



DHARMASHASTRA
NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY
..... **JABALPUR**



**CENTRE FOR CORPORATE
LAWS AND GOVERNANCE**

PRESENTS

**NATIONAL CORPORATE LAW ESSAY
COMPETITION 2025**

Exploring Governance, Accountability, and Innovation in the Corporate World

in collaboration with



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**“Fostering Scholarly Dialogue on Governance, Sustainability, Gender
Diversity, Innovation, and Emerging Challenges in Corporate Law”**

ABOUT DNLU

Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur (M.P.) was established in the year 2018 by Madhya Pradesh National University Act 24 of 2018, with the object of advancing the cause of legal education and achieving excellence as a university for imparting value-based legal education. The university emphasis learning advocacy skills with professional ethics by providing suitable simulation exercises.



Our vision is to impart and disseminate knowledge of the law and promote a culture of research that develops and advances legal education. We also aim to impart specialized and systematic instructions and training to law students, research scholars, and officers performing administrative and quasi-administrative functions. The university aims to be both a knowledge-driven institution and a creative and wisdom-driven institution.



ABOUT CCLG

The Centre for Corporate Laws and Governance (CCLG) at Dharmashastra National Law University (DNLU), Jabalpur, is a dedicated initiative of the University aimed at fostering legal dialogue and practical engagement in the fields of corporate laws, Corporate governance, and regulatory compliance under SEBI.

The Centre seeks to explore and address the evolving challenges in corporate litigation, financial regulations, SEBI regulations, Companies Act compliance, and corporate dispute resolution. With a commitment to academic excellence and industry relevance, the Centre undertakes multidisciplinary research, policy analysis, and capacity-building initiatives by collaborating with legal academia, industry experts, regulatory authorities, and other stakeholders in the corporate sector.

Through research, training programs, and industry interactions, the Centre aims to bridge the gap between theory and practice, equipping students and professionals with the knowledge and skills required to navigate the complexities of corporate law and governance, particularly in areas governed by SEBI regulations and the Companies Act, in an ever-evolving global business environment.



ABOUT THE EVENT



National Corporate Law Essay Competition 2025 Exploring Governance, Accountability, and Innovation in the Corporate World

***“Fostering Scholarly Dialogue on Governance, Sustainability,
Gender Diversity, Innovation, and Emerging Challenges in
Corporate Law.”***

Corporate law is a dynamic and evolving field that governs the rights, relations, and conduct of businesses, organizations, and regulatory bodies. It intersects with various aspects of governance, finance, compliance, and ethics, making it a crucial area of study in today's globalized economy. The 1st National Corporate Law Essay Competition, 2025, aims to encourage students to engage in critical legal research and analysis, exploring contemporary corporate law challenges and innovations.

This competition offers a platform for students to delve into pressing corporate law issues such as corporate governance, ESG frameworks, financial regulations, sustainability, gender diversity, and the impact of artificial intelligence on corporate compliance. By addressing these themes, participants will contribute to scholarly discourse on the legal and regulatory challenges shaping the corporate world.

Through rigorous research and analytical engagement, this initiative seeks to enhance students' legal acumen, fostering a deeper understanding of corporate governance, accountability, and innovation. It encourages fresh perspectives on navigating the complexities of the modern corporate landscape, bridging the gap between legal theory and practical application.

ELIGIBILITY

- The competition is open to all undergraduate and postgraduate students enrolled in any recognized university.
- Cross-university participation is allowed, encouraging students from different institutions to collaborate and engage in meaningful discussions.

THEMES

- Redefining Corporate Governance: ESG as the New Paradigm for Ethical Leadership.
- Beyond Philanthropy: The Strategic Role of CSR in Achieving Global Sustainability Goals.
- Evolving Corporate Accountability: The Intersection of Environmental Law and Business Practices.
- Corporate Fraud and White-Collar Crimes in India.
- Corporate Law in the Era of Artificial Intelligence and Automation.
- Cross-Border Insolvency: Need for a Uniform Legal Framework in India.
- The Role of Independent Directors in Enhancing Corporate Accountability.
- Challenges and Barriers to Gender Diversity in Indian Corporate regime.
- The Evolution of CSR in Emerging Markets: Regulatory and Strategic Insights.
- The Thin Line Between Green and Greenwashing: Legal, Ethical, and Reputational Challenges in ESG Commitments.
- The Influence of Board Size on Strategic Decision-Making.
- Incentive-Based Compensation and Its Role in Strengthening Corporate Governance.
- Shareholder Activism in Emerging Markets: A Governance Perspective.

NOTE: THE SUB-THEMES ARE ONLY ILLUSTRATIVE.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Last Date for Registration:** 15th May 2025
- **Last Date for Submission:** 30th June 2025
- **Announcement of Results:** 31st July 2025

*Late Submission will result in disqualification of the participant.



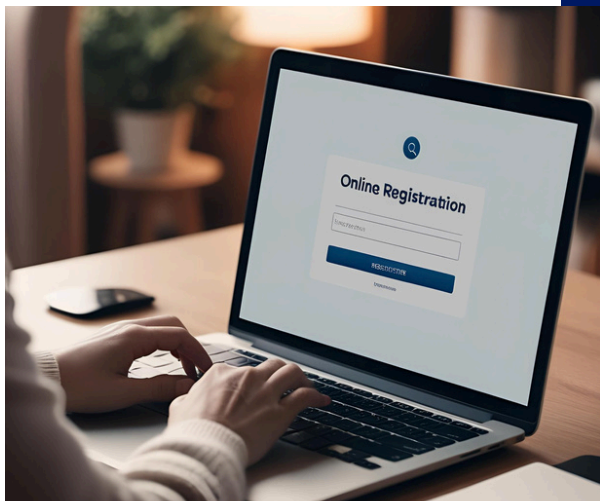
REGISTRATION FEES

- Single Participant: ₹500
- Dual Participants (Co authorship):
₹900

Registration Form:

<https://forms.gle/N5pufTnwgrpf78d6>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA

Essays will be judged on the basis of:

- Originality and Innovation
- Depth of Research and Analysis
- Clarity and Structure
- Argumentative Strength
- Adherence to Formatting and Citation Standards



SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Submissions are to be made in the form of MS Word as well as Pdf Form in the provided google form.
- The essay must be an original, unpublished work of the participants.
- Word limit: 2500-5000 words, including citations
- Formatting: Times New Roman, Font Size 12, Line Spacing 1.5, Justified alignment.
- Headings and Sub-headings must be appropriately numbered.
- Referencing Style: The Bluebook- A Uniform System of Citation (2015, 20th ed.).
- Any submission that is found to be plagiarized beyond 15% shall be disqualified from the competition.
- Use of AI is strictly prohibited.
- Copyright of the submission shall remain with CCLG, DNLU.

PRIZES & RECOGNITION



- **Winner:** Rs 11,000 and Certificate of Merit
- **1st Runner-Up:** Rs 7,000 and Certificate of Merit
- **2nd Runner-Up:** Rs 5,000 and Certificate of Merit
- **Certificate of Excellence** to top 10 participants
- **Certificate of Participation** will be provided to all participants.

**Top 3 essays will be awarded an exclusive opportunity to intern at
Lakshmikumar & Sridharan**

(subject to the applicant's fulfillment of the eligibility criteria provided by the firm)

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