

CENTRE FOR ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

**RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY
OF LAW, PUNJAB**



**4TH RGNUL
SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT LAW
MEDIATION COMPETITION (SEMC)**

8-10 APRIL, 2022



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FROM THE VICE- CHANCELLOR'S DESK

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I am delighted to know that the Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR-RGNUL) is organizing the 4th Edition of RGNUL Sports and Entertainment Law Mediation Competition (SEMC) in April 2022. Mediation, an effective alternative to litigation, facilitates the resolution of conflicts ranging from disputes to divorce. In addition to benefits of time and cost-efficiency, mediation provides fair forums to resolve conflict. Face-to-face negotiations and shuttle diplomacy aid in managing different disciplinary, broadcast and sports-related disputes. CADR-RGNUL focuses on integration of theory and practice of dispute resolution through mediation. The Centre has been creating opportunities to engage students of law in dialogue for enhancing their mediation skills. The 4th edition of RGNUL Sports and Entertainment Law National Mediation Competition (SEMC) will provide students an opportunity to test their mediation skills.

I wish all participants a great learning time and success!

Prof. (Dr.) G. S. Bajpai
Vice-Chancellor
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law

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A MESSAGE FROM THE REGISTRAR-CUM-FACULTY COORDINATOR, CADR



Right from the day of its establishment, the Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR), RGNUL, has kept up its momentum in promoting events and activities that help the students grow, as well as draw their attention to the significant aspects of the world of ADR. The success of the previous three editions of the RGNUL Sports & Entertainment Law Mediation Competition (SEMC) vouches for the wonderful work done by the Centre till date. It fills me with profound pride to see that CADR-RGNUL has left no stone unturned in its efforts to make the fourth edition an equally grand success. Despite the online nature, the 4th SEMC is brimming with promises of exhilarating and quality competition.

The competition is being organized in collaboration with PACT, a dynamic group of professionals who are dedicated to nurturing the interests of students in the process of mediation. We are also extremely grateful to have Markanda Advocates with us as the Chief Knowledge Partners. I am confident that this edition, like all the previous editions, will be conducted most diligently and professionally aided with a well-designed set of Mediation Problems. I urge students to make the utmost use of this wonderful opportunity and propel their practical understanding of Mediation to greater heights. We look forward to your enthusiastic involvement.

Prof. (Dr.) Naresh K. Vats

Registrar,

Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law





A MESSAGE FROM THE PACT



We at PACT take immense pleasure in associating ourselves with the Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution, RGNUL in their flagship 4th RGNUL Sports and Entertainment Law National Mediation Competition (SEMC), 2022, in the capacity of Co-organizers. Over the past 3 years, we have worked in collaboration with CADR-RGNUL and have together successfully conducted 3 editions of the SEMC, till date.

Both PACT and CADR-RGNUL have been working tirelessly to promote alternative dispute resolution mechanisms since their inception, and SEMC has proved to be an invaluable platform to promote a deeper and practical understanding of the mechanism of mediation amongst this budding generation of future lawyers. Despite the online nature of the event, we believe that the team at CADR will work with the utmost zeal and dedication in making this brand-new edition of the SEMC a thundering success. Good luck to all the stakeholders!

Mr. Nisshant Laroia

Partner,
The PACT



ABOUT CADR

The Centre for Alternative Dispute resolution (CADR), Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law has been established to promote students' and researchers' interest in Alternative Dispute Resolution consisting dispute resolution mechanisms like Arbitration, Negotiation, Mediation and Conciliation. Started in 2018, the Centre strives to organize stimulating discourses which is relevant to, not only the academia, but also the professional world and thus add to the literature of ADR. In pursuance of its objectives, CADR has initiated various novel and successful events, lectures, competitions et. al. in collaboration with the valued partners in the professional and academic world.

ABOUT PACT

The Peacekeeping and Conflict Resolution Team (PACT) is a team of like-minded professionals who share the vision of promoting the use of consensual dispute resolution (CDR). As a collective, the PACT aims to catalyse the development of CDR in India and abroad through its innovative initiatives. Conceptualized by law and psychology graduates, The PACT grew up along the shores of Goa, is currently headquartered in New Delhi, and has begun working on projects beyond India. The mission is to cross geographical boundaries and stereotypes, and take Consensual Dispute Resolution to every corner of this globe.

ABOUT THE COMPETITION

1st EDITION

The Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) of Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, in association with The Peacekeeping and Conflict Resolution Team (PACT), organized a first-of-its-kind Mediation Competition from 12 – 14th April, 2019. The winning Negotiating team of Diyanshu Sinha and Adwitya Grover (RGNUL) went on to represent India in IMSG 2019 and secured the Gold medal in the competition.

2nd EDITION

The 2nd edition sought to carry forward the legacy of the first one and contribute in a meaningful way to the advocacy and communication skills of its participants. The final rounds were between teams from MNLU, Mumbai, and NLIU, Bhopal. In an intense round mediated by Vasundhara Mahajan (SLS, Pune) and Roshni Mulchandani (NALSAR, Hyderabad), Mudit Mahajan and Kartik Gupta from MNLU Mumbai secured the win and went on to represent India in IMSG 2020 with Vasundhara Mahajan who was deemed the Best Mediator. Additionally, Gaurang Samel and Riya Punamiya from GLC Mumbai and Roshni Mulchandani were selected by the PACT Jury and awarded automatic qualification for IMSG 2020.

3rd EDITION

The 3rd edition of RGNUL Sports and Entertainment Law Mediation Competition did not let the challenge of virtual setting dampen its spirit and continued to adhere to the high benchmarks set by the previous editions. In an exhilarating final round mediated by Sharmila Adyanthaya (NMIMS, Mumbai) and Tushmi Udyalak (NUJS, Kolkata), Thirivikram Balaji and Shubhangi Nangunoori (SLS, Hyderabad) emerged victorious as the Best Negotiation Team along with Sharmila Adyanthaya being adjudged as the Best Mediator. All the winners went on to represent India in Singapore International Mediation Competition 2021. Besides this, Akul Khandelwal and Manasvi Ahuja (SLS, Pune) and Tushmi Udyalak were chosen by the PACT Jury and awarded automatic qualification for Singapore International Mediation Competition 2021.

GLIPMSES OF THE PREVIOUS EDITIONS



4th EDITION

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After three successful years of the flagship RGNUL Sports and Entertainment Law Mediation Competition (SEMC), CADR-RGNUL is all set to organise the 4th edition of the exciting competition from **8th-10th April 2022**. The competition has the dynamic support of **PACT**, an organisation devoted to advancing the interests of students in the field of Alternative Dispute Resolution. In addition to that as Chief Knowledge Partners, we are happy to have on board **Markanda Advocates**, a firm specialising in arbitration practice.

The fourth edition which is slated to be held **virtually** (subject to change upon the prevailing circumstances) is going to be exciting and intellectually stimulating. With the increasing emphasis on mediation in India, this edition is intended to further the prospects of India becoming a hub for mediation practice. The participants can expect invigorating discussions and deliberations on the most vogue and trending aspects of the subject. Exciting prizes await the qualifiers of the grilling mediation sessions of SEMC 2022. The legacy thus continues and CADR promises that this time it will be bigger and better.

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REGISTRATION PROCESS

- The teams will be registered on a 'first come first serve' basis.

- The registration is restricted to a maximum of 32 teams for this competition.

Provisional Registration Form

Final Registration Form

ELIGIBILITY

- Each participating team shall consist of a Client-Counsel pair (i.e., the Negotiation Team) and one student as the neutral Mediator.
- The final registration form requires teams to specify the roles of each individual member. The roles which have been pre-assigned by the team will be carried forward throughout the competition. Change of roles after the registration will not be permitted.
- Teams must complete the provisional registration by submitting the abovementioned form latest by February 25, 2022.

- Upon selection by the organizing committee, teams must complete the payment of the registration fee within a period of 48 hours. Details for payment of the registration fee will be notified to the teams upon selection through a confirmation email.
- The Registration Fee is Rs. 4,500/- per team, which is inclusive of the cost of procurement of technologies, logistics, and PACT certified training sessions as arranged for by the organizing committee. This fee is non-refundable.
- Final registration of the teams is subject to the successful payment of the registration fee within the stipulated time.

ELIGIBILITY (Contd.)

- The competition is open to full-time law students (5-year and 3-year course) registered in any university in India for the academic year 2021-2022.
- Only students studying Law may participate in the competition.
- The competition is not open to LLM students.
- Each University may nominate up to 2 teams to participate in the competition. However, the second slot is subject to number of provisional registrations received by the Centre.

DECLARATION

- The Organizing Committee (OC) for this competition has no conflict of interest to declare.
- The Organizing Committee reserves the right to amend or modify any rule/s regarding the competition. All measures will be undertaken for fair and orderly conduct of the Competition. The decision of the Organizing Committee in all matters regarding the Competition shall be final.

AWARDS & CASH PRIZES

Winning Negotiation Team

Runners-up Negotiation Team

Winning Mediator

Runners-up Mediator

'Best Mediation Plan' of the Preliminary Rounds

'Best Negotiation Team' of the Preliminary Rounds

'Best Mediator' of the Preliminary Rounds

A DETAILED LIST OF AWARDS AND OTHER PRIZES WILL BE SOON UNVEILED ON OUR WEBSITE AND OTHER SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS

TENTATIVE DATES

REGISTRATION OPEN	February 17 2022
LAST DATE FOR FINAL REGISTRATION	March 5 2022
RELEASE OF LIST OF SELECTED UNIVERSITIES	March 10 2022
RELEASE OF COMPETITION PROBLEM	March 15 2022
LAST DATE FOR SEEKING CLARIFICATIONS	March 25 2022
RELEASE OF CLARIFICATIONS	March 30 2022
SUBMISSION OF MEDIATION PLAN (Preliminary Round)	April 5 2022
COMPETITION DATES	April 8-10 2022

**The dates may be subject to amendment at the discretion of the Organizers upon appropriate notice.

CONTACT US

We request you to regularly visit our [website](#) for further details and updates regarding the competition. All queries and requests for information regarding registration can be directed to our official email ID: adrc@rgnul.ac.in

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