

Deccan Education Society's
SHRI NAVALMAL FIRODIA LAW COLLEGE, PUNE
MOOT COURT SOCIETY
ORGANIZES
LOKMANYA TILAK NATIONAL APPELLATE
MOOT COURT COMPETITION

(8th EDITION)

26th AND 27th FEBRUARY, 2016

GENERAL RULES

1. Docket:

The Docket will contain a criminal case paper book, poster, invitation card and registration form. It should be noted that, there is no separate fact dossier. The facts of the case are to be ascertained from the paper book which also consists of all required documents for appeal. On the basis of documents provided in criminal case paper book, participants shall prepare Appeal memorial (on behalf of Appellant) and Reply (on behalf of Respondent).

2) Eligibility

A student pursuing the three year LL.B. or Five year integrated law course of any recognized university or college within India is eligible to participate.

3) Registration and Fees

- Scan copy of filled Registration Form to be sent via email to nflc.mcs.2016@gmail.com and the hard copy to be posted to the administrative office at D.E.S. Shri Navalmal Firodia Law College, Gate No.3, Fergusson College Campus, F.C. Road, Pune-411004.
- Last date of registration will be 20th February, 2016.
- Registration fees of Rs.600/- (Rupees Six Hundred only) with service tax is to be paid by the participating team(s).
- Registration fee may be paid by DD drawn in favour D.E.S. Shri Navalmal Firodia Law College, Payable at Pune or by cash on the day of the Competition.

4) Team Constitution

Team shall consist of three participants. Two Participants will act as Speakers arguing the case orally. The third participant bears the designation of Researcher. Only the speakers

are allowed to argue the matter. The Researcher will be given an opportunity to speak only at the discretion of the panel of judges.

5) **Rounds**

The competition consists of three rounds:

A. Preliminary B. Semi-Final C. Round Final Round

In preliminary round, each team shall have to argue for both the sides i.e. for Appellant and for Respondent.

To qualify for the semi-finals, the ratio of scores of each team will be taken into consideration.

The top scoring two teams from semi-finals will enter the finals.

6) **Rules for Memorials**

Each team shall send three copies each of the appeal memorial (on behalf of the appellant) as well as the “say” (reply) to the appeal memorial (on behalf of the Respondent) to the organizers.

- Requisites of the Appeal Memorial / Reply
 - a) Cover Page (including the participants details at the bottom right corner of the page)
 - b) Index
 - c) Acts Referred to
 - d) List of authorities referred to and relied upon
 - e) The Statement of Jurisdiction (For Appellant)
 - f) Synopsis of facts / Chronological facts
 - g) The Statement of Issues (to be framed by participants with the help of charge and judgment provided in Paper Book)
 - h) Points to be argued
 - i) Memorandum of Appeal/Reply as the case may be (i.e Detailed arguments)
- **Helpful Resources**

Generally, memorials should follow the format prescribed in the Bombay High Court Rules. References may be made to the Criminal Manual.

An adaptation of format used in the real life appeal in the memorials is encouraged.

- Technical Requirements
 - a) The Memorials shall be typed on A4 sized white color pages only.
 - b) The Memorials shall not be more than 50 (fifty) printed pages, including body of arguments.
 - c) Memorials must be typed in the font Times New Roman, size 12 pts, line spacing 1.5 and foot note size 10.
 - d) Top, Bottom, Right Margin must be 1 inch each and Left is of 1.5 inch.
 - e) The Memorials must be paper bound only.
 - f) Every Memorial on behalf of appellant must be attached with a blank page of Blue color on the top and every memorial on behalf of the respondents must be attached with a blank page of Red color on the top.
 - g) The language of the memorials must be English.

7) Marks for Memorials

Max Marks: 40

- a. Memorials will be evaluated by the members of the Moot Court Board.
- b. Memorials will be evaluated on the following two criterion:

Argument Portion

- Analysis
- Research
- Organisation of contentions
- Citations and Quotations
- Clear, Persuasive Writing

Non-argument Portion

- Format
- Issues presented
- Precision in summarizing facts.
- Legal Language.

8) Rules for Oral Submissions

1. Each Team shall comprise of 2 Speakers who shall divide the oral submissions between themselves. Each Speaker shall get maximum 15 minutes to speak and there will be warning bell on the 13th minute.
2. During the course of the oral submissions, no speaker should reveal his/her identity or the identity of the college / university by any means whatsoever.
3. Each Team will have a maximum of 30 minutes to present their oral submissions.
4. Each Team will have 5 minutes for rebuttal or sur-rebuttal.
5. The final decision as to the time structure will be that of the Panel Judges.
6. All teams will be expected to carry with themselves, case laws and authorities which they intend to refer to in printed form.
7. During the course of oral submissions, the participants cannot submit to the court any material containing pictorial/audio/visual representation whatsoever. Further, the participants will not be allowed to use personal computers / laptops / tabs / mobiles and any other electronic device during their oral submissions.

9) Marks for oral submissions

In grading the content of the each participant's arguments, the judges will consider the quality of the participants arguments based on the following guidelines.

Research and Contents

Max Marks: 20

- a. Did the participant cite appropriate case laws?
- b. Did the participant raise all the possible contentions?
- c. Whether study was inter-disciplinary to know the technical aspects of medical science, technology etc.
- d. How extensively e-sources and other authorities are used?

Organization and control of the argument

Max Marks: 20

- a. Did the participant simply explain the issues and arguments in the case?
- b. Did the participant reach the hearth of the case quickly?
- c. Was the progression of the participant's argument logical?
- d. Did the participant make persuasive use of authority?

- e. Did the participant show ability to answer questions, think on feet and resume thread of argument after interruption?

Responsiveness

Max Marks: 10

- a. Was the participant evasive?
b. Did the participant unnecessarily concede points?
c. Did the participant answer quickly and concisely?
d. Did the participant make arguments based on the facts not in the case?

Decorum and Appearance

Max Marks: 05

- a. Was the participant deferential and courteous to the Judges?
b. Did the participant use distracting mannerisms or exaggerated gesturing?
c. Did the participant maintain eye contact?
d. Did the participant read extensively from the material?

Speech and Style

Max Marks: 05

- a. Was the participant overly argumentative or confrontational?
b. Did the participant make irrelevant emotional appeals?
c. Did the participant appear sincere and confident?
d. Was the participant's tone varied?
e. Did the participant maintain composure when faced difficult question?

10) Dress Code

Every participant must be in the dress code according to the Advocates Act, 1961. The Team who does not appear in the dress code shall be disqualified. Band and gown is allowed.

11) Last date for receipt of queries

If participants have any query or required any clarification in relation with the paper book, then the same can be communicated through the email (only through email) to nflc.mcs.2016@gmail.com on or before 5th February, 2016 by 12.30 p.m.

Official clarifications will be uploaded on the college website (www.deslaw.edu.in) on 12th February, 2016. No individual email will be send to the participants.

12) Last date for submission of memorials

All Teams must send three hard copies of the memorials which must reach the organizers on or before 20th February, 2016. And email a soft copy of the memorials in a word document (2007-10 version) to nflc.mcs.2016@gmail.com on or before 18th February, 2016 by 12.30 p.m.

Late submission may face penalty of 1 point for each day. Any discrepancy between the hard and soft copy shall attract the penalty.

13) Prizes

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| 1. Winners (Rs. 10,000/- & trophy) | 2. Runners up (Rs. 8,000/- & trophy) |
| 3. Best Memorial (Rs. 3,000/- & trophy) | 4. Best Advocate (Rs. 3,000/- & trophy) |

14) Miscellaneous

1. Scouting by the student Speakers, researcher or any other person affiliated with the team will lead to disqualification of the team.
2. All the participants are expected to maintain the decorum in the Court during the Competition.
3. The organizers reserve the right to take appropriate action against the Participant(s) for any unethical and unprofessional and immoral conduct.
4. The organizers decision as regards the interpretation of rules or any other matter related to the competition will be final.
5. If there is any situation, which is not contemplated in the rules, the organizers decision on the same shall be final.

Note:

The organizers reserve the right to vary, alter, modify or repeal any of the above rules if so required and as they deem appropriate.

Schedule

26th February, 2016

Particulars	Timing
Registration, Tea and Snacks	08.00 a.m. to 09.00 a.m.
Orientation for Participants	09.00 a.m. to 09.30 a.m.
Inauguration	09.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.
Preliminary Round	11.00 a.m. to 01.00 p.m.
Lunch	01.00 p.m. to 02.00 p.m.
Preliminary Round	02.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m.
Tea	04.00 p.m. to 04.30 p.m.
Declaration of results of qualifying rounds and draws for semi-final	04.30 p.m. to 05.00 p.m.

27th February, 2016

Particulars	Timing
Tea and Snacks	08.00 a.m. to 09.00 a.m.
Semi-final round	09.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.
Final Round	11.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.
Valedictory & Declaration of results	12.00 p.m. to 01.00 p.m.
Lunch	01.00 p.m. to 02.00 p.m.
Distribution of Certificates	03.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m.

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