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IDIA Bihar Chapter's
**NATIONAL PIL
COMPETITION**

[Drafting & Pleading]

FUNDRAISING COMPETITION

PERKS:

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY
AT DUA ASSOCIATES

Free Mentorship Sessions
with YLCC

MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION:

SINGLE PARTICIPATION: Rs. 200/-
PARTICIPATION IN A TEAM OF TWO: Rs. 250/-

DATES:

Last Date of Registration: 30 June
Last Date of Submission: 10 July
Oral Pleadings: 20 July

THEMES:

Environment and Wildlife Protection;
Accessible Education for Persons with Disabilities;
Gender Justice and other Contemporary Issues.

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ABOUT IDIA

Increasing Diversity By Increasing Access to Legal Education (IDIA) is a nationwide movement to empower underprivileged and marginalised communities by creating top quality lawyers from within. Founded by legal academician, late Prof. (Dr.)Shamnad Basheer, it runs on the backbone of more than 600 passionate student volunteers spread across India.

IDIA is premised on the notion that access to premier legal education empowers marginalised communities by creating exceptional lawyers and community leaders from within.

Underprivileged and marginalised students in India lack equitable access to quality legal education. This can be traced to:

- Lack of awareness about law as a career that can improve their lives;
- Extremely high fees and expenditure for the 5-year law degree and
- Lack of financial aid to students from low income background.

IDIA identifies underprivileged students with an aptitude for law and trains them for law entrance exams over 1-2 year period. IDIA not only enables access to legal education it also fosters diversity at the leading law schools and enriches the very process of legal education.



ABOUT BIHAR CHAPTER

IDIA Bihar Chapter runs on the backbone of highly passionate student volunteers from Chanakya National Law University, Patna. The volunteers travel across the length and breadth of Bihar to identify marginalised students with an aptitude for the study of law.

The volunteers then train the selected students through a rigorous program for the leading law entrance examinations, such as CLAT (Common Law Admission Test) and AILET (All India Law Entrance Test). Once selected to the top law schools, IDIA arranges for sponsorships/scholarships and mentorship schemes to help candidates blossom to their full potential and take their rightful place as leading lawyers and community advocates.

ABOUT THE **EVENT**

What is **PIL**?

Public Interest Litigation (PIL) is Indian judiciary's unique gift to constitutional jurisprudence. PIL provides a relaxation in the procedural requirements for approaching the High Courts and the Supreme Court in cases where the "interest" of the "public" is under threat. It is an invitation extended by the Court to journalists, activists, academicians and any public-spirited individual to knock on the Court's door if they witness constitutional neglect or lawlessness.

The main objective of public interest litigation is to safeguard the interests of the society and ensure that justice is served to all, irrespective of social, financial, and socio-economic backwardness. By taking up the issues affecting the disadvantaged sections of society, PIL aims to become a tool to bring social revolution through constitutional means, something that the founding fathers had hoped.



AIM OF THE COMPETITION

This is a fundraising competition, the contribution made by the participants will be used for the purpose of funding the legal education of underprivileged and marginalised students.

Public interest litigation (PIL) is one of the most indispensable part of our legal system. This competition aims at giving the budding minds of legal fraternity an opportunity to understand the practical dynamics of PIL.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Each Participating Team must submit ONE PIL draft.
- If a participant/team wishes to submit any annexure to support his/her arguments contained in the PIL (for instance Reports, Commentaries, News Clippings, Pictures, etc.) a compendium of all the relevant annexure must be prepared and should be sent along with the memorial.
- All PIL drafts must be sent on the email address: idiabiharevents@gmail.com by 10 July, 2022 midnight with the Subject of the email as "PIL Draft, Team Code _"
- Any submission made after the deadline will not be considered for evaluation, and will result in the cancellation of candidature as well as forfeiture of the contribution made.
- Any submission with any name reference of the participant will be disqualified.
- Substantial Plagiarism shall amount to disqualification, therefore, the Participants must not submit plagiarized content.
- In case the draft of two or more participants/teams is found "substantially similar" to each other, both the participants/ teams shall be disqualified.
- It should be noted that at any point in time and in case of any conflict the decision of the committee shall be final & binding.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Registration Start date- 10th June 2022
- Last Date for Registration – 30th June 2022
- Last Date of Submission- 10th July 2022
- Oral Rounds – 20th July 2022

THEMES

(These themes are only suggestive - the participants may select any topic that is related to the themes given below)

- Environment and Wildlife Protection;
- Accessible Education for Persons with Disabilities;
- Gender Justice: Contemporary Issues.

The participants are allowed to select a topic other than the abovementioned suggestive themes. In that case, the topic must relate to a contemporary issue.

ELIGIBILITY

- The competition shall be open for the students currently pursuing their Bachelor's Degree in law i.e. 3- year LL.B. course or 5 year LL.B. course from any recognized university/college in India.
- There is no restriction on the number of entries from any college or university.
- Cross teams would be allowed for participation.

TEAM COMPOSITION

- "Individual Participation" as well as "Participation in a team of two" is allowed.
- Participants from two different universities, may also form a team.
- The substitution of any Team Member is not allowed after the registration deadline except in extenuating circumstances and only with permission of the Organizer

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

- The participating teams can register themselves by filling this Registration Form.
- Minimum Contribution:
 - SINGLE PARTICIPATION: ₹ 200/-
 - PARTICIPATION IN A TEAM OF TWO: ₹ 250/-
- The payment screenshot must be attached within the registration form.
- After the successful registration, each participant or team shall be allotted a unique team code for further references.
- Please access the link for the registration form here:
<https://forms.gle/g9QBkvi1s4pxHvwRA>
- Contribution has to be made on the following UPI ID:
 - [shubhgautam52@okicici](#) / 8507130175 (Shubh Gautam)
- If you are facing any problem in making the payment, kindly email us at idiabiharevents@gmail.com or reach out at [8507130175](tel:8507130175)
- Please note payment once made is non-refundable.

CONTENT OF PIL

- The PIL is to be filed before the Supreme Court of India
- The PIL Memorial must contain all of, and only, the following components:
 - Cover Page which should contain:
 - (a) The Unique team code in the upper right-hand corner.
 - (b) The name of the case;
 - Table of Contents
 - Table of Abbreviations
 - Index of Authorities
 - Statement of Jurisdiction
 - Facts of the Case
 - Issue(s) Raised
 - Summary of Arguments/Pleadings
 - Arguments Advanced/Pleadings
 - Prayer
 - Table of annexure
- There is no restriction on the number of pages.

FORMATTING GUIDELINES

- All the drafts must be submitted in both Microsoft Word Document format (.doc/.docx) and PDF Format (.pdf) [i.e. each team is required to send 2 files- One in MS Word format and one in PDF format].
- The body of the submissions must be in the font “Times New Roman” with font size 12, with line spacing of 1.5 and justified. (The Font size for the Headings can be formatted as per the choice of the participants)
- The Footnotes shall be in Times New Roman, size 10, single line spacing, justified.
- The participants must follow a uniform citation throughout their submission.

COMPETITION FORMAT **AND** ORAL ROUNDS

- Out of all the submissions received, the top ones will be selected for the oral rounds.
- Oral rounds will be conducted online through Google Meet
- Each team will be given 15 mins to make oral submissions on the basis of the PIL submitted
 - in case of a two-member team, the members will divide the time allocated between themselves as per their own convenience
 - both the members are mandated to make oral submissions
- After the submission, the participants will be questioned by the judge(s)
- During the oral submissions, teams are supposed to strictly stick to the submission made in their PIL
- Date of Oral Rounds: 20 July

PERKS AND PRIZES

- Two Internship Opportunities at Dua Associates
 - In case the winning team is a team of two: both the members will secure the internship
 - In case the winning team is a single-member team: the winning individual and one member of the runner-up team will secure the internship
 - If the runner-up team is a team of two - the member with the higher speaking score will secure the internship
- One - to - one mentorship session with Sammanika Rawat, founder YLCC
 - for the members of the top 3 teams
- Certificate of Merit for teams qualifying for oral submissions
- Top 4 teams will be awarded Certificate of Excellence
- Certificate of Participation for all participants
- A certificate of Excellence will be provided to the team with Best Written Submission and to the Best Speaker.

QUERIES

All the queries and clarifications must be sent to the official mail ID of the organisers i.e. idiabiharevents@gmail.com and the subject of the mail must read as “**PIL COMPETITION QUERY**”

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