



**19th Shankarrao Kanitkar (National Level)
Moot Court Competition 2025**

Organised by

Modern Law College, Pune



RULEBOOK

11th January, 2025

Part I: General

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. The **19th Shankarrao Kanitkar (National Level) Moot Court Competition 2025** organized by P.E.S Modern Law College, Pune will be held on **11th January, 2025** in an offline mode at Modern Law College, Pune.

2. PARTICIPATION AND ELIGIBILITY

2.1. TEAM MEMBER(S) ELIGIBILITY

2.1.1. Students enrolled in a **full-time bachelor's (three-year or five-year) law programme** in a recognized Indian college/university/institution at the time of the Competition are eligible to compete in the Competition.

2.1.2 Each college/university/institution shall be entitled to send only **ONE team** to the Competition.

2.2. TEAM COMPOSITION

2.2.1. A team shall comprise Two (2) Members: Both Speakers.

2.2.3. Once the team composition is communicated to the Organising Committee, no change shall be permitted unless the Organising Committee has approved such change. The Organising Committee may authorize the change in team composition if it is intimated at the earliest, which shall be accompanied by a registration form and an authority letter duly signed by the head of the institution. No such change shall be allowed post the submission of memorials.

2.2.4. No additional member or team coach is allowed to accompany the team.

3. OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

3.1. The official language of the Competition is English. The written and oral submissions shall be in English only.

4. DRESS CODE

4.1. The participants shall adhere to the following dress code when present in any courtroom during the Competition.

Female(s): White salwar and kurta or white shirt and black trousers along with black coat and black shoes;

Male(s): White shirt, black trousers and black tie along with black coat and black shoes.

Explanation: The participating teams shall also adhere to the above-mentioned dress code while attending the Inaugural and Valedictory ceremonies of the Competition, as well as during all the rounds of the competition.

5. SCOUTING

5.1. Teams shall not be allowed to observe the orals of another team, unless they have been officially knocked-out of the competition. Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any team shall entail instant disqualification.

6. CLARIFICATIONS

6.1. Participating teams may request for clarifications to the Official Moot Proposition by sending an email to kanitkarmoot.mlc@gmail.com.

6.2. The deadline to submit requests for clarifications is 11:59 PM IST (GMT + 5.30 hrs) on **15th Decmeber, 2024**.

Part II: Registration

7. REGISTRATION PROCESS

7.1. Any college/university/institution must register for the Competition by submitting the Google Form available: <https://forms.gle/nEtt2RmxXzTmYCVBA>.

7.2. Registration Fees **Rs. 2000/-** per team. Students should download the registration form from the link given below, manually fill, scan, and email it to kanitkarmoot.mlc@gmail.com. The registration fee can be paid through Demand Draft, drawn in favour of Principal, Modern Law College, payable at Pune or by Online Mode (NEFT Only).

7.3. Account details:

- **Beneficiary name-** Principal, Modern Law College
- **Name of the Bank-** IDBI Bank
- **Name of the Branch-** Aundh branch, Pune
- **Account no-** 0062104000194518
- **IFSC/ RTGS code-** IBKL0000062

7.4. The registration fee shall be non-refundable and non-transferable. The acknowledgement of the payment must be submitted along with the online registration form.

7.5. Any registration form received without the receipt of the payment shall not be considered for the final registration.

7.6. Students who have registered must bring their passport size photograph on the day of the competition i.e. **11th January,2025**.

7.7. Students must carry their original College Identity card.

Part III: Memorials and Format of the Competition

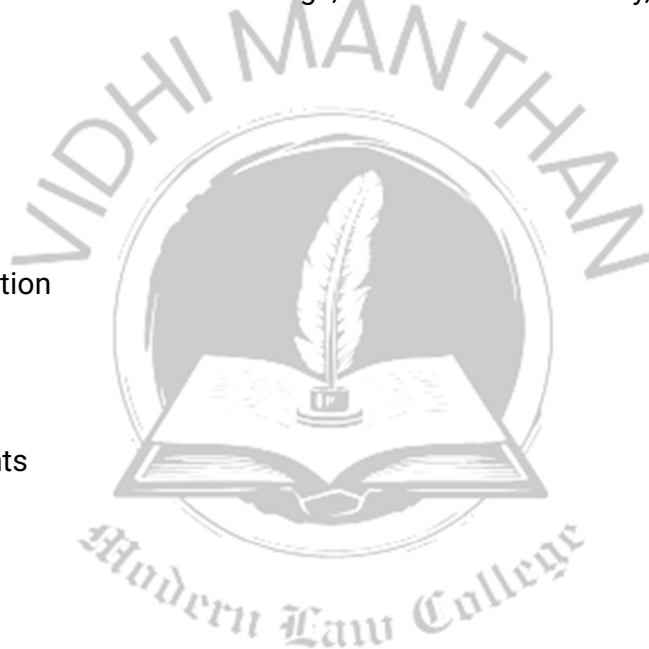
8. ANONYMITY

8.1. The “**Team Code**” assigned to all participating teams and shall be used by the participating teams during Memorial Submission.

9. CONTENTS OF MEMORIALS

9.1. Each memorandum shall necessarily consist of the following and only the following sections:

- a) Cover Page (Shall include Name of the College, Name of the University, Name of the participants)
- b) Title page
- c) Table of Contents
- d) List of Abbreviations
- e) Index of Authorities
- f) Statement of Jurisdiction
- g) Statement of Facts
- h) Issues Raised
- i) Summary of Arguments
- j) Arguments Advanced
- k) Prayer



10. FORMAT AND SUBMISSION

10.1. Font and Spacing

- a) The cover page of the Memorial must follow a colour scheme i.e. Blue for Petitioner/Appellant and Red for Respondent.
- b) Typed on A4 size paper with one side printing not exceeding 20 pages. The font used in all parts of the memorandum, including headings and subheadings, must ONLY be Times New Roman (black font colour), font size 12, with 1.5-line spacing, and justified alignment.
- c) The font used in the footnotes must ONLY be Times New Roman, font size 10, with single line spacing, and justified alignment.
- d) There should be a margin of 1 inch on all sides of the page.

10.2. Submission

- a) Five copies of each side (Petitioner and Respondent), spiral-bound memorials.
- b) The soft copy of the memorials must reach the following e-mail address: kanitkarmoot.mlc@gmail.com at or before 11:59 PM IST (GMT + 5.30 hrs) on **25th December, 2024**.
- c) The hard copy of the memorials should reach by post at or before 11:59 PM IST (GMT + 5.30 hrs) on 30th December, 2024 at **S. No.85, Modern Law College, University of Pune Circle, 86, Dr Homi Bhabha Rd, Ganeshkhind, Pune, Maharashtra 411053.**
(<https://maps.app.goo.gl/C8CfVvbfcgW1mnvM9>)

11. FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION

11.1. Preliminary Round

- In the preliminary rounds, each team (both speakers) shall compulsorily present oral arguments for the side allotted to them (either Petitioner or Respondent).
- Teams will be given codes in alphabetical order (according to the order of registration).
- In the preliminary round each team will be allotted 20 minutes (16 minutes for arguments and 4 minutes for rebuttal and answering questions asked by judges. The rebuttal cannot be claimed as a matter of right).

11.2. Final Round

- The final round will comprise of the top four team from each courtroom.
- Lots shall be drawn for the final round. Team shall (both the speaker) present the side allotted to them through draw of lots (either petitioner or respondent).
- Each team shall be allotted only 30 minutes to argue in the finals. Exceeding time limit will result in loss of marks. Utilization of time amongst team members is discretion of team.

11.3. Miscellaneous

- The proceedings of the Moot Court Sessions may be video recorded. All rights in this regard shall be reserved with Modern Law College.
- Host team shall not be considered for the Prizes even if they participate.

- The decision of the judges shall be final, and no disputes shall be entertained in this regard. Personal Interaction with judges is strictly prohibited.
- In case of a tie, memorial marks will be considered to determine the winner.
- The Organizers reserve the right to take appropriate action for any unethical, unprofessional, and immoral conduct.
- The Organizer's decision as regards to the interpretation of rules, a situation that is not contemplated in the rules, or any other matter related to the competition will be final.

12. TIMELINE OF THE COMPETITION

| Event | Date |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Release of the Moot Proposition and Rulebook | 25 th October,2024 |
| Registrations Open | 25 th October,2024 |
| Deadline for Asking Clarifications | 15 th December,2025 |
| Deadline for Registration | 20 th December,2024 |
| Deadline for Submission of Soft Copy of Memorials | 25 th December,2024 |
| Deadline for Submission of Hard Copy of Memorials | 30 th December,2024 |
| Preliminary and Final Rounds | 11 th January,2025 |
| Valedictory Ceremony and Felicitations of winners | 11 th January,2025 |

Part IV: Adjudication

13. MARKING CRITERIA FOR ORAL ROUNDS

13.1. Each judge in each round will mark each team member according to the criteria given below:

| Sr. No. | Criteria | Marks |
|---------|------------------------------|------------|
| 1. | Written Submission/Memorials | 20 |
| 2. | Substance in Arguments | 30 |
| 3. | Advocacy Skills | 30 |
| 4. | Question from the Bench | 10 |
| 5. | Time Adherence | 10 |
| | Total Marks | 100 |

14. AWARDS

14.1. Prizes for the Competition are as follows:

- a. Winning Team: Cash Prize (Rs. 10,000) + Trophy + Certificates
- b. Runners-up team: Cash Prize (Rs. 7000) + Trophy + Certificates
- c. Best Speaker of the Competition: Cash Prize (Rs. 5000) + Trophy + Certificates
- d. Certificate for Judge's Special Appreciation (2)

Part V: Contact Details

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