from either side on the basis of evidence and substantive questions of law to prove their case before the court.

## MOOT PROPOSITION

1. Shagun and Satish are residing in Mumbranchal where the penal laws are similar to the penal laws of India. Shagun is a student of class XI studies in Girls higher Secondary School, Versova, while Satish is a student of Commerce in nearby Government College for boys.
2. Shagun got attracted to Satish. One day she called him to meet her in a restaurant after her classes. Satish went to the restaurant where he was proposed by Shagun. Satish got impressed and they started meeting regularly after class. Shagun was noticed many times in her school uniform by her relatives roaming around with Satish. Rekha, the mother of Shagun was told by her brother that the neighbors are talking about her daughter so she should stop her from meeting the boy. Rekha shared this information with her husband Jay Ram. They tried to stop her and convince Satish that it is harming their reputation in society.
3. Despite that Shagun did not stop and called Satish to create pressure on his parents to get engaged. On May 10, 2020 parents of Satish came to meet Rekha and Jay Ram and compelled them to engage their daughter Shagun aged 17 years to Satish aged 20 years. Firstly, they refused but later when Shagun insisted, they kept engagement ceremony on June 10, 2020 in Town Hall. During ceremony sister of Satish who was junior of Shagun told her mother that Shagun does not run good reputation in School and her habits are objectionable. On June 16, 2020 mother of Satish came to meet Rekha and had altercation with her. She blamed Shagun for her bad character. Rekha got offended and sent message to Satish's mother that this engagement was not acceptable to her.
4. After about a week, Rekha went to purchase household items from market. When she came back, she found her daughter missing from home. She enquired from neighbor Roshni about her daughter. She told her, "Satish came to her house and had a talk with her. Thereafter, Satish went to the market. After sometimes, Shagun followed him to the market". Rekha informed Jay Ram about the missing daughter. Jay Ram reached his house and started searching for Shagun. He asked the shopkeeper who was uncle of Satish. Shopkeeper replied that he had seen Satish

and Shagun going towards Bus Stand. Jay Ram went to bus stand but there was no clue about Shagun and Satish. He also contacted parents of Satish but could not trace his daughter.

5. On June 25, 2020 father of the girl filed a complaint in Versova police station about the missing daughter blaming Satish and his family. When Satish had the knowledge of the complaint, he surrendered in Versova police station on June 29, 2020. Mother of Satish got annoyed and sent Shagun to her father telling her not to come again. Police recorded statements of both of them and sent them for medical examination. Their clothes were sent to forensic lab.
6. Shagun in her statement did not blame Satish for any of the acts during these days. She admitted that Satish never forced her to do anything against her consent. She admitted that she had called Satish to her house. She convinced him to get married to her without informing her parents as she knew that her parents will not permit her to get married to him. She confessed that Satish was innocent as this was planned by her only. She had threatened him of dire consequences on his refusal. Satish accepted her offer only after he was convinced by Shagun that she was not minor.
7. Satish disclosed that they are in love with each other and got married in Radha Krishan Temple which is 25 Kms. away from his house. Before performing rituals, Satish had called his parents and friends and informed about their marriage. They reached temple after the Hindu religious rites and customs were over. Mother of Satish scolded Shagun and refused to take her to her house. After Satish insisted, Shagun was allowed to stay with Satish by his mother.
8. In investigation, it was found that Satish had slept with Shagun. Satish was arrested and charged for kidnapping and rape. Before Trial Court, Satish requested to conduct ossification test of Shagun. The doctor suggested the age of Shagun as 18yrs. +\_ 6months. During trial before court on January 25, 2021 it was disclosed by Satish that on January 21, 2021 Shagun had eloped with her neighbor Karan. They got married and are staying in Karan's house.
9. After hearing the arguments, the learned trial court arrived at the conclusion that charges of kidnapping and rape against the Satish were fully proved beyond a reasonable doubt. Trial Court held that the Shagun was less than 18 years of age on the date of the incident and her consent was immaterial. The Trial Court convicted Satish of the commission of offence punishable under section 363 and 376 of MPC and sentenced him as under:

- I. Satish has to undergo three years imprisonment for offence punishable under section 363 of MPC with fine of Rs.6,000/- and in default of payment of fine, to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of two months.
- II. Satish was to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of seven years for the commission of offence punishable under section 376 of MPC and to pay a fine of Rs.1,00,000/- and in case of default he would have to undergo additional simple imprisonment for a period of one year.
- III. All the sentences were ordered to run concurrently.

Aggrieved by the judgment of Trial court, Satish has filed this appeal in High Court of Mumbranchal.

## RULES

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- Maximum number of 3 teams from each college can participate
  - Members from different college can also form a team
  - A team shall be ordinarily composed of three (3) members,
  - Two speakers and One researcher

### • LANGUAGE:

The official working language for National Moot Court Competition shall be English.

### • PARTICIPATION, ELIGIBILITY AND TEAM COMPOSITION:

- Participation is restricted to bona-fide law students enrolled in the 3 year or 5 year LL.B. course.
- A Team shall be ordinarily composed of three (3) members, with two Speakers and one Researcher. A two-member team comprising of only two (2) speakers with no Researcher will also be permitted. A minimum of two members will thus be required for each team.
- Participation will be restricted to only 3 teams from each participating college.
- All research, writing and editing must be solely the product of Team members.
- No change in the names of the participants shall be permitted after the receipt of the registration forms.
- The researcher shall be allowed to argue with prior permission of the court and National Administrator in case of illness of the designated speakers.

### • DRAW OF LOTS:

The draw of lots for the preliminary rounds will take place on **17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021 at 12:00 p.m.**

### • MEMORIALS:

- The language of the memorials shall be English.
- Each team must prepare memorials for both parties to the dispute (Applicants and Respondent).
- The Memorial shall not contain any annexure/Photographs/sketches/exhibits etc.
- The **soft copy** of the Memorials for the Applicant and the Respondent should be mailed to [argueaction@gmail.com](mailto:argueaction@gmail.com) with SOFTCOPY – MEMORIAL as subject & Team code as your

File Name.

- Exchange of memorial will only be for Octa/ Quarter/ Semi-final/ Final round.

• **FORMAT OF MEMORIALS:**

All the teams shall submit the Memorials fulfilling the following specifications:

- The font style of the body of the Memorial must be Times New Roman, font size – 12, and the size of the footnotes / endnotes, if any, must be of Font size – 10.
- Each page of the Memorial must have margin of at least an inch on all sides.
- The memorial should not exceed more than 30 pages including the cover page.

- The Memorial shall consist of following parts:

i) Cover Page – (Color Blue for Petitioner and Red for Respondent)

ii) Table of contents.

iii) List of Abbreviations.

iv) Index of Authorities.

v) Statement of Jurisdiction.

vi) Statement of Facts.

vii) Statement of Issues.

viii) Summary of Arguments

ix) Arguments Advanced

x) Prayers

- There will be negative marking for delayed submission, which shall be deducted at once from the total memorial score obtained by a team.
- Relevant articles/materials/case law may be provided as a supplementary volume to the Memorial, which must also be submitted with the Memorial.
- The supplementary volume, if any, must not contain any reference to the name of the participants or College or University or Law School.

- Copies of articles/materials/case-laws which are not appended to the memorials or referred to in the memorials may not be relied upon at the time of oral arguments.
- Teams will NOT be marked on the supplementary volume, if any, while judging their Memorials.

• **PENALTIES**

Any memorial violating any of the specifications mentioned above will be penalized according to the following scheme:

S. No.	Criterion	Penalty (each side)
1.	Late submission of Memorials	(-) 1 mark each, for every hour after the deadline
2.	Exceeding the prescribed page limit	(-) 1 mark per extra page
3.	Not following the prescribed format	(-) 0.5 mark per specification per page
4.	Submitting memorials in multiple emails	(-) 1 mark
5.	Speaking footnote or endnote	(-) 0.5 mark per footnote

• **EVALUATION OF MEMORIALS:**

Every Memorial will be marked on a total of 100 marks and the team memorial marks will be the average of the total of both sides. The following shall be the marking scheme:

S. No	Criterion	Marks
1.	Application of Facts	25 marks
2.	Reasoning	25 marks
3.	Use of Authorities and Precedent	20 marks
4.	Understanding Law and Procedure	20 marks
5.	Presentation	10 marks

- **FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION**

The Moot competition shall consist of:

- 1) Preliminary Round
- 2) Octa-Final Round (will be held if registered teams are 24 and above),
- 3) Quarter Final Round (will be held if registered teams are 16 & above)
- 4) Semi-Final Round
- 5) Final Round

Each Team will have a Maximum of:

- **15 minutes**, in Preliminary round for oral arguments, of which no single speaker shall be permitted to address the court for more than 7 minutes.
- **20 minutes**, in Octa - final round, of which no single speaker shall be permitted to address the court for more than 10 minutes.
- **25 minutes**, in Quarter-final round, of which no single speaker shall be permitted to address the court for more than 12 minutes.
- **30 minutes**, in Semi-Final Round, of which no single speaker shall be permitted to address the court for more than 15 minutes.
- **40 minutes**, in Final Round, of which no single speaker shall be permitted to address the court for more than 20 minutes.

The above timing includes the timing for rebuttal & Sur – rebuttal.

## **ORAL ROUNDS**

### **1) Preliminary Rounds:**

There shall be 1 Preliminary Round on **18th March, 2021** i.e. Thursday via Pre Recorded Video Formats.

- In the preliminary round all the teams must argue their case from the side allotted to them by draw of lots on **17<sup>th</sup> March, 2021**.
- Participants need to send their pre-recorded videos on **18<sup>th</sup> March, 2021** on or before **11:00 a.m.** to **argueaction@gmail.com** and the organizing committee will forward the same to judges.
- Each Team shall be given a maximum of 15 minutes for oral submission in the preliminary rounds.
- For the purposes of qualification from the Preliminary Rounds to the Octa Finals, the top 16 teams shall be decided on the basis of the aggregate of oral scores (after factorization). In case two or more teams having the same aggregate score, their memorial scores shall be taken into consideration.
- The Best Advocate will be decided on the basis of the scores of the Preliminary round.

### **2) Octa / Quarter / Semi Finals:**

- The teams will be power protected. The highest-ranking team will argue against the lowest-ranking team. The highest ranking teams will pick lots for choosing the side of argument.
- The time covers oral arguments and rebuttal. The Octa, quarter and semifinal rounds are knockout rounds.
- Top 8 teams will advance from Octa final to Quarter-final rounds
- Top 4 teams will advance from Quarter final to Semi-final rounds

### **3) Final Rounds:**

- The two teams qualifying from the semi-final rounds shall compete in the final round.

#### **• RESEARCHER TEST**

- The Researcher's Test shall be conducted on **19<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 at 9:00a.m.** via online medium.
- The Researcher's Test shall be in the format of both Multiple & Subjective questions with the questions based on the applicable law, precedents, and facts pertaining to the Moot Proposition.
- Participation in the Researcher's Test is mandatory for all the Teams and failure to participate may result in disqualification, subject to the discretion of the OC.

- The duration of the Researcher’s Test will be 30 minutes.
- The participant shall ensure complete integrity and shall not resort to unfair means while attempting the test. Any such attempt shall result in disqualification.

**• DELAY IN APPEARANCE/PRESENTATION:**

If a team scheduled to participate in the oral submissions of a Round does not appear for 10 minutes after the scheduled commencement of such Round, the other team shall have to make oral submissions ex-parte. (Unless the delay is due to extreme unavoidable circumstances)

**• EVALUATION OF THE ORAL SUBMISSIONS:**

- Speaker marks, for the purpose of other Rounds of the Competition, shall be utilized as determined elsewhere in these Rules.
- The evaluation would be done on the following criteria:

S. No.	Criterion	Marks
1.	Response to Questions and Articulation	25 marks
2.	Reasoning in the Application of Principles	25 marks
3.	Use of Authorities and Precedents	20 marks
4.	Application of Facts	20 marks
5.	Advocacy Skills, Court Craft and Demeanour	10 marks

The evaluation of the total marks for each speaker shall be the average marks awarded by each judge.

**• JUDGES’ FEEDBACK:**

Judges are encouraged to provide direct feedback to Teams regarding their performance at the completion of the Oral Round. They shall not engage in any commentary which may reveal the content of the Bench Memorial or announce the winner of the round.

**• REPORTING OF RESULTS:**

After the conclusion of each Competition, each Team participating in such Competition shall receive the following on the team’s request:

- A copy of memorial score sheets with attendant comments, if any;
- A copy of oral round assessment – judge’s score sheets with attendant comments, if any, from

Preliminary Rounds of the Competition;

- Results will be announced after the completion of the preliminary/ Octa/ quarter/ semi- final rounds. The Final result and the winners of the various categories will be announced only during the valediction/ prize distribution ceremony.

• **MODE OF ONLINE ROUNDS**

The rounds will be conducted via Google Meet. All teams are requested to download Google Meet on their laptops/phones beforehand.

- Participants have to ensure high speed 4G internet connection with good audio and video facilities. It is advisable to the participants to use laptops or PC for the oral rounds.
- The background of the participants should be preferably plain. The background / surroundings of the participants should not be or project either through signage, color, logo, emblem, infrastructure or any other form of display which would reveal the identity of the participants and / or the institution they represent.
- Utmost care to be taken as regards to external sound or noise while the proceedings are on. During the oral round proceedings ensure that the same is conducted from a noise free room.
- At the time when the other participant is speaking, you are expected to keep your mic mute. In case a participant is found disturbing the other pleader anyway, he/she may be disqualified

• **CLARIFICATIONS OF THE COMPETITION PROBLEM OR RULES:**

Teams may submit written requests for clarifications of the Moot Problem or these Rules. Requests for such clarifications must be received by the organizers till **25th February, 2021**. Teams may submit requests for clarifications by email only. All clarifications to legitimate requests will be summarized and answered to the participating colleges/universities.

If, however, the college/university has failed to provide the organizer with the details of a contact person, the organizer would not be responsible for clarifications sought and corrections required.

• **SCOUTING:**

- Scouting by the speakers, researcher or any other person affiliated with a team will lead to the immediate disqualification of such team.
- Scouting shall be deemed to have happened if any person affiliated with a team is found: Witnessing, hearing, observing, etc. the oral submissions in a Round, except where the Round is one in which the team to which he/she is affiliated is participating in; or

- Reading a Memorial of a team except where: It is of the team to which he/she is affiliated; or the Memorials have been obtained on account of an exchange of memorials prior to a Round of the team to which he/she is affiliated.

• **ANONYMITY:**

Participants/ Participating Teams **shall not** disclose their names and the identity of their respective institution/ college/university at any time before the award ceremony. Each team shall be issued individual codes, at the time of registration and the same shall be the sole source of identity of the respective teams throughout the competition.

Note: All Participants shall refrain from wearing or using any identifying items, such as badges, blazers, pins or any other identifying material(s) such as a books/bags with a college/university/library logo or seal.

• **COPYRIGHT:**

The copyright over the memorials submitted for participation in the competition is assigned by participants and shall vest completely and fully on the Organizers. The Participants shall certify in writing the originality of materials contained therein and shall be responsible for any claim or dispute arising out of the further use and exhibition of these materials. Further use and exhibition of these materials, electronically or otherwise, shall be the exclusive right of the Organizers and they shall not be responsible for any liability to any person for any loss caused by errors or omissions in the collection of information, or for the accuracy, completeness, or adequacy of the information contained in these materials.

• **MISCELLANEOUS:**

All the participants are expected to maintain the decorum in the court during the competition and are expected to conduct themselves in a manner befitting the legal profession.

- The organizers will resolve any contingencies that may arise and will be the final arbiters regarding any doubts/ grievances. The decision taken by the organizers shall be final and binding.
- Acceptance of above-mentioned rules and regulations is a pre-requisite to participation in the competition. The rules shall be strictly adhered to. The organizers reserve the right to disqualify teams for deviating from rules. The Organizers will resolve any contingencies that may arise and will be the final arbiters regarding any doubts/grievances. These Rules are not exhaustive.
- Any reference to identity of a team's institution or individual team members, either during oral arguments or in the Memorial may lead to disqualification of the team.
- The organizers reserve the right to take appropriate action for any unethical/ unprofessional and

immoral conduct.

- The organizers decision regarding the interpretation of rules or any other matter relating to competition shall be final.
- Organizers save the right to modify, alter, vary or repeal any of the above rules. If need so arises.

- **DISCLAIMER:**

The Moot Court Competition is based on a purely fictitious compromise/problem, whereby the characters & the incidents or the course of events in the compromise are completely imaginary and the same has no relation to any person living or dead or any past/present real-life incident. The Moot Court Competition is made solely for the purpose of training law students of India in developing an analytical bent of mind and serving the Bar and the Bench to the best of their abilities.

## **REGISTRATION DETAILS:**

Registration Fees **Rs 2000/-**

Last date of registration: **1<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

Last date of memorial submissions: **7<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

## **PERKS:**

<b>Winning Team</b>	Cash prize of Rs 5500+ Trophy+ Certificate of Merit
<b>Runners up</b>	Cash prize of Rs 3500+ Trophy+ Certificate of Merit
<b>Best Memorial</b>	Trophy + Certificate of Merit
<b>Best Researcher</b>	Trophy + Certificate of Merit
<b>Best Speaker</b>	Trophy + Certificate of Merit

**Top 10 Merit Holders:** Free courses, discount coupons for free courses, publication opportunities and online internship opportunities with law firms.

All the participants will get participation certificate.

To register, click on the link below: <https://forms.gle/AnrwR2y6rNpDo2xr5>

## **PAYMENT DETAILS:**

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Account type- Savings account

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