# DELHI METROPOLITAN EDUCATION

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# THE 1<sup>st</sup> DME NATIONAL CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITION 2019

5<sup>th</sup> April, 2019



In Association with
Delhi Metropolitan Education
Moot Court Society



# **ABOUT THE COLLEGE**

Delhi Metropolitan Education is a premier Educational Institute affiliated to the **Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University**, **New Delhi**. The college offers **B.A.LLB(H)**, **B.BA.LLB(H)**, **B.A.(JMC)** and **BBA** course with premium quality infrastructure and excellent academic facilities to provide a dynamic and clinical ground for success. It is promoted by the founders of Mayoor School, Noida (in collaboration with GC MAYO College, Ajmer) and DPS World School, Noida Extention. Our vision at **DME** is "to create an inspirational setting where global standards of learning, ethical professional practices and academic and scholarly deliberations are practiced towards attaining individual growth."

The institute is strategically located at a few minutes distance from the prime localities of Noida, Vaishali, Indirapuram, Mayur Vihar, Laxmi Nagar, Kaushambi, Ghaziabad etc. Adjacent to NH24, it is within 5-7 minutes driving distance from Delhi Border. The architecture of the institute is inspired by the ancient Greek Doric Pillars and many modern facilities including the impressive Nelson Mandela Auditorium, Rabindranath Tagore Library, exquisite audio and video studios for journalism, a moot court for law, a legal aid centre, computer labs, conference rooms and a cafeteria are some of the invaluable assets of the institute.

Since its inception, the college has attained numerous laurels to its credit and has successfully attained a distinguished stature. For two consecutive years it has bagged 'A - Grade' Certificate from the G.G.S.I.P.U. The college has numerous societies which are involved in diverse fields & activities ranging from the cultural arts, photography, academics to scholarly events. The societies not only successfully organize Internal and National Events but also participate in National and International level competitions with great enthusiasm, adroitness, efficiency and skillfulness.

The **Department Of Law**, has created a professional and healthy competitive environment for its students, ensuring that they get the best understanding of law. It also continuously works hard and focuses on improving the professional skills of their students and provides them with the best academic and practical experiences. The **Department of Law**, **DME** has organized many triumphant National Events the most recent being the 3<sup>rd</sup> National Seminar titled "Litigating Equality: Are Human Rights Effective?" which had over 100 participants from all over the country.



# **MESSAGE FROM OUR KNOWLEDGE PARTNER**



Mr. Kunwar Singh

## Founder & Managing Advocate, KPS Advocates

As a legal professional you must be a highly trained individual who is able to use a contrasting range of counselling approaches with their clients to provide a realistic solution. Understanding the client requirements and rendering right advice is pivotal. The attorney-client relationship is based on trust and is sacred in the eyes of the law—that is, a client can expect that the attorney, once hired, will keep communications confidential, and will protect his interest endlessly.



# **DME MOOT COURT SOCIETY (DMEMCS)**

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#### **OUR PROUD PARTNERS**





















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# **DME CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITION**

Delhi Metropolitan Education is organizing National Client Counselling Competition along with DME 3rd National Moot Court Competition.

Client Counselling is a strategic skill which is deeply embedded in the basic principles of sound advocacy. The Client Counselling Competition promotes greater knowledge and interest among law students and exposes them to practical aspects of advocacy which help them to develop holistically. It also encourages students to develop interviewing, planning, and analytical skills in the lawyer-client relationship in the law office. Moreover, a healthy educational and cultural interchange between various learners, law teachers and legal practitioners is also envisaged.

#### **DATE AND VENUE**

The Client Counselling Competition shall be held on 5th April, 2019 at Delhi Metropolitan Education, Noida.

#### **RULES & REGULATIONS**

#### **LANGUAGE**

The Official language of the competition is English.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- a. The competition is open to all students currently pursuing bachelor's degree in law i.e. 3 Year LL.B. or 5 Year LL.B. Programme, or any post-graduate degree/diploma in law, from any recognized college/institute/university in India.
- b. Each participant is required to carry his/her college ID-card on all days of the competition.

#### **TEAM COMPOSITION**

- a. Each Team shall be composed of two members.
- b. Teams cannot be changed or altered after registration. Any change or alteration in the registered team is subject to the sole discretion of the Organizing Committee.
- c. Team codes shall be allotted to the respective teams by the Organizing Committee which shall be used to identify the team throughout the competition.
- d. Cross-teams i.e. participants belonging to different colleges are not allowed to form a team for the competition.

#### DRESS CODE

<u>For all rounds:</u> strictly Formals or Advocate's uniform as per the Advocates Act, 1961 (except band and gown).

#### **REGISTRATION**

- a. The registration is strictly online basis. Each participating team is required to submit Registration Form at <a href="mailto:ccjw2019@gmail.com">ccjw2019@gmail.com</a> by 15th March, 2019 along with the soft copy of the Demand Draft or the details of NEFT transaction.
- b. The subject of the e-mail should mention 'DME Client Counselling Competition'.
- c. The Body of the mail shall contain the name of the participant and name of the college/university & Contact No. The participating teams may kindly keep in view that the <u>maximum number of teams is 20</u>. Registration shall be confirmed on first-come-first-serve basis.
- d. Each team shall be allotted a Team Code at the time of desk registration that will be used to identify the team throughout the competition.

#### **REGISTRATION FEE**

- a. The Fee for the competition is INR 2,200/- per team, payable in the form of NEFT or Demand Draft.
- b. Last date for payment of registration fees along with the soft copy is 15th March, 2019 and hard copy of the same is 20th March, 2019 at the College Address\* mentioned below in the Brochure.

#### **ROUNDS**

#### STRUCTURE OF ROUNDS

- a. There will be one Preliminary round, Semi-final and Final round.
- b. Each team will have one counselling session in Preliminary round, and one counselling session each in semi-final and final rounds if the team advances.
- c. Only four teams will advance to the Semifinals, i.e., the team having highest team score in their respective court rooms.
- d. Two teams from amongst the semifinalists will advance to the finals based on the highest team score in their respective court rooms. The final round will be organized at the Nelson Mandela Auditorium of the college.
- e. In case of a tie, the team that has higher score for 'consultation' part, will advance to the next round.

#### **COUNSELLING SESSION FORMAT**

Each session shall be divided into three parts, namely:

- a. <u>Consultation:</u> This time period shall start from the moment the client enters the chamber. This time period is meant to be used for consultation with the client during which participants are expected to elicit the relevant information, outline of the problem, find the client's expectations etc.
- b. <u>Post-Consultation</u>: During this time period the client will leave the chamber and the team members may talk to each other in a manner that is audible to the judges. This time shall start as soon as the client leaves the chamber. The team members may talk with each other about the law which may concern the situation, clarification of facts; attorney fees etc. and the teams will be marked on the same.

c. <u>Critique Consultation:</u> During this time period the client will re-enter the chamber. In this time period, the teams have to explain to the client the strategy for dealing with client's legal problem, the basis for their arguments and also clarify any doubts the client may have. Some crucial information may be revealed by the client to the teams, but the participants will have to work for it.

The judge(s) may ask questions during this time period.

#### **TIME DURATION**

Stage of Counselling Session (Preliminary and Semi-	Maximum time (in minutes)
Final Rounds)	
Consultation	6
Post-Consultation	5
Critique	4
Total	15

Stage of Counselling Session (Final Round)	Maximum time (in minutes)
Consultation	8
Post-Consultation	6
Critique	6
Total	20

#### APPLICABLE LAW

The problems shall be broadly based on, but not completely limited to, the "Criminal Law", "Information Technology Law" and "Property Law". The participants are expected to have knowledge of any other ancillary laws and procedures.

#### **JUDGING CRITERIA (total 100 marks)**

- a. Alternative Courses of Action (10 marks): Consistent with the analysis of the client's problem, developed a set of potentially effective and feasible alternatives, both legal and nonlegal.
- b. Client's Goals and Expectations (20 marks): Learned the client's goals and initial expectations; modified or developed these as necessary.
- c. Moral and Ethical Issues (10 marks): Recognized, clarified and responded to any moral or ethical issues which may have arisen, without being prejudicial in judgments.
- d. Post-Interview Reflection (20 marks): During the follow up phase, gave evidence of having recognized their own and the client's feelings, the strengths and limitations of their interviewing and counselling skills, their handling of the substantive aspects of the client's problems (legal and non-legal), provided for an effective follow-up.

e. Problem Analysis and Effective Conclusion (20 marks): Analyzed the client's problem with creativity and from both legal and non-legal perspectives, resulting in a clear and useful formulation of the problem.

#### **CLIENTS**

- a. The clients will be assigned by the organizers. Each team shall interact with their client for the first time during the 'consultation' session.
- b. The participants shall be expected to interact with clients on the spot and no prior information with respect to the problem shall be intimated.
- c. Participants' conduct towards client should be professional.

#### **ANONYMITY**

A pleader may state his or her name before beginning to plead. However, no team/member shall disclose their college affiliation to any judge at any time. Such disclosure shall amount to disqualification.

#### **SCOUTING**

Participants shall not be allowed to watch proceedings of other rounds or other courtrooms. Scouting is strictly prohibited and if any member of a team is found indulged in scouting activity, the same shall result in disqualification of the concerned team.

#### **GENERAL RULES**

- a. The participants shall maintain the decorum of the court room and behave accordingly during the competition.
- b. The decision of the judges with respect to the results of each rounds shall be final and binding.
- c. The organizers may change parts of the rules and/or format of the competition, without prior intimation, but every team shall be informed about the change, if any, before the competition.
- d. For all rounds, each team will be marked on a scale of 50 marks. For calculation of Final Team Score in case of semi-finals and final round, the cumulative score of all judges shall be taken.
- e. The decision of the organizers shall be final on any matter including circumstances not envisaged in the rules and regulations of the competitions.
- f. Use of electronic gadgets like laptop, tablets, mobile phone etc. shall not be allowed. Use of any electronic gadget for the purpose of communication and/or use of internet may result in disqualification of the team.
- g. Teams are required to report to the venue for Desk Registration on the day scheduled for rounds at 09:30 A.M. IST.
- h. Participants are required to carry their college ID-Card for the purpose of identification at desk registration.

#### **AWARDS**

- a. All awards and certificates shall be announced and awarded at the Results Ceremony only, on 5th April, 2019.
- b. Winning team shall receive prize of INR 5,000/- (Five thousand only) in addition to 'Winner' certificate and a trophy.
- c. Second best team/Runners-Up team shall receive of INR 3,000/- (Three thousand only) in addition to 'Runner-up' certificate and trophy.
- d. All teams will receive participating certificates only during Results Ceremony. Certificates will not be provided to the participants who are absent during the ceremony.

NOTE: No Accommodation will be provided to the teams taking part in client counselling as it is a one day event. Teams are requested to make their own arrangements.

#### **TIMELINE**

Registration Opens	15th February, 2019
Last date for Registration through soft copy	15th March, 2019
Last date for Registration through hard copy	20th March, 2019
Date of Competition	5th April, 2019

## **CONTACT US**

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# **ACCOUNT DETAILS**

## **Details for NEFT:**

NAME OF THE BANK	HDFC BANK LTD.	
BRANCH	SECTOR 18, NOIDA	
COLLEGE NAME	DELHI METROPOLITAN EDUCATION	
ACCOUNT TYPE	SAVING	
ACCOUNT NO.	50100187447560	
IFSC CODE	HDFC0001592	

#### **Details for Demand Draft:**

In favour of "DELHI METROPOLITAN EDUCATION" payable at Noida.



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# REGISTRATION FORM (TO BE FILLED IN BLOCK LETTERS)



	<b>DATE</b> :
NAME OF THE INSTITUTION :	
ADDRESS:	
SPEAKER 1 :COURSE - YEAR :	PHOTOGRAPH)
EMAIL :PHONE NO. :	
SPEAKER 2:COURSE - YEAR :	(SELF ATTESTED
EMAIL :PHONE NO. :	

MODE OF PAYMENT (DEMAND DRAFT/ NEFT) :  DEMAND DRAFT NO. / TRANSACTION ID :  NAME OF BANK :				
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