

**RAKESH AGGARWAL MEMORIAL
NATIONAL MOOT COURT
COMPETITION, 2018**

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INVITATION LETTER

Date: 5th Feb, 2018

The Vice-Chancellor/ Director/ Principal/ H.O.D.

SUBJECT: Invitation to Participate in Rakesh Aggarwal Memorial National Moot Court Competition, 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

It gives us immense pleasure to invite your esteemed institution to participate in *Rakesh Aggarwal Memorial National Moot Court Competition, 2018* being organized by Ideal Institute of Management and Technology & School of Law.

In continuation of the legacy set up by Late Sri Rakesh Aggarwal, this moot court is being organized with a purpose to spread the maximum awareness among the law students and the exposure to the current legal issues in the country. This competition will surely add to the research, writing and oral skills of the students on legal issues.

The Moot Court Competition shall be held on March 31st & April 1st, 2018 (Saturday & Sunday) at Ideal Institute of Management and Technology & School of Law, Karkardooma, New- Delhi.

We look forward to the participation of your team in the aforesaid Moot Court Competition and making it a successful event.

Please see the moot problem, rules and regulations annexed with the invitation.

With Warm Regards,

Yours sincerely,

Prof. T.P.S. Rathore

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MOOT PROBLEM

BEFORE THE HON'BLE SUPREME COURT OF INDISTAN

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1. Mahiputras are found more particularly in North, West and Central Indistan. The Mahiputras are Kshatriyas and as per popular narration there are three kinds of Mahiputra clans namely Chandrvanshi, Suryavanshi and Agnivanshi. As per the latest estimate the total number of Mahiputras residing in Indistan is around 200 Million. Post 11th Century A.D., Mahiputras were the predominant ruling class and ruled a large part of the country.
2. One of these kingdoms was the legendary kingdom of Kedapata (Kewar) which was ruled by Rajvardhana Singh. Rajvardhana Singh belonged to Shawal Branch of the Mahiputras and succeeded his father Karamsimha in around 1302 A.D. The seat of the capital of Kewar was Shyamgarh Fort in the State of Kantisthan, Republic of Indistan.
3. Around this time, most part of North-Indistan was under the rule of Salā'ud-Dīn Shajlī, who was the second and the most powerful ruler of the Shajli dynasty of Dehlvi Sultanate in the Indican subcontinent. He was a reverent Sunni Muslim and his administration persecuted the Ismaili (Shia) minorities as well as Hindus.
4. The medieval period document, more particularly Ayaan Malik's "Brindavat" narrates that Rajvardhana Singh married the Trihala Princess Brinda after a conquest and brought her to Shyamgarh. On hearing about the beauty of Brinda, Salā'ud-Dīn Shajlī became desperate to see her and later on attacked the Kingdom of Shyamgarh due to his lust for her. Rajvardhana Singh's army was lesser in strength than that of the Shajlī's army.
5. Despite such fact, Rajvardhana Singh fought with Salā'ud-Dīn Shajlī. Princess Brinda knew that Singh's army would lose to Shajlī's army because of the unequal number of men in both of their armies. A huge pyre was lit and followed by their queen; all the women of Shyamgarh jumped into the flames and deceived the lustful enemy waiting

outside. With their women folk dead, the men of Shyamgarh had nothing to live for, so they fought till their last breath. After the Queen Brinda's self immolation, she was immortalized by medieval bards and was worshipped by Hindus more particularly Mahiputra women who considered her as a role model for Indican women who epitomizes the Indican culture. Many temples were erected in her memory which can be found at several places in the States of Kantisthan and Virat, Indistan.

6. In the year 2017, Mr. Dhananjay Leela Dhanshali teamed up with Sky 9 motion pictures to produce and direct an epic period drama in the name and style of "Rani Brinda" featuring Sarika Kapoor in the title role as Rani Brinda, alongside Sahil Kohli as Rajvardhana Singh and Aryan Oberoi as Salā'ud-Dīn Shajlī.
7. The film was likely to be released on 01.11.2017. The trailers of the motion picture were released in the month of September, 2017. The trailers in total showed Rani Brinda doing a traditional folk dance, the "thumkas" (hip movement) and in revealing clothes. The Petitioner claims that it has hurt the sentiments of the Mahiputra community.
8. In the month of January, the sets of the movie at Mayagarh Fort in Mayapur were destroyed by the members of Varni Dal who staged an angry protest against the director of the movie, Dhananjay Leela Dhanshali. Again in February, 2017, the sets of "Rani Brinda" were vandalized in Cholapur's Kasai plateau. In the month of August, 2017 Sarika Kapoor's first look poster was torn and burnt by Mahiputra Varni Dal, in Mayapur and many cases were registered. Petitioner therefore submitted a representation to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of Indistan on 10.09.2017 to pre-screen the movie before its release.
9. In the month of October, 2017 the ruling Jan Loksatta Party submitted representation to the Election Commission, Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) and the Central government to temporarily hold the release of the film for allegedly hurting the sentiments of the Kshatriya community. On 03.10.2017, thousands of people took to the streets and blocked roads across Kantisthan's Shyamgarh city to protest against the release of "Rani Brinda". The protesters alleged that the film has love scenes between Queen Brinda and Salā'ud-Dīn Shajlī.
10. The writ petition under the Constitution of Indistan, 1950 has been filed by the Petitioner namely Ajay Singh, a practicing advocate in the Virat High Court against the

Respondents (Union of Indistan, CBFC & Dhananjay Leela Dhanshali), before the Hon ble Supreme Court of Indistan, to constitute a committee of eminent historians and prominent citizens to prescreen the movie for this committee which will have the mandate to check the veracity of the script of the movie in question so that there is no inaccuracy in the portrayal of 'Rani Brinda' and also to stay the release of the motion picture 'Rani Brinda' till such time by which the historical inaccuracies in the depiction of 'Rani Brinda' is not corrected by the producers.

11. The polity and structures of Republic of Indistan are *pari materia* to the Republic of India and the Constitution of Indistan, 1950 is *pari materia* with the Constitution of India, 1950.

Disclaimer: *This hypothetical problem has been created only for the use in this competition and it has no connection with any place and/or any person living or dead.*



***RAKESH AGGARWAL MEMORIAL
NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2018***
RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. AIM AND PURPOSE

The Ideal Institute of Management and Technology & School of Law is organizing the Rakesh Aggarwal Memorial National Moot Court Competition, 2018 in the memory of its founder and visionary, Shri Rakesh Aggarwal.

The objective of the Competition is to give exposure to law students on important issues arising in contemporary socio-eco & legal settings. Law students who participate in the Competition will have the opportunity to develop their research, legal writing and oral advocacy skills in a mock courtroom setting.

2. DATE AND VENUE

The Competition shall be held on **31st March & 1st April, 2018 (Saturday & Sunday)** at Ideal Institute of Management and Technology & School of Law.

The participants shall report at Ideal Institute of Management and Technology & School of Law, (G.G.S. Indraprastha University) 16-X, Karkardooma Institutional Area, Delhi - 110092.

3. COMPETITION FORMAT

The competition is structured as per the following format:

- (1) Preliminary Round
- (2) Quarter Final Round
- (3) Semi Final Round
- (4) Final Round

4. ELIGIBILITY

Students of **3 year or 5 year** law degree courses from any University/ College/Institution/Department are eligible to apply for registration of their team. However, only **one** team shall be allowed to participate from one College/Institution/Department. Provided if any college is running both the courses, (3 year and 5 Year) they may send **two** teams exclusively **one** from each course.

5. TEAM COMPOSITION

- a) Each team shall consist only of **three** members, comprising of **two** Mooters and **one** Researcher.
- b) Any alteration/change in the names of the team members shall be intimated in writing by

the Dean / Director/ Head of the Department of the School/ Department /College of Law, of the team requesting such alteration/change positively to the Organizing Committee. However, any such alteration is permitted only once.

- c) Once the Competition commences, the team composition cannot be altered under any circumstances whatsoever. Inability of any team member to participate shall lead to disqualification of the team from the Competition. However, the team is free to rotate amongst the three members the roles of mooter / researcher as they deem fit.

6. REGISTRATION FORMALITIES

- a) Participating teams should register themselves by sending the duly filled registration form along with **registration fee of Rs. 2500/-** per team and memorials through email at ideallawmootcourt@gmail.com. Hard copy of the registration form along with the demand draft shall be received by post or by hand at Ideal Institute of Management and Technology & School of Law, 16-X, Karkardooma Institutional Area, Delhi-110092 till **10th March, 2018**. Acknowledgment of the same shall be sent by the Moot Court Committee by **15th March, 2018**.
- b) Teams will be formally registered upon arrival at IIMT & School of Law campus on **31st March, 2018** in the morning at **08:30 AM**. Formal Registration requires the submission of a duly filled-in Registration Form, the scanned copy of which is required to be sent as per Rule. The participants are required to bring their college ID or any other ID proof for participation.
- c) The details provided for formal registration will be final for the purposes of certification of participation and awards.
- d) Once registered, the registration fee will neither be refunded nor waived.

7. GUIDELINES FOR MEMORIALS

- a) Teams have to prepare memorials for both the sides.
- b) The teams shall submit **8** hard copies of the memorial for each side by **19th March, 2018**.
- c) The contents of the hard copies must be the same as the soft copy on ideallawmootcourt@gmail.com. Non-compliance with this rule will lead to disqualification of that team.
- d) The memorials have to be submitted on A4 size paper, printed on only one side, and must be in the following order:
 - ☒ Cover Page;
 - ☒ Table of Contents;

- ☒ Index of Authorities;
 - ☒ Statement of Jurisdiction;
 - ☒ Statement of Facts;
 - ☒ Statement of Issues;
 - ☒ Summary of Arguments;
 - ☒ Arguments Advanced; and
 - ☒ Prayer.
- e) The memorials must be printed in Times New Roman 12 font size with 1.5 line spacing. The headings must be in 14 font size and the footnotes must be in Time New Roman 10 font size.
- f) The Arguments Advanced should not exceed 20 pages per team.
- g) The memorial as a team should not exceed 40 pages including the cover page.
- h) The memorials should have a margin measuring one inch on all sides of each page.
- i) The numbering should be on the bottom-center of each page.
- j) The petitioner's memorial cover page shall be printed on **Blue Colour** A4 size paper, and the respondent's memorial cover page on **Red Colour** A4 size paper.
- k) The memorials Front Page should inscribe specifically **P** and **R** representing the petitioner or respondent.
- l) The front cover of each memorial must have the following contents:
 - ☒The name of the Court (i.e. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of Indistan)
 - ☒The name of competition (i.e. Rakesh Aggarwal Memorial National Moot Court Competition, 2018)
 - ☒The name of the case (**AJAY SINGH V. UNION OF INDISTAN & ORS.**)
 - ☒The title of the memorial (i.e. "Memorial for Petitioner" or "Memorial for Respondent")
- m) A Uniform Style of Citation should be followed throughout the memorial.
- n) Footnotes shall contain only the citation. There shall be no speaking footnotes in the memorial.
- o) The maximum scores for the memorials shall be 100 marks. The memorials shall be evaluated on the following criteria:
- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Knowledge of Law and Fact | : 30 Marks |
| Proper and articulate analysis | : 20 Marks |

Extent and Use of Research	: 20 Marks
Clarity and Organization	: 20 Marks
Grammar and Style	: 10 Marks

p) The Memorial shall be only spiral bound.

8. ORAL ROUNDS

a) PRELIMINARY ROUND

- i. The teams will be paired by draw of lots in all the rounds of the competition.
- ii. There shall be exchange of memorials for all the rounds.
- iii. Each team shall argue for both sides in the preliminary round, once for petitioner side and once for respondent side.
- iv. Each team will get a total of **15 minutes** in the Preliminary Round. This time will include rebuttal and sub-rebuttal time. In all the rounds, any team exceeding the allotted time shall be penalized. The penalty of **1 mark** will be deducted for every two minutes exceeded.
- v. The total marks scored by a team in the preliminary round will be a total of the two rounds, i.e. marks scored as petitioner and marks scored as respondent.
- vi. The oral arguments should be confined to the issues presented in the memorial.
- vii. The researcher shall be present with the mooter during the oral rounds.
- viii. Passing of notes to the mooter by the researcher is strictly prohibited.
- ix. Maximum scores for the oral rounds shall be 100 points per speaker. The oral rounds shall be judged on the following criteria:

Knowledge of Law:	20 Points
Application of Law to Facts:	20 Points
Ingenuity and Ability to Answer the Questions:	20 Points
Style, Confidence, Courtesy and Demeanor:	20 Points
Time Management:	10 Points
Organization:	10 Points
- x. **Eight (8) teams** with the highest score in the preliminary round shall qualify to the quarter final round.

b) QUARTER FINAL ROUND

- i. The quarter final round is a knock out round. The participants shall argue from one

side only.

- ii. The quarter final round shall consist of 15 minutes per team.
- iii. The other rules shall remain the same as they are in the preliminary round.

c) SEMI FINAL ROUND

- i. **Four (4)** teams with the highest score in the quarter final round shall qualify to the semi final round. The semifinal round is a knock out round. The participants shall argue from only one side.
- ii. The semifinal round shall consist of 25 minutes per team.
- iii. The other rules shall remain the same as they are in the preliminary round.

d) FINAL ROUND

- i. The two winning teams from the semifinal round will advance to the Final Round.
- ii. The final round is also a knock out round.
- iii. The final round shall consist of 35 minutes per team.
- iv. The oral arguments as well as the marking criteria shall be the same as mentioned above in the preliminary round.

9. RESULTS

- a) The results will be announced within thirty minutes of each round.
- b) The results of the final round shall be announced at the valedictory ceremony.

10. AWARDS

- a) **Best Team Award:** Trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 10000/-
- b) **Runners-Up Team Award :** Trophy and cash prize of Rs. 5000/-
- c) **Best Mooter Award :** Cash price of Rs. 2000/-
- d) **Best Memorial Award :** Cash price of Rs. 2000/-
- e) **Best Researcher Award :** Cash prize of Rs. 2000/-
(on the basis of Researcher's Test Result)
- f) Certificates will be provided to the team with the **Second Runners-up, Second Best Memorial, Runner-Up Mooter and Runner-Up Researcher**. In addition to the above, **Certificate of Participation and Mementos** will be given to all the participants.

11. SCOUTING

No member of any team will be permitted to hear the arguments in any court room in which that

team is not one of the contesting teams whilst that team is still in the competition. Scouting by any team in any manner shall result in instant disqualification.

12. RESEARCHER TEST

- a) A Researcher Test shall be conducted for adjudicating the **“Best Researcher”** on **1st April, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. sharp**. Mooters shall not be eligible to appear for the test. No entry shall be allowed after 9.15 a.m. for the researcher test. (PUNCTUALITY WILL BE APPRECIATED)
- b) There will be 50 objective questions of one hour duration of 2 marks each.

13. RULES FOR MOOT

a) Language

The competition shall be held in English language only.

b) Dress Code

Advocate’s Attire Only.

c) Team Code

The team code shall be allotted to all the teams at the time of their formal registration.

d) General Instructions for the Mooters

The mooters shall not state their names during the submissions only the team code allotted at the time of formal registration is to be referred. All team members must refrain from disclosing the identity of their institution at any time and in any manner during the entire competition. Non-compliance with this Rule will result in immediate disqualification of the team. The decision of the Organizing Committee in this regard shall be final and binding.

i) JUDGEMENT AND PENALTIES

The decision of the judges shall be final and binding. **Any kind of appeals against the same will not be entertained by the Coordinating Committee or any Faculty involved in the event.**

15. No TA or Accommodation shall be provided by the Institute. However the Institute will assist in getting the accommodation to the interested participants.