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MOOT COURT COMPETITION

RULES & REGULATIONS

It is hereby notified that the following rules shall govern the **Moot Court Competition** which is going to be held on **31st October 2015 and 1st November, 2015**.

- ✓ All participants must submit Memorials/ Written Submissions for **both sides**.
- ✓ All Memorials shall contain the following parts:
 - I. Cover Page
 - II. Table of Contents
 - III. Index of Authorities
 - IV. Statement of Jurisdiction
 - V. Summary of Facts (1 page)
 - VI. Summary of Arguments/Pleadings (1 page per issue)
 - VII. Arguments Advanced/Pleading [not more than 12 (twelve) Pages]
 - VIII. Prayer for Relief (1 page)
 - IX. Annexure (optional)
- ✓ The **Cover Page** of the Memorial must state the following:
 - **The Cause Title**
 - **Identify brief as Petitioners/Appellants or Respondents.**
 - The Memorial shall be typed on **A4 size** paper and shall adhere to the following requirements:
 - **Font type: Times New Roman**

- **Font size: 12 in 1.5 line spacing & 1 inch margin on each side.**
 - **Footnotes: Font type: Times New Roman, Font Size 10 and Single Line.**
- ✓ Memorials that do not follow the above mentioned specifications shall be penalised.
 - ✓ Memorials from each side should not contain more than **20 pages** (which constitutes summary of facts & arguments, arguments advanced and prayer).
 - ✓ The Memorial Cover Page should follow the following Colour Scheme:
 - **Blue : Petitioner/Appellants**
 - **Red : Respondent**
 - ✓ The registration for the teams should be done latest by **15th OCTOBER, 2014.**
 - ✓ All participants must submit **Six (6)** copies of the Memorial for **both sides.**
 - ✓ The soft copy of the memorial shall also be sent through e-mail on iilmootcourtsociety@gmail.com latest by **17th October, 2015** and the submission of hard copies should be done latest by **20th October, 2015.**
 - ✓ Each team will be awarded a code number and that number alone shall be marked on the memorials. No induction shall be made for identifying the participants.
 - ✓ Draw of lots and Exchange of memorials shall be conducted on **30th October, 2014.**
 - ✓ **Names of the participants or university or college should not be revealed in the Memorial in any manner whatsoever. Signature Pages are prohibited.**
 - ✓ The **type of paper** used for the printing of the memorials is **not** a criterion for marking of memorials and shall have no bearing on the marks obtained by a participant
 - ✓ Annexure **may** be passed to the bench during the rounds with the permission of the Judges.
 - ✓ The footnotes must be mentioned as per the Bluebook Citation (19th Edition).

- ✓ **Team composition** - Each team shall comprise of two speakers and one Researcher.
- ✓ **Language** - The competition shall be conducted strictly in English.
- ✓ **Ex Parte procedure** – At the outset, if a team fails to appear after 15 minutes of the scheduled time or in case of odd number of teams, then the oral round of the attending party may proceed **Ex parte**.
- ✓ Oral communications during the rounds is strictly outlawed. If seen, then penalized.
- ✓ In case of a tie, only the marks of the both the speaker will be taken into consideration. Moreover, if the marks of the speakers of both the teams become equivalent, then the marks scored by the team on the basis of **Knowledge of law** will be considered.

SCORING FOR MEMORIALS:

Criteria	Marks Allotted
Adhering to specifications on memorial	10
Substance of memorial (including legal research)	40
Presentations skills	20
Application of facts to the law	20
General Organization	10
Total	100

ORAL SUBMISSIONS:

1. Each team shall get a total of **20 minutes in preliminary rounds and semi final and further 30 minutes in final round** to present their case including rebuttal & Sur-rebuttal during the competition rounds.
2. The division of time is at the discretion of the team members.
3. The division of time must be communicated to the court clerks before commencing arguments.
4. If any speaker continues to speak after the completion of the allocated time, the additional time which he or she speak for will be deducted from the time

allocated to his or her co-speaker, as the case may be. However, no speaker shall be allowed to present his arguments beyond the maximum time.

5. Each speaker must introduce himself or herself to the court using only his identification code and team code given to him/her at the time of memorial submission.

SCORING FOR ORAL SUBMISSIONS:

The marking criteria for oral submissions shall be as provided herein under.

Criteria	Marks Allotted
Knowledge and Application of law	35
Answer to Court Questions	20
Advocacy/ Presentations	20
Perusal of facts	15
Perusal of Memorials in the Course of Oral Submissions	10
Total	100

MISCELLANEOUS:

All 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.

(a) The Moot Court Society reserves the right to take appropriate action for
(b) any unethical, unprofessional and immoral conduct.

(b)The dress code for the Participants shall be **White shirt, Black (Trousers, tie and Court)**.

(c) The researcher is not allowed to argue in the Court room. However, he/she can pass on the hand written notes to the Speakers with the permission of the Judges.

d) Any team found in the violation of the above-mentioned rule shall be disqualified forthwith.

e) Team found attempting to approach and influencing Judges/Administrators/Organizers shall be disqualified.

f) No member of any team will be permitted to hear the arguments in any court rooms in which that team is one of the contesting teams whilst that team is still in the competition.

DISPUTES:

(a) The participating teams in the competition shall honour and respect the spirit of the competition and Endeavour top conduct by themselves accordingly.

(b) In case of any dispute or difficulty arising out of or during the course of the competition, the Moot Court Society shall have the sole and absolute authority to remove such difficulty and resolve the dispute.

(c) The marks given by the judges will be final and binding to both the teams for which the society is not answerable.

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Prizes

Winning Team:- **Cash Prize of Rs. 21000/- , Trophy & Certificate**

Runner up Team:- **Cash Prize of Rs. 11000/-, Trophy & Certificate**

Best Mooter: **Trophy & Certificate**

All the participating team members shall be issued Certificate of Participation.