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LCIT Group of Institutions synergy inspires profound connections between intellectual and artistic exploration, theory and practice, creative freedom, and professional discipline. We are a place for those who seek a rigorous education with integrity and purpose, designed for impact.

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- **LCIT School of Pharmacy**
- **LCIT Public School**
- **LCIT College of Pharmacy**

LCIT's ground-breaking concept of an education where practice meets theory in equal measure began more than 14 years ago. LCIT College of Commerce and Science has a tradition of imparting quality education. The all-around development of the student is our motto. In addition to academic quality, we also observe our students' cultural, social, and sports development. We have a spacious library with a huge number of books. Students preparing for competitive examinations are given special attention. Our sports and cultural departments are very active and achieve success every year. Traditional and professional courses are available according to the student's choice. Our results are also very good. We have experienced and qualified faculty who put in much effort to make a golden student for a better future.

Students are encouraged to use the technology and its interactions to investigate and broaden their horizons. The goal of the open dialogue between the staff and students at LCIT College of Commerce and Science is to inspire an insatiable curiosity for learning and exploration beyond preconceived notions. The fusion of ideas and cultures from throughout the globe creates an environment that helps students become global leaders and citizens. The goal of offering students a diverse and flexible course selection is to allow them to take the academic path that best suits their aptitude and intelligence. For the students to become leaders and trailblazers wherever they go, this helps them to identify, develop, and enhance their interests, abilities, and skills.



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ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Welcome to the Department of Legal Studies at LCIT, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh. Our esteemed department is dedicated to shaping the next generation of legal professionals. Focusing on excellence in legal education, we provide a comprehensive curriculum, blending theoretical knowledge with practical exposure. Our experienced faculty members are committed to mentoring students and fostering critical thinking and problem-solving skills. We ensure hands-on learning opportunities through moot court competitions, internships, and workshops. Join us at LCIT's Department of Legal Studies to embark on a rewarding journey toward a successful and impactful legal career.

The career choices of alumni from the "Department of Legal Studies, LCIT College of Commerce and Science" indicate that the school has produced highly qualified legal scholars. Some of our alumni work for large corporate firms, while others are employed as teachers or judges in the State High Courts and the Supreme Court of India.

The LCIT College of Commerce and Science's Department of Legal Studies provides the following undergraduate, graduate, and certificate, programmes:

- **BA.LL.B, Five Years Integrated**
- **BCom.LL.B.—Five Years Integrated**
- **BBA.LL.B, Five Years Integrated***
- **LL.B – Three Years**
- **LL.M.* (Two Years)**
- **Certificate Programmes (VAC)**





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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

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Dear Participants, Judges, and Distinguished Guests,

It is with immense pleasure and pride that I welcome you all to this year's Moot Court Competition. This event is a cornerstone of our commitment to fostering excellence in legal education and practice. Moot court competitions play a vital role in shaping the legal minds of tomorrow by providing a rigorous platform for students to hone their advocacy skills, engage in critical thinking, and immerse themselves in complex legal issues.

We have designed our case problems to challenge your intellect and advocacy skills, making this year's competition particularly special. To the participants, I commend you for your dedication, preparation, and enthusiasm. Moot court competitions are not merely about winning or losing but about the invaluable experience and growth that come from engaging in high-level legal debates and learning from your peers and mentors. Your participation signifies your commitment to the pursuit of legal excellence and justice.

I would also like to extend my gratitude to our esteemed judges, who bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to this competition. Your guidance and feedback are instrumental in the educational journey of our participants, and we are deeply appreciative of your time and effort.

Finally, to our guests and supporters, thank you for your continued encouragement and belief in the power of legal education. Your presence here today underscores the importance of nurturing the next generation of legal professionals.

As we embark on this exciting journey over the next few days, I encourage everyone to engage fully, learn from each other, and, most importantly, enjoy the experience. Let us celebrate the spirit of competition, the pursuit of knowledge, and the shared goal of advancing the rule of law.

Best of luck to all the participants, and I look forward to witnessing your outstanding performances.

Warm regards,

Mr. Pramod Jain
Chairman
LCIT GOI, Bilaspur, CG



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VICE CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

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Dear Participants, Judges, and Esteemed Guests,

I am glad to welcome everyone to our moot court competition. This event demonstrates our commitment to providing quality legal education and developing the next generation of legal professionals. Moot court competitions help students improve their advocacy abilities, engage in complicated legal thinking, and receive practical experience in a simulated courtroom setting.

Their excessive participation in this competition reflects their dedication, hard work, and enthusiasm for the law. This competition provides not only an opportunity to demonstrate your abilities but also to learn, grow, and push yourself beyond traditional limits. The lengthy preparation and intellectual work you have put in are remarkable, and I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to hone your talents and increase your legal knowledge.

Our experienced judges play an important part in this competition. Their knowledge, ideas, and constructive criticism are critical to the educational experience of our participants. We are appreciative of your effort and dedication to developing young legal brains.

I'd also like to thank all of the organisers, faculty members, and supporters who worked diligently to make this event happen. Your effort guarantees that this competition stays distinguished and beneficial for all participants. As we progress through the stages of this moot court competition, I encourage everyone to participate with excitement, respect, and professionalism. In addition to winning, this event is about learning, collaborating, and personal growth.

In conclusion, I wish all of the participants the best of luck. I hope you find this competition difficult, gratifying, and motivating. Let us all use this occasion to honour the spirit of legal research and the quest for justice.

Warm regards,

Mr. Ankit Jain
Vice Chairman
LCIT GOI, Bilaspur, CG



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SSVT SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

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Dear Participants, Judges, and Honoured Guests,

I enthusiastically and proudly welcome you to our moot court competition. This important event marks a watershed moment in our academic calendar, demonstrating our persistent dedication to creating excellence in legal education and practice.

I thank all the contestants for their devotion and hard work in preparing for this competition. Your involvement demonstrates your enthusiasm for the law and willingness to thrive in your chosen sector. This competition is an excellent chance to put your talents to the test, learn from your peers and mentors, and further your careers as future legal professionals. Accept the challenges, learn from each event, and use this occasion to broaden your understanding of the law.

Our warmest appreciation goes to the eminent judges, whose experience and dedication helped make this event a success. Your help and critical criticism are vital to our participants' progress, and we sincerely appreciate your input. I'd also like to thank the organising committee, faculty members, and supporters who worked diligently behind the scenes to make this event a reality. Your devotion and hard work guarantee that the competition runs smoothly and creates an inspirational and encouraging environment for participants.

Best wishes to all participants for a successful and fulfilling competition. Let us celebrate the spirit of legal research, the pursuit of greatness, and our common dedication to justice.

Warm regards,

Mr. Upkar Rai
Secretary
SSVT, Bilaspur, CG



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Dear Participants, Judges, Faculty, and Distinguished Guests,

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to this year's moot Court Competition. This event is a hallmark of our institution's commitment to legal education and a testament to our dedication to nurturing the next generation of legal professionals.

Moot court competitions are more than just academic exercises; they are crucibles in which legal theories are tested and refined through rigorous debate and argumentation. They provide an invaluable opportunity for students to immerse themselves in the practical aspects of law, developing critical skills in research, writing, and oral advocacy. These experiences are foundational for your future careers, as they sharpen your analytical abilities and prepare you for the real-world challenges you will face as legal practitioners.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the organising committee, faculty members, all the participants, and all those who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure the success of this event. Your dedication and meticulous planning have made this competition possible, creating an environment where our students can thrive and excel.

As we commence this moot court competition, I encourage all participants to embrace the spirit of learning, collegiality, and professionalism. Engage deeply, challenge yourselves, and take pride in your efforts. This is a unique opportunity to grow and excel; I am confident you will make the most of it.

Best of luck to all participants! May this competition be an enriching and inspiring experience for everyone involved.

Warm regards,

Dr. Archana Shukla
Principal

LCIT College of Commerce and Science, Bodri, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, India



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VICE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Dear Participants, Judges, Faculty, and Honoured Guests,

Welcome to this year's moot court competition. I am delighted to see such enthusiastic participation in this event, which is a cornerstone of our legal education programme. Moot court competitions are invaluable in developing your advocacy skills, critical thinking, and legal acumen. Your hard work and preparation will undoubtedly lead to a rich and rewarding experience.

To all the participants, this is your moment to shine. Embrace the challenges, learn from your peers and mentors, and let this competition be a stepping stone in your journey towards becoming an exemplary legal professional. To our esteemed judges, thank you for your time and expertise, which greatly enhance the learning experience for our students.

I extend my gratitude to the organising committee and faculty for their dedication to making this event possible. Your efforts ensure that our students have a platform to excel and grow.

Best of luck to everyone involved. May this competition be a memorable and inspiring experience for all.

Warm regards,

Mr. Abhinav Paul.

Vice Principal

LCIT College of Commerce and Science, Bodri, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, India



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DEAN'S MESSAGE

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Dear Participants, Judges, Faculty, and Honoured Guests,

I am deeply honoured and privileged to extend my warm greetings to you for this year's Moot Court Competition. This event is significant in our academic calendar, as it demonstrates our dedication to promoting quality in legal education and advocacy.

Moot court contests provide students with a unique chance to use their legal expertise in a hands-on and dynamic setting. They compel you to engage in critical thinking, articulate arguments convincingly, and cultivate the composure and self-assurance essential for a prosperous legal profession. These abilities are essential not only for your professional development but also for the promotion of justice and the enforcement of legal principles.

To all our participants, I applaud your commitment and perseverance. I admire your thorough preparation and unwavering excitement. I have full confidence in your ability to excel in your performance. Keep in mind that this competition encompasses not only achieving victory but also acquiring knowledge and developing as prospective legal practitioners.

We express our gratitude to our renowned judges for their kind support. We highly value your knowledge and input, as you play a crucial role in our students' growth and progress. We appreciate your active involvement.

The organising committee, faculty, and others who worked hard to make this event a success deserve my sincerest thanks. Your endeavours guarantee that this competition is a gratifying and enhancing experience for all participants.

I wish all the participants the best of luck. May this competition catalyse your intellectual growth, driving you to reach unprecedented levels of legal comprehension and persuasive skills.

Sincerely,

Dr Arun Verma

Dean, Department of Legal Studies

LCIT College of Commerce and Science, Bodri, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, India



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INVITATION

Dear Participants, Judges, and Professors,

The Department of Legal Studies at LCIT College of Commerce and Science, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, is thrilled to extend a warm invitation to you for our upcoming moot court competition. This event is a highlight of our academic calendar, designed to provide a platform for law students to showcase their advocacy skills, engage in intellectual debate, and gain practical legal experience.

Event Details:

Date: September 27th & 28th, 2024

Venue: Department of Legal Studies, LCIT College of Commerce and Science, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, India.

Judges:

We are honoured to have a panel of esteemed judges who bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to this competition. Your expertise and insightful feedback are invaluable to our participants' educational experiences.

Professors:

Your presence and support are crucial to the success of this event. We appreciate your dedication to nurturing the next generation of legal professionals, and we look forward to your active participation.

Participants:

We welcome all registered teams to participate in this challenging and rewarding competition. Your hard work and preparation will be on full display as you navigate complex legal issues and present your arguments before a distinguished panel of judges.

Schedule and Registration:

- Opening Ceremony: 10:00 am
- Preliminary Rounds: 11:30 am
- Semifinals and Finals: September 28, 2024
- Closing Ceremony and Awards: 4:00 pm, September 28, 2024

Please register at [<https://forms.gle/LVoyyF82zDH9xK9t8>] by September 10, 2024, to ensure your participation. Upon registration, you will receive detailed guidelines and case materials.

Contact Information:

For additional inquiries or information, please contact:

- Ms. Kanika Joshi
- law@lcit.edu.in
- 9340741371

We eagerly anticipate your participation and look forward to an event filled with rigorous legal debates, insightful discussions, and outstanding performances. Join us for this unique opportunity to connect with peers and experts while contributing to the advancement of legal education.

Warm regards,

Dr Arun Verma

Dean,

Department of Legal Studies

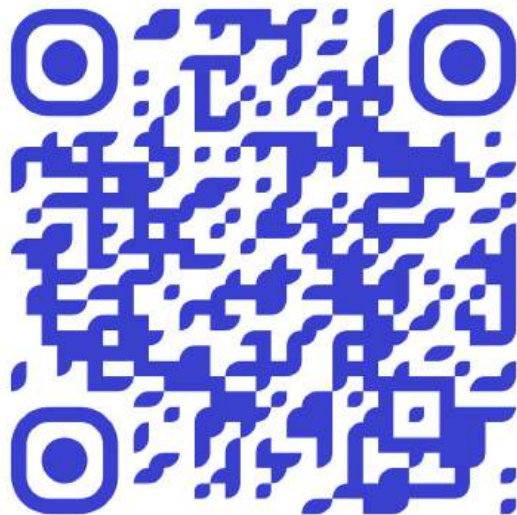
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MOOT PROPOSITION

27th and 28th September 2024



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MOOT PROPOSITION

State of Surya Pradesh

vs

Mr. Sunder Sharma and others

Facts:

- In the early 2020s, Surya Pradesh State in the People's Republic of Rastrasangh was one of the wealthiest groups of people in the world due to the discovery of oil on their land. This newfound wealth, however, brought enormous danger. A series of brutal murders targeting the Surya Pradesh people unfolded in what became known as the "Reign of Terror." Surya Pradesh's laws are perimetria with those of the Republic of India.
- Mr. Sunder Sharma, a native of Surya Pradesh whose parents were foreign nations, controls lucrative oil rights. Mr. Sunder Sharma has close ties with Surya Pradesh's ruling political party, the "Krantikari Dal." Online reports accuse Mr. Sunder Sharma and others of heinous crimes related to the murder of oil-rich family members.
- Experts speculate that Mr. Sunder, in collaboration with his nephew Mr. Pinto Sharma and other accomplices, executed a string of murders aimed at eradicating the family members of individuals inheriting oil-rich land. Various methods, such as shootings, poisonings, and bombings, claimed the lives of the victims. Local authorities initially disguised these murders as accidents or health issues, making it difficult to detect the conspiracy.
- Mr. Pinto Sharma, one of Mr. Sunder Sharma's main allies, administered slow poison to his wife, Mrs. Rati Davi, to secure ownership rights over oil-rich land after her death. Mr. Pinto Sharma stated before the investigating agency that his wife Mrs. Rati Davi and her family adhere to traditional practices such as talking to spirits and using conventional medicines for cures, which he considered unscientific. He further claimed that her ill health was a result of her negligence and non-consumption of allopathic medicines.



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- One day, Mrs. Rati Davi, without informing her husband, traveled to Indraprastham, the capital of Rastrasangh, seeking government support. She informed government agencies about the malpractices, organised crime in Surya Pradesh, and the unnatural deaths of oil-rich family members' heirs, particularly female ones. She also spoke about the involvement of her husband, Mr. Pinto Sharma, and his close ally, Mr. Sunder Sharma, in these incidents.
- As the death toll rose, the family members of oil-rich land, worried for justice, sought help from the central government, Rastrasangh. The central government handed over this case to the Bureau of Investigation (BI), led by former Inspector General Mr. Ajeet Kumar. The investigation uncovered a deep-seated conspiracy and exposed the extent of Sunder's manipulation and greed. Mr. Ajeet and his team gathered substantial evidence through undercover operations and witness testimonies, revealing the true nature of the crimes.
- Mr. Sunder Sharma made a statement before the investigating agency that Native oil-rich family members are against him because they do not tolerate a person whose parents were from foreign nations controlling the lucrative oil industry in Surya Pradesh and making a good profit; therefore, they are making such stories and trying to kick him out of this business and want to control this oil industry by themselves only and the Constitution of Rastrasangh allows use of natural resources in national interest only, not for private benefits.
- Based on the gathered evidence, IB initiated a trial in a District Court in Suraya Pradesh, citing a direct violation of the fundamental rights of the legal heirs of native oil-rich families. The Court rendered a verdict in favour of Mr. Sunder Sharma and others, citing insufficient evidence against them that failed to meet the standard of proof beyond a reasonable doubt.
- A large number of murders in Surya Pradesh highlighted the systemic corruption and exploitation faced by the natives of Surya Pradesh State, as well as the need for legal protections and reforms. The case also marked a significant moment in the history of law enforcement, as it led to the strengthening of the BI and its role in fighting organised crime and safeguarding the fundamental rights of people. This case serves as a grim reminder of the greed-fueled violence that plagued the state of Surya Pradesh and the enduring quest for justice.
- As a result, the state decided to appeal to Rastrasangh's Supreme Court as this matter is related to violations of Fundamental Rights (Art 15(1), 19(1)(g), 21, 32, and 136).



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Legal Issues:

- Murder and conspiracy:
- Can the Republic of Rastrasangh's laws hold Sunder Sharma and his associates accountable for the murders of native oil-rich family members?
- The extent to which the conspiracy to murder for financial gain constitutes a heinous crime.
- Fraud and Exploitation:
- Fraudulent activities are crucial in deceiving and exploiting native oil-rich family members, enabling them to seize control of their wealth.
- The prosecution uses fraud, embezzlement, and unlawful inheritance laws against the accused.
- Domestic violence is systematically used to achieve malicious objectives.
- High-profile individuals are actively manipulating the issue of white-collar crime.

Charges:

1. Murder
2. Criminal Conspiracy
3. Cheating
4. Domestic Violence
5. And other charges as deemed fit in this case.

The appellant filed an appeal at the Supreme Court on the following issues:

1. Error of Law
2. Improper Evaluation of Evidence
3. Failure to Consider Cumulative Evidence
4. Perverse Findings
5. Failure to Properly Examine Motive and Circumstantial Evidence
6. Improper Use of Benefit of Doubt
7. Lapses in Investigation
8. Non-Consideration of Expert Witnesses
9. Misapplication of Self-Defence or Other Legal Defences
10. Inconsistent Verdicts
11. Miscarriage of Justice



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The appellant filed an appeal at the Supreme Court on the following issues:

Relief Sought:

- 1.Reversal of the Acquittal Order
- 2.Conviction of the Accused
- 3.Sentencing of the Accused
- 4.Re-trial or Further Investigation (if necessary)
- 5.Compensation for the Victims
- 6.Punitive Damages
- 7.Restitution of Property
- 8.Setting Aside Misapplication of Law

Conclusion:

This moot court case challenges participants to address the complex legal, ethical, and jurisdictional issues surrounding the murders of the Surya Pradesh State members as depicted in this case. It raises critical questions about justice, exploitation, and protecting vulnerable communities in the face of greed and corruption. Participants must navigate the intricacies of criminal law, conspiracy, and Native of Surya Pradesh rights to seek justice for the victims and their families.



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Venue

Moot Court Hall, Department of Legal Studies

Rules and Regulations

I. Aim & Purpose

- In addition to developing cutting-edge skills in research, writing, and advocacy, the Lakhmi Chand National Moot Court Competition aims to foster opportunities for learning the development of jurisprudence on emerging trends in criminal law.

II. Venue and date

- The Lakhmi Chand National Moot Court Competition will be offline from September 27th to September 28th, 2024.
- Dr. Arun Verma, Dean of the Department of Legal Studies, LCIT College of Commerce and Science, Bilaspur, CG, will decide on any dispute that arises during this competition.

III. The competition shall be in English/Hindi.

IV. Eligibility

- The competition is open to students taking LLB three-year or five-year courses during the current academic year who are interested in clinical law and can participate.

V. Team Composition

- Each team should consist of a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 3 members. Under no circumstances can we modify this number.
- For each team, there will be two speakers and one researcher. The researcher may petition the court and dean of law for permission if a speaker is ill.
- Each team will receive a unique team code during orientation. Teams should not disclose the identity of their institution; such disclosure will invite penalties, including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the Dean of Law (LCIT).



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VI. Registration

- Online registrations are open as of August 01, 2024. The teams must register online by September 10, 2022. Teams must register online using the provided web link, and the competition will only accept 50 teams on a first-come, first-served basis.
- We will not entertain any requests for temporary registration. Kindly refrain from sending such requests to our official email ID, i.e., **law@lcit.edu.in**.
- Participants will receive a confirmation email as an acknowledgement of successful registration submission. Participants will receive approval as acceptance of their request for participation within a week from the date of their online registration.

VII. Registration Process

Option 1: The registration form (i) and approval letter (ii) as provided in the rules, duly signed and sealed by your university, college, or moot committee.

Option 2: Upload both (i) and (ii) in a PDF file. (on registration link)

- (i) You should properly fill out and sign the registration form and approval letter as specified in the rules, without a seal.
- (ii) A scanned copy of the authorization letter with a sign and seal from your university institution or moot committee.

or

- To complete the registration process, send an email using the official ID of your university, college, or moot committee, which should serve as a notification email ID during the online registration process.
- **Note:** Students may use the library services for research purposes before 6:00 p.m. during the competition, and they may obtain a photocopy of the required material. However, they cannot take reference books or Bare Act outside the library.
- The college is not responsible for the lost research materials of the participants, so students must take care of their belongings.



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Note:

- The following individuals should sign the registration form: The signatories on the registration form should include the faculty-in-charge of the Moot Court Committee, the Registrar, the Dean, the Head of Department, the Principal, the Director, the Chancellor, or the Vice-Chancellor.
- Registration without a scanned copy of the approval letter, email communication from the college/institution, or duly attested registration form will not be valid.
- Please send a soft copy of the registration and approval letter or a single PDF to law@lcit.edu.in, referencing the **3rd NATIONAL LAKHMI CHAND NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, September 2024**. Our institution will send a confirmation email regarding registration. The host institute will assign the provisional team code to the registered teams shortly after receiving registration details and the registration fee.
- Once you have received the provisional team code from the moot committee of the Department of Legal Studies, LCIT CSAL, you can proceed with your drafting and other tasks.
- **You need to make an online payment of Rs. 2100 as the registration fee.**



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**You should send the online payment receipt to law@lcit.edu.in.
Once paid, there will be no refund for the fee.**

- In the event that a team withdraws from the competition or faces disqualification, the next-in-line group, based on registration data (if the registration surpasses the allowed 50 teams), will receive an immediate invitation to participate. Such teams will have to submit memorials to be eligible at least 3 days before the start of the competition.



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VIII. ORIENTATION

- On September 27, 2024 (Friday), there will be an orientation programme for all participants, followed by a drawing of lots and an exchange of memorials. During the orientation, we will only assign competition team codes and sides.

IX. ROUNDS

- There will be two preliminary rounds of arguments: an octafinal, a quarterfinal, a semi-final, and a final round.
- If more than 24 teams are participating, we will hold an octagon. If the participation exceeds 16 teams, we will conduct a quarterfinal.
- There are three rounds: the preliminary round, the octafinals, and the quarterfinals.
- **a.** There will be two preliminary rounds of arguments per team, once for the applicant and another for the respondent.
- **b.** No team will face each other more than once in the preliminary rounds.
- In their second round of arguments, each team will face a different bench.
- We have scheduled the semi-finals for September 28, 2024 (Saturday), and the preliminary 1/preliminary 2/octa finals/quarterfinals for September 27, 2024 (Friday).
- The octa-quarterfinal rounds will determine which of the top sixteen/eight teams from the preliminary rounds advance to the octa-quarterfinal rounds.
- **a.** Win points
- **b.** Win points + aggregate raw points
- **c.** Win points plus aggregate raw points (in the event of a tie, fewer memorial marks). Only the scores from both preliminary rounds will count as memorial marks.
- **f.** The advocate's attire (as laid out by the BCI) shall be the dress code during orientation, the oral rounds, and the competition's valedictory ceremony.
- The oral arguments don't have to limit themselves to the topics discussed in the memorials.

Octa-final, quarter-final, and final round:

- A significant amount of power matching will determine the sides of the arguments in the octagonal, quarterfinal, semifinal, and final stages.
- The semifinals and finals will take place on September 28, 2024 (Saturday).
- The octafinal and semifinal rounds are knockout rounds.
- The schedule is subject to change if the participating teams' number is less than 24.



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X. Results (Announcement)

- Once all teams have completed their preliminary rounds, we will announce the results. Similarly, we will announce the results of the quarter-final and semi-final rounds once all qualified teams have completed their respective rounds. We will announce the final round results during the valedictory ceremony.

XI. MEMORIALS

- We must strictly adhere to the following criteria for memorials: Non-conformities will be punished.
- Each team must prepare memorials for both parties to the dispute (the petitioner and respondent).
- On or before September 10, 2024, mail the soft copies of the memorials for the petitioner and the respondent to **law@lcit.edu.in**.
- We will penalise late submissions by two points per hour, with a maximum penalty of 20 points.
- If the team receives memorials after 24 hours of the deadline, they will lose the moot court competition.
- After submitting the soft copy of the memorials, we will not accept any revisions, supplements, or additions.
- Please email soft copies of the memorials with the subject "Team Code: Memorial Submission." You must submit the memorials in Word format. The file shall be named "Team Code: Memorial for Petitioner" and "Team Code: Memorial for Respondent," respectively. Attach the memorials for both sides as separate attachments within the same email communication.
- Type the memorials onto an A4-sized piece of paper, print them on one side, and include the following information:
 1. The table of contents
 2. The index of authorities
 3. A statement of jurisdiction
 4. Keep the statement of facts to one page, as an argumentative statement could lead to penalties.
 5. The statement of issues
 6. The summary of arguments (not more than 1 page)
 7. The arguments progressed, spanning no more than 15 pages.
 8. The prayer



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- The memorial should use a uniform font size throughout. The memorial should use the font "Times Roman" with a size of 12 (1.5 space), and for footnotes, the size should be 10 (single space), with 1.5 space between two footnotes. Footnoting must conform to the Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (20th Edition). Non-compliance will result in a penalty of 1 mark per page. We strictly prohibit the use of substantive or verbal footnotes.
- The memorial must have a margin measuring one inch on all sides of each page.
- The page numbering should be on the top right side of each page.
- You should arrange the covers on the briefs in the following manner:
 - Petitioner: Light Blue; Defendant: Light Red.
- The memorial's cover page should include the following information:
 - You can find the team code in the upper-right corner.
 - The cause titles
 - Identify the brief as either petitioners, applicants, or respondents, depending on the context.
- The memorial must not reveal the institution's identity to anyone. Violation of this provision shall result in penalties, including disqualification. The Dean of Law's (LCIT) decision will be final.
- The teams can collaborate on a separate 50-page paper book (compendium), containing all the annexures and case laws mentioned in the memorial. The paper book will have a white cover. According to the organizers' advice, teams may submit papers to judges or submit them during virtual registration before the competition starts. Any identifying mark or seal of the college or university shall attract severe penalties, including disqualification.



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XII. ORAL ROUND

Preliminary Round, Octafinals & Quarterfinals

- Each team will get a total of 30 minutes to present their case. This time will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.
- The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a minimum of 12 minutes per speaker. Before arguments begin, inform the court officer about the division of time.
- The issues presented in the memorial need not be the sole focus of the oral arguments.
- During the rounds, the researcher may pass notes to the speakers. However, the researcher must do this discreetly to avoid disrupting the court proceedings.
- The researcher has the option to sit alongside the speakers during the oral sessions.

XIII. Semifinals & Final

- Each team will have 45 minutes to present their case, which will include rebuttal and surrebuttal time.
- The time division is up to the team's discretion, with a maximum of 25 minutes per speaker and a minimum of 20 minutes per speaker.
- The issues presented in the memorial need not be the sole focus of the oral arguments.
- During the rounds, the researcher may pass notes to the speakers. However, the researcher must do this discreetly to avoid disrupting the court proceedings.
- The researcher has the option to sit alongside the speakers during the oral sessions.

XIV. SCOUTING

- Teams cannot watch any other team's orals. Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any of the team members will result in disqualification. However, all participants can watch the final round in the moot courtroom.



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XV. SCORING

A. Orals

The parameters for judging the oral presentation on a scale of 0 to 100 points are:

- Knowledge of facts
- Logic and reasoning
- Organisation and clarity
- Persuasiveness
- Deference to the court
- A thorough and well-articulated examination of the issues arising from the facts
- Gaining an understanding of the legal principles that directly relate to the issues at hand
- The ability to clearly explain legal principles in general while staying within the allotted time.
- Understanding and applying national law's legal sources, authorities, and general principles.
- Ingenuity (ability to argue by analogy from related aspects of law)

B. Written Submissions (Memorials)

- A scale of 1–100 points for each memorial is required.
- After submission, any revisions, supplements, or additions to the memorials shall incur severe penalties, subject to the discretion of the Dean of Law (LCIT).

We will award the points based on the following criteria:

- The text is neat, legible, and free of typographical or format errors.
- The logical progression of ideas
- To effectively outline arguments, use headings.
- Understanding essential legal issues presented
- Focus on essential (not collateral) issues.
- Clear, concise, and unambiguous writing style
- Forceful and persuasive presentation
- Integration of facts into legal argument
- Understanding the case's strengths and weaknesses is crucial.
- Discussion of viable alternative arguments
- Understanding and analysis of authority
- It is critical to use appropriate citations and citation forms.
- To effectively support arguments, use authority.
- Ability to distinguish adverse cases

Non-compliance with the rules mentioned in Clause VII above shall attract severe penalties



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XVI. AWARDS

- Rs. 11, 000/- Cash Prize and Trophy to the Winners
- Rs. 07,100/- Cash Prize and Trophy to the Runner-ups
- Rs. 04,100/- Cash Prize and Trophy to the Best Memorial
- Rs. 04,100/- Cash Prize and Trophy for the Best Speaker

XVII. ANONYMITY

- The student counsel has the right to introduce themselves to the court in the traditional manner, including stating their name. However, before the awards ceremony, the team's college or institution affiliation must remain unmentioned.
- Further, all team members, teachers, advisors, and observers shall refrain from identifying a team's school, college, or university at any time and in any manner, including, but not limited to, wearing any identifying items, such as school clothing, ties, patches, or pins, or carrying identifying material (such as a book with a college logo or college seal).

XVIII. COPYRIGHT

- Participants transfer the copyright of the memorials submitted for competition participation to the Department of Legal Studies, LCIT College of Commerce and Science, Bilaspur, CG. The Department of Legal Studies, LCIT College of Commerce and Science, Bilaspur, CG, will hold the participants accountable for any claims or disputes arising from the subsequent use and display of these items.
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IMPORTANT DATES

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| Start of Online Registration | 01st August, 2024 |
| The Last date for Online Registration | 15th September 2024 |
| The Last date for payment of the registration fee | 16th September 2024 |
| The last date for receiving copies of the registration form or approval letter along with details of the registration fee payment. | 20th September 2024 |
| Last date for requesting clarification on the problem | 21th September 2024 |
| Last Date for Submission of Memorials One Hard Copy (both applicant and respondent) & Soft Copy by email | 22nd September 2024 |
| Orientation | 27th September 2024 |
| Prelims: 1; Prelims: 2; Octafinal; Quarterfinal | 27th September 2024 |
| Semi Final/ Final, Valediction & Prize distribution | 28th September 2024 |



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Date:

Registration form or approval letter (Please fill in capital letters.)

Undertaking

1. We hereby state that our participation complies with the rules and regulations of the competition.
2. We certify that the materials submitted/to be submitted are prepared by us and agree to indemnify the organisers, i.e., the Department of Legal Studies, LCIT College of Commerce and Science, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, India, for any claim or dispute arising out of the further use and exhibition of these materials.
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