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1ST CNLU ARBITRAL AWARD WRITING & PRESENTATION COMPETITION, 2027

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ABOUT CNLU

Chanakya National Law University (CNLU), Patna, is one of India's premier National Law Universities, established under the Chanakya National Law University Act, 2006 (Bihar Act No. 24 of 2006), and recognised under Sections 2(f) and 12(B) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956. The University was founded on July 15, 2006, with a clear and visionary mandate: to provide quality legal education of the highest standard, raise national legal standards to a competitive international level, and promote legal awareness within the broader community in furtherance of the constitutional goals of justice, equality, and the rule of law.

CNLU is equipped with state-of-the-art infrastructure to facilitate the highest standards of legal education. A number of retired Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts, Senior Advocates, and eminent educationalists have offered their expertise to assist CNLU in its teaching and research programmes, making education at CNLU a distinctive and enriching experience. Debating, Mooting, ADR competitions and co-curricular activities form an integral part of the CNLU student experience, giving students the opportunity to put their academic knowledge to practical use.



ABOUT CCADR



The Chanakya Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CCADR), established in 2021 at Chanakya National Law University, Patna, serves as a hub for academic research, practical skill-building, and professional engagement in dispute resolution. The Centre promotes an interdisciplinary study of conflicts ranging from commercial and institutional to state-level disputes, with a focus on frameworks including the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 and international standards such as the UNCITRAL Model Law.

CCADR aims to foster a congenial environment within CNLU and beyond for students, researchers, and practitioners to pursue their interest in ADR and compete at national and international levels. The Centre organises national and intra-college ADR competitions, panel discussions, workshops, training sessions, lectures, and interactive engagements with practitioners, academicians, and industry experts.

Its flagship initiatives include the CNLU National Mediation Competition (NMC), National Client Counselling Competition (NCC), bimonthly newsletter Samvaad, ADR blog Untangled, ADR Radio, ADR'o Clock, and the Arbitral Award Writing & Presentation Competition, 2026–27. CCADR has collaborated with leading law firms, ADR institutions, and organisations including Kochhar & Co., Singhanian & Partners, TT&A, HSA Advocates, PSL Advocates & Solicitors, King Stubb & Kasiva, Poovayya & Co., Dentons Link Legal, JSA Advocates & Solicitors, MCIA, IAMC Hyderabad, Manupatra, SCC Online, LiveLaw, Bihar Tourism, and international ADR organisations such as TiradoADR and McPhilamy ADR.

INTRODUCTION TO THE COMPETITION



CCADR is pleased to announce its 1st Arbitral Award Writing Competition, designed to provide participants with an opportunity to engage with the adjudicatory process of arbitration and the practical aspects of drafting a well-reasoned arbitral award.

The competition seeks to immerse participants in the resolution of complex disputes, requiring them to analyse factual and legal issues, assess evidence, interpret contractual and statutory provisions, and apply relevant principles of substantive and procedural law. It places emphasis on clarity of reasoning, legal analysis, evidentiary assessment, procedural fairness, and the formulation of a reasoned and enforceable award.

By simulating the arbitral decision-making process, the competition aims to develop precision in legal drafting, analytical acuity, and impartial decision-making, while providing participants with practical exposure to the functioning of arbitration and the craft of arbitral adjudication.

OBJECTIVES

- To enhance participants' knowledge of arbitration principles, procedures, and the legal framework governing arbitral proceedings, both domestic and international.
- To develop practical legal drafting skills by drafting reasoned and well-structured arbitral awards.
- To encourage participants to identify, analyse, and resolve complex issues arising in arbitration, fostering sound legal, factual, and analytical reasoning.
- To promote critical analysis and problem solving.



MODE / AUTHORSHIP

The final award submission date is 15th December 2026, with release of results by 15th January 2027. The competition shall be conducted in Hybrid mode, with the top 8 teams presenting their award in offline mode at CNLU on 13th - 14th February 2027. Individual participation, as well as participation in a team of two (i.e., co-authorship), is allowed.

ELIGIBILITY

- Students pursuing Five-Year/Three-Year LL.B. discipline;
- Students pursuing One-Year/Two-Year LL.M. discipline;
- Students pursuing any other undergraduate or postgraduate law degree from any recognised university.

COMPETITION GUIDELINES

- Submissions shall be made in .doc/.docx and PDF format.
- All submissions are to be made via a Google Form.
- Complete details regarding the theme, registration, detailed rules, formatting requirements, and evaluation criteria shall be released shortly through the formal Competition Brochure.

REGISTRATION LINK

Interested participants may register by filling out the form through the link below:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdOBsTzY23ECrRBaAgqb9VVuURrSsivzm1mPhOx0wioB2bDxzQ/viewform?usp=dialog>



OUR PAST PARTNERS



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