

SPORTS LAW
AGREEMENT
DRAFTING
COMPETITION,
2023

Prizes	
Winner	₹ 15,000
Runner-up	₹ 10,000
1st Runner-up	₹ 7,000

SUBMISSION DATE

SUBMISSION AT

APRIL 30, 2023

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ABOUT CASES

The **Centre for Advanced Studies in Entertainment & Sports Law (CASES)** was established in 2022 with the objective to cater to the need for research in Sports and Entertainment related Laws, an area of law which is becoming increasingly important and pivotal in the conversations about sustainability and the future. The core objectives of this Centre are:

- To promote positive reform in Entertainment Law, Sports Law, Policy and Governance in India.
- To culminate the spirit of debate and group discussion, aiming to find rational solutions to Entertainment and Sports related legal issues.
- To publish an annual journal and quarterly newsletters which focus on Entertainment and Sports Law.
- To undertake publications and coordinate with various National and International agencies working in the area of Entertainment and Sports Law.
- To organize lectures and conferences on Entertainment and Sports Law.
- To conduct Policy drafting sessions.
- To provide Anti-Doping Advisory and legal assistance in investigations and proceedings.
- To review leading publications in the field of Entertainment and Sports Law.
- To study case laws in detail and prepare case comments for the use of students and researchers.
- To discuss Entertainment and Sports Law-related matters pending before the Hon'ble Supreme Court or High Courts.
- To collaborate with Indian and Foreign Universities and Think Tanks as well as other Governmental and Non-governmental institutions for organizing conferences, workshops and other events.
- To seek funding from various governmental and non-governmental institutions for conducting studies and research projects.
- To call for internships and volunteers as per the requirement depending on the nature of work that the Centre undertakes.
- To offer certificate courses in the arena related to Entertainment and Sports Law.



ABOUT COMPETITION

The growth of the Sports industry as a business around the world is unprecedented, more specifically in India. With its inception in 2008, IPL has transformed the sports industry in India. Live entertainment fuelled by a growing middle-class populace, internet penetration, and other positives of the IPL allowed the creation of other sporting leagues. People now look at sports as a yearlong activity with serious investments and marketing spends. More importantly an ecosystem was being built from the grassroots levels with sports such as football, kabaddi, tennis, hockey, badminton, wrestling also taking cues from IPL. Post IPL, India has seen 8 plus sports taking the league route with a city based franchisee structure.

Sports Franchise Agreement (SFA), at the outset, have become a significant mode of contract between franchise and sports persons. Though originated in Europe, over a period of time, SFA gained popularity in India that determined the rights and liabilities of sports person and franchise in various dimensions.

The Competition on the basis of the information seeks to engage with the community of law students in India to promote the art of modern legal drafting, in the less talked about areas of Sports Law. This aims at providing opportunities to the students to initiate research about legal certainties and further the skills of drafting.



ELIGIBILITY & IMPORTANT DATES

Eligibility

The Competition is open to all undergraduate law students enrolled in any recognized educational institution within or outside India.

Important Dates

Release of Problem Statement: March 17, 2023

Last date for registration: April 07, 2023

Last date for seeking clarifications on the Problem Statement:

April 10, 2023

Release of clarifications: **April 14, 2023**

Submission deadline: April 30, 2023

Declaration of Results: May 10, 2023





SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Participants may register individually or in a team of two.
- The agreement shall be drafted on the basis of the Problem Statement.
- The agreement shall be drafted in English language only.
- The agreement shall not exceed more than Eight (8) A4-sized typewritten pages, excluding the cover page and the signature page.
- Five (5) marks shall be deducted as a penalty for each page exceeding the page limit.
- The document containing the agreement shall not reveal the identity of the participants, in any manner whatsoever.
- Soliciting assistance from industry professionals with or without consideration is strictly prohibited.
- Formatting: Font style Times New Roman, font size 12, line spacing 1.5, justified alignment, paragraph spacing 0 pt. before and after, 1-inch margin on all sides.
- Participants are encouraged to use modern agreement drafting techniques that focus on the use of plain English.
- Submissions shall be made in .doc or .docx format only.
- Submissions shall be made by sending an email to
 <u>cases@galgotiasuniversity.edu.in</u> with the subject "Submission for
 Agreement Drafting Competition: [Team Code]".
- Clarifications on the Problem Statement shall be sent to cases@galgotiasuniversity.edu.in with the subject.



STATEMENT OF PROBLEM

Bhartiya Badminton Sangh (BBS) is a registered association constituted in 1964 under the Karnataka Societies Registration Act, 1960. In 1968, the **International Badminton Federation** (IBF), the international governing body for the sport of badminton recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) granted affiliation to BBS to act as the governing body of badminton in India. Since its inception, BBS has been holding national-level tournaments in India. BBS also has 25 state members that conduct badminton tournaments. Headquartered of BBS is situated at 23, Kalidas Marg, New Delhi.

In July 2022, IBF announced the 'IBF Asia Tour- 2023' which is a Grade 2 badminton tournament series. This tour is divided into five levels, namely Asia Tour Finals, Super 300, Super 500, Super 750 and Super 1000. This competition is open to participants from Asian Countries, and the entries can only be given by the concerned affiliated National Badminton Federations. As per the IBF Asia Tour Schedule, National Badminton Federations are required to submit players list for Singles (men's and women's) and Doubles (men's, women's and mixed) by September 30, 2023.

In light of the IBF Asia Tour announcement, Bhartiya Badminton Sangh started a Talent hunt Programme and directed all State Badminton Federations to conduct State Level Tournaments to select and share the list of most talented Badminton players in the state by the end of February 2023. BBS also announced that the selected players from State Level Tournaments will also be given an opportunity to enter into an agreement with BBS for a term of 4 years. Where BBS will train these players in their facilities and incur expenditures for their national and international tournament participation as well.

On the direction of BBS, Chandigarh Badminton Sangh organised the 'Chandigarh UT Open Badminton Tournament' in January 2023, where Paramjith Sandu (19 years), s/o Shri Hukum Chand Sandhu, r/o 32/12, NRI City, Chandigarh emerges as the winner of Men's Singles. Thus, his name is recommended to Bhartiya Badminton Sangh for the announced Sports agreement opportunity.



Based on the above statements, Draft a **Model Sports Agreement** between Bhartiya Badminton Sangh (BBS) and Paramjith Sandu. Participants may refer to the list of Contents given below, however, the list of content is neither exhaustive nor limited and participants are encouraged to use their own imagination to draft the clauses in Model Agreement.

- Names of parties.
- Addresses of parties.
- Statement of hiring.
- Term of contract.
- Duties and obligations of player.
- Attendance at training camp.
- Amount of compensation.
- Times at which compensation payable.
- Payment of bonus.
- Effect of taking bonus or bet on outcome of game.
- Board, lodging, and travel expenses while travelling.
- Compliance with rules of the athletic association and/or club.
- Covenant not to play for others during term of contract.
- Covenant not to engage in related activities.
- Effect of not being in physical condition.
- Effect of injuries.
- Effect of temporary retirement from active sports.
- Payment of fines imposed by athletic association or club.
- Right of employer to assign the contract.
- Right of employer to seek injunction to prevent playing for others.
- Use of pictures for publicity purposes.
- Arbitration or other method of settling disputes between parties.
- Option to renew.
- Termination of contract.
- Grounds for termination.
- Procedure for termination.
- Incorporation of applicable rules and regulations of athletic association into Contract.
- State's law to govern interpretation of contract.
- Effective date of contract.
- Date of execution of contract.



Registration Fee:

Single Participant: ₹ 300/-

Team Participant: ₹500/-

Payment Details:



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Registration Form

Last Date of Registration: **07-04-2023**



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