



Anand Law College & Anand College of Legal Studies

Jointly Organizes

6th National Moot Court Competition In the Fond Memory of "Vakil Saheb"

(Online Mode)

On 8th - 9th May, 2026 (Friday - Saturday)



Late Dr. Gordhanbhai S. Patel (Vakil Saheb)
Founder : Shri Ramkrishna Seva Mandal



Shri Ramkrishna Seva Mandal (SRKSM)

Shri Ramkrishna Seva Mandal (SRKSM) is a registered society and a public trust and was established in the year 1945-54. The trust was setup under the visionary leadership of Late Shri Gordhanbhai Patel, popularly and respectfully known as 'Vakil Saheb' and with whole hearted cooperation of the prominent citizens and leading industrialists of this area. The is not only an educational trust providing institutes for primary to higher education, but also has been creating a strong socio economic value, as it has created an multidimensional impact for surrounding rural area.

Anand Law College

Anand Law College is a legal establishment recognized by the Bar Council of India, New Delhi since 1964, motivated by highly enthusiastic professionals under the guidance & supervision of the great visionary Late Gordhan Shanabhai Patel. The College is managed by Shri Ramkrishna Seva Mandal, Anand and has been rendered an authenticity for permanent recognition to offer various Law programmes. Anand Law College, affiliated to Sardar Patel University, is accredited with CGPA of 2.97 on four-point scale at B++ Grade by NAAC in its first cycle in Legal manual. With the strong foundation of this Institute, Anand Law College got an Autonomous Status this year.



Anand College of Legal Studies

Anand College of Legal Studies is duly recognized by the Bar Council of India, New Delhi, which is an apex statutory body to grant the permission for running institutions imparting education in the legal field. The college offers experiential learning under Joyful academic environment. The conduct of teaching is more focused on process of ensuring to create leaders in the field of law rather conventional scoring by students.

Objectives Of The Competition

- For building the capabilities of the student as future advocates.
- Teaches the students how to maintain courtroom etiquettes, advocacy skills and legal skills.
- Teaches the students to deal with the legal questions asked by jury members.
- Improves legal drafting skills of the students.
- Helps to build the confidence in public speaking, argumentative skills, presenting effectively and defending case.
- Teaches the students to manage and co-ordinate with the team.
- Helps to improve the students' self-confidence and can identify their strength and weaknesses.
- Most importantly, the team will obtain constructive feedback from the senior advocates.



Dates To Remember

| Key Dates | Key Events |
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| 27th December, 2025 | Release of Moot Problem and Rule Book |
| 1st January, 2026 | Commencement of Registration |
| 31st January, 2026 | Last date for Registration |
| 4th April 2026 | Allocation of Team Codes |
| 11th April, 2026 | Last Date for Submission of Memorials for Office objection (Soft copy to be submitted to Moot court committee through the given email address). |
| 16th April, 2026 | Final Submission of Memorials (Soft copy) & Recorded Mooting Video for Preliminary Round. |
| 8th May, 2026 | Preliminary Round (on the basis of Mooting videos) & Researcher's Test (Online mode) |
| 9th May, 2026 | Date of Competition (Online mode) |

| Eligibility | Team Composition | Registration |
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| <p>All students currently enrolled in three year LL.B. or five-year integrated law course in any Law School / College / University in Gujarat state, are eligible to participate in this Competition.</p> <p>Any recognized Institution / College / University shall be entitled to send only one team to the Competition.</p> | <p>Each team shall be comprised of maximum 3 members, i.e. 2 Mooters and 1 Researcher. This number cannot be modified under any circumstances. Teams shall identify such speakers and researcher during registration. Under no condition shall a team consisting more than 3 members be allowed to participate.</p> | <p>The participating Team shall have to register through online registration form provided herewith.</p> <p>Registration Link: https://forms.gle/ngHbBYDtj6kwDr1M6</p> |



| Language | Dress code | Payment details |
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| The Language of the Competition shall be English. The team shall have to prepare their memorial in English language and present in such language only. | The participants shall adhere to specified dress code when present in any courtroom during the Competition. (Black & White with Blazer) | Bank Details Bank Name: Ba IFSC Code: BARBOANANDX 'Zero') Branch: Anand Main, Gujarat |

| <u>MARKING CRITERIA FOR MEMORIALS:</u> | <u>MARKING CRITERIA FOR JUDGING ORAL ROUNDS:</u> |
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| Marking Criteria | Marks Allotted | Marking Criteria | Marks Allotted |
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| Evidence of Original Thought | 10 | Preparation and familiarity with facts | 10 |
| Knowledge of Law and Facts | 10 | Structure of Legal Argument | 10 |
| Proper and Articulate Analysis | 10 | Knowledge & Application of Law | 10 |
| Correct format and Citation | 10 | Presentation, Speaking Ability, Courtroom Etiquette | 10 |
| Extent and Use of Research | 10 | Responsiveness to Questions, Persuasiveness and Advocacy | 10 |
| TOTAL MARKS | 50 | TOTAL MARKS | 50 |



Introduction:

Definitions: Unless otherwise stated, the following shall be construed as under:

- **“Administrator”** shall mean the Organizing committee.
- **“Moot court committee”** shall mean the persons entrusted with the task of conducting the competition and includes but not limited to faculties, non-teaching staffs and students.
- **“Clarification”** shall mean any questions, inquiries or doubts sent by a registered team to the organizers seeking any factual clarification in the Moot Court problem. The clarifications, if any, provided by the college shall be considered as if it were a part of the moot Proposition and shall have no individual significance.
- **“Competition”** means the **6th National Moot Court Competition In the Fond Memory of “Vakil Saheb” (Online Mode) - 2026**
- **“Institution”** means any recognized Law School / College or University.
- **“Participating Team”** means the team which has registered itself for the competition as per the rules for registration.
- **“Participating Institution”** shall be presumed to be the parent Institution of the participating teams.
- **“Organizer”** means Anand Law College & Anand College of Legal Studies, Anand, Gujarat.
- **“Rebuttals”** refer to those arguments / questions that the Complainant may raise to the end of the main pleadings of all the Orators. This shall be replied to in the appropriate manner by the Respondent. (Applicable for only Semi-final and Final Rounds).
- **“Written Submission”** means written submission of memorandum by any team.

Anonymity of Teams:

- Teams shall not disclose their identity or that of their institution or city at any time before or during the competition.
- The Written Submissions shall not reveal the identity of the team in any form and should not bear the logo, name etc. of the Institute / University represented.
- Any material presented to the Panel should be devoid of any identification marks / seal of the Team.
- Such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the Organizer. Such decision shall be final.

Format of the Competition:

- The Competition is divided into 3 parts:
 1. Preliminary Round (on the basis of Mooting videos)
 2. Semi Final Round (online rounds)
 3. Final Round (online rounds)
- The winners of the preliminary round shall qualify for Semi Final Round. The winners of the Semi Final round shall qualify for the Final Round. The Winner of the Final Round shall be declared as Winner of the Competition.
- In case there is a tie, the winning difference of their respective rounds shall be taken into consideration.
- Further, in case of tie after taking winning scores into consideration, the decision shall be taken on the basis of the Memorial marks. The decision of the judges with regard to the outcome of the rounds shall be final.

Time Allocation:

- Preliminary Round: Each team will submit their Mooting videos not exceeding 15 minutes each (Both the Mooters have to submit their individual Mooting videos).
- Semi Final round: Each team will present their case and will be given total 15 minutes, Extra 5 minutes will be given for rebuttal and surrebuttal, if permitted by the judge(s).
- Final Round: Each team will present their case and will be given total 20 minutes. Extra 5 minutes will be given for rebuttal and surrebuttal, if permitted by the judge(s).

Team Code

- Each team will be given a team code through mail after the registration. Teams will present the case on the basis of team code given to them.
- The teams shall have to mention the Team code on the top right corner of the coverpage of the memorial.
- The memorials shall not contain any form of identification (name of student or institute etc.) apart from the team code. If any such identification or mark, seal, symbol, etc. which has the effect of identifying the team is found on the memorial, then it shall result in an instant disqualification.

Memorial Format and Submission

- Each participant team has to prepare and submit memorial for both the sides for all rounds based on Moot Proposition provided in the Annexure A for English.
- **Format of Memorial:** Body of the memorial shall include:

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| 1 | Front cover | 6 | Statement of facts |
| 2 | Table of contents | 7 | Issues |
| 3 | List of abbreviations | 8 | Summary of arguments |
| 4 | Index of authorities (list of sources) | 9 | Arguments in advance |
| 5 | Submissions / Prayer | 10 | Maximum 35 typed pages |

- The font of the body of the memorial shall be Times New Roman.
- **Heading: 14**
- **Content: 12**
- **Foot notes: 10**
- **Line Spacing: 1.5**
- **Foot Note Line Spacing: 1**



Memorial Submission Guidelines:

- Each team will be given soft copy of the memorial of the other side of the opposite team on the day of competition.
- The participating team shall have to submit compendium separately along with the memorial for any additional submission of **caselaws, rules, guidelines, circulars etc. (in Pdf format)**
- It is the sole right of the Moot Court Committee to decide which team would represent the **side of case on the basis of draw of lots.**
- The citations should be in compliance with the 20th edition of Bluebook.
- Memorials shall not contain any borders or decorations.
- The underline is allowed only for Titles / Heading.
- Each team has to submit soft copy (Pdf format) of the Memorial to the Moot Court Committee before **last date of submission – 11th April , 2026(Saturday).**
- Each team has to submit soft copies from both sides (Petitioner & Respondent sides).
- Pages should be numbered at the bottom middle.
- The cover page of Petitioner / Applicant Memorial shall be in Blue color.
- The cover page of Respondent / Opponent memorial shall be Red color.
- Each team has to submit the soft copy of the memorials on email id – nationalmootcourtalcacls@gmail.com
- The participating team shall have to submit the memorials from both the sides till the submission dates. No further extension for the submission shall be provided.
- All the memorials received within the time schedule will be evaluated by Moot Court Committee and in case of any office objections regarding the format of the memorial and any substantial requirement, the memorial(s) shall be returned to the concerned team for the correction.
- The Evaluation done by the Moot Court Committee will be final and binding.



Categories of the Awards:

- **Winners - Rs. 10,000/-**, Trophy, Winner's certificates.
- **1st Runners up - Rs. 7,500/-** , Trophy, Certificates to runners up.
- **2nd Runners up - Rs. 5,000/-** , Trophy, Certificates to runners up.
- Best Memorial - Trophy, Certificate
- Best Mooter - Trophy, Certificate
- Best Researcher - Trophy, Certificate
- **Certificates will be issued to all the participants.**



Scouting:

- Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any team shall entail instant disqualification. Participating Teams shall not be allowed to observe the orals of another team, unless they have been officially knocked-out of the competition.

Interpretation of the Rulebook:

- The interpretation of these rules shall be conclusive. The decision of the administrator for the abovestated rules shall be final and binding to all the participating teams. Rules should be strictly adhered to. Any deviation from the above stated rules would attract disqualification.

Annexure: A

I. Statement of Facts

- The Shrivalli Hills, one of the oldest mountain ranges in the world, extend across the states of Rajasthan, Haryana, and the National Capital Territory of Delhi. The Shrivalli has played a critical role in maintaining ecological balance, groundwater recharge, air quality regulation, and prevention of desertification in Northern India.
- In 2024, the State of Haryana notified the Haryana Infrastructure Expansion Policy, 2024, aiming to boost industrial growth and affordable housing near the NCR region. Under this policy, large tracts of land in the Shrivalli region of Zaridabad and Purugram districts were reclassified from “forest-like areas” to “revenue land,” enabling mining, real-estate development, and construction of expressways.

- The State relied on the argument that much of the land in question was never formally notified as “forest” under the Indican Forest Act, 1927, and therefore did not require prior approval under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 (FCA).
- In response, a public interest organization named Shrivalli Conservation Collective (SCC) filed a writ petition under Article 32 before the **Supreme Court of Indica, alleging that:**

1. Large-scale mining and construction have caused irreversible ecological damage;
2. Groundwater levels have sharply declined;
3. Air pollution in Dahli-NCR has worsened due to the destruction of natural barriers;
4. The State has deliberately bypassed environmental safeguards.

- SCC relied heavily on earlier Supreme Court directions concerning the protection of the Shrivalli s and argued that the State’s actions amount to colourable exercise of power.

The State of Haryala contended that:

1. Economic development and housing needs justify the policy;
2. Environmental clearances and mitigation measures are being followed;
3. Judicial interference in policy decisions violates the doctrine of separation of powers.

- Given the conflicting environmental, constitutional, and developmental claims, the matter has been referred to a Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court of Indica.



II. Issues for Consideration

The following issues are presented before the Hon'ble Supreme Court:

1. Whether land not formally notified as “forest” can still attract protection under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980.
2. Whether the reclassification of land in the Shrivalli region violates Article 21 of the Constitution by infringing the right to a clean and healthy environment.
3. Whether the State of Haryana's policy violates the public trust doctrine and the principle of sustainable development.
4. Whether the Supreme Court can issue binding environmental directions restricting state policy under Article 142.
5. Whether economic development can override environmental protection in ecologically sensitive zones like the Shrivalli Hills.

Note:

The laws of Indica and India are *pari materia* and may be interpreted harmoniously.



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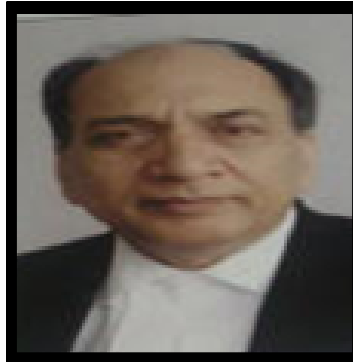


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