







MANIPAL UNIVERSITY JAIPUR PRESENTS

1ST INTERNATIONAL CLIENT COUNSELLING, 2024

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WITH FAIRNESS AT ALL TIMES.

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4th-6th SEPTMBER 2024 ONLINE 4th OCTOBER 2024 OFFLINE

ABOUT MANIPAL UNIVERSITY JAIPUR

The Manipal Education and Medical Group is an established leader in education, research, and healthcare. In over seven decades, it has transformed the lives of more than 3,00,000 students from over 59 countries. The group includes five Universities - Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE, Karnataka), Sikkim Manipal University (Sikkim), American University of Antigua (Caribbean Islands), Manipal International University (Malaysia) and Manipal University Jaipur (Jaipur). The multi-disciplinary university offers career-oriented courses at all levels, i.e., UG, PG, and doctoral, and across diverse 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. Some PG programs are also available in the research mode. MUJ boasts of best-in-class infrastructure, including state-of-the-art research facilities and a modern, digital library.

SCHOOL OF LAW AT MUJ

Manipal University Jaipur forayed into the field of legal education by introducing Five-year Integrated BA LLB(Hons.), BBA LLB (Hons.), Bachelor of Law (LLB), Master of Law (LLM), and Ph.D. programs. As an institution of excellence, and a leading university in Rajasthan, Manipal University Jaipur is dedicated to providing students with a world-class education in the field of law. All the programs at MUJ are designed as a highly flexible Learner Centric Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) aligned with UGC and NEP guidelines and in compliance with BCI regulations. The university provides multiple specialization options at the honors level.

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ABOUT GREEN HORIZON CLUB

"Welcome to Green Horizon, a dynamic community uniting ecowarriors, nature enthusiasts, and sustainability champions!

As we enter a pivotal era for our planet, it's clear that we need to join forces to protect our environment and secure a flourishing future. Green Horizon is a vibrant environmental club on a mission to spark change, encourage learning, and advocate for eco-friendly practices. Our goal is to empower individuals to safeguard the earth, foster a sustainable culture, and make a positive impact in our communities.

Through interactive events, hands-on activities, and collaborative projects, we're determined to:

- Raise awareness about pressing environmental issues
- Encourage sustainable living and eco-friendly habits
- Back conservation efforts and community service initiatives
- Cultivate a network of like-minded individuals dedicated to shaping a greener future

Let's harness the power of collective action to build a brighter world for everyone. Take a look at our brochure to discover more about our projects and upcoming events."

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ABOUT THE COMPETITION

Participating in client counseling competitions is a dynamic and immersive experience for law students to demonstrate their prowess in conducting client interviews, just like practicing attorneys. These competitions involve simulated initial interviews with clients, portrayed by actors or other participants, to effectively address the client's legal needs, offer preliminary legal advice, and propose potential courses of action. It's a valuable opportunity for students to refine their counseling skills in a realistic and demanding environment. By taking part in these competitions, students can enhance their abilities in legal analysis, active listening, communication, time management, client-centered lawful approach, empathy, and teamwork.

The following are all the important criteria for participation, which have been thoroughly outlined below to ensure a fair and thorough evaluation process. We are excited about the involvement of enthusiastic teams and anticipate another successful edition of the International Client Counselling Competition.



OFFICIAL RULES OF THE COMPETITION



A. GENERAL INFORMATION

- The Manipal University Jaipur, 1st International Client Counselling Competition 2024 is going to be organized by the Department of Law.
- The Competition shall be conducted for 3 days from 4th September 2024 to 6th September 2024 in ONLINE MODE through Google Meet.
- Please be informed that for the final rounds, the qualified teams are required to convene at the campus of Manipal University Jaipur for in-person rounds.
- The medium of competition will be English.
- The Green Horizon Club shall function as the point of contact, and any changes in the Competition Rules shall be conveyed to all participating teams through mail.
- Participants are required to comply with the rules and procedures prescribed herein.
- Official email for all correspondence concerning the Competition: clientcounsellingmuj@gmail.com

B. STRUCTURE OF THE COMPETITION

- The preliminary rounds are scheduled to take place online via Google Meet on September 4th, 2024.
- The quarter-final round is set to be conducted online via Google Meet on September 5th, 2024. Additionally, the semi-final round is scheduled to be held online via Google Meet on September 6th, 2024.
- The final round is scheduled for the 4th of October 2024 and will be conducted in an offline format, requiring the qualified teams to convene at the campus of Manipal University Jaipur.

C. ELIGIBILITY

- Students enrolled in three-year and five-year law degree programs at any University/School/College/Department are eligible to register their team.
- However, students from post-graduate programs, law diploma programs, or part-time law programs are not permitted to participate.
- Additionally, a maximum of two teams from a specific University/Law School/College/Department are allowed to participate.

D. TEAM COMPOSITION

- Each team shall consist only of two members who will be playing the role of counsel.
- No alteration in the team is permitted once the team is registered for the competition except in emergency circumstances with prior intimation.
- The inability of any team member to participate as per the rules of this competition shall lead to immediate disqualification of the team from the Competition.
- Mixed teams comprising of participants from two different institutions are not allowed.

E. REGISTRATION FEES AND ACCOMMODATION

- The fee for the 1st international Client Counselling Competition 2024 is INR 3000/-
- Once a team has completed their registration as a participant, the registration fee becomes non-refundable.
- Accommodation is exclusively available to teams that qualify for the final round. The accommodation fee is not included in the registration fee. Participants must separately pay a nonrefundable amount of INR 2000/- per team. This fee covers facilities such as living space, food, and transportation to the campus.

F. PARTICIPATION AND REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

- To confirm participation, interested teams must submit the Google form. https://forms.gle/NjqRbGcVqgiPZmJD9
- Upon completion of registration and payment, the team will be officially registered for the event, and a unique team code will be generated as Team Code (TC).
- A confirmation email containing the team code will be sent to the team.
- All further communication with the competition organizers must reference the assigned team code.
- After completing the registration process, teams will be assigned ushers/managers and added to the competition's official WhatsApp group, which is mandatory for all participants to join.

G. COMPETITION ROUNDS

- The competition will be conducted in a hybrid mode. The competition consists of four rounds: Preliminary Rounds, Quarter-final round, Semi-final round, and Final round.
- In the Preliminary Round, 30 teams will participate, followed by 8 teams in the Quarter-final round, 4 teams in the Semi-final round, and 2 teams in the final round.
- Before the commencement of each round, the problem will be dispatched to every team via mail, with a lead time of 3 hours

H. PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

- The initial rounds will be conducted online via Google Meet.

 Thirty teams will participate in the Preliminary Round, with participating teams randomized into Group A and Group B.
- The duration of the preliminary round will be 25 minutes, including a 20-minute Client Consultation session (CC Session) and a 5-minute Post-Consultation Session (PC Session).
- In case a participating team has any direct or indirect conflict of interest with the judges or the client, they are required to disclose it as soon as possible and before the completion of their round.
- Participating teams are not allowed to contact the Client appearing during their rounds.
- At the end of each round, the Participating teams will be provided with a feedback form for Clients appearing in their rounds.

I. QUARTER-FINAL ROUNDS

- The Quarter-final rounds will be conducted online via Google Meet.
- Eight teams will participate in the Quarter-final Round, with the top four teams from Group A and the top four teams from Group B.

- Each quarter-final round will last 40 minutes, comprised of a 30-minute Client Consultation session (CC Session) and a 10-minute Post-Consultation Session (PC Session).
- If a participating team has any direct or indirect conflict of interest with the judges or the client, they must disclose it as soon as possible and before the completion of their round.
- Participating teams are prohibited from contacting the client involved in their rounds until the end of the competition.
- Following each round, participating teams will receive a feedback form for the clients involved.

J. SEMI-FINAL ROUNDS

- The semi-final rounds will be conducted online via Google Meet.

 During the Semi-final Round, 4 teams will participate, with the top 4 teams qualified from the Quarter-final rounds.
- Each semi-final round will have a duration of 40 minutes, with 30 minutes allocated for the Client Consultation session (CC Session) and 10 minutes for the Post-Consultation Session (PC Session).
- If a participating team has any direct or indirect conflict of interest with the judges or the client, they must disclose this as soon as possible and before the completion of their round.
- Participating teams are prohibited from contacting the Client until the end of the Competition.

• Following each round, participating teams will be provided with a feedback form for the Clients involved in their rounds.

K. FINAL ROUNDS

- The final rounds will be conducted in offline format where the teams have to commute to the campus.
- During the final round, 2 teams will participate, with the top 2 teams qualified from the semi-final round.
- Each final round will have a duration of 50 minutes, with 40 minutes allocated for the Client Consultation session (CC Session) and 10 minutes for the Post-Consultation Session (PC Session).
- If a participating team has any direct or indirect conflict of interest with the judges or the client, they must disclose this as soon as possible and before the completion of their round.
- Participating teams are prohibited from contacting the Client until the end of the Competition.
- Following each round, participating teams will be provided with a feedback form for the Clients involved in their rounds

L. AREAS OF LAW

The legal areas specified will address the issues encountered by the client. Various rounds will address different domains of law.

- Intellectual Property rights
- International Humanitarian Law
- Dispute resolution
- International Contract law
- International Environmental law
- International Maritime law
- International Criminal law

M.DRESS CODE

• Please note that all participants must adhere to the dress code specified for the event, which includes a white shirt, black pants, black tie, black shoes, and a black blazer. Formal attire is mandatory for both the inaugural and valedictory ceremonies.

N. ANONYMITY

Teams are required to maintain anonymity throughout the event.
 Instead of using their institution's name or logo, teams must display their assigned team codes whenever they are representing themselves, such as during the Inaugural ceremony and Valedictory ceremony. If teams opt to use virtual backgrounds,

they must ensure these do not feature their institution's logo, name, or seal.

- Teams are permitted to use printed materials like compendiums, books, bare acts, or notes, as long as these do not reveal their identity, whether presented to the Bench or not. However, the use of electronic materials such as mobile phones, and second screens through laptop or tablet computers is strictly prohibited.
- During rounds, teams are not allowed to communicate with any external parties.
- Use of the chat box between counsels is allowed, but it should not be used for client communication.

o. SCORING CRITERIA

- Each counsel will be evaluated by each judge based on ten criteria, each worth 10 marks, resulting in a total score of 100.
- Then the cumulative score will be generated out of 200 for each team.
- In the event of a tie between two or more teams, the team with the higher score in Criteria 5 will be assigned the better rank. If the tie persists, the ranking will be determined based on marks secured for Criteria 4, followed by Criteria 8 and Criteria 7. The final tie-breaker will be based on Criteria 10. A Sample Scoresheet is attached as ANNEXURE-(i).
- Regarding any conflicts, the decision of the GREEN HORIZON COMMITTEE will be final.

P. RESULTS

- The results will be promptly announced after each round, and there will be ample breaks before the start of each advanced round.
- Participants are encouraged to remain connected through the WhatsApp groups throughout the competition.
- The final round's results will be declared during the valedictory and award ceremony.

Q. FINALITY OF DECISION

• The judge's decision regarding the outcome of the rounds is deemed final. In all matters and the event of any dispute, the decision of GREEN HORIZON SOL, MUJ shall be considered as final and obligatory.

R. PAYMENT DETAILS

• The payment details via email will be provided to teams upon their registration as participants.

S. TIMELINE OF THE COMPETITION

EVENT	DATE
Start of the Registration	22 nd July 2024
Release of Subject-Matter of Problems	14 th August 2024
Last Date for Registration	31st August 2024
Preliminary Rounds	4 th September 2024
Quarter Final Round	5 th September 2024
Semi-Final Round Final	6 th September 2024
Final Round and Valedictory Ceremony	4 th October 2024

NOTE: The dates, schedule, and details about the competition are tentative and subject to change. In the event of any change, the details shall be communicated by the organizing committee.

T. PRICES AND AWARDS

CITATION	AWARDS
WINNING TEAM	Cash price of INR 15,000/- Winners' trophy Certificate of appreciation
RUNNER- UP TEAM	Cash price of INR 7,500/- Runner-up's trophy Certificate of appreciation
BEST COUNSEL (based on preliminary round)	Cash price of INR 3000/- Trophy Certificate of appreciation
Best Client (For SOL MUJ Students Only)	Certificate of appreciation
SEMI-FINALISTS (4)	Certificate of appreciation

ANNEXURE-(i) – SAMPLE SCORESHEET MANIPAL UNIVERSITY JAIPUR, SCHOOL OF LAW

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Round:	Name of the Judge:	
Room No:	Team Code	

S.NO	CRITERIA OF EVALUATION	SCORE (out of 100)
1.	Establishing the working atmosphere (opening statement etc.)	
2.	Eliciting the problem of the client and the tools used in so doing	
3.	Clients' goals, expectations, and needs	ALL YEAR
4.	Analysis and formulation of the problem with precision	
5.	Suggesting alternatives and allowing the client to make an informed choice	
6.	Management of ethical and professional relations with the client	450
7.	Effective conclusion of the counseling session and teamwork	N METERS
8.	Identifying and addressing the legal and ethical issues involved	Made
9.	Dealing with the emotional and legal needs of the client.	
10.	Post Consultation session – among themselves and response to queries raised by the judges	
	TOTAL (out of 100)	The state of the s

Remarks:

Signature of the Judge



Organising Committee



Chief Patron



Mr. S. Vaitheeswaran Chairperson, MUJ

Patron



Prof. (Dr.) G K Prabhu President, MUJ

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