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FIRST VIRTUAL

PROF. ANIL KUMAR THAKUR MEMORIAL NATIONAL DEBATE COMPETITION

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THEME- SOCIAL MEDIA AND RIGHT TO PRIVACY



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Department of Laws, originally established in 1889 at Lahore, was re-established at University Campus at Chandigarh in 1959. Its Alumni includes Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts, Union Cabinet Ministers, Chief Ministers, Cabinet Ministers, Ambassadors, Senior Bureaucrats, Police Officers and other legal luminaries. The Department is the proud alma mater of three Chief Justices of India, a large number of Chief Justices of various High Courts, members of subordinate judiciary, civil servants, law officers and members of the legal profession. The number of its alumni, which rose to the bench of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and in many High Courts of this country, is too large to mention.

The Department always strives to create new opportunities for its students. The Department provides practical training to the students to hone their skills in various fields for overall development of personality such as-in the arena of Debate, Moot Court, Client Counselling, etc. by organising various competitions and seminars.

About the Competition

The Department has the practice of conducting series of special lectures in memory of Justice Mehr Chand Mahajan and S. Ajit Singh Sarhadi to acknowledge their contributions in the field of law. As a sequel to such prestigious memorial lectures, the Department of Laws is organising its First Prof. Anil Kumar Thakur Memorial National Debate Competition in the online mode to pay homage to our dear colleague, who left us for heavenly abode very untimely. A very humble and down to earth human being, very progressive and a brilliant teacher, and a very passionate debater who always motivated and guided the students to participate in debates. In order to keep his passion for debating alive, the Department of Laws take pride in announcing that this debate competition will be an annual feature.

Late Dr. Anil Kumar Thakur was one of the eminent Professor of Department of Laws in the field of Constitutional Law, Law and Economics and Jurisprudence. The COVID 19 catastrophe will never be forgotten as it took away from us such an eminent legal scholar and a humble, hardworking and empathetic person. His untimely demise has created void not only in the Department but also in the life of his colleagues and students.

Theme and Topic

Law is the norm of society and every individual is associated with it, thus, the topic of the competition is also relevant to the current social circumstances, which follow as

“Social Media and Right to Privacy”

We hope that through this platform, students get an opportunity to share their thoughts related to the burning socio-legal topic.

Eligibility

Any student from any discipline is eligible to take part in this competition.
The Students from The Department of Laws are not eligible to participate.

Language

This is an online debate competition and the medium of communication for this debate shall be English only.

Prizes & Perks

Winner Team : Cash Prize of **INR 4000/-** and E-Certificate of Merit.
Runner Up Team : Cash Prize of **INR 2000/-** and E-Certificate of Merit.
Best Team : Cash Prize of **INR 1500/-** and E-Certificate of Merit.
Best Debater : Cash Prize of **INR 1000/-** and E-Certificate of Merit.

Winner and Runner-up prize will be awarded based on the total team marks given by the judges. Cash prizes will be given online transfer within a span of two days.

Best team and Debater will be decided based on the marks awarded by the judges on the basis of all rounds based on all parameters.

Perks

1. E-certificate of Participation to all participants who have participated in allocated rounds and attended final round.

Date and Time:

Date: 15 March, 2022.

	Preliminary	Semi Final	Final
Time	10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	12:00 PM to 01:30 PM	2:30 PM to 4:00 PM

Rules and Regulations & Team Composition:

1. Each team should comprise of two members. Single member team would be considered as disqualified team.
2. Team should prepare from both side of the motion. Motion would be assigned to the team prior to commencement of round in the online room.
3. Only 24 teams shall be considered for Preliminary Round of the Debate Competition based on first come first registered basis. First Come First Registered means the first duly completed registration form reaching on or before the last date of registration till 12:00PM.
4. Out of 24, top scoring 12 teams shall be advanced to Semi-Final round and top scoring 02 Teams shall be advanced to Final round.

For Preliminary Round:

1. There shall be 'two team login' on a link provided to the registered mail id of the team. Out of these two teams, one would be 'For' the motion and another would be against the motion.
2. Both the speakers of a team should speak for assigned motion.
3. Each Speaker will be given 4 minutes to speak.
4. There shall be intimation after 3 minutes and then another after 4 minutes for time up, next speaker of same team shall proceed after this.
5. After both the members of a team have finished, the Judge / Panel of Judges will have 4 minutes which can be utilised in any of the following ways:
 - a. Ask questions individually to both members of the team;
 - b. Address questions collectively to both speakers;
 - c. Ask the opposite team to ask questions (rebuttal)
6. After this the next team shall proceed.

For Semi Final Round:

1. There shall be 'two team login' on a link provided to the registered mail id of the team. Out of these two teams, one would be 'For' the motion and another would be against the motion.
2. Both the speakers of a team should speak for assigned motion.
3. Each Speaker will be given 5 minutes to speak.
4. There shall be intimation after 4 minutes and then another after 5 minutes for time up, next speaker of same team shall proceed after this.
5. After both the members of a team have finished, the Judge / Panel of Judges will have 5 minutes which can be utilised in any of the following ways:
 - a. Ask questions individually to both members of team;
 - b. Address questions collectively to both speakers;
 - c. Ask the opposite team to ask questions (rebuttal)
6. After this the next team shall proceed.

For Final Round:

1. There shall be 'two team login' on a link provided to the registered mail id of the team. Out of these two teams, one would be 'For' the motion and another would be against the motion.
2. Both the speakers of a team should speak for assigned motion.
3. Each Speaker will be given 8 minutes to speak.
4. There shall be intimation after 6 minutes and then another after 8 minutes for time up, next speaker of same team shall proceed after this.
5. After both the members of a team have finished, the Judge / Panel of Judges will have 5 minutes which can be utilised in any of the following ways:
 - a. Ask questions individually to both members of team;
 - b. Address questions collectively to both speakers;
 - c. Ask the opposite team to ask questions (rebuttal)
6. After this the next team shall proceed.

TIE Breaker Round:

1. For tie breaking in Preliminary round, the team scoring more in knowledge and question answer parameter would be considered as advanced to Semi Final round.
2. For tie breaking in Semi Final round, the team scoring more in knowledge and question answer parameter in Preliminary round and this round would be considered as advanced to Final Round.
3. For tie breaking in Final round, additional question and answer round would be held for breaking the tie.

General Rules applied to all rounds:

1. The competition will be held online via **Google Meet**; therefore participants should make sure that the supporting equipment and devices are available (Laptop/PC with a functioning camera and speaker, microphone, and internet connection). The equipment needed will not be provided by the organiser.
2. During the competition, the microphone of all the participants should be on mute. Participants are only allowed to unmute the microphone when presenting. Disturbance caused may lead to disqualification.
3. Participants should change their name on the online platform into (Name) _ (Institution). (e.g. ABC_PanjabUni)
4. To make sure all participants are audible before the competition starts, there will be a microphone checking session.
5. During the competition, the registered participants cannot be represented by anyone else, or otherwise will be disqualified.
6. If there are technical difficulties (such as any errors in microphones/speakers or troubled internet connection) or should any problems arise during the performance of the participants, to which there is no fault of the participants, then the organiser might allow a restart with the discretion of the organiser and with the approval of the judges.
7. Every participant should be present punctually, at least 15 (fifteen) minutes before the competition starts. We do not compromise any tardiness. If the participant is late to be present, then the organiser will decide unilaterally to disqualify the participants from the competition.
8. During presentation, strict adherence of the time limits shall be observed otherwise there shall be deduction of 2 marks wholly on extending every single minute.
9. Use of unparliamentarily language or shouting shall lead to disqualification.
10. Use of Unfair Means would lead to disqualification of team. Furthermore, all perks would be forfeited.
11. Paper reading will lead to deduction of marks. However, reference to paper material is allowed.
12. No objections shall be entertained as the decision of Judge shall be final and binding.

Marking and Evaluation Parameters:

Content	Marks
Content Quality	10
Knowledge of Subject	10
Confidence	05
Command on Language	05
Time Management	05
Question and Answer	05
Dress Code and Conduct of member	10
Total of each team member	50
Team Total	100

Dress Code:

For Gentlemen and Ladies: Socially Acceptable Professional Attire.

Important Dates

Concerned Deadline	Date
Last Date of Registration	10th March 2022
Date of Event	15th March 2022

Registration Details along with Fee and Payment Details

- Participants have to submit a registration form via below given link along with the payment of Registration fee.
- Registration Fee is **INR 300/- per team**.
- Register here: <https://forms.gle/4XjRK2xBoEAchQKh6>

Payment Details

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