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# III JLU MEMORIAL DRAFTING

### \_\_\_\_COMPETITION 2024-25 \_\_\_\_

20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025

Organized by: Faculty of Law, Jagran Lakecity University

#### **OFFICIAL INVITATION**

#### To

The Vice-Chancellor/ Dean/ Registrar/ Bead of the Department

Dear Sir/ Madam,

#### **Greetings!**

With an air of profound anticipation and utmost delight, the Moot Court Committee (MCC) at the Faculty of Law, Jagran Lakecity University Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, extends a gracious and formal invitation to your esteemed Institution. It is our distinct pleasure to cordially invite you to be an integral part of the forthcoming third edition of the JEU Memorial Drafting Competition, scheduled to be held in April, 2025.

Our deep-seated aspiration revolves around creating an environment that not only encourages but passionately nurtures the highest levels of intellectual rigour. Through this Competition, we aim to provide a unique platform where participants can refine their courtroom skills and legal acumen through immersive and simulated experiences that will challenge and inspire the participants. We ardently hope that your esteemed Institution will graciously bestow upon us the privilege of its virtual presence and, through your active participation, enhance the essence of this event with your invaluable contributions. This, in turn, shall serve to elevate and dignify the realisation of its noble objectives. We eagerly await a positive response from your end.

Best Regards, The Moot Court Committee (MCC) Faculty of Law, Jagran Lakecity University, Bhopal (M.P.)

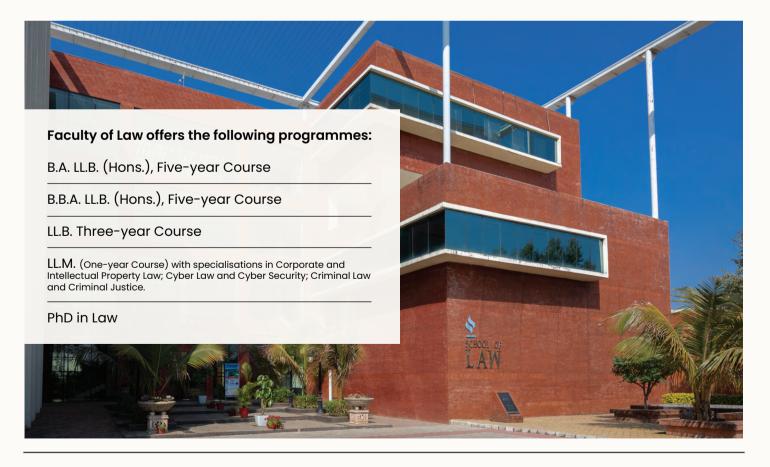


### ABOUT FACULTY OF LAW

The Faculty of Law at Jagran Lakecity University (JLU), Bhopal, was established in 2014 as part of a private university recognized under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956. It is one of the premier global law schools in Central India, offering a distinctive blend of academic rigor and practical exposure.

With a strong emphasis on domain-specific research by faculty and students, combined with hands-on training through moot courts and internships, we prepare our students to excel in the legal profession from the outset of their careers. The faculty is supported by an extensive library housing approximately 14,500 books, esteemed national and international law journals, digests, and a comprehensive collection of All India Reporter (AIR) volumes (1924 to date) in hardbound format. Additionally, students have access to leading digital legal databases such as Manupatra, LexisNexis, AIR Infotech, and EBSCO.

Leveraging its diverse research centers and the expertise of a dedicated team of faculty and administrators, JLU Faculty of Law aspires to deliver a legal education that is inclusive, forward-thinking, and driven by innovation. As a beacon of legal education, it equips aspiring lawyers and scholars with foundational knowledge, critical thinking skills, and ethical values essential for navigating the complexities of modern jurisprudence.





### ABOUT THE MOOT COURT COMMITTEE

Since its establishment, the Faculty of Law at Jagran Lakecity University has fostered a vibrant culture of mooting, with the Moot Court Committee (MCC) playing a pivotal role in this mission. The MCC, led by students under the guidance of esteemed faculty members, is dedicated to nurturing and promoting mooting excellence within the university's academic landscape. Its primary objective is to organize and oversee mooting activities and related endeavors while upholding the principles of fairness and impartiality. The committee is committed to advancing practical learning and fostering the holistic development of aspiring legal professionals. In just eight years, the MCC at the Faculty of Law, JLU, Bhopal, has successfully organized nine editions of the university's flagship Moot Court Competition. These events have been graced by eminent judges, renowned legal practitioners, and distinguished scholars, highlighting the MCC's dedication to excellence. The inaugural National Moot Court Competition, held with great grandeur, was honoured by the presence of the late Mr. Ram Jethmalani, former Law Minister and Senior Advocate of the Supreme Court of India. These legal luminaries not only attended as guests but also actively contributed by judging rounds, delivering keynote addresses, and sharing invaluable insights with participants.

This remarkable track record underscores the MCC's unwavering commitment to enhancing the academic and practical dimensions of legal education at JLU. Through these initiatives, students are provided with unparalleled opportunities to interact with some of the most distinguished figures in the legal profession, fostering both their professional growth and academic development. The Moot Court Committee has successfully organized nine flagship Moot Court Competitions, each addressing significant legal themes:





- 1. I JLU National Moot Court Competition (February 2017): Focused on Entertainment Laws and Consti tutional Principles.
- 2. II JLU National Moot Court Competition (February 2018): Explored Commercial Taxation Laws and Constitutional Frameworks.
- 3. I SAARCLAW-JLU Moot Court Competition (February 2019): Addressed International Human Rights and Constitutional Law.
- 4. **II SAARCLAW-JLU Moot Court Competition (February 2020):** Promoted female representation in law through a Pink Theme.
- 5. **III SAARCLAW-JLU Moot Court Competition (February 2021):** Focused on International Arbitration and Maritime Law.
- 6. I AUAP-JLU International Moot Court Competition (August 2022): Delved into International Commer cial Arbitration.
- 7. **II AUAP-JLU International Moot Court Competition (April 2023):** Explored Competition Law and Con tractual Obligations.
- 8. **III AUAP-JLU International Moot Court Competition (February 2024):** Revisited International Commercial Arbitration.
- 9. IV AUAP JLU International Moot Court Competition (February March 2025): Focused on International Commercial Arbitration and Commercial Contracts.

These competitions exemplify the MCC's dedication to fostering academic excellence and providing students with opportunities to engage in meaningful legal discourse.





### ABOUT THE COMPETITION

Building on the remarkable success of the previous editions, we are thrilled to announce the much-anticipated **Third Edition** of the JLU Memorial Drafting Competition (JLUMDC), 2024-25. Below are the key details:

**Mode:** The Competition will be conducted entirely **online**, focusing exclusively on the submission of Memorials.

Language: All communication and submissions for the Competition will be in English.

Eligibility: The Competition is open to students currently enrolled in:

- A five-year integrated LL.B. program
- A three-year LL.B. program
- An **LL.M. program**

from any recognized university or law college.

**Number of Teams per University/College:** There is **no restriction** on the number of teams that may register from a single institution.

#### **Team Composition:**

- Each team may comprise either **one or two members**, provided they meet the eligibility criteria.
- Participants are also allowed to form **cross-teams**, with members from different universities, law schools, or colleges.





# **DEFINITIONS**

- 1. **"Competition"** refers to the **III JLU Memorial Drafting Competition, (JLUMDC) 2024-25.**
- 2. **"Identity/Identification"** includes all elements related to a Team, its individual members, and the College/University they represent. This encompasses details such as the state or region where the institution is located and any unique marks or seals associated with the Team or the College/University.
- 3. **"Memorial"** refers to the **Memorandum of Written Submissions** submitted by a Team in accordance with the Competition rules.
- 4. **"Memorial Score"** signifies the score awarded to a Memorial as per the rules and evaluation criteria of the Competition.
- 5. **"Moot Proposition"** refers to the set of facts and legal issues provided by the Organizing Committee, including any clarifications or amendments issued thereafter.
- 6. **"Official Email"** designates the official email address of the Moot Court Committee (MCC), Faculty of Law, Jagran Lakecity University: mcc.sol@jlu.edu.in.
- 7. **"Organizing Committee"** or **"OC"** refers to the Organizing Members of the Moot Court Committee, Faculty of Law, Jagran Lakecity University, Bhopal.
- 8. **"Rules"** refer to the rules mentioned in this Brochure and any subsequent communication from the Organizing Committee via official modes of communication.
- 9. **"Team"** denotes the group of participants officially registered to compete in the Competition.
- 10. **"Team Code"** is the unique identifier assigned to each Team for their participation in the Competition.



# **RULES & REGULATIONS**

#### 1. Submission:

- The Memorials must be named in the following format: "Team Code P/R", for example, "TC 1P" & "TC 1R".
- All the teams must submit the soft copy of the Memorial for both sides (Petitioner and Respondent) on or before **11:59 PM (IST) 20th April, 2025.**
- Memorials should be uploaded in both PDF and Word formats (.pdf & .docx).
- . Memorials must be submitted solely through this Google form link: Memorial Submission.
- Google form requires the mention of the Team Code provided by the Organising Committee. (Any incorrect entry of the Team Code will result in the Participant bearing full responsibility for the consequences)
- Once the soft copy of a Memorial is submitted, no revisions or resubmissions will be allowed, except under the discretion of the Organizing Committee (OC) after thoroughly analyzing the situation.
   Teams must ensure a single, accurate submission to minimize any confusion or errors during evaluation.
- In case there are multiple submissions from the same team, only the last/latest submission shall be considered.

#### 2. Clarifications:

- All the queries/questions for clarification have to be submitted via this Google form: Clarification
   Form
- The deadline for seeking clarification(s) is **11:59 PM (IST)**, **28th March**, **2025**.
- A compiled list of clarifications will be sent to all the teams over the email address provided at the time of registration, by **31st March**, **2025**.
- All queries/questions for clarification must be submitted exclusively through the designated **Google Form.** Any other mode of communication will not be entertained under any circumstances.



#### 3. Non-Compliance – Disqualification/ Rejection/ Penalties:

- The Memorials must not contain any Identification apart from the Team Code allotted. If any discrepancy or attempt to disclose identity by any team is noticed by the Organizing Committee, the team shall be disqualified.
- Participants are expected to include only those abbreviations within their memorials that are actually utilised in the document. Any abbreviation listed in the 'List of Abbreviations' but not employed within the memorial will result in a penalty of -0.25 points for each such occurrence.
   Non-adherence to the formatting guidelines will result in a penalty of -0.25 points for each such occurrence.
- After the submission deadline, starting from 12:00 AM, a penalty of 1 mark per Memorial will be deducted for every hour the Memorial is late during the first 4 hours. After 4 hours, the penalty will be 1 mark every 2 hours for each late Memorial.
- The Competition shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules mentioned in this document and any other communication via e-mail or other similar sources. Participants are required to comply with the Rules and procedures prescribed herein.
- Memorials that do not comply with the specifications mentioned as a part of the Rules of this Competition, shall be rejected.

#### 4. Rights Reserved:

- The decision of the Judges shall be final regarding the evaluation and determination of the position holders.
- Participants are required to avoid using identical language or copying from other Memorials or external sources. Any utilisation of publicly accessible information should be appropriately cited. These regulations pertain to all sections of the Memorials and are not solely limited to the Pleadings/Arguments Advanced and Prayer. The Organizing Committee, in collaboration with the judges, shall make the ultimate judgement concerning instances of plagiarism and the corresponding penalties for such infractions.
- In case of a tie, the higher rank would be determined based on the least time taken by the participant in submission of Memorials.
- The Organizing Committee reserves the right to amend, modify, change and repeal the Rules at any point of time, as per need. Any changes in the Rules of the Competition shall be notified via the Official Email address of the Organizing Committee to the email address provided by the Participant at the time of registration.



#### 5. Point of Contact:

• The Organizing Committee shall function as the primary point of contact in case of anything related to this Competition.

### **FORMATTING GUIDELINES**

#### 1. The main body of the Memorials shall adhere to the following specifications:

(Kindly keep the formatting alike i.e., either entirely in bullet points or entirely ABC/123)

- A. Document Layout/Size: A4
- B. Font Style: Times New Roman
- C. Font size: 12 (Except for headings/sub-heading which could be 16/14)
- D. Line Spacing: 1.5
- E. Margin on each side:1-inch
- F. Alignment: Justified (Except for headings which could be centre aligned)

#### 2. The footnotes in the Memorials shall adhere to the following specifications:

- A. Font Style: Times New Roman
- B. Font Size 10
- C. Line Spacing: 1.0
- D. Alignment: Justified

#### 3. The Memorials must include all the following:

- A. Cover Page
- B. Table of Contents
- C. List of Abbreviations
- D. Index of Authorities
- E. Statement of Jurisdiction
- F. Statement of Facts
- G. Issues Raised
- H. Summary of Arguments
- I. Arguments Advanced
- J. Prayer

#### 4. The Cover Page must consist of the following:

- Team Code (in the top-right corner) for example, 'Team Code 01' (Any incorrect entry of the Team Code will result in the Participant bearing full responsibility for the consequences)
- B. Name of the Court/Forum
- C. Jurisdiction for example, 'Under Section/Article Number \_\_\_\_\_'



- D. Cause Title for example, 'In the matter of Petitioner (Name of the Petitioner) v. Respondent (Name of the Respondent)'
- E. Party on whose behalf the Memorial is submitted for example, 'Memorial on behalf of Peti tioner/Respondent'
- 5. Memorial should not exceed a total of forty (40) pages, and the portion dedicated to advancing arguments (i.e., Arguments Advanced) solely, should not exceed twenty-five (25) pages.
- 6. Each source or authority must be accompanied by bibliographical information in accordance with the guidelines outlined in the **Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (21st edition),** and the teams must follow neutral citations for citing case laws.
- 7. The 'Index of Authorities' must precisely specify the pages within the memorials where each cited authority is mentioned.
- 8. Participants are allowed to frame additional issues other than those provided in the Moot Proposition at their own discretion.
- 9. The Cover Page of the Memorials must follow the following colour scheme, **Blue** for the Petitioner and **Red** for the Respondent.
- 10. The Memorials must not contain any Annexures/Photographs/Sketches/Exhibits/Affidavits or any other representations of similar nature.

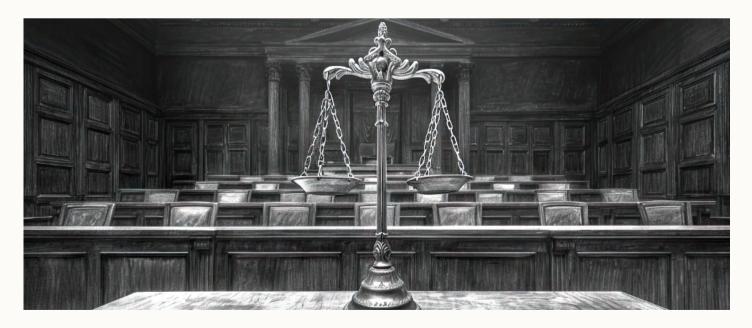




# **EVALUATION OF MEMORIALS**

#### The Memorials shall be evaluated out of 100 marks. The following are the criteria for evaluation:

PARAMETERS	MARKS
Interpretation & Application of Law (Comprehension of legal issues and how they relate to one another, as well as knowledge of the relevant field of law and practice)	<b>30</b> (Thirty)
<b>Extent and Use of Research</b> (Knowledge of how to locate and research material in pertinent legal or other fields of practice)	<b>30</b> (Thirty)
<b>Clarity &amp; Organization</b> (Logical organisation, a good overview, and a strong conclusion through a thorough understanding of the law and relating to the facts)	<b>20</b> (Twenty)
<b>Style, Grammar, &amp; Citation of Sources</b> (Precise and succinct drafting with accurate in-text citations and source acknowledgements with clear and logical legal argument)	<b>20</b> (Twenty)
Total	100 (Hundred)





### REGISTRATION

Teams shall register by filling out the following **Registration Form** after payment of the Registration fees.

**Registration fees:** 

Four Hundred INR (400/-)

(The registration fee is non-refundable and non-transferable in any circumstance)

- Registration for the Competition is limited to a maximum of 60 teams. Allocation of slots will be on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Upon successful completion of the prescribed formalities for registration, each team will receive a unique **Team Code** within a week of the registration deadline.

### PAYMENT



Payment Link: https://paytm.me/PYTMPS/CxL9yPP

Upon completing the payment, Participants must upload a screenshot confirming the transaction through the Registration Form provided above. Submission of the Registration Form will serve as the final confirmation of the Participants' registration for the Competition.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Registration Deadline:	11:59 PM (IST), 25th March, 2025 (Tuesday)
Deadline for Seeking Clarifications:	11:59 PM (IST), 28th March, 2025 (Friday)
Release of List of Clarification:	31st March, 2025 (Monday)
Deadline for Memorial Submission:	11:59 PM (IST), 20th April, 2025 (Sunday)
Result Announcement:	25th April, 2025 (Friday)



# AWARDS

- Winner (1st Position) Petitioner Prize money of Rs. 3000 + Certificate of Merit
- Winner (1st Position) Respondent Prize money of Rs. 3000 + Certificate of Merit
- Runner-up (2nd Position) Petitioner Prize money of Rs. 2000 + Certificate of Merit
- Runner-up (2nd Position) Respondent Prize money of Rs. 2000 + Certificate of Merit
- 2nd Runner-up (3rd Position) Petitioner Prize money of Rs. 1000 + Certificate of Merit
- 2nd Runner-up (3rd Position) Respondent Prize money of Rs. 1000 + Certificate of Merit
- Consolation (4th, 5th, 6th Position) Petitioner Prize money of Rs. 500 (to each position-holding team)
   + Certificate of Merit
- Consolation (4th, 5th, 6th Position) Respondent Prize money of Rs. 500 (to each position-holding team) + Certificate of Merit
- 7th to 10th Position Certificate of Merit
- All the participants who successfully register and submit their memorials for this event will receive a 'Certificate of Participation'.
- (All certificates shall be sent digitally to the e-mail address provided at the time of registration)





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