



Gujarat National Law University

## 1<sup>ST</sup> GNLU ESSAY COMPETITION ON SPORTS LAW

The GNLU Centre for Sports and Entertainment Law (GCSEL) is one of the country's first centres that works in the area of sports and entertainment. Since it's inception in 2010, the sports wing of the Centre has aimed to provide legal infrastructure to the sports industry and a forum for students to engage in and work with lawyers representing athletes, teams, leagues, conferences, civic recreational programs, educational institutions and other organizations involved in professional, collegiate, Olympic, physical education and amateur sports. In line with the Centre's purpose to create awareness and encourage students to explore deeper in the subject of sports law, the Centre is pleased to announce the 1<sup>st</sup> GNLU Essay Competition on Sports Law.

### ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to students who are pursuing their five-year integrated course of Law/ three-year LLB degree/LLM/PhD/MPhil or any other such course equivalent from any recognized university across the world.

### THEMES

- Data Protection in modern sport
- International human rights in sport
- Betting in sport
- E-Sports and its' growing challenges
- Technology in sport
- Regulation of Financial and Investment related aspects in sport
- Dispute Resolution mechanisms in sport

- Case analysis on relevant disputes in sport

Note: Participants are encouraged to adhere to the aforementioned themes. However, there is no restriction on writing an essay based on a contemporary theme not prescribed above.

### **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

- The word limit is 3000-3500 words including footnotes. Essays that exceed the word limit shall be penalized.
- The footnotes must conform to a uniform standard of citation (Preferably OSCOLA or the 20<sup>th</sup> edition of Bluebook).
- Co-authorship up to two authors is permitted.
- A participant can submit an entry for one theme only.
- The essay must be submitted in Microsoft Word document format (.doc/.docx).
- The essay must be submitted through email to [gcs@gnlu.ac.in](mailto:gcs@gnlu.ac.in) with the subject 'Submission for GNLU Essay Competition on Sports Law'.
- The essay must be accompanied by a separate document containing the following:
  - i. Full name of the participant(s)
  - ii. Theme chosen
  - iii. Participant's current year of study and name of degree being pursued
  - iv. Names and addresses of participant's University(ies)
  - v. Phone number(s) and email ID(s) of the participant(s).
- Only original essays will be considered for the competition. No form of plagiarism shall be accepted. Any plagiarism shall result in immediate disqualification of the entry.
- No part of the essay should have been published earlier nor should it be under consideration for publication elsewhere.
- The essay must not disclose the identity of the participant(s) in any way, failing which, the entry shall be disqualified.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Final date of submission: 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2020

Declaration of results: 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2020

## **PRIZES**

First prize: 15,000 INR

Second prize: 10,000 INR

Third prize: 5,000 INR

In addition to the prize money, the winners and two honorable mentions shall get a certificate and the opportunity to work with the Centre by way of an internship.

## **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

The essays shall be judged on the basis of, but not restricted to, the following parameters:

1. Originality of content and its impact
2. Creative and persuasive arguments
3. Coherent structuring, language, style and overall presentation
4. Quality of sources and research

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