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**NLIU-CELL FOR LAW AND TECHNOLOGY -
TECHTONIC
POLICY CASE COMPETITION 2026**

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ABOUT NLIU



The **National Law Institute University, Bhopal (NLIU)**, was established by the Rashtriya Vidhi Sansthan Vishwavidyalaya Adhiniyam, by an Act No. 41 of 1997 enacted by the Madhya Pradesh State Legislature. NLIU is recognized by the University Grants Commission and the Bar Council of India. The university was established to fill the gap and provide most modern legal education through multidisciplinary teaching and training of newer skills needed for the profession. The University launched its first academic programme in 1998 and teaching for the five year B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) course commenced from September 1 of that year. NLIU has been successful in instilling a sense of broad perspective along with scholastic and reflexive capabilities bearing in mind larger national and humanitarian goals in its students. Over the years, NLIU has been designing and delivering courses with a view to enhance the ability and capacity of the students, members of the faculty and other participants in avoiding and resolving problems under the framework of law.

THE CELL FOR LAW AND TECHNOLOGY



The **NLIU Cell for Law and Technology (NLIU-CLT)** was established in October 2019 at the National Law Institute University, Bhopal under the mentorship of **Prof. (Dr.) Atul Kumar Pandey**. The Cell explores the intersection of law and technology, aiming to lead discourse on emerging legal-tech challenges.

To further its mission, the Cell regularly conducts initiatives such as:

- **CLT Certificate Course with Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas**
- **Data Privacy Workshop with Trilegal**
- **Crypto & Digital Assets Workshop with Binance**
- **Space Law Workshop with Digantara**

The Cell also runs the **Law and Technology Journal**, a platform for scholarly writing, and the **Blog for Law and Technology (BLT)**, a peer-reviewed rolling blog that promotes timely discussions on tech-law developments.

Through these platforms and events, NLIU-CLT continues to drive academic and professional engagement in the field of Technology Law.

TENTATIVE EVENT STRUCTURE



16TH JANUARY TO 18TH JANUARY 2026



MODE: PHYSICAL (ON-CAMPUS)



NATIONAL LAW INSTITUTE UNIVERSITY, BHOPAL

TENTATIVE TIMELINES

**1 DEC
2025**

**REGISTRATION OPENS
AND RELEASE OF
THEME**

**1 DEC
2025**

**RELEASE OF POLICY
PROBLEM**

**25 DEC
2025**

REGISTRATION CLOSES

**01 JAN
2026**

**DEADLINE FOR
WRITTEN SUBMISSION**

**05 JAN
2026**

**DECLARATION OF
RESULTS OF WRITTEN
SUBMISSION**

**17-18
JAN
2026**

**DATES FOR ORAL
PRESENTATION**



POLICY CASE COMPETITION

ABOUT THE COMPETITION:

The Policy Case Competition is a flagship event of NLIU-CLT and the first of its kind in India, designed to inspire students to think critically, analytically, and creatively while formulating policy solutions to real-life concerns. Teams are required to draft policy proposals that address complex questions, and their submissions are reviewed by leading professionals. Shortlisted teams then present their proposals before an expert panel, with winners determined based on both written and oral rounds.

Since its inception in 2021, the competition has grown into a premier platform for policy innovation. Previous editions have addressed themes such as Cyber Bullying (2021), Internet Platform Regulation (2023, in collaboration with Ikigai Law), and Artificial Intelligence & Intellectual Property (2024), drawing participation from law students across the country.

STRUCTURE OF THE COMPETITION:

The *first stage* begins with the release of a detailed policy case that defines the contours of the challenge. Teams are required to submit written policy proposals in a prescribed format, which then undergo a dual-review process — a technical review by NLIU-CLT and a content review by professionals from several firms, academic institutions, and other industry experts.

In the *advanced stage*, the top 20 teams are invited to the NLIU campus for the presentation rounds. At this stage, participants may receive feedback and are given the opportunity to revise their submissions. The final round sees the shortlisted teams presenting their revised policies before an expert jury, with the winners being determined on the combined merit of their written proposals and oral presentations.





DAY 1: FRIDAY, 16TH JANUARY 2026

Participant Registration and Inaugural Ceremony:

The event will formally commence with participant registration and the inaugural ceremony. The opening session will feature welcome addresses by university representatives and dignitaries.

CLT Talk Show – Opening Session:

The first day will also feature a special edition of the CLT Talk Show. The theme is expected to be about Media and Entertainment Laws.

DAY 2: SATURDAY, 17TH JANUARY 2026

Preliminary Rounds – Policy Case Competition:

The day will begin with oral presentations by all participating teams in the preliminary rounds of the Policy Case Competition. These sessions will run through the first half of the day.

Round Table Conference:

A Round Table Conference will be held in the afternoon on the theme of emerging issues in technology law specifically on the theme of ***AI Governance and Accountability***. The session will feature leading practitioners, policy professionals, and academics engaged in discussion on pressing contemporary issues.

Announcement of Finalists and Mentorship Session:

At the conclusion of the conference, the finalist teams for the Policy Case Competition will be announced. These teams will participate in a focused mentorship session to receive feedback and improve their submissions ahead of the final rounds.





Social Night:

The day will conclude with a Social Night, designed to provide participants with an opportunity to relax and engage in informal interactions beyond the day's sessions. This gathering will foster networking, camaraderie, and meaningful conversations in a congenial setting, thereby strengthening the sense of community and collaboration among attendees.

DAY 3: SUNDAY, 18TH JANUARY 2026

Final Rounds – Policy Case Competition:

The finalist teams will present their revised policy proposals before a distinguished panel of judges. Winners will be determined based on the quality of both the written and oral submissions.

CLT Talk Show:

A second Talk Show will be held post-competition to conclude the academic component of the fair. The suggestive theme is “Regulating Online Gaming Industry”.

Valedictory Ceremony and Prize Distribution:

The fair will conclude with the valedictory ceremony, where the winners of the Policy Case Competition as well as the Online Competitions will be felicitated, and certificates and awards will be distributed to participants and contributors.



AWARDS

Merit participants for the **NLIU – CLT Policy Case Competition** will be awarded as follows:

S. No.	Position	Details
1.	First Position	1. Internship at an Nishith Desai Associates 2. Cash Prize: 35,000 INR 3. Trophy
2.	Second Position	1..Cash Prize: 25,000 INR 2. Trophy
3.	Third position	1. Cash Prize: 10,000 INR 2. Trophy
4.	Best Speaker	1. Internship at CyberPeace Foundation 2. Trophy
5.	Best Written Submission	1. Internship at CyberPeace Foundation 2. Trophy

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