



PRO BONO CLUB MANIPAL UNIVERSITY JAIPUR SCHOOL OF LAW

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NIPAL UNIVERSITY

IN COLLABORATION WITH



NATIONAL PIL, RTI & CONSUMER COMPLAINT DRAFTING COMPETITION

About Manipal University Jaipur

On the Government of Rajasthan's invitation, Manipal University Jaipur (MUJ) was founded in 2011 as a self supporting State Private University. With the Manipal way of

learning, MUJ has redefined academic achievement in the area by encouraging students from all academic fields to study and innovate through practical experience. The multidisciplinary university offers career-oriented courses across a variety of streams, including engineering, architecture, planning, fashion design, interior design,

fine arts, hospitality, humanities, journalism and mass communication, basic sciences, law, commerce, computer applications, management, etc. at all levels. i.e.. graduate, undergraduate, and doctoral. At the postgraduate level, several programmes are provided in a research approach. students, With 10500 Manipal University Jaipur (MUJ) became Rajasthan's first NAAC(A+)-accredited college with a focus on research and interactive teaching.

The finest in class infrastructure at MUJ includes cutting-edge research facilities and a contemporary, digital library. The campus makes use of the most recent technologies to

deliver instruction, keeping with Manipal University's tradition of giving its students a great education.

About Pro Bono Club 🕺

Pro Bono Club (PB club) Scheme, has been conceptualized to strengthen the existing pro bono programme, by integrating law schools and students within its fold. The primary objective of this scheme is to improve the efficiency and quality of pro bono legal services by providing assistance to pro bono advocates through competent law students. Pro Bono Legal services programme was launched in April 2017. An initiative of the Department of Justice, the programme is aimed at fulfilling the Department's critical mandate of enhancing "access to justice" for marginalised sections of the society and the State's constitutional obligation of providing "free legal aid" for all. The programme seeks to put in place an institutional structure which will promote pro bono culture in India. On one hand, the programme would facilitate delivery of quality legal assistance to the marginalised communities, on the other hand it would ensure that lawyers who volunteer their valuable time and service, towards this public service, are duly recognized for their contribution.

About Pro Bono India

Founded in October 2016 with an aim to integrate legal aid and awareness initiatives – ProBono India has ventured into different avenues viz. legal aid, legal awareness, legal intervention, legal journalism, legal activism etc. – all with the underlying objective of contributing to the positive development of the society with a strong socio-legal approach.

The activities at ProBono India include an active dissemination of legal information via the medium of its official website, rolling internship programmes for law students to help them develop a holistic personality with a socio-legal approach to their professional personality, interviews with eminent personalities working at the ground-level offering insights into their successful projects, providing a platform to promote and publish the art of research and legal writing, amongst many others.

The team of ProBono India works to promote legal activism as we believe that law and society are two sides of the same coin. Law and society are so inextricably interdependent that to both need to be equally improved in order to lead the world into the desired new order. We at ProBono India believe in a better and brighter tomorrow. We believe not just in being passengers on this drive to change – rather, we aim to drive towards the change.

About National Pro Bono Drafting Competiton.

Pro Bono Club, Nyay Bandhu Scheme, School Of Law, Manipal University Jaipur in collaboration with Pro Bono India is organizing a National PIL, RTI and Consumer Complaint Drafting Competition on 1st September 2023. The rules of the competition are as follows:-

I. <u>Eligibility</u>

The competition is open for the students currently pursuing their bachelor's degree in law i.e. 3-Year or 5-Year law course from any recognized university/college in India.

II. Team Composition

- 1. Individual Participation is allowed.
- 2. Participation in a team of two is allowed.
- 3. The substitution of any team member after the registration process has been completed, is not allowed.
- 4. There is no restriction on the number of entries from any university/college.

III. <u>Registration Process</u>

The participating team can register themselves by filling out the Registration Form through below mentioned link or through the QR code at the bottom of the page:

https://forms.gle/T4pKEi3PBSkwhiVi9

After the successful registration, each participant or team shall be allocated a UNIQUE TEAM CODE for further reference.



IV. <u>Queries</u>

- All queries and clarifications must be sent on the mail id i.e. probonoclubmuj@gmail.com
- No query without the subject "PRO BONO COMPETITION QUERY" would be entertained.
- Queries sent through mail will only be entertained.

V. <u>Topic of the draft</u>

The problem for the draft will be shared on 6th October 2023 in the evening.

VI. <u>Submission of Drafts</u>

- Each participating team must submit ONE DRAFT.
- If a participant/team wishes to submit any annexure to support his/her arguments contained in the Draft [for instance Reports, Commentaries, News Clippings, Pictures, etc.] a compendium of all the relevant annexures must be sent with the draft.
- Form will be opened for participation till 1st October 2023.
- The date of the competition will be 7th and 8th of October 2023.
- All PIL drafts must be sent on the email address: probonoclubmuj@gmail.com till 8th October 2023 11:59 p.m. with Subject as "PIL/RTI/CONSUMER COMPLAINT DRAFT, TEAM CODE".
- Any submission made after the deadline will not be entertained.
- Substantial Plagiarism shall amount to disqualification; therefore, the Participants must not submit plagiarised content (as the Drafts will be put through 'Turnitin'). In case the draft of two or more participants/teams is found "substantially similar" to each other, both the participants/ teams shall be disqualified.
- All the drafts must be submitted in both Microsoft Word Document format (.doc/.docx) and PDF Format (.pdf)[i.e. each participant is required to send 2 files- One in MS Word format and one in PDF format].

- The body of the submissions must be in the font "Times New Roman" with font size 12, with line spacing of 1.5 and justified. (The Font size for the Headings can be formatted as per the choice of the participants).
- The Footnotes shall be in Times New Roman, size 10, single line spacing, justified. Authorities shall be cited as per the 21st edition of the Bluebook.
- Results will be declared on 12th October 2023.

VII. Content of the Draft

- The draft is to be filed before the Supreme Court of India.
- The draft shall contain:
- 1. Cover page, with Unique team code at right-upper hand corner and the name of the case.
- 2. Table of Content.
- 3. Table of Abbreviations.
- 4. Index of Authorities.
- 5. Statement of Jurisdiction.
- 6. Facts of the case.
- 7. Issue(s) raised.
- 8. Summary of Arguments/Pleadings.
- 9. Arguments Advanced/Pleadings.
- 10. Prayer.
- 11. Table of Annexures.

VII. <u>Prizes</u>

Cash prize of Rs. 4000, 3000 & 2000 shall be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd position holders respectively for each competition. And, Certificate of Participation for every participant.

IX. Contact Information

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