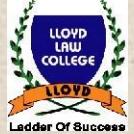




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**Third Prof. N.R. Madhava Menon
SAARC Mooting Competition & Law
Students' Conference 2017-18
16th - 18th February 2018**



Rules & Regulations

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ARTICLE 1: Participation and Scope

1. The Third Prof. N.R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition, 2017-18 will consist of India Round and the SAARC Round, along with a Law Students Conference to be held at Lloyd Law College, Greater Noida, India.
2. The SAARC Round comprising of participants from SAARC Countries, i.e., India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Afghanistan and Maldives will be held from 16th to 19th February, 2018.
3. The Law Students Conference will be held on 17th and 18th February 2018 on the topic **“Disaster Management: SAARC Cooperation”**.
4. India which has over 1400 law schools can send upto eight (8) Teams to the SAARC Round of the Competition while other countries in the region can send upto two (2) Teams (on request of the respective national administrators, the SAARC Administrator may allow maximum four (4) teams from each SAARC country other than India).
5. The objective of the mooting is to promote written and oral advocacy skills and professionalism among students and to cultivate transnational ties among the legal community for mutual benefit.

ARTICLE 2: Organization

1. The SAARC Round of the competition will be held at Lloyd Law College from 16th to 19th February, 2018 among student teams from various Colleges and Universities imparting Law in SAARC Countries, provided that no Institution shall send more than one team to compete in the SAARC Round.
2. The SAARC Round shall consist of four rounds. The first round of the competition shall be a Preliminary Round and the top scoring Eight (8) Teams in the Preliminary Round will qualify for the Quarter-final Round.
3. The second round of the competition shall be the Quarter-final Round and the top Four (4)



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Scoring Teams in Quarter-final Round will qualify for the Semi-final Round.

4. The third round of the competition shall be the Semi-final Round and the top Two (2) Scoring Teams in Semi-final Round will qualify for the Final Round.
5. The fourth round of the competition shall be the Final Round and the top scoring team in the final Round will be declared the Winner, and the second team will be declared as the Runner-Up.
6. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to skip any round/s, in case of any eventuality, without prior notification.
7. There shall be a Committee of Judges in each Court. Each Court will have three judges.
8. The Fourth and Final Round will have a Five Judges Bench comprising of Five Sitting Judges of the High Court/Supreme Court.

ARTICLE 3: Team Composition and Eligibility

1. Each team will consist of Two Counsels and two Researchers.
2. Every participant ought to be a bonafide law student as on 16th February, 2018 pursuing law under the Three Year Scheme or Five Year Scheme from an institution duly recognized by the Bar Council of India or is a bonafide law student of an institution from a SAARC Country.
3. Each institute/college can send only One Team of such eligible participants.
4. In no case any team shall consist of more than Four (4) participants. Their number cannot be increased under any circumstances. The traveling expenses of the participants shall be met by their respective institution or participants themselves. However, accommodation and local transport facility will be extended during the competition between Lloyd Law College and the nearest metro station.

ARTICLE 4: Registration

1. There is NO Registration fee for the SAARC Round of the Third Prof. N.R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition, 2017-18.



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2. The participating teams are mandatorily required to send the complete registration form via e-mail to profmenonmooting@lloydlawcollege.edu.in
3. No subsequent change in the team composition will be permitted.
4. Registration forms received after the deadlines will not be considered for registration except under justifiable circumstances as decided by the Organizing Committee.
5. Formal registration of the teams shall be done on 16th February, 2018.

ARTICLE 5: The Moot Problem and Clarifications

1. The moot proposition for the SAARC Round can be downloaded from <http://saarcmooting.lloydlawcollege.edu.in>
2. All Queries and Clarifications for the moot problem shall be addressed to profmenonmooting@lloydlawcollege.edu.in.
3. No Queries and Clarifications for the moot problem shall be entertained after 30th December 2017.
4. All clarifications will be uploaded on <http://saarcmooting.lloydlawcollege.edu.in> for everyone's perusal without disclosure of the identity of the teams which raised them.

ARTICLE 6: Memorials

1. Each team shall submit soft copies (in PDF) of the Memorials to the Organizing Committee of Third Prof. N.R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition & Law Students' Conference, Greater Noida by 31st January 2018 through e-mail to profmenonmooting@lloydlawcollege.edu.in
2. Each team shall also submit five (5) hard copies of the Memorials to the Organizing Committee of Third Prof. N.R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition & Law Students' Conference on 16-02-2018 by 06:00 p.m. IST at the time of formal registration at the venue.
3. Memorials must be submitted on the standard international A/4 Size Page in FontType: Times New Roman, Font Size: 12, Double Spacing. The Font Style of the Footnote should also be



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Times New Roman, Font Size: 10 and should be single spaced. Quotations from sources outside of the memorial of Fifty (50) words or more in any part of the memorial shall be block quoted, italicized (i.e. right and left indented) and must be single spaced.

4. The citation should be in compliance with the 20th Edition of Bluebook. Speaking footnotes or Endnotes are not allowed.
5. No indication shall be made for identifying the Institution/College of the participant and each team will be awarded a TEAM CODE and that number alone shall be marked on the memorials. No team shall communicate their institutional affiliation or identity to anyone during the competition. Disclosure of identity shall result in immediate disqualification. The memorials of the Petitioner and the Respondent must be differentiated by 'Blue Cover' and 'Red Cover' respectively and marked with Codes.
6. Memorials for both sides should contain the following:
 - (a) Title Page
 - (b) Table of Contents
 - (c) Index of Authorities
 - (d) Statement of Jurisdiction
 - (e) Statement of Facts
 - (f) Summary of Arguments/ Pleadings
 - (g) Arguments Supported by the Authorities
 - (h) Conclusion / Prayer

The Title Page shall include:

- (a) The Name of the Court
 - (b) The Year of the Competition
 - (c) The Name of the Case
 - (d) The Title of the Document (i.e., “Memorial for the Respondent” or “Memorial for the Petitioner”)
7. The memorial shall not exceed more than thirty (30) pages. The following contents are inclusive within the stipulated page limit:
 - a) Pleadings



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- b) Conclusions
- c) Annexure, if any
- d) Appendices and Footnotes

Any issue or pleading, not discussed within the above mentioned contents of the Memorial shall not be included in any other section of the Memorial.

The following shall not be included in the limit of Thirty (30) pages set out for the Memorial:

- (a) Title Page
- (b) Table of Contents
- (a) Index of Authorities
- (b) Statement of Jurisdiction
- (c) Statement of Facts
- (d) Issues Presented
- (e) Summary of Pleadings

8. **Statement of Facts:** The Statement of Facts shall be limited to the facts as stipulated as well as to the necessary inferences drawn from the proposition. The Statement of Facts must not include unsupported facts, distortions of stated facts, argumentative statements, or legal conclusions. An excessive Statement of Facts shall be a 'Non- Discretionary Memorial Penalty', but such violation may be taken into account by the judges while evaluating the written submission.
9. **Summary of Pleadings:** The Summary of Pleadings shall consist of a substantive summary of the "Pleadings", rather than a simple reproduction of the headings contained in the Pleadings Section. An excessive Summary of Pleadings shall be a Non-Discretionary Memorial Penalty, while a Summary of Pleadings which is otherwise improper shall not be subjected to a Memorial Penalty, but such violation may be taken into account by the judges while evaluating the written submission.
10. The teams are to submit authorities supporting their contentions referred to in the memorials at the time of oral presentation but at no stage they are allowed to *supplement* the memorial in the form of annexure, compilation etc. which may otherwise amount to exceeding page limit of the memorial.



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ARTICLE 7: Assessment of the Memorials

1. The memorials shall be assessed by a Committee of Judges and every memorial will be marked out of total Hundred (100) marks and the Team Memorial will have the average total of both the sides (Petitioner/Respondent). The Marking Criteria and the Marks Allocated to each Category are listed below:

Criteria

(1) Knowledge of facts and law (Maximum: 20 pts)
(2) Proper and articulate analysis (Maximum: 20 pts)
(3) Extent and use of research (Maximum: 20 pts)
(4) Clarity and organization (Maximum: 20 pts)
(5) Citation of sources (Maximum: 10 pts)
(6) Grammar and style (Maximum: 10 pts)

ARTICLE 8: Oral Presentations

A. *The Preliminary Round*

1. The Preliminary Round will comprise of Two Stages wherein the teams will argue from both sides, i.e., Petitioner and Respondent respectively. The organizing committee reserves the absolute right to derogate from this rule in case of any eventuality.
2. Each Oral Round shall consist of Seventy (70) minutes of oral pleadings. Each team Petitioner/Respondent shall be allotted Thirty Five (35) minutes.
3. Two (2) members from each team will make oral presentations during the round. Prior to the beginning of the Oral Round, each team shall indicate to the bailiff as to how it wishes to allocate its 35 minutes among:
 - a) Its First Oralist,



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- b) Its Second Oralist, and
- c) Rebuttal (for the Petitioner) or Sur rebuttal (for the Respondent).
4. No single oralist shall plead for more than Twenty (20) minutes, including rebuttal or sur rebuttal. Any team member may act as an oralist during any round of the competition. In exceptional circumstances, the Bench shall have the discretion to permit a single oralist to argue beyond the Twenty (20) minutes limit.
5. The order of the pleadings in each Round at all levels of the Competition shall be:
- Petitioner 1 → Petitioner 2 → Respondent1 → Respondent 2
→ Rebuttal (Petitioner 1 or 2) → Sur rebuttal (Respondent 1 or 2).
6. Each team may reserve upto Five (5) minutes of rebuttal or surrebuttal. As a gesture of courtesy to the judges, the participating teams should announce whether they intend to reserve any time for rebuttal or surrebuttal at the beginning of their oral arguments and how much time they intend to reserve. Failure to announce it will not waive the right to rebuttal or surrebuttal. Only one Team member may deliver the rebuttal or surrebuttal. Although the team member delivering rebuttal or surrebuttal must be one of the two team members who argued during the team's main argument, the team need not indicate prior to rebuttal or surrebuttal which of its two eligible members will offer rebuttal or surrebuttal.
7. A team's oral pleadings shall not in any way be limited to the scope of the team's memorial. The scope of the Petitioner's rebuttal shall be limited to responding to the Respondent's primary oral pleadings, and the scope of the Respondent's surrebuttal shall be limited to responding to the Petitioner's rebuttal. If the Petitioner waives the rebuttal, there shall be no surrebuttal. No legal issues which were not addressed in the primary pleadings may be raised in the rebuttal or surrebuttal.

B. The Quarter-final, Semi-final and Final Rounds

1. The Quarter-final, Semi-final and Final Rounds shall comprise of Only One Stage respectively wherein the teams shall argue from One (1) Side only, i.e., Petitioner or Respondent after a draw of lots. No derogation is permissible from this rule.
2. Each Oral Round shall consist of Seventy (70) minutes of oral pleadings. Each team Petitioner/Respondent shall be allotted Thirty Five (35) minutes.



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3. Two (2) members from each team shall make oral presentations during the round. Prior to the beginning of the Oral Round, each team shall indicate to the bailiff as to how it wishes to allocate its 35 minutes among:
 - d) Its First Oralist,
 - e) Its Second Oralist, and
 - f) Rebuttal (for the Petitioner) or Sur rebuttal (for the Respondent).
4. No single oralist shall plead for more than Twenty (20) minutes, including rebuttal or sur rebuttal. Any team member may act as an oralist during any round of the competition. In exceptional circumstances, the Bench shall have the discretion to permit a single oralist to argue beyond the Twenty (20) minutes limit.
5. The order of the pleadings in each Round at all levels of the Competition shall be:
Petitioner ➡ Petitioner 2 ➡ Respondent1 ➡ Respondent 2
➡ Rebuttal (Petitioner1or 2) ➡ Sur rebuttal (Respondent1or 2).
6. Each team may reserve upto Five (5) minutes of rebuttal or sur rebuttal. As a gesture of courtesy to the judges, the participating teams should announce whether they intend to reserve any time for rebuttal or surrebuttal at the beginning of their oral arguments and how much time they intend to reserve. Failure to announce it will not waive the right to rebuttal or surrebuttal. Only one Team member may deliver the rebuttal or surrebuttal. Although the team member delivering rebuttal or surrebuttal must be one of the two team members who argued during the team's main argument, the team need not indicate prior to rebuttal or surrebuttal which of its two eligible members will offer rebuttal or surrebuttal.
7. A team's oral pleadings shall not in any way be limited to the scope of the team's memorial. The scope of the Petitioner's rebuttal shall be limited to responding to the Respondent's primary oral pleadings, and the scope of the Respondent's surrebuttal shall be limited to responding to the Petitioner's rebuttal. If the Petitioner waives the rebuttal, there shall be no surrebuttal. No legal issues which were not addressed in the primary pleadings may be raised in the rebuttal or surrebuttal.
8. No researcher from any team will be permitted to be present in the court room during any of the rounds, i. e., Preliminary, Quarter-final, Semi-final and Final. The oralists alone will be allowed entry to the court room in all the four rounds. No derogation is permissible from this



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rule.

ARTICLE 9: Marking Criteria for the Oral Presentations

1. The judges would assign marks to each individual speaker out of hundred (100) marks. The team score would be the aggregate of the total marks for oral presentations of the 2 speakers. The following shall be the Marking Criteria and the Marks allocated to each category:

ORAL MARKING CRITERIA

(1) Knowledge of Law (30): Excellent (26-29 pts); Very Good (22-25 pts); Good (17-21 pts); Adequate (12-16 pts); Poor (below 12)
(2) Application of Law to Facts (25): Excellent (21-24 pts); Very Good (17-20 pts); Good (13- 16pts); Adequate (10-12 pts); Poor (below 10)
(3)Ingenuity and Ability to Answer Questions (30): Excellent (26-29 pts); Very Good (22-25 pts); Good (17-21 pts); Adequate (12-16 pts); Poor (Below 12)
(4) Style, Poise, Courtesy and Demeanour (10): Excellent (8-9 pts); Very Good (6-7 pts); Good (4-5 pts); Adequate (2-3 pts); Poor (Below 2)
(5) Time Management and Organization (5): Excellent (4 pts); Very Good (3 pts); Good (2 pts); Adequate (1 pt); Poor (0)

ARTICLE 10: Dispute Resolution

1. Any dispute about the conduct of the Moot Court Competition shall be referred to the Dispute Resolution Committee, comprising of the Chairperson, Member Secretary and the three members before the end of the competition. In all matters of complaint or dispute, the decision of the Dispute Resolution Committee shall be final.

ARTICLE 11: Code of Conduct

1. The language for the Moot Court Competition shall be English.
2. All participants are expected to maintain the decorum in the Court during the competition and are expected to conduct themselves in a manner befitting the legal profession.



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3. Oralists, Researchers, or persons affiliated with the team, will not be permitted to hear the arguments in any court room in which the team is not one of the contesting teams whilst the team is still in the competition.

ARTICLE 12: Awards

1. The winning team will be awarded the “Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition, 2017-18 Winning Team trophy”.
2. The runner-up team will be awarded the “Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition, 2017-18 Runner-Up Team trophy”.
3. The Female and Male Oralists receiving the highest marks in the Oral Pleadings of Preliminary Round will be awarded "Best Student Advocate (Female)" and the "Best Student Advocate (Male)" trophies respectively.
4. Team receiving the highest and second highest marks in memorial evaluation shall be awarded "Best Memorial" and the "Second Best Memorial" trophies respectively.
5. All participants will receive mementos for participating in Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition & Law Students Conference, 2017-18.
6. The winners will receive "Certificate of Merit" and participants will receive "Certificate of Participation".

ARTICLE 13: Accommodation

1. The team of Four (4) participants will be provided accommodation by Lloyd Law College for the duration of the competition only. Students seeking for accommodation are required to inform the Organizing Committee, through their Registration Form, so as to enable them to make necessary arrangements.

ARTICLE 14: General Section

1. The duration of each court shall not exceed its prescribed time-limit.
2. Team numbers and the side to be represented (Petitioner/Respondent) will be decided by draw



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of lots at different Stages during the competition. The scheme of competition thus drawn out will be notified to the participating teams.

3. The organizers reserve the right to make any necessary alterations in respect of the side to be taken by the competing teams, in case it becomes absolutely necessary due to withdrawal of any team/teams at the last minute, or if the competing teams had no opportunity to argue the other side of the problem.
4. Each team is expected to be ready with written briefs and oral arguments to argue from either side of the case. The court will follow its own procedure within the accepted norms and judicial practices, and in case of doubt or dispute in the matter of procedure or facts, the decision of the Presiding Member of the Committee of Judges of each Court shall be final.

ARTICLE 15: Official Communications

1. All communication by the teams pertaining to registration, travel, moot proposition, Clarifications or otherwise shall be made to Organizing Committee on profmenonmooting@lloydcollege.edu.in



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ARTICLE 1: Objective and Organization

1. The Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Law Students' Conference, 2017- 18 aims at promoting research, writing and cognitive skills among law students of SAARC countries. It is also expected to facilitate network amongst law students for mutual benefit and to encourage them to maintain brotherhood and fraternity in the profession.
2. The Law Students Conference will be held on 17th and 18th February, 2017 on the topic **“Disaster Management: SAARC Cooperation”**.

ARTICLE 2: Participation

1. From India: Eight Teams from India Round will participate in the Law Students Conference.
2. Other than India: Two Teams each from every SAARC country will qualify for participation in the Law Students' Conference upon registration with the Organizing Committee. On the request of the respective national administrators, the SAARC Administrator may allow maximum four (4) teams from each SAARC country other than India).

ARTICLE 3: Team Composition and Eligibility

1. The Law Students Conference is open only for Presenters, who may act as Researchers in the mootings. However, during the oral rounds of the mootings competition, no researchers will be permitted to be present in any of the court rooms. No derogation from this rule is permissible.
2. Two Presenters from each participating team in the SAARC Round is required to submit one research paper *individually* and participate in the Law Students Conference.
3. Each presenter shall contribute one Research Paper being the original works of the Presenter.
4. Both the Research Papers will be presented during the SAARC Law Students Conference by the respective researchers/presenters.
5. The research papers selected by the committee of experts after peer-review will be published in a Collected Volume by Lloyd Law College.



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ARTICLE 4: Abstract and Paper Submission

1. All Presenters shall submit their Abstracts to profmenonmooting@lloydlawcollege.edu.in latest by 11:59p.m. IST on 05-01-2018.
2. The Final Paper (SOFT COPY) shall be submitted by email to profmenonmooting@lloydlawcollege.edu.in latest by 11:59 p.m. IST on 31-01-2018.
3. The Hard Copies of the research paper shall be submitted on 16-02-2018 by 06:00 p.m. IST at the time of formal registration at the venue.

ARTICLE 5: Paper Presentation

1. The oral presentation of the research paper shall not exceed Fifteen (15) minutes per presenter. Presenters exceeding the time limit will be liable to a penalty of Two (2) marks per minute(s) exceed.

ARTICLE 6: Assessment of Research Paper

1. The research papers will be assessed by a Peer-Review Committee and every research paper will be marked out of total Hundred (100) marks.
2. The Marking Criteria and the Marks Allocated to each Category are listed below:

Criteria

(1) Content, Proper and Articulate Analysis (Maximum: 30pts)
(2) Extent and use of Research (Maximum: 20 pts)
(3) Clarity & Organization (Maximum: 30 pts)
(4) Citation of Sources (Maximum: 10 pts)
(5) Grammar, Language and Style (Maximum: 10 pts)

ARTICLE 7: Assessment of Paper Presentation

1. The paper presentation shall be assessed by a Presentation Committee and every presentation will be marked out of total Hundred (100) marks.



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2. The Marking Criteria and the Marks Allocated to each Category are listed below:

Criteria

(1) Clarity and Articulate Analysis (Maximum: 30 pts)
(2) Extent and use of Research (Maximum: 25 pts)
(3) Organization and Style (Maximum: 20 pts)
(4) Etiquettes (Maximum: 10 pts)
(5) Elocution and Oral Delivery (Minimum: 5 pts; Maximum: 10 pts)
(6) Time management (Maximum: 5 pts)

ARTICLE 8: Guidelines for Paper Submission

1. All research papers must be accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 200 words.
2. The body of the manuscript shall be in Times New Roman, Font Size 12 and in 1.5 line spacing.
3. The footnotes shall be in Times New Roman, Font Size 10 and in single line spacing.
4. Submissions must be made in the MS Word (.doc/.docx) format and the citations must conform to the 20th Edition of Bluebook.
5. Co-authorship is impermissible. No deviation from this rule is allowed.
6. The prescribed word limit is 5,000 words exclusive of footnotes.
7. All queries shall be made only to profmenonmooting@lloydlawcollege.edu.in
8. All submissions shall be made via e-mail to profmenonmooting@lloydlawcollege.edu.in within the prescribed time period.
9. The subject of the email shall be “Submission for SAARC Law Students Conference, 2017-18 (Title of the manuscript)”.
10. The submission should be accompanied by a plagiarism report/similarity test report (one page indicating the percentage of similarity).
11. The submission should be accompanied by a Covering Letter which must include the following details:
 - (a) Name of Author
 - (b) Contact Details – Address and Mobile Number



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- (c) Name and Address of Parent Institution
- (d) Course currently being pursued/Current year/Semester
- (e) A declaration that the research paper is original and authored solely for the purpose of the Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Law Students' Conference, 2017- 18.

12.No indication shall be made in the research paper for identifying the Institution/College of the participant or name of the participant. No presenter/researcher shall communicate their institutional affiliation or identity to anyone during the conference.

ARTICLE 9: Awards

1. The presenter scoring the highest marks in paper assessment and paper presentation cumulatively will be adjudged the Winner and shall be awarded the “Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Law Students’ Conference, 2017-18 Best Presenter Award”.
2. The presenter scoring the Second highest marks in paper assessment and paper presentation cumulatively will be adjudged the ‘Runner Up’ and shall be awarded the “Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Law Students’ Conference, 2017-18 Best Presenter (Runner Up) Award”.
3. All selected research papers will be published in a collected volume by Lloyd Law College and their authors will receive certificates.
4. All presenters will be awarded 'Certificate of Paper Presentation'.



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ANNEXURE ON DISQUALIFICATION AND PENALTIES

ARTICLE A1: Aims

1. The present Annexure on Disqualifications and Penalties forms an integral part of the Official Rules of the Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition & Law Students' Conference, SAARC Round 2017-18.
2. The aim of the Annexure on Disqualifications and Penalties is to ensure a fair and supportive contest in the Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition & Law Students' Conference, SAARC Round 2017-18 by providing means for ensuring compliance with the relevant provisions of the Official Rules.

ARTICLE A2: Unfair Means, Intimidation and Misconduct

1. Cheating or using of unfair means of any kind is strictly prohibited and if indulged in, shall result in disqualification of the team.
2. Intimidation in any form is prohibited and if indulged in, shall result in disqualification of the team.
3. Teams are not allowed to carry any electronic gadget inside the Court Room.
4. Misconduct, whether behavioral or otherwise, is not allowed and if indulged in, shall result in disqualification of the team.

ARTICLE A3: Court Manners (Oral Arguments)

1. Submission of any written material other than the memorials and any other documents related to the proposition in hand to the Bench prior to, during or after oral arguments is not allowed and if indulged in, will result in a penalty point.
2. Failure to deliver an oral argument shall be considered in entirety, a disqualification.
3. It shall be the discretion of the Organizing Committee to decide on any violation of the provisions of the Rules and Regulations during the rounds and whether that violation entails penalty point. If a participating team, member of the Bench or the time keeper wishes to claim a violation, the Bench shall inform the Organizing Committee of the claim made and shall not considerate as a part of their deliberations unless directed to do so by the Organizing Committee.



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ARTICLE A4: Submission and Formatting of the Memorials

1. Delay in the submission of the memorials, use of incorrect font or font size, use of font of inconsistent size, or improper line spacing, failure to include all parts of the memorial, or inclusion of an unremunerated part, substantive legal argument outside of approved sections of memorial, improperly formatted index of authorities, excessive length, failure to include necessary information on the memorial cover, inclusion of any identifying mark, character or text in the memorial shall result in imposition of penalties.

ARTICLE A5: Dress Code

1. Strict adherence to the Dress Code is required. The teams are required to be in proper dress code. The participants are required to wear 'Black Trousers / Skirts' and 'White Shirt', 'Black Blazers' and 'Black Neck Tie'. Failure to follow dress code shall result in imposition of penalty.

ARTICLE A6: Non-Compliance with the Rules of Organizing Committee

1. The participants are required to comply with the rules formulated by the Organizing Committee at all times during the Third Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARC Mooting Competition & Law Students' Conference, SAARC Round 2017-18
2. Total points collected by a team shall be reduced by the penalty points imposed for the violation of rules specified by the Organizing Committee for each round in which the violation took place.
3. Each penalty point shall be imposed for each violation. One penalty point imposed shall reduce one mark from the score of the team. However, the total number of penalty points awarded against one team shall not surpass 10 points.
4. If the number of penalties increases from Ten (10) in numbers, the team can be debarred from the competition. An opportunity of being heard by the Organizing Committee can be offered to the team on request. The Committee shall decide whether to debar that particular team from further participation in the competition or reduce the marks from the total score obtained by that team.

