

LEX ACADEMIA

(National Law Fest 2016)

3rd - 5th March, 2016

Organized by:



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Kerala Law Academy, a seat of excellence in Legal Education, Consultancy and Research located in Trivandrum, the capital city of Kerala along with its research arm, the Centre for Advanced Legal Studies and Research promotes research and advocacy in various cutting edge areas of legal scholarship. In continuation of its pursuit for academic excellence, the college has planned to organize 'Lex Academia' - National Law Fest 2016

The National Law Fest will be held over a three day period from the 3rd to the 5th of March 2016 at the Kerala Law Academy Law College Campus, Trivandrum, Kerala. The fest is being conducted with the dual purpose of providing students a platform to showcase their talents and also to help improve their knowledge. Participants will be given the chance to win a total cash prize of Rs. 25,000/- as well as the glory of being christened the WINNERS OF THE INAUGURAL EDITION OF LEX ACADEMIA – NATIONAL LAW FEST 2016. The fest shall comprise of a series of competitions/events:

On-stage Events:

- 'Lex Academia' Guest Lecture
- National Seminar on Nuclear Power and Its Regulation

On-stage Competitions:

- Mastermind (Law Quiz Team Event)
- Articulate (Oratorical Competition Individual Event)
- The Big Fight (Debating Competition Team Event)

Off-stage Competitions:

- Wordsworth (Essay Competition Individual Event)
- J.A.M. (Just A Minute Individual Event)

GENERAL RULES FOR THE COMPETITIONS:

1. Eligibility

The participant must either be a bonafide student pursuing LL.B. Three Year/Five Year Degree Programme from a Law College/University recognized by the Bar Council of India or a student pursuing a course of study from any College/University recognized by the Government of India.

2. Registration

2.1.Pre-arrival

- 2.1.1. An individual who wishes to participate in the National Law Fest 2016 shall send the soft copy of the duly filled Registration Form (present in the Annexure of this document) by Monday, 8th of February, 2016 to the organizers at: lex.academia.kla@gmail.com. This will serve as provisional registration.
- 2.1.2. The provisional registration will be confirmed by the organizers no later than by Wednesday, the 10th of February, 2016, following which the participants shall send the DD in favour of "The Principal, Kerala Law Academy Law College" to the organizers (hard copy) by post no later than by Thursday, 18th of February, 2016.

2.1.3. The fee structure is as follows:

- Registration fees for those who take part in the entire National Law Fest 2016 will be Rs. 3000/-
- Registration fees for each competition shall be Rs. 500/- per person.
- Registration fees for those who take part in the Guest Lecture and National Seminar alone will be Rs. 1000/-
- 2.1.4. Once an individual from a College/University has registered themselves for an event then he/she CANNOT alter their registration.

2.2. Post-arrival

- 2.2.1. Those who are participating in the competitions MUST BE PRESENT in person on Thursday, 3rd of March, 2016 at the Kerala Law Academy Law College Campus by 8:00 am.
- 2.2.2. The participants are requested to ensure that they complete the registration process before the start of the Inaugural Function.
- 2.2.3. All the participants shall carry their College/University Identity Cards at the time of arrival as well as at all times thereafter, during the competition/events.
- 2.2.4. The participants are advised to carry photocopies of all duly filled forms that have been submitted to the organizers.
- 2.2.5. The participants may seek clarifications if any regarding their competition/events on or before Monday, 8th of February, 2016.

3. Code of Conduct

- 3.1.All the participants MUST be dressed in a dignified manner (FORMAL WEAR).
- 3.2.Use of mobile phones is STRICTLY PROHIBITED during the events.

- 3.3. The participants shall strictly follow the timings of each event failing which the participants may be disqualified from that event.
- 3.4. The participants are requested to check the schedule of the events and plan their participation accordingly. The organizers will not be responsible for the clash of any events.
- 3.5. Friendly and healthy interaction among the participating teams and with the students of the host college is encouraged and expected.
- 3.6.Participants shall wear the ID cards issued to them by the organizers at all times.

4. Transport and Accommodation

- 4.1. The Kerala Law Academy Law College is located in the capital city of Kerala which is well connected with rail, road and air transport thereby making it quite easy to reach the campus located in one of the busiest localities namely Peroorkada.
- 4.2. The college would be providing accommodation facilities for female participants in the various events upon their request for a separate charge.
- 4.3. The organizers would be able to help the male participants find suitable facilities for accommodation upon their request for a separate charge.
- 4.4. The registration fee is not inclusive of accommodation charges.

5. Caveat

- 5.1. The participants are informed that the registration for the various competitions shall be limited and done on a first come first serve basis.
- 5.2. The organizers reserve the right to change the specifications with regards to the events at any time and the same shall not be disputed by any participant.
- 5.3. The organizers may change the system of assessment for any competition at any time and the same shall not be disputed by any participant.
- 5.4. Participants shall not reveal the identity of his/her college/university at any point of time during the competition.
- 5.5.Participants shall ensure that their names are correctly spelt. The certificates shall bear the name with the spelling mentioned in the Registration Form.
- 5.6.Each of the Competitions/Events has been described (SPECIFICATIONS) in brief below however it is to be noted that these are merely for descriptive purpose.
- 5.7.In case of any disputes, the decision of the Organizing Committee shall be final.
- 5.8.It SHALL be assumed that the participants have read this entire document.

5.9. Finally, the receipt of the Registration Form as well as the DD (hard copy) shall serve as an acceptance of the GENERAL RULES FOR THE COMPETITION and also to bound by the same.

6. Awards and Point System

- 6.1. The winner of an individual competition gets a total of 100 points while the runner up gets 50 points.
- 6.2. The winners of a team competition get a total of 70 points while the runners up get 35 points.
- 6.3. The Law College/University which has the highest points overall will win the LEX ACADEMIA NATIONAL LAW FEST 2016 Trophy.
- 6.4. Those who participate in the Guest Lecture as well as the National Seminar shall also receive a certificate of participation.
- 6.5. Certificates will be given to those participants who win as well as to the runner up. The winners of each competition will be given a cash prize of Rs. 5000/-

EVENT* SPECIFICATIONS:

1. 'Lex Academia' Guest Lecture

We take great pleasure in inviting those who are interested to listen to the Guest Lecture. The event shall take place on Friday, the 4^{th} of March, 2016 in the Kerala Law Academy Law College Campus.

- 2. National Seminar on Nuclear Power and Its Regulation
 - 2.1.We welcome interested individual(s) to send in their papers on the below mentioned themes to be presented during the Seminar
 - o INDIA'S NUCLEAR ENERGY PROGRAM: EVOLUTION, TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM, PRESENT STATUS.
 - o INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR LAW, INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS.
 - o IAEA ITS ROLE AND FUNCTIONS -, SAFEGUARDS.
 - o THE US-INDIA AGREEMENT; INDIA SPECIFIC IAEA SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT
 - o ENVIRONMENT ASPECTS OF NUCLEAR POWER.
 - o RADIO ACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT
 - o HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES ON NUCLEAR POWER.
 - o RADIATION PROTECTION: BASIC UNDERSTANDING, PHILOSOPHY, INDIAN AND INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF RADIATION PROTECTION STANDARDS
 - o NUCLEAR SAFETY CONCEPTS
 - o NUCLEAR REGULATORY PROCESS IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES : LICENSING PROCESS, PUBLIC CONSULTATION, ETC.
 - o NUCLEAR REGULATORY AND LIABILITY REGIME IN INDIA; THE CIVIL LIABILITY FOR NUCLEAR DAMAGES ACT 2010
 - o AERB SAFETY, CONSENT AND LICENSING CODES; NSRA BILL, 2011

- o COMPARATIVE REGULATORY REGIMES FROM THE OECD: BEST PRACTICES IN REGULATION, CONSENT PROCESS, PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND INVOLVEMENT
- 2.2. The organizers of the Seminar call upon Law Students, Academicians, Lawyers, Nuclear Scientists, Policy Makers, and Officials from various nuclear institutions, Representatives from Regulatory Institutions and Company Professionals, NGO, Social Activists, Social Science researchers and faculty as well as research scholars of relevant disciplines to present their well researched papers at the seminar, relevant to the above themes.
- 2.3.Kindly confine yourself to the areas identified for the Seminar. The papers may be in Times New Roman Font 12 size in A4 format, single line spacing, not exceeding 4000 words including Footnotes.
- 2.4.An abstract not exceeding 200 words shall be submitted for consideration. The abstract shall contain the Synopsis of the Paper, Subtitles, Reference materials and conclusion indicating the author's perspective. The abstract must be mailed to law.seminar.kla@gmail.com on or before Monday, 1st of February, 2016.
- 2.5. The papers shall be screened by a committee. The full papers approved by the committee shall be accepted for presentation in the seminar. The intimation of selection will be made through e-mail.
- 2.6. The final paper should contain a cover page which includes the Name, Designation, Relevant Discipline and Year of Study, Address, e-mail ID and Contact Number.
- 2.7. Abstracts and papers should be written in English, and the working language of the seminar will be English and presentations shall be done in English.
- 2.8.Co-authorship is permitted, subject to a limit of maximum two authors per submission. Submission should be made by the author who will attend the seminar. For papers having more than one author EACH AUTHOR SHALL PAY his/her registration fee separately.
- 2.9.Only one paper per participant will be permitted. Multiple submissions will lead to disqualification.
- 2.10. No part of the paper should have been published earlier nor should it be under consideration for publication. Any form of plagiarism will result in immediate disqualification.
- 2.11. There will be no Accommodation or TA/DA.
- 2.12. A Preliminary Session will be held on Friday, the 4^{th} of March, 2016 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm.
- 2.13. The event shall take place on Saturday, the 5th of March, 2016 from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm in the Kerala Law Academy Law College Campus.
- 2.14. The Registration Fee can be also be paid on Saturday, 5th of March, 2016 for the NATIONAL SEMINAR.
- 2.15. Key Dates Submission of Abstracts Monday, 1st of February, 2016 Communication of Acceptance of the Abstract Wednesday, 3rd of February, 2016

Submission of Full paper - Monday, 22^{nd} of February, 2016 Intimation of Acceptance of Full paper on or before Wednesday, 24^{th} of February, 2016

COMPETITION* SPECIFICATIONS:

- 3. Mastermind (Law Quiz)
 - 3.1.Each team must have two members.
 - 3.2. There may be written prelims in order to decide the teams that qualify for the finals.
 - 3.3. The final round of the competition shall take place on Thursday, the $3^{\rm rd}$ of March, 2016.
 - 3.4. The decision of the Quiz Master is final.
- 4. Articulate (Oratorical Competition)
 - 4.1. This is an individual event.
 - 4.2.Participants will receive an e-mail on or before Friday, 26th February, 2016 containing a list of three topics on which they would have to prepare a speech which they would have to deliver.
 - 4.3.On the day of the competition the topic for each participant shall be decided by a draw of lots.
 - 4.4. The competition shall take place on Thursday, the 3rd of March, 2016.
- 5. The Big Fight (Debating Competition)
 - 5.1.Each team must have two members.
 - 5.2. The participants will receive an e-mail on or before Monday, 29th February, 2016 containing a list of two topics on which they would have to prepare.
 - 5.3.One of the team members will have to speak for the motion while the other will speak against.
 - 5.4.On the day of the competition the topic for each team shall be decided by a draw of lots.
 - 5.5. The competition shall take place on Friday, the 4th of March, 2016.
- 6. Wordsworth (Essay Competition)
 - 6.1. This is an individual event.
 - 6.2. Participants will receive an e-mail on or before Friday, 26th February, 2016 containing a list of two possible themes on which they would have to prepare an essay.
 - 6.3. The topics for the competition will be decided by the organizers on the basis of the themes mentioned in the e-mail.
 - 6.4.On the day of the competition the topic for each participant shall be decided by a draw of lots.
 - 6.5. The competition shall take place on Thursday, the 3rd of March, 2016.
- 7. J.A.M. (Just A Minute)
 - 7.1. This is an individual event.
 - 7.2.Participants are expected to speak for just a minute subject to the terms and conditions as set by the Moderator.
 - 7.3. Moderator decision is final.
 - 7.4. The competition shall take place on Thursday, the 3rd of March, 2016.

*THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN ANY OF THE COMPETITIONS/EVENTS ARE REQUESTED TO FILL OUT THE REGISTRATION FORM PRESENT IN THE ANNEXURE OF THIS DOCUMENT.

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