



# **Alternate Dispute Resolution Association**

**UPES School of Law** 

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# Madhyastham UPES ADR Fest'21

25th - 28th Feb 2021

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# ABOUT SCHOOL OF LAW, UPES

University of Petroleum and Energy Studies (UPES) sprawling over a beautiful campus in the capital city of Dehradun was established in the year 2003 through the UPES Act, 2003 of the State Legislature of Uttarakhand. Founded by prominent educationalists and industry experts, UPES is Asia's first University that offers specialized graduate, postgraduate and doctoral programs which are specifically designed for core sectors with high growth projections. Recognized as "University with a Purpose", UPES is driven by a progressive vision to create specialized professionals in core sectors, who can contribute to the economic growth of the country.

UPES School of Law was established in 2007 with the objective to produce competent and strong legal professionals. Since then it has been a pioneer in grooming modern-day legal professionals with a multidisciplinary edge by providing specialized in Corporate Law, Energy Law, Taxation Law and TechnoLegal law courses



# **ABOUT THE COMPETITION**

We are proud to organize Madhyastham UPES ADR Fest, 2021. Due to the risk associated with novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) outbreak, this Competition will be organized in Online Mode only.

Alternative Dispute Resolution or ADR as it is commonly known is almost a movement that has quickly gained momentum in the Indian as well as the International Legal Fraternity. As almost all legal systems across the globe are feeling the burden of the backlog of cases and justice being denied through its delay, alternative dispute resolution is showing itself to be a messiah of the overworked judicial system. The easiest way to popularize the practice of ADR in the legal fraternity is to give budding lawyers, exposure to the various mechanisms of ADR such as Negotiation, Mediation and Arbitration and thus show them the merits of the same. When parties are unwilling or unable to resolve a dispute, one good option is to turn to Negotiation.

Dispute Resolution is a method by which people settle differences. It is a process by which compromise or agreement is reached while avoiding argument and dispute. It is a bargaining process between parties when both seek to reach an agreement that settles a matter of mutual concern or resolves a conflict. We participate in negotiations every day of our lives. They are reached through discussions made between the parties or their representatives with/without the involvement of a third neutral party. Each party should consult or see a lawyer before settling down the matter so that they are well aware of their rights and duties with respect to the matter of the dispute that they are willing to solve. The process of Dispute Resolution is a win-win outcome where both sides feel they have gained something positive through the process of negotiation and both sides feel their point of view has been taken into consideration.

# **IMPORTANT TIMELINES**

Last Date of Provisional Registration	26 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2021
Confirmation of Provisional Registration	27 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2021
Final Registration (Fee Completion)	31st Jan 2021
Inaugural Ceremony	25 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2021
Competition Dates	26 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2021
Valedictory Ceremony	27 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2021

Link of the Provisional Registration: <a href="https://forms.gle/zPJPsjGHe74MYYG79">https://forms.gle/zPJPsjGHe74MYYG79</a>

**Note:** The dates, schedules and details pertaining to the tournament are tentative in nature and subject to change. In case of any change, the details shall be communicated by the organising committee.

# **DEFINITIONS**

- 1. "BATNA" shall refer to the Best Alternative to a Negotiated Agreement and refers to the best thing a Party can do, without the consent of the other Party, if the Parties fail to reach an agreement.
- 2. "CAUCUS" shall refer to a separate meeting between the Mediator and a Team. During the Caucus, the overall time of the Mediation Session continues to run.
- 3. "CLARIFICATIONS" shall refer to procedural order(s) and/or any clarification(s) issued by the Organizing Committee.
- 4. "CLIENT" shall refer to a participant from a Negotiating Team who plays the role of the Client in the Mediation Session.
- 5. "COMPETITION" shall refer to Madhyastham UPES ADR Fest' 21
- 6. "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION" shall refer to the confidential elements to be considered in determining the strategy and tactics of the Negotiators Teams in a given Mediation Session. The Confidential Information is for exclusive use of each team and shall not be disclosed to the opposing team.
- 7. "COUNSEL" shall refer to a participant appointed to act as the Legal Counsel in a Mediation Session.
- 8. "IST" shall refer to Indian Standard Time.
- 9. "MEDIATION PROBLEMS" shall refer to the official problems for the Competition released by the Organizing Committee.

# **DEFINITIONS**

- 10. "MEDIATION SESSION" shall refer to a session during which the Teams will simulate a mediation procedure pursuant to rules.
- 11. "ORGANIZING COMMITTEE" shall refer to the Organizers of the given Mediation and Negotiation Competition.
- 12. "PRELIMINARY ROUNDS" refers to the Oral Rounds in the International Round which will determine which teams shall advance to the Quarter Final Rounds.
- 13. "**REQUESTING PARTY**" is the party to which the Competition has assigned the role of the party which has requested the negotiation.
- 14. "REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATIONS" shall refer to an official request to clarify the problems submitted by a Team within the time stipulated.
- 15. "**RESPONDING PARTY**" is the party to which the Competition has assigned the role of the party which has to respond to the request for the negotiation.
- 16. "RULES" shall refer to the Official Rules of the Competition and shall be applicable to any supplementary Rules published by the Organizing Committee.
- 17. "TEAM" shall refer to teams participating in the said Competition.

# **1st National Negotiation Competition**

#### **Technical Partners**





# ABOUT TECHNICAL PARTNERS



# **Corp Comm Legal**

Corp Comm Legal is a corporate/commercial laws focused firm with its head office in New Delhi, India. We have associate offices across all major cities in India and we also work with several foreign law firms on a non-exclusive basis on international transactions.

Our client base comprises of domestic and international corporates, non-resident Indians and high net worth individuals. Each client is advised by a team of dedicated and experienced professionals under direct supervision of a partner.

We are an independent law firm with no exclusive relationship with any foreign law firm. We engage with different foreign law firms based on their standing and expertise in the concerned practice area. We welcome more international partners to support us in foreign jurisdictions, due to growing Indian economy and increasing international transactions.

Fully committed to understanding the clients' business and needs, excellence in the quality of our services and providing solution-driven advice, we take pride in being sincere, utmost professional, timely and cost effective.

We assist clients from the inception, in setting up their business, handholding and guiding them in their conduct of business and advising on and resolving any legal issues arising in the course of business.

We keep our clients and professional associates regularly updated with regulatory changes and legal developments.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

All the below mentioned Rules and Regulations will be considered as the General Information for the Madhyastham UPES ADR Fest'21 (referred as 'this competition').

#### 1. General Format:

- a. This Competition will comprise of total 4 rounds:
- Preliminary Rounds (1)
- Quarter Final Round (1)
- Semi Final (1)
- Final Round (1)
- b. Each Participating team shall comprise of 2 members:
- One Client
- One Counsel
- c. There will be Separate Problems for different rounds with different Confidential Information in each round.

## 2. Eligibility & Participation

- a. The registration is restricted to 24 teams for National Negotiation Competition' 21
- b. Each Participant must be a current Undergraduate Student (5 years or 3 year Course) of their respective institution.

## 3. Registration

Any Interested team across the world can register for this Competition according to the procedure laid down hereunder:

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- a. The Team shall confirm their Provisional Registration on or before **26th January 2021** through this: Google Form Link: <a href="https://forms.gle/zPJPsjGHe74MYYG79">https://forms.gle/zPJPsjGHe74MYYG79</a>
- b. Registration Fees for the competition is Rs. 3,000/-
- c. Kindly Note that once the payment is made, it is non-refundable in any circumstances.

## 4. Team Identification and Anonymity Rule:

- a. After Registration, each Participating team will be provided with a Team Code which will be served to all the teams. All Communications must be made in reference to this TC.
- b. None of the Teams are supposed to reveal their Institution Name or any other details to other teams or the judges. All communication must be made in regard to the TC.

#### 5. Dresscode

Dress code for the competition is Advocate's Uniform as per the Advocates Act, 1961 without band and gown or formal shirt and trouser. Violation of the same will bar the contestant from appearing in the oral rounds. The dress code is applicable to all the participants participating in the competition.

### 6. Language

The competition will be conducted in English language only.

#### 7.Date and Mode

This Competition will be held through online mode (Google Meet) on 26th – 27th of February 2021.

The following Rules would be considered as Official Rules of the Madhyastham UPES ADR Fest'21 (referred to as 'this competition'). The Participants are supposed to strictly adhere to the Official Rules of the Competition. Any violation can lead to penalty or disqualification of the team from this competition.

## 1. Negotiation Problem:

- a. Each Negotiation Problem will consist of General Information for all the parties.
- b. There shall be a total of 4 Rounds in this Competition. There shall be different problems in each round.
- c. The Negotiation problem for all the rounds will be sent via mail on 10th February.
- d. The Negotiation Problem shall be self-contained and teams shall be prohibited from deviating from the facts provided in the problem in any manner possible, including the Background Story, the misrepresentation of facts, or the creation of new facts. However, teams may reasonably interpret the problem in order to reasonable conclusions.

#### 2. Confidential Information:

- a. The Confidential Information for all rounds will be released 30 minutes before the Competition.
- b. The Teams are prohibited from disclosing the Confidential Information to their Mediator or other party during or before the Competition.
- c. The violation of this rule may lead to Disqualification of the whole Team from the competition.

## 3. Clarification and Interpretation of the Problem:

- a. Each team may submit to the Organizing Committee on or before **18th February 2021** a maximum of one written question for clarification or interpretation of the General Information per problem.
- b. All Clarifications must be sent with a Subject Line of 'CLARIFICATION || TEAM CODE' at soladr@ddn.upes.ac.in
- c. All Clarifications will be released on or before **20th February 2021**.

## 4. Designation of Role of Members:

- a. The Team shall before the competition fix the role of each member of the team as a Client and Counsel.
- b. The Role of the Team Members shall be fixed throughout the Competition and in no case, it can be switched.
- c. Any violation can lead to penalties.

#### 5. Rounds:

Each round includes two Negotiating Teams (Client and Counsel), from different teams, representing each side.

a. The Timing of the Rounds is designated in the following manner:

SNO.	ROUNDS	SESSION TIME	FEEDBACK TIME	TOTAL TIME
1.	Preliminary Rounds	45 minutes	15 minutes	60 minutes
2.	Quarter Final Rounds	45 minutes	15 minutes	60 minutes
3.	Semi- Final Rounds	60 minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes (1 hour 10 minutes).
4.	Final Round	60 minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes (1 hour 10 minutes).

- b. The Participants are supposed to strictly adhere to the timings.
- c. During the competition, if the party is in need of more time than allotted, they may ask from the judges for same. It's up to the discretion of the judges.
- d. However, the Feedback Timing may increase as per the judges.
- e. The top 8 Negotiating Pair will qualify for Quarter Finals.

- f. The top 4 Negotiating Pair will qualify for Semi-Finals.
- g. The top 2 Negotiating Pair will qualify for Finals.

**NOTE:** For the Quarterfinals, Semi-Finals as well as for Finals, the teams need to knock-out the other team in Quarter-Final Round and Semi-Final Round respectively. Thus, throughout the Competition, one team needs to knock-out the other team by achieving a greater score.

**NOTE:** The date for releasing of fixtures is **25th February 2021**.

# **SCORING CRITERIA**

Each round may be judged by two judges or more, each of whom will award marks on the basis of the following criteria

**AREAS FOR ASSESSING NEGOTIATING TEAM:** Opening Statement, Joint Session, Strategy and Planning, Negotiation Management, Team Work, Demeanor and cooperation with other parties.

AREAS FOR ASSESSING NEGOTIATING TEAMS
Opening Statement
Joint Session
Strategy and Planning
Negotiation Management
Teamwork
Demeanor
Cooperation with other parties

# **AWARDS**

- Winner Negotiating Team
- Runners-up Negotiating Team
- Best Opening Statement Negotiating Team (In the Preliminary Rounds)
- Best Coordinating Team
- Spirit of the Fest

# **3rd National Mediation Competition**

# **Our Supporters**



**Bombay Chamber of commerce and industry** 



Bridge Mediation





# **ABOUT OUR SUPPORTERS**



# **Centre for Mediation and Conciliation (CMC)**

Centre for Mediation and Conciliation (CMC) is an initiative of Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the oldest operating chamber of commerce in India. There is growing dissatisfaction among the business houses of India about the time and cost required in the resolution of commercial disputes and enforcement of the outcome.

To meet this corporate requirement, CMC has been launched to promote mediation as the dispute resolution mechanism of the first resort before resorting to adversarial methods of dispute resolution. The Chamber wishes to promote a sustainable yet quick, confidential, costefficient and solution-oriented dispute resolution for commercial disputes where the power to decide final outcome remains in the hands of the corporate disputant.



# **Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry**

The Chamber was founded in 1836 by seven Britishers and three Parsees "to encourage a friendly feeling unanimity among commercial men on all subjects involving the common good, to promote and protect the general mercantile interests of this [Bombay] Presidency, to collect and classify information on all matters of general mercantile interest, to obtain the removal ... of all acknowledged grievances..." In those days there was an entrance fee of Rs 150 and a monthly subscription of Rs 20. Other objects and duties included simplification and facilitation of business practices, communication with public authorities on all matters of mercantile interest and to carry out arbitration of disputes among members.



# **Bridge Mediation**

Bridge Mediation is a consulting, advisory and capacity building organization.

We provide policy consulting and are actively involved in advising the central and various state government' departments on framing and implementation of policies.

We inspire disputants, budding arbitrators and mediators to think out-of-the-box through our skill-based training programs. We are one of the pioneers in organized civil and commercial mediation, policy advisor, consulting, think tank and training in India. We also provide consulting services related to institutionalization of ADR services, setting up, operating and scaling up ADR centres providing arbitration, mediation, conciliation and neutral evaluation services. We provide capacity building in leadership, conflict management cross-cultural and negotiations.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

All the below mentioned Rules and Regulations will be considered as the General Information for the 3rd National Mediation Competition'21 (referred as 'this competition').

### 1. General Format:

- a. This Competition will comprise of total 4 rounds:
- Preliminary Rounds (1)
- Quarter Final Round (1)
- Semi Final (1)
- Final Round (1)
- b. Each Participating team shall comprise of 3 members:
- One Neutral Mediator
- One Client
- One Counsel
- c. Four Teams per University are allowed to participate.
- d. There will be Separate Problems for different rounds with different Confidential Information in each round.

## 2. Eligibility & Participation

- a. The registration is restricted to 32 teams for 3rd National Mediation Competition' 21
- b. Each Participant must be a current Undergraduate Student of their respective institution. In exceptional circumstances, the Organizing Committee may grant eligibility to institutions with Degree programs in International Relations, provided that adequate instructions in International Law will be available to all members of the team.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## 3. Registration

Any Interested team across the world can register for this Competition according to the procedure laid down hereunder:

- a. The Team shall confirm their Provisional Registration on or before **26th January 2021** through this: Google Form Link: <a href="https://forms.gle/zPJPsjGHe74MYYG79">https://forms.gle/zPJPsjGHe74MYYG79</a>
- b. Registration Fees for the competition is Rs. 4,500/-
- c. Kindly Note that once the payment is made, it is non-refundable in any circumstances.

## 4. Team Identification and Anonymity Rule:

- a. After Registration, each Participating team will be provided with a Team Code which will be served to all the teams. All Communications must be made in reference to this TC.
- b. None of the Teams are supposed to reveal their Institution Name or any other details to other teams or the judges. All communication must be made in regard to the TC.

#### 5. Dresscode

Dress code for the competition is Advocate's Uniform as per the Advocates Act, 1961 without band and gown or formal shirt and trouser. Violation of the same will bar the contestant from appearing in the oral rounds. The dress code is applicable to all the participants participating in the competition.

### 6. Language

The competition will be conducted in English language only.

The following Rules would be considered as Official Rules of the 3rd National Mediation Competition'21 (referred to as 'This competition). The Participants are supposed to strictly adhere to the Official Rules of the Competition. Any Violation can lead to penalty or disqualification of the team from this competition.

#### 1. Mediation Problem:

- a. Each Mediation Problem will consist of General Information for all the parties.
- b. There shall be a total of 4 Rounds in this Competition. There shall be different problems in each round.
- c. The Mediation problem for all the rounds will be sent to the teams via mail by 10th February 2021.
- d. The Mediation Problem shall be self-contained and teams shall be prohibited from deviating from the facts provided in the problem in any manner possible, including the Background Story, the misrepresentation of facts, or the creation of new facts. However, teams may reasonably interpret the problem in order to reasonable conclusions.

#### 2. Confidential Information:

- a. The Confidential Information for all rounds will be released via mail (30 minutes before the Competition).
- b. The Teams are prohibited from disclosing the Confidential Information to their Mediator or other party during or before the competition.

The Mediators shall have no access to the Confidential Information of any of the parties before or during the competition.

d. The Violation of this rule may lead to Disqualification of the whole Team from the competition.

## 3. Clarification and Interpretation of the Problem:

- a. Each team may submit to the Organizing Committee on or before **18th February 2021** a maximum of one written question for clarification or interpretation of the General Information per problem.
- b. All Clarifications must be sent with a Subject Line of 'CLARIFICATION || TEAM CODE' at soladr@ddn.upes.ac.in
- c. All Clarifications will be released on or before 20th February 2021.

## 4. Designation Of Role Of Members:

- a. The Team shall before the competition fixes the role of each member of the team as a Client, Counsel and Mediator.
- b. The Role of the Team Members shall be fixed throughout the Competition and in no case, it can be switched.
- c. Any Violation can lead to penalties.

## 5. Timing:

a. The Timing of the Rounds is designated in the following manner

SNO.	ROUNDS	SESSION TIME	CAUCUS TIME	FEEDBACK TIME	TOTAL TIME
1.	Preliminary Rounds	50 minutes	10minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes (1 hour 15 minutes).
2.	Quarter Final Rounds	50 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes (1 hour 15 minutes).
3.	Semi- Final Rounds	50 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes	75 minutes (1 hour 15 minutes).
4.	Final Round	80 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes	105 minutes (1 hour 45 minutes).

- b. The Participants are supposed to strictly adhere to the timings.
- c. During the competition, if the party is in need of more time than allotted, they may ask from the judges for the same. It's up to the discretion of the judges.
- d. However, the Feedback Timing may increase as per the judges.

### 6. Caucus

- a. During each Mediation Session, the Mediator as well as the parties are allowed to call for a caucus.
- b. The Competing Team should call for caucus when they believe that they need input from the Mediators or there is some Confidential Information which they are not comfortable in sharing during the Joint Session. Reasonable use of caucus from the parties will be evaluated. A Caucus must not be used for any clarification related to the Preliminary Rounds.
- c. Each team will be allotted 5 minutes for a caucus in each round. Thus, the whole caucus for both the parties will last for not more than 10 minutes.
- d. There is no provision for Cross-caucus

# **ROUNDS**

Each round includes two mediators (who will co-mediate the session) who are from different schools and two Negotiating Teams (Client and Counsel), from different teams, representing each side. The co-mediators and the negotiating teams are all from different teams.

- Preliminary Rounds shall be in session for a maximum of 60 minutes, exclusive of 30 minutes for the Confidential Facts. The top 8 Negotiating Pair and top 8 Mediators will qualify for Quarter Finals.
- Quarter-Finals shall be in session for a maximum for 60 minutes, exclusive of 30 minutes for the Confidential Facts. The top 4 Negotiating Pair and top 4 Mediators will qualify for Semi-Finals.
- Semi-Finals shall be in session for a maximum of 60 minutes, exclusive of 30 minutes for the Confidential Facts. The top 2 Negotiating Pair and top 2 Mediators will qualify for Finals.
- Final Rounds shall be in session for a maximum of 90 minutes exclusive of 30 minutes for the Confidential Facts.

**NOTE:** For the Quarterfinals, Semi-Finals as well as for Finals, the teams need to knock-out the other team in Quarter-Final Round and Semi-Final Round respectively. Thus, throughout the Competition, one team needs to knock-out the other team by achieving a greater score.

**NOTE:** The date for releasing of fixtures is **25th February 2021**.

# **SCORING CRITERIA**

Each round may be judged by two judges or more, each of whom will award marks on the basis of the following criteria:

AREAS FOR ASSESSING MEDIATORS
Opening Statement
Joint Session
Caucus Session
Understanding parties
Diffusing conflicts
Retracting Confidential Information
Paraphrasing
Reality Check And Summarizing
Demeanor and cooperation with co-mediator and parties

AREAS FOR ASSESSING MEDIATORS
Opening Statement
Joint Session
Caucus Session
Strategy and Planning
Negotiation Management
Team Work
Demeanor and cooperation with mediators and parties

# **AWARDS**

- Winner Negotiating Team
- Runners-up Negotiating Team
- Winner Mediator
- Runner- Up Mediator
- Best Team (Preliminary Round)
- 2nd Best Team (Preliminary Round)
- Best Opening Statement- Mediator
- Best Opening Statement- Negotiating Team
- Spirit of the Fest

# **1st Arbitral Award Writing Competition**

## **Our Supporters**



**Chartered Institute of Arbitrators** 



# **ABOUT OUR SUPPORTERS**



## **Chartered Institute of Arbitrators**

CIArb is an international centre of excellence for the practice and profession of alternative dispute resolution (ADR).

Our growing membership of 16,000 is based across 149 countries and supported by an international network of 41 branches. CIArb provides education and training for arbitrators, mediators and adjudicators.

It also acts as a global hub for practitioners, policy makers, academics and those in business, supporting the global promotion, facilitation and development of all ADR methods.

CIArb offers a range of resources including guidance, support, advice, networking and promotional opportunities, as well as facilities for hearings, meetings and other events.

It is a not-for-profit, UK registered charity.

# **ARBITRAL WRITING**

Arbitration has developed into a premier dispute resolution process worldwide. The best way to achieve the development in the culture, standard and professionalism of arbitration and mediation as credible dispute resolution mechanisms can be done by nurturing the idea of ADR as credible and leading dispute resolution process in the international scenario, in young minds through academic mediums and competitions.

Award writing is a skill that can be learned, practised, improved and refined. A well-structured award enhances clarity and conciseness and helps ensure that the reasoning process is complete. The National Arbitral Award Writing Competition organized by ADR UPES aims to inculcate the qualities of critical thinking and analysis and further seeks to promote skills of interpretation and application of legal concepts to facts and drafting arbitral award. The competition aims to give law students a platform to execute both inventive litigating and creative judging.

Award writing is an astounding aspect of arbitration which is in a tantamount to any other competition related to ADR. Everybody who aspires to pursue arbitration as a career option should learn the art of award writing.

# **COMPETITION GUIDELINES:**

- **1.** The competition shall be open for all the students currently pursuing Undergraduate courses in law for 3 year/5 year program.
- **2.** The participation is allowed for single author and permissible up to one co-author, provided separate registration is made by each co-author;
- **3.** The co-authors are to be from the same University/College.
- 4. Registration

Any Interested team across the world can register for this Competition according to the procedure laid down hereunder:

- a. The Team shall confirm their Provisional Registration on or before 26th January 2021 through this: Google Form Link: <a href="https://forms.gle/zPJPsjGHe74MYYG79">https://forms.gle/zPJPsjGHe74MYYG79</a>
- b. Registration Fees for the competition is Rs. 1,500/- (Co-Authors)

Rs. 800 (Single Author)

- c. Kindly Note that once the payment is made, it is non-refundable in any circumstances.
- **5.** The awards received as submissions lie within the prerogative of the judging panel and shall also have authority to reject any submission on grounds of plagiarism or do not meet the guidelines herein mentioned;
- **6.** The submission shall also be summarily rejected if participant discloses his/her name in any part of the award.
- 7. There is a team capping of 20 teams (single/co-author).

# SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- 1. The format of the Award shall be in the following chronological order:
- Cover Page: The cover page must include the name of the competition, name of the parties and the name of the student author(s).
- Statement of Facts
- Issues in Dispute
- Arguments from the Claimant and the Respondent
- Analysis of the Disputed Issues
- Decision and Award
- 2. The Award must be submitted in both Microsoft Word and PDF format.
- 3. The Entry must be typewritten. Font: Times New Roman, font size 12, line spacing 1.5 and justified alignment; proper page numbering should be inserted. Margins: 1 inch on all sides. The Bluebook, A Uniform System of Citation (20th Ed.) or any other consistent format of citations to be followed. All footnotes must be in Times New Roman, size 10, single-spacing and justified.
- 4. The manuscript should be accompanied with a covering letter specifying the author's name, designation, institute, contact number and e-mail for future reference. The name of participant must not be disclosed in any part of the award.
- 5. The participants have to submit their Awards on or before **February 20, 2021** at 11:59 PM by emailing it to soladrupes@gmail.com
- 6. The subject should read: "Submission of Award Name of the Author(s)".
- 7. The attachment should be titled "Award Name of the Author(s)".

#### **Evaluation Criteria:**

- (a) Originality
- (b) Critical Analysis and Appreciation of Facts
- (c) Persuasiveness
- (d) Analysis of Arguments
- (e) Use of Relevant Authorities
- (f) Overall Quality of Writing

### **Categories of Prizes:**

- (i) Winner
- (ii) Runners Up
- (iii) 2nd Runners Up

#### **Important Dates:**

- 1. Release of Rules and Competition Problem: February 2, 2021
- 2. Last Date for seeking Clarifications of doubts: February 6, 2021
- 3. Release of Clarifications, if any: February 8, 2021
- 4. Last Date of Award Submission: February 20, 2021 by 11:59 PM.
- 5. Declaration of Results: February 28, 2021

### **Registration fee & Application:**

Participants are required send the application form duly filled by email at - soladr@ddn.upes.ac.in

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#### Disclaimer

The dates, schedules and details pertaining to the tournament are tentative in nature and subject to change. In case of any change, the details shall be communicated by the organising committee. Kindly follow our social media handles for timely updates.