

1ST N.U.S.R.L. NATIONAL LEGAL AID FEST – 2015 – 39A

GENERAL RULES FOR THE FLAGSHIP EVENTS

SYMPOSIUM:

1. TEAM STRENGTH: Each team may consist of two members (undergraduate) including one faculty advisor or any senior member (post-grad) of the college. Participation in absentia is allowed subject to the approval of the organizer.

2. PRESENTATION: The oral presentation will be 10 minutes long with an additional 5 minutes for a questions and answers period.

3. SYNOPSIS: Each team has to submit a 1000 words synopsis describing their college's contribution towards giving legal aid. The synopsis may be used by the organizers for the purposes of publication of a book on the subject of legal aid.

4. LESSONS LEARNED: The participants are supposed to include a section wherein it indicates the difficulties faced while extending such legal aid.

5. RULES FOR THE 2ND ROUND:

- Only 4 presentations /teams shall be selected in the second round.
- Participants can bring necessary changes to their presentations in terms graphics and contents.
- The speaking time shall be extended to 15 minutes each.
- The post-presentation discussion shall be on the discretion of the judges and the moderators. The judging and scoring criteria shall remain the same as first round.

6. SCORING CRITERIA:

- Technical Content - This concerns the correctness of the theory, validity of the reasoning used, apparent understanding or grasp of the subject.
- Originality Practical Application - Does the author reach conclusions that are feasible and practical for use.
- Style/Form - Does the paper and presentation present the material clearly and in the good, acceptable form for a technical session.

NATIONAL LEVEL STREET PLAY COMPETITION:

1. NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 7-12 members including instrumentalists (optional)

2. THEME: Any social issue

3. ROUNDS: The event includes two rounds i.e. Prelims and Finals.

4. TIME LIMIT:

- For Prelims: 8 - 10 minutes
- For Finals: 10 - 15 minutes

5. MEDIUM OF COMMUNICATION: English / Hindi/ any dialect of Hindi

6. PROPS: Only sticks, banners, dupatta and posters are allowed, any use of props other than the mentioned would lead to disqualification.

7. COSTUME: The use of similar costume is appreciated although not necessary.

8. JUDGING CRITERIA: It will be evaluated on an effective portrayal of theme, expressions, audience's response, and 360 degree usage of arena, props and other miscellaneous effects.

9. The last date for registration is 25th April 2015. Any application after the mentioned date will not be considered.

10. The teams must mention their themes along with their script during the registration.

11. The date of conduction of the Prelims is on 2nd May, 2015. All the participants must reach the venue by 3:00 p.m.

CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITION:

1. SCOPE: The problems shall be based on matters which come under the ambit of Legal Services Authority Act, 1987 and are relevant in providing legal aid. Participants are expected to have knowledge of social problems and laws mentioned below and any other ancillary laws and procedures:

- Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007.
- Gram Nyayalaya Act.
- Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005.
- Persons with Disabilities (Equal Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act.
- Laws relating to Marriage.
- Labour Laws.
- Consumer Protection Laws.

2. TEAM COMPOSITION: A team shall consist of **two participants** currently enrolled as regular law students in any of the university. Each Team will participate in only one counselling session in preliminary rounds. Teams may not be altered after registration. [See Registration and Participation Guidelines for further details]

3. COMPETITION FORMAT: This competition is divided in three parts: (1) Consultation (2) Post-Consultation and (3) Review

➤ **CONSULTATION:**

The consultation period shall be for **10 minutes** for Preliminary rounds and **15 minutes** for Final round. In the consultation period participants shall interact with the client to understand his problem.

➤ **POST CONSULTATION**

In the Post Consultation period the participants may discuss with each other to analyze the problem and In the post-consultation period the participants may talk to each other loudly so as to be audible to the judges or may indirectly address them in any other manner.

Participants may summarize the interview, indicate the scope of the legal work to be undertaken, and state the legal issues that should be researched. Explanation of the position or attitude taken by the students may be useful.

If the students feel that some documents are appropriate, like a letter to the client confirming their retention as attorneys, the fee arrangement etc, or a letter to opposing counsel or to the

party with whom the client is having their legal problems etc., they may dictate such a document at the post consultation stage.

The time period for post consultation is **3 minutes** for Preliminary rounds and **5 minutes** for Final round.

At the completion of the time period of Post-Consultation the judges shall stop the participants or signal them to stop in an obvious manner.

Failure of the participants to comply with the above rule will attract negative marking as prescribed by the Organiser to the judges.

➤ **Review**

After the completion of the Post-Consultation period the judges may question the participants on matters deliberated upon or mentioned by the participants or the client during the consultation of post-consultation period.

The judges may ask any question on matters deliberated upon or mentioned by the participants or the client during the consultation of post-consultation period and to test the participants understanding of the facts and/or law applicable or applied by the participants in the case.

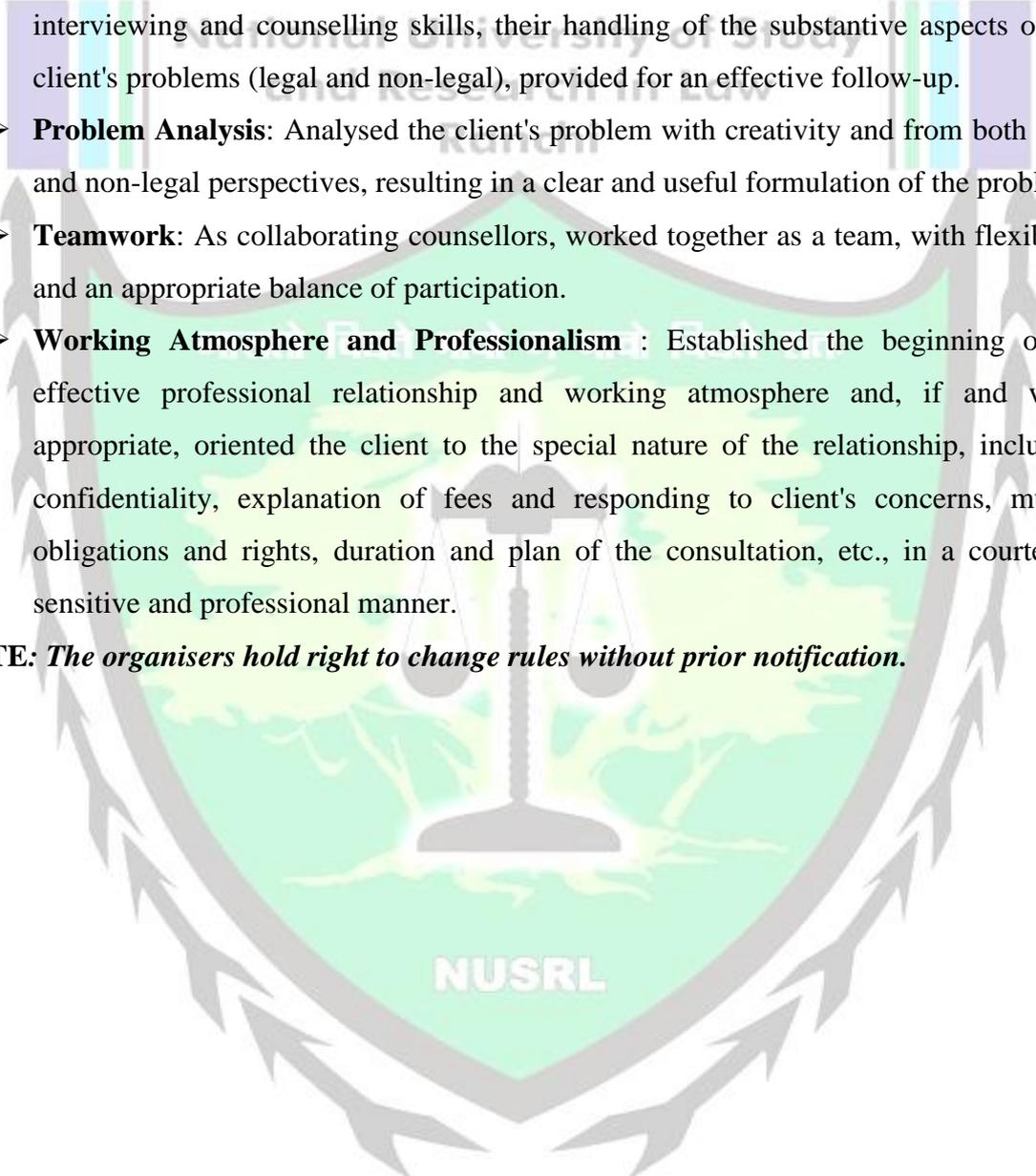
The time period for this session is 3 minutes for Preliminary rounds and 7 minutes for Final round and the judges may extend it by another 2 minutes at their discretion.

4. EVALUATION CRITERIA:

- **Alternative remedial actions:** Consistent with the analysis of the client's problem, developed a set of potentially effective and feasible alternatives, both legal and non-legal.
- **Client's objectives:** Learned the client's objectives and initial expectations; modified or developed these as necessary.
- **Description of the Problem:** Learned how the client viewed his or her situation, using a combination of listening and questioning, drawing out both information and emotions of the client, as appropriate, to develop a reasonably complete and reliable description of the problem.
- **Effective Counselling solution:** Concluded the interview skilfully and left the client with a feeling of reasonable confidence and understanding, with appropriate reassurance, and with a clear sense of specific expectations and mutual obligations to follow.

- **Moral and Ethical Issues:** Recognised, clarified and responded to any moral or ethical issues which may have arisen, without being prejudicial in judgments.
- **Overall Rating:** Synthesizing the above criteria as relevant in an overall rating, how do you rate the client counselling?
- **Post-Interview Reflection:** 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.
- **Problem Analysis:** Analysed the client's problem with creativity and from both legal and non-legal perspectives, resulting in a clear and useful formulation of the problem.
- **Teamwork:** As collaborating counsellors, worked together as a team, with flexibility and an appropriate balance of participation.
- **Working Atmosphere and Professionalism :** Established the beginning of an effective professional relationship and working atmosphere and, if and when appropriate, oriented the client to the special nature of the relationship, including confidentiality, explanation of fees and responding to client's concerns, mutual obligations and rights, duration and plan of the consultation, etc., in a courteous, sensitive and professional manner.

NOTE: *The organisers hold right to change rules without prior notification.*



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FILE YOUR PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION COMPETITION

1. The competition is open to all bona-fide law students, enrolled as regular student in any of the recognized universities.

2. Each team shall comprise of a minimum of two members and maximum of three members.

3. There may be more than one team from a University.

4. The competition is of two parts.

- **The Prelims:** The teams shall submit a complete draft of the PIL from where the best four teams shall be selected to the next round.
- **The Fest Round:** The best four teams shall be invited to make an oral submission before our esteemed Bench.

5. Criteria for evaluation:

- **Prelims:**

The Hon'ble Courts have accepted even a Postcard as a PIL. However we expect that the participants, being law students would send a well researched and a properly drafted submission. Such submission will have a better chance to enter into the Fest Round. *(To ensure the fairness in the selection process CLAP shall make all written drafts available for public viewing "as it is", unless a non-qualifying team makes a request to the contrary.)*

- **Fest Round**

The teams shall make an oral submission before our esteemed bench. This presentation will be made before an open court and the participants shall be marks on the basis of the content, research, importance of the issue being presented and the manner of presentation.

6. **Other general Rules.**

- The deadline for the submission of written submission is 11:59 P.M on the 26th of April, 2015.
- The submission must be attached to the mail. There shall be one single attachment which shall include the PIL as well as any annexure which the participant wants to present.
- The attachment shall be in Microsoft Word format only with either a .doc or.docx format.

- The mail shall bear the subject, “Submission of Written Copy for PIL drafting completion”
- The petition shall be adjudicated upon by a anonymous bench of judges, selected by the Organizing Committee consisting of legal professionals and legal luminaries.



SOCIO-PRENEURSHIP:

Sociopreneurship is the work of sociopreneur. A Sociopreneur recognizes a social problem and uses entrepreneurial principles to organize, create and manage a venture to achieve social change (a social venture). While a business entrepreneur typically measures performance in profit and return, a Sociopreneur focuses on creating social capital and use it to drive social change. The innovations of human minds are used to provide unfulfilled needs / solutions of the society without overlooking the profits an entrepreneur is entitled to.

This event is aimed at testing the patience of the participant in tracing the target customers and reaching out to them in order to bring the desired change. It would test the gravity of social sensitivity created by the participant through his entrepreneurial skills when brought in touch with the real markets.

