

SHRI.KONERU LAKSHAMIAH MEMORIAL FIRST ALL INDIA
MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2018

SHRI.KONERU LAKSHAMIAH MEMORIAL ALL INDIA MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2018 will be conducted by COLLEGE OF LAW, KONERU LAKSHAMIAH EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, (Declared as deemed to be University U/S 3 of UGC Act, 1956), in KL University Campus VADDESWAREM-522502, Guntur Dt., Andhra Pradesh

DATE AND VENUE: The Competition will be held on 21st September 2018 (Friday) from 10 AM to 5 PM and on 22nd September 2018 (Saturday) from 10 AM to 3 PM at KLEF College of Law, VADDESWAREM-522502 Guntur Dt. Andhra Pradesh

The following '**expressions and words**' used in this competition will have the following meanings.

- a) "**Competition**" means '**Shri. Koneru Lakshamaiah Memorial First All India Moot Court Competition, 2018**'
- b) "**Organizing Committee**" means 'the Moot Court Committee consisting of Chief Co-ordinator and two Co-ordinators, College of Law and Principal, College of Law, as ex-officio Member of the Committee'
- c) "**Participating College/Institution/University**" shall be the parent Institution of the participating team'
- d) "**Participating Team**" means the 'team from participating College/Institution/University registered for the competition as per the rules given below
- e) "**Reservation**" means 'the right reserved by the Organizing Committee/ higher authorities of KLU to invite any **College/Institution/University** without any formalities of registration etc.'
- f) "**Recognition**" means 'the recognition of participating Team on receiving the Reg. Form with Demand Draft by intimation sent to the Participating Team
- g) "**Participants**" means 'the **two Student-Speakers and the Research Associate** of the Participating Team'
- h) "**Problem I**" means '**the Problem selected for the Preliminary Rounds** (**Annexure I**) **to be held on 21st September 2018 (Friday)**
- i) "**Problem II**" means '**the problem selected for the Final Round** (**Annexure II**) **to be held on 22nd September 2018 (Saturday)**

"**Rules**" means 'the Moot Court Competition-2018 Rules as originally framed and given from **SL. No. 1 to SL No. 17** as amended by Organizing Committee duly notified in the Web Site from time to time but not later than 15th March 2018 that have to be strictly adhered to by Participating Team without any deviation but any deviation from rules would attract Disqualification and/or Penalty as by Organizing Committee'

k) "**Disqualification**" means 'Disqualification incurred by Participating Team as per decision taken and communicated to the Participating Team by Organizing Committee'

l) "**Penalty**" means 'any sanction other than Disqualification' of Participating Team announced by Organizing Committee'

m) "**Judges**" means 'the Sitting as well as retired Judges of Higher and Lower Judiciary, Senior Law Faculty Members and Senior Lawyers appointed at the discretion of Organizing Committee from different parts of India to evaluate the performance of participating teams in oral arguments by allotment of marks as per evaluation procedure'

n) **“EVALUATION”** means ‘allotment of marks at Preliminary and Final Rounds by Judges invited by Organizing Committee on evaluation of the performance of participating teams and also evaluation and allotment of marks to written Memorials’ by Panel of Evaluators selected and appointed by Organizing Committee

For the removal of doubts it is hereby informed that in case of any doubt, dispute, disqualification etc. of any Participating Team, the decision of Organizing Committee shall be final.

1. ELIGIBILITY

The Competition is restricted to bona-fide undergraduate students of recognized Colleges/Institutions/Universities who are currently pursuing their Bachelor’s Degree in Law i.e. 3 year LLB or 5 year Integrated or Honours’ LLB Programme with all combinations on a regular basis.

2. TEAM COMPOSITION

a. Participating Team shall identify the **‘two Students-Speakers’ and ‘one Research Associate’ in Registration Form.** Except on the sole discretion of **Organizing Committee, no substitution of names of the speakers and Research Associate shall be allowed.**

b. **No extra member or observer shall be allowed.**

c. Any number of teams will be allowed to register and participate in the competition from the same College/Institution /University.

3. REGISTRATION PROCESS

ai. **The Registration Fee is INR 2000/- per team payable through Demand Draft only, taken favour of ‘The Principal, College of Law, KLEF’ payable at ‘Vaddeeswaram, Guntur Dt’.**

bi. Download the Registration Form from the official website, www.kluniversity.in

c. **Scan the duly filled in Registration Form and Demand Draft. Send them both via e-mail to principallaw@kluniversity.in on or before 15TH SEPTEMBER 2018.**

d. Send the Original Demand Draft along with the Registration Form (Hard Copy) in an envelope addressed to **“The Chief Coordinator, SHRI.KONERU LAKSHAMIAH MEMORIAL FIRST NATIONAL LEVEL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2018, College of Law, KLEF, Vaddeswaram-522502.** It shall be sent through speed post only.

e. Registration Forms received after **15th September 2018** may be considered for registration at the discretion of organizers.

4. IDENTIFICATION OF PARTICIPATING TEAM

a. Each Participating Team will have a team code and each speaker shall be given an individual code.

b. Disclosure of identity of the parent college/institution/university otherwise than registration form shall incur disqualification of Participating Team.

5. ANONYMITY

a. Two speakers shall not disclose their names and the identity of their respective college/institution/organization at any time before the award of the ceremony since the individual code and the team code shall be the sole source of identity of the respective teams throughout the competition. Such disclosure shall invite penalty including disqualification.

6. INAUGURATION AND DRAW OF LOTS

The formal inauguration of The Competition shall be held **on 21st September 2018 at 9.30 AM** by draw of lots for the preliminary rounds and orientation will take place on the same date after the completion of registration formalities.

All the Participating Teams shall attend the inaugural function at Moot Court Hall **on 21st September 2018 at 9 AM promptly with official dress code.**

7. ORAL ROUNDS

a. There shall be Preliminary Rounds followed by the Final Round in the Competition. Problem-I is selected for Preliminary Round and Problem -II is selected for the Final Round.

b. In both Preliminary and Final Rounds, every Participating Team shall argue for both sides, once on Appellant side and then, on Respondent side.

c. The Participating Teams qualified in the Preliminary Rounds alone are eligible to participate in the Final Rounds

8. DRESS CODE

Female participants are required to wear either a full suit comprising of a black formal blazer and trousers, full sleeved white shirts or white kurta, black bottom wear, black blazer/over coat with formal foot wear.

Male participants are required to wear a full suit comprising of a black formal blazer and trousers, full sleeved white shirts, black tie and formal foot wear.

9. LANGUAGE

The official language of The Competition shall be 'English'. **Speaking in any other language, may result in reduction of the marks allotted by Judges.**

10. TIME LIMIT

a. Each Participating team will be given a maximum of 15 to 20 minutes to present their oral arguments at Preliminary Rounds and 30 minutes in the Final Rounds.

b. Apart from the maximum time provided in the above rule, 5 minutes shall be given for rebuttal/sur-rebuttal in Preliminary Rounds and 10 minutes at the discretion of Judges. Division of time (including rebuttal/sur-rebuttal) between Speakers shall be informed to the Court Officer before the beginning of the Rounds.

c. In case any speaker continues to speak after the completion of his/her time, the additional time that is consumed will be deducted from the time allocated to his/her co-speaker, or from the time allotted for the rebuttal/sur-rebuttal, as the case may be. The final decision as to the structure and the right to rebut/sur-rebut will vest with the Judges.

d. All teams are expected to carry with themselves authorities, text of cases, citations, articles etc. which they intend to refer, use and passing of the authorities, citations etc., to Judges shall be routed through the Court Officers.

11. EVALUATION OF THE ORAL ARGUMENTS

Evaluation and allotment of marks of oral Rounds shall be on the following criteria;

1	Synopsis and presentation of facts	5 marks
2	Identification and Articulation of Legal Issues	5 marks
3.	Originality in Presentation and Application of Legal Issues	10 marks
3	Depth of Research	5 marks
5	Citation of cases	5 marks
6	Response to questions posed and Court Manners	5 marks

12. SUBMISSION OF MEMORIAL

a. All the participating teams are required to send Two hard Copies of memorials for both Appellant and Respondent **on Problem I and II to the Chief Co-ordinator**

b. The first soft copy of the Memorial on both Problems shall be sent on or before 15th September latest before 5 PM via e-mail to principallaw@kluniversity.in

c. The Two hard copies of the memorials must be spiral bounded and bear cover page in conformity with the following scheme:

Problem 1	Problem 2
Blue- Petitioner/Appellant	Yellow- Petitioner/Appellant
Red – Respondent	Pink- Respondent

d. The Name of Participating College/Institution/University and the names of the Participating Team shall not to be disclosed anywhere in the Memorials. Any other mark, character or text that discloses or facilitates such disclosure of the identity of the participating teams shall be considered as violation of the rules of the Competition resulting in disqualification or imposition of penalty as decided by Organizing Committee.

e. Participating Teams are advised to carry extra copies for their own use since memorials submitted to the Organizing Committee shall become the property the KLU and are used by Judges at the competition and shall not be returned back to the Participants.

f. **Teams are not permitted to submit oral arguments on the points that are not mentioned in the Memorial.**

g. Each Memorial shall consist of and only the following details:

- ✓ **Cover Page**
- ✓ **Table of Contents**
- ✓ **List of Abbreviations**
- ✓ **Index of Authorities**
- ✓ **Statement of Jurisdiction**
- ✓ **Statement of Facts**
- ✓ **Issues Raised**
- ✓ **Summary of Arguments**
- ✓ **Written Submissions**
- ✓ **Prayer**

h. Each Memorial shall consist of and only the following details on the cover page

- ✓ Team code on the top right hand corner of the cover page
- ✓ Name and place of the forum
- ✓ Name of the parties and their status
- ✓ Memorial submitted to ...
- ✓ Memorial filed and appearing on behalf of ...

i. The following content specification must be adhered to:

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| ✓ Language | English |
| ✓ Font and Size (Body) | Times New Roman, 12 pts. |
| ✓ Line Spacing (Body) | 1.5 lines |
| ✓ Font and Size (Footnotes) | Times New Roman, 10 pts. |
| ✓ Line Spacing (Footnotes) | Single line |
| ✓ Page Margins | 1 inch on all sides |
| ✓ Page Limit (i) Entire Memorial | 30 pages maximum |
| ✓ Body of Arguments | 10 pages maximum |
| ✓ Paper Specification | White A4 Sized Paper |
| ✓ Body of the Memorial | Justified version |

13. EVALUATION AND ALLOTMENT OF MARKS FOR MEMORIALS

Memorials will be evaluated by Special Panel of Evaluator/s selected by Organizing Committee, on following criteria for total marks of 15 (fifteen only) giving due regard to the basis of following criterion

1. Presentation of Facts	-	10 marks
2. Ingenuity and Logical Reasoning		20 marks
3. Interpretation of Law		20 marks
4. Extent and use of Authority		20 marks
5. Relief Sought		10 marks
6. Format and Citation		10 marks
7. Quality of Language		5 marks
8. Adherence to the Guidelines		5 marks

14. PRIZES

a.	Winners Team	INR 25,000/-
b.	Runners Team	INR 10,000/-
c.	Best Memorial	INR 5,000/-
d.	Best Student Advocate	INR 5,000/-
e.	Second Best Student Advocate	INR 5,000/-

15. TRAVEL PLANS

The participating teams shall make their own travel plans to reach University campus on 21st September 2018, university will not make any arrangements in this regard. The participating teams shall inform about their travel plans like date of onward and return journey to and from Vijayawada /Guntur, Train no. /Bus No /Vehicle No. etc. for information to the organizing committee.

16. ACCOMMODATION FOR THE PARTICIPATING TEAMS

The participating teams will be provided accommodation for Two days on 21st September and 22nd September 2018 for Boys and Girls in University Hostels on payment of Rs. 450 per day per each Participant at their option. KLEF will only provide hospitality with Lunch and tea given on both days of competition.

17. MISCELLANEOUS

a) Discipline

Laptops and Mobile Phones are not allowed when the court is in session. Participants are expected to maintain discipline while in campus. Incidents of eve-teasing or any kind of misbehaviour will be taken seriously, and the teams will be disqualified from further participation. The participants shall not stray around once they report to the College for participation in the Competition. Smoking and drinking is strictly prohibited in the college campus.

b) Interpretation

All interpretations of all the rules and information given for this competition are at the complete discretion of the Organizing committee and College of Law. The decision so made shall be final and binding on all participating teams.

c) Clarifications

Any clarifications about the competition may be sought through email or through contact numbers and emails of the organizing committee given below

E-mail: principallaw@kluniversity.in

d) Faculty Co-ordinators

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IMPORTANT DATES

1.	NOTIFICATION OF COMPETITION RULES WITH MOOT PROBLEMS	16.08.2018
2.	LAST DATE FOR REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPATING TEAMS BY EMAIL	15.09.2018
3.	INAUGURAL FUNCTION OF THE COMPETITION	21. 09.2018
4.	LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF HARD COPIES OF WRITTEN MEMORIALS	15. 09.2018
5.	PRELIMINARY ROUNDS	21. 09.2018
6.	FINALS OF MOOT COURT COMPETITION	22.09.2018
7.	VALEDICTORY FUNCTION	22.09.2018