

### GENERAL

- 1. The competition will be held from 28th April 2022 to 2nd May 2022.
- 2. The Competition is being organized by the Alternative Dispute Resolution Board, NLSIU and will take place virtually over videoconferencing platform, Zoom.
- 3. There are four segments of the competition: Negotiation, Mediation (Client-Attorney), Mediation (Mediator) and Client Counselling.
- 4. The Negotiation Segment of the competition serves as the National Qualifier for the International Negotiation Competition (INC). Accordingly, the winner of the Negotiation segment will represent India at the International Negotiation Competition 2022. Accordingly, this segment is only open to Indian Teams.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1. The selection of Universities for all four segments will happen in one round of applications, based on the performance of the University at ADR competitions, their ADR curriculum and related criteria.
- 2. Participating universities will have to apply for each segment separately.
- 3. The application process will begin on 22 March, 2022 and end on 3rd April, 2022. The selected universities will be intimated via email by 7th April, 2022.
- 4. After getting the notification for selection, the selected universities will have to provide the details of the participating team members for each segment and pay the required registration fee within 7 working days, failing which their slot will be forfeited.

# MEDIATION (CLIENT-ATTORNEY)

- 1. Each team shall comprise of 2-4 members.
- 2. The Client Attorney pair may change between rounds, but must be restricted to the original 2-4 members.
- 3. The segment is open to all full-time students (excluding post graduate doctorate students) registered in a university. Kindly note that the segment is not limited to only law students.
- 4. The participating universities will be shortlisted on the basis of the details filled by them in the Application Form.
- 5. Each team will participate in 2 preliminary rounds against two other teams. The match-ups for the preliminary rounds will be random. At end of the preliminary rounds, the top 8 teams will break to the Quarter-Final rounds.
- 6. The Quarter-Finals and Semi-Finals will be knock-out rounds, resulting in the top two teams competing in the finals.
- 7. A total of 24 teams will be selected in this segment.

## MEDIATION (MEDIATOR)

- 1. Each team shall comprise of 1-2 members only.
- 2. The Mediators may change between rounds, but must be restricted to the original members.
- 3. The segment is open to all undergraduate, professional and postgraduate students registered in a university. Kindly note that the segment is not limited to only law students.
- 4. The participating universities will be shortlisted on the basis of the details filled by them in the Application Form.
- 5. All rounds will have only one mediator. The participating teams will be randomly matched against other mediating teams for the preliminary rounds. However, no mediator will mediate a round with a Client-Attorney team from the same university.
- 6. The top 4 mediators with the highest scores from the preliminary rounds will break to the Quarter-Finals. The winning mediator team will mediate the final round for the Mediation (Client-Attorney) segment.
- 7. A total of 12 teams will be selected for this segment.



### NEGOTIATION

- 1. Teams for this segment will comprise of 2 members.
- 2. The segment is open to all undergraduate, professional and postgraduate students pursuing a degree of law from an Indian University.
- 3. Given that this segment shall be a qualifier for the INC, all rules regarding eligibility at the VIII NLS NMC shall be the same as are applicable at the INC.
- 4. The participating universities will be shortlisted on the basis of the details filled by them in the Application Form.
- 5. Each team will participate in 2 preliminary rounds against two other teams. The match-ups for the preliminary rounds will be random. At end of the preliminary rounds, the top 8 teams will break to the Quarter-Final rounds.
- 6. The Quarter-Finals and Semi-Finals will be knock-out rounds, resulting in the top two teams competing in the finals.
- 7. A total of 24 teams will be selected in this segment.

## CLIENT COUNSELLING

- 1. Teams for this segment will comprise of 2 members.
- 2. The segment is open to all undergraduate, professional and postgraduate students of law.
- 3. The participating universities will be shortlisted on the basis of the details filled by them in the Application Form.
- 4. Each team will have two preliminary rounds. At the end of the preliminary rounds, the top four teams the highest scores will break to the Semi-Final Rounds.
- 5. A total of 20 teams will be selected in this segment.



