

**SURANA & SURANA & SCHOOL OF LAW,
SATHYABAMA HUMAN WELFARE
MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2024-25**

On Campus

Mar 20th - Mar 22, 2025

RULES

**Professional Partner &
Joint Organiser**



**Surana & Surana International Attorneys
Chennai**



**Host &
Joint Organisers**



**School of Law, Sathyabama
Institute of Science & Technology
Chennai**

Venue

**School of Law
Sathyabama Institute of Science & Technology
(Deemed to be University)
Jeppiaar Nagar, SH 49A
Rajiv Gandhi Salai, Chennai 600 119**

RULES AND REGULATIONS

I. Aim & Purpose

The Surana & Surana and School of Law, Sathyabama Human Welfare Moot has been conceived with the aim to

- i. Create awareness on Human Welfare in a systematic / scientific manner and train participants for effective practice.
- ii. Facilitate the evolution of Human Welfare through the jurisprudential analysis of the existing law and consequential emergence of new laws besides developing cutting edge skills in research, writing and advocacy.

II. Venue and Date

The **Surana & Surana & School of Law, Sathyabama Human Welfare Moot Court Competition** shall be held on **March 20th - 22nd March 2025 on Campus** School of Law, Sathyabama Institute of Science & Technology, Jeppiaar Nagar SH 49A, Rajiv Gandhi Salai, Chennai 600 119.

III. Language

The Competition shall be in the English language

IV. Eligibility

The competition is open for students who are pursuing LLB three-year / five-year course during the current academic year. One team per university/institution shall be eligible to participate.

V. Team Composition

- a. Each team should consist of a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 3 members. This number cannot be modified under any circumstances.
- b. There shall be 2 speakers and 1 researcher designated for each team. The researcher shall be allowed to argue with the prior permission of the court and Chief Administrator in case of illness of the designated speakers.
- c. Each team will **be provided a team code** prior to the submission of memorials via e-mail. This team code is to be used only for the soft copy of the memorials. Teams should not disclose the identity of their institution in their memorials; such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the Chief Administrator.

VI. Registration

- a. Online registrations are open from **6th February 2025**. The teams must register online by **6th March 2025**. Teams will have to register online at www.moot.in
- b. No temporary registration requests will be entertained. Kindly refrain from sending such requests to Surana & Surana or School of Law, Sathyabama, Chennai.
- c. Participants will receive an automated system-generated acknowledgement on successful submission of registration. Participants will receive an approval email as acceptance of their request for participation latest by **08th March 2025** or earlier.

d. *Registration Process*

Option 1 - The Registration form cum Approval letter as provided in the rules duly signed & sealed by your university / college / moot society.

Option 2 - Upload both (i) & (ii) together as a **single PDF**

- i. The Registration form cum Approval letter (without seal & signature) as provided in the rules duly filled along with
- ii. Scanned copy of authorisation letter with sign and seal from your university / college / moot society

Or

An email communication from the official ID (to be filled as notification email ID during online registration process) of the institution, from your university / college / moot society to complete the registration process.

Note :

1. Signatories on the registration form should be any of the following :- Faculty- in-charge of MCA / MCS / MCC, Registrar, Dean, Principal, Director, Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor
 2. Registration without the scanned copy of the approval letter / an email communication from the college/institution/university or duly attested registration form will not be valid.
- e. There shall be no team cap for the number of institutes that wish to participate in the Competition.
 - f. Soft copy of the registration and approval letter/ an email communication as a **single PDF** to be sent by email to: sslmoot2025@gmail.com marked as **SURANA & SURANA AND SCHOOL OF LAW, SATHYABAMA HUMAN WELFARE MOOT COURT COMPETITION - REGISTRATION** as subject of the mail latest by **7th March 2025**. The provisional team code

shall be allotted to the registered teams by Host University soon after receiving of registration particulars. **The Provisional team code is to be used for submission of only the soft copies of your memorials.**

- g. **A registration fee of Rs. 3,500/- is to be paid online by 7th March 2025 at:**

Bank Account No.: 6624553986

Name: DEAN SCHOOL OF LAW - SATHYABAMA

IFSC Code: IDIB000S201

Branch: Sathyabama University, Old Mahabalipuram Road, Jeppiaar Nagar, Chennai 600 119

Receipt of the online payment to be sent by email to: sslmoot2025@gmail.com

Fee once paid will not be refunded.

VII. Clarifications

Clarifications on the moot proposition may be sought before **7th March 2025** with an email to ai@lawidia.com & copy to sslmoot2025@gmail.com

VIII. Orientation

There will be an Orientation Program for all the participants on **20th March 2025**. It will be followed by a draw of lots and exchange of memorials for the Preliminary Rounds. **Competition team codes and side will be allotted during the orientation only.**

IX. Rounds

There will be two Preliminary Rounds of arguments, an Octa final, a Quarterfinal, a Semi-Final and a Final round. The organisers reserve the right to amend the schedule / rounds as per the number of participating teams.

Octa final will be conducted if the participation **exceeds 24 teams**

Quarter final will be conducted if the participation **exceeds 16 teams**

Note : Schedule are subject to changes by the organisers

Preliminary Rounds

- There will be two Preliminary Rounds of arguments per team, one for the Petitioner and another for Respondent side.
- No team will be facing each other more than once in the Preliminary Rounds.
- Each team will face a different two-judge bench in their second round of arguments.
- Preliminary Rounds I & II will be held on **21st March 2025**.

- e. The **top sixteen / eight teams** from the Preliminary Rounds will advance to the **Octa / Quarter Final Rounds** that will be decided on
- Win points.
 - Win points + Aggregate raw points.
 - Win points + Aggregate raw points (in case of tie minus memorial marks)
- NB : Aggregate raw points = oral scores + memorial score
- Memorial marks will be added to the scores of the Preliminary Rounds only.
- f. The dress code shall be **BCI Advocate's attire** during the rounds of the competition
- g. The oral arguments need not be confined to the contents that are presented in the submitted memorials, subject to the issues be covered within the case data.

Octa Final / Quarter Final / Semi-Final Round & Final Round:

- Draw of lots / power match will decide the sides of the arguments in Octa Finals, Quarter Finals, Semi Finals & Finals. The Octa Finals / Quarter Finals / Semi Finals are knockout rounds.
- The Octa Finals and Quarter Finals will be held on **21st March 2025**
- The Semi-Final & Finals will be held on **22nd March 2025**

X. Results (Announcement)

Results will be announced within 30 minutes after the full completion of the respective Preliminary / Octa / Quarter / Semi-Final Rounds. The Final result and the winners of the various categories will be announced only during the valedictory / prize distribution ceremony.

XI. Memorial

The following requirements for memorials must be strictly followed. Non-conformities will be penalised:

- Each team must prepare memorials for both parties to the dispute (Petitioner and Respondent).
- The soft copy of the memorials for the Petitioner and Respondent should be mailed to sslmoot2025@gmail.com with copy to ai@lawindia.com on or before **10th March 2025 latest by 11:59PM**
- Late submission will be penalised by two points for every 6 hours of delay for each memorial.
- Once the memorials have been submitted, **no revisions, supplements or additions will be allowed.**
- The teams are requested to carry along **5 copies** from each side of the Memorials with them and submit the same during Registration on **20th March 2025**. **The participants should mention their Competition code only on the hard copy of the memorials. The Competition code would be allotted to all the teams through a draw of lots during the Orientation on 20th**

March 2025.

- f. The memorials have to be submitted on typed A4 size paper printed on one side and must contain:
- Cover Page
 - The Table of Contents
 - The Index of Authorities
 - The Statement of Jurisdiction
 - The Statement of Facts (1 page only and argumentative statement of facts would attract penalties)
 - The Statement of Issues
 - The Summary of Arguments (not more than 1 page)
 - The Arguments Advanced (not more than 15 pages)
 - The prayer
- g. The Times New Roman font size should be 12 (one & half space) and for footnotes it should be 10 (single space) & double space between two-foot notes. Footnoting must conform to the Oxford University Standard for Citation of Legal Authorities (OSCOLA), 4th edition.
- h. The memorials should be staple-bound or stitched. Any other form of binding shall not be accepted.
- i. The memorial must have a margin measuring one inch on all sides of each page.
- j. The page numbering should be on the top right side of each page.
- k. Covers must be placed on briefs as follows:
Petitioner: Light Blue Color Respondent: Light Red Color.
- l. Use of Cellophane sheets over the covers or inside will be penalised.
- m. The cover page of the memorial must state the following:
- i. Team / Competition Code (on the top right corner) of soft / hard copy
 - ii. The cause title
 - iii. Identify brief as Petitioner & Respondent as is applicable
- n. Identity of the institution shall not be revealed anywhere in the memorial, both soft and hard copy. Violation of this provision shall result in penalties including disqualification. The Chief Administrator's decision shall be final.
- o. The teams may share a separate paper book (compendium) of not more than 50 pages, which will carry all the annexure and case laws that have been referred to in the memorial. The paper book will have a white cover. Any identifying marks/seal of the college/university shall attract severe penalties including disqualification.

XII. Oral Round

Preliminary Round, Octa Final & Quarter Final Round

- a. Each team will get a total of 30 minutes to present their case.

- b. This time will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.
- c. The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a minimum of 10 minutes per speaker (excluding the rebuttal time). Division of time shall be informed to the court officer before arguments begin.
- d. The oral arguments need not be confined to the contents that are presented in the submitted memorials, subject to the issues be covered within the case data.
- e. Passing of notes to the speakers by the researcher during the rounds is allowed subject to the discretion of the Judges.
- f. The attendance of the researcher at the time of the oral pleading rounds is compulsory.

Semi-Final & Final Round

- a. Each team will get 45 minutes to present their case which will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time
- b. The division of time is at the discretion of the team, with a maximum of 25 minutes per speaker
- c. The oral arguments need not be confined to the contents that are presented in the submitted memorials, subject to the issues be covered within the case data.
- d. The researcher shall sit with the speakers at the time of the oral rounds.

XIII. Scouting

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

XIV. Scoring

A. Orals

The parameters for judging the oral arguments on a scale of 0 – 100 points are:

- a. Knowledge of facts
- b. Logic and reasoning
- c. Organisation and clarity
- d. Persuasiveness
- e. Deference to the Court
- f. Proper and articulate analysis of the issues arising out of facts.
- g. Understanding of the legal principles directly applicable to the issues
- h. Ability to explain clearly the legal principles in general keeping to the time allotted.
- i. Knowledge and use of legal sources and authorities and general principles of law.
- j. Ingenuity (ability to argue by analogy from related aspects of law)

B. Written Submission (Memorials)

- a. The memorials shall be marked on a scale of 0-100 points each.
- b. Any revisions, supplements, or additions to the memorials after submission shall attract severe penalties subject to the discretion of the Chief Administrator.
- c. Award of the points shall be based on the following parameters:
 - Neatness, legibility, no typographical errors or format errors
 - Logical progression of ideas
 - Effective use of headings to outline arguments.
 - Understanding essential legal issues presented
 - Focus on essential (not collateral) issues.
 - Clear, concise and unambiguous writing style
 - Forceful and persuasive presentation
 - Integration of facts into legal argument
 - Understanding of strengths and weaknesses of case
 - Discussion of viable alternative arguments
 - Understanding and analysis of authority
 - Proper use of citations and citation form
 - Effective use of authority to support arguments
 - Ability to distinguish adverse cases.

XV. Awards

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| i. Winner | : Rs. 25,000/- |
| ii. Runner up | : Rs. 12,500/- |
| iii. Best Memorial | : Rs. 5,000/- |
| iv. 2 nd Best Memorial | : Rs. 3,000/- |
| v. Best Student Advocate | : Rs. 5,000/- |
| vi. 2 nd Best Student Advocate | : Rs. 3,000/- |

In addition to the above awards, plaques and certificates will be given to other categories of winners. All participants will be issued participation certificates.

XVI. Anonymity

- a. Student counsel may introduce her / himself to the court in the usual manner and may also state her / his names. However, the team's college / institution affiliation may not be mentioned at any time before the Valedictory.
- b. Further, all team members, coaches, advisors, and observers shall refrain from identifying a team's institution at any time and in any manner, including, but not limited to, wearing any identifying items, such as school clothing, ties, patches, or pins or carrying identifying material (such as a books with a college logo, or college seal).

XVII. Live Streaming of the Finals

The organisers will arrange for the live streaming of only the finals of the competition through YouTube link be provided by Surana & Surana.

XVIII. Decision of the Judges will be Final & Binding

XIX. Copyright

- a. The copyright over the memorials submitted for participation in the competition is assigned by participants and shall also vest completely and fully in School of Law, Sathyabama, Chennai and Surana & Surana International Attorneys Chennai. The participants shall certify in writing the originality of materials contained therein and shall be responsible for any claim or dispute arising out of the further use and exhibition of these materials.
- b. Further use and exhibition of these materials, electronically or otherwise, shall be the exclusive right of Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai and School of Law, Sathyabama, Chennai and they shall not be responsible for any liability to any person for any loss caused by errors or omissions in this collection of information, or for the accuracy, completeness, or adequacy of the information contained in these materials.
- c. Distribution of these materials on affiliated websites such as www.moot.in and other platforms by Surana & Surana does not constitute consent to any use of this material for commercial redistribution either via the Internet or using some other form of hypertext distribution. Links to the collection or individual pages in it are welcome.

XX. Accommodation, Food & Transport

- (a) Accommodation and transport between the hostel / hotel to the competition venue for the teams availing accommodation will be provided by School of Law, Sathyabama, Chennai.
- (b) Accommodation will be arranged only during the period of competition i.e., **20th March 2025 (12:00PM IST) till 23rd March 2025 (11:00AM IST)**.
- (c) Each Team participant opting for accommodation shall be required to pay a fee of **₹ 6,500.00 (Rupees Six Thousand Five Hundred Only)**.
- (d) Link for the Payment of accommodation fee :
Link for payment of accommodation fee shall be shared to the registered participants via Mail
The accommodation fee is non-refundable. The fee has to be paid by **05.00 PM, 10th March 2025**.
- (e) The accommodation fee is non-refundable

(f) The name and mobile number of the student volunteers in charge of transport/ accommodation will also be made available after finalization. Teams should fill in their travel plan in the sheet available on **Annexure B** positively to send the scanned copy by 11:59 PM on **10th March 2025** via eMail to sslmoot2025@gmail.com

(g) Extra members over & above the prescribed number will not be entertained and accommodated under any circumstances

Misbehaviour of any sort by the participants will be dealt very seriously and will lead to disqualification

XXI. The Chief Administrator of the competition is **Prof. Dr. Dilshad Shaik**, Dean - School of Law, Sathyabama, Chennai.

XXII. Any clarifications for the competition can be sought from:

Regarding Queries on Submission of Memorials/ Accommodation/ Transport / etc.

Asst. Prof. Gowri Shanker

Chief Faculty Coordinator, SSL Moot Society,
School of Law, Sathyabama Institute of Science & Technology (Deemed to be University)
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Regarding Registration

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For any queries, kindly write to us at: sslmoot2025@gmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES

Start of Online Registration	6th February, 2025
Last date for Online Registration	6th March, 2025
Last date for receiving copies of Reg. Form/Approval letter by School of Law, Sathyabama	7th March, 2025
Last date for Payment of Registration Fee	7th March, 2025
Last date for seeking Clarification to the case	7th March, 2025
Release of Clarifications	8th March, 2025
Last Date for Submission of Memorials (both Petitioner and Respondent) Soft Copy by eMail with temporary Team code	10th March, 2025
Last Date for submission of Travel Plans & Payment of Accommodation Fees	10th March, 2025
Submission of Memorials 5 (Five) hard copies each (both Petitioner - 5 & Respondent - 5) (No markings, Competition code to be mentioned)	20th March, 2025
Inaugural, Orientation, Draw of Lots, Exchange of Memorial for Prelims I & II	20th March, 2025
Preliminary Rounds I & II, Octa finals / Quarterfinals	21st March, 2025
Semifinals, Finals, Valedictory & Prize Distribution	22nd March, 2025
Semifinals, Finals, Valedictory & Prize Distribution	22nd March, 2025

Date:

Registration form/ Approval letter
(Please fill in capital letters)

Undertaking

1. We hereby state that our participation complies with the rules and regulations of the competition.
2. We certify that the materials submitted/to be submitted are prepared by us and agree to indemnify the organisers, i.e., the Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai and the School of Law, Sathyabama Institute of Science & Technology, Chennai for any claim or dispute arising out of the further use and exhibition of these materials.

(All particulars must be given)

Name & Address of the participating Institution:

Notification Email:

Regd. Mobile #:

Name of the participant	Gender	Course	Year / Semester	Signature

Seal &
signature of
the Head of
the Institution

The participating team shall submit the form to the E-mail: sslmoot2025@gmail.com

The subject of the email must be "SURANA & SURANA & SCHOOL OF LAW, SATHYABAMA HUMAN WELFARE MOOT - REGISTRATION"

TRAVEL PLAN (ANNEXURE B)

1. Name of Institution -

2. Team Code -

3. Arrival Details -

a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus _____

b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No. _____

c. Estimated Time of Arrival _____

4. Departure Details -

a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus _____

b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No. _____

c. Estimated Time of Departure _____

5. Any other details:

NOTE: This travel form should be mailed at sslmoot2025@gmail.com by 11:59 PM IST on / before 10th March 2025