



CRIMINAL JUSTICE PRACTICUM CELL (CJPC)  
UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE OF LEGAL STUDIES (UILS)



PANJAB UNIVERSITY

IS ORGANISING

# National Online Legislation Drafting Competition



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## **ABOUT PANJAB UNIVERSITY**

Established in 1882 in Lahore, Panjab University is one of the oldest Universities in India. The university has 75 teaching and research departments and 15 centres/chairs for teaching and research at the main campus located at Chandigarh. It has 188 affiliated colleges spread over Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Chandigarh and Regional Centres at Muktsar, Ludhiana and Hoshiarpur. The University has been incorporated for the purposes, among others, of imparting education in Arts, Letters, Science and the learned professions and of furthering advancement of learning, the prosecution of original research, with power to appoint University Professors, Readers and Lecturers, to hold and manage educational endowments, to erect, equip and maintain University colleges, libraries, laboratories and museums, to making regulations relating to the residence and conduct of students and to do all such acts as tend to promote study and research. The University has been an alma mater to some of the most recognised faces in the country, including former Prime Ministers Mr. Manmohan Singh and Mr. I.K. Gujral. A strong political culture can be seen in the University with elections for various departmental posts and the student council being held every year. It is a time of much furore and enthusiasm which incorporates active competition from a number of student political parties. The University has exclusive sport facilities, aiming to incorporate infrastructure for all sports. It has stood to become a beacon of the bright future of the students who toil for hours inside it. The students, staff and faculty all endeavour together to ensure that the University stays at the very top for the years to come.

## **ABOUT UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE OF LEGAL STUDIES**

University Institute of Legal Studies (UILS) was established in 2004-05 with the aim of providing quality education and training in the legal profession. Despite having recent beginnings and facing teething problems, UILS has become one of the premier institutions in the country for providing legal education. The Institute has pioneered in providing a holistic environment for growth which is not limited to the classroom. The stimulating and interactive academic environment of the Institute helps to hone the Drafting, Research, Advocacy, Interviewing and Negotiating skills of the students. While the faculty sets a standard that well serves the expectations of the students, the students are trained in essence of the substantive laws, techniques of procedural laws, methods of client counselling and skills in legal and social sciences research etc. The Institute provides opportunities to the creative students to pursue their interests in various artistic fields inside and outside the department. The Institute also exposes its students to the 'law in action' through compulsory internships with Hon'ble Judges of Supreme Court, Punjab and Haryana High Court, eminent lawyers, legal firms, various commissions and NGOs etc. The Institute's own Legal Aid Clinic provides free legal services to the economically weaker sections of the society as a part of community outreach programme of the Institute. It also offers opportunities to the students to work in co-ordination with practicing lawyers. The focus of the Institution is not only schooling but complete education and shaping of the personality of its students to not only be successful in their respective fields, but be responsible and productive citizens.

## **ABOUT CRIMINAL JUSTICE PRACTICUM CELL**

Criminal Justice Practicum Cell (CJPC) is an applied learning programme for the youth so as to understand the depth of criminal justice system through real world experience. It is an essential first step in entering the world which will help the students to enhance skills and refine their career goals and plans. CJPC's agenda is to expand and enrich student understanding of the criminal justice system. It will supplement the traditional classroom teaching with some real life intern experience. It will help the students to develop professional knowledge. We are directed towards conducting activities and events that may be of academic and non-academic nature that will fundamentally enable the students to work on their communication, resourcefulness and creativity.

## **ABOUT NATIONAL LEGISLATION DRAFTING COMPETITION**

The Competition seeks to provide a platform to the brilliant and ardent legal minds of the institutions to have a pragmatic insight into the working of the law making machinery of our country and augment their legislative drafting and law interpretation skills.

Through this competition, the cell seeks to promote the participation of the students in the political processes and functioning of democracy by drafting laws on contemporary issues that are yet to be deliberated by the Legislature. The competition seeks to provide a platform for the exchange of ideas and experience. This competitions would serve as an academic stimulation and harness skills like drafting, critical thinking, writing skills and teamwork, making them better professionals

Under the same program, the CJPC team organized A National Webinar on "Making of Law" aimed at explaining the processes involved in enactment of a law by the parliament of India by Honorable N.K. Premachandran, Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020.

The webinar encompassed a detailed insight into the legislative processes involved in enactment of a Law in India including drafting, presentation of a bill, references made to parliamentary committee, parliamentary debate and discussion, inclusion of suggested amendments and voting in both the houses of parliament and thereafter sending the passed bill for presidential approval and implementation.

## **LEGISLATION DRAFTING COMPETITION**

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

The competition is open to all the students pursuing a 3year/5year degree in Law.

### **REGISTRATION:**

The registration form is annexed in the end. The registration fee for the competition is INR 300/- per participant/team. The amount shall be forwarded via bank transfer. There shall be a team cap of 50 teams and selection shall be on first come first served basis. Students interested are required to send the duly completed registration form to **lawdraftingcjpc@gmail.com** along with a scanned copy of their College-id. **Students should note that the payment shall be made only after the Final List of registered teams is released. The receipt of payment is to be mailed by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 18:00 hrs.** All these formalities must be completed in order to confirm the participation.

#### **The bank details are as follows:**

Beneficiary Name: Director UILS

Account Number: 10444979993

IFSC Code: SBIN0000742

MICR Code: 160002009

### **TEAM COMPOSITION:**

The person may participate individually or in a team which may comprise of maximum 2 members.

- There is no limit on the number of teams participating from a single institution.
- The members of a team shall belong to the same institution. Under no circumstances shall an individual be allowed to represent an institution which he is not a part of.
- The participating students are required to provide their identity cards to the organizing committee along with their registration form. Failure to do so shall result in disqualification.

**FORMAT OF THE SUBMISSION:**

- All the teams must send electronic copies of their legislative draft in “pdf” format via email at [lawdraftingcipc@gmail.com](mailto:lawdraftingcipc@gmail.com).
- The language of the competition shall strictly be English.
- The bill shall be typed on A4-sized paper.
- The font of the write up must be Times New Roman, Size 12, 1.5 line spacing and 1 cm margin on each side.
- The citation methodology to be followed is Harvard Bluebook (19<sup>th</sup> Edition).
- The font of footnotes must be Times New Roman, Size 10, single line spacing.
- Page numbers must be given at the bottom right hand corner.
- The length of the bill should not exceed 20 pages.
- The cover page of the submission should include the Long Title of the bill along with the team code.
- Plagiarism count of more than 20% shall be considered as a ground for disqualification.

**FORMAT OF DRAFT LEGISLATION:**

- The Long Title
- The Preamble
- The Enacting Clause
- The Short Title
- Extent and Commencement Clause
- Definitions
- The Operative Section
- Exceptions and Exemptions Clause (if any)

- Procedural Provisions
- Provisions regarding Delegated Legislation (if any)

The draft bill shall be succeeded by a “Statement of Object and Reasons” (maximum 2 pages).

### **DRAFT MARKING CRITERIA:**

Award of the points shall be based on the following parameters:

- Neatness, no typographical errors or format errors
- Logical progression of ideas
- Effective use of headings
- Understanding essential legal issues presented
- Focus on essential (not collateral) issues
- Clear, concise and unambiguous writing style
- Forceful and persuasive presentation
- Ability to distinguish adverse cases

### **PROCEDURE:**

1. The competition shall begin with the release of a topic on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020.
2. There shall be a team cap of 50 teams. A maximum of 2 students would be allowed per team.
3. Teams shall be given a time period of 14 days to draft their legislations.
4. Submission of the draft has to be made strictly in adherence to the specified date and time. For any subsequent delay, 1 mark shall be deducted for every two hours.
5. The last date for late submission of the legislation shall not exceed two days under any circumstance.
6. The final draft of the legislation should be mailed at [lawdraftingcipc@gmail.com](mailto:lawdraftingcipc@gmail.com).
7. The teams shall receive the confirmation of draft submission within 24-48 hours.

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8. After the declaration of results, all the entries received, i.e., 50 drafts would be uploaded to the cloud and a link would be provided to all the teams.

**AWARDS:**

**Best Team** with a cash prize of INR 7,500/- and a Certificate of Merit.

**First Runners up Team** with a cash prize of INR 3,500/- and a Certificate of Merit.

**Second Runners up Team** with a cash prize of INR 1,500/- and a Certificate of Merit.

**All the participants shall be awarded with a Certificate of Participation.**

**SCHEDULE:**

Last Date of Registration	14 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Release of Registered Teams	14 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Last Date to Make Payment	16 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Release of Theme and Problem	16 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Last date for queries regarding rules and problem of the Competition	20 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Last Date for Submission of Soft Copy	30 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Declaration of Result	25 <sup>th</sup> June 2020

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**Annexure I**

**ONLINE LEGISLATION DRAFTING COMPETITION**

ORGANISED BY

CRIMINAL JUSTICE PRACTICUM CELL,  
UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE OF LEGAL STUDIES, PANJAB UNIVERSITY,  
CHANDIGARH

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Name (1<sup>st</sup> Participant): \_\_\_\_\_

Year of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the Institute/College: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (2<sup>nd</sup> Participant) \_\_\_\_\_

Year of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

Signature: