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ERNAKULAM DISTRICT COMMITTEE



4th C.P. SUDHAKARA PRASAD MEMORIAL

# NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2025-26

In Association with NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF  
ADVANCED LEGAL STUDIES, KOCHI

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### **ABOUT C. P. SUDHAKARA PRASAD**

Late Senior Advocate C.P. Sudhakara Prasad was the former Advocate General of Kerala. He served as the All India Lawyers Union's State President and Vice President. Hailing from Chavarcodes near Varkala, C.P. Sudhakara Prasad served dutifully as the Advocate General of Kerala for two terms. He was first appointed as Advocate General by the LDF government of V.S. Achuthanandan and served from 2006 to 2011. His second term was from 2016 to 2021, during the first Pinarayi Vijayan government, and he was assigned cabinet rank.

He graduated from Government Law College in Thiruvananthapuram in 1964 and began his legal career in Kollam under C.V. Padmarajan, a former Minister. He moved his practice to Ernakulam, where he worked for Justice P. Subramanian Poti, who later became Chief Justice of Kerala and the Gujarat High Court. He then began practising independently and specialised in service and Constitutional Law. The High Court of Kerala designated him as a Senior Advocate in 2002. He also served as Chairman of the Bar Council of Kerala from 2016 to 2019.

### **ABOUT ALL INDIA LAWYERS UNION**

All India Lawyers' Union was formed 40 years ago under the patronage and guidance of Justice V. R. Krishna Iyer, Justice H. R. Khanna and Justice A.C. Gupta, who were the icons of the Indian judiciary. The 400 lawyers who attended the preparatory meeting held in New Delhi on 13th April 1982 were further emboldened by the charismatic presence of the then Chief Minister of West Bengal and legendary leader of the working class, Comrade Jyoti Basu. Under the inspirational leadership of Senior Advocates Danial Alma Latifi and Hardev Singh, an organising committee was elected with the mandate to convene the first National Conference within one year. The self-criticism of the lukewarm response by the lawyers to the tyranny during the National Emergency led to the formation of the progressive lawyers' organisation with a clear vision. Since its formation in 1982, AILU has always remained steadfast in protecting and upholding the democratic rights of the legal fraternity and has also joined hands with the people's struggle for a brighter tomorrow. Currently, the organisation has the strength of about 50,000 public-spirited lawyers spread across the country.

## **ABOUT THE COMPETITION**

The art of mooting is one of the fundamentals that a law student undertakes to become a master in law. Mooting imbibes skills like Research, Legal Writing, Critical Thinking, and Communication, which are quintessential for the development of a student as a budding lawyer.

The All India Lawyers Union Ernakulam District Committee is organising the 4th edition of C.P. Sudhakara Prasad Memorial National Moot Court Competition in 2025-26, following the great success of its 1st, 2nd and 3rd editions which were held in 2022, 2023 and 2024 respectively, envisioning a bright future where mooting is an inclusive experience that enhances the legal proficiency and courtroom decorum of students. The moot problem revolves around the Constitutional functions of the Governor under Article 200 of the Constitution of India to give assent to the Bills passed by the State Legislative assembly. This topic is of great significance in the current legal and political scenario in view of the different cases filed by the State Governments of the country challenging the Governor's actions before the Apex court.

This competition hopes to be a collaborative experience that opens up the mind of Law students to new facets of Law. Participation is limited to law students enrolled in the 5-year integrated programme and 3- years LLB programme with an aim to inculcate legal acumen and provide a platform for networking.

## **GLIMPSES OF PREVIOUS EDITIONS OF THE COMPETITION**

The C.P. Sudhakara Prasad Memorial National Moot Court Competition, organized by the All India Lawyers Union (AILU), Ernakulam District Committee, in association with NUALS, Kochi, has become a prestigious platform for aspiring lawyers across India. Held in memory of Late Senior Advocate C.P. Sudhakara Prasad, former Advocate General of Kerala, the competition celebrates his remarkable contributions to the legal fraternity and his enduring legacy of integrity and excellence.

The first edition in 2022 marked a grand beginning, drawing around 220 teams from all over the country. After a rigorous evaluation of written submissions by Senior Government Pleaders, the top teams faced off in the online preliminary rounds inaugurated by Senior Advocate P.V. Surendranath, General Secretary of AILU. The semi-finals and finals, hosted at NUALS, Kochi, were judged by an eminent panel including Hon'ble Justice Anu Sivaram, Adv. N. Manoj Kumar, and Dr.S.S.Giri Sankar. KLE Society's Law College, Bangalore, emerged victorious, setting the tone for a tradition of spirited competition and academic excellence.

Building on that momentum, the second edition in 2023 attracted 56 teams from leading law institutions across India. The final rounds, held at NUALS, were adjudicated by Hon'ble Justice Dr. Kauser Edapagath, Adv. N. Manoj Kumar, and Dr. S.S. Girisanakar. The team from NUALS, Kochi, claimed the championship, while Punjab University secured the runner-up position. With cash prizes worth over ₹1 lakh and the presence of dignitaries like Shri P. Rajeev, Minister for Law and Industries, and Justice Siri Jagan, the edition was a grand success that reaffirmed the competition's national stature.

The third edition (2024–25) continued this legacy with a thought-provoking moot problem based on the “One Nation, One Election” policy, testing participants on issues of constitutional law and democratic governance. Registrations opened in January 2025, and after a series of online preliminary rounds, eight teams advanced to the quarter-finals. The advanced rounds, held on 22–23 March at NUALS, Kochi, featured top teams from NMIMS Hyderabad, Christ University, Symbiosis Pune, Mar Gregorios College of Law, and NUALS, Kochi. The final round was presided over by an esteemed bench featuring Justice Syam Kumar V.M. (Additional Judge, High Court of Kerala), Adv. N. Manoj Kumar (State Attorney), and Prof. Dr. Gigi P.V. Teams from Christ University, Bangalore won the first and second positions of the 3rd C.P. Sudhakara Prasad Memorial Moot Court Competition. The finalists demonstrated exceptional advocacy skills and deep constitutional insight, reflecting the competition's growing intellectual stature.

With each edition, the competition has grown in prestige and participation, providing an invaluable platform for students to sharpen their advocacy skills and engage in

meaningful legal discourse. The AILU Ernakulam District Committee remains committed to carrying this legacy forward fostering excellence, camaraderie, and a passion for justice among the next generation of lawyers.

### SCHEDULE

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
07th November, 2025	Commencement of Registration and Release of the Moot Proposition
23rd November, 2025	Deadline for Submission of Clarification Requests
14th December, 2025	Final Date for Registration via Google Form Link: <a href="https://forms.gle/56efjMci88TM8eVRA">https://forms.gle/56efjMci88TM8eVRA</a>
17th December, 2025	Final Date for Submission of the Argument Note
19th December, 2025	Conduct of Draw of Lots for the Preliminary Rounds
20th–21st December, 2025	Preliminary Rounds
10th January, 2026	Quarter-final Rounds
11th January, 2026	Semi-final Rounds, Final Rounds, and Valedictory Ceremony

### AWARDS

<b>Winners</b>	Trophy + Medal + Certificate of Merit + Cash Prize of Rs.50,000/-
First Runner-up	Trophy + Medal + Certificate of Merit + Cash Prize of Rs 35,000/-
Second Runner-up	Trophy + Certificate of Merit + Medal
Third Runner-up	Trophy + Certificate of Merit + Medal
Best Argument Note	Trophy + Certificate of Merit + Cash Prize of Rs 10,000/-
Best Speaker	Trophy + Certificate of Merit + Cash Prize of Rs.10,000/-
Best Speaker (Finals)	Trophy + Certificate of Merit + Cash Prize of Rs. 10,000/-

Trophy, Medal and Certificate of Merit will be awarded to all individual participants who qualify to the Semi-Final and Final rounds.

A Certificate of participation will be provided to all the registered teams who submitted the Argument Note.

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