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PRESENTS



The National G20 Simulation
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The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University was established by the Government of Tamil Nadu by an Act of the State Legislature for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge the field of law. It was inaugurated by His Excellency Shri. K.R. Narayanan, former President of India the 20th of September, 1997. The University is named after the architect of the Indian Constitution, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and aims to instil a sense of social responsibility in its fraternity while enabling them to further such responsibility with its state-of-the-art facilities.

SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE IN LAW



School of Excellence in Law was established by the University in 2002 along the lines of other National Law Schools in the country. Within a few years, it burgeoned into a flourishing institution and is presently one of the leading law schools in the country. Its students have secured several laurels in national and international competitions conducted over a variety of fields like moot court, model united nations, debates and oration. Many of its alumni have been conferred with prestigious positions under the State.

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ABOUT G20



The G20 is an intergovernmental organization which promotes economic cooperation among premium nations across the world. Its members account for over two-thirds of the earth's population and over 75% of global trade. It does not have a charter or a secretariat. The G20 Summit is led by the Sherpas of its member, i.e., the personal emissaries of their leaders. The Sherpas oversee negotiations over the course of the year, discussing agenda items for the Summit and coordinating its substantive work.

THE NATIONAL G20 SIMULATION

The National G20 Simulation ('**Simulation**') is the first of its kind. It strives to foster a constructive forum for open dialogue on a plethora of complex global issues, including international law, peace and security, and economic and social progress. Mirroring its real-world counterpart, The Simulation is comprised on deliberation revolving around the **Tourism Working Group**, a working group under the **Sherpa Track** Workstream of the G20 Forum.

The Sherpa Track is a preparatory process that leads up to the annual G20 Summit. It is called so because the sherpas are seen as guides who help the leaders navigate complex negotiations and arrive at a consensus on various issues.

The Tourism Working Group brings together the member countries and relevant stakeholders to discuss, deliberate and guide the course of action for further development of local and global tourism, as also mitigating common challenges faced by the sector including the COVID-19 pandemic.

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1. ELLIGIBILITY

1.1. Students pursuing any under-graduate degree, post-graduate degree, diploma or professional as well as Ph.D. scholars from any institution in India are eligible to participate in the Simulation.

2. REGISTRATION & APPLICATION PROCESS

- 2.1. Interested persons may register by filling out the [Registration Form](#).
- 2.2. Registrations received after the deadline may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organizing Committee on the basis of the reasons for delayed registration mentioned by the registrant. Filling of the registration form is mandatory and no other mode of registration shall be accepted by the Organizing Committee.
- 2.3. The registration fee is **Rs. 2000 per individual**. For **students of the Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, School of Excellence in Law, Chennai**, the registration fee is **Rs. 1600 per individual**. The registration fee may be paid to the following accounts as per the details given below:

ACCOUNT HOLDER NAME	The Registrar, The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai
BANK NAME	Canara Bank
BRANCH	Kotturpuram
ACCOUNT NUMBER	1550101011370
IFCS CODE	CNRB0001550
MICR	600015021

DELEGATE REGISTRATION PROCESS

- 2.4. Interested persons are encouraged to give a brief description of their previous experience in matters relating to diplomacy, international relations, oration, etc. under the relevant section of the registration form as this description forms the basis for allocation of nations/ international organizations to participants.
- 2.5. The Organizing Committee shall confirm a registrant's participation via email after verifying the registration details uploaded and the receipt of registration fees.
- 2.6. Once the registration fee is received at the account mentioned above, it will not be refunded under any circumstances.

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COMMITTEE OF REPORTERS: APPLICATION & SELECTION PROCESS

- 2.7. The Committee of Reporters is in charge of documenting the deliberations being conducted during the Simulation Rounds. After the conclusion of the rounds, they are to report their recordings in accordance with the format and rules as intimated by the Organizing Committee via email after the selection and constitution of the committee.
- 2.8. Interested persons may apply to play the role of a reporter in the Simulation through the previously mentioned registration form.
- 2.9. Persons interested in participating as reporters must give a brief description of their previous experience in matters relating to diplomacy, international relations, oration, etc. under the relevant section of the registration form as this description forms the basis for allocation of nations/ international organizations to participants.
- 2.10. The Organizing Committee will select reporters for the rounds on the basis of their prior experience and constitute the Committee of Reporters. Reporters will be allotted their respective Working Groups by the Organizing Committee.
- 2.11. The registration fee for selected reporters is the same as that for participants. In case an Applicant is not selected as a reporter, they may participate as a delegate.
- 2.12. Once the registration fee is received at the account mentioned above, it will not be refunded under any circumstances.

3. ALLOCATION OF NATION/ INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION

- 3.1. Participants shall be allotted a member nation, invitee nation or invitee international organization to represent in the simulation. This allotment will be carried out by the Organizing Committee based on the previous experience of participants as submitted by them through the registration form at the time of registration. Due regard will be given to the preferences given by the participants through the registration form as well but the deciding factor shall remain the previous experience of participants.
- 3.2. Allotment will be confined to the member nations, invitee nations and invitee international organizations involved in the ongoing G20 Summit under the Indian Presidency. A list of such the member nations, invitee nations and invitee international organizations is given below:

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MEMBERS	INVITEE NATIONS	INVITEE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
1. Argentina	1. Bangladesh	1. The United Nations
2. Australia	2. Egypt	2. The International Monetary Fund
3. Brazil	3. Mauritius	3. The World Bank
4. Canada	4. Netherlands	4. The World Health Organization
5. China	5. Nigeria	5. The World Trade Organization
6. France	6. Oman	6. The International Labour Organization
7. Germany	7. Singapore	7. The Financial Stability Board
8. India	8. Spain	8. The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
9. Indonesia	9. United Arab Emirates	9. The African Union
10. Italy		10. The African Union Development Agency – New Partnership for Africa’s Development
11. Japan		11. The Association of South – East Asian Nations
12. Mexico		12. The International Solar Alliance
13. Republic of Korea		13. The Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure
14. Russia		14. The Asian Development Bank
15. Saudi Arabia		15. The United Nations World Tourism Organization
16. South Africa		16. The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
17. Türkiye		17. The World Travel and Tourism Council
18. United Kingdom		18. The World Travel and Tourism Council, India Initiative
19. United States of America		19. The Global Tourism Plastics Initiative
20. European Union		20. The United Nations World Tourism Organization's International Network of Sustainable Tourism
		21. United Nations Environment Programme

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- 3.3. Communication of allotment shall be carried out via e-mail.
- 3.4. The selection of Reporters will be carried out by the Organizing Committee based on the previous experience of participants. Selected Reporters will then be allotted to workstreams by the Organizing Committee.

4. POSITION PAPER

- 4.1. Participants must submit a position paper in response to the theme for deliberation at their respective Workstream. The structure of the position paper shall be as follows:
 - i. **Background:** A summary of the subject matter under discussion.
 - i. **Position Statement:** Clearly state your country's position on the issue and explain the reasons behind it. This should be supported by relevant evidence, examples, and data
 - ii. **Proposed Solutions:** Outline the specific measures your country believes should be taken to address the issue. These should be practical and feasible, and take into account the concerns and perspectives of other member countries
 - iii. **Conclusion:** Summarize your country's position and proposed solutions.
 - iv. **References (Optional):** Include a list of references cited in the paper to support your arguments and position.
- 4.2. The position paper must be within the range of 500 to 1000 words (excluding citations or references, if any).

5. TRACK AND WORKSTREAM

- 5.1. The Sherpa Track discuss priorities and provide recommendations to leaders of the G20 member nations to adopt in the forum's Summit.
- 5.2. Participants will play the role of the Sherpas, i.e., personal emissaries representing the leaders of their respective nation in the G20 discussions.
- 5.3. The consensus reached by the concerned Working Group will be compiled into a Report and submitted to the Organizing Committee. The framework for the Simulation Round is:
 - i. **TRACK:** *SHERPA TRACK.*
 - ii. **WORKSTREAM:** *TOURISM WORKING GROUP.*

6. THEMES FOR DELIBERATION

“Terrorism Divides, but Tourism Unites” – Prime Minister of India (Address at the G20 Tourism Ministers’ Meeting which was held on the 21st of June, 2023 at Goa).

- 6.1. Participants will be allotted one of the five following themes and the discussion on such theme allotted to them will be directed by their respective sub-themes as portrayed below:

I. GREEN TOURISM

“Greening of tourism sector for a sustainable, responsible and resilient tourism sector”

1. **Ecotourism as a Vehicle to Achieve Sustainable Development Goals.**
2. **Travel for LiFE (‘Lifestyle For Environment’) Program.**
3. **One Planet Sustainable Tourism Programme.**

II. DIGITALIZATION

“Harnessing the power of digitalization to promote competitiveness, inclusion and sustainability in tourism sector”

1. **Film Tourism for Economic Growth and Cultural Preservation.**
2. **Specific Innovation and Entrepreneurship Policies & Programs in Tourism.**
3. **Digital Trainings and Access to Digital Infrastructure for all.**

III. SKILLS

“Empowering Youth With Skills For Jobs And Entrepreneurship In Tourism Sector”

1. **Rural Tourism for Community Empowerment and Poverty Alleviation.**
2. **Cultural Tourism.**
3. **Adventure Tourism as Vehicle for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals.**

IV. MSMEs

“Nurturing tourism MSMEs / Startups/ private sector to unleash innovation and dynamism in tourism sector”

- 1. Increasing the Capacity of Tourism MSMEs for Adaptability and Modernization.**
- 2. Public Private Dialogue: Importance of Travel and Tourism to the G20 Economies.**
- 3. Transition from Informal to Formal Economies in Tourism and Ensuring Decent Work for All.**

V. DESTINATION MANAGEMENT

“Rethinking the strategic management of destinations towards a holistic approach that delivers on the SDGs”

- 1. Medical Tourism.**
- 2. Goa Roadmap Tourism as a Vehicle for Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.**
- 3. The Motto of India’s G20 Presidency ‘Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, i.e., One Earth, One Family, One Future’ as a Moto for Global Tourism.**

7. PROCEDURE OF THE SIMULATION

7.1. The G20 was brought together not through any formal agreement, but as a response to crisis. Till date, it has never been formalized with the adoption of rules of procedure or the utilization of official binding documents. Instead, it relies heavily on informal agreements and respectful negotiations while operating as a consensus-based committee. It is only appropriate that the debate is then focused on reaching an agreement or statement that is supported by all parties. Since there is no fixed mandate for G20's Committees, the procedure for the Simulation will be as per the following rules.

MODEL UNITED NATION (MUN) AND G20: PROCEDURAL DIFFERENCES

- 7.2. The Simulation will employ a method debating which is that is less formal than MUNs. The Chairs will propose certain ground rules, which delegates are free to amend and add to through a consensus-based approach. Similar to how MUNs revolve around the operation of Committees, the Simulation will be carried out through a 'Working Group.'
- 7.3. While the G20 discussions are officially informal, it is important that participants in the Simulation are respectful with each other, grant each other sufficient speaking time and courteously listen to each other without unnecessary disruption. When negotiating it is always best to be honest, respectful, and diplomatic to the other parties. Even though filibustering or stalling might be a useful tactic in other diplomatic competitions, they will likely result in the workstream reaching no consensus in the end.
- 7.4. Since G20 has a single agenda for each committee, there would be no agenda setting. Hence, it automatically continues after the roll call with opening the speaker's list.

ROLE OF THE CHAIRS

- 7.5. The Working Groups of this Simulation will be chaired by third party individuals who are not entrusted with a member country, invitee nation or invitee international organization to represent to ensure that the Working Group runs in an unbiased and fair manner.

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- 7.6. The role of a Chair in the Simulation's Working Groups differs from the role of a Chair in MUN committees. As it is a consensus-based approach, the Chairs will take on a more advisory role in the debate and will concentrate more on the contents discussed in the committee. The entire discussion will be protooled and facilitated by the Chairs and those notes will be the basis for the final output of the Working Group and give the delegates more structure on what is on the agenda and which points were already addressed.
- 7.7. The Chair takes on a very important role in the consensus-based approach, but it is important to note that the group as a whole is responsible, both for the content and for the process. The Chair is a neutral professional that helps the group take responsibility for solving the problem at hand. The Chair is simply there to help the parties reach a consensus on their approach towards the themes for deliberation.

ROLE OF DELEGATES

- 7.8. The role of the delegates in the consensus-based approach is similar to the one in a traditional MUN. Delegates represent the interests of their country, as a member of the diplomatic corps. The style of representing a country is different, in that formality is lower. For example, the first pronoun is used. Another difference is that delegates sign the final agreement in personal capacity, which means that they agree to defend the agreement in good faith and adhere to its spirit. Since their nations have agreed to the Consensus-based approach, delegates must carry out their roles accordingly.

PROCEDURE FOR THE DEBATE

- 7.9. **Roll Call:** Before proceeding with the formal debate, the Chair will conduct the roll call. The Chair will call out the names of member states in alphabetical order. Upon announcement, the delegate or delegation representing the aforementioned member state should raise his/her placard and say "Present" or "Present and voting." Unlike the actual G20 Workstreams in which only member countries vote, this Simulations extends voting rights to invitee nations and invitee international organizations as well.
- 7.10. **Agenda Setting:** Since G20 has a single agenda for each Working Group, there would be no agenda setting and it moves on to the general speakers list after roll call.
- 7.11. **Establishment of the General Speaker's List:** Once the agenda has been set, the Chair will open a General Speaker's list for the set agenda. The Chair will ask if there's any delegate wishing to speak and add them to the list.

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Though delegates cannot add the name of representing the country through other forms, delegates may remove their country's name from the Speaker's list by writing to the Chair. The Chair has the right to order if delegates make remarks irrelevant to the subject under discussion. The names of delegates at the time of recognition by the Chair will be moved to the end of the list.

7.12. Yield: When there is a remaining time after a delegate finishes his/her speech, delegates may yield the remaining time. Yielding is not allowed during Sessions and only once:

- i. Yield time back to Chair:** Upon yielding the remaining back to Chair, a delegate chooses to give the time back to Chair and the Chair will proceed with the rest of the proceedings.
- ii. Yield time to another delegate:** His/her remaining time will be given to another delegate nominated by the delegate. This can only be made under mutual agreement between two parties. Delegates cannot yield the yielded time.
- iii. Yield time to Points of Information (Open Points of Information):** When delegates yield the remaining time to points of information (open points of information), delegates are subjected to points of information posed by other delegates. The Chair will ask if there are any delegates wishing to make points of information.

7.13. Each delegate will be allowed:

- i.** 3 mins for opening remarks,
- ii.** 2 mins for rebuttal and
- iii.** 2 mins for drawing consensus.

If the delegate exceeded the time limit, the Chair may deny the right to yield.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

7.14. After delegates fully utilize the allocated speaking time or when the Speaker's list expires, the Chair will ask for points or motions from the Working Group. At this point of time, delegates can raise points or motions according to his/ her needs. There are four types of Points:

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- i. **Point of personal privilege:** This point is the only point that may interrupt a delegate or the Chair while they are speaking. Used when one cannot hear the currently speaking delegates.
- ii. **Point of parliamentary inquiry:** If the delegate is not sure what to do next during the debate, he may use this point. The delegate could, for example, ask whether it is in order to abstain on an amendment.
- iii. **Point of order:** If a mistake in procedure is made during a debate, by the Chair or by a delegate, the delegate can use this point.
- iv. **Point of information:** A point of information is used as a question directed to the speaker who is currently speaking and only if the delegate yields to points of information. Points of information must relate to the contents of the debate and must be phrased as a question.

SESSIONS

7.15. The Simulation Rounds will be carried out through the following sessions:

- i. **Moderated Session:** The purpose of the Moderated Session is to facilitate substantial debate at critical junctures in the discussion. A motion to suspend the debate for a Moderated Session is in order at any moment of debate when the floor is open. In a Moderated Session, the Chair will temporarily depart from the General Speaker's list and call upon delegates to speak. To make this motion, delegates must explain the purpose of the Session, specify time duration for the Session, and individual speaking time. However, the Chair has the right to rule the motion out of order. No motions are in order during a moderated Session.
- ii. **Unmoderated Sessions:** The purpose of the Unmoderated Session is to enable delegates to be free from physical barriers and facilitate intense debate. During Unmoderated Sessions, delegates may move around and discuss without any bindings. With the objective of mimicking the format of the official G20 meetings, participants will relish an array of short ethnic performances and cultural exhibitions during the unmoderated sessions.

7.16. **Note:** The time durations for both the moderated and unmoderated session shall be governed by the timeline set out by the Organizing Committee.

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VOTING

7.17. In this Simulation, two types of voting exist: Procedural voting and Consensus voting. It is reiterated that unlike the actual G20 Workstreams in which only member countries vote, this Simulation extends voting rights to invitee nations and invitee international organizations as well.

- i. Procedural Voting:** Procedural voting is related to the way the Working Group proceeds, as opposed to the actual content on the topic being discussed. All voting cases except for those on Draft Reports and Amendment are procedural. Delegates must vote on all procedural voting since no abstentions are allowed. Most procedural voting requires a simple majority to pass.
- ii. Voting Regarding Reports:** Unlike other MUN conferences, G20 has a report instead of resolution. Therefore, substantive voting is not allowed in this Simulation. Unlike the official G20 workstreams wherein a unanimous approach is necessary for the adoption of the Report. Instead, a simple majority is required in this Simulation's Working Groups in order for them to adopt their reports.

WORKING GROUP – REPORT

7.18. After the debate, delegates have to write a report as a result. There is no specific format of report, however, delegates should categorize the report in proper category.

7.19. Once a draft report has approved by the Chairs, it can be copied and distributed to the committee. Then, one of the representative delegates may raise a motion to introduce a draft report. The main submitter will have 3 minutes to speak. After the speech, the report will be voted section by section.

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8. AWARDS

8.1. All participants who attend at least four sessions will be given a certificate of participation. Outstanding performers will be selected for the following awards:

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| i. Best Delegate. | iv. Special Mention. |
| ii. Second-Best Delegate. | v. Best Reporter. |
| iii. Honourable Mention. | vi. Second-Best Reporter. |
| vii. Best Position Paper. | viii. Second-Best Position Paper. |

9. POWER OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

- 9.1.** All Participants are expected to maintain decorum in the Working Group during the Simulation and are expected to conduct themselves befitting the role they assume.
- 9.2.** The Organising Committee reserves the right to take appropriate action for any unethical, unprofessional, and immoral conduct. If there is any situation which is not contemplated in the rules, the Organising Committee's decision on the same shall be final and binding.
- 9.3.** The Organising Committee reserves the right to vary, alter, modify, or repeal any of the above rules without any prior notification, if so required and as they may deem appropriate. The institution follows a Zero Tolerance Policy towards sexual harassment and ragging. The Organising Committee reserves the right to disqualify the participants for engaging in such conduct without prejudice to any other action which can be initiated under appropriate law.

10. CONTACT US

10.1. For queries, feel free to reach out to us through our following points of contact:

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10.2. For further updates regarding the Simulation, Click [here](#).