



# St. Joseph's College of Law

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## 4TH SJCL NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2024

**RULES AND PROPOSITION**



## **DATE & VENUE OF THE COMPETITION**

**Date: The 4th SJCL National Moot Court Competition, 2024 shall be held on the July 12th, July 13th, & July 14th, 2024.**

**Venue: St. Joseph's College of Law, Residency Road, Shanthala Nagar, Bangalore, 560025.**

**Google Maps link:**

**St. Joseph's College of Law - Google Maps**

**Please tap the link for the proposition, rules and other required details**

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# About the Institution



Established in the year 2017, St. Joseph's College of Law, Bangalore is the pioneer Jesuit law college in South Asia that is strengthened with a 450-year-old legacy in imparting quality education through the Jesuit mission of molding students into 'people of competence, conscience and compassion dedicated to the service of faith and the promotion of justice'.

In pursuance of the noble Jesuit motto - FIDE ET LABORE, St. Joseph's College of Law was founded on the ideals of practicing law, promoting justice and to transform society. Emboldened with a vision to 'transform the lives of people by bringing about a just an egalitarian society', the College believes in a steadfast focus to bridge law and governance with a human rights approach. The college, though neoteric, has been able to work towards these set ideals.

The Moot Court Society, through its various inter and intercollegiate events, aims to achieve and fulfill the objectives of the institution by encouraging a sound mooting culture, which has at its center, justice and equity.

# About the Competition

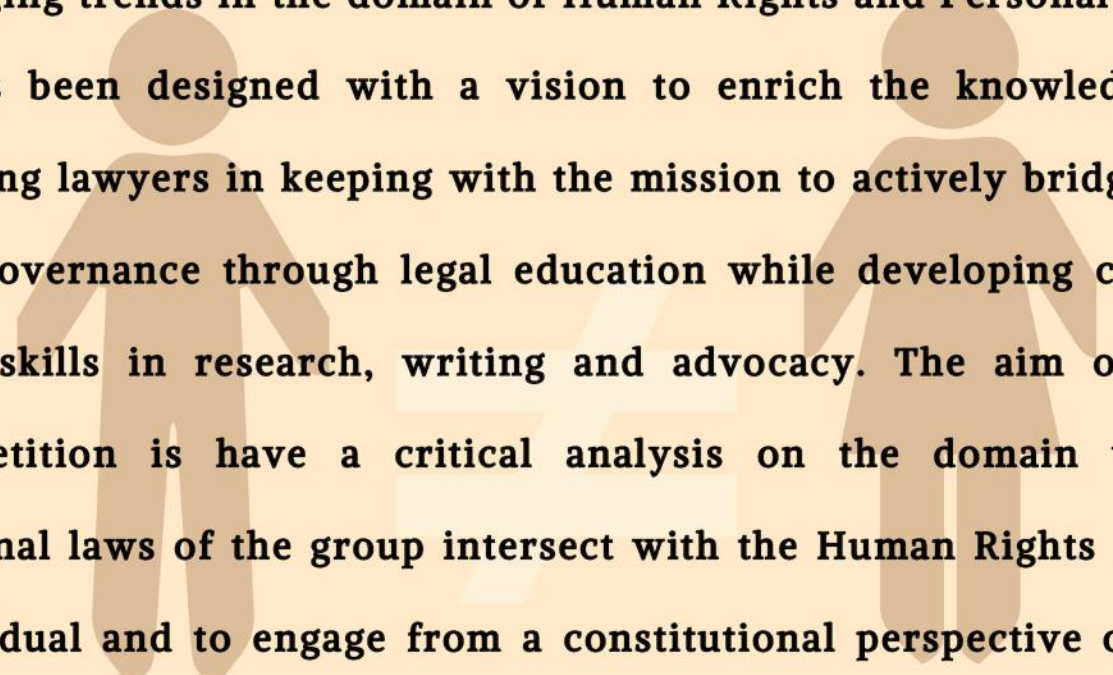
## OBJECTIVE

The 4th St Joseph's College of Law National Moot Court Competition 2024, is specifically curated to provide a platform for law students across the country to showcase their research, analytical abilities, legal expertise, and oral prowess in the field of Human Rights and Women's Rights in personal law. The competition aims at exploring the complicated yet delicate relation between the ever-evolving concept of Human Rights and women's rights derived through customs and traditional law making up personal laws across India. Through this competition, we encourage the participants to explore into the legal intricacies arising out of the inherent conflict between human rights and women's rights in personal law. The ultimate aim of the competition is to develop a highly competitive atmosphere while bringing due attention to the legal inconsistency within the legal frameworks pertaining to personal laws.



## **AIM AND PURPOSE**

The 4th St. Joseph's College of Law National Moot Court Competition, 2024 has been conceived with the aim of creating opportunities to learn the development of jurisprudence on emerging trends in the domain of Human Rights and Personal Laws. It has been designed with a vision to enrich the knowledge of aspiring lawyers in keeping with the mission to actively bridge law and governance through legal education while developing cutting edge skills in research, writing and advocacy. The aim of this competition is have a critical analysis on the domain where Personal laws of the group intersect with the Human Rights of the individual and to engage from a constitutional perspective on the issue. On the larger context it compels the participants to have a deeper understanding of the personal and human rights laws and check the feasibility of the implementation of Uniform Civil Code including all the religions in the Indian regulatory landscape.



# Note by the Director



At St. Joseph's College of Law (SJCL), administered by the Bangalore Jesuit Education Society (BJES), our aim is to enable socially conscious lawyers who have a fine balance of knowledge, ethics, and competence who can contribute to strengthening the judiciary system and practice in India as well as internationally. The core value of our institution is to work for the most vulnerable and marginalized with Constitutional principles of Justice, Equality, and Fraternity as the central Tenet.

By participating in this competition, you will have the opportunity to engage in thought-provoking legal discourse, develop critical thinking skills, and enhance your research and advocacy abilities.

In pursuance of our aims, it is with immense pleasure that St. Joseph's College of Law, presents the 4th SJCL National Moot Court Competition, 2024. We invite your esteemed institution to participate in our Moot Court Competition.

It is our endeavor to create an atmosphere of intellectual exchange and the opportunity to learn court craft through simulated experiences in the competition. We hope to provide a great learning experience to law students across the nation.

Warm regards,  
Rev. Fr. Jerald D'Souza SJ  
Director

# Note by the Principal



Mooting is an attempt to engage the students with the real process of court functioning, this is made possible through the 4th SJCL National Moot Court Competition, 2024. At St. Joseph's College of Law, we believe in equipping our students with the key skills of advocacy. We are keen to produce young lawyers who not only cater to the requirements of the corporate world but are committed to the cause of producing lawyers who may be engineers of social change.

The mooting process helps the student to engage with and think deeply about interesting legal issues. It also enhances their advocacy, legal research, and writing skills. Mooting provides students with a platform to demonstrate their interest in advocacy.



The vision statement of St. Joseph's College of Law aptly titled "Practice law, Promote Justice, Transform Society" captures our efforts in this direction. I am sure that with all our efforts together we can dream of a better world, an equal society that embraces all. I extend a warm welcome to students to participate in the 4th SJCL National Moot Court Competition, 2024.

Warm Regards,  
Dr. Pauline Priya S.  
Principal

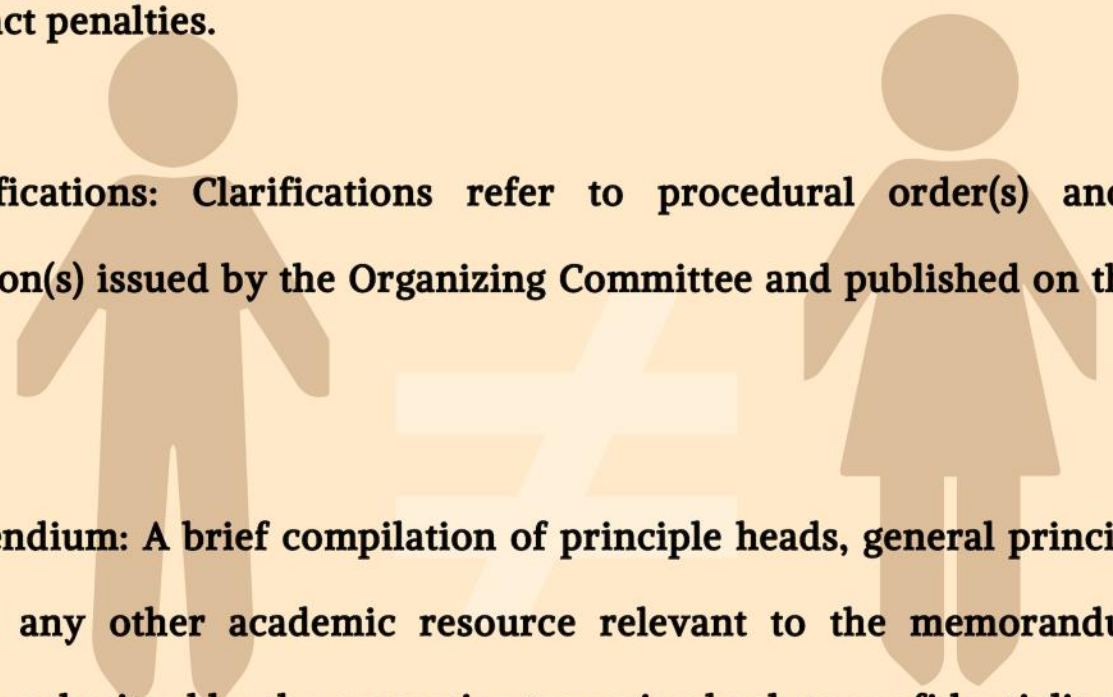
## DEFINITIONS

- 1. Organizing Committee:** The Moot Court Society of St. Joseph's College of Law, Bangalore, members thereof, or any person/persons appointed for the administration of this moot court competition.
- 2. Petitioner:** Petitioner means the side that argues on behalf of Petitioner at any given point in the competition.
- 3. Respondent:** Respondent means the side that argues on behalf of Respondent at any given point in the competition.
- 4. INR:** Indian Rupee.
- 5. Memorandum:** Memorandum means the written arguments submitted by each team.
- 6. Penalty:** Penalty refers to deductions imposed on the memorandum scores of a participating team for non-compliance with the rules mentioned herewith.
- 7. Rebuttals:** Rebuttals refers to the arguments presented by Petitioner in response to Respondent's submissions at the end of the main pleadings of all the speakers.
- 8. Sur-rebuttals:** Sur-rebuttals refer to the defense presented by the Respondents to the rebuttals.







**9. Scouting:** Scouting refers to the practice whereby any person observes the Oral Rounds of a team other than the team such person is associated with. Such scouting by the participants shall be invigilated seriously by the organizers and shall attract penalties.



**10. Clarifications:** Clarifications refer to procedural order(s) and/or any clarification(s) issued by the Organizing Committee and published on the official website.

**11. Compendium:** A brief compilation of principle heads, general principles, case laws and any other academic resource relevant to the memorandum to be physically submitted by the respective teams in absolute confidentiality.





# 4th National Moot Court Competition 2024

## Proposition

1. The Republic of Aranyaraj is the largest democracy in the world. The preamble of the constitution of Aranyaraj declares the country to be a Sovereign, Socialist, Secular, Democratic, Republic. The demography of Aranyaraj comprises people from various religions, castes, ethnicity, and social strata. Each of the communities, tribes based upon religion and geography have different customary laws when it comes to the matters of Marriage, Divorce, Inheritance, Adoption and other family laws. This has resulted in hardship for the women in certain communities as there are still some communities which adhere to age-old tradition and customs.

2. The Republic of Aranyaraj grants its people right to religion as a matter of constitutional right which allows the individual communities right to carry out the age-old practices without being questioned or challenged in the court of law subject to reasonable restrictions. However, recently the court has taken more of a constitutional stance when determining the validity of the customary laws, it has tried to distinguish the general practices within the religion from essential religious practices, at times preferring the latter over the former.

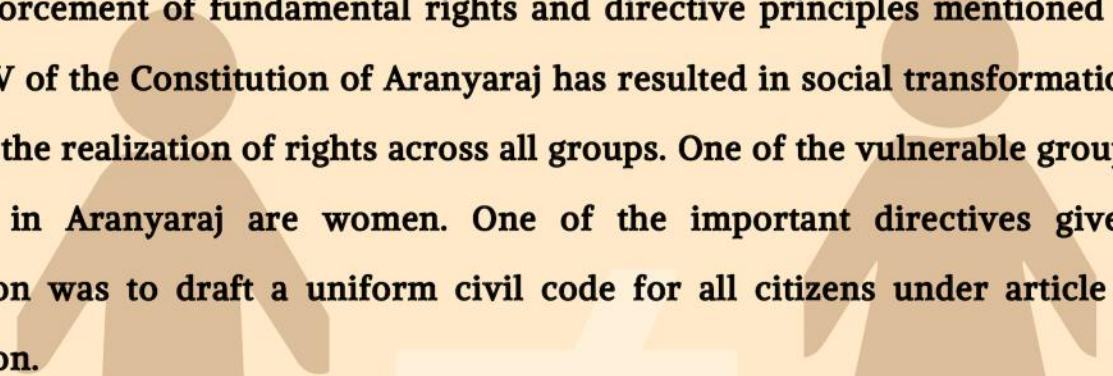
3. The major part of the territory of Aranyaraj was administered by the United Kingdom of Targareyan whereas the remaining portions were administered by the Dothraki Republic and Republic of Lannister until the independence of Aranyaraj in mid 20th century. When the United Kingdom of Targareyan decided to not interfere with the application of personal laws, the Dothraki Republic had decided to implement a uniform civil code for all individuals residing in its territory known as Goaxim, Damao, Dui and Didra Nagra.





The Republic of Lannister had given an option to the residents of Pondiville to choose between the Lannister Civil Code and Customary Law.


4. Therefore, there is no consistent law in the Republic of Aranyaraj that governs familial relationships cutting across the different ethnicities and religions.

5. The enforcement of fundamental rights and directive principles mentioned in Part III and Part IV of the Constitution of Aranyaraj has resulted in social transformation thereby leading to the realization of rights across all groups. One of the vulnerable groups that are identified in Aranyaraj are women. One of the important directives given by the Constitution was to draft a uniform civil code for all citizens under article 44 of the Constitution.

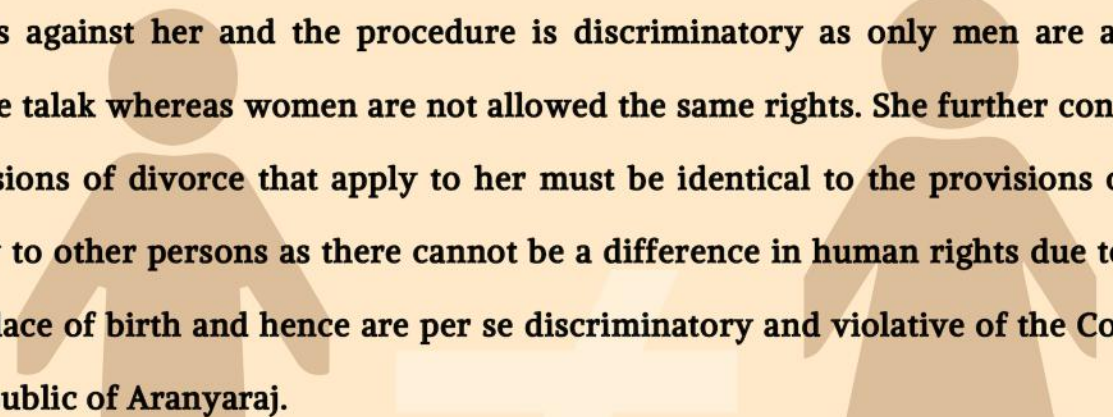


6. Aranyaraj as a nation state is known to have been committed to the cause of Human rights. It had adopted the principles specified in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights of 1948 into Part III and part IV of its Constitution. Similarly, they have also ratified the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966) and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and cultural Rights (1966). Pursuant to the objective of realizing the rights of women, the State has signed and ratified the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (hereafter referred to as CEDAW) of 1979 and the Convention on the Rights of the Child (hereafter referred to as CRC) of 1989.







7. In this background, Safoora is a Muslim woman who was born and brought up in Kudla where the provisions of the Shariat Act 1937 was applicable. She was married in the year 2017 to her husband who is also a Muslim where the Shariat Act 1937 is still applicable. Her husband pronounced Talak-a-Hasan upon her in the year 2022. She filed a petition in the High Court of Vijayanagara challenging the provisions of customary law as violative of the Constitution. She contends that customary law does not provide her the right to defend the allegations against her and the procedure is discriminatory as only men are allowed to pronounce talak whereas women are not allowed the same rights. She further contends that the provisions of divorce that apply to her must be identical to the provisions of divorce that apply to other persons as there cannot be a difference in human rights due to religion, sex and place of birth and hence are per se discriminatory and violative of the Constitution of the Republic of Aranyaraj.



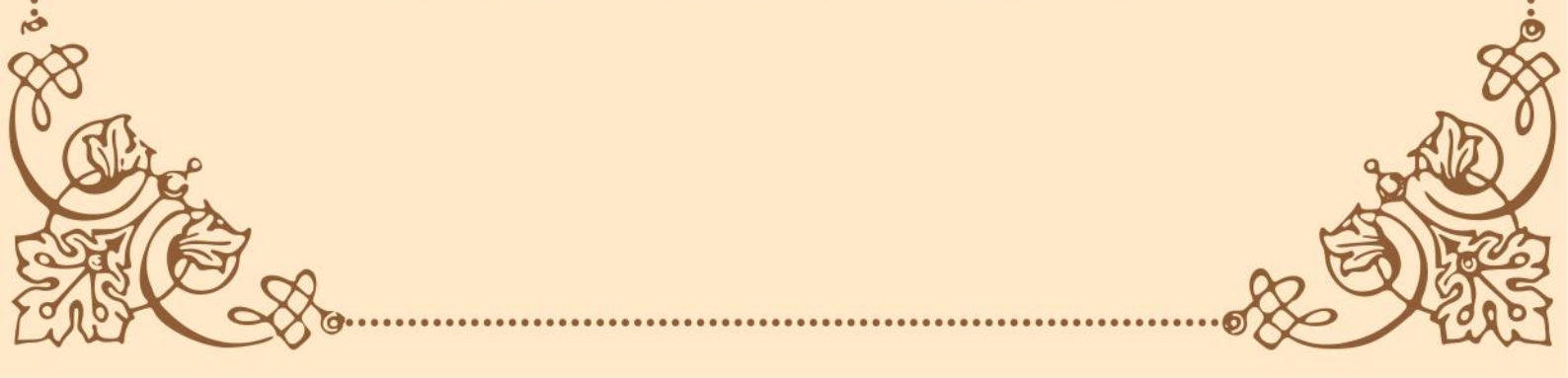
8. Senora belongs to the Nishi tribe in Arnichal Pradesh by birth. She resided with her parents and two elder brothers at Utnagar. Upon the death of her father who was the sole breadwinner of her family in the year 2023, she was denied the right to inheritance of the estate of her late father. The estate was distributed among her brothers according to the provisions of customary law. She filed a petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of Aranyaraj in the High Court of Issam contending that the provisions of customary law are discriminatory in nature against women and violative of the fundamental rights as guaranteed under the Constitution of Aranyaraj.






She contends that her late father's property must be distributed equally among her mother and all children therefore dividing all estate into four equal portions. One of the grounds she contends that this discrimination would not have happened had she been born as a man.

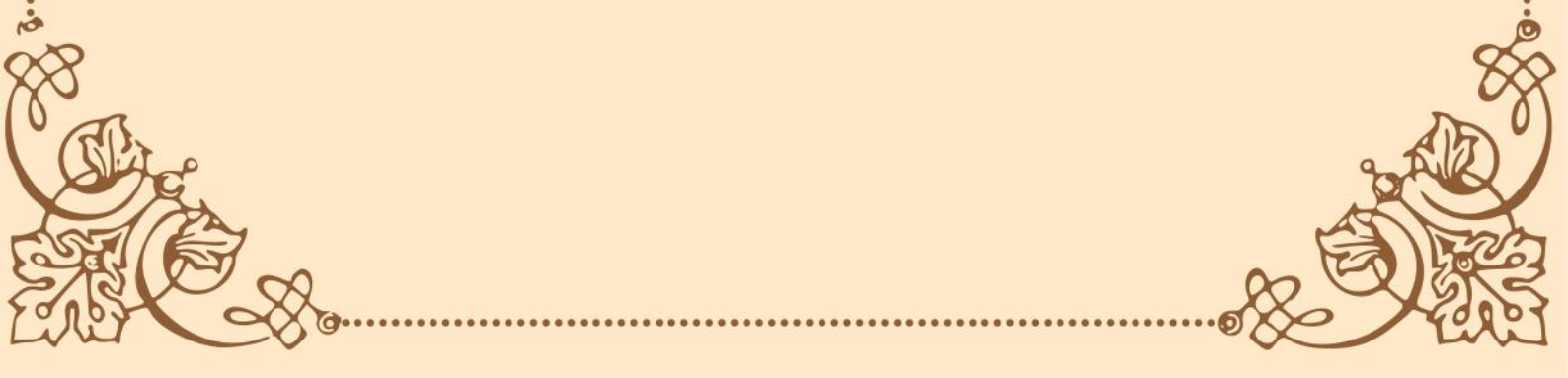
9. Raj, a Hindu and Rachel, a Christian were an interfaith couple in a live-in relationship for a period of 7 years. They reside in the city of Tarus in the State of Gajarat. Due to fear of the society, stigma they face from their families, and stringent anti-conversion laws enacted by that province, they decide not to formally register their marriage and stay as a Live-in-couple. After knowing their relationship, Raj's family disowned him and actively cut off all ties with him. Subsequent to the same, they purchased an apartment by contributing equally to the expenses in procuring the same. In 2017 together they welcomed a daughter Roxana and after a while Rachel decides to take over the responsibility of being a homemaker therefore resigns from her job. However, in a cruel twist of fate, Raj met with a fatal accident in the year 2022 while returning home from his office. Upon knowing the death of Raj, his family members come to the city of Tarus. At that point in time, the family of Raj humiliates Rachel and declares that they will not consider her as the spouse of Raj as their relationship was not a marriage and according to them Roxana and her daughter cannot be considered as a legal heir.

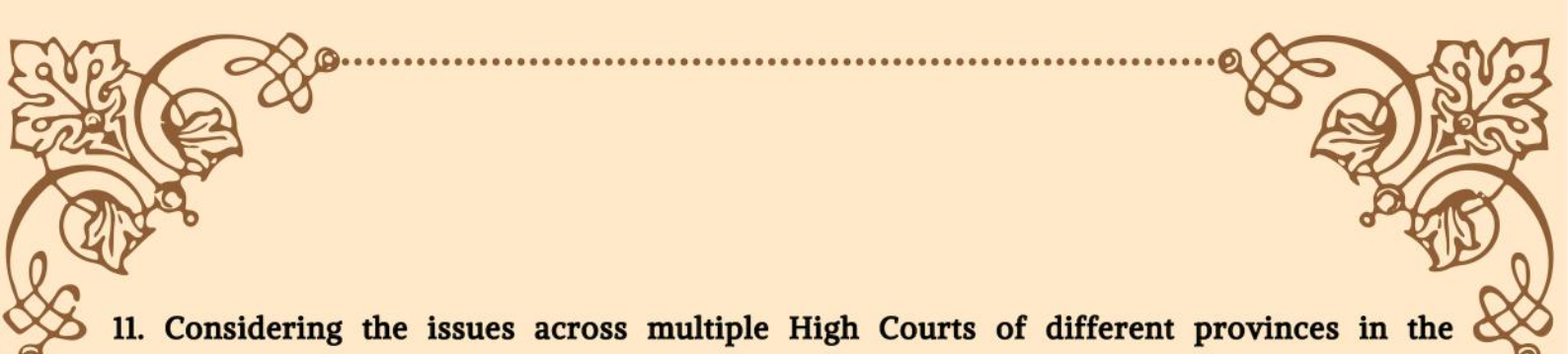




They eventually deny the rights of succession to Rachel and Roxana on the ground that their relationship is not recognized in the eyes of law. Aggrieved by this situation, she approached the High Court of Gujarat, seeking the right of succession for herself and her daughter. She also contended that because there is no dignity given to the choices of herself and her partner enforced through law, she and her daughter have to suffer the ridicule and be destitute. She further contends that the right to have a family should not be within the strict confines of marriage and her cohabitation with Raj must lead to a presumption of marriage and therefore allow her to inherit the estate of Raj in the same capacity as a legally wedded wife.

10. Considering the problems that surfaced in the application of different customary laws, Kedarkhand, one of the Provinces of Aranyaraj enacted the Uniform Civil Code for Kedarkhand in the year 2024. This has led to apprehensions by certain religious communities in Kedarkhand primarily contending that such a uniform civil code is violative of the fundamental rights guaranteed to them under the Constitution. These communities have filed multiple writ petitions in the High Court of Kedarkhand with these contentions.

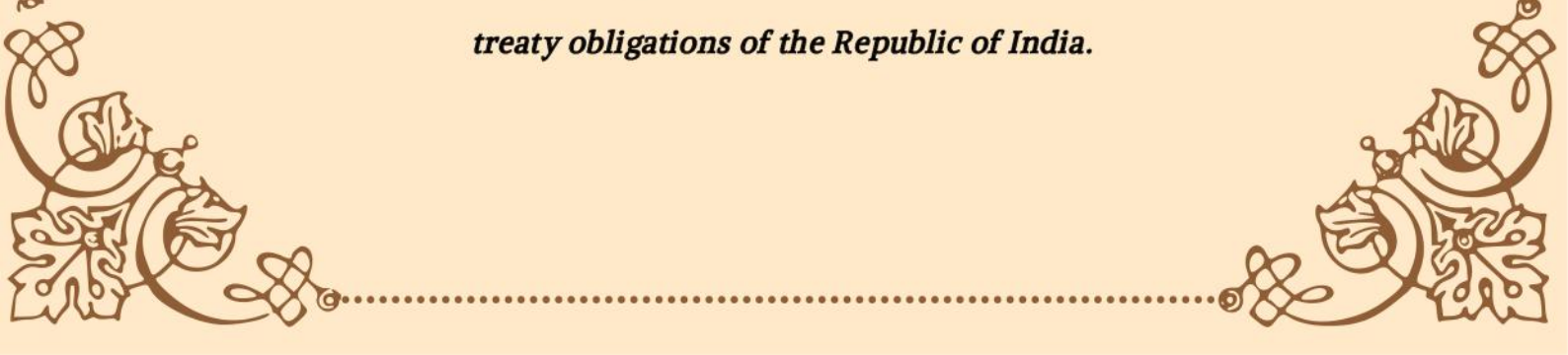




11. Considering the issues across multiple High Courts of different provinces in the Republic of Aranyaraj, an NGO named (Khawateen-o-Samanadhikar), an organization constituted exclusively for promoting the cause of equal rights of men and women, files a petition under Article 32 of the Constitution to consider all the rights associated with both men and women in the context of divorce, succession and mutual rights of inheritance as there are inconsistencies in the law that applies in different regions and communities that reside in the state and the laws that are enforceable in certain provinces across communities are violative of Article 15 of the Constitution.

12. Upon receipt of the petition, the Honourable Supreme Court of the Republic of Aranyaraj accepted the contention of the Petitioners to hear the issues and invoked its powers under Article 139A of the Constitution to transfer all proceedings pending before various High Courts in the nation to conclusively decide upon the constitutionality of the various provisions of customary law and legislations in the context of equal rights of men and women. Notices were served to the standing Counsels of all provinces and Union territories including Pondiville and Goaxim to analyze the viability of the provisions of a Uniform law that is enforceable throughout the territory of Aranyaraj in matters of divorce, succession and mutual rights of inheritance.

*Note: The laws enforceable in the Republic of Aranyaraj are pari materia with those in the Republic of India. The treaty obligations of the Republic of Aranyaraj are identical to the treaty obligations of the Republic of India.*



## **Issues**

- 1. Whether forms of divorce as prescribed under the customary law vis-à-vis the provisions of the Constitution of Aranyaraj?**
- 2. Whether the law passed by Kedharkhand is violative of Part III of the Constitution of Aranyaraj?**
- 3. Whether the succession laws and inheritance laws based on personal laws are arbitrary and violative of the dignity of women vis-à-vis the constitution of Aranyaraj?**
- 4. Whether partners in a live-in relationship are entitled to mutual rights of inheritance in parity with spouses in any form of marriage under the constitution and their respective personal laws?**



## **PARTICIPATION AND ELIGIBILITY**

### **Eligibility**

Participation is open to all law students (3 years LL. B or 5 years LL. B integrated course) or any equivalent law program from any law college/department/university recognized by the Bar Council of India.

### **Team composition**

- **Team Registration:** Only one team per institution may register for the competition.
- **Team Dynamics:** Teams shall comprise a maximum of three members, wherein two members shall perform the role of a speaker, and one member shall perform the role of a researcher.
- **Disclosure of Identity:** Teams shall not disclose the identity of their institution; such disclosure shall invite penalties, including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the Organizing Committee. The Teams will be given Team codes after completion of the registration process.

## **REGISTRATION PROCESS**

**The registration fees for the event:**

**without accommodation – ₹ 5000**

**with accommodation – ₹ 8000**

**Please note that the option of accommodation is not  
available for institutions in Bangalore Urban and  
Bangalore Rural.**

The registration shall be initiated in the following manner:

1. The link below will direct the participants to the Google folder for details such as Rules, a Registration form with a travel plan, and a Google form to register.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1QpL6TX7VEGEnZwKU9wkEeVolS6-4OR2S?usp=sharing>

2. The participants must upload the filled Registration Form, Bona fide letter, and Payment Receipt in the Google Form.

[NOTE: - Please find the required forms in the link attached above]

3. The participant's Email Id recorded in the Google Form will be the point of contact for the competition.

4. The institutions can also provisionally register by emailing to [mca@sjcl.edu.in] with the subject "Name of the Institution\_Provisional\_NMCCSJCL". (Please note that emails without this subject shall not be considered as provisional registration.)

5. The Institutions provisionally registering must register through the Google Form with the team details and payment within 3 working days. Further queries can be addressed to mca@sjcl.edu.in with the subject "QUERY\_REG/ACCOM/OTHER"

#### **PAYMENT FOR REGISTRATION**

- Inclusive of Accommodation - <https://rzp.io/l/VnnwU0FS>
- Exclusive of Accommodation - <https://rzp.io/l/la89ZaX>

# AWARDS

S.No	Category	Prize Money
1	Winners	₹ 50,000/-
2	1st Runner Up	₹ 30,000/-
3	2nd Runners-up	₹ 20,000/-
4	Best Memorandum	₹ 15,000/-
5	Fr. Praveen Hrudayaraj Best Speaker Award	₹ 15,000/-
6	Best Researcher	₹ 15,000/-

Every winning category will get a Trophy and Certificate along with the Prize money.

Every Participating Team will get a "Certificate of Participation"

# MEMORANDUM GUIDELINES

## Contents of Memorandum


The Memorandum is required to contain the following sections:

1. Cover Page
2. Table of Contents
3. Table of Abbreviations
4. Index of Authorities
5. Statement of Jurisdiction
6. Statement of Facts (Maximum of 2 pages)
7. Issues Raised
8. Summary of Arguments
9. Arguments Advanced
10. Prayer

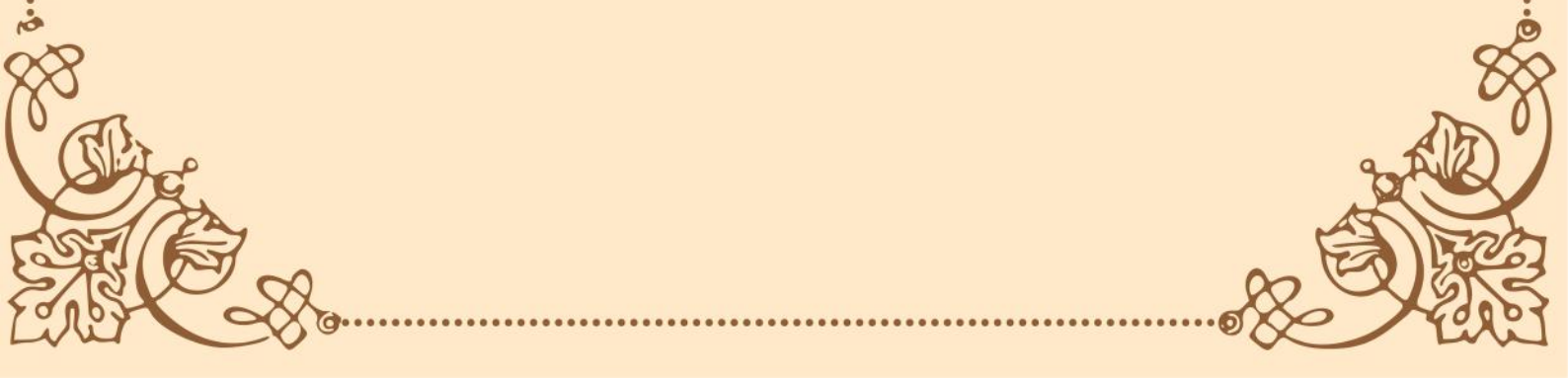
- The section on Summary of Arguments Advanced, Prayer shall not exceed 30 pages. Non-compliance shall result in a penalty of 1 point for every additional page.
- The memorandum shall not exceed 40 pages, including the cover page.
- Non-compliance shall result in a penalty of 2 points for every additional page.
- The citation format should follow the 21st edition of the Bluebook. Speaking footnotes and endnotes are not allowed. Non-compliance shall result in a penalty of 1 point for each error.
- The Cover page of the memorandum must contain the team registration code in the upper right-hand corner, followed by a 'P' for the Petitioner's Memorandum and 'R' for Respondent's Memorandum. Non-compliance shall result in a penalty of 1 point.

## **Format of Memorandum**

- 1. All soft copies of the Memorandum submitted must be in Microsoft Word Document format (.doc/.docx) and PDF Format.**
- 2. Each Memorandum should be contained in a single file with the name of the file being the allocated team code followed by the name of the side whose arguments are presented in that Memorandum, i.e., 'Petitioner' or 'Respondent'. For instance, the Petitioner memorandum of team code '25' should be named "Memorandum for Petitioner - TC 25".**
- 3. All pages of the Memorandum must be of A4 size, with a 1-inch margin on each side. The font style and size of the text of all parts of the Memorandum, excluding the Cover Page, shall be Times New Roman, font size 12, with 1.5-line spacing. The Footnotes shall be in Times New Roman, font size 10, single line spacing. The memorandums must be spiral-bound.**
- 4. All the memorials need to be printed on one side in A4 size sheets.**

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5. Participating teams must comply with the clause of anonymity as is mandated. The memorandum must at no stage reveal the name of the participants, the institution, or any personal details of the teams.
  6. During offline registration, Each team should submit 5 Hard copies of the Memorandum for both Respondent and Petitioner on July 12th, 2024.

#### **Penalties for non-compliance with memorandum format**

1. A penalty of 1 point per hour shall be imposed for any submission made past the deadline specified.
  2. Non-compliance with rules (1) and (2) shall result in a penalty of 5 points.
  3. Non-compliance with rule (3) shall result in a penalty of 1 point per error.
  4. Non-Compliance with rule (4) shall lead to immediate disqualification.
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## CRITERIA OF MEMORANDUM EVALUATION

S.No	Parameter	Marks
1.	Logical Progression of Ideas	10
2.	Originality in Analysis and Arguments	10
3	Understanding Essential Legal Issues Presented	10
4	Clear, Concise and Unambiguous Writing Styles	10
5.	Forceful and Persuasive Presentation	10
6	Integration of Facts into Legal Arguments	10
7	Understanding and Analysis of Authority	10
8	Proper Use of Citations and Citation Format	10
9	Effective Use of Authority to Support Arguments	10
10.	Neatness, Legibility and Formatting	10
	<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>



## JUDGING CRITERIA FOR ORAL ROUNDS

1. The decision of the judges shall be final and binding.
2. The Teams shall be evaluated in the oral rounds based on the criteria mentioned below.

S. No.	Parameter	Marks
1	Knowledge of Law and Facts	10
2	Appreciation and Application of Facts	10
3	Interpretation and Application of Facts	10
4	Use of Authorities	10
5	Response to Questions	10
6	Organisation of Arguments	10
7	Clarity of Thought and Expression	10
8	Argumentative Skills and Creativity	10
9	Reference to Written Submissions in the course of Oral Pleadings	10
10	Court Mannerism	10
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

## RESEARCHER'S TEST

1. Team members who have registered as Researcher, shall have a Researcher's test.
2. There shall be 50 objective-type questions. The test will be for a duration of 30 minutes.
3. Researchers are individually assessed, based on their performance in the Researcher's test. The Award for Best Researcher shall be decided by this rank list.
4. In case of a tie for the Best Researcher Award the Researchers' scores will be calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{[Memorial Score of the Team + Marks Obtained in Researcher's Test} \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad = \text{Final Score]} \end{aligned}$$

5. Researchers shall attend the oral rounds with the speakers.
6. The Researcher's test scores will be used as a tie breaker for other awards.

## **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

Soft copy of the Petitioner and Respondent Memorandum shall be uploaded via

Google form in both .pdf and .doc/.docx format -

<https://forms.gle/4bj9coq5kq7BZHt78>

Participants can communicate their clarification(s) via the Google Form -

<https://forms.gle/wpesYhgbsWzic4Ca8>

### **Dress Code:**

The Participants must be dressed in formal courtroom attire for all event days.

The participants must always wear the Identity card provided during registration.

- Girls- White Collar Shirts, Black Trousers, Black Blazers, Black Shoes.
- Boys- White Collar Shirts, Black Trousers, Black Blazers, Black Shoes.

## ORAL ROUNDS

### General procedure:

**Number of Rounds:** The oral rounds shall be conducted in offline mode at the venue and shall comprise five rounds in total:

- 1.Preliminary Rounds (Round 1 and Round 2).**
- 2.Octa-Round.**
- 3.Quarter-Final Round.**
- 4.Semi-Final Round.**
- 5.Final Round.**

- **The team representing Petitioner shall submit their arguments first, followed by the team representing Respondent. Upon completion of the arguments, Petitioner shall have the option of submitting rebuttals, followed by Respondent.**
- **Sur-rebuttals shall be permitted for the same duration as the rebuttals. No submissions will be allowed after sur- rebuttals for either of the teams.**
- **The student counsels shall not state their names and/or any personal details during the oral rounds. They are also not allowed to reveal their Institution's name and must use the Team Code.**

## **Procedures for Oral Submission**

### **Time Division**

The division of time between the two speakers is up to the team's discretion; however, each speaker must speak for a minimum of 7 minutes.

### **Communication to the Organizing Committee:**

Before the Oral Round, teams must inform the organizers about the time division between (i) the first speaker, (ii) the second speaker, and (iii) the rebuttal (for Petitioner) or sur – rebuttal (for Respondent).

### **Compendium**

1. It is not mandatory to submit a compendium, but if a team chooses to do so, it is mandatory to do so in a hard copy, and the guidelines for the same are as follows:
2. The Compendium can be presented at the discretion of the Judge. If permitted, it must happen 10 minutes before the beginning of the rounds.
3. The compendium for the book/case or any other resource shall be cited on the first page of the resource and the relevant pages only. For instance, for citing a paragraph(s) from a case X v. Y, the first page of the case, followed by relevant pages, shall be cited for this part of the compendium.
4. The responsibility of making a coherent, accessible compendium folder lies with the teams. Teams are also expected to make an index for their compilation.

## PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

- 1. Details of the Round:** There shall be two preliminary rounds: Rounds 1 and 2
- 2. Each team shall argue in both rounds from both sides. Teams will argue once as a Petitioner and once as Respondent.**
- 3. Determination of Fixtures:** The Draw of Lots system shall determine the match-ups.
- 4. Adjudging Bench:** No team shall face the same bench more than once in the preliminary rounds.
- 5. Oral Arguments:**
  - The oral arguments should not extend beyond the issues in the memorandums.
  - Each team shall be allotted 15 minutes to present their case; this shall include time allotted for arguments advanced, rebuttals, and surrebuttals
- 6. The researcher is also required to attend the oral rounds.**
- 7. Evaluation of Rounds:** The aggregate score for both the rounds, shall be tabulated, and the teams securing the top 16 ranks shall qualify for the Octa-Rounds.

## OCTA-ROUND

- 1. Details of the Round:** Teams with the top 16 ranks from the Preliminary Rounds, shall qualify for the Octa-Round.
- 2. Determination of Fixtures:** The Draw of Lots system shall determine the match-ups.
- 3. Adjudging Bench:** No team shall face the same bench more than once in the rounds.
- 4. Oral Arguments:**
  - The oral arguments should not extend beyond the issues in the memorandums.
  - Each team shall be allotted 20 minutes to present their case; this shall include time allotted for arguments advanced, rebuttals, and surrebuttals
  - The researcher is also required to attend the oral rounds.
- 5. Evaluation of Rounds:** The cumulative score shall be tabulated, and the teams that secure the highest scores in each court hall shall qualify for the Quarter-Final Rounds.

## QUARTER-FINAL ROUND

**1. Details of the Round:** The teams who have secured the highest scores “in each court hall of the Octa Rounds”, based upon Knockout shall qualify for the quarter final Rounds.

**2. Determination of Fixtures:** The Draw of Lots system shall determine the match-ups.

**3. Oral Arguments:**

- The oral arguments should not extend beyond the issues in the memorandums.
- Each team shall be allotted 25 minutes to present their case; this shall include time allotted for arguments advanced, rebuttals and surrebuttals.
- The researcher is also required to attend the oral rounds.

**4. Evaluation of Rounds:** The cumulative score shall be tabulated, and the teams that secure the highest scores in each court hall shall qualify for the Semi Final Rounds.



## **SEMI – FINAL ROUND**

**1. Details of the Round:** The teams with the highest scores, “in each court hall of the quarter final rounds”, based upon Knockout shall qualify for the Semi-Final Rounds. In case of a tie, the scores of the memorandum will be used to evaluate the teams.

**2. Determination of Fixtures:** The Draw of Lots system shall determine the matchups.

**3. Oral Arguments:**

- The oral arguments should not extend beyond the issues in the memorandums.
- Each team shall be allotted 30 minutes to present their case; this shall include time
- Allotted for arguments advanced, rebuttals, and surrebuttals.
- The researcher is also required to attend the oral rounds.

**4. Evaluation of Rounds:** The cumulative score shall be tabulated, and the teams that secure the highest scores in each court hall shall qualify for the Final Rounds.

**5. The second runner up** will be ascertained by considering the team that secured the highest scores out of the teams that could not qualify for the final round.

## FINAL ROUND

1. **Details of the Round:** Two teams with the highest scores, in each court hall of the semi-final round, based upon Knockout, marks shall qualify for the finals. In case of a tie, the scores of the memorandum will be used to evaluate the teams.

2. **Determination of Fixtures:** The Draw of Lots system shall determine the match-ups.

3. **Oral Arguments:**

- Each team shall be allotted 40 minutes to present their case, including time allotted for advanced arguments, rebuttals and surrebuttals.
- The oral arguments should not extend beyond the issues in the memorandums.
- The researcher is also required to attend the oral rounds.

4. **Evaluation of Rounds:** The team securing the highest marks in the Final Round shall be declared the competition's winner. In case of a tie, the memorandum scores shall be used to declare the Winner.

5. **The Second Runner-up** will be ascertained by considering the team that secured the highest scores out of the teams that could not qualify for the final round.

## MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. Participants at all times are expected to keep their devices on full charge with adequate network range for instant updates outside the court halls.**
- 2. Participants must strictly adhere to the Dress Code rules mentioned under General Procedure.**
- 3. The Organising Committee reserves the right to amend, modify, change, or repeal any of the Competition Rules. The Organising Committee shall communicate any changes made in the Competition Rules to the teams.**
- 4. The Organising Committee reserves the right to decide on any matter not mentioned in the Competition Rules. Any such decision taken by the OC shall be final and binding.**
- 5. The Organising Committee reserves the right to interpret any of the Rules of the Competition. Such interpretation shall be final and binding.**
- 6. If any team member is notified or informed of any detail or information concerning the Competition, it shall be deemed as if the said team has been duly notified or informed.**
- 7. All participating teams will be provided with a Certificate of participation.**

# IMPORTANT DATES

<b>Release of Proposition</b>	<b>May 23rd, 2024</b>
<b>Last Date of Registration and Payment of Registration Fee</b>	<b>June 5th, 2024</b>
<b>Last date for Queries regarding the Problem</b>	<b>June 7th, 2024</b>
<b>Release Of Clarifications</b>	<b>June 10th, 2024</b>
<b>Last date of submission of Moot Memorials (Soft Copy)</b>	<b>June 25th, 2024</b>
<b>Last date for Submission of Moot Memorials (Hard Copy)</b>	<b>July 12th, 2024</b>
<b>Inaugural Ceremony</b>	<b>July 12th, 2024</b>
<b>Researchers Test</b>	<b>July 12th, 2024</b>
<b>Prelims Rounds, Octa Round &amp; Quarter Finals</b>	<b>July 13th, 2024</b>
<b>Semi Final Round, Final Round and Valedictory Ceremony</b>	<b>July 14th, 2024</b>

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