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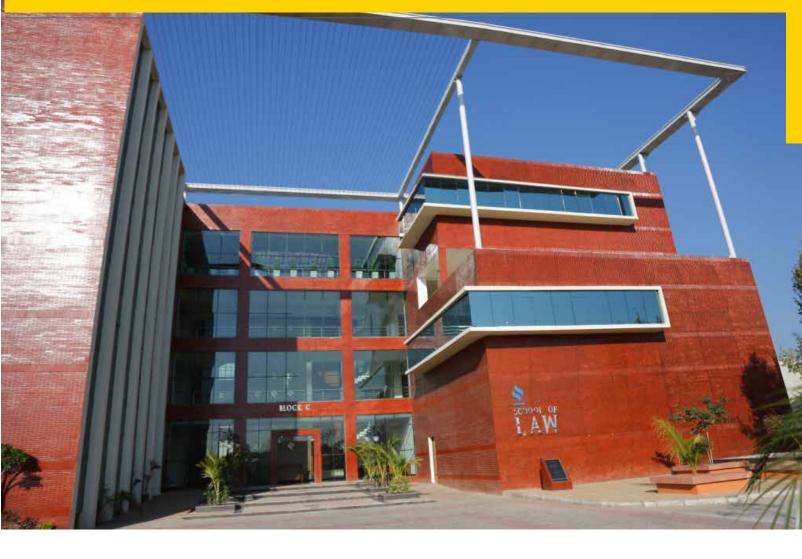






# **ABOUT UNIVERSITY**

Jagran Lakecity University, Bhopal is a private university established under Section 2(f) of UGC Act, 1956 and is based in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. JLU Bhopal is one of the fastest growing and one of the most awarded University of Central India having practice-based pedagogy at its core. Currently, the university is offering a 56-degree program to more than 2500 students from 8 countries and 27 states of India. The university has 27 partnerships with top industries and international universities ensuring the students get great exposure both nationally and internationally. JLU Bhopal is the only participating university from Central India ERASMUS+ programme under the Tuning India Project, funded by the European Commission and is also currently the country chair for Association of Universities of Asia Pacific (AUAP). The University has been bestowed with several prestigious awards, such as 'University of the Year' by the Government of Madhya Pradesh for four consecutive years in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 and is recognized as a Global League Institution in 2015 at the House of Commons, London, UK. JLU Bhopal has been ranked 'No. 1 Private University in Madhya Pradesh' in the year 2016, 2017, 2018 & 2019 by several leading publications.



# **ABOUT FACULTY OF LAW**

Ambitions define a man's future whereas education designs his pathway towards it. At JLU-Faculty of Law, we are committed to provide world class legal education to our students, molding them into steadfast legal professionals and equipping them with skills to meet the modern challenges of the legal profession. The students are given exposure to new ideas, international perspectives, and innovative teaching in an encouraging and open academic environment. With a high-quality education bolstered by unique work experiences, our graduating students are well equipped with the skills they need to succeed in a diverse set of fields, in India and abroad. Our primary focus is on fostering global exposure and intensive training by internalizing the core values of law and ethics. Our philosophy is that creative learning in a friendly and healthy academic atmosphere brings out the best in an individual. We have been awarded with the title of the best emerging law school of the country in the past by various renowned knowledge magazines and web portals.



## **ABOUT APCAM**

APCAM (Asia Pacific Centre for Arbitration & Mediation) is an international ADR centre formed jointly by about ten arbitration and mediation centres from the Asia-Pacific countries, which host APCAM centres in their respective countries. APCAM caters the requirement of International and cross-border business disputes, and helps the business community to resolve their international commercial and business disputes by mediation or arbitration under a single set of Mediation and Arbitration Rules and with a uniform fee structure in all the member countries to minimize the hassle of adhering to different laws or fees of different institutions. APCAM also empanels a common panel of international mediators and arbitrators, with uniform accreditation system from all the countries, which would help the parties to experience uniform high-standard practice, bringing credibility and professionalism of mediators and arbitrators. Setting the world of dispute resolution in a different path! The administration of APCAM is done by an independent Governing Board comprising of Nominee Board members from each constituent institutions, who are some of the best arbitrators, mediators or ADR professionals from the Asia-Pacific region. The Board is also supported by team of experienced lawyers, ADR professionals and academicians from diverse jurisdictions, under different Committees. The participation of such experts provides APCAM with international expertise and insight into developments in ADR practice worldwide.



# **ABOUT TAXMANN**

Taxmann was established in the year 1960 by Shri U K Bhargava and is India's leading publisher on Taxation and Corporate Laws. We maintain the largest and most accurate online database on Income Tax, GST, Indirect Tax, International Taxation, Corporate Laws, Accounts & Audit, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code and Indian Acts & Rules. Today, Taxmann group is a conglomerate of numerous divisions, each working independently in the eld of Editorial Research & Development, Technology Advancement, Printing, Publishing, and Sales & Marketing.



# **About the JLU-Centre for International Commercial Arbitration and Alternate Dispute Resolution**

The JLU-Centre for International Commercial Arbitration and Alternate Dispute Resolution has been established with an aim to provide a forum for deliberations and skill development in the field of Alternate Dispute Resolution majorly focusing on Arbitration, Mediation, Concialiation and Negotiation and aspects related thereto. We wish to elevate the set standards of practice in the field of ADR both within and outside the Jagran Lakecity University, Bhopal.

## **About the Competition**

The 1st JLU-International Mediation Tournament, 2021 will be one of its kind Mediation Competition ever organised. It shall consist teams from various educational institutes from around the globe. Through this competition, we aim to provide a platform to the participants to come and compete with each other and develop their skills in this field in accordance with the valuable guidance of experts.

# 1. LANGUAGE OF THE COMPETITION

The competition will be conducted strictly in English language.

#### 2. TIME OF THE COMPETITION

The Competition will be conducted as per the Indian Standard Time (IST) which is +5:30 Hours GMT and therefore all teams are requested to adjust to the timings accordingly. Any delay on the part of the participants will not be entertained.

#### 3. PARTICIPATION AND ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open for participation for all bona fide students enrolled in Law Degree courses 3-Year (LL.B.) and 5-Year Integrated Course (B.A./BBA/BCom/BSc., LL.B.) or Masters in Law Courses (LL.M.) in any recognised University and/or Law School across India. The eligibility for Foreign Students is that they must be enrolled in any law or ADR accredited courses from any reputed and registered University across the world.

## a. Team Composition

- a. A team shall consist of two members, at least i.e., One Client & one Counsel.
- b. One Mediator may register along with one team.
- c. A student may register as a Mediator independently as well.
- d. A Team may register a Coach along with the Team to accompany them in the Rounds as a silent spectator.
- e. Teams shall not be altered after registration, except under extreme exigencies, on the discretion of the Organising Committee.

NOTE: A person registering as a Mediator shall not switch to the role of either of the Client Counsel Pair and vice-versa. Although, the Client Counsel pair may switch their roles as per the requirement of the Competition with prior information to the Organising Committee.



## **REGISTRATION DETAILS**

The Teams may register by filling out the following forms and making the corresponding payments of registration. The teams will be allotted slots of participation on first come first serve basis. There is a cap of 32 teams. A maximum of two teams may participate from one Educational Institution/University.

#### **REGISTRATION FORM FOR TEAM:**

https://forms.gle/XY1Ez8KfugfREXt39

#### REGISTRATION FORM FOR INDEPENDENT MEDIATOR:

https://forms.gle/zF2jHbWLp6Ze4oNF8

# **PAYMENT DETAILS**

Team Registration: If a team registers all three members i.e. Client, Counsel and Mediator, the registration fee will be as follows:

- a. For Indian University Teams: ₹ 3000/-
- b. For Foreign University Teams: \$50/-

Competing Team Registration:

If a team registers only the Client Counsel Pair without a Mediator the registration fees will be as follows:

- a. For Indian University Teams: ₹ 2000/-
- b. For Foreign University Teams: \$30/-

Independent Mediator Registration: If a participant wishes to register only as an independent Mediator, the registration fee for the same will be as follows:

- a. For Indian University Mediator: ₹ 1000/-
- b. For Foreign University Mediator: \$20/-

Coach Registration: If a team wishes to be accompanied by a coach, the registration fee for a coach will be as follows:

- a. For Coaches accompanying Indian Teams: ₹ 1000/-
- b. For Coaches accompanying Foreign Teams: \$20/-

PAYMENT LINK:

https://m.paytm.me/jluimt\_nrweb





#### POST REGISTRATION FORMALITIES

Each registered team will be given and Team Code and will be provided a person of contact designated as a 'Team Usher'. He/she will co-ordinate with the participants at all time and will be the first point of contact in case of any issue, grievance or suggestions. Team Ushers will further assist the teams with post registration formalities and other specific tasks throughout the Competition.

## STRUCTURE OF THE COMPETITION

#### Structure of the Competition

The competition will consist of 2 Preliminary Rounds, followed by the Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & Final round. During each Round, two competing teams and two mediators shall participate. No mediator shall be allowed to participate in a matchup involving her/his competing team.

#### Mediation Briefing and Training Session

On Day 1, there will be a brief mediation training and briefing session for the participants of the competition. This mediation professionals will share the basic principles of a mediation. Furthermore, they will take you through the judge's scoring sheet to help you identify what the judges will be looking for in the mediator, client and their counsel. The Organising Committee will conduct a Rules and regulations briefing and further all queries and doubts of the Participants will be addressed before we begin with the Rounds.

## **FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION**

#### Format of the Rounds

#### > Preliminary Rounds:

- There shall be two preliminary rounds.
- Total time for each preliminary round shall be 60 minutes.
- All Mediators shall be scored independently and may qualify for the following round even
  if their teams don't.
- The Client-Counsel pair will be scored based on their individual performances but the scores will be considered as a team performance, and thus, the Client-Counsel pair will advance as a team.
- Top 8 teams and 8 mediators with the highest cumulative score in the preliminary rounds will progress to the Quarter-Finals.



## Quarter-Finals

- It will follow the same rules as that of Preliminary Rounds
- The Competition Problem will be different for Quarter-Finals.
- Total time for this round shall remain same as the Preliminary Rounds, i.e. 60 minutes.
- This will be a Knock-Out Fixture, Winners of each room(highest scored) in both Client-Counsel Pair and Mediators may progress to the next round.

# > Semi-finals Round

- Total time for this round will be 90 minutes.
- It will follow the same format and rules as the preliminary rounds.
- Problem for this round will be different from that of Preliminary Rounds or Quarter-Finals.
- 2 teams and 2 mediators with the highest scores from each room will progress to the Finals.

## Final Round

- Total time for the final round will be 90 minutes.
- It will follow the same format and rules as the preliminary rounds.
- The Problem for this round will be different from all past rounds

## Conduction of the Competition online

The Competition will be conducted using four online platforms namely Zoom Meeting, Google Meet, WhatsApp and Discord. The Preliminary Rounds, Quarter Finals and Semi-Finals will be conducted on Google Meet, the Inaugural, Briefing Session, Final Round and Valedictory Ceremony will be conducted on ZoomMeeting. For any further announcements or communication, a Discord server and WhatsApp group will be used by the Organising Committee. A detailed Code of Conduct will be provided for the same to the registered participants.

## **AWARDS**

- Winning Negotiation Team: ₹ 15,000/- + Access to Combo 6 (Corporate Laws Module at Taxmann.com) for One Year, (worth ₹ 66906).
- Runners-up Negotiation Team: ₹ 10,000/- + Access to Company & SEBI Laws Module (worth ₹ 26550).
- Winning Mediator: ₹ 7,500/- + Copy of Taxmann's Company Law Ready Reckoner (worth ₹ 2195).
- Runners-up Mediator: ₹ 5,000/- + Copy of Taxmann's Company Law Ready Reckoner (worth ₹ 2195).
- Best Mediation Plan: ₹ 7,500/- + Copy of Taxmann's Company Law Ready Reckoner (worth ₹ 2195).
  - \* One month access to combo 6 at Taxmann.com to all the registered participants.



# **IMPORTANT DATES**

Official Release and Commencement of Competition: 10th March, 2021

Last Date of Registration: 15 April, 2021

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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