

Faculty of Law (GLS Law College)

National Virtual Judgement Writing Competition 2022-23

General Rule Book

ABOUT GUJARAT LAW SOCIETY

Gujarat Law Society (GLS) is a premier educational group, offering courses in multiple disciplines. It stands as a synonym for contemporary education in the region with its state-of-the-art infrastructure which houses nearly 29 institutes in various spheres. The society has a particularly expansive alumni group too which echoes the values that GLS has imparted, right since its inception. Being a part of some of the most distinguished corporations, across the globe, these members of the society's alumni have carved out a niche identity for themselves, that of being responsible, pragmatic and proactive.

GLS trust with superlative education began in 1927; almost 94 years back when a few visionaries stepped forward to transform the standards of education in the region. The institute derived its inspiration from and was founded by such luminaries as Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Shri Ganesh Mavlankar, the first Speaker of the country and Shri I.M. Nanavati with the vision of Excellence in Education. It was their foresight in the year 1927 that laid the foundation for an organization which has illuminated lacs of lives ever since.

It is the dynamism, sagacity and pragmatic approach of the management of GLS that guided the society on its path to glory. Constant support by the governing council currently spearheaded by Shri Sudhir Indravadan Nanavati that has led GLS to grow from a single law college to nearly 29 institutions ranging from graduate and post-graduate colleges in diverse areas such as arts, commerce, law, management, computer applications and professional courses.

About GLS University

GLS University has been established with the objective of providing an ideal and creative learning environment and continuing the tradition of excellence in education of the sponsoring body of the University, viz., Gujarat Law Society (GLS) Gujarat Law Society, established in the year 1927, is one of the largest and oldest educational institutions in the State of Gujarat.

GLS currently has more than 25,000 students pursuing their graduate, post graduate and doctoral level studies at various levels within the university and its constituent colleges/institutions. GLS has currently more than one million alumni, all established in several spheres of work including business, commerce, law, science, arts and culture. Several of these alumni are noted entrepreneurs. The university is currently hosted in a state of art campus within the heart of the city fully equipped with advanced technological tools to facilitate education.

About Faculty of Law

Faculty of Law (FOL), constituent department of GLS University, is a premier destination for students interested in establishing a virtuous career in Law and aiming to become torch bearers of Justice. Faculty of Law has emerged as the most preferred destination for legal education. The college has an advantage of senior and well experienced faculty members in the field of Law. The senior practicing advocates also contribute in teaching and providing experiential learning to law aspirants. The teaching pedagogy includes classroom discussions, case studies, interactive presentations, guest lectures, expert sessions, seminars, conferences, and case law methods coupled with intensive practical training through moot courts. It is worthy to note that Faculty of Law has ventured in all possible educational arenas by organizing International Conferences, National Moot Court Competitions, National Sports Fest, various seminars at National and International level. It has now become the epicenter where knowledge liberates; ideas are conceptualized and shaped into existence. The untiring contribution made by Faculty of Law has enabled the college to secure a position in Forbes Legal Power list 2020 as one of the most promising and top law schools.

About the Competition:

The Judgment Writing Competition, 2023 has been conceived with the aim to cultivate the art of writing judgments among students to push the students to write judgments. The students are given the feel of assuming the role of the judge. The great strength of this contest is to engage the students with multi-tasking of both creative lawyering and innovative judging

The judgment writing competition will have the following principles and purpose:

- To develop a judicious mind.
- > To apply legal concepts with clarity of thought.

- > To promote the spirit of the rule of law and justice.
- > To interpret the law in a justifiable manner with a view to meet ends of justice

General Rules

Short Title: These Rules shall bear the title Online Judgement Writing Competition Rules 2023.

- 1. Definitions: Unless otherwise stated following shall be construed as under-
 - I. "Administrator" shall mean the Faculty of Law Organizing Committee
 - II. "Clarifications" shall mean any questions, inquires or doubts sent by a registered team (after final registration) to the organizers seeking any factual clarification(s) in the Moot Preposition. The clarifications, if any, provided by the college shall be considered as if it were a part of the Moot Proposition and shall have no individual significance.
 - III. "Institution" means any recognized Law school/college or university.
 - IV. "Participating Team" means the team which has registered itself for the competition as per the rules for registration
 - V. "Participating Institution" shall be presumed to be the parent institution of the participating teams
 - VI. "Organizer" means the Faculty of Law (GLS Law College) GLS University, Ahmedabad
- 2. Language: The language of the Competition shall be only English.
- 3. Important Dates

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| 22th December 2022 | Release of Moot Proposition, Rules, and Commencement |
| Wednesday | ofRegistration |
| | (Through Google form) |
| | https://forms.gle/UWULhfCyFaaWjCwFA |
| 31st December 2022 | Last Date for Registration |
| Saturday | _ |
| 10th January 2023 | Last Date for seeking Clarifications |
| Tuesday | |
| 20 th January 2023 | Last Date of Submission of Judgment |
| Friday | |
| | (Through Google form) |
| 28 th January 2023 | Declaration of Result |
| Saturday | |
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- Eligibility Criteria: The Competition shall be open to students who are Pursuing an integrated 5 year LL.B. programme in India or pursuing a 3 year LL.B. programme in India
- "Participating Institution" shall be presumed to be the parent institution of the participating teams. From each institute only one teams can represent the institute.
- Provided in furtherance to the above clause, the first 24 teams shall be reckoned on basis of the final registration
- 4. Team Composition: Each team shall constitute of 2 members, under no condition shall a team consisting of more than 2 members be allowed to participate.
 Note: One Team form Each Institute shall allow to register.
- 5. Registration

The participating institutions have to register by filling up the Google form (link has been given below) on or before 31st December 2022 by 11:59 PM (IST)

Google form Link for registration:

https://forms.gle/UWULhfCyFaaWjCwFA

6. **Registration Fee:** To confirm participation, teams of every Institution should register themselves with the Registration forms duly signed by the heads of the institution along with the fees of Rs.500/-per team. The payment will be made through RTGS.

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7. Submission Guidelines

- ▶ It shall not exceed 2500 words (excluding authorities).
- The write-up shall be in Times New Roman, Font size 12 and the line spacing 1.5. Footnotes shall consist of size 10 and spacing of 1.
- > The team is required to cite authorities similar to Judgments of Court.

- > The write-ups shall have no plagiarism and should be an original work of participants.
- > The participant shall follow 20th Edition Blue Book Citation.

Teams shall not reveal their identity in any form, except by means of the Team Code allotted to them during the Competition.

The Written Submissions shall not reveal the identity of the team in any form and should not bear the logo, name etc. of the University represented.

| Criteria | Marks |
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| Preparations of Facts | 20 |
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| Identification of Issues | 20 |
| Analytical Reasoning | 20 |
| Authorities, Statues, and other provisions of law cited | 20 |
| Format and Presentation | 10 |
| Knowledge and use of legal principles | 10 |
| Total | 100 |

8. Evaluation Criteria

9. TIE BREAKER

In the event of tie between the marks of two teams, the team having least plagiarism will be considered.

10. PENALTIES

There will be negative marking for late submission, wrong file name, exceeding the page limit, Plagiarism of more than 10%

11. Categories of Award

| Trophy to the Winning Team | Cash prize of Rs. 10000/- |
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| Trophy to the First Runners up Team | Cash prize of Rs. 5000 /- |
| Trophy to the Second Runners up | Cash prize of Rs. 3000 /- |

Certificate will be issued to all the participants.

12. Judges:

The competition will be judged by the panel of two esteemed Judges.

13. **Interpretation of Rule Book** The interpretation of these rules by the organizer shall be conclusive. The decision of the organizers for the above stated rules shall be final and binding to the participating teams.

Rules should be strictly adhered to. Any deviation from the above stated rules would attract penalties at the discretion of the Judgement Writing Committee

In case of any Queries and Clarifications feel free to contact us at <u>glslcjudgementwritting@gmail.com</u>

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