

Details About the Event

The Nyayavani National Virtual Moot Court Competition (2nd Edition) will once again bring together law students from across the country to engage with pressing and contemporary legal themes, offering a platform to sharpen advocacy and research skills while debating issues of national and global relevance.

With a total prize pool worth of up to ₹50,000, along with free DharmaBot AI Exclusive plans, momentos and certificates, the competition promises recognition for excellence and dedication. Participants will also gain valuable exposure before an eminent panel of judges, including sitting and former judges of the High Court, senior advocates, and academicians.

Rules and Regulations

A. Team Composition and Eligibility

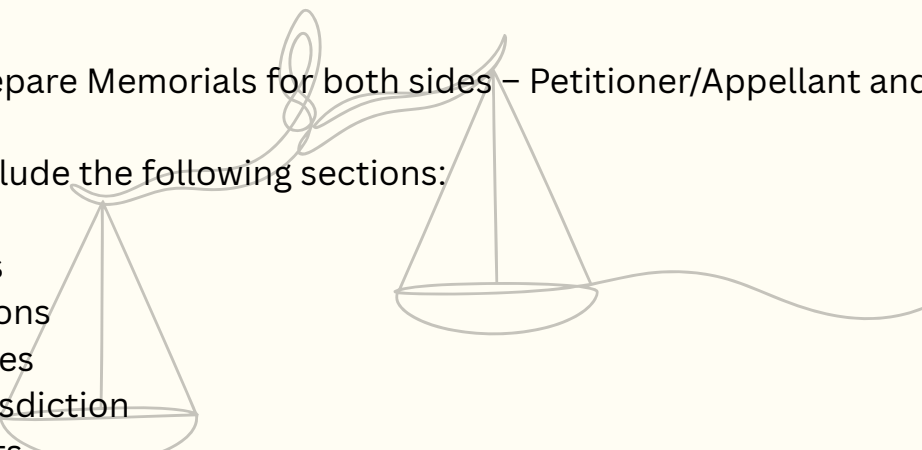
- Each team shall comprise a minimum of two members (two speakers) and a maximum of three members (two speakers + one researcher).
- Participation is open to all bona fide law students enrolled in a 3-year LL.B. or 5-year integrated law course at any recognized institution in India.
- **Cross-institutional** teams are permitted.
- There is no cap on the number of teams that may register from a single institution.



B. Registration and Team Code

- Teams must register through the official registration link provided by the Organizing Committee.
- Upon successful registration, each team will be allotted a unique Team Code, which shall serve as their identifier throughout the competition.
- The Registration Fee is set at:
 - Early Bird Registration: ₹1,500 per team
 - Regular Registration: ₹1,800 per team (after the early bird deadline)
- The last date for registration will be announced along with the schedule.

C. Memorials

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- Each team must prepare Memorials for both sides – Petitioner/Appellant and Respondent.
 - Memorials must include the following sections:
 - Cover Page
 - Table of Contents
 - List of Abbreviations
 - Index of Authorities
 - Statement of Jurisdiction
 - Statement of Facts
 - Statement of Issues
 - Summary of Arguments
 - Arguments Advanced
 - Prayer
 - Formatting requirements:
 - Paper: A4 size
 - Font: Times New Roman, Size 12, 1.5 line spacing
 - Margins: 1 inch on all sides
 - Citations: Bluebook 20th Edition (uniformly applied)
 - Page Limit: Not more than 40 pages in total, with 25 pages maximum for “Arguments Advanced”.
 - Cover Page Colour Scheme:
 - Petitioner/Appellant – Blue
 - Respondent – Red
 - Team Code must be mentioned on the top-right corner.

- Memorials must not contain any identifying marks, photographs, annexures, or exhibits.

Soft copies of the Memorials (Word + PDF) must be submitted by email to nyayavani.mootcourt@gmail.com with the subject line: “Memorial Submission – Team Code (For Eg. NVF-01 Appellant/ NVF-01 Respondent).”

- Non-compliance with these requirements will invite penalties at the discretion of the organizers.

D. Oral Rounds

- All oral rounds shall be conducted virtually and in English.
- Each team's side (Appellant/Petitioner or Respondent) shall be decided by a draw of lots before the commencement of every round.

- **Structure of Rounds:**

- Preliminary Round: Each team will argue once, either as Appellant or Respondent. No rebuttal or surrebuttal will be allowed. Shortlisted teams will advance to the Quarter-Finals.

- Quarter-Finals: Qualified teams will argue once, either as Appellant or Respondent. with up to 2 minutes reserved for rebuttal and surrebuttal. Winning teams will advance to the Semi-Finals.

- Semi-Finals: Each team will argue once, with up to 5 minutes reserved for rebuttal and surrebuttal.

- Finals: The top two teams will compete, with up to 5 minutes reserved for rebuttal and surrebuttal.

- **Time Allocation:**

- Preliminary Round: 30 minutes per team (maximum 15 minutes per speaker).

- Quarter-Finals: 35 minutes per team (maximum 17 minutes per speaker).

- Semi-Finals: 40 minutes per team (maximum 20 minutes per speaker, rebuttal/surrebuttal included).

- Finals: 50 minutes per team (maximum 25 minutes per speaker, rebuttal/surrebuttal included).

At the beginning of each round, teams must declare to the Court Officer the division of time between speakers (and, where applicable, time reserved for rebuttal/surrebuttal). If any speaker continues to speak after the completion of his/her time, he/she shall entail penalty which shall be upon the discretion of the judges.

Judges may intervene with questions at any point during submissions.

Their discretion on procedure and timing shall be final and binding.

Teams must identify themselves only by their Team Code. Any disclosure of names, institutions, or other identifiers may result in disqualification.

Oral submissions made under the rebuttal/surrebuttal shall be made by only one speaker.

During the course of oral submissions, the participants cannot submit to the court any material containing pictorial representation whatsoever.

Further the participants will not be permitted to make any audio/visual representation. The compendium of cases may be submitted to Court

through screen sharing for prelim, quarter round, Semi Final and Final

Round. Teams must note that they will not be permitted to share any material with the judges if such material bears their name or the name of their College/University.

E. Researcher's Test

- A Researcher's Test will be conducted online.
- The test will consist of 25 multiple-choice questions related to the moot proposition, relevant laws, and contemporary legal developments.
- Duration: 15 minutes.
- Scoring: +1 for each correct answer; -0.25 for each incorrect answer.



F. Marking Criteria

Memorials (100 Marks)

- Knowledge of Facts: 10
- Knowledge of Law: 10
- Proper & Articulate Analysis: 10
- Evidence of Original Thought: 10
- Grammar & Style: 10
- Correct Format & Citation: 10
- Extent & Use of Research: 20
- Clarity & Organization: 20

Oral Submissions (100 Marks per Speaker)

- Appreciation & Application of Facts: 10
- Identification & Articulation of Issues: 10
- Application of Legal Principles: 10
- Use of Authorities & Precedents: 10
- Response to Questions: 10
- Presentation Skills: 10
- Clarity & Logical Flow of Arguments: 10
- Poise & Demeanour: 10
- Strategy: 10
- Ingenuity: 10

G. General Rules

- Dress Code: Participants must adhere to formal courtroom attire during all rounds of the competition:
 - Male Participants: White shirt, black trousers, black tie, black coat, and black shoes.
 - Female Participants: White shirt, black trousers/salwar or skirt, black coat, and black shoes.



- Misconduct or use of unfair means at any stage of the competition will lead to strict disciplinary action, including disqualification. Participants are expected to maintain decorum and professional conduct throughout the competition. Disruptive or disrespectful behaviour towards judges, fellow participants, or organizers will not be tolerated.
- The decision of the judges regarding evaluation and scoring shall be final and binding.
- The Organizing Committee reserves the right to interpret, amend, or modify the rules as necessary. Any such changes will be duly notified to the teams in advance.
- In all matters of procedure not expressly covered by the rules, the discretion of the Organizing Committee shall prevail.

H. Clarifications

- Teams may seek clarifications on the Moot Proposition or Rules of the Competition until the date announced in the schedule.
- All queries must be submitted in writing via email to nyayavani.mootcourt@gmail.com with the subject line: “Clarification Request – Team Code [NV-]”.
- Clarifications will be compiled and released in a single document, which shall form part of the Moot Proposition and be binding on all participants.
- The Organizing Committee reserves the right to not answer queries that are vague, repetitive, or unrelated to the Moot Proposition.

