



INVITATION

LAW CENTRE- II

UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

S. K. PURI MEMORIAL INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT – JUSTIFIED'19

1. DATE & VENUE

The Oral Rounds of S. K. Puri Memorial International Moot Court Competition—Justified'19 {hereinafter called 'the Competition'} will be held from **27**th **to 29**th **September, 2019** at Law Centre-II, Umang Bhawan, Chhatra Marg, North Campus, University of Delhi, Delhi — 110007 India.

2. ELIGIBILITY

All students enrolled in a recognized 3 year LL.B. programme or a recognized 5 year integrated LL.B. programme (or international equivalent), shall be eligible to participate in the Competition.

Only one team can register from a particular College or Law School for participation in the competition.

3. TEAM COMPOSITION

Each team shall consist only of two speakers and one researcher.

A team may consist only of two members as well (both speakers).

The Organising Committee (OC) will assign a unique team code to each team, for identification.

4. OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of the competition shall be English, for written as well as oral submissions.

5. REGISTRATION

a. The "soft copy" of the duly filled registration form along with Scanned copy of Demand Draft, shall be sent on or before **07**th**August**, **2019** via email to skpm.justified19@gmail.com.

Teams must submit a Demand Draft of **INR 3000/-** (in case of a National team), and **USD 100/-** (in case of an International team), drawn in the name of "<u>Registrar, University of Delhi, Delhi</u>", payable at Delhi, India.

b. The demand Draft along with the hard copy of the duly filled Registration form shall reach on or before 12th August, 2019 at the address mentioned below, .

Dr. V. K. Ahuja

In-Charge, Law Centre-II

Room No. 103, First Floor,

Umang Bhawan, Faculty of Law,

Chhatra Marg, North Campus,

University of Delhi

Delhi – 100007

India

ANNEXURE - I

- (i). Duly filled Registration Form
- (ii). Participant Details/Bona fide Students Certificate.
- (iii). Demand Draft for registration fee.
- (iv). Travel Itinerary.

Please note that incomplete registration forms will not be accepted.

- c. The teams successfully registering as aforesaid will be provided a Unique Team Code [UTC]. Once the teams have been provided the UTC, the said code will have to be mentioned by the teams in all future communication(s) with the OC. Please note that apart from the UTC, the names or logos of their Colleges, Universities or Law Schools shall not be mentioned anywhere in any communication(s) addressed to the OC.
- d. No change in the names of the participants shall be permitted, unless the same has been communicated to the OC, a week prior to the event, in exceptional circumstances only, after due proof has been attached by the participating college.

6. QUALIFICATION FOR ORAL ROUNDS

- a. The soft copies of the memorials must be submitted by 10thSeptember, 2019 to skpm.justified19@gmail.com
- b. Teams shall be required to submit the hard copies of the memorials by 15thSeptember, 2019 (details given below).
- c. All the registered teams fulfilling the above conditions, are eligible to participate in oral rounds.

7. MEMORIAL RULES

- a. Teams may raise grounds of challenge other than those indicated in the Statement of Facts.
- b. Each team must prepare memorials for both parties to the dispute.
- c. Once the memorials have been submitted, no revision, supplements or additions will be allowed. In case the contents of the soft copy and the hard copy of the memorials are found to be different, the team shall be disqualified.
- d. The teams may seek clarifications on the moot problem till 10thAugust, 2019, after which no such request shall be entertained.
- e. All teams shall send one soft copy of the memorials in .pdf format as well as .docx format (compatible with Windows) to skpm.justified19@gmail.com on or before 11:59 PM, 10thSeptember, 2019 with the subject line as 'Memorials for <Team Code>'. All four files (two .docx and two .pdf) should be submitted through a single mail.
- e. 5 sets of hard copies of memorials (5 Petitioner's and 5 Respondent's memorials) of the qualifying teams, should reach the OC by 15thSeptember, 2019, addressed to:

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- f. Apart from the UTC, the names of the participants or the names or logos of the Colleges, Universities or Law Schools shall not be mentioned anywhere in the memorials submitted by the participants.
- g. All memorials submitted must conform to the following requirements and a team will attract negative marking for failure to keep within the limitations as described below:
- (i) Memorials must be printed on one side of A-4 size paper with black ink and must be neatly bound.
- (ii) The font of the body of the Memorial must be Times New Roman, size 12, with 1.5 line spacing and the font-size of footnotes/endnotes, if any, must not be less than size 10. A uniform method of citation of authorities must be followed.
- (iii) Each page must have a margin of at least an inch on all sides.
- (iv) The Memorial should not exceed 25 typed pages (not including the Cover Page) and shall at least consist of the following parts
 - Cover Page [coloured blue for Petitioner, and red for Respondent]
 - Table of Contents
 - Index of Authorities
 - Statement of Facts (not exceeding 2 pages)
 - Issues Raised
 - Summary of Arguments (not exceeding 2 pages)
 - Arguments Advanced

- Prayer
- (v). The Cover Page of each memorial must contain only the following information -
 - The Team Code in the upper right corner of each memorial.
 - The name of the Competition
 - The name of the forum resolving the dispute.
 - The Cause Title
 - The Party for which the Memorial is prepared

h. A memorial once submitted will be considered as final, and cannot be revised. Speaking footnotes or endnotes are not allowed.

8. 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 |

9. SCORING CRITERIA FOR THE MEMORIALS

The marks distribution for the memorials shall be as follows:

| 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 |

NOTE: The hard copies must be exact replicas of the soft copies. Non-compliance with this rule would entail disqualification.

10. ANONYMITY

a. There should be no indication of the institution which the team represents, at any time and in any manner, including, but not limited to, wearing any identifying items (such as college clothing, ties, patches, or pins) or carrying identifying material (such as books with a college logo or college seal etc.) or disclosure of the names of the team members to the Judges, for the entire duration of the Moot Court Competition.

b. The violation of this rule will cause severe penalty, which may involve disqualification, as determined by the OC.

11. FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION

The Moot competition shall consist of Preliminary Rounds, Quarter Final Rounds, Semi-Final Round and the Final Round

Registration, Orientation, Draw of Lots and Memorial Exchange will be held on 27th September, 2019, and the teams are requested to kindly report latest by 2.00 pm at the Venue. The OC retains the right to draw on behalf of any team/s, if the team/s is/are not present during registration.

Speaker 1 and Speaker 2 must remain the same throughout the competition.

a.Preliminary Round

The Preliminary Rounds will be held on **28**th **September**, **2019**. During the Preliminary Rounds, each team shall have to argue once for the Applicant and once for the Respondent.

Top 8 teams shall qualify for the Quarter Final rounds. The qualification will be based on:

Total Aggregate Score in both the preliminary rounds. The top 8 teams with highest aggregate score in both preliminary rounds, will qualify for the next round. The aggregate score of a team shall be computed as the total of - Oral Score of Speaker 1 and Oral Score of Speaker 2, in both the Preliminary Rounds.

In case of a tie in score, team with more number of wins in preliminary rounds will qualify for the next round.

Further, in case of a tie in score, as well as in number of wins, memorial marks of two teams will be considered.

The Best Advocate and the Second-Best Advocate will be decided on the basis of the scores of the Preliminary rounds.

b. Quarter Final Round:

Quarter Final Rounds shall also take place on 28th September, 2019.

The teams will be provided their opponent's memorial after the declaration of Preliminary Round results and the draw of lots for the Quarter Final Round.

Quarter Final Round shall be knockout round.

The Winners of the Quarter Final shall advance to the Semi Final Round.

c. Semi Final Round

The Semi Final Round shall be held on 29th September, 2019.

Semi Final Round shall be knockout round.

d. Final Round

The Final Round shall be held on 29th September, 2019.

Final Round shall be knockout round. The Winner of the Final Round shall be declared the Winner of the Competition.

12. RESEARCHER TEST

A Researcher Test consisting of subjective and objective type questions will be held on **28**th **September 2019.** The test will comprise of questions relating to the problem, both legal and factual. The duration of the test will be a minimum of 45 minutes and a maximum of 1 hour. No hand written or printed material/books/manuals/electronic devices etc. will be allowed during the test. Any participant found using any unfair means during the test, will be disqualified immediately.

NOTE: All the Participants will get participation certificates only during the Valedictory Ceremony on 29th September 2019. No Certificates shall be couriered/ posted after the event.

13. TIME LIMIT & OTHER INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE ORAL ROUNDS

a. Each team would be given **30 minutes** to present their oral arguments, subject to a maximum of **20 minutes** per Speaker in the Preliminary Rounds and the Quarter Final Rounds. This shall include the pleadings and any rebuttal time. For the Semi Final and Final Rounds, each team would get **45 minutes**, subject to a maximum of **25 minutes** per Speaker.

b. Judges, at their discretion, may extend the time limit for the oral arguments upto a maximum of 5 minutes per team.

- c. Rebuttal would be allowed only to the Petitioner. At the commencement of each round, the team shall notify the Court Master as to the division of time between the 2 speakers (including the time for rebuttal).
- e. Teams will be provided with their opponent team's memorials after the conclusion of draw of lots. Memorials must be returned to the Court Masters without any markings, immediately after the conclusion of the rounds.
- f. During the Oral Rounds, communication between the members of a team shall be allowed, however, the same must be in a written form and through Court Masters only.

g. The participating teams are not allowed to carry or use any electronic device, including (but not limited to), laptops, tablet computers, mobile phones, smart/digital watches etc. in the court room during the course of the round, including when the opposite team is addressing arguments. In case a member of a team is found using any electronic device during the Oral Rounds, the team shall invite a severe penalty which may include disqualification. Teams are therefore advised to ensure that the delivery of their oral arguments is not dependent on electronic devices.

h. Every form of scouting is strictly prohibited and shall cause a disqualification of the team from the Competition. The decision of the OC shall be final in this regard.

i.. Any reference to identity of a team's institution or individual team members, during oral arguments may lead to disqualification of the team.

j. If a team scheduled to take part in a round does not appear within 10 minutes of the scheduled time, the other team shall be allowed to submit ex-parte.

14. SCORING CRITERIA FOR ORAL ROUNDS

| 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 |

15. AWARDS

Awards will be distributed in the following categories:

a. Winner & Runner-up

The Team which wins the final round will be declared the 'Winner of the Competition' and will get an amount of ₹ 35,000/- along with a trophy.

The team which secures the second place will get the 'Runners-up' title and ₹ 25,000/- along with a trophy.

b. Best Memorial & Second Best Memorial

Team with the highest memorial score (aggregate) will get the 'Best Memorial' prize of ₹ 15,000/- along with a trophy.

Team with the second highest memorial score (aggregate) will get the 'Second Best Memorial' prize of ₹ 10,000/- along with a trophy.

d. Best Researcher & Second Best Researcher

Cash prize of ₹ 15,000/- and ₹ 10,000/- respectively, along with a trophy.

e. Best Speaker

Cash prize of ₹ 15,000/- along with a trophy.

f. Second Best Speaker

Cash prize of ₹ 10,000/- along with a trophy.

16. ACCOMMODATION

The Organizers shall provide the accommodation and local transport (from the place of accommodation to the venue for the competition) only to the outstation and international teams.

The accommodation will be provided from 26th September (Standard check-in time) till 30th September, 2019 (Standard check-out time) to the international teams and from 27th September (Standard check-in time) till 30th September, 2019 (Standard check-out time) to the outstation national teams.

17. CODE OF CONDUCT

A violation of the prescribed Code of Conduct will invite sanctions which will be decided by the OC;

- a. Teams are expected to behave with other team members and the Judges/Organisers/ Volunteers in a dignified manner.
- b. Teams should not attempt to influence Judges/ Organisers in any manner.
- c. Participants are expected to maintain the decorum in the Court during the Competition and to conduct themselves in a manner befitting the legal profession.
- d. The teams should not engage in any form of unethical, unprofessional and wrongful conduct during the entire period of the Competition.
- e. Participants should not indulge in the consumption/carrying of drugs/ alcohol/ arms or ammunitions/ immoral/ illegal activity or any other form(s) of taste/addiction during the course of the Competition.
- f. It is mandatory for all participants to carry with them, their photo identity cards issued by their respective colleges/institutes AND any other valid Government photo identity card. The OC and the Moot Court Society, Law Centre-II retains the right to check these at any time during the Competition.
- g. Participating teams should carry with them the required study or reference materials for their own use during the oral rounds of the Competition.
- h. The participants shall strictly follow a **Formal Dress Code**, during the entire duration of the competition.

For Women: Indian formals - White/black salwar-suit/kurta along with black blazer and black footwear OR western formals - white shirt and black trousers/skirt along with black blazer and black shoes.

For Men : Western formals - white shirt and black trousers along with black tie, black blazer and black shoes.

18. RIGHTS OVER THE MEMORIALS

a. Upon completion of the Competition, the OC shall reserve the exclusive right to use the memorials submitted to them, as they deem appropriate. The copyright over the memorials submitted for participation in the Competition is assigned by the participants and shall also vest completely and fully in Law Centre- II, Delhi.

b. The participants shall certify in writing the originality of materials contained therein and shall be responsible for any claim(s) or dispute(s) arising out of the further use and exhibition of these materials.

c. Further use and exhibition of these materials, electronically or otherwise, shall be the exclusive right of Law Centre- II, Delhi, and they shall not be responsible for any liability to any person for any loss caused by errors or omissions in this collection of information, or for the accuracy, completeness, or adequacy of the information contained in these materials.

d. Distribution of these materials on affiliated websites does not constitute consent to any use of this material for commercial redistribution either via the Internet or using some other form of hypertext distribution.

19. DISCLAIMER

The Material in the Moot Court proposition is not intended to and does not attempt to resemble any incident or any person living or dead. All material in the problem is fictitious and any resemblance to any incident or person, if any, is not intended, but merely coincidental.

20. INTERPRETATION OF THE RULES AND EXEMPLARY POWER CLAUSE

a.. The OC's decision as regards the interpretation of rules or any other matter related to the competition will be final.

- b. If there is any situation, which is not contemplated in the rules, the OC's decision on the same shall be final.
- c. The OC reserves the right to vary, alter, modify, or repeal any of the above Rules if so required, and as they may deem appropriate, at any time before and/or during the Competition.
- d. Any dispute arising in the moot court rooms during the rounds would be at the discretion of the Judges/OC.
- e. In any kind of conflict, the decision of the OC shall be final.

21. ORGANISING COMMITTEE DETAILS:

Competition Administrator:

| Dr. V. K. Ahuja | In-Charge, Law Centre-II |
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Organizing Committee (OC)

| Dr. Rajni Abbi | rajniabbi@gmail.com |
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| Pranita Goswami | +91 9643570830 |
| Rishay Raj | +91 8678086422 |

22. OFFICIAL EMAIL ID

Any query/clarification related to the Competition should be directed to the OC at skpm.justified19@gmail.com

ANEXURE – 1 REGISTRATION FORM

{SOFT COPY TO BE E-MAILED DURING FINAL REGISTRATION}

{HARD COPY TO BE SUBMITTED AFTER QUALIFYING FOR THE ORAL ROUNDS}

(TO BE FILLED IN BLOCK LETTERS)

| | COLLEGE/INSTITUTE DETAILS |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Name of the Institution/ University | |
| Postal Address | |
| Contact No | |
| E-Mail ID | |
| Contact Person | |
| Designation | |
| Contact No | |
| E-Mail ID | |

REGISTRATION FEE DETAILS {TO BE PROVIDED AFTER QUALIFYING FOR THE ORAL ROUNDS}

| DEMAND DRAFT DETAILS | | |
|----------------------|--|--|
| DD No.: | | |
| Drawn on Bank | | |
| Date | | |

(Please mention the Name & Mobile no. of the contact person participants and the name of the college/institution on the reverse side of the original demand draft)

PARTICIPANT DETAILS

| SPEAKER 1 | | |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Name | | |
| Year &Course | Please Paste a Self- Attested Recent Passport Size Photograph | |
| Gender | | |
| Contact No. | | |
| Email ID | | |
| SPEAKER 2- | | |
| Name | | |
| Year & Course | | |
| Gender | | |
| Contact No. | | |
| Email ID | | |
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| | RESEARCHER | | |
|---------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------|--|
| Name | | | |
| Year & Course | | Places Pasta a Calf | |
| Gender | | Please Paste a Self- Attested Recent Passport | |
| Contact No. | | Size Photograph | |
| Email ID | | | |

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| This is to certify that the above mentioned are bona fide students of |
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| (Name & Address of the Institution) |
| Name of the Head of the Institution |
| Signature & Seal of the Head of the Institution |
| Date |
| DECLARATION FORM |
| We declare that the team members participating in the Competition will abide by all the Rules of the Competition set out and notified to us from time to time through the period of the Competition. |
| 2. We also declare and confirm that all the information provided in the Registration Form is true and accurate. |
| In case of any disputes arising during the Competition, the decision of the Organising Committee of S. K. Puri Memorial International Moot Court – Justified'19 shall be final and binding, and will not be subject to any further deliberations. |
| Name & Signature of Participant I |
| Name & Signature of Participant II |
| Name & Signature of Participant III |

TRAVEL ITINERARY

NOTE - PLEASE FILL THE DETAILS IN BLOCK LETTERS

| Arrival Details : |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Expected Time & Date of Arrival |
| Mode of Transport – |
| De-boarding Station – |
| Train/Flight Name & Number |
| Whether accommodation being provided by the organizers required or not? |
| (Valid only for outstation & international teams) |