



Indira Gandhi University,
Meerpur, Rewari
Department of Law



University Moot Court Competition 2026

19th February, 2026

Inauguration,
Preliminary Round &
Semi Final Round

20th February, 2026

Final Round &
Validictory





About the University

Indira Gandhi University, Meerpur, Rewari was established on 7 September 2013. The University aims at the overall development of students by helping them become not only successful professionals but also responsible individuals with strong values.

The campus is located in village Meerpur, about 10 km from Rewari, 75 km from Delhi, and 300 km from Chandigarh. It is well connected by road and rail. Spread over nearly 100 acres, the University has a green campus with modern buildings and facilities.

Before becoming an independent State University, it functioned as the Indira Gandhi Post Graduate Regional Centre of Maharishi Dayanand University, Rohtak, which was established in 1988.

About the Department

The Department of Law at Indira Gandhi University (IGU), Meerpur was established in 2014. Since its inception, the Department has been committed to imparting quality legal education and nurturing a strong foundation in law and justice.

It offers a Three-Year LL.B. (Bachelor of Laws) programme designed to equip students with comprehensive legal knowledge, practical skills, and ethical values essential for a successful career in the legal profession. In addition, the Department has also started a Ph.D. programme, reflecting its growing emphasis on advanced legal research and academic excellence.



About the Competition

The Department of Law of Indira Gandhi University Meerpur, Rewari will host a University Moot Court Competition. Moot Court Competition is a prestigious event that allows law students to demonstrate their advocacy talents, legal research ability, and oral presentation experience. Participants will argue a simulated case before a panel of distinguished judges, including legal professionals and academics.

Who can participate?

The Competition is open for students pursuing three/five-year LL.B./LL.M Degree Course from recognized Law College under Indira Gandhi University Meerpur, Rewari subject to fulfilment of the Registration formalities.

How to register?

All interested participants are required to register online through the official **Google Form**. The registration link is available in the relevant links column. Kindly ensure that the form is filled accurately and submitted within the prescribed deadline, as incomplete or late submissions will not be considered.

Event Itinerary

Event	Dates
Release of Documents	22 January, 2026
Registration Deadline	05 February, 2026
Memorial Submission Hard Copy	19 February, 2026
Inaugural Ceremony, Preliminary Rounds	19 February, 2026
Researchers' Test	19 February, 2026
Semi Final Round, Final Round	20 February, 2026



Rules and Regulations for the Moot Court Competition, 2026

Authority of Organizing Committee

- ☞ The Organizing Committee of the University Moot Court Competition, 2026 will have exclusive authority to interpret, amend or modify, at any time or any stage the rules in the interest of just and fair competition.
- ☞ Any changes made so will be communicated to the participants timely, and all teams are expected to comply with such changes to ensure the smooth conduct of the competition
- ☞ Failing to comply with rules and its modifications may lead to disqualification of the team from the competition
- ☞ The Organizing Committee reserves the rights to disseminate and produce the memorials as and when deems necessary for the purpose of competition. Submission of the memorials will constitute the consent of the team to do so and the Committee also reserves the right to publish the memorials.

Team Composition

- ☞ Each team shall comprise of a minimum two (where both will be speakers) and maximum three members (two speakers and one researcher). The roles shall remain the same throughout the competition and no change will be allowed after the registration.
- ☞ No team will be allowed to substitute any of its members except with the permission of the organizers.
- ☞ No faculty member, coach, trainer or a designated observer will be allowed to join the team during the competition.

Team Identity:

Teams shall not disclose their identity or name of their college/Institution/University whatsoever except registration form. They shall communicate only through their team codes during the competition. Any of such disclosure shall result in penalties including disqualification, subject to the discretion of the organizers.



Dress Code

The participating teams must adhere to the following dress code during the competition and valedictory ceremony of the University Moot Court Competition, 2026:

Male: White Shirt, Black Trousers, Black Tie, Black Coat and Black Shoes

Female: White Salwar and Kurta or White Shirt and Black Trousers along with a Black Coat and Black Shoes

Competition Structure

The Competition shall be conducted in **three (03) rounds**, subject to the total number of teams registered:

Stage I:

Preliminary Round

All duly registered teams shall participate in the Preliminary Round. Upon completion of this round, teams shall be ranked in accordance with the evaluation criteria prescribed by the Organizing Committee. A predetermined number of teams shall qualify for the Semi-Final Round, as decided by the Organizing Committee based on the total number of registrations.

Stage II:

Semi-Final Round

Teams qualifying from the Preliminary Round shall compete in the Semi-Final Round. The teams securing the highest scores in this round shall advance to the Final Round.

Stage III:

Final Round

The teams qualifying from the Semi-Final Round shall compete against each other in the Final Round. The outcome of the Final Round shall determine the **Winner** and **Runner-Up** of the Competition.

Scouting is strictly prohibited throughout the competition. Any team found guilty shall be disqualified immediately. The knocked out team can witness the further rounds only with the permission of Organizing Committee.



Round-wise Rules and Time Allocation

Preliminary Round

1. Each team shall argue once from the side allotted through a **Draw of Lots**, which shall be notified prior to the round.
2. Each team shall be allotted a time of **20 minutes** to present its case.
3. An additional **03 minutes** shall be reserved for **Rebuttal and Sur-Rebuttal**, if permitted by the Bench.
4. Extension of time may be granted at the discretion of the Bench.
5. Time distribution between speakers shall be at the discretion of the team, subject to:
 - o **Minimum:** 07 minutes per speaker
 - o **Maximum:** 13 minutes per speaker
6. Teams shall inform the Bench Secretaries/Clerks/Timekeepers of their time distribution in advance.
7. Exceeding the allotted time shall attract a penalty of **01 mark per minute**, deducted from the total score of the round.
8. This round shall be conducted as specified by the Organizing Committee, and only teams securing the **highest scores** shall advance to the Semi Final Round.
9. The decision of the Judges/Bench regarding marks and penalties shall be final and binding.

Semi-Final Round

1. Teams qualifying from the Preliminary Round shall participate in the Semi-Final Round.
2. Match-ups and sides shall be determined through a **Draw of Lots**.
3. This round shall be conducted as specified by the Organizing Committee, and only teams securing the **highest scores** shall advance to the Final Round.
4. Each team shall be allotted **20 minutes** to present its case.
5. An additional **03 minutes** shall be reserved for Rebuttal and Sur-Rebuttal, if permitted by the Bench.
6. Time distribution rules, penalties, and the discretion of the Bench shall remain the same as the Preliminary Round.
7. The decision of the Judges/Bench shall be final.

Final Round

1. Teams qualifying from the Semi-Final Round shall compete in the Final Round.
2. Each team shall be allotted a **time of 30 minutes** to present its case.
3. An additional **05 minutes** shall be reserved for Rebuttal and Sur-Rebuttal, if permitted by the Bench.
4. Time distribution between speakers shall be at the discretion of the team, subject to:
 - o **Minimum:** 10 minutes per speaker
 - o **Maximum:** 20 minutes per speaker
5. Exceeding the allotted time shall attract a penalty of **01 mark per minute**, deducted from the total score of the Final Round.
6. The decision of the Judges/Bench shall be final and binding and shall determine the **Winner** and **Runner-Up** of the Competition.



Evaluation

Criteria	Marks
Appreciation of and Familiarity with Facts	20
Knowledge and Application of Law	20
Eloquence, Structure and Logic of Presentation	20
Ingenuity and Responsiveness to Questions	15
Credibility and use of Authorities	15
Poise, Demeanour and other Court room Etiquettes	10
Total	100

Memorial Submission

- ☞ All memorials submitted for all purposes of the competition shall firmly comply with the rules of the competition.
- ☞ All memorials shall be plagiarism free (max.20% allowed). If found that a team has plagiarized the memorandum from an other team, the latter may be asked to show cause for the same and on found guilty, shall be penalized as the Organizing Committee deems fit.
- ☞ Petitioner/Applicant(s) memorial are required to have a Blue Cover and Respondent/ Defendants(s) memorial are required to have a Red Cover.
- ☞ Each team has to submit four (04) hard copies of the memorials — two copies on behalf of the Petitioner and two copies on behalf of the Respondent — latest by **February 19, 2026 (up to 10:00 AM)** to the **Department of Law, Indira Gandhi University, Meerpur, Rewari**. In addition, a soft copy of the memorials must also be submitted online through the Google Form provided for this purpose.
- ☞ The teams qualifying for the Semi Final Round are required to submit two more hard copies of the memorials in spiral binding (One copy on behalf of the Petitioner and One copy on behalf of the respondent). The submission must be made at the time of registration at the venue, prior to the commencement of the Semi Final Round.



Content of Memorial

The memorial must contain the following contents only:

- 1. Cover Page** - The cover page shall contain the Case Title, Side of the Memorial, Name and Year of the Competition, Name of the Court, Team Code and any other particulars to present their legal discernment. It must be Blue for the Petitioners and Red for the Defendants.
- 2. Table of Contents**
- 3. List of Abbreviations**
- 4. Index of Authorities**
- 5. Statement of Jurisdiction**
- 6. Statement of Facts**
- 7. Issues Raised**
- 8. Summary of Arguments**
- 9. Arguments Advanced**
- 10. Prayer**

Guidelines for Memorial Formatting

The following specifications must be strictly followed:-

1. The Memorial shall be typed on A4 size pages and having page numbers at the bottom middle.
2. Font & size (General) - Times New Roman, 12 pts. Line Spacing (General) - 1.5 lines
3. Font & size (Footnotes) -Times New Roman, 10pts. Line Spacing (Footnotes) - Single lines
4. Page Margin-1 inch on all sides
5. Alignment-Justified
6. The Memorial shall not exceed 30 pages. The arguments advanced shall be not more than 20 pages
7. Footnotes must be used only for citation and must not contain any explanatory points, arguments, remarks or any other wordings.



Memorial Evaluation

Niches	Marks
Cognizance of Law and Facts	20
Coherent and Proper Analysis	15
Extent and Quality of Research	15
Presentation and Structuring	15
Novelty of Arguments	15
Eloquence and Grammar	10
Ingenuity and Lucidity of Thoughts	10
Total	100

Researchers' Test

Purpose: To assess the research capabilities of designated team researchers participating in the University Level Moot Court Competition, 2026. The result of this test shall determine the Best Researcher's Prize

Eligibility: Only the designated researcher from each team is eligible to take part in the test

Format and Score: The test will be conducted in offline format, consisting of Multiple-Choice Questions (MCQ), based on the facts of the moot problem, the law governing the facts of the case, case laws, and general questions on the legal principles involved. There shall be 50 MCQs of total 100 marks i.e. 02 marks each. There shall be negative marking of 0.25% (1/4) for every wrong answer and will be deducted from total marks.

Registration: Teams must register their designated researcher during the registration process.

Date and Time: The researchers' test will be held on 19th February, 2026 at the Dept. of Law, IGU. Time and venue will be communicated to all the teams.

Note: Failure to participate in the test may lead to disqualification of the team from competition. Strict adherence to academic integrity is required. Any unfair means will result in immediate disqualification.



Judging Criteria

A. Preliminary Round:

1. The aggregates core of a team shall be computed as the total of:
Score of Speaker-1, ii. Score of Speaker-2, iii. Score of the Memorial
2. The teams in the Preliminary Round shall be ranked based on below mentioned criteria-
 - a. The teams shall be first differentiated on their win-loss record after the Preliminary Round.
 - b. If there is a tie, the team with the higher speaker score will be allotted the higher rank.
 - c. If the tie still subsists, the team with the higher memorial score will be allotted higher rank.

B. Semi-Finals and Finals

The win-loss shall be decided based on the aggregate speaker score. No memorial score will be added in the semi-final. The win-loss shall be determined based on score so computed. The team with higher aggregate score shall proceed to the final round.

C. Deciding of Winner in Case of Tie in Advanced Rounds:

In case of tie, then-

- a. The team with the highest individual speaker scores out of speakers of tied teams will be allotted the higher rank
- b. If the ties still subsist, the winner of the round shall be decided by adding the score of memorials to the aggregate speaker scores.

Results

The results will be announced after the completion of each round for all the teams in the Preliminary Quarter/Semi-Final/Final Rounds

The result and the winners of the various categories will be announced only during the valedictory ceremony to be held on 20th February, 2026.

The certificates of participation shall be provided to all the participants who have participated in the 2nd University level Moot Court Competition, 2026.



Moot Proposition

Rajesh, a 32 year old business man, was discovered dead in his Mumbai flat at 11:30 p.m. on August 25, 2024. His live-in partner, Divya, discovered his body and immediately phoned the police, alleging Rajesh had hanged himself in their bedroom. However, the police investigation revealed evidence of foul play, prompting Divya's arrest for murder under Section 103 of the BNS. The primary evidence in the case includes:

- Forensic Report:** The post-mortem found ligature marks around Rajesh's neck; however, the pattern differs from normal hanging instances. Rajesh had injuries on his arms and back, indicating a struggle prior to death.
- Crime Scene Analysis:** No suicide note was found. Rajesh allegedly hanged himself on a ceiling fan that couldn't support his weight. The room's door was closed from inside, but the window was slightly open.
- Witness Testimonies:** Divya reported finding Rajesh hanging when she arrived home from a friend's party about 11:15 PM. According to the security officer, no one entered or exited the premises between 10:00 PM and 12:00 AM save for Divya. A neighbor reported hearing loud shouting and a probable altercation between Rajesh and Divya about 10:45 p.m.
- Past Relationship Issues:** Rajesh's family claim she tried to end his relationship with Divya, but she refused. A few days before the incident, Divya explored the internet for themes such as "how to break a neck" and "suicide methods".

Text conversations between them indicate frequent arguments, with Divya once messaging, "If you leave me, you won't be alive to be with anyone else." With circumstantial evidence pointing to both suicide and murder, the court must determine whether to convict Divya of murder under Section 103 BNS or to rule Rajesh's death a suicide.

Issues:

- Is Rajesh's death a case of murder or suicide based on existing evidence?
- Is the absence of a suicide note a liable indicator of foul play?
- Does the forensic report indicate forcible strangulation instead of hanging?
- Should Divya's previous threats and online searches be considered evidence of intent?
- Does the locked-room scenario corroborate or contradict Divya's version of events?
- How should circumstantial evidence be used to determine guilt?



MOOT COURT COMPETITION REGISTRATION FORM

(Please use Block Letters only to fill in Details)

1. Name and Address of Participating College/Institution/University: _____

2. Faculty Coordinator & Contact No.: _____

Team Details:

3. Name of Speaker 1: _____

4. Contact No.: _____ Email: _____

5. Gender: _____ Signature: _____

6. Name of Speaker - 2: _____

7. Contact No.: _____ Email: _____

8. Gender: _____ Signature: _____

9. Name of Researcher: _____

10. Contact No.: _____ Email: _____

11. Gender: _____ Signature: _____

Signature
Speaker1

Signature
Speaker2

Signature
Researcher

DECLARATION: I hereby declare that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the competition. In case of non-compliance of rules on our part, the organising body shall reserve the right to cancel our registration.

Signature and Seal of the HOD/Principle/Chairperson



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Relevant Links

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Prize & Certificates

Sr. No.	Category	Cash Prize/Trophy/Certificates
1.	Winner Team	Trophy & Certificate
2.	Runner Up	Trophy & Certificate
3.	Best Mooter	Trophy & Certificate
4.	Best Researcher	Trophy & Certificate
5.	Best Memorial	Trophy & Certificate

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Chief Patron,
Prof. Aseem Miglani,
Hon'bl VC, IGUMR



Patron,
Prof. Dilbag Singh,
Registrar, IGUMR



Patron,
Prof. Sunil Kumar,
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