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1st Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition, 2024

- 28 - 30 APRIL, 2024
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About Lexosphere

Lexosphere, your dynamic gateway to a world where legal knowledge converges with endless opportunities. Committed to empowering law students and academicians, we transcend traditional learning by fostering a community that thrives in the dynamic field of law. At Lexosphere, we prioritize your voice—encouraging the publication of blogs, articles, and research papers. As a peer-reviewed legal platform, we take pride in bi-annually publishing high-quality manuscripts. Registered with the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) under UDYAM-BR-28-0025172, Lexosphere signifies our dedication to excellence in the legal services sector. Our vision is to equip every legal enthusiast with the tools and resources for academic and professional success, offering diverse opportunities, enabling publication of voices, and promoting legal events. Operating on the principles of inclusivity, accessibility, and collaboration, Lexosphere, a student-run organization since November 12, 2023, invites you to join our transformative journey in unlocking the full potential of your legal education.

About 1st Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition

Lexosphere proudly announces its 1st Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition, 2024 from April 28th to April 30th, 2024. This competition stands as one of the finest mediums for future legal counsels to engage comprehensively in intricate deliberations, framing their arguments in context with the proposition, and learning the art of advocacy to polish their skills.

The competition aims to provide a platform for the budding lawyers of our country to imbibe analytical skills in real-time situations. It endeavors to engage with students and offer them firsthand experience of the complexities of the law. Participants can anticipate three days of rigorous advocacy, insightful deliberations, and unparalleled learning opportunities.

Prepare to showcase your legal acumen and immerse yourself in an enriching experience that promises to shape the future of legal discourse. Mark your calendars and get ready to engage in the ultimate test of advocacy skills at the Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition 2024.

Message from Founder

Moot court competitions are invaluable for law students, providing a practical platform to apply legal theories, hone advocacy skills, and gain real-world experience in courtroom settings. These competitions serve as a bridge between academic learning and professional practice, preparing students for the challenges they will face in their legal careers.

The 1st Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition, an event that aims to showcase the talents of law students while looking into the complexities of constitutional law. Scheduled to take place from April 28th to April 30th, this competition offers participants the opportunity to engage with pressing legal issues and advocate for justice within the framework of our constitution.

At Lexosphere, our mission is to empower aspiring legal professionals by providing a comprehensive platform for learning, networking, and growth. Registered under the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of India, Lexosphere is committed to fostering excellence in legal education and promoting a culture of collaboration and innovation.

Our team is fortunate enough to provide a platform to law students by organizing this competition, and every law student should take advantage of the same as it gives them a real experience. Rest assured, our team will ensure the competition is conducted in the best possible manner.

Founder
Md. Arif Imam
BBA LLB – GNS University

Message from CO-Founder

Moot court competitions serve as invaluable platforms for law students to hone their advocacy skills, deepen their understanding of legal principles, and gain practical experience in courtroom proceedings. These competitions simulate real-life legal scenarios, offering participants the opportunity to argue cases, present evidence, and engage in rigorous legal analysis under the guidance of experienced judges and mentors.

From April 28th to 30th, Lexosphere will host the 1st Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition. This event promises to be a showcase of legal talent and intellectual rigor, with participants grappling with complex constitutional law issues in a dynamic and challenging environment.

Lexosphere, a vibrant platform dedicated to empowering law students and academicians, is honored to host this competition. Registered under the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of India, Lexosphere serves as a catalyst for legal discourse and growth, providing a comprehensive space for sharing knowledge, ideas, and insights. With a vision to bridge the gap between theoretical learning and practical exposure, Lexosphere offers a range of opportunities, including internships, events, and collaborative publishing avenues.

We are fortunate to provide law students with a platform through this competition, and we encourage every aspiring legal mind to seize this opportunity for real-world experience. Our dedicated team is committed to ensuring that the competition is conducted with the utmost excellence and professionalism.

Co – Founder
Prakash Singh
BBA LLB – GNS University

Moot Proposition

1. "Zondia" is a democratic country with ancient history, tradition and culture consisting of 29 States and 8 union territories and having a total population of 1.25 Crore. Zondia has a written constitution and the spirit of socialism embodied in the preamble pervades the entire constitution. Social Justice, Federalism, Independent Judiciary, Separation of powers are some of the other significant features.
2. The legislative powers are the same as in the seventh schedule of the Constitution which consist of three lists namely, Union List, State List, and Concurrent list and The 10th Schedule of the Zondian Constitution, known as the "Anti-Defection Law," aims to prevent lawmakers from switching parties without consequences. It outlines provisions for disqualification as well. The democratic socialism is acknowledged as the cherished goal of the political system in Zondia since independence.
3. In the bustling corridors of power in Zondia, a riveting political narrative unfurls, shaped by the tumultuous winds of electoral change and the quest for legislative justice. Against the backdrop of Bhartiya Nagrik Association's (BNA) triumph in the 2014 and 2019 general elections defeating Indian People Association (IPA), a new chapter of governance unfolds as the nation gears up for the impending 2024 elections. On 10 January 2024, the government proposes the Regulation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Bill, 2024, (Hereinafter Bill). The bill's voting is scheduled for February 25, 2024.
4. Amidst the political landscape, six IPA MLAs - Amar, Sneha, Rahul, Neha, Vikram, and Aisha - find themselves at the center of a constitutional maelstrom. Despite belonging from the IPA party, a formerly influential entity in Indian politics, these six MLAs grapple with the delicate balance between party allegiance and personal beliefs. They support the bill, considering it beneficial for their constituency. However, the IPA president opposes the bill, as it was proposed by the BNA government, believing it could be detrimental from a future perspective.

5. The IPA president, wielding the authority of his office, issues a whip demanding unwavering allegiance to the party line to vote against the Bill by issuing the whip on 15 February, 2024.
6. Undeterred by party pressure, the six MLAs follow their conscience and vote against the party directive. In response, the IPA president quickly requests the disqualification of the six MLAs on March 9, 2024 while filing an application before Honb'le Speaker Lok Sabha, using the Anti-Defection Law.
7. On March 25, 2024, after careful examination, the Lok Sabha Speaker disqualifies these six MLAs. Unfazed by their disqualification, the MLAs challenge the constitutionality of section 2(b) of the 10th schedule through filing a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) filed before the Supreme Court on the grounds that it violates their fundamental right of freedom of speech and expression and Parliamentary Privilege under Article 105 of the Constitution. They contend that the Anti-Defection Law stifles honest dissent, making it unconstitutional. The Supreme Court is set to hear the case.

NOTE: LEXOSPHERE

1. The laws of Zondia are pari-materia to the Laws of India, including the judgments delivered by the Supreme Court of India and the various High Courts of India.
2. Zondia is also a signatory to all the conventions and treaties which India is signatory to.
3. The participants are expected to bring to the court's attention to the relevant jurisprudence. It may include judgments and International instruments.

Issues

1. Whether the PIL filed by the Six MLA of IPA is Maintainable or not?
2. Whether the 10th Schedule of the Constitution prohibiting honest and genuine dissent deserves to be declared unconstitutional?
3. Whether section 2 (b) of the 10th Schedule infringe upon Parliamentary Privileges outlined in Article 105 of the Constitution?
4. Whether the Speaker while deciding the case under the 10th Schedule meeting the criteria of being an independent adjudicatory machinery?

Note:-Participants are free frame any other one issue apart from the issue given by the organizers.

RULE BOOK

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- The Organizer's of the 1st Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition will have exclusive authority to interpret the rules in the interest of just and fair competition.
- The definitions placed below by the Organizing Committee shall be final and the decision of the Organizers regarding the applicability of these rules will be final.
- These rules may be called the rules for the 1st Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition, 2024.

DEFINITIONS

1. 'Bench' refers to the members duly invited by the institute, to adjudge any of the rounds, collectively.
2. 'Clarifications' means any questions, queries, or doubts sent by the registered teams to the organisers, within the given deadline.
3. 'Competition' means the 1st Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition, 2024
4. 'Speaker' refers to a participant who presents oral arguments in any given round.
5. 'Penalty' refers to the deductions imposed on the memorandum scores of participating institution/teams.
6. 'Participating Institution' shall be presumed to be the institution of the participating teams.
7. 'Moot Problem' means a set of facts published by the Organizer for moot court competition.
8. 'Rebuttals' refer to those arguments/questions that the Complainant may raise at the end of the main pleadings of all the Orators.
9. 'Sur-rebuttal' refers to the defence presented by the Respondent to the rebuttals
10. 'Organizer' means LEXOSPHERE
11. 'Court Room' shall refer to the online platform where the orals will take place.
12. 'Scouting' means a person observing the Oral Rounds of a team other than the team such person is associated with.
13. 'Team Code' refers to the code allocated to a participating institution by the organising committee after completion of the Registration.

Important Dates

Commencement of Registration	10-03-2024
Last date of seeking clarification (if any)	22-04-2024
Last date of Registration	20-04-2024
Last date for submission of memorials (online)	25-04-2024
Inaugural ceremony & Orientation	28-04-2024
Researcher's Test (Online)	28-04-2024
Preliminary Round	28-04-2024
Quarter-final Round	29-04-2024
Semi-Final Round	29-04-2024
Final Round	30-04-2024
Valedictory ceremony & Prize Distribution	30-04-2024

Language

The official language of the competition shall be **British English** only.

Eligibility

- Law students enrolled in 3 years LLB programme and 5 years integrated programme from any college/institution/university recognised by BCI across the country.
- Maximum of 2 teams from one college/institution/university shall be allowed to participate.
- NOC from the institution is not required to participate in this competition.

Team Composition

- The team shall comprise of either two members (being designated as Speakers and one of the speakers shall be designated as Researcher) or three members (two of them shall be designated as Speakers and one of them shall be designated as Researcher).
- No team will be allowed to substitute any of its members after a team has filled & submitted the Registration form, except with the permission of the organisers.

Note:-

- No faculty member, coach, or a designated observer will be allowed to join the team through video – conferencing during the competition.

Dress Code

- The participating teams must adhere to the following dress code during the oral submission of **1st Lexosphere National Moot Court Competition, 2024**.
- **Male-** White shirt, black trousers, black tie, black coat, and black shoes.
- **Female-** White salwar and kurta or white shirt and black trousers along with a black coat and black shoes.

Registration Process

- Online registrations are open from **08th March, 2024**. The teams must register online by **20th April, 2024**.
- The registration shall be done by filling up the registration form available at: <https://forms.gle/sENHoanRcctYm3646> The registration shall be considered complete only when the 'Registration Fee' has been paid successfully and the registration form is duly filled with all the credentials.
- The participants will receive an official approval mail from organizing committee carrying the '**Team Code**' within a week of registration or earlier. The teams shall quote this team code in all further communications with the organizing committee.
- Registration fee once paid is non-refundable.
- The registration fee for the competition is **1500.00 (One Thousand Five Hundred) INR.**

Payment Details

BANK DETAILS

Beneficiary Name (Account Holder Name) – Md. Arif Imam

Bank Name – State Bank of India

Account Number:- **40070002905**

IFSC : **SBIN0002859**

For Payment Using UPI

UPI id:- **8340451472@paytm**

or

Scan the QR to make payment



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Note – After Payment, Kindly upload the screenshot of the payment during registration and do enter the referral/UTR number of the payment.

Correction & Clarifications

- The teams may request for correction and clarification regarding the moot proposition as per the date given in the important dates, i.e., before 22nd April, 2024. Such requests shall be sent at infolexosphere@gmail.com or through other mode of communication. (Communicating directly to Competition Convenor & Co-Convenor on +919939795952 or +918709473321).

Memorial Submission

- All memorials submitted for all purposes of the Competition shall firmly comply with the rules of the Competition. Each participating team must prepare two written submissions, one for each Petitioner/Applicant(s) as well as Respondent(s) side.
- Petitioner/Applicant(s) memorials are required to have a Blue Cover and Respondent(s) memorials are required to have Red Cover.
- **Only soft copies of memorials shall be submitted in either .pdf or .doc/.docx format latest by 11:59:59 PM on 25th April, 2024.** Late submission shall be penalized (10 mark per day) and no memorial shall be accepted after one day from the specified date.
- The memorial shall be uploaded on the official portal created after the registration (It will be notified via WhatsApp group).
- The organizing committee shall not be responsible for delay and default.

Memorial Content

- The memorial must contain the following pages only: -
- Cover Page – The cover page shall contain the Case Title, Side of the Memorial,
- Year of the Competition, Name of the Court, and Team Code on the top right corner.
- Table of Contents
- Index of Authorities
- List of abbreviations
- Statement of Jurisdiction
- Statement of Facts
- Issues Raised
- Summary of Arguments
- Arguments Advanced
- Prayer

Guidelines For Memorial Formatting

- The following content specifications must be strictly followed: -
- The Memorial shall be typed on an A4 size page and all the pages of the memorial should have a page number at the bottom.
- Font & Size (General) – Times New Roman, 12 pts. Line Spacing (General) – 1.5 lines.
- Font & Size (Footnotes) – Times New Roman, 10 pts.
- Line Spacing (Footnotes) – Single Lines
- Page Margin – 1 inch on all sides.
- **The Memorial shall not exceed more than 35 pages.**
- All the citations and footnotes must be in compliance with the 20th Edition of Bluebook.

Anonymity of Teams

- Teams shall not reveal their identity in any form, except by means of the Team Code allotted to them during the Competition.
- The Written Submission shall not reveal the identity of the team in any form and should not bear the logo, name, etc. of the University represented.
- Any violation of the above rules shall attract severe penalty or disqualification as determined by the organizing committee. The decision of the organizing committee in this regard shall be final and binding on the participating team.

Memorial Marking Criteria

Marking Criteria	Total Marks Allotted
Coherent and Precise Articulation	30
Knowledge of Laws and Facts	25
The extent of Legal Research	25
Grammar and Style	10
Format and Citation	10
Total	100

Oral Rounds of Competition

General:

- The competition shall consist of Preliminary Round, Quarter-Final Round, Semi-Final Round, and the Final Round.

Preliminary Round:

- The rounds shall be conducted virtually by way of video-conferencing; the details of the platform will be given to the teams before the competition. The Meeting ID, Password, and Link will be communicated to the teams via email/WhatsApp.
- Each team shall argue once from the side allotted to them through the Draw of Lots, which shall be notified to the teams one day prior to the round.
- Each team shall strictly get a total time of 20 minutes to present their case. 5 min will be allotted for rebuttal and sur-rebuttal. The time distribution per speaker is left at the discretion of the teams.
- At the beginning of the preliminary rounds, the teams shall specify the time distribution for their rebuttals of each speaker to the moderator. The rebuttal round proceeding shall be initiated once the moderator informs the team about the commencement of the time limit.
- Strict adherence to court manners shall be observed by all the participants.

Quarter-Final Round:

- The top 8 teams with the highest score in the Preliminary Rounds shall proceed to the Quarter-Finals. The match-up of teams in Quarter Final Rounds shall be determined on the basis of draw of lots.
- In case of a tie in scores calculated, the team with the higher score in the Written Submission(Memorials) shall proceed to this round.
- Each team shall strictly get a total time of 30 minutes to argue, which will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time [if permitted by the judge(s)]. Extension of time may be permissible at the discretion of judges.
- At the beginning of the quarter final round the teams shall specify the time distribution for each speaker and rebuttal to the moderator. The rebuttal round proceeding shall be initiated once the moderator informs the team about the commencement of the time limit.
- Strict adherence to court manners shall be observed by all the participants.
- Quarter-final round is a Knock-out Round.

Semi-Final Round:

- The top 4 teams of the Quarter Final Rounds shall be declared for qualified for the Semi-Final Rounds. The match-up of the teams in Semi-Final Rounds shall be decided on the basis of the draw of lots.
- Each team shall get a total time of 40 minutes to argue, which will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time (if permitted by the judges). The division of time per speaker is left to the discretion of the teams.
- A time-extension for a maximum of 2 minutes may be granted to each team at the discretion of the Judge.
- Strict adherence to court manners shall be observed by all the participants.

Final Round:

- The top two teams from the Semi-Final Round shall qualify for the final round.
- Each team shall get a total time of 50 minutes to which will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time [if permitted by the judge(s)]. The division of time per speaker is left to the discretion of the teams.
- A time-extension for a maximum of 5 minutes may be granted to each team at the discretion of the Judge.
- Strict adherence to court manners shall be observed by all the participants.

Oral Rounds Marking Criteria

Marking Criteria	Total Marks Alloted
Application of Law to Facts	20
Use of Authorities	20
Responsiveness to Questions	20
Effective rebuttals and sur-rebuttals	10
Adequacy of Prayer	10
Court Mannerism	10
Time Management	10
Total	100

General Code of Conduct

- Considering the Virtual National Moot Competition conducting virtually. The following code of conduct must be kept in mind.
- Virtual Platform: Google Meet
- The teams must ensure that they have a strong internet connection (along with good audio and video facilities) for the smooth running of the competition. In case any participant or team is logged out due to connection issues, reasonable time may be given to the respective participant or team to join in.
- The participants must ensure that no background disturbance is disconcerting the flow of moot court competition. Hence, it is recommended for the participants to be seated/situated in a quiet room.

- Teams entering/indulging in any kind of misconduct, or violating the afore-mentioned rules and regulations will lead them to disqualification.
- The Memorial marks shall not be included to decide the results of oral rounds, however, in case of a tie in Preliminary, Quarter Finals, Semi-Final, and Finals, the marks of the memorial shall be the basis of deciding the winner.
- The decision of the judges with regards to the oral rounds shall be final.

Scouting

- Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any team shall entail instant disqualification.

Miscellaneous Rules

- The Organizing Committee reserves the right to amend, modify, change or repeal any of the competition rules at any stage. The Organizing Committee shall convey any changes made in the competition rules to the Participating Teams.
- If a team is of the perspective that violation of the rules of the competition has taken place at any stage of the competition, the team (s) shall inform within half an hour after the completion of the round to Organizing Committee.
- Team(s) under no circumstances shall approach the judges with any complaints.
- The Organizers shall not be responsible for any loss or slow or unstable Internet Connection during the Competition. We request all the participants to have a stable Internet Connection.

Awards

- **Winning Team – Cash Prize of Rs – 9, 000/- + Trophy + Certificate**
- **Runner – Up Team – Cash Prize of Rs – 6,000/- + Trophy + Certificate**
- **Best Memorial- Cash Prize of Rs – 3,000/- + Trophy + Certificate**
- **Best Speaker – Cash Prize of Rs– 3, 000/- + Trophy + Certificate**
- **Best Researcher – Cash Prize of Rs – 3,000/- + Trophy + Certificate**
- **Certificate of Participation shall be provided to all the participants.**

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Commencement of Registration - 08th March, 2024
Last date of registration 20th April, 2024

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