

## REPORT ON

# 3<sup>rd</sup> National Moot Court Competition (Virtual) 2021

### 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2021

The Court Room Society of Centre for Legal Studies, Gitarattan International Business School hosted its 3<sup>rd</sup> National Moot Court Competition virtually on March 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021. With the moot proposition being released nearly one month prior to the competition, it was very motivating and a matter of immense pride for CLS- giBS that the competition received such overwhelming participation from different corners of the country, like, Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law, Delhi University, Christ University Bangalore, Symbiosis Law School Pune, ICFAI University Dehradun, Institute of Law, Nirma University, Amity Law School Noida, Sharda University, Law College Dehradun, Bharati Vidyapeeth Institute of Management and Research (3 years & 5 years), New Delhi, Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, Delhi Metropolitan Education, and so on.

On first day of the competition, the draw of lots took place, followed by the Researcher's Test, wherein the researchers of all the teams were examined by an online test which was proctored by the event coordinators. The participants' performance in the online test was highly impressive and the results showed that there was neck to neck competition.

Second day began with the inaugural ceremony. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Vinit Kumar Mathur, Hon'ble Judge, Rajasthan High Court, was the Chief Guest of the ceremony. After the welcome address by Dr. B. S. Hothi, Director, giBS, the Hon'ble Chief Guest shared his views and experiences of being part of the legal regime. He encouraged and motivated all the students to build upon their skills, and thrive in their desired fields. The inaugural session was concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Ashu Dhiman.



After inauguration, the Preliminary Rounds began, wherein fifty teams contested for qualifying for the semi finals. All participants showcased their arguments before their respective judges in various courtrooms. Esteemed panel of judge helped in choosing the best teams which were to compete in the semi-finals. Finally, four teams, namely Institute of Law, Nirma University, Delhi Metropolitan Education, Bharati Vidyapeeth Institute of Management and Research (3 years) and Christ University Bangalore emerged as the Semi-Finalists.

With hearts racing and excitement through the roof, came the day of the semi-finals and finals. The Bench of judges for the semi-finals comprised of Dr. Sangeeta Laha, Dean, NLU Ranchi, Senior Advocate Nitya Ramakrishnan (Supreme Court), Senior Advocate Rakhi Dubey (Supreme Court), and Dr. Kamaljit Kaur, Associate Professor of Law, RGNUL, Punjab.

With the students' mooting skills at their best, all attendees of the courtroom were highly impressed with all the teams. There were intense arguments, great courtroom etiquette, and exemplary presentation skills, which proved to be a great learning experience for the students. The esteemed judges posed intense questioning to the speakers, still the teams showed great confidence and team spirit.

After the results were declared for the semi-finals, it was finally the time everyone waited for, the Finals. The final round took place between the two finalist teams – Institute of Law, Nirma University and Delhi Metropolitan Education. The Bench of judges for the finals comprised of Mr. Harjeet Singh Jaspal, Secretary, DSLA North, Prof. (Dr.) Anand Pawar, Vice Chancellor, RGNUL, Punjab, and Prof. (Dr.) Naresh Kumar Vats, Registrar, RGNUL, Punjab.



In the Valedictory Session, the hon'ble judges for the final round addressed the students with their monumental knowledge and experiences, which proved to be a great take-away for all the attendees. The vote of thanks was given by Dr. B. S. Hothi, Director, giBS

Delhi Metropolitan Education was adjudged as the Winner of the 3<sup>rd</sup> National Moot Court Competition 2021, held virtually, with an e-certificate and cash prize of Rs. 25,000. Institute of Law, Nirma University was declared as the Runner up, with an e-certificate and cash prize of Rs. 15,000. GIBS also provided with awards in other categories, such as, Best Researcher, wherein the 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Researcher was bagged by Mr. Praveen Mishra, Government New Law College Indore, and Best Researcher was bagged by G. Bhargava Sai, University College of Law, Osmania University. Central University of South Bihar were awarded the 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Memorial, and Bharati Vidyapeeth Institute of Management and Research (5 years) won the award for the Best Memorial. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Mooter was won by Ms. Twinkle Jain, Bharati Vidyapeeth Institute of Management and Research (3 years) and Best mooter was won by Ms. Neelu Yadav from Bharati Vidyapeeth Institute of Management and Research (3 years). Winners of all categories, namely Best Researcher, Best Mooter and Best Memorial were awarded with an e-certificate and cash prize of Rs. 5000 each.

The Programme ended on a great note with the recitation of the National Anthem.

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