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2ND NATIONAL MEMORIAL DRAFTING COMPETITION -2022

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KNOW ABOUT THE COMPETITION

To nurture professionalism and growth of budding advocates, Saveetha School of Law, SIMATS has stepped forward with the initiative of conducting 2nd NATIONAL MEMORIAL DRAFTING COMPETITION 2022, which imparting the students with a real-life acquaintance of LEGAL RESEARCH

MOOT PROPOSITION

Hindia is a Union of States and Union territories having a quasi-federal structure of governance with a written constitution. Its boundaries consist of rich mineral resources, water bodies and are considered as the most populous country in the world. The Government is renowned for its advanced technology and provides progressive living conditions to its people.

Meluha, a State of Hindia being an agrarian state, farmers depend mainly on groundwater for irrigation. With scarcity of water and urbanisation, deeper borewells are drilled for groundwater abstraction. The Government of Hindia provided subsidies for the erection of borewell to improve agricultural productivity which tackled climate change and sustainable management of natural resources.

Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) submitted a report stating that "Excessive drilling of borewells had led to exploitation of groundwater at higher rates than the rate of water recharge and caused depletion of the groundwater levels". To monitor this alarming issue, the Government of Hindia has taken several initiatives and enacted prominent legislative measures to regulate and keeping tabs on groundwater utilisation.

The Ministry of Water Resources had established the Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA) to regulate groundwater development and management in the country. The Authority has been vested with wide powers relating to groundwater management. In a rural village- Gotham, in the State of Meluha, the Panchayat authorities started to construct a borewell out of the funds received from the Government. The purpose of the common borewell was to supply water to the nearby agricultural fields. Due to water shortage the drilling process was abruptly stopped and authorities left the borewell site uncovered. Borewell site was completely fenced and a notice was affixed therewith, with a warning not to enter the borewell site.

A group of boys were playing cricket near the borewell site and while playing, accidentally a five years old boy namely Sanjay fell into the uncovered defunct borewell which was drilled by the local panchayat.

Initially, he was trapped at a depth of 26 feet, while several voluntary groups, fire/rescue officials, worked relentlessly with robotic rescue devices and prior rescue experience. However, the boy slipped and drifted deeper into the borewell. During the rescue operation, the boy was continuously monitored and constant supply of oxygen was given to the boy to help his survival in the deep underground environment. Various Central and State agencies were called in to rescue him. Specialised teams of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) joined the rescue operations. Meanwhile the local channels telecast the rescue process live and the sensation paved a way for the worldwide broadcast despite the orders of the District Collector not to telecast the incident live.

Authorities said they were not able to assess the boy's condition, after hours of rescue operation it was reported that Sanjay had fainted but was still breathing. He was monitored through cameras, indicated the boy is trapped at a depth of about 97 feet with mud covered over him.

Heavy German-made drilling machine was deployed to dig a parallel shaft to reach the boy stuck at a depth of 97 feet, but rescue efforts were hampered by rocky terrain as geologists pointed out that soil in the area comprised hard rock of quartz and feldspar. Though Fire and Rescue service persons were lowered into the freshly drilled shaft, using a ladder and with all necessary supports. They faced complications in the rescue due to bad weather/drizzling and maintaining the speed of the drilling since there were chances of the abandoned borewell getting closed completely in case of vibrations.

Despite of the various attempts taken by the Government; the boy was not able to be rescued. The Government was criticised for not taking precautionary measures as set out in the guidelines. "Agham" NGO filed a PIL before the High Court of Meluha against the Government seeking compensation for the death of the boy. Meanwhile a social activist filed another PIL seeking the Government to issue suitable directions for telecasting the sensational news around the clock, which covered the rescue process live from close quarters and several channels telecasted disturbing images of the trapped boy. The High Court of Meluha clubbed both the petitions and posted the matter for hearing.

The laws of Hindia are in Pari materia to that of India

Grounds raised in these petitions are as follows

- 1. Whether petitions are maintainable before the Court?
- 2. Whether act of the deceased attracts tortious liability?
- 3. Whether State is liable to provide compensation?
- 4. Whether act of media in telecasting the rescue operations live is permissible?

RULES AND REGULATIONS

ELIGIBILITY

Students pursuing their bachelor's degree in the current calendar year in a three-year course or five years course in law from any recognized law school/ college/ university are eligible to participate in the competition **THERE IS NO CAP FOR PARTICIPATION FROM ONE INSTITUTION**.

REGISTRATION AND TEAM COMPOSITION

Team yourself with maximum of 2 members or Single participant by Filing the Googleform <u>https://forms.gle/LUiCVwj9DmavNGr28</u> Participants will receive an acknowledgement-cum-approval as a confirmation of their registration & participation periodically after registration.

The memorial must be submitted in PDF and must contain:

1.	TABLE OF CONTENTS
2.	INDEX OF AUTHORITIES
3.	STATEMENT OF JURISDICTION
4	STATEMENT OF FACTS
5.	ISSUES RAISED
6.	SUMMARY OF ARGUMENTS
7.	ARGUMENTS ADVANCED (not more than 15 pages)
8.	PRAYER

1.	Font : Times New Roman	
2.	Font size : 12pts	
3.	Line spacing : 1.5	
4.	Margin: 1inch both sides	
5.	Footnotes size : 10pts	
6.	Citation : 19TH Blue Book Citation	
7.	Page no on top right side of each page	

The Memorandum of both sides should be sent to **memodraftingssl@gmail.com** as single mail with two PDF attachments on or before **30th August 2022** Late submissions beyond the stipulated period shall

not be entertained.

Registration Fees: Single participant - ₹300 Two-member team - ₹ 500

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	S. No	List of events	Dates of Event
-	1.	Registration Opens	30th JULY 2022
	2.	Registration Closed	25th August 2022
	3.	Last date for payment	26th August 2022
	4.	Last date for Clarification	27th August 2022
	5.	Submission of Soft-Copy of Memorial	30th August 2022
	6.	Release of Result	03rd September 2022

QUERIES AND CLARIFICATIONS

All queries and clarifications must be addressed to official mail id of the release organizers and the subject of the mail

must read as "QUERY" on or before 27th August 2022 . A compiled list of queries and their clarifications will be released for all the teams by 27th August 2022 . No queries directed to the contact person otherwise than a mail, shall be entertained whatsoever the case may be.

AWARDS

Winning Team/Participant – Cash Prize ₹2000/-1st Runner-up Team/Participant- Cash Price ₹1000/-Top 10 memorials will be awarded with Certificate of Merit and SCC Online subscription

All Participants will be awarded with E-Certificate of Participation

NOTE: E- Certificates shall be sent through Email to the Winner/ Participating Candidates.

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