

# **SURANA & SURANA NATIONAL CORPORATE LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2011**

**11 – 13 February 2011**

## **RULES**

Joint Organiser



Surana & Surana  
International Attorneys

Host &  
Joint Organiser



JSS Law College,  
Mysore

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## SURANA & SURANA NATIONAL CORPORATE LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2011

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

#### **I. Subject Matter and Date**

The Surana & Surana National Corporate Law Moot Court Competition will be held from **11 – 13 Feb 2011** at JSS Law College (Autonomous), New Kantharaje Urs Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysore – 570023, Karnataka. Prof. K S Suresh, Principal, will be the National Administrator.

#### **II. The competition shall be in the English language.**

#### **III. Eligibility**

- a The competition is open for students who are studying LLB three year or five year course during the current academic year interested in Corporate and Commercial Laws and who belong to institutions that have been invited.
- b Students of The Institute of Chartered Accounts of India & The Institute of Company Secretaries of India are also eligible to participate. **Students who have completed their law/Company Secretary/Chartered Accountant degrees/courses are not eligible.**

#### **IV. Team Composition**

- a. Each team should consist of a minimum of 2 and 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 prior permission of the court and National Administrator in case of illness of the designated speakers.
- c. Each team will **be provided a team code** during orientation. Teams should 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 National Administrator.
- d. Member Swapping: For the Semi-final and the Final rounds teams shall be permitted to request participants from other teams to plead before the court on their behalf. That participant shall however still retain his/her individual code and shall address the court accordingly. In the event a team, which has exercised such an option, wins the competition that particular participant shall receive 1/4<sup>th</sup> of the prize money and a winning certificate from the organisers.

#### **V. Registration**

The teams must register by **25 January 2011**. Communication should be sent on the college letterhead duly signed by the Principal. Registration particulars may also be sent by e-mail to [mootcourt@lawindia.com](mailto:mootcourt@lawindia.com) and [mootcourt.jsslcmysore@gmail.com](mailto:mootcourt.jsslcmysore@gmail.com) marked as SURANA & SURANA NATIONAL CORPORATE MOOT REGISTRATION as the subject of the mail.

#### **VI. Rounds**

There will be two preliminary rounds of arguments, a quarterfinal, a semi-final and a final round.



## **Preliminary Round**

- a. Lots will be drawn on 11 February 2011 evening at 4.30 p.m. and Team codes and sides will be allotted. The Registration and orientation and exchange of memorials will take place the same evening.
- b. There will be two preliminary rounds of arguments per team, once for petitioner & another for respondent.
- c. No team will face each other more than once in the preliminary rounds.
- d. Each team will face a different bench in their second round of arguments.
- e. Preliminary Rounds will be held on 12 February 2011 (Saturday), in two sessions (Pre-Lunch and Post-Lunch).
- f. Top eight teams will be selected on the basis of rounds won (two wins). In case of tie, then total of preliminary round scores will be taken. (The team with highest scores in preliminary round will advance to quarterfinals). Memorial marks will be added to both the preliminary rounds only.

## **Quarterfinal / Semi Final Round / Final Round:**

Lots picked by the teams will decide the side of the arguments in Quarterfinals, Semifinals & Finals. Quarterfinals will take place on 13 February 2011 (Sunday) at 9.00 a.m. (may be preponed to Saturday 12 Feb 2011 if time permits) followed by the Semifinals 10.30 a.m. The Finals will be held at 2.00 p.m. The Quarterfinals/Semifinals are knockout rounds.

## **Results (Announcement)**

Results will be announced within 30 minutes after the completion of the preliminary / quarter / semifinal rounds. The Final result and the winners of the various categories will be announced only during the valediction / prize distribution ceremony.

## **VII. Memorials**

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

- a. Each team must prepare memorials for both parties to the dispute (Petitioners and Respondent).
- b. The briefs shall be consistent with Income Tax Rules & Regulations.
- c. One advance hard copy of the memorials (both Applicant & Respondent) must reach the host institution (JSSLC) for evaluation by **2 February 2011** latest by 5.30 p.m. Soft copy of the memorials in word format must be mailed to **mootcourt@lawindia.com**. Memorials / Amendments to the memorials shall not be accepted after **7 February 2011**. Late submission will be penalized by one point each memorial for every day of delay after due date. No excuses in respect of delayed courier services will be entertained. The remaining 5 copies may be submitted during orientation at 4.30 p.m. on 11 February 2011.
- d. Once the memorials have been submitted, no revisions, supplements, or additions will be allowed.



- e. The memorials have to be submitted on typed A 4 size paper printed on one side and must contain:
- 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
- f. The font size should be 12 (doubles space) and for footnotes it should be 10 (single space) & double space between two foot notes & style, Times New Roman.
- g. The memorials should be spiral / staple bound or stitched. Any other form of binding shall not be accepted.
- h. The memorial must have a margin measuring one inch on all sides of each page
- i. The page numbering should be on the top right side of each page.
- j. Covers must be placed on briefs as follows:  
**Petitioner: Light Blue Color; Defendant: Light Red Color.**  
Use of Cellophane sheets over the covers or inside will be penalized.
- k. The cover page of the memorial must state the following
- The cause title
  - Identify brief as Petitioners / Respondents.
- l. Identity of the institution shall not be revealed anywhere in the memorial. Violation of this provision shall result in penalties including disqualification. The National Administrator's decision shall be final.
- m. The teams may submit a separate paper book of not more than 50 pages (printed on both sides), 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 and may be submitted at the time of registration. Any identifying marks/seal of the college shall attract severe penalties including disqualification. There will not be any passing of notes to the judges. The paper book will have to take care of this requirement.

## **VIII. Oral Round**

### **Preliminary Round & Quarterfinals**

- a. Each team will get a total of 30 minutes to present their case. This time will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.
- b. The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 15 minutes per speaker. Division of time shall be informed to the court officer before arguments begin.
- c. The oral arguments need not be confined to the issues presented in the memorials.
- d. Passing of notes to the speakers by the researcher during the rounds is allowed.
- e. The researcher shall sit with the speakers at the time of the orals.



## **Semifinal & Final**

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

## **IX. 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.

## **X. Scoring**

### **A. Orals**

The parameters for judging the oral presentation 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 national law
- j. Ingenuity (ability to argue by analogy from related aspects of law)

### **B. Written Submissions (Memorials)**

- a. The memorials shall be marked on a scale of 1-100 points each.
- b. Any revisions, supplements or additions to the memorials after submission shall attract severe penalties subject to the discretion of the National 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
- d. Non-compliance of the rules mentioned in Clause VII above shall attract severe penalties



## **XI. Awards**

- a. Best Team Award – The Team will receive a Plaque and a cash prize of Rs 20,000/- only
- b. Runner up Team – The Second Best Team will receive a Plaque and a cash prize of Rs. 10,000/- only
- c. Best Memorial Award – The Team will receive a Plaque and a cash prize of Rs. 8,000/- only
- d. Second Best Memorial Award – The Team will receive a Plaque and a cash prize of Rs. 4,000/- only
- e. Best Speaker (Individual) – Plaque and a cash prize of Rs. 8,000/- only
- f. Second Best Speaker (Individual) – Plaque and a cash prize of Rs. 4,000/- only

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

## **XII. Anonymity**

- a. Student counsel may introduce him/herself to the court in the usual manner and may also state his/her names. However, the team's college / institution affiliation may not be mentioned at any time before the awards ceremony.
- b. Further, all team members, coaches, advisors, and observers shall refrain from identifying a team's school 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).

## **XIII. Video Recording**

- a. The organisers will arrange for the video recording of only the finals of the competition. Teams that wish to obtain a copy of the recording may do so on payment of Rs. 500/- per copy
- b. The recording shall be sent to the college on payment of Rs. 500/- per copy in the form of a Demand Draft (DD only) drawn on a nationalized bank payable at Mysore in favor of The Principal JSS Law College (Autonomous) Mysore

## **XIV. DECISION OF THE JUDGES IS FINAL**

## **XV. 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 JSS Law College, Mysore and Surana & Surana International Attorneys Chennai, in lieu of waiver of competition registration fees. 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 JSS Law College, Mysore 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.mootsite.com](http://www.mootsite.com), 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.

#### **XVI. Accommodation, Food & Transport**

- (a) Accommodation (b) food and (c) transport between the hostel / hotel and the competition venue to the participating teams will be provided by JSS Law College, Mysore. The address and the phone no of the hotel / guesthouse will be provided in [www.mootsite.com](http://www.mootsite.com) once it is finalized. The name and mobile no of the student volunteer in charge of transport / accommodation will also be made available after finalisation. Teams should fill in their travel plan in the sheet available on page 10 positively by 5.30 p.m. on 6 February 2011.

#### **XVII. Dress Code**

Girls: Indian / Western formal wear (white & black with black blazer)

Boys: White shirt, black tie & black trouser with black blazer

#### **XVIII. Any clarifications for the competition can be sought from:**

Regarding Registration / Submission of Memorials /Accommodation / Transport / etc.

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Date:

**Registration form**

(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 organizers, i.e. the Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai and the JSS Law College (Autonomous) Mysore for any claim or dispute arising out of the further use and exhibition of these materials.

(All particulars must be given)

Name of the Institution:

Email:

Phone:

Fax:

Name	Signature
1.	
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3.	

Seal & signature  
of the Head of  
the Institution

Completed form should reach Administrator by **25 January 2011** (attach scanned copy by email)

- a. E-mail: [mootcourt.jsslcmysore@gmail.com](mailto:mootcourt.jsslcmysore@gmail.com) & [mootcourt@lawindia.com](mailto:mootcourt@lawindia.com) – The subject of the email must be “SURANA & SURANA NATIONAL CORPORATE LAW MOOT REGISTRATION”
- b. Postal Address: Prof. Nagendramurthy M.P, Chairperson, Moot Court Committee, JSS Law College (Autonomous) New Kantharaje Urs Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysore – 570 023, Karnataka.  
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**TRAVEL PLAN**

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1. Name of Institution -

2. Arrival Details -

a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus \_\_\_\_\_

b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No. \_\_\_\_\_

c. Estimated Time of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_

3. Departure Details -

a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus \_\_\_\_\_

b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No. \_\_\_\_\_

c. Estimated Time of Departure \_\_\_\_\_

4. Any other details:

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(Signature & seal of the Head of the Institution)

**Note:**

**This Travel Form must reach JSS Law College on or before February 6, 2011 at 5.30 pm.**