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PART I: GENERAL

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The National Moot Court Competition on Consumer Protection Laws, 2026 [“Competition”] shall be organized from **27th February, 2026 – 1st March, 2026** by Chair on Consumer Research and Policy, National University of Study and Research in Law, Ranchi [“CCRP, NUSRL”] acting under Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Government of India [“MoCA, G.O.I.”] in an offline mode at NUSRL, Ranchi.

2. PARTICIPATION AND ELIGIBILITY

2.1 TEAM MEMBER(S) ELIGIBILITY

2.1.1 Students enrolled in a full-time bachelor's (three-year or five-year) law programme in a recognized Indian college/university/institution at the time of the Competition are eligible to compete in the Competition.

2.1.2 Each college/university/institution shall be entitled to send only **ONE team** to the Competition.

2.1.3 Each team must submit:

- a)** Authorization Letter from their university, allowing them to participate in the moot, and
- b)** Proof of Payment of Registration Fees.
- c)** All participants are required to submit their official university/college/institution identity cards.

2.2 TEAM COMPOSITION

2.2.1 A team shall be composed of either:

- a) Two (2) Members:** Both Speakers, or
- b) Three (3) Members:** Two (2) Speakers and One (1) Researcher.

2.2.2 The team must, amongst its members, identify the team composition namely the speakers and the researcher at the time of registration itself.



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2.2.3 Once the team composition is communicated to the Organising Committee, no change in the same shall be permitted unless the Organising Committee has approved such change. The Organising Committee may approve the change in team composition if it is intimated at the earliest, which shall be accompanied by a registration form and an authority letter duly signed by the head of the institution. No such change shall be allowed post the submission of memorials.

2.2.4. No additional member or team coach is allowed to accompany the team.

2.3 NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING TEAMS

2.3.1 All colleges/universities/institutions are welcome to register for the Competition. A maximum of **Eight (08) teams** with the highest memorial scores will qualify to appear in the Oral Rounds to be held at NUSRL, Ranchi.

2.3.2 In case there is an odd number of participating teams in the Quarter - Final Rounds, NUSRL, Ranchi shall nominate a “NON-COMPETING DUMMY TEAM” that will not proceed beyond the Quarter - Final Rounds.

3. OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

3.1 The official language of the Competition is **English**.

3.2 All the rounds, including the Memorial Submissions shall be conducted in English.

4. DRESS CODE

4.1 The teams are expected to follow a strict dress code of **Black Western or Indian formals (Courtroom Formals)** during the Oral Rounds.

5. CLARIFICATIONS

5.1 Participating teams may request for clarifications to the Official Moot Proposition by sending an email to ccrp@nusrlranchi.ac.in.

5.2 The deadline to submit requests for clarifications is 11:59 PM IST on **31st January, 2026 (Saturday)**.



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PART II: REGISTRATION

6. REGISTRATION

6.1 Any college/university/institution must register for the Competition by submitting the Google Form available: <https://forms.gle/VxoXA51fqUWSLf9N7>

OR

Scan the QR Code for Registration



6.2 Each such registration must be undertaken through the designated moot court society of the college/university/institution. The deadline for completing registration is 11:59 PM IST on **31 January, 2026 (Saturday)**.

6.3 The registration form will also be sent to the institution's moot court society. The teams are strongly encouraged to complete the registration form at the earliest possible.

6.4 The form for Confirmation of Travel Itinerary of the Qualifying Teams for the Competition along with payment of Registration Fees for the teams will be made available post the declaration of results of Memorial Round.

6.5 Teams must first complete the payment and then attach proof of payment in the form of a screenshot (.jpeg or .jpg format) or a PDF file in the Google Form at or before 11:59 PM IST on **19th February, 2026 (Thursday)**.



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6.6 All teams shall be given a “Team Code” by the Organizing Committee on validation of their Registration Form. Thereafter, the teams shall use their designated “Team Code” for all correspondence with the Organizing Committee.

6.7 The designated “Team Code” must be used by the participating teams during Memorial Submission as well as the Oral Rounds of the Competition.

7. REGISTRATION FEES

DESCRIPTION	FEES
FEE FOR MEMORIAL QUALIFIER ROUND	INR 1000/-
FEE FOR ORAL ROUNDS WITH ACCOMMODATION (ONLY FOR QUALIFYING TEAMS)	INR 6,000/-
FEE FOR ORAL ROUNDS WITHOUT ACCOMMODATION	INR 4,000/-

7.1 All fees are non-refundable.

7.2 All gateway/platform charges leviable by the bank are to be borne by the registering teams.

8. ACCOMMODATION

8.1 Teams can avail accommodation by paying the specified fee in **Rule 7** for the days of the Competition only i.e., **27th February, 2026 – 01st March, 2026 (2 nights and 3 days)**.

If the participants wish to stay the night of 01st March, 2026 or arrive a day early i.e., on 26th February, 2026, they will have to arrange for their accommodation themselves at their own cost.



PART III: FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION

9. ROUNDS

The Competition will be conducted in two stages:

- **Memorial Round**
- **Oral Rounds** (Quarter-Final, Semi-Final, and Final)

9.1 MEMORIAL ROUND

9.1.1 Each participating team shall prepare **one (1) Memorial for each side** - the *Complainant* and the *Opposite Party*.

9.1.2 A maximum of **Eight (08)** teams with the highest memorial scores will qualify to appear in the Oral Rounds held at NUSRL, Ranchi.

9.2 QUARTER-FINAL ROUND

9.2.1 **Eight (08) teams** with the highest total scores from Memorial Rounds will proceed to the Quarter-Finals.

9.2.2 In case of a *tie*, the Memorial marks will be added to the total team scores to determine qualification.

9.2.3 Each team will argue once for the side determined via a **draw of lots**.

9.2.4 Power Fixtures will be based on rankings as follows:

- **QF 1: Rank 1 vs Rank 8**
- **QF 2: Rank 2 vs Rank 7**
- **QF 3: Rank 3 vs Rank 6**
- **QF 4: Rank 4 vs Rank 5**

9.3 SEMI-FINAL ROUNDS



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9.3.1 Four (04) teams who win in the Quarter-Final Round on a knock-out basis (i.e., the teams that secure higher total speaker scores in the Quarter-Final Round and, in the case of a tie, teams with higher scores in the Memorial Round against the opposing team) will proceed to the Semi Final round in two Courtrooms.

9.3.2 Each team will argue once for the side allotted by a **draw of lots**.

9.4 FINAL ROUND

9.4.1 The **two (2) winning teams** from the Semi-Finals will proceed to the Final Round.

9.4.2 Each team will argue once for the side allotted by **draw of lots**.

9.4.3 The team with the **higher total speaker scores** in the Final will be declared the **Winning Team**. In case of a **tie**, the team with the **higher Memorial score** (against that side) will be declared the winner.

9.4.4 The team which wins the Final Round shall be declared as the “Winning Team”. The other team shall be declared as the “Runners-Up Team.”

EQUALIZATION OF SCORES

To ensure fairness across varying adjudication styles, equalization of marks shall be applied:

Equalized Marks = Raw Marks given + (Total Average of All Evaluators - Average of Individual Evaluator)

This ensures that a team's final score compensates for unusually high or low scoring by any one judge.

10. PROCEEDINGS

10.1 QUARTER-FINAL AND SEMI-FINAL ROUNDS

10.1.1 The **Quarter-Final and Semi-Final Rounds** shall last for a maximum of **sixty (60) minutes**. Each team will have thirty (30) minutes for presenting



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their oral arguments. This shall include the submissions of both the speakers from the team and the time reserved for rebuttal/sur rebuttal. Each speaker shall argue for **at least twelve (12) minutes**. The time split between the speakers must be communicated to the courtroom clerk prior to the commencement of each round.

10.1.2 Only **one (1) speaker** from each team shall be permitted to rebut/sur-rebut, as the case may be. Participants must communicate to the Judges, at the beginning of the round, the time reserved by the team for rebuttals or sur-rebuttals.

10.2 FINAL ROUND

10.2.1 The **Final Round** shall last for a maximum of **ninety (90) minutes**. Each team will have forty-five (45) minutes for presenting their oral arguments. This shall include the submissions of both the speakers from the team and the time reserved for rebuttal/sur rebuttal. Each speaker shall argue for **at least twenty (20) minutes**. The time split between the speakers must be communicated to the courtroom clerk prior to the commencement of the round.

10.2.2 Only **one (1) speaker** from each team shall be permitted to rebut/sur-rebut, as the case may be. Participants must communicate to the Judges, at the beginning of the round, the time reserved by the team for rebuttal/sur-rebuttal.

10.3 EXCHANGE OF MEMORIALS

10.3.1 There shall be an exchange of memorials between the respective opposing teams, in accordance with the fixtures, prior to all the rounds of the Competition.

10.3.2 The teams are prohibited from making any copies of the exchanged memorials.

10.4 GENERAL RULES FOR ORAL ROUNDS

10.4.1. Teams participating in the Oral Rounds while making their submissions are not confined by the content of their Memorials. Notwithstanding the aforementioned rule, the Judges shall be provided copies of each team's



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Memorial and the Judges may pose questions to the team with reference to the same.

10.4.2 Any memorials or reference material carried into the Courtroom shall not bear any insignia of the college/university/institution to which the team belongs. Using identity indicators on these submissions or reference material will result in immediate disqualification of such a team from the Competition.

10.4.3 *Scouting*: Scouting by the speakers, researcher, or any other person affiliated with a team will lead to the immediate disqualification of such a team. Scouting shall be deemed to have happened if any person affiliated with a team is found:

- a) Witnessing, hearing, observing, etc. the oral submissions in a round, except where the round is one in which the team to which they are affiliated is participating in; or
- b) Reading a memorial of a team *except* where: It is of the team to which they are affiliated; or the memorials have been obtained on account of an exchange of memorials prior to a round of the team to which they are affiliated.



PART IV: MEMORIALS

11. ANONYMITY

11.1 The “Team Code” assigned to all participating teams in pursuance of *Rule 6.6* shall be used by the participating teams during Memorial Submission.

11.2 The memorials shall not contain the names of the team members or any sign, symbol, or text that reveal the identity of the college/university/institution to which the team belongs. Using identity indicators on the memorials will result in immediate disqualification of such a team from the Competition.

12. CONTENTS OF MEMORIALS

12.1 Each memorial shall necessarily consist of the following and only the following sections:

- a) Cover Page
- b) Table of Contents
- c) List of Abbreviations
- d) Index of Authorities
- e) Statement of Jurisdiction
- f) Statement of Facts
- g) Issues Raised
- h) Summary of Arguments
- i) Arguments Advanced
- j) Prayer

12.2 Each memorial shall be limited to a maximum of **thirty-five (35) pages**.

13. FORMATTING REQUIREMENTS

13.1 The formatting requirements of the Memorial are as follows:

- a) The font used in all parts of the memorial, including headings and sub headings, must **ONLY** be Times New Roman (black font colour), font size 12, with 1.5-line spacing, and justified alignment.



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- b) The font used in the footnotes must **ONLY** be Times New Roman, font size 10, with single line spacing, and justified alignment.
- c) There should be a margin of 1 inch or 2.54cm on all sides of the page.
- d) The participating teams should include the *Header and Footer in their memorials to the effect that the Header should mention the full Name of the Competition, and the Footer should mention the page number and the side on whose behalf the memorial is submitted.*
- e) Each section of the memorial, except the Cover Page(s), must be numbered. Page numbers till Summary of Arguments (inclusive) must be in Small Roman Numerals (e.g., ii, iii, iv). Page numbers of the Arguments Advanced and Prayer must be in Hindu-Arabic Numerals (e.g., 2, 3, 4), beginning at 1.
- f) The Memorial **SHALL NOT** contain any Annexure / Photographs / Sketches / Exhibits / Affidavits etc., unless given in Moot Proposition.

13.1.1 COVER PAGE

Each memorial shall have the following and only the following on its Cover Page:

- a) Participant's Team Code assigned by the Organising Committee on the top right-hand corner of the Cover Page
- b) The name and year of the Competition
- c) The name and place of the forum
- d) The name of the case
- e) The title of the Memorial (for instance, "Memorial for the Complainant" or "Memorial for the Opposite Party").
- f) The Cover Page of the Memorial must have the following color scheme:

Blue: Complainant Cover Page

Red: Opposite Party Cover Page

13.1.2 LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND INDEX OF AUTHORITIES



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- a) The table of abbreviations must contain all abbreviations used in the Memorial. This will include common abbreviations such as “&,” “%,” “NCDRC,” “SCDRC”, “DCDRC” “SC” etc.
- b) The Index of Authorities must contain a list of all legal authorities cited in any section of the memorial. The Index of Authorities must contain the page number(s) of the memorial where the authorities are so cited. It must be divided based on the category of the authority, such as “International Statutes and Treaties/Conventions,” “Domestic Statutes,” “International Cases and Arbitral Decisions,” “Domestic Cases,” “Articles and Journals,” etc.

13.1.3 STATEMENT OF FACTS

- a) The Statement of Facts shall not exceed **two (2) pages**
- b) It must contain a brief overview of the relevant facts of the dispute.
- c) It should be limited to the actual facts as stated by the drafter, and necessary inferences.

13.1.4 ISSUES RAISED

- a) The legal questions presented for adjudication before the Court are the “Issues Raised.”
- b) These must be presented as neutral questions.

13.1.5 ARGUMENTS ADVANCED AND PRAYER

- a) The substantive submissions, legal interpretations, and arguments put forth by the participant are to be contained in the pleadings. The exceptions are:
 - i. To the extent that the Prayer sets out the relief;
 - ii. In so far as such argument may be summarized in the Summary of Pleadings and,
 - iii. In so far as the argument may be anticipated in the Questions Presented.
- b) The Arguments Advanced shall not exceed **twenty (20) pages**.



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c) The final relief requested from the Court is to be set forth in the prayer.

13.1.6 FOOTNOTES AND CITATIONS

- a) Footnotes shall be limited to the identification of the authority, and cannot contain any substantive legal arguments.
- b) The style of footnoting to be followed throughout the memorial shall be the ***Harvard Bluebook Method of Citation: 20th Edition.***
- c) Quotations of sources of 50 words or more in any part of the memorial should be block quoted, indented.

14. SUBMISSION OF THE MEMORIALS

14.1 The soft copy of the memorials must be emailed to ccrp@nusrlranchi.ac.in at or before 11:59 p.m. IST on **07 February, 2026 (Saturday)**.

14.2 Late submission of memorials after the specified deadline will attract a penalty of one (01) mark per hour till **02:59 a.m. IST on 08 February, 2026 (Sunday)**. No Memorial submitted after **02:59 a.m. IST on 08 February, 2026 (Sunday)** shall be accepted and such non-submission will result in immediate disqualification of the team from the Competition.

14.3 The subject of the email shall be “**Memorial Submission by Team Code [] for National Moot Court Competition on Consumer Protection Laws, 2026.**”

14.4 The memorials must be e-mailed in **MS Word (“.doc” or “.docx”) format and PDF format**. The file names of the soft copy of the memorial must contain only the memorial code and the side being represented in the following format:

‘[TEAM CODE]_C’ or ‘[TEAM CODE]_R’, where “C” (Complainant) and “R” (Opposite Party) represent the sides of the Parties set out in the Moot Proposition.

14.5 Each team which qualifies to the Oral Rounds shall be required to carry **10 copies of printed memorials (5 copies for each side)** to be submitted to the Organising Committee upon arrival on **27th February, 2026 (Friday)**.



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14.6 Submission of compendium is encouraged; however, they shall not be evaluated. Teams opting to submit compendiums must submit **two (2)** hard copies upon arrival on **27th February, 2026 (Friday)**.

15. EVALUATION OF MEMORIALS AND QUALIFICATION TO ORAL ROUNDS

15.1 A Memorial Round will be conducted subsequent to the submission and evaluation of the Memorials. A maximum of **Eight (08)** highest-scoring teams shall be selected based on their Memorial scores. Only these selected teams shall be eligible to participate in the Oral Rounds of the Competition.

15.2 Criteria on which Memorials shall be assessed are as follows:

SR. NO.	CRITERIA	MARKS
1.	APPLICATION AND APPRECIATION OF FACTS	10
2.	APPLICATION OF LEGAL PRINCIPLES, AUTHORITIES, AND PRECEDENTS	20
3.	PRESENTATION, STRUCTURE, AND ARTICULATION	10
4.	INGENUITY AND LOGICAL REASONING	10
MAXIMUM MARKS		50
PENALTY POINTS		WILL BE DEDUCTED (IF APPLICABLE)
TOTAL MARKS FOR THE MEMORIAL		50 (MINUS PENALTY POINTS)

15.3 The following penalties shall be deducted after each such memorial has been evaluated.

DESCRIPTION	PENALTY
FAILURE TO INCLUDE ALL SECTIONS OF THE MEMORIALS	3 marks for each section per memorial



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FAILURE TO INCLUDE NECESSARY INFORMATION ON THE COVER PAGE OF THE MEMORIALS	1 mark for each violation per memorial
DELAY IN SUBMISSION	Till 02:59 AM IST on 08 February, 2026 (Sunday): 1 mark per hour of delay. After 02:59 AM IST on 08 February, 2026 (Sunday): Disqualification from the Competition.
USE OF INCORRECT FONT STYLE, FONT COLOUR, FONT SIZE OR LINE SPACING	1 mark per violation, maximum of 5 marks per memorial
INCORRECT PAGE MARGINS OR PAGE NUMBERS	1 mark per memorial
PLAGIARISM (IN ANY PART OF THE MEMORIAL OR IN FULL)	10%: 5 marks Beyond 10%: Shall not be considered for the Best Memorial Award.
AI-GENERATED CONTENT (IN ANY PART OF THE MEMORIAL OR IN FULL)	10 - 30%: 5 marks Beyond 30%: Shall not be considered for the Best Memorial Award.

15.4 Use of any non-existent cases or authorities shall result in penalties or may lead to disqualification.



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PART V: ADJUDICATION

16. MARKING CRITERIA FOR ORAL ROUNDS

16.1 Each judge in each round will mark each team member according to the criteria given below:

SR. NO.	CRITERIA	MAXIMUM MARKS	
		SPEAKER 1	SPEAKER 2
1.	KNOWLEDGE AND PRESENTATION OF FACTS	10	10
2.	KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF LEGAL PROVISIONS AND CONTENT OF ARGUMENTS	20	20
3.	ARRANGEMENT, PRESENTATION, AND LOGICAL REASONING	10	10
4.	COURT ETIQUETTE AND TIME MANAGEMENT	10	10
	Sub-Total	50	50
	Total	100	

17. AWARDS

17.1 Prizes for the Competition are as follows:

a) Winning Team: Cash Prize, Trophy, Certificates

Winning Team will be felicitated by the Hon'ble Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Government of India on 15th March, 2026 (World Consumer Rights Day) at New Delhi.

b) Runners-up team: Cash Prize, Trophy and Certificates



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- c) Best Speaker (Male) of the Competition:** Cash Prize, Trophy and Certificates.
- d) Best Speaker (Female) of the Competition:** Cash Prize, Trophy and Certificates
- e) Best Memorial from Complainant's Side:** Cash Prize, Trophy and Certificates
- f) Best Memorial from Opposite Party's Side:** Cash Prize, Trophy and Certificates
- g) Best Researcher of the Competition:** Cash Prize, Trophy and Certificates

17.2 Members of each registered team, who submit their memorials by the due date and present their case in oral rounds, will receive a certificate of participation.



PART VI: CODE OF CONDUCT, DISCIPLINE, AND DISQUALIFICATION

18. STANDARD OF CONDUCT

All participants shall, at all times during the course of the competition, maintain the highest standards of discipline, professionalism, cooperation, and decorum. This obligation shall extend to all forms of interaction, whether formal or informal, oral or written, verbal or non-verbal, including communications and conduct towards the Organising Committee, judges, volunteers, fellow participants, and any person associated with the competition.

18.1 PROHIBITED CONDUCT

Any act or omission amounting to indiscipline or misconduct shall constitute a violation of this Rulebook. Without limitation, such conduct shall include:

a) Verbal or Written Misconduct

Use of disrespectful, discourteous, abusive, offensive, intimidating, threatening, or defamatory language or communication, whether oral, written, electronic, or through any digital or social media platform.

b) Non-Verbal Conduct, Signs, and Gestures

Any form of sign language, gestures, hand movements, facial expressions, body language, symbolic acts, or other non-verbal communication which is, or may reasonably be perceived as, disrespectful, derogatory, mocking, defiant, intimidating, or disruptive, or which undermines the authority, decorum, or orderly conduct of the competition.

c) Non-Obedience and Defiance

Any refusal, failure, delay, resistance, or wilful disregard to comply with the provisions of this Rulebook or with any instruction, direction, advisory, or warning issued by the Organising Committee or its authorised representatives, whether communicated orally or in writing.

d) Passive, Indirect, or Implied Misconduct

Conduct that is passive, indirect, or implied in nature, including deliberate non-cooperation, non-responsiveness, silence, or behaviour intended to challenge



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authority, cause disruption, or create an atmosphere of discomfort or obstruction.

e) Conduct Prejudicial to the Competition

Any act or omission which, in the opinion of the Organising Committee, brings disrepute to the competition, the institution represented, the Organising Committee, or compromises the integrity, fairness, discipline, or smooth conduct of the competition.

18.2 AUTHORITY AND INTERPRETATION

The determination of whether any act, omission, sign, gesture, expression, or conduct amounts to indiscipline or misconduct under this Rulebook shall rest solely with the Organising Committee. Such determination shall be final, conclusive, and binding upon all participants.

18.3 PENALTIES AND CONSEQUENCES

Upon a finding of misconduct or indiscipline, the Organising Committee may, at its sole discretion and without prior notice or obligation to assign reasons, impose one or more of the following penalties:

- Issuance of a warning or reprimand
- Deduction of marks or imposition of scoring penalties
- Disqualification of the concerned participant or the entire team from the competition
- Removal of the participant or team from the competition venue, platform, or proceedings
- Forfeiture or withdrawal of awards, certificates, prizes, or recognitions, whether announced or awarded
- Communication of the misconduct to the concerned institution or authority, where deemed necessary



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18.4 COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY

Misconduct by any individual member of a team shall render the entire team liable for action under this clause, unless the Organising Committee, in its sole discretion, decides otherwise.

18.5 ACCEPTANCE AND OVERRIDING EFFECT

Participation in the competition shall be deemed to constitute unconditional acceptance of this clause. This clause shall override any other provision of the Rulebook in case of inconsistency and shall remain enforceable notwithstanding the conclusion or termination of the competition.

19. PROCEDURAL AUTHORITY AND INSTITUTIONAL COMMUNICATION

19.1 The Organising Committee shall retain full authority to take such measures as it deems necessary to ensure discipline, orderly conduct, and the integrity of the competition. Where circumstances so warrant, the Organising Committee may take appropriate action in a manner it considers fit, including immediate or interim measures.

19.2 Any instance of misconduct or indiscipline may, at the discretion of the Organising Committee, be formally communicated to the concerned university (of Team), institution, or competent authority for such further action as they may deem appropriate.

19.3 All decisions taken under this provision shall be final and binding.



PART VII: MISCELLANEOUS

20. CONFIRMATION OF TRAVEL ITINERARY

20.1 Participating Teams that qualify to the Oral Rounds of the Competition will be required to pay the required fee under **Rule 7** and they must confirm their travel itinerary to the Organising Committee at or before 11:59 PM IST on **19th February, 2026 (Thursday)**.

21. ORGANISING COMMITTEE'S EXTRAORDINARY POWERS

21.1 All participants are expected to maintain decorum in the Courtrooms during the Oral Rounds of the Competition and are expected to conduct themselves in a manner befitting the legal profession.

21.2 The Organising Committee reserves the right to take appropriate action for any unethical, unprofessional, and immoral conduct throughout the duration of the Competition.

21.3 The Rules governing the conduct of the Competition should be strictly adhered to. Any deviation thereof, in letter or in spirit, can attract penalties or disqualification at the sole discretion of the Organising Committee.

21.4 If any member of a participating team is found participating under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or other narcotic substances, the concerned team will be immediately disqualified from the Competition.

21.5 Any act prohibited under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Information Technology Act, 2000 (and the rules under the statute), any other central/state or local law will also be applicable to regulate the conduct of participants in all regards. Accordingly, the participants shall bear personal responsibility for the same and the Organising Committee shall not be liable.

21.6 No participants shall possess or use any electronic device(s) – Mobile, Laptop, Tablet, Smart Watch etc. in the Courtroom during the Oral Rounds of the Competition.



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21.7 The Organising Committee reserves the right to vary, alter, modify, or repeal any of the above rules without any prior notification, if so required and as they may deem appropriate.

21.8 NUSRL, Ranchi follows a Zero-Tolerance Policy towards Sexual Harassment and Ragging. Accordingly, NUSRL, Ranchi reserves the right to disqualify the concerned participants for engaging in such conduct, without prejudice to any other action which can be initiated under appropriate law.

21.9 In the event of any extraordinary or unforeseen circumstances, the Organising Committee reserves the right to introduce additional rounds, modify or amend any of the rules, procedures, or schedule of the Competition, and/or increase the intake of participating teams, as it may deem necessary to ensure the smooth, fair, and effective conduct of the Competition. Any such changes shall be duly notified to the Participants.

21.10 In case of any dispute arising out of the rules, or otherwise, the decision of the Organising Committee shall be final and binding.

22. DISCLAIMER

22.1 The material in the Moot Proposition is neither intended to nor does it attempt to resemble any incident or any person, living or dead. Any such resemblance is purely coincidental. The material in the Moot Proposition is a fictitious factual account prepared for the purposes of the present Competition only and it does not attempt to influence or predict the outcome of any matter whatsoever.

22.2 The copyright of the memorial as well as any other submissions made by the participating teams during the Competition shall vest with NUSRL, Ranchi. The acceptance of such vesting is a precondition to participation in the Competition.

PART VIII: TIMELINE OF THE COMPETITION

EVENTS	DATES
RELEASE OF THE MOOT PROPOSITION AND RULEBOOK	01 ST JANUARY, 2026 (THURSDAY)
REGISTRATIONS OPEN	01 ST JANUARY, 2026 (THURSDAY)
DEADLINE FOR ASKING CLARIFICATIONS	31 ST JANUARY, 2026 (SATURDAY)
DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION	31 ST JANUARY, 2026 (SATURDAY)
RELEASE OF CLARIFICATIONS	05 TH FEBRUARY, 2026 (THURSDAY)
DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MEMORIALS	07 TH FEBRUARY, 2026 (SATURDAY)
ANNOUNCEMENT OF TEAMS QUALIFYING FOR ORAL ROUNDS	BY 17 TH FEBRUARY, 2026 (TUESDAY)
PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEE AND CONFIRMATION OF TRAVEL ITINERARY BY QUALIFYING TEAMS	19 TH FEBRUARY, 2026 (THURSDAY)
INAUGURATION CEREMONY, DRAW OF LOTS, EXCHANGE OF MEMORIALS AND RESEARCHER'S TEST	27 TH FEBRUARY 2026 (FRIDAY)
QUARTER FINAL ROUNDS AND SEMI-FINAL ROUNDS	28 TH FEBRUARY 2026 (SATURDAY)
FINAL ROUNDS AND VALEDICTORY CEREMONY	01 ST MARCH, 2026 (SUNDAY)



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