



KRISTU JAYANTI

(DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY)

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KJSOL ADR CELL PRESENTS



INTER-INSTITUTIONAL MEDIATION COMPETITION

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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Kristu Jayanti University, established in 1999, is a premier institution of higher education committed to excellence in teaching, research and innovation. It attained autonomous status in 2013 and was conferred the status of Deemed to be University under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, on July 8, 2025. The University offers undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in Arts, Science, Commerce, Management, and Integrated Law.

It was reaccredited with an 'A++' grade by NAAC in 2021 (Third Cycle) and secured the 34th rank in the NIRF 2025, placing it among the top 100 institutions in the country. Kristu Jayanti University stands as a dynamic centre of excellence dedicated to academic innovation, leadership, and societal impact, fostering values, civic responsibility, environmental concern, and global competencies among students

ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF LAW

School of Law, Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University) Bengaluru, was established in 2017 with an aim to nurture legal professionals to be well-versed in justice, ethics and social obligations. The School offers 5-year integrated law programme including B.A. LL.B.(H), B.Com LL.B.(H), and B.B.A. LL.B.(H) and LL.M programme.

School of Law, led by a team of committed academic faculty and administrative staff, rich law library, well supported with state-of-the-art infrastructure, ensures future leaders in litigation, judiciary, academia, and industry. As part of Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), accredited with NAAC A++ grade, School of Law aligns its academic standards with elite law schools in India. In the India Today-MDRA Survey of Best Colleges in India 2026, School of Law, Kristu Jayanti University, has been ranked 5th among law colleges in Bengaluru City and 26th at the National Level. Its unique strength is the combination of an interdisciplinary learning and community outreach, preparing students for an impactful legal career rooted in social justice and professional excellence.

ABOUT ADR CELL

The Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Cell of School of Law, Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University) plays a key role in promoting awareness and practical knowledge of ADR methods among law students. To meet the growing demand for efficient dispute resolution, the cell organizes mediation competitions, workshops, and sessions on ADR mechanisms. These activities provide students with practical skills, moving beyond traditional court litigation toward modern, cost-effective solutions.

The cell conducts intra and inter-collegiate competitions simulating real-life ADR scenarios, ADR Summits and invites expert lectures, legal professionals, certified mediators, and judges to share insights. Active participation enhances critical thinking, communication, negotiation and problem-solving skills essential for contemporary legal practice in India and globally.

LETTER FROM THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

We are delighted to invite you to the Accordo 2.0 Intercollegiate Mediation Competition 2026, organised by School of Law, Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru. Join us on an enriching learning experience in mastering the art of negotiation and dialogue which is in high demand in the current professional legal market. This prestigious competition is designed to sharpen your negotiation skills, deepen your legal acumen, and connect you with talented peers from across India.

At Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), we foster a dynamic learning environment guided by esteemed faculty, emphasizing critical thinking, innovative dispute resolution, and a steadfast commitment to justice. Be part of this transformative experience and take a significant step toward shaping a just and equitable society. We look forward to welcoming you onboard for an inspiring and impactful event.

DEFINITIONS

According to the rules for this competition, the following words and expressions shall be used in the following senses;

1. ADR Cell-The ADR Cell of School of Law, Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru.
2. Advanced Rounds-The rounds from Pre-Quarters to finals.
3. Awards-Cash Prize, Trophy & Certificate of Merit.
4. Private Caucus-It is a private session that may be conducted in a mediation session where the mediating pair of both sides may individually have a confidential talk with the mediator without the other parties' presence.
5. Competition-Accordo Mediation Competition, School of Law, Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University) Bengaluru, 2026.

6. Rules and Regulations-It includes all rules and regulations of this Competition laid down in this document or any other document designated by the organisers as applicable rules for the competition.
7. Confidential Information (CI)-It is last-minute information provided to the parties and the judges.
8. Counsel-The legal representative of the client.
9. Host Institution-School of Law, Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University),
10. Joint Session-The part of the session where both the mediating pair, along with the mediators, shall be present.
11. Mediating Pair-The client and counsel of any Registered Team.
12. Mediator-An unbiased individual who will facilitate the mediation.

13. **Penalty**-It is the deduction of marks, disqualification of teams or any other disciplinary action taken by the host institution on violation of any rules.
14. **Swing Team**-The team assigned by the host institution to take part in the competition if a registered team fails to appear or withdraws from the competition.
15. **Team Code**-A unique identification number that will be provided to the participating team upon final registration.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERA

1. The competition is open to students enrolled in a 3-year or 5-year law programme in universities/colleges recognised by the Bar Council of India.
2. Each team shall consist of three members: one mediator and two members acting as client and counsel, i.e. a mediating pair.
3. Cross-institutional teams, which includes members from different institutions, are not permitted.
4. A maximum of TWO teams per college is allowed.
5. Any changes in the criteria of eligibility are subject to the discretion of the ADR Cell.

TEAM COMPOSITION

1. Each participating team shall consist of three members, all of whom must be from the same institution.
2. A team shall comprise a Mediator and a Mediating Pair.
3. The Mediating Pair shall consist of a Counsel and a Client.
4. After final registration, no team shall be allowed to change its composition and roles in any rounds.
5. If any question arises regarding the same, the ADR Cell of the school of law shall have the discretion upon the same.
6. No team shall be accompanied by a coach or an instructor.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

1. The registration will be on a first-come-first-serve basis.
2. Every Institute may register a maximum of two teams.
3. Participating teams have to pay a registration fee of ₹2,000/- per team for preliminary rounds.
4. Once the payment is done; **NO REQUEST OF REFUND CAN BE INITIATED.**
5. Teams qualifying to the Advance-rounds shall pay an additional sum of ₹3,000/- per team.
6. Payment can be made through bank transfer/UPI. Details will be shared with teams upon confirmation of provisional registration.
7. After registration, the teams will receive a confirmation mail by the ADR Cell and Team Codes will be allotted to each team via mail (Example: TC 02).
8. Registrations can be done through the Registration Link and QR.

STRUCTURE OF THE COMPETITION

Preliminary Rounds

All registered teams will compete in two preliminary rounds, which will be 30 minutes each. (ONLINE).

Pre-Quarters

The top twenty (20) teams will move on to pre-quarters, which will also be 30 minutes. (OFFLINE).

Quarter Finals

The top eight (8) teams will advance to the quarter finals, and the round will be a knock-out round of 30 minutes. (OFFLINE).

Semi-Finals

Four (4) teams will compete for the Semi-Finals, which will be a knock-out round of 45 minutes. (OFFLINE).

Final Round

The final two (2) teams will contest for the championship for 60 minutes. (OFFLINE).

IMPORTANT DATES

COMMENCEMENT OF REGISTRATIONS	10th September, 2026
CLOSURE OF REGISTRATION	7th October, 2026
RELEASE OF PRELIMINARY PROBLEM	8th October, 2026
RELEASE OF CLARIFICATIONS	10th October, 2026
INAUGURAL AND PRELIMINARY ROUNDS (VIRTUAL)	15th October, 2026
ADVANCED ROUNDS (OFFLINE)	27th & 28th October, 2026
VALEDICTORY CEREMONY	28th October, 2026

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- The Administrator of the Competition shall be the ADR Cell of School of Law, Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University).
- The Competition shall be conducted in accordance with the rules mentioned herein under.
- For the purposes of this competition, it will be presumed that all participants have read and submitted to these rules. The participants are required to comply with the rules and procedures prescribed herein.
- Each team must adhere to the competition rules shared upon confirmation.
- Teams must maintain decorum and professional conduct throughout the competition.
- No team shall approach/contact the judges directly.
- Use of electronic devices during the round is strictly prohibited.
- The decision of the judges shall be final and binding on the parties.

- The Schedule of the offline rounds will be informed after the commencement of registration process.
- The official language of the competition is English and the same shall be followed throughout.
- All the participants are required to adhere to a formal standard dress code which is business formals:
 - Boys- Business formals (Black blazer).
 - Girls- Business formals (Black blazer).
- The participants are required to produce their respective College ID card with the Bonafide Certificate for verification.
- Any actions which goes against the rules or code of conduct mentioned in this document will lead to penalties.

RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION (CI)

1. CI for the Preliminary Rounds will be released 15 minutes prior to each round via mail.
2. CI for the Pre-Quarters, Quarter Finals, Semi-Finals, and Finals will be released 30 minutes prior to each round.

CLARIFICATIONS

- The last date for seeking clarifications to the problem is on or before 8th October, 2026.
- All such requests must be submitted through mail to adrcell@kristujayanti.com.
- The request for clarification should be clear and related to the problem given.
- Clarifications sought by the participants shall be notified to the primary contact person by 10th October, 2026.

ACCOMMODATION

- Accommodation details and payment will be conveyed by the organisers to the teams who qualifies for the advanced rounds.
- The Teams will be required to fill for the same in the Google form that will be circulated.
- The participants will be provided with Dormitory service at the cost of Rs. 112/- per participant per night.
- Accommodation will not be given to teams from within Bengaluru
- Accommodation for girls and boys will be provided separately.

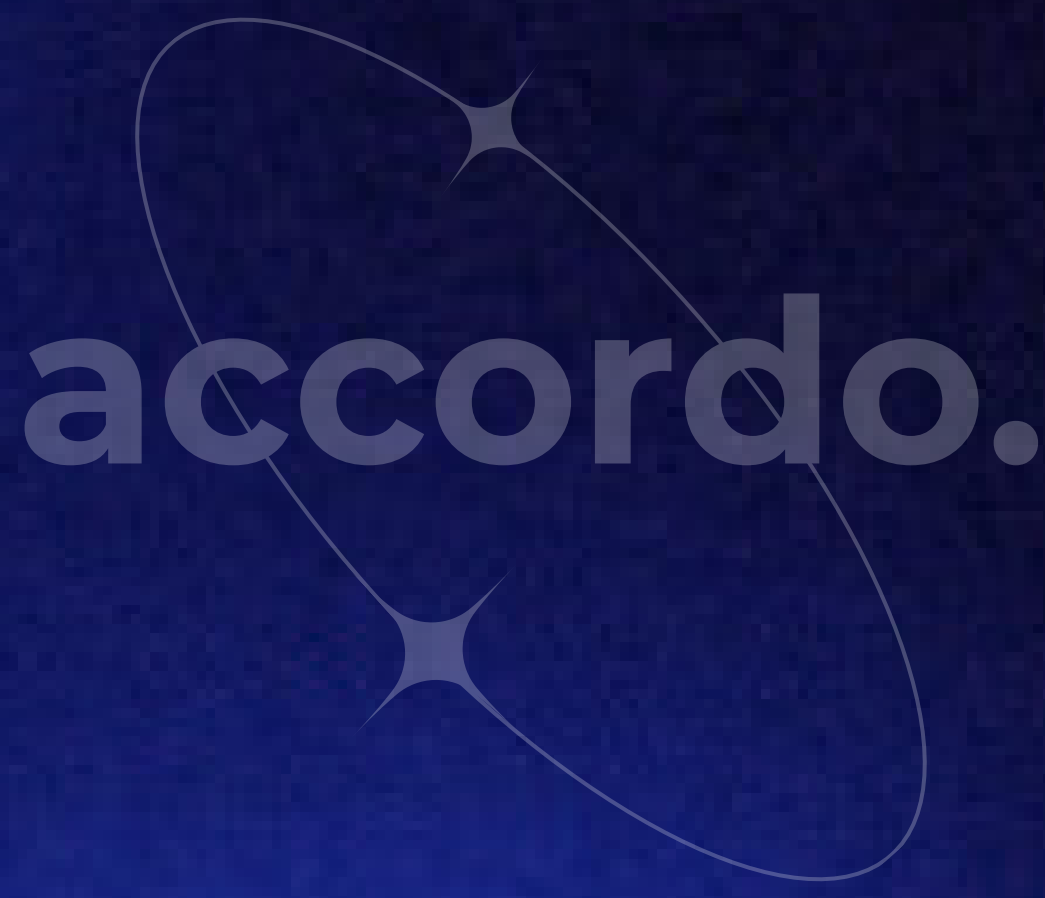
HOW TO REACH THE INSTITUTION

- The School of Law, Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University), Central Campus is located in K. Narayanapura, Kothanur, Bengaluru.
- Kempegowda International Airport: 25 km, approx. 45 minutes by cab.
- Krishnarajapuram Railway Station (K R Puram): 11.2 km, approx. 30 minutes by cab.
- SMVT Railway Station: 8.8 km, approx. 40 minutes by Cab/Bus number 293C, 290-MV
- Cantonment Railway Station: 11km, approx. 40 minutes by Cab/Bus number 293C.
- Banaswadi Railway Station: 7.4 km, approx. 30 minutes, approx by Cab/Bus number 293C, 292C, 293N
- Nearest Metro Station: Baiyappanahalli Metro (Purple Line), 10 km from campus.
- From Majestic/ Shivaji Nagar Bus stations- The institution is well connected by bus service. Bus routes with series number 293S, 292D, 293N, 292G, 293GS and so on passes through K Narayanapura cross which is about 500m from the campus.

CODE OF CONDUCT

- Any attempt to approach the framer(s) of the problem(s) or the panel of judges of the competition, prior to the competition shall lead to immediate disqualification from the competition without scope for appeal.
- The rule of Contempt of Court will be followed and the decision of the Judges will be final.
- All or any grievances are to be presented only to the grievances committee or the organizing committee and the decision of the committees shall be the final and binding on the participants.
- Each team shall be assigned alphanumeric codes for the competition and the same shall be the sole source of identity for the respective teams throughout the competition.
- Intake / Use / Mere possession of any prohibited substances (like cigarette / alcohol / narcotic substances) is strictly prohibited throughout the competition in the campus and in the accomodation, noncompliance with which, may lead to immediate disqualification and appropriate legal action.

- Teams entering / indulging in any kind of misconduct or violating the afore-mentioned rules and regulations will be disqualified.
- Any behavior of indiscipline with the judges, organizing committee, student volunteer or any other staff member of the college, shall be dealt with strictly and may lead to immediate disqualification from the competition without the scope for appeal.



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PRIZE POOL

30,000

Best Mediating
Pair

15,000

Best Mediator

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20,000

Runners Up
Mediating Pair

10,000

Runners Up
Mediator

Note:- Participation certificates will be issued to all participants

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