



### ABOUT WORLD CYBER SECURITY FORUM

World Cyber Security Forum (WCSF) is a globally prestigious cyber consultancy and web network that tends to create awareness in regard to various internet issues and goes as a wellspring of techno-legal information for professionals, students, teenagers & middle aged civilians around the globe. Our association offers a blend of original & unique substance from IT experts, distributed counsel from the biggest network of IT pioneers, and a broad library of professional resources from driving IT industry merchants. We are sharing cybersecurity expert guidance and insight, in-depth analysis along with the top to bottom investigation in the cases of cyber. We likewise instruct individuals with the most recent moving cyber news & surveys. As a dedicated cybersecurity platform, WCSF has been catering unbiased information to professionals, on the countless security challenges that they come across every day.

Our vision is to share legal expertise on Cybercrime and Cybersecurity by providing free online legal consultancy. We work on a motto and that is to construct a safe & secure digital world for all netizens. At WCSF, we encourage each member of the team to connect a solid professional network and to build a solid worldwide community in the cybersecurity space for our governments, administrations, corporates and society.



## **ABOUT THE COMPETITION**

World Cyber Security Forum (WCSF) takes immense pleasure in announcing our first '*E-Moot Court Competition, 2021*'. This competition aims at providing a platform to budding lawyers to instil a sense of shrewdness, professionalism and diligence.

The theme of the Moot Court Competition will be based on Cyber Laws. In the present times, it is imperative to understand and know about the basics of the cyber domain for everyone and very essential for law students to understand the intricacies of the Cyber Laws. Cyber Laws are important as they revolve around all the transactions and activities over cyberspace. Every action and reaction in cyberspace has some legal and cyber legal angles.



## RULES, PROCEDURE AND GUIDELINES OF THE COMPETITION

### I. **DEFINITIONS**

The following terms shall have the corresponding meanings unless otherwise specified:

- I.1. 'Competition' shall refer to Acuity Cyber Moot Court Competition, 2020.
- I.2. 'Competition Problem' shall refer to the facts and issues released by the organizers of the Competition with its clarifications and corrections.
- I.3. 'Competition Rules' shall refer to the official rules of the Competition as amended from time to time.
- I.4. 'IST' shall refer to Indian Standard Time.
- I.5. 'INR' shall refer to Indian Rupee.
- I.6. 'Knock-out round' shall refer to the Quarter-finals, the Semi-finals and Final rounds of the Competition.
- I.7. 'Memorial' shall refer to the memorandum of written submissions submitted by any participating team as per the Competition Rules.
- I.8. 'Organizing Committee' (hereinafter to be referred as O.C.) shall refer to the committee appointed for the administration and conduct of the Competition including any other authorized persons, and of all events leading up to the Competition.
- I.9. 'Official Email' shall refer to the official email id of the World Cyber Security Forum (cybermootcourt@gmail.com)



### II. GENERAL RULES

## a. Eligibility

II.a.1. All recognized law schools, universities and institutions in India with a minimum three year of LL.B. courses shall be eligible to participate.

II.a.2. Each participating team shall comprise a minimum of two (2) members and maximum of three (3), wherein two (2) members, shall be designated as Speakers and one (1) member as Researcher (optional).

II.a.3. No team shall contradict the composition mentioned above. No faculty member, coach, or a designated observer will be allowed to join the video-conferencing or chat room during the session.

II.a.4. The language of the competition will be English.

#### b. Dress code

The dress code for the participants shall be formals.

Men are expected to wear Western Formals only (Black Blazer, Black Pants, White Shirt, and Black formal shoes).

Women can wear Western Formals (Black Blazer, Black Pants, White Shirt, and Black formal shoes).

# c. Registration

- 1. Teams are supposed to complete their registration by 23th February, 2021.
- 2. Registration fee for the competition is INR 1199 per team.



- 3. Interested teams may fill out the application form by way of the Google form. The link of the Google form is: <a href="https://forms.gle/CzmqTmGJRHc9RXjQ7">https://forms.gle/CzmqTmGJRHc9RXjQ7</a>
- 4. Upon confirmation, every team would be given a 24 hours period to transfer the registration fee of INR 1199 per team. The payment details shall be sent through mail.
- 5. The last date to pay for registration fee is 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.
- 6. After the payment has been made by the team, a screenshot depicting payment confirmation with transaction ID must be sent to cybermootcourt@gmail.com. The payment will be confirmed after the details have been shared and verified.
- 7. Final registration of the teams is subject to the successful payment of the registration fee within the stipulated time.
- 8. There shall be no refund of the registration fee under any circumstance, unless the competition is called off.
- 9. Final decision on any issue shall be of the organising committee.
- 10. By applying for the competition, the teams shall be deemed to have accepted the rules, terms and conditions as stated in this document.

### d. Memorandum

II.d.1. Each Team participating in the Competition must prepare a memorandum on behalf of the Prosecutor/Applicant and on the behalf of the Defendant/Respondent.



- II.d.2. Each team must send its memorandum via e-mail to the O.C. at cybermootcourt@gmail.com latest by 14th March , 2021 by 23:59 hours IST. Please note that NO HARD COPIES ARE TO BE SUBMITTED.
- II.d.3. Any memorial submitted after the deadline shall be subject to penalty for late submission.
- II.c.4. The Memorial must contain the following parts only:

## Format Specifications

- 1. Each Team is required to prepare a memorial for each party of the dispute with the following mandatory heads:
  - i. Cover Page
  - ii. Table of Contents
  - iii. Index of Authorities
  - iv. Statement of Jurisdiction
  - v. Statement of Facts (Must Not Exceed 2 Pages)
  - vi. Issues Raised
  - vii. Summary of Arguments (Must Not Exceed 2 Pages)
  - viii. Arguments Advanced (Must Not Exceed 25 Pages)
  - ix. Prayer (Must Not Exceed 1 Page)



2. The Cover Page must contain only the following information:

i. The Team Code in the upper right corner of each memorial. No other.

ii. The page must contain the team code.

iii. The name of the Forum resolving the dispute.

iv. The name of the Competition.

v. The jurisdiction under which they are approaching the court/tribunal.

vi. Name of the parties and status before the Forum.

vii. The party on whose behalf the memorial has been prepared

3. All parts of the memorial (including headers, footers and headings) must be typed on A4 sized paper/format, with the following Formatting Specifications:

i. Page Orientation: Portrait

ii. Font Type: Times New Romam

iii. Font Size: 12

iv. Line Spacing: 1.5

v. Margins: One (1) Inch on Each Side

4. For Footnotes, the Formatting Specifications are as below:

i. 20th Edition Bluebook style of uniform footnoting must be followed throughout the memorials.



ii. Font Type: Times New Roman

iii.Font Size: 10

iv. Line Spacing: 1

v. Speaking footnotes or endnotes are not allowed.

### III. STRUCTURE OF THE COMPETITION

The Competition shall consist of four Rounds:

a. The Preliminary Round;

b. The Quarter Finals

c. The Semi Finals; and

d. The Final.

## a. Preliminary Round - Individual Round

In the preliminary rounds, participants will have to send their pre-recorded video to the official email ID. Each speaker shall be allowed a maximum of 7 minutes to present their pleadings. The teams shall send the recorded pleadings on behalf of the Prosecutor/Applicant and on behalf of the Defendant/Respondent. Last date of submission of the pre-recorded video is 20<sup>th</sup> March by 23:00 hours IST.

Note: Video should be recorded at once, no editing (cut-mix of two slides) should be done. It should be recorded in proper formal uniform. The announcement of results of preliminary rounds will take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2021. The decision of the judges would be final and would not be questioned or changed in any circumstances.

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### b. Quarter- Finals Round Virtual E-Moot

The Quarter-Finals would be conducted on 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 via video-conferencing. The Quarter-final round of competition consists of sixty (60) minutes of oral pleadings including rebuttals. Prosecutor and Defendant are each allotted thirty (30) minutes. A maximum of five minutes shall be reserved for rebuttals and sur-rebuttals.

### c. Semi-Final Round-Virtual E-Moot

The Semi-Finals would be conducted on 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 via video-conferencing. The semi-final round of competition consists of eighty (80) minutes of oral pleadings including rebuttals. Prosecutor and Defendant are each allotted forty (40) minutes. A maximum of five minutes shall be reserved for rebuttals and sur-rebuttals.

### d. Final Round-Virtual E-Moot

The Final Round of competition will be conducted on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2021 consists of one hundred (100) minutes of oral pleadings including rebuttals. Prosecutor and Defendant are each allotted fifty (50) minutes. A maximum of five minutes shall be reserved for rebuttals and sur-rebuttals.

### IV. EVALUATION CRITERIA

S.NO	PARAMETERS	MARKS ALLOTTED
1.	Knowledge of Law and Facts	20



2	Interpretation of Law and Application to Facts	20
3	Adherence to the norms regarding Style, Grammar and Citation of Sources	20
4	Extent and use of research	20
5	Clarity and Organization	20

# V. SPEAKER

S.NO	PARAMETERS	MARKS ALLOTTED	
1.	Knowledge of Law and Facts	20	
2	Interpretation of Law and Application to Facts	20	
3	Ingenuity & ability to answer questions	20	
4	Style, poise, courtesy, demeanour	15	
5	Time management	10	
6	Co-ordination & teamwork	10	



7	Adequacy of the Prayer	05
	TOTAL	100

# VI. **PENALTIES**

S.NO	PARTICULARS	QUANTUM OF PENALTY
1.	Delay in submission of Memoranda	2 points per day
2	Resubmission of Memoranda	5 points
3	Formatting violations including: Use of incorrect font, Use of incorrect font-size Use of improper line spacing Use of improper block quote Use of endnotes	1 point per type of violation, up to a Maximum of 5 points
4	PLEADINGS*	
	1-100 words over	3 points



	101-200 words over	6 points
	201-300 words over	9 points
	301-400 words over	12 points
	401+ words over	15 points
5	Excessive length: Summary of Pleadings	2 points
6	Excessive length: Statement of Facts	2 points
7	Breach of Anonymity of Teams	2 points
8	Failure to include all parts of Memorandum or inclusion of an unremunerated part, Failure to include necessary and correct information on Memorandum cover page	2 points for each part

<sup>\*</sup>Penalty on Pleadings- In case wherein the party exceeds the mentioned no. of pages (i.e. is 25 pages) then in that case for every 100 words, penalty of 3 marks would be imposed.



# VII. IMPORTANT DATES

Last day to Register	23-02-2021
Last date for Payment of fees	24-02-2021
Last date to send clarifications (if any)	26-02-2021
Release of Clarification	28-02-2021
Final date of submission of Soft copies	14-03-2021
Final Date for sending the videos (Prelims)	20-03-2021
Prelims Result	23-03-2021
Inauguration, Quarter Final and Semi Final Rounds	27-03-2021
Grand Finale, Valedictory Function	28-03-2021



# VIII. AWARDS

Winning Team	INR 5000/- (Five Thousand Only) + Internship Opportunity with World Cyber Security Forum + Free Online Course on Citation Methods by Memo Pundits and Certificate.
Runner Up Team	INR 2400/- (Two Thousand Four Hundred Only) INR 100 off on Online Course on Citation Methods by Memo Pundits and Certificate.
Best Student Advocate (Prelims)	INR 1200/- (One Thousand Two Hundred Only) + Internship Opportunity with World Cyber Security Forum + Free Online Course on Citation Methods by Memo Pundits and Certificate.
Best Researcher*	INR 1200/- (One Thousand Two Hundred Only) + Free Internship Opportunity with World Cyber Security Forum + Free Online Course on Citation Methods by Memo Pundits and Certificate.
Semi-final and Quarter Final Teams	INR 100 off on Online Course on Citation Methods by Memo Pundits and Certificate.



<sup>\*</sup> Best Researcher Award shall be based on the score in memorials.

## IX. MISCELLANEOUS

- If and when any one of the members of a team is notified or informed of any detail or information concerning the Competition, it shall be deemed as if the said team as a whole has been duly notified or informed. In case of any doubt in the understanding or interpretation of any matter concerning the Competition, the decision of the Organizers shall be final and binding.
- The Organizers reserve the right to amend, alter, vary or change, in any manner whatsoever, the Rules governing the Competition, which would be communicated to the teams within a reasonable period of time.



# **OUR COLLABORATIONS**



KNOWLEDGE PARTNER: MEMO PUNDITS

# Contact Information

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