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Hidayatullah National Law University, Naya Raipur,
Chhattisgarh



**Akanksha Soni
Memorial
National Legal
Essay Writing
Competition,
2016**

Hidayatullah National Law University is pleased to present the “**Akanksha Soni Memorial National Legal Essay Writing Competition, 2016**” in memory of our beloved student Late Akanksha Soni of Batch IX (2009-2014) of the University. The Competition is open for all the law students across the country pursuing a degree in law at graduate or post graduate level and having a keen interest in the subject of Human Rights and its various aspects.

Eligibility:

Students pursuing LL.B. (3 Year or 5 Year Courses)/ LL.M. course from any recognized University or College can participate in the competition. Students of HNLU are also eligible for participation.

Theme of Competition:

“Human and Animal Rights: Expanding Frontiers in the 21st Century”

Topics:-

- 1. Animals as Live Property? : Move towards Better Legislation**
- 2. Gender Neutrality and Legal Complexities: Reality or Distant Dream for India**
- 3. Cultural Reformation and Human Rights are Compatible: A Pragmatic Approach by Supreme Court of India**

The topics of the competition are chosen in a manner that they provide the author with enough leverage of originality along with the required stimulation that he/she needs to convey his/her thoughts on the critical human and animal rights issues.

Prizes and Certificates:

- ❖ **1st Prize: Rs. 10,000 + Certificate of Merit + a Plaque**
- ❖ **2nd Prize: Rs. 7,000 + Certificate of Merit + a Plaque**
- ❖ **3rd Prize: Rs. 5,000 + Certificate of Merit + a Plaque**

Certificate of Appreciation and Consolation Prizes to 5 Participants.

Certificate of Participation shall be given to each participant of the Competition.

Guidelines

Essay of participants must be their original work, i.e. the essay should not be published by or in any other publication or medium and should not be partially or substantially copied from any other prior published work of the participant or any other author without adequate reference.

Registration

Participant must send scanned copy of duly filled and signed Registration Form to asmemorialessaycompetition@gmail.com on or before 15th October, 2016.

Registration Fee

- ❖ No Registration fee is to be paid by the participants.

Formatting Details

- ❖ **Word Limit**- 3000 words approximate (excluding references).
- ❖ Submissions should be in MS Word-2013/2010/2007 format along with the PDF copy of the same.
- ❖ The essays must be typed in Times New Roman font, size 12 with 1.5 lines spacing and footnoting may be done in Times New Roman font, size 10 with line spacing 1.0.
- ❖ The citation must be strictly in accordance with the Harvard Blue Book Citation style, 19th Edition.

Key Dates

Last Date of Registration	15th October,2016
Last Date of Submission of Soft copy of Essay	2nd November,2016
Last Date of Submission of Hard Copy of Essay	5th November, 2016

Submission Procedure

- ❖ The essay must be preceded by an Abstract not exceeding 300-350 word (in separate MS Word Document).
- ❖ The submission must contain a covering letter containing details of the participant such as Name, Date of Birth, Permanent/Residential Address,

Telephone Number, Email, Name and Address of College/University, Course pursuing and Academic Year (separate file from the essay document).

- ❖ Participants must send their essays to **asmemorialessaycompetition@gmail.com** with the subject of the email as “**Akanksha Soni Memorial National Legal Essay Writing Competition, 2016**” on or before the last date of submission i.e. 2nd November, 2016.
- ❖ In addition to that the participants have to send hard-copy of the essay in **Two copies** at the below mentioned Address:

The Registrar
Hidayatullah National Law University,
Naya Raipur, Chhattisgarh- 492002
Phone: 0771-3057604 Fax: 0771-3057666

Note:- Hard copy of the Essay must reach at above mentioned address latest by 5th November, 2016.

Authorship

- ❖ Only one essay per participant is permitted.
- ❖ Co- authorship up to two student is permitted, however that shall be considered as single participation.

Jury and Review Procedure

- ❖ Entries will be reviewed by a distinguished panel of legal luminaries, professionals in the field of law and academicians.

- ❖ Entries will be judged on the basis of Originality, Quality of Analysis and Quality of Research Style and Organization.
- ❖ Decision of the Jury shall be final and binding.

Criteria of Marking

Sl. No.	Criteria	Weightage
1.	Thoroughness/quality of research	50
2.	Creativity/Originality	40
3.	Logical Representation	40
4.	Articulation of Ideas	30
5.	English/Grammar	20
6.	Footnoting	20

Declaration of Result

The result of the Competition shall be declared in the last week of December, 2016.

Supervisory Committee:

Patron: Prof. (Dr.) Sukh Pal Singh

Vice-Chancellor, Hidayatullah National Law University

Faculty Coordinator: Dr. Balwinder Kaur

Assistant Lecturer, Hidayatullah National Law University

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