

B.M.S. EDUCATIONAL TRUST



B.M.S. COLLEGE OF LAW

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General Rules and Regulations

- The BMSCL Law fest has four competitions namely:
 - Mediation Competition
 - Celebrity Advocacy
 - Judgment Writing competition
 - Law quiz
- Each college should send a delegation or a team and the members should be segregated in a manner wherein they shall participate in all the competitions as mentioned above
- Each college is entitled to send only one delegation consisting of 4 participants for all the above-mentioned competitions. It is a common registration for the law fest. The teams shall pay Rs.3,500/- (only) as a registration amount to complete the registration formalities.
- The teams are hereby informed that once the completion of registration process via google forms which shall be sent via email the same needs to be communicated to the registration desk while reporting.
- The students are requested to arrange their own transportation from the airport, metro, bus, railway stations respectively as the Organizing committee of “Utkarsh” shall not take the responsibility of picking and dropping the delegates from the above mentioned points..
- The participants must have to use the transport as provided by the Host College from the accommodation, in case of usage of own transportation an explanation needs to be given to the management and TA-DA will not be provided.
- It is mandatory for all the participants to read the specific rules of each competition carefully.
- Each team shall be given a team code/team name and an ID card shall be issued to every member of the participating team(s) which has to be worn during all times of thier stay in the campus of BMS Educational institution(s).
- The host college shall not bear the extra cost for the stay of any another individual. Any damage to the properties at the accommodation will have to be reimbursed by the team which is responsible for it.

- Drinking/Smoking/usage of Drugs and consumption of any prohibited substances in the accommodation is not permitted. Serious action for violation will be initiated by the management of the accommodation and the host college.
- Any misbehavior with the staff of accommodation, participants from other colleges, staff, & students of the host college is a punishable act.
- Registration amount will not be refunded on completion of registration
- Online transaction receipt will be the only receipt for the registration.
- Dress code for the participants white shirt and black pant for boys/girls. Girls can wear a white kurti.
- Respecting the rules governing the competition is mandatory.
- Any misbehavior in the accommodation is not tolerable, the information will be communicated to the colleges with the detailed description about the incident.
- Fraudulent activities, undue influence to win the competition is not entertained. If found the teams shall be disqualified on the spot. No scope of further explanation.
- BMSCL being an institution with a strong value system which values the ethos of moral conduct and ethics in highest order which values the safety and wellbeing of every participant on campus an equity board will be set up consisting of members from the field of litigation, senior faculty and law enforcement authorities. Any kind of violation, misbehavior in the form of words, actions and gestures will be dealt with seriously.

The Bail Application (Celebrity Advocacy)

Celebrity advocacy is a simulation of the court proceedings, drafting briefs and participation in oral argument for securing the Bail. Celebrity advocacy aims at giving exposure to the Law Students to improve their argumentative skills and provide a real-life experience in matters concerning stars/celebrities. The Bail Application (Celebrity Advocacy) works on the capacity to identify the legal subject, organize the legal documents, and make arguments, as well as understanding the nature of India's judicial system and responding to questions posed by judges, will be developed by law students through competitive experience. Participants please note that the case shared only intends to replicate a case of the past or may be hypothetical in nature.

Rules, Procedures, Guidelines of the Celebrity Advocacy

- The Competition is open only for the Law Students
- A College can send only one team
- A Team shall consist of one researcher and one speaker
- Participants must appear in the formal wear only (White Shirt & Black Pant for boys and white kurta for girls)
- The Submission shall be done for both the sides. It must contain the cover page, name of the court and year of the competition. Blue book citation shall be followed for drafting.
- Marking criteria includes Knowledge of facts, Interpretation of Laws, Research skills, Argumentative skills, Vocabulary and grammar and abiding the guidelines. Each of the component shall be scored for 10 marks.
- Preliminary round/knockout round. Each participant will be given 10 minutes and 2 minutes for rebuttals.
- Semi-finals round, each participant will be given 13 minutes for Arguments, & 2 minutes for the rebuttals. Adherence to time limit is mandatory
- Final round, each participant will be given 15 minutes to arguments, & 2 minutes for rebuttals.
- Judge's decision shall be final. Misbehavior & challenging the decision of the judges shall not be entertained

- English shall be the only medium to argue.
- Every decision of the organizers is final. Any misconduct, hooting and yelling at the organizers will lead to disqualification of the team.
- All teams must send bail application to lawfest@bmscl.ac.in on or before January 16th 2023 and teams are required to submit the two hard copies of petition and defendant each on the day of the event.
- The draw of Lots shall be conducted on the Inaugural day.

MEDIATION COMPETITION

NATURE OF THE COMPETITION:

In light of the increasing demand for a method to settle the cases beyond the court rooms, Alternative Dispute Resolution is the new league that the people are pinning their hopes on as a medium of justice and more importantly a mechanism which allows parties to amicably solve the problems.

Owing to easier way of settling the disputes the Mediation has become new way to address the issues in the society. Social Engineers role in the mediation are appreciable in today's world. The Mediation competition will help the participants to hone the skills of settling the disputes at the earliest stage, outside the court without delay in giving a justice.

STRUCTURE OF THE COMPETITION

1. The Mediation proposition will be released on the subsequent date of the last date of the final registration
2. The Mediation competition shall have two preliminary rounds. Preliminary rounds/Knock out round will be for 50 minutes. **Preliminary rounds will be the knock out round.**
3. The Top 4 Teams shall qualify for the semi- Finals. Semi-finals will be for 60 minutes.
4. The Top two teams i.e., client counsel pairs and mediators shall qualify for the final round. 60 minutes for the finale. Strict adherence to time is must, exceeding the time limit teams shall be disqualified.

GENERAL RULES FOR THE COMPETITION

1. College can send only one team- A team shall comprise of one mediator and one counsel.
2. Host college will provide a client for the mediation competition
3. The competition is open for all the law students across India.
4. Competition shall be conducted offline.
5. Number of teams shall be 15 based on first cum first serve.
6. Once Registered amount will not be refunded.
7. Decision of the organizers are finals.
8. The confidential element of the problem will be shared 20 mins before the commencement of rounds for each side

9. Any disrespect to the judges, using unparliamentary word during the competition, and misbehavior during a presence in law fest will lead to disqualification of a team from a law fest.

JUDGMENT WRITING COMPETITION

RULES

- Any one participant from the team shall be a part of Judgment writing competition.
- There shall be on spot judgment writing competition
- The essay should be the original work and it should not be copied from anywhere. If any content is found to be plagiarized it will lead to direct disqualification.
- Participant shall submit in hand written format. Documents pertaining to the case will be provided on spot.
- Structure of the Judgment shall reflect the way in which proceedings happened in a court.
- Host college will not provide any reference material for writing the judgment. Participants must make necessary arrangements of Internet and access to the legal research with the gadgets they carry.
- Criteria to assess the judgment: Arrangement of facts, Issues framed, Knowledge of law & facts, logical reasoning, language & writing style. Shall be evaluated for 50 marks.
- Maximum Word Limit- 2000 Words
- Time Allotted to write essay 45 minutes
- Participation certificate will be given to all the participants.
- The decision of the Judge shall be final & binding on all the participants
- Any misbehavior during the competition with judges, non-cooperation with the organizers will lead to disqualification of the participants from the competition.
- Subjective Laws - Judgment writing competition may broadly cover Environmental law, criminal laws, corporate laws, civil laws, labor laws, and consumer laws. Topic or facts of the case to be provided 1 hr before the commencement of the event.

LAW QUIZ

Rules for the competition

1. Student pursuing undergraduate law degree from any law college or university can participate in the event.
2. Two participants from a team shall participate for the quiz
3. Any participants found misbehaving shall be disqualified
4. In case of any confusion or conflict in the guidelines on any matter arising in between the competition, organizing committee shall have the sole discretion to resolve the disputes.
5. Quiz will be conducted for **two rounds**.,
6. Each question shall carry two marks and there will be a negative mark of 0.25 marks for each question
7. The google form for registration will be shared with the participants for the law fest by January 10th, 2023. It shall be common registration amount for the law fest.

Basic Guidelines

1. Round one – Will be a written round based on MCQs, wherein teams will be given a question paper and students will be ticking the right answers. Time duration : 1hr
2. Round two (Time duration : 1 hr)– The top teams will be in the finals wherein the rounds shall consist of
 - Oral answering of questions
 - Buzzer round
 - Pictorial round
 - Rapid fire

***DISCLAIMER:** Please note that the rounds of the quiz and the pattern of the competition is subject to change depending on the number of participants and the quiz master