

# 4<sup>th</sup> AMITY INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2016

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**On Sports Law** 

# On 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>TH</sup> March 2016

Organized by

AMITY LAW SCHOOL, CENTRE –II AMITY UNIVERSITY NOIDA UTTAR PRADESH

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

## I. Aim and Purpose

The Amity Law School, Center II is organizing **International Moot Court Competition, 2016** to enable students to familiarize themselves with the law and practice of the International law.

# II. Date and Venue

The Competition shall be held on 10<sup>TH</sup>, 11<sup>TH</sup> and 12<sup>TH</sup> March 2016 at Block I-2/I-3, Amity Law School, Center II, Amity University, Sector – 125, Noida, Uttar Pradesh – 201303, INDIA.

## **III. Dress Code**

Formal wear

Ladies: Dark coloured salwar or trouser, white coloured kurta or shirt/ suit (black)

Gentlemen: White shirt with tie and dark coloured trouser / suit (black)

# IV. Language

The competition shall be held in English language.

# V. Eligibility

- All students currently enrolled in three year or five year LL.B. or LL.M. degree in any Law School/College/University in India, are eligible to participate in the Competition.
- Any recognized Institution/College/University shall be entitled to send only one team to the Competition.

# VI. Team Composition

 a. Each team shall be comprised of maximum 3 members, i.e. 2 speakers and 1 researcher. This number cannot be modified under any Amity Law School, Centre-II, Amity University, Sector-125, Noida, Uttar Pradesh – 201303 Tel. +91(0)-120-4392967; Fax. +91(0)-120-4392807; Website: www.amity.edu/als2 Email: als2.studentbarforum@gmail.com

circumstances. Teams shall identify such speakers and researcher during registration.

- b. Teams shall not disclose their identity or that of their institution or city at any time before or during the competition. Such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the Organizer.
- c. Any additional Member or Team Coach of any Team shall not be recognized and will not be entitled to a certificate from the Amity Law School Centre-II.

## VII. Registration

Each team can register provisionally by filling the online registration form whose link has been provided -  $\frac{http://goo.gl/forms/8cTrZSHljB}{1}$ .

To complete the process of registration, all participating teams are required to submit the complete registration form, duly signed and stamped by the Head of Institution/Principal/Head of Department along with the Demand Draft (DD) of **Rs. 4500/-** in favour of Amity University, Uttar Pradesh, payable at Noida. The aforementioned documents must be sent (by post or courier) to Amity Law School, Centre II, Amity University, Sector-125, Noida, Uttar Pradesh-201303. The deadline for registration is at **5 pm IST** on <u>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February</u> 2016. The Travel plan has been attached at the end of the rules and regulations kindly fill the plan and send the same along with the registration form.

The Registration fee for SAARC Countries is **50 USD** which they can pay in INR as well.

All other International teams shall pay **250 USD** or its equivalent excluding service charge (If Any) as the Registration Fee.

## VIII. Rounds

- a. Inaugural Ceremony, orientation & draw of lots will be on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>** March 2016.
- b. There will be two preliminary rounds on Friday 11th March 2016.
- c. Top eight teams will qualify for quarter finals, which will be held on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016 afternoon or Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2016 morning.
- d. The qualification to the knockout stage (Quarterfinals) will be based on
  - □ Win Points (2 wins in the preliminary rounds); and/or
  - □ The highest aggregate of scores in the preliminary rounds (in case of a tie, memorial marks will be the deciding factor).
- e. Top four teams will qualify for the Semi-finals on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March** 2016.

## Quarter Final, Semi Final and Final Rounds

The Quarterfinals and Semi Finals will be a knockout round evaluated on the basis of oral arguments and the memorial. Draw of lots will decide the side of the arguments (Applicant or Respondent) in Quarterfinals, Semi finals & Finals. The **Finals** will be held on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2016.** 

#### **IX.** Memorials

The following requirements for memorials must be strictly followed:

- a) Each Team is required to prepare a Memorial for both, the Applicant and the Respondent of the Case. It is to be noted with caution that the forum selected by the team shall remain same both for the Applicant and the Respondent.
- b) All teams must submit a soft copy and one hard copy of their memorials for each role and each case by email (<u>als2.studentbarforum@gmail.com</u>) and post to Amity Law School, Centre-II, Amity University, Sector-125, Noida, Uttar Pradesh – 201303 by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

- c) Once the memorials have been submitted, no revisions, supplements, or additions will be allowed.
- d) Remaining five (5) copies of each memorial for Applicant and Respondent of each case must be submitted to the Organizer at the time of registration and draw of lots.
- e) Memorial should be hard bound. Comb/spiral or any other form of binding will be considered proper binding. Please avoid plastic front sheets or separators.
- f) Each Memorial shall be presented in the following order:
  - 1. Front cover;
  - 2. Title page;
  - 3. Table of contents;
  - 4. List of abbreviations;
  - 5. Index of authorities (list of sources);
  - 6. Statement of facts;
  - 7. Issues;
  - 8. Summary of arguments;
  - 9. Written arguments;
  - 10. Submissions/Prayer;
  - 11. Optional: Annex (max two (2) pages); and
  - 12. Back cover
- g) Memorial Format
  - 1. Each team must submit its Memorial in PDF format.

- 2. Each team must submit its Memorials in size 12 Times New Roman font style and footnotes in size 10 Times New Roman font style.
- 3. Each page must have a margin of at least 1.25 cm on every side of the text.
- 4. Memorials must be continuously page-numbered, excluding the front-cover.
- h) Spacing
  - 1. The text of the Memorial must be 1.5 spaced and footnotes must be single spaced.
  - 2. Headings and subheadings of more than one line in length must be single spaced.
- i) Front Cover Requirements
  - The front cover must contain the following information:
  - 1. Team number
  - 2. Role (Defense Counsel and Counsel for the Applicant)
  - 3. Title of the Competition
  - 4. Title of the case
  - 5. The following color schemes shall be followed for the Cover Page of the Written Submission:
    - a) Applicant- RED (Preferably Light RED)
    - b) Respondent- BLUE (Preferably Light Blue)
- j) Each team must **omit** the following references in their Memorials:
  - 1. The names of team members;
  - 2. The members' and/or the university's country of residence;
  - 3. Its nationality; and
  - 4. The name of its university.
- k) Team code for memorials will be intimated to the participating teams via email once the registration form of the team is received by the organisers. Amity Law School, Centre-II, Amity University, Sector-125, Noida, Uttar Pradesh – 201303 Tel. +91(0)-120-4392967; Fax. +91(0)-120-4392807; Website: www.amity.edu/als2 Email: als2.studentbarforum@gmail.com

Team code for oral arguments will be given at the time of orientation/ draw of lots on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016**. Same team code will be given to each team for memorials and oral arguments.

l) Page Limit

Each Memorial must not exceed 25 pages, in which the advanced arguments should not be longer than 15 pages.

# X. Scoring Structure Memorials

- 1. Scores are awarded out of a maximum of 100 points.
- 2. Scores are awarded for:
  - a) Organization, structure, and analysis of the issues: (20 points)
  - b) Use of facts and legal principles: (20 points)
  - c) Use of authorities and citations: (20 points)
  - d) Persuasiveness, ingenuity, logic and reasoning: (20 points)
  - e) Grammar, style, and clarity: (20 points)

# XI. Oral Rounds (Preliminary, Quarterfinal, Semi Final and Final Rounds)

- a) In each oral round a team will be represented by two speakers who will present the arguments. The researcher will not participate in the arguments but will be seated along with the speakers.
- b) Communication between the participators and spectators is strictly prohibited during the Hearings.
- c) The use of laptops during the Hearings is strictly prohibited.
- d) Presentation by Counsels for the Applicant for the preliminary round: 30 minutes (no speaker can exceed 15 minutes); for quarter-final round: 35 minutes (including rebuttal); for semi-final and final round: 40 minutes (rebuttal is at the discretion of the bench).
- e) Presentation by Counsels for the Defence for the preliminary round: 30 minutes (no speaker can exceed 15 minutes); for quarter-final round: 35 minutes (including rebuttal); for semi-final and final round: 40 minutes Amity Law School, Centre-II, Amity University, Sector-125, Noida, Uttar Pradesh 201303 Tel. +91(0)-120-4392967; Fax. +91(0)-120-4392807; Website: www.amity.edu/als2

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# **XII. Scores Oral Pleadings**

a) Scores are awarded out of a maximum of 100 points.

- b) Scores are allocated as follows:
- 1. Organization, structure, and analysis of the issues: (20 points)
- 2. Use of facts and legal principles: (20 points)
- 3. Use of authorities and citations: (20 points)
- 4. Persuasiveness, ingenuity, logic and reasoning: (20 points)
- 5. Presentation: (20 points)

**Criteria for Best Researcher**: The researchers are required to appear for separate Research test which shall be of objective nature. The same shall happen after the registration of the teams i.e. on **March 10<sup>th</sup> 2016**. The scores of the Researchers' Test shall not affect the Memorial scores of the registered teams.

# XIII. Scouting

- a. Scouting is forbidden at all times during the Competition.
- b. Scouting is defined as:
  - 1. When a team or its members attend a Hearing in which they are not participants;
  - 2. Instances where students, coaches or spectators discuss with or pose questions of substantive issues of international criminal law to the judges.
- c. Scouting will result in disqualification. A team's disqualification is final and irrevocable.

# XIV. Categories of the Awards

The following awards will be given after the Final Round:

a) Winner;

- b) First Runner-up;
- c) Second Runner-up;
- d) Best Counsel;
- e) Second Best Counsel;
- f) Best Memorial
- g) Best Researcher

# XV. Accommodation and hospitality

Accommodation and food to the participating teams will be provided by Amity Law School, Center II from 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016 (12:00 P.M) to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2016 (7:00 P.M). Accommodation shall be provided separately for boys and girls.

# XVI COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

- If a Team believes that an infraction of the Rules has occurred during an Oral Round, the Team may notify the Court Officer in writing within five (5) minutes of the conclusion of that Oral Round.
- □ If there is no Court Officer, Teams must approach the Administrator with complaints. Written Notification shall clearly describe the violation and the parties involved in the violation. The Team shall not directly approach the judges regarding a violation of these Rules.
- □ When possible, the matter should be raised with the Court Officer outside the attention of the judges. Failure by any Team to follow the procedures described in this paragraph shall result in a waiver of the Team's complaint.
- □ If one or more judges believe an infraction has occurred during an Oral Round, he or she shall notify the Court Officer orally or in writing within five (5) minutes after the completion of the Oral Round.

# XVII MISCELLANEOUS

Accommodation shall be provided to the participants only during the days of the Competition. Teams who intend to arrive prior or leave after the specified dates are required to make their own arrangements.

Assistance from Other Teams, Team Members and Team Advisors from any Team, including Teams that have been eliminated from the Competition, may not provide assistance in any way to any other Team. Assistance hereby prohibited includes, but is not limited to: giving the Team's notes or Memorials to an advancing Team; posting the Team's Memorials online such that a person who is not a registered Team member or registered Team.

Communication at the counsel table between Team Members may only be in writing to prevent disruption. Teams and team-affiliated spectators shall avoid all unnecessary noise, outbursts, or other inappropriate behaviour which distracts from the argument in progress.

## **XVIII .INTERPRETATION OF RULES**

The M.C.S shall serve as final arbiter of implementation and Interpretation of these Rules.

XIX. Any clarifications for the competition can be sought from:

 Mr. Tushaar Ved Saxena Assistant Professor (Faculty In-charge) Mob- +91-9717000519 tysaxena@amity.edu

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sarthakgaur2009@gmail.com.

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# **TRAVEL PLAN**

1. Name of Institution –	
2. Arrival Details –	
a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus	
b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No	
c. Estimated Time of Arrival	1.7
3. Departure Details –	N E
a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus	
b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No	Y
c. Estimated Time of Departure	NE
4. Any other details:	. Y-

Note :- Pick up will only be available from Botanical Garden Metro Station, Sector – 37, Noida (Blue Line).

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## Date:

# (Signature & seal of the Head of the Institution)