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DEFINITIONS

The following terms, as used in these Rules, have the corresponding meanings.

- i. “Administrator” shall mean Rashtriya Raksha University (‘RRU’), Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- ii. “Applicant” means the Team arguing on behalf of the Applicant State at any given point in the Competition.
- iii. “Awards” refer to the cash prize and the internship opportunity offered to the team members and/or team fulfilling the criteria under Rule 7.
- iv. “Bench Memorandum” means the memorandum of law and authorities concerning the Competition Problem prepared by the Advisory Committee/Organizing Committee for the exclusive use of Competition judges.
- v. “Competition” means the RRU International Moot Court Competition 2026.
- vi. “Competition Problem” means the official Problem of the Competition as supplemented, corrected, or clarified.
- vii. “Corrections and Clarifications” means the official corrections and clarifications to the Problem as described in Rule 2.6.
- viii. “Dispute Resolution Committee” means the committee consisting of Faculty Members of the Organizing Committee as referred to in Rule 9 (iii).
- ix. “In-Person Moot” means a Moot at which the judges and the Teams are all present in the same room.
- x. “Knock-Out Rounds” means the four Quarter-Finals, the two Semi-Finals, and the Final Championship Round.

- xi.** “Match” means a single competitive pairing between one Applicant and one Respondent, and includes both the oral Moot and the comparison of the Teams' Memorial scores.
- xii.** “Memorial” means the written pleadings of each Team, written and submitted pursuant to these Rules.
- xiii.** “Memorial Selection Round” means the evaluation of memorials submitted by all duly registered teams, following which the top twenty-four teams will be invited to the In- Person Moot in accordance with Rules 3.1 and 3.2.
- xiv.** “Moot” means a single oral presentation between two Teams, one representing Applicant and the other representing Respondent.
- xv.** “Moot Proposition” means the Statement of Agreed Facts released by the Organizers on the date specified in Rule 1.2 which shall be subject to further Corrections and Clarifications, as and when released by the Organizers.
- xvi.** “Participating Team” means the team which is eligible to participate in the Competition after completion of the registration procedure.
- xvii.** “Participating Institution” shall be presumed to be the parent institution of the participating team.
- xviii.** “Penalty” means the consequence of a Rules violation, pursuant to Rule 5.5(i).
- xix.** “Plagiarism” means direct or substantial duplication of work represented as one's own, without acknowledgement.
- xx.** “Preliminary Round” means a set of matches where each team argues against two different teams, once as applicant and once as respondent, following which the knockout rounds will take place.
- xxi.** “Respondent” means the side of the Team arguing on behalf of the Respondent state at any given point in the Competition.
- xxii.** “Rules” means these Official Rules of the Competition.

- xxiii.** “Organizers” means the Moot Court Committee, School of Criminal Law and Military Law, Rashtriya Raksha University, Gujarat.
- xxiv.** “Team Code” means a unique code assigned by the organizers to each of the Participating Teams.
- xxv.** “Written Submissions” mean the memorials, one each from Applicant and Respondent, submitted by any Participating Team according to the Rules of the Competition.

1. Organization of the Competition

1.1. Date and Venue: The RRU International Moot Court Competition will take place between the 20th - 22nd of November, 2026, at the Campus building of Rashtriya Raksha University, Lavad-Dehgam, Gandhinagar, Gujarat in physical mode.

1.2. Date of Release of the Moot Proposition: The Moot Proposition or the

Statement of Agreed Facts will be released on the 25th of July, 2026.

2. Participation and Eligibility

2.1. Team Member: A person may be a team member if they are pursuing an

undergraduate degree in law, or in a field related to international law, provided that they have received, or will receive while participating, adequate instruction in international law. For Indian teams, participation is restricted to law students pursuing the three years or the five years L.L.B degree course from any recognized institution in India. Cross Institutional teams and teams from RRU are not eligible for this Moot.

2.2. Team Selection Process: Team Members may be chosen by any method approved by the responsible authority within the institution

2.3. Team Composition: A team shall comprise of no more than three members and one team advisor in an official capacity.

2.4. Team Oralists: All the three registered team members can be oralists. However, in any given match-up two different oralists have to argue two different issues of the moot proposition. To be eligible for oralist citation, a team member should have argued a minimum of two oral rounds.

2.5. Outside assistance: All work product for the Rashtriya Raksha University International Moot Court Competition must be the exclusive work of the Team Members. Team Members must research, write, edit, and develop the legal and factual arguments for memorials and oral arguments without the assistance of persons who are not Team Members. Any Team that receives assistance for, or any other contribution to, its legal or factual arguments in contravention of this Rule may be penalized or disqualified from the Competition.

2.6. Corrections and Clarifications: Teams may request corrections and clarifications to the Moot Proposition by submitting a written request to the Organizers on the official mail id within 15 days of the release of the Moot Proposition. Based upon the requests received from all Teams, Corrections and Clarifications to the Competition Problem will be published and updated by the Organizers on the RIMC Documents Google Drive link shared with the Teams on 25th August 2026 . Each Team must ensure that it receives and adequately notes the Corrections and Clarifications in preparation for the Competition.

2.7. Anonymity of Teams: Teams must not reveal the identity of their institution, jurisdiction, or nationality of origin to judges at any time during a round. The administrator may impose a penalty, including disqualification, on any team that intentionally or inadvertently violates this rule, whether or not such disclosure occurs during a moot. All instances of disclosure during a round must be reported to the organizers.

3. Memorial Selection Round

3.1. Evaluation of Memorials: A memorial selection round will take place before the Top-30 teams are invited for the Physical Rounds. Each team is required to submit two memorials, one for the Applicant and one for the Respondent. Both memorials will

be evaluated twice. Team rankings will be generated based on the average of the cumulative memorial scores. In the event of a tie, the concerned memorials will undergo an additional round of evaluation, after which the tie-breaker will be settled.

3.2. Determination of the Top-30 Teams:

Separate rankings will be generated for Indian teams and foreign teams, based on which the teams will be invited to the competition. For the determination of memorial awards, the unified rankings of the teams will be referred to, not the separate rankings. Bearing in mind the international nature of the competition, eight spots shall be reserved for teams from foreign jurisdictions. Furthermore, to encourage participation from international teams representing various UN regional groups and to promote the inclusion of diverse legal systems, a scholarship of **USD 1,000** each will be awarded to the top twelve international teams as per the rules of scholarship provided in the brochure. The scholarship is intended to support their travel, boarding, and lodging expenses. The awarded amount will be transferred directly to the respective universities of the selected teams.

4. Registration Procedure

- i. Registration: The registration for the moot shall open from 25th July, 2026. The registration may be done by filling the Google Form provided in the Brochure. Please note that the final registration form requires a Letter of Authorization signed by the Head of the Institution/Head/Director of the Moot Court Committee/Law Department/Society/Association mentioning the details of all the three members, and the team advisor if any, of the participating team. Confirmation of registration of the teams will be duly communicated.
- ii. The Team shall stay in tune with social media handles and emails, for regular updates with respect to the Competition.
- iii. Please keep note of the important dates. The organizing committee shall have the discretion to change any dates due to extenuating circumstances, if any, and the same shall be notified to the registered teams.
- iv. Allotment of Team Code: Each team which has successfully completed the Registration requirements under the Rules shall be allotted a unique team code. Once the code is

allotted, every team must use this code for any further communication(s) with the Organizers during the course of the Competition.

- v. Change in Team Composition: Any change in team composition must be intimated to the Organizers at the earliest.
- vi. Teams should duly fill the travel form. A Google form for the same shall be sent in due course of time.

Registration Fees: There will be no registration fee for the moot court competition. The University has waived the registration fee to encourage wider participation and provide greater opportunities for academic engagement. Participants are therefore encouraged to make the most of this opportunity by attending the RRU Lavad International Law Academy, which is being organised alongside the Competition. Participation in the Academy would complement the Moot Court experience and contribute to the broader academic purpose for which the registration fee has been waived.

5. Written Submissions

5.1. Submission of Memorials: Each Team participating in the Competition must prepare one Applicant and one Respondent Memorial. Each Team must upload its Applicant and Respondent Memorials in the google form for registration in pdf. format . Submission of both Applicant and Respondent Memorials must be uploaded as separate files titled “###A” and “###R”, respectively (where “###” is the Team’s official Team Number assigned to the team after registration).

5.2. Deadline for Memorial Submission: The deadline for the memorial submission shall be the same as given in the Brochure, which is 15 September, 2026.

5.3. Memorial Submission Penalty: Any Memorial submitted after the deadline for Submission of Memorials as mentioned under Rule 5.1, but prior to the Disqualification Deadline, which is 48 hours after the deadline, will be subject to applicable late Penalties. A penalty of 1 point shall be levied in case the memorial is submitted in an unspecified format or multiple files are submitted. A penalty of 1 point per hour per side, up to 24 hours past the deadline, shall be deducted in case of delay of submission of the memorials.

5.4. Memorial Formatting: All pages of the Memorial must be A4 (8.27 in. x 11.7 in./ 21.92 cm x 29.7 cm) or letter size (8.5 in. x 11 in./ 21.6 cm x 27.9 cm), with margins of at least one in (2.54 cm) on all four sides. It is recommended that the font and size of the text of all parts of the Memorial, excluding the Cover Page and page numbers but including the footnotes, be in Times New Roman (Font Size- 12). The line spacing for all parts of the Memorial is recommended to be 1.5 line spacing, with the exception of the Cover Page, Table of Contents, Index of Authorities, headings, and footnotes (which can be single-spaced).

5.5. Memorial Content

(a) The Memorial must contain the following parts in the following order:

- (i) Cover Page;
- (ii) Table of Contents;
- (iii) Index of Authorities;
- (iv) Statement of Jurisdiction;
- (v) Questions Presented;
- (vi) Statement of Facts;
- (vii) Summary of Pleadings;
- (viii) Pleadings; and
- (ix) Prayer for Relief (or Conclusion).

(b) Parts not enumerated in paragraphs, for example, a Table of Abbreviations, are prohibited.

Apart from the cover page (which may contain an ICJ logo), Memorials must consist exclusively of text. Teams may not include media, including images, videos, audio clips, or interactive elements, in any part of their Memorials. Links may be included within citations, but never in the pleadings, to provide easy access to the referenced sources. These links should be inserted appropriately within the citation, following an appropriate citation style.

(c) **Cover Page:** The front cover of each Memorial must have the following information:

- (i) The Team Number in the upper right-hand corner followed by “A” if an Applicant Memorial Or “R” if a Respondent Memorial (e.g., Team 123 would put “123A” in the top right-hand corner of the front cover of its Applicant Memorial);
 - (ii) The name of the court (i.e., “International Court of Justice”);
 - (iii) The year of the Competition (the year during which the relevant International Rounds Take place);
 - (iv) The name of the case; and
 - (v) The title of the document (i.e., “Memorial for Applicant” or “Memorial for Respondent”).
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- (d) **Index of Authorities:** The Index of Authorities must list all legal authorities cited in any part of the Memorial and must indicate the page number(s) of the Memorial on which each is cited.
 - (e) **Statement of Facts:** The Statement of Facts should be limited to the stipulated facts and necessary inferences from the Competition Problem. The Statement of Facts should not include Unsupported Statements, distortions of the facts provided, argumentation, or legal conclusions.
 - (f) **Summary of the Pleadings:** The Summary of the Pleadings should consist of a substantive summary of the Pleadings of the Memorial, rather than a simple reproduction of the headings contained in the Pleadings.
 - (g) **Legal Argument Limited to Pleadings:** Substantive, affirmative legal argument or legal interpretation of the facts of the Competition Problem may be presented only in the “Pleadings” part of the Memorial. Summaries of such arguments may be included in the questions presented and the Summary of Pleading.

- (h) **Length:** The word count for each Memorial shall be conducted using the standard “Word Count” feature in Microsoft Word 2003 or any later release. A Team may not manipulate the word count, including by such means as removing spaces between words or abbreviations in citations where a space would normally occur in standard citation formats, using hyphens inappropriately, using non-breaking white spaces or macros, or otherwise modifying the word processor dictionary.
- i. The Statement of Facts, including the title, any headings or sub-headings, conclusion, associated footnotes, and any other language a Team might elect to include, must be no longer than 1,200 words.
 - ii. The Summary of Pleadings, including the title, any headings or sub-headings, conclusion, associated footnotes, and other language a team might elect to include, must be no longer than 700 words.
 - iii. The total length of the pleadings part, including the title, any headings, subheadings, associated footnotes, and other language a Team might elect to include, must be no longer than 9,500 words.
 - iv. The total length of the Prayer for Relief (or Conclusion) part including the title, any headings, sub- headings, associated footnotes, signature block, and other language a team might elect to include, must be no longer than 200 words.

(i) **Memorial Penalty**

Action/Omission	Penalty
Tardiness in submitting Memorial to Organizers	5 points for first day, 3 points per day thereafter. If both Memorials have not been submitted by the Disqualification Deadline which is 48 hours after the deadline, the Team will be withdrawn from the Competition.
Failure to remove Tracked Changes or Comments	Upto 5 points (one-time penalty)

Failure to include all parts of Memorial, or inclusion of an un-enumerated part	2 points for each part	
Use of unapproved media	Upto 5 points (one-time penalty)	
Failure to include necessary and correct information on Memorial Cover Page	2 points (one-time penalty)	
Excessive length: Pleadings	1-100 words over	3 points
	101-200 words over	6 points
	201-300 words over	9 points
	301-400 words over	12 points
	401+ words over	15 points
Excessive length: Summary of Pleadings	2 points (one-time penalty)	
Excessive length: Statement of Facts	2 points (one-time penalty)	
Excessive length: Prayer for Relief (Conclusion)	2 points (one-time penalty)	
Word Count Manipulation	1 point per instance, up to a maximum of 10 points per Memorial.	
Improper citation of authority	1 point per instance, up to a maximum of 5 points per Memorial.	
Violation of anonymity in Memorial	Upto 10 points (one-time penalty), or disqualification	
Use of Artificial Intelligence in Memorial Drafting	Upto 10 points (one-time penalty), or disqualification	
Use of non-permitted acronym or abbreviation	1 point per instance, up to a maximum of 5 points per Memorial	
Plagiarism (Maximum permitted limit is 10 percent)	1 to 50 points, or disqualification	

5.6. Citation Requirement: Teams may follow any uniform citation style but it is recommended that teams follow the 4th OSCOLA edition or the 20th Bluebook edition. Footnotes must be used to identify the source of statements or propositions

made in the body of the Memorial. Endnotes are not permitted. Footnotes may include substantive pleadings in addition to the text of the citation itself. Citations appearing in the Index of Authorities and text or footnotes of the Memorial must include a description of each authority adequate to allow a reasonable reader to identify and locate it in a publication or other source of general availability. Full citations must be used in the footnotes of the pleadings part of the Memorial the first time a source is cited. Thereafter short forms of citations may be used. Abbreviating sources as defined terms, or short forms of citations in the Table of Authorities, in lieu of using the full citation during the first citation to that source in the Pleadings part of the Memorial is prohibited. A one-point Penalty will be assessed for each violation of this Rule, upto a maximum of five points.

5.7. Anonymity in Memorials: Names of participants, and the Jurisdiction or institution name of Teams, may not appear on or within the Memorials, and Team Members should not sign their Memorials. Organizers shall strike all references to Team Members, and Jurisdiction or institution names of Teams, from Memorials before submitting them to judges.

5.8. Grading of Memorials: The grading and assessment of penalties for each Memorial will be done by the Organizers. Prior to the commencement of the applicable InPerson Round, the Organizers will endeavor to ensure that each Memorial has been graded twice and will communicate the scores, including any applicable penalties, to the Teams.

5.9. Evaluation Criteria: The criteria for evaluating each Memorandum are as follows:

Knowledge of facts and law	20
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Proper and articulate analysis	20
Extent and use of research	20
Clarity and organization	20
Style, formatting, grammar, and citation of sources	20
Maximum Marks	100
(LESS) Objective Deduction	
Total Marks for Memorial	

6. Oral Rounds

6.1. General Procedures: Each In-Person Moot consists of 90 minutes of oral pleadings.

Applicant and Respondent are each allotted 45 minutes. Oral presentations during the Moot must be made by two, and only two, members from each Team. Prior to the beginning of the Moot, the Team arguing as Applicant must indicate to the bailiff which Team Members will act as its first oralist and second oralist and how it wishes to allocate its 45 minutes among (a) its first oralist, (b) its second oralist, and (c) rebuttal. After Applicant has made its determinations, its opponent Team must indicate to the bailiff which Team members will act as its first oralist and second oralist and how it wishes to allocate its 45 minutes among (a) its first oralist, (b) its second oralist, and (c) surrebuttal. Teams may not allocate more than 25 minutes, including rebuttal or surrebuttal, to either oralist. Time allocated to but not used by one oralist may not be used by the other oralist or saved for rebuttal or surrebuttal.

Any Team Member may act as an oralist during any Moot in the Competition and need not always argue the same side.

6.2. Extension of Time at Judges' Discretion: The President may, at their discretion, extend total Team oral argument time beyond the 45-minute allocation, and on a list asked by the judges to expand upon arguments may, in this instance, exceed the 25-minute individual limit.

6.3. Three Judge Panels: In each In-Person Moot, the Organizers shall employ three judges whenever possible, and may employ more than three judges in Elimination Rounds. In extenuating circumstances, the Organizers may authorize panels of two judges, but this should be done only as a last resort. The Organizers should minimize the number of times that a Team is evaluated by a two-judge panel. In no case may an Organizer authorize that a Moot be presided over by a single judge. The Judges on the panel shall determine which of them is to act as President. The President shall be responsible for the orderly conduct of the Moot in accordance with the Rules.

6.4. Order of the Pleadings: The order of the pleadings in each In-Person Moot at all levels of the Competition is: Applicant 1, Applicant 2, Respondent 1, Respondent 2, Rebuttal (Applicant 1 or 2), and Surrebuttal (Respondent 1 or 2). Once an oralist has completed their main pleading, that oralist may not make any additional argument except for rebuttal or surrebuttal. This applies irrespective of whether the pleading Team uses all of the time it has allocated for its main pleadings. Time not used in the main pleading may not extend the time allocated to rebuttal or surrebuttal.

6.5. Rebuttal and Surrebuttal: Each Team may reserve up to five minutes for rebuttal or surrebuttal. As a courtesy to the judges, Teams should announce at the beginning of their oral argument whether they have reserved time for rebuttal or surrebuttal and how much time they have reserved, although a failure to do so will not entail waiver of the right to rebuttal or surrebuttal. Only one of the two oralists participating in the In-Person Moot may deliver the rebuttal or surrebuttal, but the Team need not indicate in advance which of the two oralists will do so. The rebuttal shall immediately follow Respondent 2, and the surrebuttal shall immediately follow the rebuttal. Teams

may waive their rebuttal or surrebuttal. If the Applicant waives rebuttal, then surrebuttal is deemed to be waived as well.

6.6. Scope of Pleadings: A Team's oral pleadings are not limited to the scope of the Team's Memorial. The scope of the Applicant's rebuttal is limited to responding to the Respondent's primary oral pleadings, and the scope of the Respondent's surrebuttal is limited to responding to the Applicant's rebuttal. Although judges are admonished to enforce the limits on the scope of rebuttal and surrebuttal, and may take a violation of this Rule into account in evaluating an oralist's performance, there is no discretionary or non-discretionary Penalty for exceeding the scope of rebuttal or surrebuttal.

6.7. Ex Parte Procedure

- i. In extreme circumstances, such as when a Team fails to appear for a scheduled In Person Moot, the Administrator, after waiting 30 minutes, may allow the Moot to proceed *ex parte*. In an *ex parte* proceeding, the attending Team presents its oral pleadings, which are scored by the judges to the extent possible as if the absent Team had been present. In such a case, the Team that fails to appear for its scheduled Moot forfeits all six of the Moot's Oral Round Points.
- ii. The Administrator may schedule an additional *ex parte* proceeding for the absent Team later in the Round, if time and administrative concerns permit. The scores from the absent Team's *ex parte* proceeding do not affect the scoring of the original In-Person Moot and are used only for purposes of calculating individual oral pleading scores.
- iii. A Team will be deemed to have failed to appear if only one Member from a given Team appears for the In-Person Moot. In such an event, the absent Team's single oralist shall be allowed to plead and receive an individual score for purposes of calculating individual oral pleadings scores, even though their Team forfeits all six Oral Round points.

- 6.8. Of Counsel:** During each In-Person Moot, one additional Team Member registered pursuant to Rule 2.1 read with Rule 4(i) may sit at the counsel table with the two oralists, as counsel. The person acting as counsel need not be the same person in each In-Person Moot.
- 6.9. Competition Communications:** Only the oral communications with the judges are permitted. In particular, no written communication or exhibits may be presented or delivered by any Team Member to any judge.
- 6.10. Oral Communication in the Courtroom:** Each oralist may communicate with the judges, and the judges may communicate with that oralist, only during their allotted time, save as permitted by this Rule. The judges may, where necessary, communicate directly with an oralist, any Team Member at counsel table of either Team, and with any other person present in the courtroom to ensure the orderly conduct of the In-Person Moot (for example, to clarify the spelling of an oralist's name or to request that a person or persons remain quiet). No communication is permitted between any persons without permission from the President other than (1) between a judge and an oralist at the podium or (2) between any two persons sitting at counsel table.
- 6.11. Written Communication:** Communication at the counsel table between Team Members may be in writing only. Team Members at Counsel Table may not communicate in writing with judges, the oralist, or spectators (including Team Members and Team Advisors seated in the audience) during an In-Person Moot and no other person may communicate with them.
- 6.12. Scouting:** Team Members or persons directly affiliated with any Team may attend only Moots in which that Team is competing. Attending a different matchup is strictly prohibited and shall invite penalty as per the discretion of the Organizers. As a matter of last resort, team may also be disqualified if it is found that scouting was a deliberate attempt to extract legal or factual arguments from another ongoing matchup.
- 6.13. Anonymity of Teams in Courtrooms:** During an In-Person Moot, participants may not directly or indirectly indicate their Jurisdiction, nationality or school of origin to the judges or bailiff, including through the wearing of nametags, pins, logos, or other signifiers, or the placement of folders, files, library books, or other materials identifying their school on counsel table. For the purposes of this Rule, the term

“participants” includes Team Members, Team Advisors, and spectators affiliated with the Team.

6.14. Computers, Mobile Phones, and other Electronic Devices in Courtrooms:

During an In-Person Moot, oralists at the podium and Team Members seated at counsel table may not operate, for any purpose, mobile phones, laptop computers, PDAs, or any other electronic devices, including but not limited to those which are internet-enabled or data-capable, or have instant messaging capabilities. All such devices must be turned off and removed from sight as soon as the bailiff first enters the courtroom and must remain off and out of sight until the conclusion of the InPerson Moot (including the judges’ deliberations and feedback). A Team that violates this Rule may forfeit up to six Oral Round Points; the Administrator shall determine a Penalty that corresponds to the severity of the violation.

6.15. Structure: The In-Person Rounds shall consist of (i) the Preliminary Rounds, (ii) the Elimination Rounds, inclusive of the Quarter-Final, Semi-Finals; and (iii) the Final Championship Round. The Preliminary Rounds will comprise two matches, with each team pleading once as Applicant and once as Respondent. After the conduct of the Preliminary Rounds, the teams moving forward to the Elimination Rounds shall be announced.

The Quarterfinals shall have the following four matchups:

Team Ranked 1 vs Team Ranked 8 (Q1)

Team Ranked 2 vs Team Ranked 7 (Q2)

Team Ranked 3 vs Team Ranked 6 (Q3)

Team Ranked 4 vs Team Ranked 5 (Q4)

The Semifinals shall have the following matchups:

Winner of Q1 vs Winner of Q2 (S1)

Winner of Q3 vs Winner of Q4 (S2)

The Championship Round shall have the following matchup:

Winner of S1 vs Winner of S2

6.16. Evaluation Criteria: The maximum marks in an oral round shall be 100 marks per speaker per judge. The basis for evaluation shall be as follows:

Knowledge of the law	20
Questions and Answers	20
Knowledge of the Facts	20
Style, Poise and Demeanor	20
Organization and Time Management	20
Total	100

7. Awards

The team that emerges as the champion of the final rounds will receive the

Championship Trophy and a cash prize of INR 75,000 (approximately USD 777).

The runners-up team will be awarded the Runners-up Trophy and INR 50,000 (approximately USD 518). Additionally, speaker citations will be given to the top five

speakers based on their scores in the preliminary rounds. The Best Speaker will be awarded INR 30,000 (approximately USD 309). To be eligible for a speaker citation, a speaker must have participated in at least two rounds. Based on the Memorial Rankings generated under Rule 3.1, the top five memorials will receive Memorial

Citations. The team with the Best Memorial will be awarded INR 30,000 (approximately USD 309).

8. Food and Accommodation

- i. Accommodation shall be provided to the participating teams from 19 November 2026 to 6 December 2026.

9. Miscellaneous

- i. Participants are expected to behave in a professional manner and not to cause any inconvenience to the Organizers, the Judges of the Competition or any of the other participants.
- ii. The Organizers reserve the right to take the appropriate action for any unethical, unprofessional, or immoral conduct.
- iii. Faculty members of RRU who are part of the Organizing Committee shall constitute the Dispute Resolution Committee for the purpose of resolving any disputes that may arise between teams or between teams and the Organizers during the 2025 RIMC. The Dispute Resolution Committee shall serve as the final arbiter of all disputes.
- iv. Facilities such as photocopying, library usage, internet connectivity, etc. may be provided subject to the availability and discretion of the Organizers and will be informed to the teams closer to the commencement of the Competition.
- v. Administrator shall not be responsible for any loss of belongings of the team during the Competition. Teams are advised to keep their belongings safe.

10. Correspondence/Point of Contact

All queries should be directed to the official email of the Moot Court Committee rmmc@rru.ac.in. Duly registered teams will be assigned ‘Team Buddies,’ and the relevant Sub-Committees will reach out to them in due course.

11. AI Policy

The use of AI is permitted under the following circumstances:

- i. AI-enhanced research tools to find relevant sources (For example, Search Engines & AI-powered Legal Databases).
- ii. AI-enhanced proof-reading tools.
- iii. Using AI to generate overviews or briefings on relevant factual and legal topics solely for the team’s research purposes. For the avoidance of doubt, no such overviews or briefings may be submitted as part of the written memorandum.

AI-enhanced translation tools to translate and understand legal sources.

All other uses of AI are expressly prohibited, as acts in violation of these rules will result in the written memorial being automatically disqualified.

Using any document issued by the Organizing Committee of the Competition to ‘train’ any AI tool, or using an AI tool that has been trained on the competition problem, to write and submit any part of the Memorials, shall result in immediate disqualification.

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