





MOOT COURT SOCIETY

FACULTY OF LAW

1st SGTU — INTERNATIONAL — MOOT COURT — COMPETITION 2024

ON INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

30-31 August, 2024 (Online)

14 September, 2024 (Offline)

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About SGT University

SGT University is nationally renowned for its leadership in Medical and Health Sciences. It established the Faculty of Law in 2014 to promote profound scholarship and enlighten research in law, to provide highest quality professional legal education to face the new challenges and dimensions of the internationalization of the legal profession. SGT UNIVERSITY established the School of Law with a vision to strive for excellence in teaching, research, and advocacy towards justice for all by shaping thought leaders in public policy of national and international dimensions. The faculty of law at present is offering B.A.LL.B. (Hons.), B.B.A.LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., and Ph.D. programs, Imbibing the best practices in terms of curriculum, pedagogy, and innovation in teaching methods. Invested and promoted by the largest media enterprise, the School of Law is committed to educating the pioneers of the future through leaders in the field of law, the ones who can think out loud and clearly on the matter of justice and progress. The vision of the SGT University is to be "recognized nationally and globally for excellences in clinical legal education, community based outreach programs, socially relevant research and for honing up Lawyering, Arbitration, Mediation and Client Counseling Skills".



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About Faculty of Law

The Faculty of Law at SGT University, a NAAC A+ Private University in Delhi NCR, holding numerous accolades, has a vision to provide quality legal education in this new age of digital transformation. It was established in the year 2014 and has statutory recognition from the Bar Council of India and the Government of Haryana. It is situated in a fully-developed institutional area with modern infrastructure and a world-class academic environment in lush green, well-equipped 70 acres of campus. It uses new-age learning technologies for competency-based, adaptive, and collaborative education and aims to focus on digital learning through a balanced combination of technology, digital content, live instruction, and experiential learning. Faculty of Law, SGT University Haryana has been organizing Moot Court Competitions on a National level and has experienced a rise in participation and success rate every passing year. The aim has been to provide the students with first-hand experience of communicating and mooting with the other teams all around the country. The 7th National Moot Court Competition 2023 observed participation of around thirty teams from various Universities and Colleges all over the country. The students not only took back the participation experience but also their insights were garnered from esteemed dignitaries who empowered them to excel in future endeavors.



About Moot Court Society

The Moot Court Society (MCS) at Faculty of Law, SGT University stands as a lively foundation that is fully committed towards enriching the law school experience for students. The students driven by their passion for advocacy and legal discourse, organize engaging events. In the spirit of collaboration, the faculty lends their expertise to guide students on their path to mastery of legal advocacy. This synergy between the students and faculty is what truly makes the Moot Court Society a force to be reckoned with. MCS aims to create a professional skills culture among the students at the School of Law by training them for national and International moot court competitions. Moot Court Competitions are designed to simulate appellate court proceedings, allowing participants to develop and showcase their skills in legal research, writing, and oral advocacy. MCS seeks to provide a platform for participants to refine their legal skills and gain practical experience in the field of law. Through organizing Moot Court Competitions, Workshops, and Seminars, we foster a vibrant environment for sharing ideas.

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About 1st SGTU International Moot Court Competition, 2024

Rightly said by Benjamin Franklin, "an Investment in knowledge pays the best interest" and on that note the Faculty of Law at SGT University Haryana is honored to organize its **1ST INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2024 on International Environmental Law** that shall be conducted on **30th – 31st August (Online)** and **14th September, 2024 (Offline)**. The Proposition will be a simulation based on the leading International Environmental issues emerging at the global level that are encountered in the State jurisdictions. The Competition intends to provide an opportunity to all the participants to learn the Court craft by observation and have a Courtroom experience, from any and every corner of the world. The Event aims to instill confidence in students and motivate them to overcome ongoing Environmental crisis by exploring all the dimensions in the legal world. The Competition looks forward to conferring a unique opportunity to the participants to understand the conduct, various procedures and application of International Laws, Treaties and Conventions along with the opportunity to Hone Courtroom manners and etiquettes.

About International Environmental Law

International Environmental Law comprises agreements and principles representing the global community's unified effort to tackle major environmental issues like climate change, ozone depletion, and the mass extinction of wildlife. Its broader goal is to achieve sustainable development, ensuring high living standards for present generations without compromising the quality of life for future generations. Thus, International Environmental Law is essential both for addressing specific environmental challenges and for embedding long-term environmental protection within the global economy.

Invitation Letter

The Faculty of Law at SGT University, as a part of its endeavors of providing and facilitating its support to the student community of the country takes immense pleasure in announcing the First SGTU International Moot Court Competition 2024. The event shall be held on 30th – 31st August (Online) and 14th September, 2024 (Offline). The previous editions of National Moot Court Competitions organized by the University proved to be an enriching experience for the participants owing to unconventional and challenging Moot Propositions and high standards of adjudicating. The discipline and transparency with which these Moot Court Competitions were conducted have contributed to its previous successful chapters leading to an increased participation from year to year since its inception. We extend our warm invitation to your esteemed Institution, recognizing the value you bring to the Competition.

Warm Regards
Organizing Committee (MCS)
Faculty of Law, SGT University

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Message from the Organising Committee

Dear Participants,

We are thrilled to welcome each one of you to this year's Moot Court Competition! As the organizers of this prestigious event, we want to extend our warmest greetings and appreciation for your enthusiasm to participate. The Moot Court Competition is not just a mere simulation; it is a platform where you will have the opportunity to showcase your legal acumen, research skills, and advocacy prowess. It is a chance to embrace the challenges of the legal world and hone your abilities to navigate complex legal issues.

Throughout this Competition, we encourage you to embrace the spirit of professionalism, respect for your fellow Competitors, and sportsmanship. Remember, the real victory lies not just in winning but in the knowledge and experience gained throughout the journey.

Our esteemed panel of Judges, faculty members, and committee members have made tremendous efforts to create a fair and challenging Competition. Seize this moment to learn from their feedback and use it to grow and evolve as aspiring legal professionals. In the pursuit of excellence, let us also remember the importance of camaraderie and cooperation, forge new friendships and cherish the memories you create during this event.

Lastly, we want to emphasize that this Competition is a stepping stone towards a brighter future in the legal arena. Embrace every opportunity to learn and grow, and let the experience of this Moot Court Competition stay with you throughout your legal career.

Wishing you all lots of luck and success. May you find inspiration and empowerment through this Competition.

Let the Arguments begin!

Organizing Committee, Moot Court Society SGT UNIVERSITY [Faculty of Law]

Competition Schedule

- 30th & 31st August, 2024 [Virtual Mode Rounds (Inaugural Ceremony, Preliminaries, Quarter-Final)]
- 14th September, 2024 [Offline Mode (Semi-Final, Final Round and Valedictory Ceremony)]

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Basic Rules & Regulations

1. **DEFINITIONS**

- **1.1** "MCS" means Moot Court Society, SGT UNIVERSITY (Faculty of law).
- **1.2** "Competition Rules" means all the rules contained herein and any other supplementary rules officially notified by the administrators.
- 1.3 "Competition" means the 1st SGTU International Moot Court Competition, 2024.
- 1.4 "Judge" means any person appointed to evaluate a participant's oral pleadings.
- **1.5** "Moot Proposition of the Competition" means the official proposition of the competition which includes all clarifications or corrections notified by MCS.
- **1.6** "Organizers" or "Organizing Team" means any personnel (singularly or as a group) of MCS who is involved with the event in any capacity.
- 1.7 "Participants" means student representatives from eligible colleges recognized by MCS who compete in the competition.
- 1.8 "Problem Clarifications" means clarifications of the Moot Proposition of the Competition as published by the MCS.
- 1.9 "Written submission" means the written pleadings of each participating team, Written and submitted in accordance with the rules of SGTU 1st INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2024.

2 INTERPRETATION

The decision of the MCS regarding the application and interpretation of Competition Rules shall be conclusive and final for the purposes of solving any discrepancies or disputes before, during, or after the Competition.

3 **ELIGIBILITY**

Students enrolled in a 3-year Law programme and 5-year Law programme are eligible for the Competition.

4 LANGUAGE

The language of the Competition shall be English.

5 DRESS CODE

Female: White Shirt/Kurta, Black Blazer, Black Trousers/Skirts/Salwar and Black Shoes.

Male: White Shirt, Black Blazer, Black Trousers, Black Tie and Black Shoes.

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6 TEAM COMPOSITION

Each participating Team can comprise of two (2) or three (3) students. In case of two (2) members, both the members shall be designated as Speakers and any one of them shall also be designated as Researcher. In a Team of three (3) members, two members shall be designated as Speakers and the third member as Researcher. No additional member or Team mentor shall be allowed to accompany the Team.

7 CLARIFICATION

All requests for clarification related to the Moot Proposition must be submitted to the mcs@sgtuniversity.com

Clarifications through any other mode are discouraged and shall not be entertained. The teams may seek clarifications latest by prescribed Date post which no Clarifications shall be entertained. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to provide clarifications only about the facts of the case and not related to the substantive arguments of the case. As and when issued, the Clarifications shall become a part of the Moot Proposition.

8 ANONYMITY

- 8.1 Each participating Team shall be allotted a Team Code upon Registration.
- 8.2 Teams shall not disclose, in any manner whatsoever, for the entire duration of the Competition, either their own individual identities or the identity of the Institution/University that they represent, even if asked by the Judges.
- 8.3 The Teams shall not disclose their identity anywhere in their Memorials.
- 8.4. Non-compliance with Rules 8.2 and 8.3 shall result in immediate disqualification of the Team.
- 8.5. The decision of MCS in this regard shall be final.

9 MEMORIAL FORMATTING AND SUBMISSION

- 9.1. Each Team shall prepare Memorials from the side of Applicant and Defendant.
- 9.2. The soft copy (in MS Word .doc/.docx and pdf format) of both the Memorials must be emailed to mcs@sgtunversity.org latest by prescribed date with subject "Memorials-Team Code____". The file names of the electronic copies of the Memorials must contain only the Team Code and the side being represented in the following format: e.g. (for Team Code 10) 10A or 10D, 'A' being for 'Applicant' Memorial and 'D' for 'Defendant' Memorial and so forth.
- 9.3. The Memorial for each side should be submitted as one single file and not in multiple files. Any violation of this Rule shall invite penalty as decided by the MCS.

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- 9.4. Format of Memorials
- 9.4.1. The Memorials shall necessarily consist of only the following sections:
 - a) Cover Page
 - Team Code on the top right corner
 - Name and Place of the forum
 - Relevant legal provision under which it is filed
 - Name of parties and their status
 - Counsel appearing on behalf of Applicant/Defendant
 - Memorial Filed on Behalf of Applicant/Defendant
- b) Table of Contents
- c) List of Abbreviations
- d) Index of Authorities (with page number where the authority has been cited)
- e) Statement of Jurisdiction
- f) Statement of Facts
- g) Issues Presented
- h) Summary of Arguments (not exceeding 2 pages)
- i) Arguments Advanced (not exceeding 25 pages)
- i) Prayer (not exceeding 1 page)
- 9.4.2. Teams shall cite authorities in the Memorials using footnotes following the **Harvard Bluebook 20th Edition**. Explanatory or illustrative footnotes are not allowed.
- 9.4.3. The Memorials shall be printed on A4 size paper, with the following:

Mandatory formatting specifications:

a) Font Type: Times New Roman

b) Font Size: 12

c) Line Spacing: 1.5

d) Margins: 1inch on each side

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For **footnotes**, the formatting specifications are:

a) Font type: Times New Roman

b) Font Size: 10

c) Single Line Spacing

9.4.4. The Memorials shall be spiral bound. The following colour scheme shall be followed for the Cover Page of the Memorial:

Applicant: Blue

Defendant: Red

10 RESEARCHERS' TEST

The Researchers' Test shall take place on **30th August 2024**. Only the Researcher, as indicated in the Team Registration, shall take the Researchers' test. A Speaker can take the Researchers' Test if the Team comprises of two participants only.

11. PROCEDURE FOR ORAL ROUNDS

- a. The Oral rounds will consist of two Preliminary Rounds followed by the Quarter-final Round, Semi-final Round, and Final Round.
- b. There will be 2 Oral rounds Online (Preliminary Rounds and Quarter-final Round) on 31st August, 2024.
- c. The Draw of Lots and Exchange of Memorials for the Preliminary Rounds will be held on 30th August, 2024 in Online Mode.
- d. The Applicants will first submit their arguments, followed by the Defendants. Both rebuttals and surrebuttals are allowed upon permission given by the Judges.
- e. Each team will get a total of 30 minutes to present their case during the Preliminary Rounds and Quarterfinal Round.
- f. Teams can choose the division of time per speaker at their discretion. However, each speaker must speak for a minimum of twelve minutes.
- g. Oral arguments are limited to facts disclosed in the Moot Proposition.
- h. Teams may submit a compendium of cases, scholarly articles and papers, and statutory provisions to support their arguments during the oral rounds.
- i. The top eight teams from the Preliminary Rounds based on the scores will qualify for the Quarter Finals to be held on 31st August 2024. There will be a Draw of Lots for the Quarter-finals after announcing the Qualifying Teams followed by Memorial Exchange.
- j. 4 Teams will qualify for the Semi-finals to be held on 14th September, 2024 at SGT University Gurugram followed by Final Round and Valedictory Ceremony.
- k. The winner of each round of the Semi-finals will qualify for the Final Round on 14th September 2024.

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12. SCOUTING

Scouting in any manner is strictly prohibited, and teams or any member thereof found indulging in the same shall be disqualified from further participating in the Competition. The Organizing committee will take the final decision regarding any matter pertaining to scouting.

Evaluation of Memorials

Every Memorial will be marked on scale of 100 and shall be evaluated according to the following criteria:

S. No.	Criteria	Marks
1	Application and Appreciation of Facts	20 Marks
2	Application of Legal Principles, Authorities and Precedents	25 Marks
3	Ingenuity and Logical Reasoning	20 Marks
4	Extent and Use of Research	20 Marks
5	Grammar, Language, Formatting and Presentation	15 Marks

Registration Fee & Process

The Registration fee for the competition is INR 3000/-

- Institutions/Universities shall register themselves for the Competition by filling up the **Registration Form** and making the **payment by scanning the QR code on the Cover Page on or before 20th August 2024.**
- It is also required to send a screenshot of the completed payment transaction along with the soft copy of the Registration Form to mcs@sgtunversity.org

Note- Fee once paid will not be refunded under any circumstances.

Important Links

- 1. Registration Form link- https://forms.gle/Q4v7fPpvtYqerEmb9
- 2. Moot Proposition-https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dtJJURP-KA1-kQXCdW1LxAwa
 XOQEGmMf/view?usp=sharing

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Prizes and Awards

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

• WINNING TEAM :: Rs.31,000 /- INR

• RUNNER UP TEAM :: Rs.21,000 /- INR

• BEST MOOTER :: Rs.7,000 /- INR

• BEST MEMORIAL :: Rs.10,000 /- INR

• BEST RESEARCHER :: Rs.7,000 /- INR

Important Dates

Last Date for Payment and submission of the soft copy of Registration Form	20th August 2024
Last Date for seeking Clarifications	22nd August 2024
Release of Clarifications	24th August 2024
Last date for submission of soft copies of Memorials	26th August 2024
Inauguration Ceremony	30th August 2024
Researchers' Test	30th August 2024
Preliminary and Quarter-Final Rounds	31st August 2024
Semi-Final and Final Rounds	14th September 2024
Valedictory Ceremony	14th September 2024

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Messages from the Core Team



Dr. Atul NasaVice Chancellor, SGT University

Messages

With great enthusiasm and pride, I express my immense pleasure in announcing the 1st SGTU International Moot Court Competition 2024. This platform merges academic excellence with practical skills for a profound learning experience, epitomizing our dedication to legal excellence. It's more than a showcase – it's a gateway to explore competition law intricacies.



Dr. Richa Chaudhary

Professor & Dean Faculty of law, SGT University

Messages

Presenting the 1st SGTU International Moot Court Competition 2024 to advance legal excellence and Environmental law understanding, a celebration of scholarly dedication and collaborative synergy. To all those who share our passion for legal excellence, we invite you to join us in this momentous occasion.



Dr. Ankita Sharma (Faculty Convener, MCS) Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, SGT University

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Moot Court Competitions provide a platform to the law students to delve into intricacies of law by creating a simulated atmosphere for future lawyers. This Competition is one such attempts of imbibing in the young minds the programmatic skills of law by providing real - life experience and training regarding advocacy skills. I hope the Competition enhances the acumen and confidence of all the participants. Good luck!



Ms. Neha Dhillon (Member Secretary) Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, SGT University

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International Moot Competitions serve as a platform for law students to learn about the most current global issues and tackle them at the core. Such Competitions undeniably help the students to polish their legal practical skills and foster the lawyerly mindset that one would need to further a legal career. With the same spirit, I welcome all the participants and wish them GOOD LUCK.

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Messages from the Core Team



Mr. Ankit (Student Convenor) Faculty of Law, SGT University

Messages -

Moot is like an umbrella for a law student that helps in building researching, writing and oral advocacy skills. Welcome to the 1st SGTU International Moot Court Competition 2024 and join us for an exhilarating journey into the realm of legal advocacy and International Law. Engage with esteemed judges, network with global peers, and sharpen your skills in a challenging yet supportive environment. Discover the thrill of argumentation while advocating for justice on a global stage with us!



Ms. Ashima Bishnoi (Student Convenor) Faculty of Law, SGT University

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A Moot is a faux theatre of war that gets you in shape for the real life cut and thrust of court, encouraging you to improve your arguments and critical thinking. This Competition is anticipated to be an exceptional gathering of legal expertise, that will be nourished by knowledge of our distinguished panel of Judges. Through the networking opportunities we provide, you will be able to meet with professionals, academics, and like-minded individuals who share your passionate commitment to the legal profession. Go



Mr. Ankit Kadian Member Secretary



Ms. Riddhima Singh Core Member



Ms. Riya Bhati Core Member



Ms. Ananya Pandey
Core Member

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Glimpses of Our Previous Events



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