

**K.L.E. Society's K.L.E. College of Law,
Navi Mumbai**

SPARKLE 7.0

**7th Law Festival
(Offline Mode)**



27th March 2026

to

29th March 2026

MOOT COURT COMPETITION

&

CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITION



KLE GROUP OF INSTITUTIONS



Karnataka Lingayat Education Society emphasizes the importance of a sound mind and a healthy body for spiritual enlightenment and social transformation. The "Saptarishis" (Seven Saints), namely Shri M. R. Sakhare, Shri S. S. Basavanal, Shri B. S. Hanchinal, Shri H. F. Kattimani, Shri B. B. Mamadapur, Shri P. R. Chikodi, and Shri V. V. Patil, were determined to dedicate their lives to the upliftment of the community through education, which is one of the essential constituents of life. Thus, the seed was sown on 18th November 1916 in the form of an Anglo-Vernacular School. Since then, the Society has grown unstoppably, going from strength to strength.

At present, 300 educational institutions in diverse fields such as Arts, Science, Commerce, Medicine, Engineering, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Architecture, Law, Nursing, Ayurveda, Management, Information Technology, and Computer Science are rendering their services, spanning from KG to PG, including research. These institutions, spread from remote rural areas to well-known cities, boast excellent infrastructure and deliver high-quality education, widely acclaimed by society and approved by bodies like NAAC, BCI etc.

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

KLE College of Law, located near Mumbai, commenced its journey in the academic year 2016–2017 under the aegis of the Karnataka Lingayat Education Society.

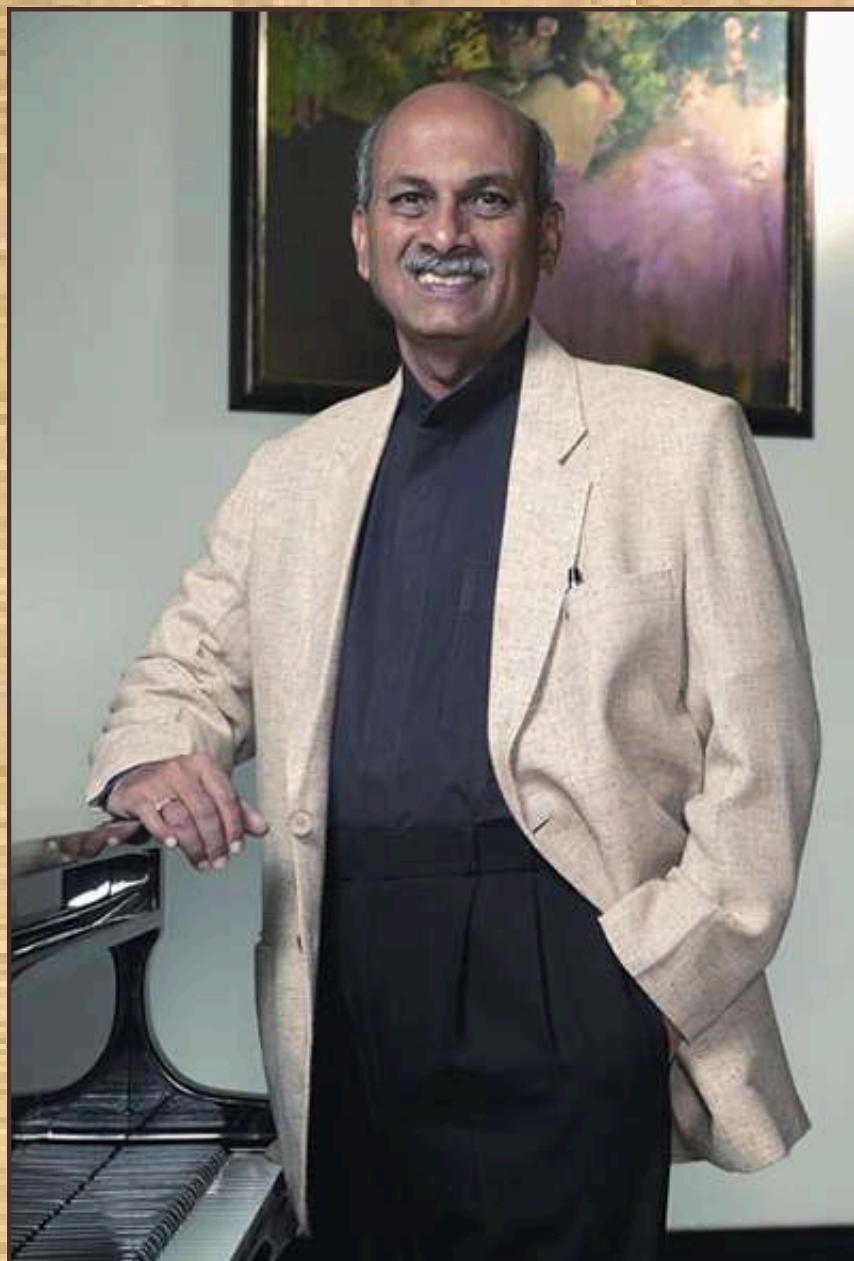
The institution was established with a noble vision to impart quality legal education in Navi Mumbai—a significant step toward spreading legal awareness and empowering society. The college is affiliated with the University of Mumbai and recognized by the Bar Council of India, New Delhi.

KLE College of Law offers a range of programs, including the Three-Year LL.B., Five-Year B.A. LL.B., and LL.M., aimed at providing exceptional higher legal education. The college is committed to establishing an eminent research institute in Maharashtra to cater to the needs of students and nurture them holistically, fostering a sense of social responsibility. Our goal is to create a premier legal institution that produces outstanding lawyers who not only excel in their areas of expertise but also contribute to societal upliftment. Many of our students have joined the legal fraternity and are serving society with distinction.

Since its inception, **KLE College of Law, Navi Mumbai**, has organized numerous events with a focus on collaborative learning and knowledge sharing. Even during the pandemic, our commitment to delivering quality education remained unwavering. We embraced the challenges of the pandemic and successfully transitioned to virtual platforms. We are proud to have conducted over 300 hours of National and International Webinars and Panel Discussions, featuring more than 100 distinguished speakers and benefiting over 40,000 students and professionals.

The college has also hosted six Law Festivals – SPARKLE since 2019. This year, we are excited to present the 7th edition of SPARKLE, which will feature two flagship competitions :The Moot Court Competition and the Client Counselling Competition. We look forward to welcoming brilliant participants from prestigious institutions across India, making this event another milestone in our journey of excellence.

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



**Dr. Prabhakar Kore
Ex-MP, Chairman,
KLE Society**

The quest for knowledge, insight and wisdom is part and parcel of life. The more we learn, the more we realize that we do not know. A revelation of how much we don't know will continue to motivate us towards learning. In praise of constant learning, Henry Ford, quoted - " Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at 20 or 80. Anyone who keeps learning stays young." Great learning must be accompanied by willingness to listen to others. This is important and should not be glossed over. Times are changing. People were beginning to realize the importance of ideas and the power of thinking and learning. We need inspiration, not just information. We need passion, not pettiness. We need courage, not cowardice. We reach our destination with discipline and deep thinking, not with alliance and diversion. The discipline of action, although it may give rise to mistakes sometimes, is far preferable to safe and stationary living. Discipline, KLE has discovered, has an intrinsic ability to be self-perpetuating. This discipline is the secret of holistic approach of KLE. Be a proud partner of KLE family. Lastly with quotes of William A Ward, I advise young and beautiful minds:

**"PLAN PURPOSEFULLY, PREPARE PRAYERFULLY, PROCEED POSITIVELY,
PURSUE PERSISTENTLY.**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



**Prof. (Dr.) Dinkar Gitte
Principal,
KLE Society's KLE College of Law , Navi
Mumbai**

KLE Society, has been in service of the nation for the last 107 years and is still marching forward tirelessly. **KLE College of Law**, Navi Mumbai envisions to impart value based legal education with a commitment to serve the society. Our aim is to inspire students to learn and understand Dharmam Sarvampratishtitam (law is supreme and not the learners). It is the law alone that brings equality amongst unequal. Our college environment is conducive for students to acquire requisite skill-set as we encourage participation in various curricular and co-curricular activities, such as Moot Court Competitions, Trial Advocacy exercises , Debates, Conferences and Classroom discussions.

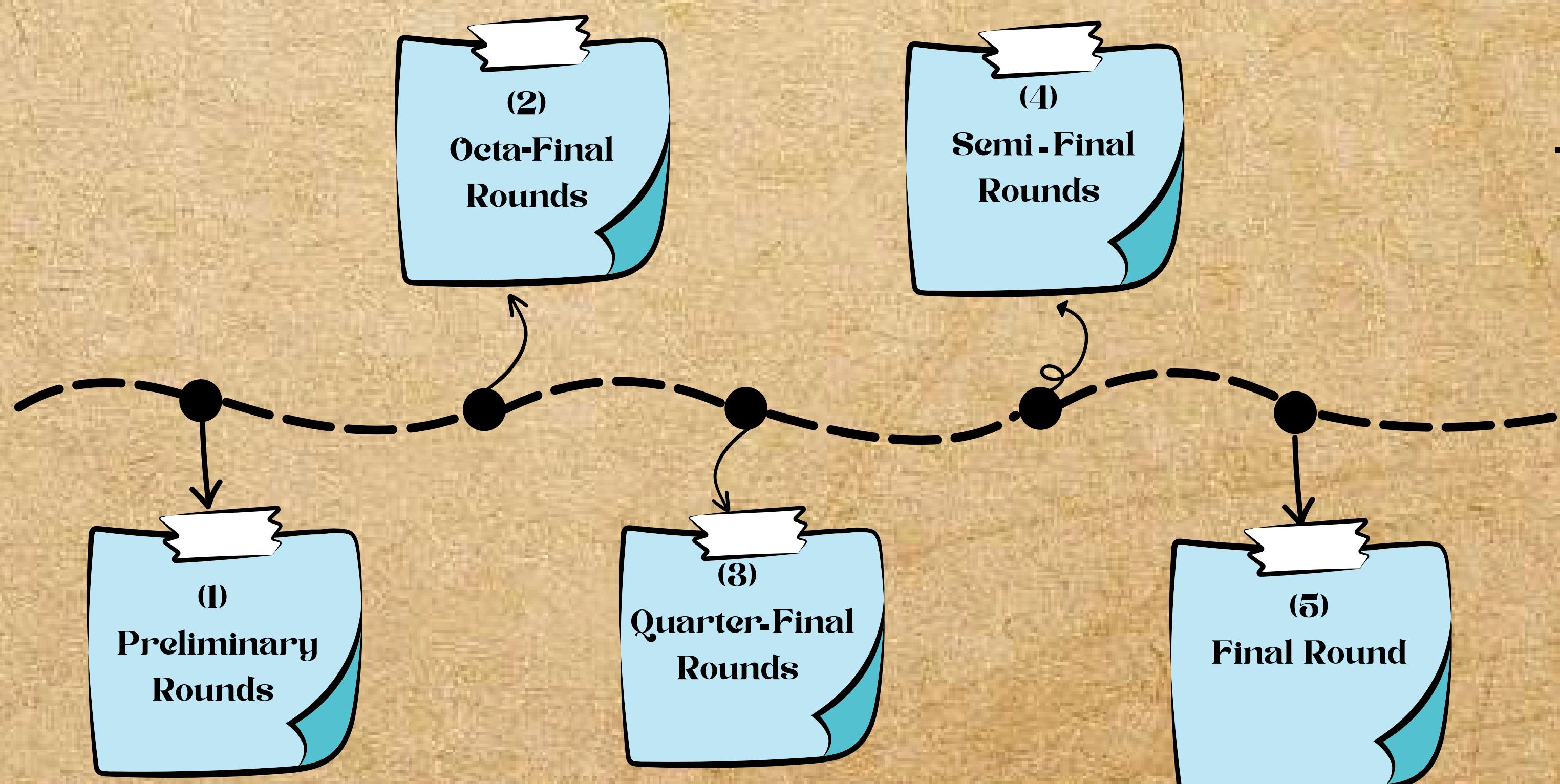
With the best infrastructure and well-equipped library, we provide our students the best opportunities in exploring the world of legal knowledge. Our goal is to imbibe core values of discipline, punctuality, and ethics which are quintessential to a student's progress. Our teachers have vast experience and expertise in the field of law. We aim to build leaders who shall stand for social, political and economic justice. We strive for a society that is Dharmo rakshatirakshitaha (if we protect the law, the law shall protect us).

MOOT COURT COMPETITION



The SPARKLE 7.0 Moot Court Competition is designed to provide a platform for learning and fostering the development of jurisprudence on emerging trends in the legal field, while also honing advanced skills in research, writing, and advocacy.

**THE COMPETITION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN OFFLINE MODE
AND WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING ROUNDS**



RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF

MOOT COURT COMPETITION

1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 "Competition Rules" means all the rules contained herein and any other supplementary rules officially notified by the Organising Committee.
- 1.2 "Competition" means the "Sparkle 7.0 Moot Court Competition, 2026"
- 1.3 "Judge" means any person appointed to evaluate a participant's oral pleadings.
- 1.4 "Moot Proposition of the Competition" means the official proposition of the competition which includes all clarifications or corrections issued by the Organising Committee.
- 1.5 "Organising Committee" herein after referred to as (OC) .
- 1.6 "Memorial" means the written submissions of each participating team, written and submitted in accordance with the rules of competition.
- 1.7 "Participants" means students from eligible colleges who have registered to compete in the competition.
- 1.8 "Problem Clarifications" means clarifications to the Moot Proposition of the Competition as published by the Organising Committee.

2. GENERAL

2.1 CONDUCT OF THE COMPETITION

- 2.1.1 The competition will be conducted in OFFLINE mode.
- 2.1.2 All the rounds will be conducted OFFLINE at K.L.E. Society's K. L. E. College of Law, 4th Floor, Plot No. 29, Sector - I, Kalamboli, Navi Mumbai - 410218
- 2.1.3 Teams may seek clarifications (if any) in the Moot Proposition of the Competition via email addressed to the OC. No other mode of contact shall be entertained or considered official. The emails titled **CLARIFICATION ON SPARKLE 7.0 MOOT COURT COMPETITION PROBLEM** must be sent to sparkle@klecollegeofflawmumbai.edu.in before 10th March, 2026. After this, no more clarifications shall be entertained and the clarifications shall be published on the official forum soon thereafter.

2.1.5 The mode of conduct of the entire competition shall be in English.

2.1.6 Each team will be provided a competition team code which must be kept confidential.

2.2 PARTICIPATION AND ELIGIBILITY

2.2.1 The Competition is open to all bona fide regular students enrolled in any undergraduate/graduate law Course (5 Year course & 3 Year course) within India which is recognized by the Bar Council or State Government or Central Government as the case may be.

2.2.2 Each team shall comprise a minimum of two members i.e., two speakers, and a maximum of three members i.e., two speakers and one researcher. Thus, each team shall be composed of two speakers (Compulsory) and a researcher (Optional).

2.2.3 A maximum of ONE team is allowed to participate in the competition from one institute.

2.2.4 The team's composition shall be registered during the registration process and the participants shall not be changed once registered.

2.2.5 Any change in the team's composition after the submission of the registration form, shall be allowed only due to emergencies. The decision of the OC shall remain final in this matter.

2.2.6 In case the change in composition is permitted by the OC, a formal written approval with the signature of the head of the department or faculty in charge of their respective college along with the seal of the institution in the format prescribed is required to be submitted.

2.3 REGISTRATION

2.3.1 Interested teams are required to register by filling out the registration form through this Q.R. Code or fill out this Google form (<https://forms.gle/2zG6XzFwhfB3RkoG7>)

2.3.2 The participation fees shall be 2700/- INR (Two thousand Seven Hundred only) per team for all the teams. This does not include accommodation.

2.3.3 The teams that require accommodation will have to pay an additional amount of INR 4000/- (Four Thousand Only) towards accommodation.



2.3.4 The details for payment are as follows:

Name of the Bank	Canara Bank
Account Number	4652101002417
IFSC	CNRB0004652
Name of the Account Holder	KLE College of Law
Name of the Branch	Khandeshwar - Ramothe

2.3.5 The fee, once paid, is non-refundable.

2.3.6 A bona fide certificate in the prescribed format (attached below) from the college/institution/university that the participant belongs to, is a mandatory requirement for all teams to be fulfilled in order complete the registration.

2.3.7 The teams are required to attach the screenshot of the online transaction and the bona fide certificate in the Google form itself.

2.3.8 The receipt of screenshot of the payment along with the form and bonafide certificate uploaded in the Google Form shall only confirm the participation of a team in the competition.

2.3.9 Communication made by the OC with any of the Team Members shall be deemed to be communication to the entire team for the purposes of this Competition.

2.4 ACCOMODATION

2.4.1 Accommodation shall only be provided to teams who will opt for it. The fee, once paid, is non-refundable.

2.4.2 For Moot Court Teams, accommodation shall be provided from 26th March, 2026 (Afternoon) to 29th March, 2026 (Morning).

2.4.3 Teams arriving earlier shall contact the hotel directly (details of the accommodation will be shared later) and make their bookings accordingly or make arrangements on their own.

2.4.4 Extra charges will have to be incurred by the team for additional days of stay.

2.4.5 Accommodation shall be provided only to the registered participants and not to any additional team member, coach, professor or family member.

2.4.6 Any misconduct at the event venue or the place of accommodation shall result in disqualification of the team from the competition.

2.4.7 Transport shall be provided to and from the accommodation to the event venue. In case the participants miss the transport arranged by the OC, they will have to make arrangements at their own cost.

2.4.8 No pick up or drop shall be provided to and from airport /railway station/bus stand to the accommodation or the event venue.

2.5 DRESS CODE

2.5.1 Inside the court room the participants shall follow the below mentioned dress code.

·Females: White salwar kurta & dupatta (or) western formals of white shirt and black trousers along with black coat and tie (or) Saree with formal footwear.

·Males: White shirt, black trousers, black tie along with black coat and black shoes.

2.5.2 The dress code for all the functions at the competition shall be western formals for gentlemen and western or Indian formals for ladies.

2.5.3 Marks will be deducted during the oral rounds if the participants do not adhere to the dress-code inside the Court Room.

3. WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS

3.1 General Instructions

3.1.1 Each team is required to prepare a Memorial for both the Petitioner /Appellant (as the case may be) and the Respondent side.

3.1.2 The total number of pages of each memorial must not exceed 40 pages.

3.1.3 The page numbers must be clearly mentioned in at the bottom of the page. The cover page must not be numbered.

3.2 Formating the Memorial

3.2.1 The Memorials must consist of the following: -

- a) Cover Page**
- b) Table of Contents**
- c) Index of Authorities**
- d) Statement of Jurisdiction**
- e) Statement of Facts**

i) Statement of Issues

g) Summary of Arguments

h) Arguments (not exceeding 25 pages)

i) Prayer

3.2.2 The cover page must be Blue for Petitioner /Appellant and Red for Respondent. It must contain:

a) The Name of the Competition (Sparkle 7.0 Moot Court Competition, 2026)

b) Name of the Court

c) Petition Number

d) Cause Title

e) Written Submission for Petitioner/Appellant or Respondent

f) The relevant provision under which the petition is filed.

g) Team Code in bold on the top right corner

3.2.3 The font of the body of the Memorial must be :

a) Font Style: Times New Roman,

b) Font Size: 12, with

c) Line Spacing: 1.5, justified,

d) Margin of 1 inch on all sides

3.2.4 The footnote must be :

a) Font Style: Times New Roman,

b) Font Size: 10, with

c) Line Spacing: 1.0, Justified

3.2.5 Use of endnotes is not permitted.

3.2.6 Headings and Titles must also have font size 12.

3.2.7 All teams are required to follow the 21st Bluebook edition style of citation.

3.3 Submission of the Memorial

3.3.1 All participants must mail the soft copy (Both pdf and word format) of the memorials on sparkle@klecollegeoflawmumbai.edu.in on or before 11.59 PM IST of 16th March , 2026.

3.3.2 Late submission will be penalized by deducting one mark for each memorial for every day of delay after the due date.

3.3.3 Once the memorials have been submitted, no revisions supplements additions will be allowed.

3.3.4 Any revisions, supplements or additions made to the hard copy of the memorials after submission of soft copy shall attract penalties.

3.3.5 The participants are required to bring **SIX (6) hard copies of the memorial for each side and submit it upon arrival at campus.**

3.3.6 The hard copies of the memorials must be soft bound (not spiral bound) with appropriate coloured front page.

3.4 Scoring of Memorials

3.4.1 The soft copy of the memorials sent to the official email address will be evaluated by the memorial corrector.

3.4.2 The following are the marking criteria for the memorials:

CRITERIA	MARKS ALLOTED (AS PER MEMORIAL)
Application of Facts and Identification of Issues	10
Logical Reasoning & Flow of Legal Arguments	10
Application of Legal Principles, Authorities and Precedents	10
Lucidity and Writing Skills	10
Referencing, Formatting and Presentation	10
TOTAL MARKS PER MEMORIAL	50

3.4.3 Each side's memorial will be valued out of 50 as per the above-mentioned criteria. The total memorial marks per team will be out of hundred (Petitioner memorial (50) + Respondent memorial (50)= 100)

3.4.4 Memorial scores will be used to break the tie in Preliminary rounds alone and not in the subsequent rounds.

3.5 Penalties

3.5.1 Late submission: 1 Mark per memorial per day for every day of delay after due date

3.5.2 Exceeding Page Limit of arguments or entire memorial:

- 1 mark per extra page

4. ORAL ROUNDS

4.1 General

4.1.1 The Competition shall contain:

- Two Preliminary Rounds
- Octa-Final Rounds (If the total number of registering teams is more than 31)
- Quarter - Final Rounds
- Semi - Final Rounds
- Finals

4.1.2 Before the beginning of the oral rounds of any team, the Speakers of the team shall inform the court clerk regarding the allocation of time between themselves and the time reserved for rebuttal/ sur-rebuttal. Once informed, the timings shall not be changed.

4.1.3 If any speaker speaks for more than the time reserved for him/her, the extra time used by such speaker shall be deducted from the time allotted to the second speaker of that team.

4.1.4 In case any team fails to appear in an oral round, the round shall be conducted ex parte.

4.1.5 The oral arguments need not be confined to the issues presented in the memorials.

4.1.6 Compendium may be submitted through the court officers to the judges during the oral rounds.

4.1.7 The preliminary rounds will be scored cumulatively. The cumulative score of each team in the preliminary round will be as follows:

CONSOLIDATED SCORE OF PRELIMINARY ROUNDS (400)=ORAL SCORES OF ROUNDS 1 (200)+ORAL SCORES OF ROUNDS 2 (200)

4.1.10 The subsequent rounds (Octa-Finals /Quarter-Finals/Semi-Finals) shall follow the knock-out pattern.

4.2 PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

4.2.1 There shall be two Preliminary Rounds. Both rounds will be conducted on 27th March , 2025 (Friday). Each team will have to argue once for the Petitioner/Appellant and once for the respondent as the case may be.

4.2.2 Once the fixtures for the Preliminary Rounds are finalized, the exchanged memorials shall be done.

4.2.3 Each team shall strictly get a total time of 30 minutes to argue including rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.

4.2.4 The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 16 minutes for one speaker.

4.3 OCTA-FINAL ROUNDS

4.3.1 The octa final rounds will be conducted in case more than 31 teams register for the competition.

4.3.2 The octa-final rounds will be conducted on 28th March , 2026 (Saturday) .

4.3.3 16 teams will qualify from the preliminary rounds to the Octa-Final Rounds.

4.3.4 The qualification process is as follows:

- 16 teams who have won BOTH the preliminary rounds will qualify
- In case there are less than 16 teams who have won both rounds, then the consolidated score of the preliminary round of teams with one win & one loss will be considered.

CONSOLIDATED SCORE OF PRELIMINARY ROUNDS (400)=ORAL SCORES OF ROUNDS 1 (200)+ ORAL SCORES OF ROUNDS 2 (200)

- In case of a tie in deciding the top 16 teams with teams who have 1 win 1 loss, the team with the higher score in the Written Submission (Memorials) shall proceed to Octa-Final round.
- In case the tie still subsists, the team which submitted the soft copy of the memorial first, will qualify to the Octa-Final Round. This decision will be based on the time stamp of submission available with the OC.

4.3.5 The Octa-Final rounds shall follow the knock-out format.

4.3.6 Each team shall strictly get a total time of 35 minutes to argue including rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.

4.3.7 The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 18 minutes for one speaker.

4.4 QUARTER-FINAL ROUNDS

4.4.1 In case there 31 teams or lesser registering for the event, there will be no Octa-Final Rounds.

4.4.2 8 teams will directly qualify from the preliminary rounds to the Quarter-Final Rounds.

4.4.3 The qualification process is as follows:

- 8 teams who have won BOTH the Preliminary rounds will qualify.
- In case there are less than 8 teams who have won both rounds, then the consolidated score of the Preliminary round of teams with one win & one loss will be considered.

CONSOLIDATED SCORE OF PRELIMINARY ROUNDS(400)= ORAL SCORES OF ROUNDS 1 (200)+ ORAL SCORES OF ROUND 2 (200)

- In case of a tie in deciding the top 8 teams with teams who have 1 win 1 loss, the team with the higher score in the Written Submission (Memorials) shall proceed to Quarter-Final round.
- In case the tie still subsists, the team which submitted the soft copy of the memorial first, will qualify to the Quarter-Final Round. This decision will be based on the time stamp of the submission on the Google Form available with the OC.

4.4.4 In case Octa-Final rounds are conducted, the winning team from each Octa-Final round will qualify to the Quarter-Finals.

4.4.5 There will be a draw of lots before the rounds to ascertain which side the team has to argue, followed by exchange of memorials.

4.4.6 Each team shall strictly get a total time of 40 minutes to argue including rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.

4.4.7 The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 22 minutes per speaker.

4.5 SEMI-FINAL ROUNDS

4.5.1 The winning team from each Quarter-Final round will qualify to the Semi-Final Rounds.

4.5.2 There will be a draw of lots before the rounds to ascertain which side the team has to argue, followed by exchange of memorials.

4.5.3 Each team shall strictly get a total time of 45 minutes to argue including rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.

4.5.4 The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 25 minutes per speaker.

4.6 FINAL ROUNDS

4.6.1 The winning team from each Semi-Final round will qualify to the Semi-Final Rounds.

4.6.2 There will be a draw of lots before the rounds to ascertain which side the team has to argue, followed by exchange of memorials.

4.6.3 Each team shall strictly get a total time of 50 minutes to argue including rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.

4.6.4 The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 30 minutes per speaker.

4.7 ANONYMITY AND SCOUTING

4.7.1 The team's college / institution affiliation may not be mentioned at any time before the awards ceremony. The teams shall maintain anonymity during the course of the competition.

4.7.2 Further, all team members, coaches, advisors, and observers shall refrain from identifying a team's school at any time and in any manner, including, but not limited to, wearing any identifying items, such as school clothing, ties, patches, or pins or carrying identifying material (such as books with a college logo, or college seal).

4.7.3 Teams will not be allowed to observe the orals of any other teams. Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any of the team members or their acquaintances shall result in direct disqualification.

4.8 RESULTS

4.8.1 Results will be announced immediately after the completion of the preliminary/ Octa / Quarter / Semi-final rounds. The Final result and the winners of the various categories will be announced only during the valedictory / prize distribution ceremony.

4.8.2 The decision of the judges will remain FINAL.

4.9 EVALUATION CRITERIA:

CRITERIA	MARKS ALLOTED PER SPEAKER
Articulation of Facts and Application of Law to Facts	10
Advocacy Skills, Persuasiveness and Ability to answer questions	10
Use of Authorities, Soundness of Legal Principles	10
Organization, Flow of thought	10
Court Manners, Etiquette, Demeanor	10
Total	50

5.0 OTHER INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1** The OC reserve the right to amend, modify, change or repeal any of the Competition Rules at any point of time.
- 5.2** The OC reserve all rights to audio and videotaping, or any other form of audio or visual reproduction, of any oral round or part thereof.
- 5.3** The OC reserve the right to take decisions on any matter not mentioned in the Competition Rules. Any such decision taken by them shall be final and binding.
- 5.4** No photo, audio or videotaping of oral pleadings is permitted without the permission of the OC.
- 5.5** The participants are NOT allowed to use mobile phones during the rounds for researching of information.

5.8 The copyright over the memorials submitted for participation in the competition is assigned by participants and shall also vest completely and fully in KLE College of Law, Navi Mumbai.

5.9 Further use and exhibition of these materials, electronically or otherwise, shall be the exclusive right of KLE College of Law, Navi Mumbai, and they shall not be responsible for any liability to any person for any loss caused by errors or omissions in this collection of information, or for the accuracy, completeness or adequacy of the information contained in these materials.

5.10 Distribution of these materials on affiliated websites does not constitute consent to any use of this material for commercial redistribution either via the internet or using some other form of hypertext distribution. Links to the collection or individual pages in it are welcome.

5.11 Participants are allowed to use ChatGPT or similar AI tools strictly for research and drafting purposes, provided proper acknowledgment is given.*

6.0 AWARDS

ACHIEVEMENT	PRIZE
Winner	Trophy + Cash Prize of 31,000/- INR
Runner Up	Trophy + Cash Prize of 21,000/- INR
Best Memorial	Trophy + Cash Prize of 5,000/-INR
Best Student Advocate	Trophy + Cash Prize of 5,000/-INR

All participants will be issued participation certificates.

(The BEST STUDENT ADVOCATE OF THE COMPETITION would be decided on the basis of the scores of the preliminary rounds)

Teams must be physically present to collect the award : otherwise, it will be passed to the next eligible team. The discretion of organizers shall be final.

MOOT PROPOSITION

Arya Heritage Collective Vs Union of Aryavatha

1. Aryavatha is a sovereign, democratic republic country in South Asia with a long civilizational history and a diverse social and cultural landscape. The territory of Aryavatha consists of many religions, communities, languages, and traditions, shaped over centuries through political, economic, and cultural interactions. It is an ancient, culturally diverse nation that has evolved through several historical phases over many centuries. In its early periods, the region consisted of multiple kingdoms and communities in which indigenous religious and philosophical traditions played an important role in social, spiritual, and cultural life. Over time, a large number of temples, shrines, monasteries, and other places of worship developed across different regions of Aryavatha, often supported by local rulers, social institutions, and community groups.
2. The oldest religion of Aryavatha is Paramdhara. It is the world's third-largest religion, with approximately 1.2 billion followers around the world. This ancient belief system evolved gradually through local customs, ritual practices, philosophical inquiry, and community-based worship spread across different regions of the country. The Paramdhara Tradition placed emphasis on concepts of spiritual order, reverence for nature, and continuity of ancestral practices, and it influenced early social institutions, art, learning, and patterns of cultural organisation in Aryavathan society. Over many centuries, a network of temples, sacred sites, pilgrimage spaces, and monastic establishments associated with the Paramdhara Tradition developed across Aryavatha, forming an enduring part of the nation's civilisational and cultural heritage.
3. During the medieval period, Aryavatha witnessed the establishment of new ruling dynasties associated with the Mughal era. This period introduced new cultural, religious, architectural, and administrative influences into the region. The Zariya Tradition, associated with the followers of the Muslim faith, became more prominent in Aryavatha during this time, as interactions between local communities and the new ruling groups led to the spread of Zariya religious practices in several regions. Forceful conversions were also evidenced by the fact that stringent taxes were levied on people of non-Zariya faith to visit their place of worship or in exchange for military protection. Historical studies and archival material including writings of famous 16th century Zariyan writers indicate that, during certain phases of medieval rule in Aryavatha, there were instances in which some Paramdhara temples and sacred sites were damaged, demolished, or repurposed, including reports of such actions at prominent locations, often in connection with political conflict, administrative measures, or assertions of royal authority. Recent archeological survey results indicated that over 40,000 temples were destroyed during this period.
4. From the early modern period onward, Aryavatha came into increasing contact with European trading companies, which gradually expanded their political and administrative control over different regions of the country. This phase eventually led to the establishment of a colonial system of governance that introduced new legal, economic, educational, and institutional frameworks. Alongside

these developments, Assyrian (prominent religion in Europe) missionary activity also grew in certain parts of Aryavatha, leading to the establishment of churches, schools, and charitable institutions associated with the Assyrian faith. The colonial period thus added another layer to Aryavatha's religious and cultural landscape, while also reshaping administrative structures and patterns of control over land, public institutions, and, in some cases, historical and religious sites.

5. After a prolonged period of political struggle and social mobilisation, Aryavatha attained independence from colonial rule and embarked upon the task of building a modern nation-state. A Constituent Assembly was established to draft a written Constitution that would reflect the country's diverse history, cultures, and religious traditions while unifying its people under a common democratic framework. The Constitution of Aryavatha affirmed principles of liberty, equality, and justice, and adopted a vision of secular governance, under which the State would maintain neutrality among different religions while protecting the freedom of belief and worship of all communities. Secularism in Aryavatha was conceived not as the denial of religion, but as a constitutional commitment to harmony, tolerance, and equal respect for every faith, forming an essential foundation of the Republic.

6. In the city of Suryapuri, located in the central region of Aryavatha, there exists a historic structure known as the Surhaya Masjid. For several decades in the post-independence period, the site has been used and administered as a place of worship by the Zariya community. Archival references and historical writings, however, indicate that the structure may have undergone changes in its architectural form and religious use during earlier periods of political transition and was previously the Suryapuri Mandir. In recent years, a group of individuals associated with the Arya Heritage Collective has claimed that, prior to the medieval period, the site formed part of a religious establishment connected with the Paramdhara religion. The Collective asserts that the present structure stands upon the remains of an earlier temple complex and that the historical character of the site requires examination through records, expert studies, and limited physical survey.

7. Following this, Aryavatha witnessed an increasing number of disputes relating to the historical character of several religious sites, many of which were linked to claims of temple demolition and religious conversion during earlier historical periods. These disputes became the subject of organised campaigns, public demonstrations, and litigation in various courts. In several regions, particularly during the late 1980s and early 1990s, such controversies were accompanied by episodes of communal riots, curfews, large-scale protests, and violent disturbances, resulting in loss of life, destruction of property, and long-lasting social polarisation. One section of opinion argued that these disputes reflected unresolved historical grievances and that communities should be permitted to seek judicial redress and restoration of their places of worship. Another section maintained that reopening historical claims would lead to recurring unrest, political mobilisation, and instability, and that Parliament was required to step in to freeze the status of religious sites to

protect public order and communal harmony. It was in the midst of these tensions that the Parliament introduced and enacted the **Places of Worship (Status Protection) Act, 1991**.

8. The Places of Worship (Status Protection) Act, 1991 provides that the religious character of every place of worship shall continue to be the same as it existed on 15 August 1947, (the date of independence of Aryavatha from European Colonies) and that no person shall convert or attempt to convert such character thereafter. The Act declares that any suit, appeal, or legal proceeding seeking to alter the religious nature of a site shall stand abated, and that no new proceedings of such nature shall be entertained by any court, except in situations expressly carved out by the statute. A significant feature of the Act is that it exempts the Surhaya Masjid-Suryapuri Mandir dispute from its operation, allowing that particular controversy to continue independently of the statutory bar.

9. In the years following the enactment of the Places of Worship (Status Protection) Act, 1991, the Surhaya Masjid-Suryapuri Mandir dispute continued independently of the statutory bar. In 2019, the Supreme Court of Aryavatha, consisting of a five-judge Constitution Bench directed that the disputed site be handed over for the construction of a temple of Paramdhara faith. The Court also made observations on the **Places of Worship (Status Protection) Act, 1991 that the Act constitutes a legislative measure intended to preserve the secular character of the constitutional order of Aryavatha, which forms part of the basic features of the Constitution.**

10. In the past few years, a series of new petitions, historical studies, and claims of fresh material evidence have revived public and legal interest in the broader question of the historical character of places of worship in Aryavatha. In 2023, the Arya Heritage Collective filed a writ petition before the Supreme Court of Aryavatha challenging the constitutional validity of Sections 2, 3, and 4 of the **Places of Worship (Status Protection) Act, 1991. Over the following months, several other petitions raising similar questions of law were also filed and were subsequently tagged and heard together along with the lead matter.**

11. The petitioners challenge the **Places of Worship (Status Protection) Act, 1991 on the ground that it arbitrarily freezes the religious character of sites as on 15 August 1947, bars courts from hearing related disputes, and thereby violates equality, freedom of religion, and the basic feature of judicial review, while also being beyond Parliament's competence. They argue that the Act prevents communities from seeking legal redress for alleged historical wrongs. They also highlighted that there have been significant bias in the way the personal laws of Paramdhara and personal laws of Zariya have been dealt with post independence. The Union Government, however, defends the law as a necessary measure to preserve public order, secularism, and social harmony, contending that reopening centuries-old disputes fuels unrest, and that the statute is a valid exercise of legislative policy intended to give finality and stability to long-standing religious arrangements.**

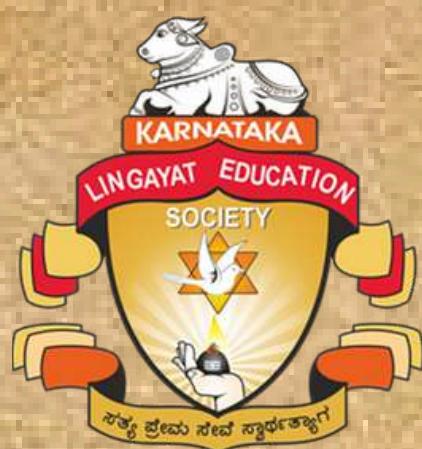
12. The Supreme Court has identified the following issues that require deliberation:

- 1. Whether Sections 3 and 4 of the Places of Worship Act, 1991, violate Fundamental Rights guaranteed under Articles 14, 15, 25, 26 and 29 of the Indian Constitution.**
- 2. Whether the Act denies access to judicial remedies, which are protected under Articles 32 and 226.**
- 3. Does the Act perpetuate historical injustices? The petition argues that freezing the status of religious sites as of August 15, 1947, disregards historical wrongs suffered by various communities.**
- 4. Whether the Act conflicts with the secular fabric of the Constitution by preventing the redressal of legitimate grievances.**

The matter is currently before the Supreme Court of Aryavatha for arguments in March 2026.

Notes: The laws in force and the judicial decisions of the Courts of Aryavatha shall be deemed to be in pari materia with the laws and decisions of the Courts of India, and participants may rely on Indian constitutional and statutory jurisprudence while arguing the present case.





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It is hereby certified that the above students are bonafide students of our institution. They have been selected to represent our institute at Sparkle 7.0 Moot Court Competition, 2026 conducted by K.L.E. Society's K.L.E. College of Law, Navi Mumbai.

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CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITION



The SPARKLE 7.0 Client Counselling Competition aims to provide participants with a platform to develop and enhance essential lawyering skills, including client interaction, interviewing, problem-solving, and legal-counseling. The competition seeks to prepare aspiring lawyers to address real world legal challenges effectively by fostering empathy, analytical thinking, and practical communication skills.

**THE COMPETITION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN OFFLINE MODE
AND WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING ROUNDS**

1

Preliminary Rounds
28th March 2026

2

Semi-Final Rounds
28th March 2026

3

Final Rounds
29th March 2026

RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF

CLIENT COUNSELLING COMPETITION

1. MODE OF COMPETITION

The SPARKLE 7.0 Client Counselling Competition, 2026 will be held in Offline Mode at K.L.E. Society's K. L. E. College of Law, 4th Floor, Plot No. 29, Sector - 1, Kalamboli, Navi Mumbai - 410218

2. LANGUAGE

The mode of conduct of the entire competition shall be in English.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- i. The Competition is open to all bona fide regular students enrolled in any undergraduate/graduate law course (5 Year course & 3 Year course) within India which is recognized by the Bar Council or State Government or Central Government as the case may be.
- ii. A maximum of TWO teams are allowed to participate in the competition from one institute.

4. TEAM COMPOSITION

i. Each team shall consist of two members.

5. REGISTRATION

- i. Interested teams are required to register by filling out the registration form through this Q.R. Code, or fill out this Google form (<https://forms.gle/qPd4lnedn9wvC78D6>)



- ii. The participation fees shall be 1800/-INR per team (Rs. One Thousand Eight Hundred) for all the teams. This does not include accommodation.
- iii. The teams that require accommodation will have to pay additional amount of Rs 3000/-INR (Rs. Three thousand only) towards the same.

iv. The details for payment are as follows:

Name of the Bank	Canara Bank
Account Number	4652101002417
IFSC Code	CNRB0004652
Name of the Account Holder	KLE College of Law
Name of the Branch	Khandeshwar- Kamothe

v. The last date for registration is 20th march , 2026.

vi. The fee is non-negotiable and non-refundable once paid.

vii. A bona fide certificate in the prescribed format (attached below) from the college/institution/University that the participant belongs to, is a mandatory requirement for all teams to be fulfilled in order complete the registration.

viii. The teams are required to attach the screenshot of the online transaction and the bona fide certificate in the Google form itself.

ix. The receipt of screenshot of the payment along with the form and bonafide certificate uploaded in the Google Form shall only confirm the participation of a team in the competition.

x. Communication made by the OC with any of the Team Members shall be deemed to be communication to the entire team for the purposes of this Competition.

6. ACCOMMODATION

i. Accommodation shall only be provided for the teams that opt for it. The fee, once paid, is non-refundable.

ii. Accommodation shall be provided from 27th March , 2026 (Afternoon) to 29th March , 2026 (Morning).

iii. Teams arriving earlier than 27th March shall contact the hotel directly (details of the accommodation will be shared later) and make their bookings accordingly or make arrangements on their own.

iv. Extra charges will have to be incurred by the team for additional days of stay

- v. Accommodation shall be provided only to the registered participants and not to any additional team member, coach, professor or family member.
- vi. Any misconduct at the event venue or the place of accommodation shall result in disqualification of the team from the competition.
- vii. Transport shall be provided to and from the accommodation to the event venue. In case the participants miss the transport arranged by the OC, they have to make arrangements at their own cost.
- viii. No pick up or drop shall be provided to and from airport/railway station/bus stand to the accommodation or the event venue.
- ix. Teams who do not pay this amount will not be eligible for claiming accommodation from the organisers.
- x. Teams must pay the accommodation fees on or before 10th March , 2026 and share the details with the organisers via the Google Form shared by the organisers.

7. DRESS CODE

- a) The participants shall follow the below mentioned dress code during the conduct of the competition:

Females: White salwar kurta & dupatta (or) western formals of white shirt and black trousers along with black coat and tie (or) saree with formal footwear.

Males: White shirt, black trousers, black tie along with black coat and Black shoes.

- b) Non-Adherence to dress code shall be penalized by the Judges.
- c) The dress code for all the functions at the competition shall be western formals for gentlemen and western or Indian formals for ladies

8. THEMES OF THE COMPETITION

Propositions for the Client Counselling Competition 2025, are based on:

- 1.Torts
- 2.Criminal Law
- 3.Constitutional Law
- 4.Environmental Law
- 5.IPR
- 6.Family Law
- 7.Contracts, Arbitration or Company Law
- 8.Artificial Intelligence and Technology Laws

9. ROUNDS

The competition shall be conducted in the following manner

- a. Preliminary Rounds:** There will be two Preliminary rounds. According to the cumulative scores of the preliminary rounds, the top 4 teams will move to the Semi-final rounds.
- b. Semi-Final :**Top 4 teams which qualify from the Preliminary round shall compete against each other out of which 2 highest scoring teams shall proceed to the Final round.
- c. Final Round :**Two teams shall compete against each other and the winner and the runners up shall be declared from them.

9. DURATION OF ROUNDS

- a. Total time for Preliminary Rounds: 25 minutes (The break up is as follows)**
 - Consultation Session of 15 Minutes
 - Discussion Session of 5 Minutes
 - Post- Consultation Session of 5 Minutes
- b. Total time for Semi-Final Round: 35 minutes (The break up is as follows)**
 - Consultation Session of 20 Minutes
 - Discussion Session of 10 Minutes
 - Post- Consultation Session of 5 Minutes.
- c. Total time for Final Round: 50 minutes (The break up is as follows)**
 - Consultation Session of 30 Minutes
 - Discussion Session of 15 Minutes
 - Post- Consultation Session of 5 Minutes

10. RESULTS

Results will be announced immediately after the completion of the Preliminary / Semi-final rounds. The Final result and the winners of the various categories will be announced only during the valediction/ prize distribution ceremony.

11. SCORING

- a) The parameters for judging the oral presentation are:**
 - i. Extraction of information**
 - ii. Knowledge and application of law to facts**
 - iii. Time management**
 - iv. Counsel /Client Rapport & Client Satisfaction**
 - v. Ability to answer judges' questions**

- b) Each criterion shall carry 20 marks and the total marks for per judge per team would be out of 100.
- c) The total marks for each team in each preliminary round would be 200.
- d) In the case of a tie, the aggregate marks of 'Knowledge and application of law to facts' and 'Counsel-Client Rapport & Client Satisfaction' of both the preliminary rounds shall be taken into consideration.
- e) If the tie still persists, it shall be resolved by the toss of a coin.

12. AWARDS

Achievement	Prize
Winner	Trophy + Cash Prize of 11,000/-INR
Runner Up	Trophy + Cash Prize of 5,000/-INR
Best Counsellor	Trophy + Cash Prize of 3,000/-INR

13. ANONYMITY:

- a. Participants may introduce her/himself in the usual manner and may also state her/ his names. However, the team's college / institution affiliation may not be mentioned at any time before the awards ceremony.
- b. Further, all team members, coaches, advisors, and observers shall refrain from identifying a team's school at any time and in any manner, including, but not limited to, wearing any identifying items, such as school clothing, ties, patches, or pins or carrying identifying material (such as a book with a college logo, or college seal).

DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL

The teams must be mandatorily present to collect the trophy and certificates

15. GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION

- Misconduct, whether behavioral or otherwise.
- Misuse of technology
- Any discussion with the client before competition.
- Intimidation of client in any form.

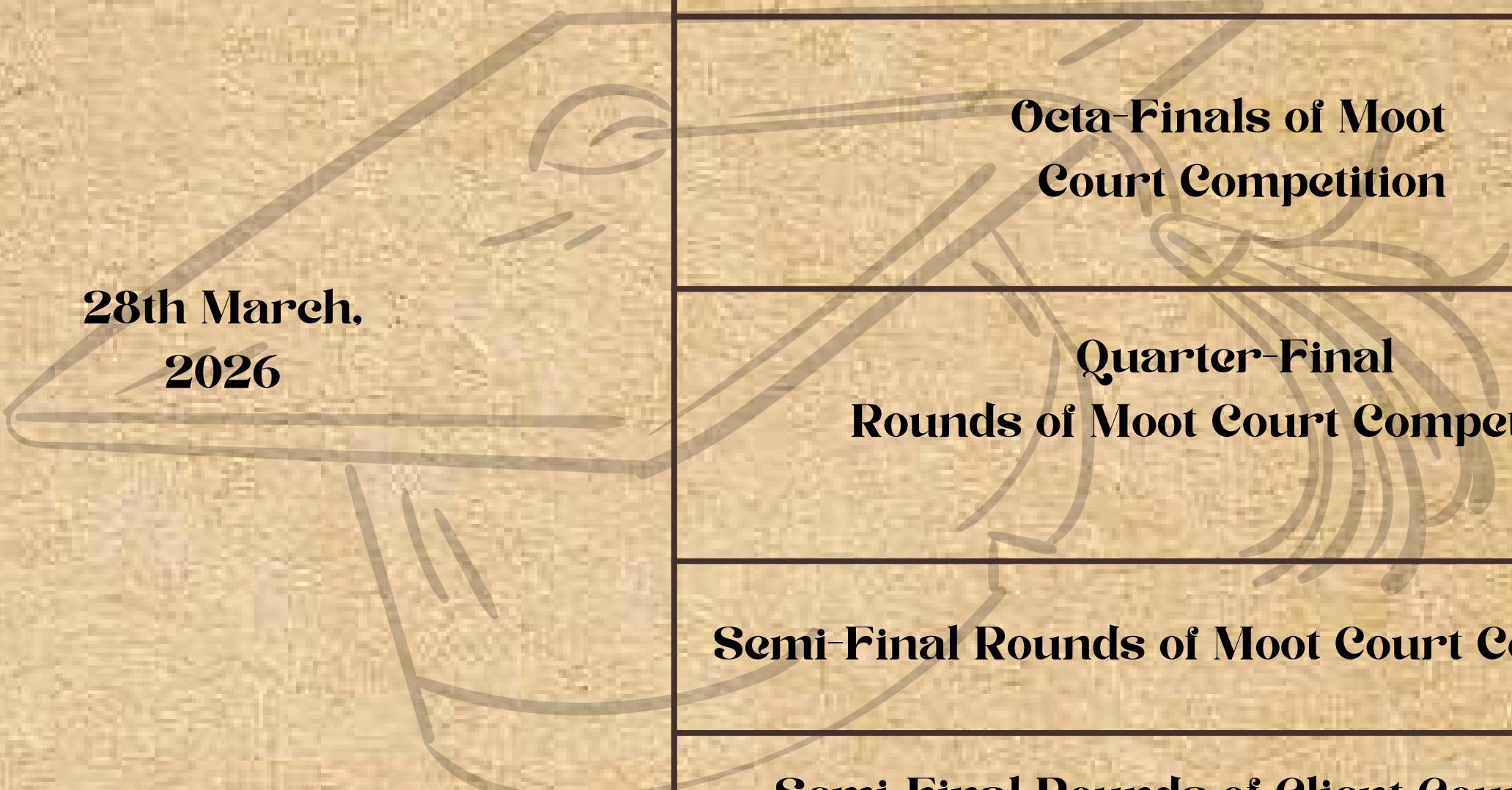
16. OTHER INFORMATION

- i. Participants are allowed to bring bare Acts, reference books and other props to set up their law office.
- ii. Laptops are allowed as props but participants must not use them for researching information during the rounds. (Accessing WiFi/Dongle/Mobile Data or any other form of internet connectivity is NOT permitted during the rounds).
- iii. No photo, audio or videotaping of oral pleadings is permitted without the permission of the OC.
- iv. If there is any situation, not covered by the Rules, the decision of the OC shall be final and binding.
- v. The participants are always required to comply with the rules formulated by the OC during the competition. In case of any non- compliance with the rules of the competition, penalty may be imposed by deduction of marks and the teams may also be disqualified after they have been warned once.
- vi. Any query/communication regarding the Client Counselling Competition shall be made through sparkle@klecollegeoflawmumbai.edu.in .

General Details (Date, Time, Mode, Etc.)

The mode of Competition will be Offline. The Competition will be held on

Dates	Events
07th March 2026	Last date of Registration of Teams and Team Details for the Moot Court Competition
10th March 2026	Last Date for seeking Clarifications
10th March 2026	Last Date for Mailing Travel Forms
12th March 2026	Release of Clarification
13th March 2026	Last date for Allotment of codes for participating teams
16th March 2026	Last date of Submission of Soft Copy of Memorials
20th March 2026	Last date of Registration of Teams and Team Details for the Client Counselling Competition
26th March 2026	Draw of Lots and Exchange of Written Submissions (Virtual)

Dates	Events
27th March, 2026	<p>Inauguration Ceremony of SPARKLE 7.0</p> <hr/> <p>Preliminary Round 1 of Moot Court Competition</p> <hr/> <p>Preliminary Round 2 of Moot Court Competition</p>
 <p>28th March, 2026</p>	<p>Preliminary Round 1 of Client Counselling Competition</p> <hr/> <p>Octa-Finals of Moot Court Competition</p> <hr/> <p>Quarter-Final Rounds of Moot Court Competition</p> <hr/> <p>Semi-Final Rounds of Moot Court Competition</p> <hr/> <p>Semi-Final Rounds of Client Counselling Competition</p>
<p>29th March, 2026</p>	<p>Final Round of Moot Court Competition</p> <hr/> <p>Final Rounds of Client Counselling Competition</p> <hr/> <p>Valedictory Ceremony of SPARKLE 7.0 and Prize Distribution</p>

HIGHLIGHTS FROM SPARKLE GALLERY

1.0



Hon'ble Shri. Justice Hosbet Suresh (retired Judge Bombay High Court) addressing the gathering



Chief Guest and Guest of Honor



Prof. Dr. Venkata Rao Vice – Chancellor (NLSIU) Bangalore addressing the gathering

Justice Mr. P. D. Naik (Judge Bombay High Court), Justice Makrand Karnik (Judge Bombay High Court) and Prof. Dr. Alok Misra (Dean, K P Mehta School of Law NMIMS, Vile Parle)

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Chief Guest and President of Session



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Prof. Dr. R. Venkata Rao, Ex- Vice Chancellor, NLSIU, Bengaluru & Chairperson, VSLLS Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies, New Delhi;
Shri. J. S. Gangwar (IPS) Additional Director General of Police, Economic Offences Unit & Special Branch, Bihar

Dr. Wasudee Gade,
Vice President, Vishwakarma University, Pune
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Mr. Pramod K. Dubey, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India

President of the Session:
Dr. Dinkar Gitte, Principal, KLE College of Law, Navi Mumbai.

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Chief Guest:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Abhay S. Oka, Judge, Supreme Court of India:

Guest of Honor:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Vijaykumar Patil, Judge, High Court of Karnataka:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh S. Patil, Judge, High Court of Bombay:

Prof. Dr. Khushal Vibhute, Former Dean, Amity Law School, Amity University Mumbai.

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Chief Guest:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Prasanna B. Varale, Judge, Supreme Court of India

Guest of Honour:

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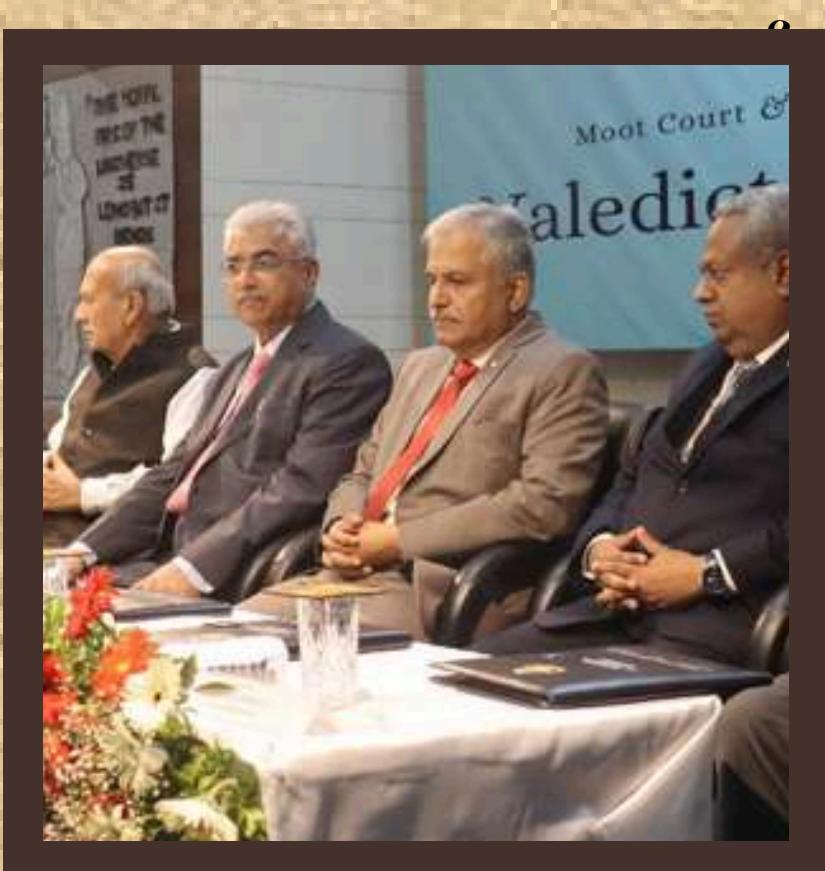
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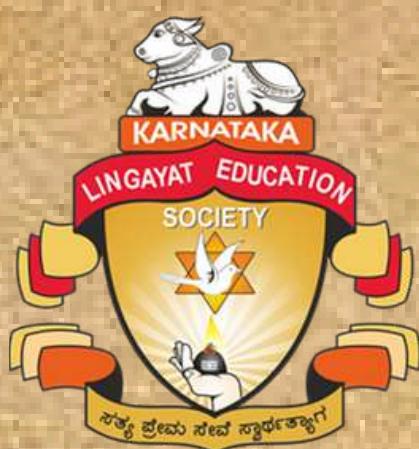
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Chief Guest: Honorable Justice Aravind Kumar from the Supreme Court of India & Guests of Honor: Honorable Justice Milind Jadhav from the High Court of Bombay, Honorable Justice Dinesh Kumar from the High Court of Bombay



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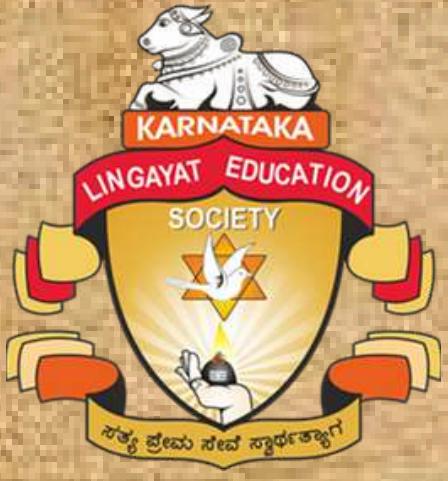
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