



SCHOOL OF LAW, THE NORTHCAP UNIVERSITY

ORGANIZES

NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2026

XIth EDITION

4th, 17th & 18th APRIL, 2026

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Title & Commencement

1.1 The NCU Law School National Moot Court Competition (XIth Edition) (hereinafter referred as NMCC) shall be held on 4th, 17th & 18th April, 2026 at THE NORTHCAP UNIVERSITY, HUDA Sector 23A, Gurugram- 122017, Haryana.

2. Language

2.1 The language of the competition shall be English.

3. Eligibility Criteria

3.1 Law schools/Colleges/ Institutes/ Universities, recognized by the Bar Council of India, are eligible to participate in the NMCC. The participants should currently be pursuing their Bachelor's degree in law i.e., Three-Year or Five-Year Law Courses. Students who have completed their law courses are not eligible to participate in the competition.

3.2 A maximum of Two teams can register from a particular law school/College/ Institute/University in the NMCC.

3.3 Only those members designated as speakers will be permitted to put forth oral arguments in the Competition.

4. Registration & Accommodation

4.1 Teams are supposed to complete registration by **23rd March 2026** by filling out the Google form for registration:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe0KWofEFeJjNjqsZmAA1vQfqw6nxqq7AvHZFa0HHvReVUCsXA/viewform?usp=publish-editor>

4.2 A maximum of two teams from the same institution can participate in NMCC 2026, however, the registration should be done within the due date. Participating teams will receive a confirmation of their participation via e-mail on **24th March 2026**.



4.3 The teams are required to submit a soft copy of the Registration Form, Travel Form and Proof of Payment of participation fee (ensure that the proof of payment has the following components visible- Name of Payer, Ref. number of payment, Date, last 4 digits of the Account No.) of Rs. 3000/- via email to mootcourt@ncuindia.edu and upload in the link given above before 11:59 PM 23rd March, 2026

4.4 The students requiring accommodation have to pay Rs. 2,500/- (Rupees Twenty five hundred) per team per day (including all food and travel i.e. from the Accommodation to the University and vice-versa only on the dates of competition). The said amount shall be paid directly to the hotel via scanning QR Code provided by the Moot Court Committee by 10th April 2026.

4.5 Each team shall be allotted a Team Code on 26th March, 2026. The Draw of Lots for the Preliminary rounds will take place on 4th April 2026.

4.6 The teams shall submit their **written submissions by the team code allotted to them** and “NOT” by their institution’s name.

4.7 Accommodation will be arranged for all teams who have opted for the same by the Organizers on a payment basis from 10th April, 12:00 PM to 14th April, 10:00 AM. Participants requiring accommodation please indicate the same in the space provided for in the Travel Details and Accommodation form.

5. Written Submissions/ Memorial

5.1 All participating teams must submit soft copy of their memorial in PDF format, for both sides by 28th March, 2026 by e-mail addressed to mootcourt@ncuindia.edu memorial after this date shall be accepted in any case. No extension will be entertained in any circumstances.



- 5.2 All participating teams shall bring with them **05 sets of Memorials each side**, (total 10 Memorials) and submit them during the registration upon arrival on the date of competition.
- 5.3 The soft copy of the Memorials will be treated as final submission and hard copy of Memorials should not differ from the soft copy submitted by the participating team in any manner whatsoever.
- 5.4 The cover page of memorials for the petitioner shall be in **Blue** and of the respondent shall be in **Red**.
- 5.5 The teams shall not indicate their names or the names of their college or the university name on memorials. For all communications purposes, the team code shall only be specified.
- 5.6 The team code allotted to each team shall be indicated at top right corner of the memorial, which will be communicated by way of e-mail.
- 5.7 The written memorials shall conform to the set standards:
- Teams must prepare memorials for both the sides.
 - All Memorials must be in English, and must be printed single side on A4 size paper, with equal margins of at least 1 inch on all sides.
 - The text font should be Times New Roman, size 12 for the main body, and Times New Roman, size 10 for the footnotes.
 - Blue Book (20th Edition) mode of citation must be followed.
 - The main body must be in 1.5 line spacing. The footnotes may be in single line spacing.
 - Memorial shall not exceed 35 pages in all. Arguments shall not exceed 25 pages.
 - Memorials shall not be plastic bound.

5.8 The Memorial must contain all of, and only, the following parts:

- Cover page
- Table of Contents
- Table of Abbreviations
- Index of Authorities
- Statement of Jurisdiction
- Statement of facts
- Issues Raised
- Summary of Arguments
- Arguments advanced / Pleadings
- Prayer

6. Evaluation Criteria for Written Submission:

Every memorial will be marked on scale of 100 and will be evaluated according to the following criteria

S. No	Criterion	Marks
1.	Proper inclusion of parties, identification of issues and nature of relief sought.	10
2.	Knowledge of Law & Facts	15
3.	Application of Law to Facts	15
4.	Analysis and Organization	10

5.	Use of Authority	15
6.	Proper Citation & Correct Format	10
7.	Originality in Presentation	10
8.	General Impression and Clarity of Thought	10
9.	Grammar and Style of Presentation	05
	Total	100

7. Preliminary Round

7.1 There shall be a preliminary round on 4th April, 2026.

7.2 The Lots for the Preliminary round will be drawn by the NCU Law School Moot Court Committee in online mode.

7.3 The Petitioner shall be allotted a total of 15 minutes to speak. The Respondent shall be allotted 15 minutes (additional 05 minutes for rebuttal). Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.

7.4 The division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 08 minutes for one speaker.

7.5 Before the commencement of each round, each team shall indicate to the 'Court Officer' as to how they wish to allocate their time.

7.6 At the end of the preliminary round, the top 08 teams will qualify for the Quarter Finals. The top 08 teams will be selected on the basis of knock out.

7.7 In the case of a tie, it would be resolved by considering the memorial scores.

8. Quarter Final (Knock out round):

- 8.1 The Quarter Finals will be a ranking round to be held on 17th April, 2026 in Offline mode. The top 04 teams, with the highest total scores in these oral rounds, shall qualify for the semi-final rounds.
- 8.2 The side to be represented by a team shall be determined by way of draw of lots with the teams picking the lots after the completion of the preliminary rounds.
- 8.3 The Petitioner shall be allotted a total of 20 minutes to speak. The Respondent shall be allotted 20 minutes (additional 5 minutes for rebuttal). Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.
- 8.4 The division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 11 minutes for one speaker.
- 8.5 Before the commencement of the round, each team shall indicate to the ‘Court officer’ as to how they wish to allocate their time.
- 8.6 In the case of a tie, it would be resolved by considering the memorial scores.

9. Semi-Finals:

- 9.1 The Semi-Finals shall be a knock-out round to be held on 17^h April, 2026 in offline mode. A team will be credited with a win in the Semi-Finals if the total marks are higher than those of its opponent team.
- 9.2 The side to be presented by the team shall be determined by way of draw of lots with the teams picking the lots after the completion of the quarter-finals rounds.
- 9.3 The Petitioner shall be allotted a total of 25 minutes to speak. The Respondent shall be allotted 25 minutes (an additional 5 minutes for rebuttal). Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.
- 9.4 The division of time between the speakers at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 13 minutes for one speaker.
- 9.5 Before the commencement of the round, each team shall indicate to the ‘Court officer’ as to how they wish to allocate their time.
- 9.6 In the case of a tie, it would be resolved by considering the memorial scores.

10. Finals:

- 10.1 The Final will be held on 18th April, 2026. A team will be credited with a win in the Final if the total marks are higher than those of its opponent team.
- 10.2 The Petitioner shall be allotted a total of 30 minutes to speak; The Respondent shall be allotted 30 minutes (additional 10 minutes for rebuttal). Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.
- 10.3 The division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 16 minutes for one speaker.
- 10.4 Before the commencement of the round, each team shall indicate to the ‘Court officer’ as to how they wish to allocate their time.

11. Dress Code:

Participants are required to adhere to the following dress code during the competition:

- 11.1 Ladies: White shirt, black trousers/skirts, black tie/Indian formals (black and white), black coat and black shoes.
- 11.2 Gentlemen: White Shirt, black trousers, black tie along with black coat and black shoes.
- 11.3 Strict adherence to the dress code is solicited. Failure will result in disqualification.

12. Evaluation Criteria for Oral Pleadings:

S.No.	Marking Criteria	Marks
1.	Knowledge of Facts & Law	20
2.	Interpretation of Facts & it's Application	20
3.	Use of Authorities	15
4.	Style, Poise & Court Manners	15
5.	Organization of Arguments	15
6.	Time Management	15
	Total	100

13. Scouting:

13.1 Teams shall not be allowed to observe the oral submissions of any other team.

Scouting is strictly prohibited.

AWARDS

- **Best Team**

Rs. 42000

(Cash Prize- Rs. 30,000+ Trophy+ Any free Certificate course from Manupatra, the 3 participants with Rs. 12000/-)

- **Runner- Up**

Rs. 32000/-

(Cash Prize- 20,000+ Trophy+ Any free Certificate course from Manupatra to all the 3 participants worth Rs. 12000/-)

- **Best Mooter Male**

Rs. 9000/-

(Cash Prize of Rs. 5,000/-, along with a memento + Any free Certificate course from Manupatra worth Rs. 4000/-)

- **Best Mooter Female**

Rs. 9000/-

(Cash Prize of Rs. 5,000/-, along with a memento + Any free Certificate course from Manupatra worth Rs. 4000/-)

- **Best Memorial**

Rs. 9000/-

(Cash Prize of Rs. 5,000/-, along with a memento +Any free Certificate course from Manupatra worth Rs. 4000/-)

14. Decision of the Judges Shall Be Final:

14.1 The decision of the judges as per the scoresheet with regards to the outcome of the rounds shall be final.



15. Note:

15.1 All questions seeking clarifications on the Moot Problem should be sent to mootcourt@ncuindia.edu by 15th March, 2026.

15.2 More information about the University and the law school can be obtained from www.ncuindia.edu.

15.3 The organizers reserve the discretion to amend these rules at any time prior to the inaugural of the NMCC. In case of any discrepancy or doubts regarding the rules, the decision of the organizers shall be final.

15.4 Any clarification seeking can be reached at mootcourt@ncuindia.edu

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