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Late Sri. B. M. Sreenivasaiah
Founder

Sri. B. S. Narayan, the dynamic and enterprising son of the founder, took over the reins of the College after the demise of Sri. B. M. Sreenivasaiah and established the B. M. Sreenivasaiah Educational Trust in the memory of his late father. The B.M.S. Educational Trust runs highly reputed educational institutions imparting quality education in the fields of Law, Science, Engineering, Architecture, Management, Arts and Commerce. The strong alumni of B.M.S. Institutions have enriched communities across the world.



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About The Institution

B.M.S. College of Law was established in 1963 by Sri. B.S. Narayan, Donor Trustee, BMSET, under the aegis of B.M. Sreenivasaiah Educational Trust. The Trust is named after Dharmaparakasha Rajakaryaprasaktha Sri. B.M. Sreenivasaiah, whose vision laid the foundation for the first private Engineering College in the State of Karnataka. The institution is affiliated with Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi and is approved by the Bar Council of India, New Delhi. The college offers B.A., LL.B., B.B.A., LL.B., B.Com., LL.B. and LL.B. (3-Year Degree) courses. The Institution is accredited with a B++ Ranking by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC).

To impart quality legal education, the College provides quality infrastructure with a highly qualified and dedicated faculty committed to providing a world-class learning experience. Eminent alumni of the institution form a strong professional network and work tirelessly to contribute to the institution. Apart from imparting legal education through the prescribed syllabus, the College promotes legal awareness on contemporary issues including intellectual property rights, consumer welfare schemes and women's rights, among the general public through activities and programs undertaken by various cells and committees. The College also regularly organises legal awareness programs, public lectures, walkathons, cleanliness and charity drives and other community engagement activities.



About

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Singhania & Partners LLP, founded in 1999 by Mr. Ravi Singhania, is a leading full-service Indian law firm with offices in New Delhi, Hyderabad, and Bengaluru, supported by a strong global network of international partnerships. The firm is widely recognised for delivering innovative, high-quality, and commercially focused legal solutions and is consistently ranked by leading international legal publications, including Legal 500, IFLR1000, Asialaw, Benchmark Litigation, and Lexology. Its core strengths span corporate & commercial advisory, mergers & acquisitions, banking & finance, project finance, infrastructure, real estate, competition law, foreign direct investment, intellectual property rights, labour & employment, dispute resolution, and litigation, with particular expertise in handling complex, high-value, and cross-border matters.

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BMSCCL Moot Court Society

The Moot Court Society of the College aims to foster students' interests in mooting skills, assist them in learning the nuances of legal research and its practical application, give them a firm grasp on the use of legal research materials and online legal databases, and organise research into concise and persuasive legal arguments on the issues presented in a moot proposition.

The Society periodically holds workshops and training sessions to enhance the students' research, drafting and interfacing skills. It conducts various internal moot court competitions to ensure the students have multiple opportunities to polish their skills and are provided an adequate launchpad to participate in national and international competitions.

The B.M. Sreenivasaiah Memorial Moot Court Competition is a flagship event organised annually by the Society. To continue this legacy, the 11th B.M. Sreenivasaiah Memorial Moot Court Competition is scheduled from 17th to 19th April 2026 to provide a platform for law students nation-wide to hone their research, drafting and interfacing skills in a competitive yet friendly environment.



Invitation

Dear Sir/ Madam,

B.M.S. College of Law takes this opportunity to announce the prestigious B.M. Sreenivasaiah Memorial 11th Moot Court Competition. With the grand success of the previous 10 editions of the Moot Court Competition, B.M.S. College of Law is back with the latest edition scheduled to be held from 17th to 19th April 2026.

The institution has a rich history of promoting experiential learning activities and organises the annual Moot Court Competition to promote essential skills such as research, drafting and interfacing. In this 11th edition of the Competition, the proposition reflects real-life developments in the field of Constitutional Law, focusing on topics such as cooperative federalism and the freedom of expression. The proposition tests the critical thinking, research aptitude and observatory skills of participants. It provides a platform for passionate law students to involve themselves in intellectual discourse, as well as being an excellent networking opportunity.

On behalf of the entire fraternity of B.M.S. College of Law, this invitation is hereby extended to your esteemed institution to participate in the 11th B.M. Sreenivasaiah Memorial Moot Court Competition 2026.

Looking forward to hosting your team for the event.

In case of any further queries, write to us at: mcs@bmscl.ac.in.

Dr. Pratibha Singh

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Important Dates

Date of Release of Proposition and Commencement of Registration	05 February, 2026
Last date for receipt of Provisional Registration through Google form	21 February, 2026
Final Registration and payment of Registration Fee	05 March, 2026
Last date for queries regarding the problem	06 March, 2026
Release of Clarification	09 March, 2026
Last date for submission of Moot Memorials (Soft Copy)	22 March, 2026
Last date to receive a Hard Copy of Memorials, Registration Form, Fee Payment Receipt and Bonafide Certificate	30 March, 2026
Inaugural Program	17 April, 2026
Draw of Lots, Exchange of Memorial for Preliminary Rounds 1 & 2 and Researcher's Test	17 April, 2026
Preliminary Rounds and Quarter-Final Round	18 April, 2026
Semi-Final and Final Rounds	19 April, 2026
Valedictory Program & Prize Distribution	19 April, 2026

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Moot Proposition

The nation of Bharathavarsh prides itself on being a democratic republic and a Union of 28 states, each with its own unique culture and heritage. Having liberated itself from centuries of colonialism and totalitarianism, Bharathavarsh now stands as a vibrant democracy despite constant threats to its sovereignty from hostile neighbouring nations.

The Constitution of Bharathavarsh promotes a federal structure of governance to recognize and foster the development of each of its unique states and to inculcate values of self-governance, while reserving certain quasi-federal characteristics in the interest of national security.

The Conservative Political Party, one of the most influential political parties in Bharathavarsh, has held the majority in the Parliament for decades, being virtually unchallenged at the national level. However, it has been unable to entice the people of the State of Aryavarta, one of the states of Bharathavarsh, where the Government has consistently been formed by the Liberal Political Party, a regional political party in Bharathavarsh. Nevertheless, the ambitions of the Conservative Party burgeoned as it formed its Government in the State of Muryul, a state in Bharathavarsh which shared its state borders with Aryavarta. The states of Aryavarta and Muryul both share international borders with the hostile nation of Gandhar, which makes any policy change in either state directly consequential to the security of the nation of Bharathavarsh and its territorial integrity.

The Union Government and the Government of Muryul demanded that the Government of Aryavarta share its resources, particularly diverting and sharing the waters of the River Trident, which flowed near the state borders of Aryavarta and Muryul, but exclusively within the territory of Aryavarta, in the interest of the welfare of the people of Muryul and to facilitate potential navigational routes for the armed forces. However, this proposition was rejected by the Government of Aryavarta, which resulted in violent clashes near the state borders.

The political state of affairs was polarized further with the passing of the Constitution (One Hundred and Thirtieth Amendment) Act, 2025 ('Amendment') [Annexure 1].

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Mr. Sonam Chanchad, the Chief Minister of Aryavarta, led fierce protests against the said Amendment. At a conference in a spiritual centre, he exclaimed, “The rich culture, heritage and dignity of the people of Aryavarta have been decimated by the Union Government and the Government of Muryul. They have not only exploited us all these years, but now, have also planned to divert the waters of the Holy Trident River and cause a drought-like situation in our state. Though we follow the law of the land, it can probably be stated that the people of the state feel no obeisance to this nation. It should come as no surprise to the Union that if there comes a day when the neighbouring nations invade Bharathavarsh, the people of Aryavarta would hesitate to offer any resistance against the invaders and would rather rejoice at the idea that the Union Government will face the consequences of neglecting this state. Without the support of its people, the military of this nation will crumble within days. A referendum of the people of Aryavarta would probably reveal that they appreciate the policies of the great nation of Gandhar than that of Bharathavarsh”.

Following such remarks by Mr. Chanchad, protests erupted throughout the territory of Bharathavarsh, and subsequently a First Information Report was filed against Mr. Chanchad wherein he faced charges under Sections 152 and 197 of the Bharathavarsh Nyaya Sanhita, 2023. Thereafter, he was arrested in accordance with due procedure and was detained. The duration of the custody of Mr. Chanchad exceeded 31 days and upon his refusal to resign voluntarily, he ceased to be the Chief Minister of Aryavarta in accordance with the newly made Amendment to the Constitution. This led to massive protests in the State of Aryavarta, including destruction of public property, exclamations questioning the independence and the legitimacy of the Judiciary and sloganeering against the Union Government demanding the immediate release of Mr. Chanchad and for the Constitutional Amendment to be repealed.

In view of these developments, on 15.11.2025, the President of Bharathavarsh proclaimed emergency in the State of Aryavarta under Article 356 of the Constitution, stating that the State of Aryavarta cannot be carried on in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution. He further declared that the powers of the Legislature of the State of Aryavarta shall be exercisable by the Parliament as provided under Article 356(1)(b) of the Constitution. The said proclamation of emergency was approved by the Parliament on 01.12.2025.

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Thereafter, the Parliament (exercising the powers of the Legislature of Aryavarta) passed a resolution under Article 252(1) of the Constitution, empowering the Parliament to make law with respect to diverting and sharing the waters of River Trident, including diverting the tributaries of River Trident into the State of Muryul, building canals, water storage facilities and hydro power generation projects on the course of the river benefiting both the states [Annexure 2]. This was followed by a resolution passed by the Legislature of the State of Muryul empowering the Parliament to make laws on the aforesaid matter [Annexure 3].

The protests in the State of Aryavarta further intensified with the passing of said resolutions resulting in civil unrest in certain parts of the state. The President of Bharathavarsh, exercising the powers under Article 123 of the Constitution, promulgated an ordinance, wherein the provisions under the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 ('AFSPA') was extended to the State of Aryavarta [Annexure 4].

Subsequently, after being released on bail, Mr. Chanchad filed a public interest litigation under Article 32 of the Constitution before the Supreme Court of Bharathavarsh, challenging the Constitution (One Hundred and Thirtieth Amendment) Act, 2025, the resolutions passed by the Parliament and the Legislature of Muryul, and the ordinance promulgated under Article 123 of the Constitution to extend the provisions of AFSPA to the State of Aryavarta.

The Supreme Court of Bharathavarsh framed the following issues for consideration:

- Whether the petition filed under Article 32 of the Constitution of Bharathavarsh is maintainable?
- Whether the Constitution (One Hundred and Thirtieth Amendment) Act, 2025 is constitutionally valid?
- Whether the Parliament, while exercising the powers conferred upon it by virtue of Article 356(1)(b) of the Constitution, can pass a resolution under Article 252(1) of the Constitution?
- Whether the Armed Forces Special Powers (Extension to the State of Aryavarta) Ordinance, 2025 is constitutionally valid?

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ANNEXTURE I

THE CONSTITUTION (ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH AMENDMENT) ACT, 2025

An Act to further amend the Constitution of Bharathavarsh.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-sixth Year of the Republic of Bharathavarsh as follows: —

Short title and commencement

- 1. This Act may be called the Constitution (One Hundred and Thirtieth Amendment) Act, 2025.*
- 2. It shall come into force on the 1st Day of November 2025.*

- Amendment of article 75. - In article 75 of the Constitution, after clause (5), the following clause shall be inserted, namely: -*

“(5A) A Minister, who for any period of thirty consecutive days during holding the office as such, is arrested and detained in custody, on allegation of committing an offence under any law for the time being in force, which is punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years or more, shall be removed from his office by the President on the advice of the Prime Minister to be tendered by the thirty-first day, after being taken in such custody:

Provided that if the advice of the Prime Minister, for the removal of such Minister is not tendered to the President by the thirty-first day, he shall cease to be a Minister, with effect from the day falling thereafter:

Provided further that in case of the Prime Minister, who for any period of thirty consecutive days during holding the office as such, is arrested and detained in custody, on allegation of committing an offence under any law for the time being in force, which is punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years or more, shall tender his resignation by the thirty-first day after such arrest and detention, and if he does not tender his resignation, he shall cease to be the Prime Minister with effect from the day falling thereafter:

Provided also that nothing in this clause shall prevent such Prime Minister or Minister from being subsequently appointed as the Prime Minister or a Minister,

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by the President, on his release from custody, as per clause (1).”

- *Amendment of article 164. - In article 164 of the Constitution, after clause (4), the following clause shall be inserted, namely: -*

“(4A) A Minister, who for any period of thirty consecutive days during holding the office as such, is arrested and detained in custody, on allegation of committing an offence under any law for the time being in force, which is punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years or more, shall be removed from his office by the Governor on the advice of the Chief Minister to be tendered by the thirty-first day, after being taken in such custody:

Provided that if the advice of the Chief Minister, for the removal of such Minister is not tendered to the Governor by the thirty-first day, he shall cease to be a Minister, with effect from the day falling thereafter:

Provided further that in case of a Chief Minister, who for any period of thirty consecutive days during holding the office as such, is arrested and detained in custody, on allegation of committing an offence under any law for the time being in force, which is punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years or more, shall tender his resignation by the thirty-first day after such arrest and detention, and if he does not tender his resignation, he shall cease to be the Chief Minister, with effect from the day falling thereafter:

Provided also that nothing in this clause shall prevent such Chief Minister or Minister from being subsequently appointed as the Chief Minister or a Minister, by the Governor, on his release from custody, as per clause (1).”.

- *Amendment of article 239AA - In article 239AA of the Constitution, after clause (5), the following clause shall be inserted, namely: -*

“(5A) Subject to the provisions of this Constitution, if a Minister, who for any period of thirty consecutive days during holding the office as such, is arrested and detained in custody, on allegation of committing an offence under any law for the time being in force, which is punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years or more, shall be removed from his office, by the President on the advice of the

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Chief Minister to be tendered by the thirty-first day, after being taken in such custody: Provided that if the advice of the Chief Minister for removal of such Minister is not tendered to the President by the thirty-first day, he shall cease to be a Minister, with effect from the day falling thereafter:

Provided further that in case of the Chief Minister, who for any period of thirty consecutive days during holding the office as such, is arrested and detained in custody, on allegation of committing an offence under any law for the time being in force, which is punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years or more, shall tender his resignation by the thirty-first day after such arrest and detention, and if he does not tender his resignation, he shall cease to be the Chief Minister, with effect from the day falling thereafter:

Provided also that nothing in this clause shall prevent such Chief Minister or Minister from being subsequently appointed as the Chief Minister or a Minister, by the President, on his release from custody, as per clause (5).”

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

- *The elected representatives represent hopes and aspirations of the people of Bharathavarsh. It is expected that they rise above political interests and act only in the public interest and for the welfare of people.*
- *It is expected that the character and conduct of Ministers holding the office should be beyond any ray of suspicion.*
- *A Minister, who is facing allegation of serious criminal offences, arrested and detained in custody, may thwart or hinder the canons of constitutional morality and principles of good governance and eventually diminish the constitutional trust reposed by people in him.*
- *There is, however, no provision under the Constitution for removal of a Minister who is arrested and detained in custody on account of serious criminal charges.*
- *In view of the above, there is a need to amend articles 75, 164 and 239AA of the Constitution, for providing legal framework for removal of the Prime Minister or a Minister in the Union Council of Ministers and the Chief Minister or a Minister in the Council of Ministers of States.*

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ANNEXTURE II

**THE EIGHTEENTH LOK SABHA SESSION FIFTH SESSION
THE RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE LOK SABHA ON THE 15th DAY OF
DECEMBER 2025**

Whereas the increasing hostility between the nations of Gandhar and Bharathavarsh poses imminent threat to the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Bharathavarsh.

And Whereas the States of Aryavarta and Muryul share international borders with the nation of Gandhar and that the establishment of essential infrastructure for the rapid deployment and movement of the armed forces to the border regions is critical for the security and territorial integrity of this nation.

And whereas to avoid drought-like situation in the State of Muryul and to foster its economic development, the diversion of the tributaries of River Trident into the State of Muryul and development of infrastructure projects throughout the course of the river is essential for the welfare and the betterment of the people.

It is essential to provide for laws regulating the diversion of the tributaries of River Trident from the State of Aryavarta into the State of Muryul to establish navigational canals for the rapid movement of the armed forces and to develop water storage facilities, hydro-power generation projects and other related infrastructure projects to ensure security in the region and to facilitate economic development and the welfare of the people.

Therefore, the Parliament, exercising the powers of the Legislature of Aryavarta, conferred upon it by the President of Bharathavarsh under Article 356(1)(b) of the Constitution, hereby resolves under Article 252(1) of the Constitution of Bharathavarsh that the Parliament of Bharathavarsh shall be empowered to make laws regulating the waters of River Trident, including diversion of its tributaries from the State of Aryavarta into the State of Muryul, development of essential infrastructure projects, including that of building canals, water storage facilities, hydro-power generation projects and other essential infrastructure projects throughout the course of River Trident.

*Indraprastha,
15.12.2025*

*S.K. Raj,
Secretary- General, Lok Sabha*

[Note: The same resolution was passed by the Rajya Sabha on its 269th Session on 16.12.2025]

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ANNEXTURE III

**FIFTEENTH MURYUL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY NINTH SESSION
THE RESOLUTION PASSEDBY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ON THE 17th DAY
OF DECEMBER, 2025**

Whereas to prevent drought-like situation in the State of Muryul and to foster its economic development, it is essential that the waters of River Trident be diverted into the State of Muryul;

And whereas it is desirable that the laws providing for the diversion of the tributaries of River Trident into the State of Muryul and the development of essential infrastructure projects throughout the course of the river be regulated by the Parliament.

In exercise of the powers conferred under Article 252(1) of the Constitution of Bharathavarsh, the Legislative Assembly of the State of Muryul resolves that the Parliament shall be empowered to make laws regulating the waters of River Trident, including diversion of its tributaries from the State of Aryavarta into the State of Muryul and to develop essential infrastructure facilities, including that of water storage facilities, hydro power generation projects and other essential infrastructure projects throughout the course of River Trident.

*Anjraj,
17.12.2025*

*Raju Hirani,
Secretary*

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ANNEXTURE IV

THE ARMED FORCES SPECIAL POWERS (EXTENSION TO THE STATE OF ARYAVARTA) ORDINANCE, 2025

Promulgated by the President in the Seventy-sixth Year of the Republic of Bharathavarsh.

An Ordinance to extend the provisions of the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 to the State of Aryavarta.

WHEREAS Parliament is not in session and the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action to extend to provision of the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 to the State of Aryavarta;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (1) of Article 123 of the Constitution, the President is pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance: -

CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the Armed Forces Special Powers (Extension to the State of Aryavarta) Ordinance, 2025

(2) Save as otherwise provided in this Ordinance; it shall be deemed to have come into force on the 25th Day of December 2025.

CHAPTER II AMENDMENTS TO THE ARMED FORCES (SPECIAL POWERS) ACT, 1958

2. In the Preamble of the of the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act), for the words “An Act to enable certain special powers to be conferred upon members of the armed forces in disturbed areas in the State of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura”, the following shall be substituted, namely: -

“An Act to enable certain special powers to be conferred upon members of the armed forces in disturbed areas in the State of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura and Aryavarta”, shall be substituted

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3. In Section 1 of the Principal Act, for sub-section (2) of Section (1), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely: -

(2)] It extends to the whole of the State of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura and Aryavarta

VIRENDRA BUDHE,
President.

CHATURVED,
Secretary to the Government of Bharathavarsh.

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NOTE:

- *The laws, rules, regulations, notifications, customs etc. of the Union of Bharathavarsh are in pari materia with the laws, rules, regulations, notifications, customs, etc. of the Union of India.*
- *The Amendment to the Constitution through the Constitution (One Hundred and Thirtieth Amendment) Act, 2025, the resolutions passed by the Parliament of Bharatavarsh and the State of Muryul and the Armed Forces Special Powers (Extension to the State of Aryavarta) Ordinance, 2025, as mentioned in the proposition are hypothetical.*
- *The teams are strictly required to adhere to the issues provided.*

DISCLAIMER:

The facts stated in the proposition are fictitious and have been drafted solely for the purposes of the competition. The names, dates and locations bear no resemblance to any person, event or place. Any resemblance found, is purely co-incidental.

Rules and regulations

ELIGIBILITY:

The competition is open to *bona fide* undergraduate students from recognized Colleges/Institutions/Universities currently pursuing bachelor's degrees in law; either 3-year or 5-year LL.B. Program.

Age Limit: Maximum 30 years of age as on the last date for Registration.

DATE AND MODE OF CONDUCTING:

The competition shall be held at B.M.S. College of Law, Bengaluru from 17th to 19th April, 2026.

DRESS CODE:

Girls: Black trousers, White shirt, Black blazer and Black formal shoes.

Boys: Black trousers, White shirt, Black tie, Black blazer and Black formal shoes.

LANGUAGE:

The entire proceedings of the competition, written as well as oral shall be in English.

TEAM COMPOSITION:

Each team shall comprise a maximum of three (03) members and a minimum of two (02) members consisting of either two speakers and one researcher or two speakers. This number cannot be modified under any circumstances. Teams shall identify the speakers and researchers during registration. No swapping of designation of members shall be allowed. Not more than one team shall be allowed to register and participate in the competition from the same College/Institution/University.

Rules and regulations

Registration Amount shall be paid through NEFT/UPI Payments to the following Account:

Name of the Bank	Indian Bank
Account Number	20022950403
IFSC Code	IDIB000B605
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QR code for Payment



REGISTRATION:

- Teams are required to complete their Provisional Registration on or before **21 February 2026**.
- The Provisional Registration shall be done by scanning the QR code below or through the link.



Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/DLZKu1CQLroKtDQHA>

- The final registration shall be completed on or before **5th March 2026** along with payment of the Registration fee of ₹4,000/- (without accommodation) or ₹8,000/- (with accommodation; applicable only to outstation teams).
- No refund of the registration fee shall be entertained under any circumstances.

Rules and regulations

- The registration form must be accompanied by a *bona fide* student certificate from the Head of the Institution. The registration form is attached with the Brochure.
- Scanned copies of the registration form, *bona fide* certificate and the registration fee paid receipt shall be sent via e-mail to mcs@bmscl.ac.in on or before **5th March 2026**.
- Hard copies of the duly filled registration form, *bona fide* certificate and fee paid receipt shall reach organizers by **30th March 2026**.
- The registration process shall be deemed complete only after the receipt of the registration fee which is non-refundable.
- A confirmation mail shall be sent from the organisers on receipt of the final registration form along with the registration fee paid receipt.
- The entries are restricted to 24 (Twenty-Four) teams only on a first come first serve basis.

ALLOTMENT OF TEAM CODES:

Each team will have a team code allotted by the organiser which will be communicated through e-mail to the participants. Participants are strictly required to maintain confidentiality regarding the team codes. Disclosure of identity of the parent college/institution/university shall be made only in the registration form. In case of any breach at any other point of time during the competition, the team shall be liable for disqualification.

Rules and regulations

MEMORANDUM OF WRITTEN SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The following requirements must be strictly followed concerning the submission of a Memorandum of Written Submissions. Non-conformity to the same shall attract penalties while awarding marks thereon.

- Each team must prepare a Memorandum of Written Submissions for both sides of the petition (Petitioner/Respondent).
- Once the Memorandum of Written Submissions has been submitted, no revisions, supplements, or additions will be allowed; however, teams may submit annexures at the beginning of each round.
- Teams shall send the soft copy of the Memorandum of Written Submissions in M.S. Word .doc/.docx and PDF formats to mcs@bmscl.ac.in latest by **22nd March 2026** with the subject line 'Memorandum of Written Submissions for Team Code ()'.
- Participants must submit four (04) hard copies of the Memorandum of Written Submissions to the organiser by **30th March 2026**. Failure to submit the physical copies before the due date shall lead to disqualification of the team.
- The file name of the soft copy of the Memorandum of Written Submissions shall contain only the team code and the representation in the following format (for example: – for Team Code 01, the file names will be 01P and 01R, wherein 'P' stands for Petitioners and 'R' for Respondent)
- Every rule not adhered to shall lead to a deduction of 2 marks each and the late submission of Memorandum of Written Submissions shall lead to a deduction of 3 Marks per day of delay.
- Teams shall cite authorities in the Memorandum of Written Submissions using the 21st Bluebook Edition. Explanatory or illustrative footnotes are not allowed.

Rules and regulations

The Memorandum of Written Submissions have to be submitted on typed A4 size paper printed on one side only. It must contain the following mandatory heads:

- Cover page, which shall include the team code on the top right corner of the page, cause title (identity of the college/ participant should not be disclosed), the side of the memorial (Petitioner/Appellant or Respondent), name and place of the forum, the relevant legal provision under which it is filed and the year of the competition.
- Table of Contents
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- Statement of Facts (not exceeding 1 page)
- Issues Raised
- Summary of Arguments (not exceeding 2 pages)
- Arguments Advanced (not exceeding 25 pages)
- Prayer (not exceeding 1 page)
- Appendix (Optional)
- Exhibits (Optional)
- All participating teams at their option can prepare a compendium as a supplement to their memorial submission.

The Memorandum of Written Submissions shall not be more than 45 pages, including the cover page. Teams must bind them with a blue cover page for the Petitioners and a red cover page for the Respondents.

Rules and regulations

FORMATTING GUIDELINES:

For main text:

Font: Times New Roman

Font size: 12

Line spacing: 1.5

Alignment: Justified

For footnotes:

Font: Times New Roman

Font size: 10

Line spacing: Single

Alignment: Justified

For the cover page:

Font: Times New Roman

Font size: 16

Rules and regulations

EVALUATION OF WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS:

- The written Memorials will be evaluated by a team of experts.
- The total score in the Preliminary Rounds shall be the cumulative score obtained from both the oral rounds and the memorials.
- In case of a tie between two teams in any of the rounds, the highest memorial scores will be taken into consideration to break the tie accordingly.
- Memorial score shall not be considered for the subsequent rounds.

PARAMETERS FOR MARKING THE MEMORANDUM OF WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS SHALL BE:

Sl. No.	Parameters	Marks
1.	Analysis and Appreciation of Facts	20
2.	Application of Legal Principles, Authorities and Precedents	20
3.	Presentation Style, Structure and Articulation	20
4.	Extent and use of Legal Research	20
5.	Adherence to format and citations	20
TOTAL		100

Rules and regulations

UNETHICAL PRACTICES

- Participants must refrain from plagiarism of any kind. Any use of publicly available information must be accompanied by proper citations.
- Unethical use of AI is strictly abhorred in the competition. Participants must refrain from using AI generated content in their submissions.
- Failure to comply with the above rules may result in being debarred from the Competition.

RESEARCHER'S TEST

- Only the designated researcher would be allowed to take the test.
- The test will contain 30 questions which carry 02 marks each.
- The test will be conducted in B.M.S. College of Law, Bengaluru.
- The test will comprise Multiple Choice questions with a time limit of 30 minutes.
- The marks obtained by the researcher will be used as a metric to determine the award of 'Best Researcher'.
- In case of a tie, the participant who has answered the most number of starred questions will have benefit over others.
- The Researcher's Test will be conducted on 17 April 2025 and shall be based on applicable laws, precedents, facts and current affairs relating to the Moot Proposition.

Rules and regulations

STRUCTURE OF ORAL ROUNDS

1. Preliminary Round:

- There shall be two preliminary rounds, and the participating team shall be allowed to argue on behalf of both sides.
- The side would be determined by the way of 'DRAW OF LOTS'.
- Each team will get 20 minutes to present their oral arguments, and this time includes rebuttal and sur-rebuttal (if allowed by the judges).
- The division of time between the speakers is at the discretion of the team members. The division of time must be communicated to the court clerk prior to the beginning of the round.
- Any extension of the time beyond the specified period is subject to the discretion of the Bench.
- No team shall reserve more than 2 minutes for rebuttals.
- No Researcher of any team will be permitted to speak; however, they will be allowed to communicate with their team members discreetly.
- In case of a tie, the teams shall advance to the next round based on the highest memorial score in aggregate. If the tie is still not broken, then the highest speaker score will determine which team advances to the quarter-finals.

The top eight teams based on the cumulative marks scored in their oral arguments and written submission shall qualify for the Quarter-Final Rounds.

2. Quarter Finals and Semi-Finals:

- The qualifying teams shall argue on behalf of one side only (either Petitioners or Respondents) in the quarter finals.
- The side to be represented by the team shall be determined by way of 'DRAW OF LOTS'.
- All rules relating to time for oral arguments, extension of time, rebuttal and sur-rebuttal, and the researcher's role remain the same as those for the preliminary rounds.

The top four teams on their cumulative marks scored in the oral arguments of the quarter-final round shall advance to the semi-finals and two teams from the semi-finals shall advance to the final round.

Rules and regulations

4. Final Round:

- The qualifying teams shall argue on behalf of either of the sides in the finals.
- The side to be represented by the team shall be determined by way of 'DRAW OF LOTS'.
- Each team shall get thirty (30) minutes to present their oral arguments. The time includes rebuttal and sur-rebuttal.
- The division of time between the speakers is at the discretion of the team members and the division of time must be communicated to the court clerk prior to the round.
- Any extension of the time beyond the specified period is subject to the discretion of the Bench.
- No team shall reserve more than five (5) minutes for rebuttals.
- No researcher will be permitted to speak; however, they will be allowed to communicate with their team members discreetly.

The team that scores the highest cumulative marks in the final oral round shall be declared the winners of the competition.

Rules and regulations

SCOUTING:

Teams will not be allowed to observe the orals of any other teams. Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any team shall result in disqualification.

EX-PARTE PROCEEDINGS

At the outset, if a team fails to appear within 5 minutes of the scheduled time (in any of the four rounds) or in case of an odd number of teams, then the oral round of the attending party may proceed Ex parte. In case of failure of the appearance of teams within a stipulated time, the attending party will be declared the winner.

PARAMETERS FOR JUDGING ORAL ROUNDS

Sl. No.	Marking Criteria	Max. Marks
1	Knowledge, Application and Interpretation of Facts and Law	20
2	Structure of Arguments	20
3	Ingenuity, Presentation and Logical Reasoning	20
4	Use of Authorities	20
5	Court Etiquettes and Time Management	20
TOTAL		100

Rules and regulations

ACCOMMODATION, FOOD AND TRANSPORTATION

- Accommodation shall be provided at Rs. 4000. (excluding registration fee) per team, only to the outstation teams on the days of the competition i.e. **17th & 18th April 2026**.
- Accommodation shall only be available to the members of the team (maximum three persons). Additional persons who are unrelated to the Competition will not be allowed in the accommodation.
- Team/s shall be solely responsible for any/all damages caused by them during their stay in the place of accommodation or on the College campus.
- Food shall be provided to all the teams on the days of the competition.
- Transportation between the place of accommodation and the College for the participating teams shall be provided.
- All teams shall send their travel plan on or before **30th March 2026**.

CODE OF CONDUCT

- All the participants must behave in a dignified manner and not cause any inconvenience to the organisers, faculty, staff, or to any other persons associated with the Competition.
- Deference to the Judges of the Moot Court Competition must be maintained inside and outside of the Court Hall.
- Participants will be immediately disqualified from the Competition if found misbehaving, causing a nuisance, making abusive or lewd statements, or showing disrespect towards the judges, co-participants or members of the host institution.

Rules and regulations

QUERIES REGARDING THE MOOT PROPOSITION

- All queries regarding the moot proposition, rules and regulations, shall be mailed to mcs@bmscl.ac.in or before the mentioned date.
- Any queries after **6th March, 2026** concerning the moot proposition will not be entertained, except at the sole discretion of the organisers.

MISCELLANEOUS

- The Organising Committee (OC) reserves the right to amend, modify, change, or repeal any of the rules of the Competition. The OC shall communicate any changes made in the rules of the Competition to the teams.
- The OC reserves the right to make decisions on any matter not mentioned in the rules of the Competition. Any such decision taken by the OC shall be final and binding.
- The OC reserves the right to interpret any of the rules of the Competition. Such interpretation shall be final and binding.
- If any single member of a team is notified or informed of any detail or information concerning the Competition, it shall be deemed as if the said team as a whole has been duly notified or informed.
- All communications must be addressed to the official e-mail: mcs@bmscl.ac.in/

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I Moot Court Competition
21-23 March, 2014



II Moot Court Competition
10-12 March, 2016



III Moot Court Competition
26-28 October, 2017



IV Moot Court Competition
28-30 March, 2019



V Moot Court Competition
25-28 June, 2020



VI Moot Court Competition
08-11 July, 2021



VII Moot Court Competition
20-23 July, 2022



VIII Moot Court Competition
04-06 August, 2023



IX Moot Court Competition
12-14 July, 2024



X Moot Court Competition
04-06 April, 2025

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Name of the Institution: _____

Address of the Institution: _____

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Contact Number of the Institution: _____

NEFT/UPI/Online: Transaction ID _____ Date _____

1	Name of Speaker 1		Photo attested by Principal/Director
	Class		
	Address		
	Contact No		
	Email ID		
	Signature of the Student		

2	Name of Speaker 2		Photo attested by Principal/Director
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	Address		
	Contact No		
	Email ID		
	Signature of the Student		

3	Name of The Researcher		Photo attested by Principal/Director
	Class		
	Address		
	Contact No		
	Email ID		
	Signature of the Student		

- Photographs should be attested by the Principal/ Head/ Moot Coordinator of the concerned Institution.
- Please attach *bona fide* certificates of all the team members and the payment receipt along with the registration form.

Signature and Seal of the Principal / Head of the Institution

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Date & Time of arrival	
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Date & Time of departure	

SPEAKER 2	
Date & Time of arrival	
Mode	<input type="checkbox"/> Train <input type="checkbox"/> Flight <input type="checkbox"/> Bus
Date & Time of departure	

RESEARCHER	
Date & Time of arrival	
Mode	<input type="checkbox"/> Train <input type="checkbox"/> Flight <input type="checkbox"/> Bus
Date & Time of departure	