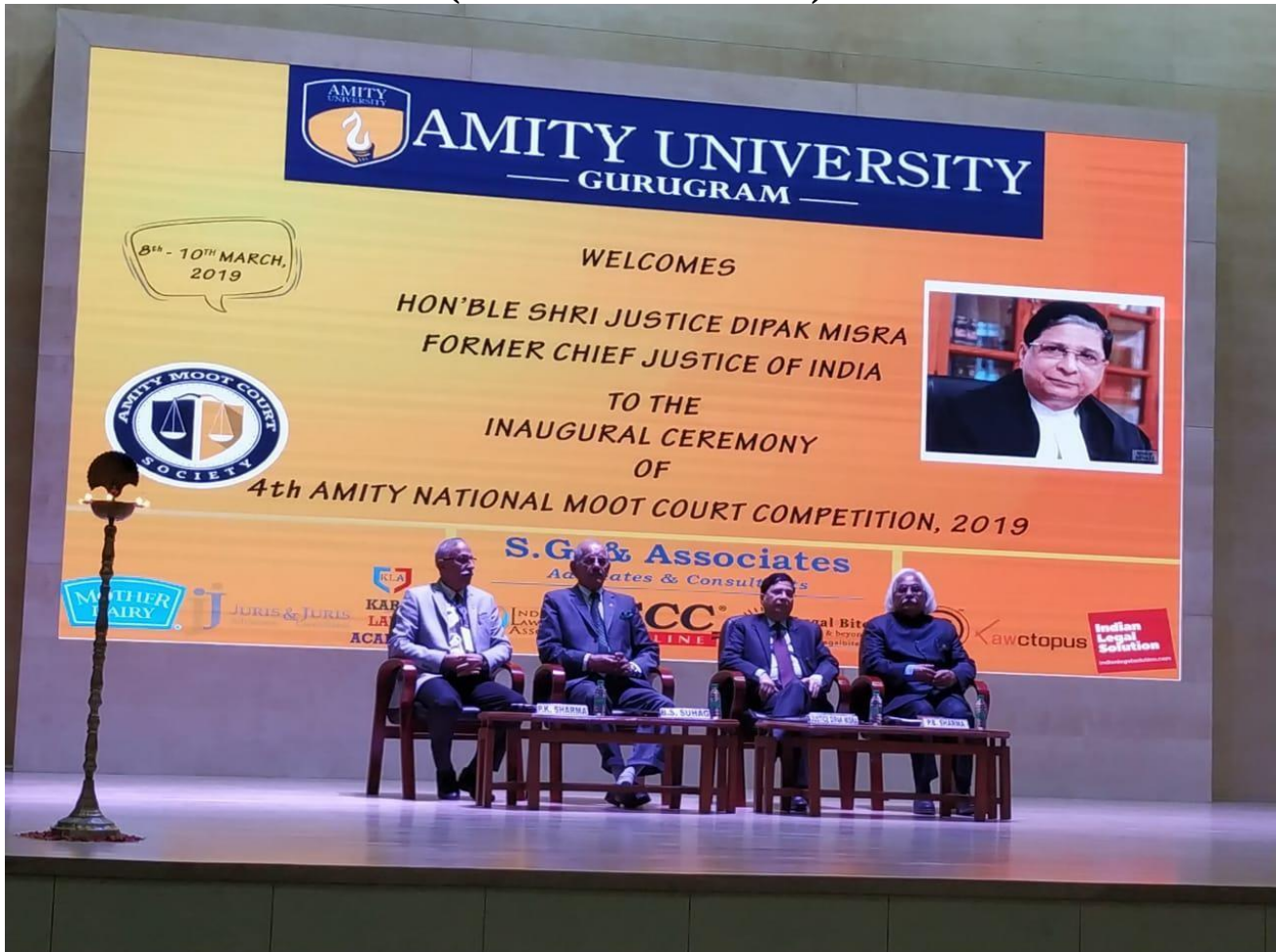


AMITY LAW SCHOOL

4th Amity National Moot Court Competition
Organized by
Amity Law School, Gurugram
(8th – 10th March 2019)



Law is the system of rules which a country or community recognizes as regulating the actions of its members and which it may enforce by the imposition of penalties. Judges, Magistrates and Lawyers are directly connected with Law and the Lawyers are the ones that help people, families and businesses to establish their rights, and help the Judges in arriving at decisions that ensure justice. Today's Law Students will become Lawyers in future. To be a good Lawyer, a Law Student must develop himself both theoretically and practically.

Mooting is a specialized application of the art of persuasive advocacy and provides Law Students a valuable opportunity to hone both their written and oral advocacy skills in the competitive field of litigation.

Realizing the value of Moot Courts, Amity Law School, and Amity University Haryana organizes a National Moot Court Competition every year. After the success of the past three National Moot Court Competitions, Amity Law School, Gurugram, organized its 4th Amity National Moot Court Competition,

from 8-10th March, 2019. Being a flagship Institute to organise Moot Courts on Constitutional issues, even the current Competition dealt with issues like freedom of religion and discrimination on the basis of sex and religion along with issues relating to murder and rape. This Competition is yet another milestone in the stride towards academic and like National Law Universities, GLC Mumbai, ILS Pune, IIT Kharagpur, Delhi University, Symbiosis Law Schools, professional excellence of Amity Law School. 42 Teams from the finest Law Colleges from across the Nation are participated in this Event.

Opening Ceremony of the 4th Amity National Moot Court Competition at 10.00 AM on 08th March 2019

The 4th Amity National Moot Court Competition was inaugurated by Hon'ble Shri Justice A.K. Patnaik, Former Judger Supreme Court of India, Shri Karnal Singh, Former Director, Enforcement Directorate was Guest of Honour at the Ceremony.

In his Welcome Address, Prof. (Dr.) P.B. Sharma, Vice-Chancellor, Amity University, Haryana stressed that Universities must have the agenda of creating a Law abiding society. He emphasized that **Truth** only triumphs and this fact magnificently virtualized in our National Emblem adopted from our ancient scripture "Mundaka Upanishad" and, being Law abiding citizens, we all need to practice and profess truth in all future endeavors. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor said that, "Our Legal education is required to create lawyers who would practice this privilege with utmost sincerity and commitment." Prof. Sharma stated that there is a need for raising our voices against gender bias , environment protection and sustainable development and encouraged the Law students to create awareness with respect to womens' rights amongst the youth.



The Address of Hon'ble Shri A.K. Patnaik was enlightening. He encouraged the young budding lawyers, with his words of wisdom, to be percipient and prudent. He stated that there is a paradigm shift in legal profession creating tremendous opportunities for young and brilliant minds. He quoted Shri MC Chagla, who had said that "in legal profession it never drizzles it pours". Infact, these days it rains properly but the need is of perceiving your goals properly and for this hard-work is indispensable. He also cited views of Shri M.K Setalvad, the first Attorney General of India,

expressed in his book, “My Life: Law and Other Things”. The Chief Guest guided the participants to put forward all the arguments in the best possible way in front of the Judge as any of the points may convince him. He emphasized that ‘life of Law is not logic but it is about the experience’ and such Moot Court practices help in inculcating in-depth learning of Law among the students. He wished the participants all the best for the forthcoming Competition. He praised Amity Law School for organizing such a competitive Event that helps garnering the budding Lawyers into successful Advocates.



This was followed by a very propelling Address by Mr. Karnal Singh, the Guest of Honour. In his Address, he spoke about the tussle between Investigating and Judicial system. He discussed the issues pertaining to admissibility of confession made to Police and distinguished it with that made before Magistrate. He was of the view that the Police, Judges and Advocates are all committed to well being of all the sections of the society, and it was the need of the hour that the youth should come forward to pacify this tussle by judiciously excelling in these careers.

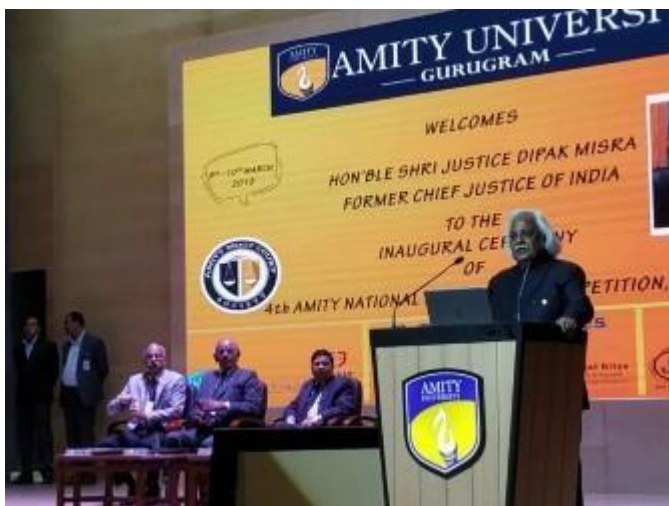
The Opening Ceremony concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Maj. Gen. P.K. Sharma (Retd.), Director Amity Law School and Dean Faculty of Law. He thanked the Chief Guest, Guest of Honour and the dignitaries for sparing so much of their precious time for the event. While thanking the esteemed Guests, Maj Gen. P.K. Sharma (Retd.) paid his gratitude to Advocate Biswajit Das and Nihal Rao, Alumni of Amity Law School, for their immense support in inviting the Guests and making the Event a success.

Inaugural Ceremony and Unveiling of Trophies : 3.00 PM on 08 March 2019

Inaugural Ceremony and Unveiling of Trophies of 4th National Moot Court Competition 2019 was held at the hands of Hon'ble Shri Dipak Misra, Former Chief Justice of India. It commenced with offering of sapling to the Chief Guest as a "Token of Respect" by Prof. (Dr.) P.B Sharma, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and Maj. Gen. B.S Suhag (Retd), Deputy Vice Chancellor and lighting of Ceremonial Lamp to panoramize this knowledge pursuit .



In his Welcome Address, Prof. (Dr.) P.B. Sharma, Vice-Chancellor, Amity University, Haryana extended his warm greetings to Hon'ble Shri Dipak Misra on behalf of Amity Fraternity. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor stated that the budding Lawyers need to create a Law-abiding society and work whole- heartedly towards reducing the huge pendency of cases in the country.



Shri Dipak Misra , erudite Judge, addressing the gathering said that “popular” and “constructed” narratives and “leanings” can never be allowed to “influence the course of justice”. He accepted that no one can deny the fact of pendency and arrears in Justice but in order to justify exclusionary aspect of Justice, it need proper interpretation of Fundamental Rights, socio -personal interest equilibrium and public awareness.

Justice Misra expressed concern at the fact that a substantial number of poor people were unable to get Court protection owing to the delayed judgments. This 'docket exclusion,' he said, "does not bode well for the country as the affected people may turn to alternative [including violent] means for securing their rights". There was an urgent need to promote 'docket inclusion' and need is to bring 'high pendency' closer to limited access of justice through norm based community settlement. While addressing to the attempts of delaying proceedings, he recommended that procedural efficiency should not compromise the quality of justice.



While expressing his opinion about Moot Court Competition, he said that, distances are no more impediment to knowledge and this wonderful participation from almost all parts of the Nation shows thirst for experience of participants which make them winners in its own.

He motivated the participants by stating that winning the Competition is not the yardstick of intelligence but it's a process of self betterment which a budding Lawyer should always promote. He congratulated the Moot Court Society for organising the Event and wished participants all the best for the Competition.

This was followed by showing a Depict Video of the Moot Preposition to all the dignitaries and audience, prepared by "Law-Wale Students Society" which was highly appreciated by one and all.

The Chief Guest alongwith in-house dignitaries revealed the Winning Trophy and various other prizes. In the end, Vote of Thanks was proposed by Maj.Gen. P.K. Sharma (Retd.), Director Amity Law School and Dean Faculty of Law. He thanked the Chief Guest for sparing his precious time and for enlightening the august gathering with his words of wisdom. He stated that the Former CJI is not only a legal luminary of very high repute but also a fabulous host.

Online Researcher Test : 6.00 PM on 08 March 2019



After the Inaugural Function, Researchers' Test was conducted wherein the participants were tested on their researching skills through an Online Test .This is the first time probably in any Moot Court Competition that the Researchers' Test has been conducted Online and thus Amity Law School, Gurugram has set a yardstick of innovation for all the future National Moot Court Competitions in India. The pattern of the test was a combination of objective as well as subjective questions based on the Moot Problem.

Sponsors and Partners

The 4th Amity National Moot Court Competition was organised in association with SCC Online, Legal Bites, Indian Lawyers Association, Mother Dairy, Juris & Juris, Karat Lawz Academy, Jus Dicere, Lawoctopus, Indian Legal Solution and SG & Associates. Shri Siddharth Luthra, Advocate, Supreme Court of India also gave Rs 1 Lakh as Sponsorship but desired that his name be not published.

Glimpses of Events



LIST OF PARTICIPATING TEAMS

Team Code	Name of the Institution
1	TNDALU School of Excellence in Law
2	Symbiosis Law School, Pune
3	ILS Law College, Pune
4	Aligarh Muslim University

5	School of Law, SASTRA University
6	Geeta Institute of Law, Panipat
7	Tamil Nadu National Law University
8	Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad
9	DME Noida, GGSIPU
10	Law College Dehradun, Faculty of Uttaranchal University
11	Rayat and Bahra University
12	Institute of Law, Kurukshetra University
13	Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University
14	SGT University, Gurugram
15	School of Law, KIIT University
16	Government Law College, Mumbai

17	Chanakya National Law University
18	Madhusudhan Law College
19	Fairfield Institute of Management and Technology
20	School of Law, Manipal University
21	University Institute of Legal Studies, Panjab University
22	National Law University, Nagpur
23	GLS Law College, Ahemdabad
24	Bahra University, Shimla
25	JIMS School of Law
26	School of Law, Ansal University
27	Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies, GGSIPU
29	Law Centre-1, Delhi University
30	Rizvi Law College

32	Department of Law, Prestige Institute of Management and Research, Indore
33	Auro University, Surat
34	NALSAR, Hyderabad
35	Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla
36	Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak
37	Banasthali Vidyapith
38	Law Centre II, Delhi University
39	Christ University
40	Amity Law School, Raipur
41	Gitarattan International Business School
42	IMS Unison University, Dehradun

Beginning of the Competition

Preliminary and Quarter - Final Rounds



The Mooting Competition, *per se*, commenced on the second day and had two Preliminary Rounds where each Team got the opportunity of presenting their case from both sides i.e Appellant and Respondents. These Rounds then decided further move of only eight Teams into the Quarter – Finals Rounds. These Teams were:

1. Christ University Bangalore
2. Geeta Institute of Law, Panipat
3. UILS Punjab University
4. School of Law, Sastra University, Tamil Nadu
5. School of Law, KIIT University, Bhubaneshwar
6. NLU, Nagpur
7. NALSAR, Hyderabad
8. Department of Law, Prestige Institute of Management and Research, Indore

In these rounds, despite being grilled by the learned and competent Judges, the participants did their level best to put forward their respective cases.

Felicitation of the Judges of the Preliminary Rounds



The Competition saw the arguing, presentation and persuasive skills of the Teams in the Quarter Final Rounds. The Judges were highly impressed by the advocacy skills of the Mooters. The Teams were well versed with the Moot Problem and it was a neck to neck competition to advance to the Semi-Finals. The Teams to make it to the Semi-Finals were:

1. NALSAR, Hyderabad
2. Geeta Institute of Law , Panipat
3. School of Law, KIIT University, Bhubaneshwar
4. UILS Panjab University

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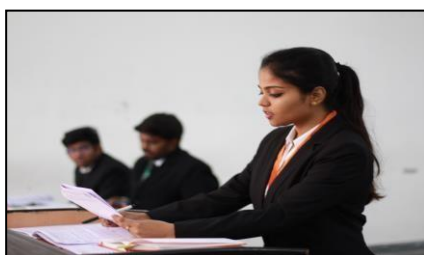
Semi-Finals, Finals and the Valedictory Ceremony

The morning of the final day of the 4TH Amity National Moot Competition saw the well contested Semi-Finals, which were presided over by:

- a. Mr. Amar Sundaram, National Director-Legal (General Counsel) Ernst & Young
- b. Mr. Atul Sud, Director Legal and Regulatory Affairs, Perfetti Van Melle India Pvt. Ltd.
- c. Mr. Anirudh Bakhru, Advocate, Delhi High Court
- d. Mr. Uday Singh Rathore, Director, Karat Lawz Academy
- e. Mr. Nikhil Kashyap, Director, Karat Lawz Academy
- f. Mr. Abhishek Gupta, Advocate Supreme Court of India

The Semi-Finalists were well prepared and put in their best efforts to persuade the Judges with their arguments and oratory skills.

Glimpses of Semi-Finals



The Teams from Geeta Institute of Law, Panipat and UILS, Panjab University were successful in advancing to the Finals of the Competition.

Final of the 4th Amity National Moot Court Competition



The Final Round was Judged by a Bench of five Judges that comprised of Shri Suresh Chandra, Information Commissioner Central Information Commission and Former Law Secretary Government of India, Mr. Sudhir Choudhary, Former DGP (Admin) Haryana, Col.R. Balasubramanian (Retd.), Former Additional Solicitor General, Government of India and Shri Biswajit Das, Managing Partner Juris & Juris.

The most awaited Final Round was viewed by curious students agog to know who bags the Winning Trophy. This was held in the Moot Court Room of Amity Law School and attended by Prof. (Dr.) P.B. Sharma, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Faculty Members, all the participating Teams and students of Amity Law School.

The Final Round of the Competition was fiercely contested between the two Teams. The Bench grilled the Mooters on every aspect of their arguments. The Teams were well prepared and impressed the Judges with their legal acumen. The Teams were judged on various aspects like presentation skills, knowledge of the subject, time taken in answering the queries put up by the Judges and the legal reasoning presented by the Mooters.

Glimpses of Final



Valedictory Ceremony

The Chief Guest of the Valedictory Ceremony of the 4th Amity National Moot Court Competition was Shri Suresh Chandra, Information Commissioner Central Information Commission and Former Law Secretary Government of India, Mr. Sudhir Choudhary, Former DGP(Admin) Haryana, Col. R Balasubramanian(Retd.) Former ASG, Shri Biswajit Das, Managing Partner Juris & Juris also graced the occasion. The dignitaries on dais included Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof.(Dr)PB Sharma and Maj. Gen. P.K. Sharma (Retd.), Director Amity Law School and Dean Faculty of Law.



Shri Suresh Chandra in his Address appreciated the efforts of young Mooters and talked about the dynamic aspects of Legal Profession. He said, “Legal Profession has and is undergoing a fast change. There is lot of advancement in legal studies ,brought by institutional excellence”. He emphasized that effective Indian economy by 2020 stipulates strengthened Legal Profession and so with upcoming challenges the global demand for legal services is rising. He enlightened our students with Constitutional and legal history and brought out the crux of Constitutional framers’ objective of favoring Socialist pattern of economy over Capitalists. He said that during the phase of Global financial instability ,though being young and less reliant economy, India sustained due to this basic feature. He concluded his address with four advises to Law students, viz, of adopting non hatred as hatred destroys everything around us, to adopt ‘care to share’, ‘must be positive’ and must ‘ learn through experiences’ as the mind once enlightened cannot again become dark.

The Awards Ceremony was vociferously cheered by all present. The Awardees in addition to Cash Prizes and Trophies received SCC Online subscription and Certificates Award and cash price of Rs. 5000/- for Best Draftsman was awarded to Ms.Neha Mishra Assistant Professor ALS,



Yuvraj Singh and Dinky Aghi, students of Amity Law School, for their Moot Proposition being selected as the best among all invited for the Competition.



The Winning Trophy was lifted by the star Team of the event
Geeta Institute of Law, Panipat, Haryana

UILS Panjab University, had to be content with the Runner's Up Trophy



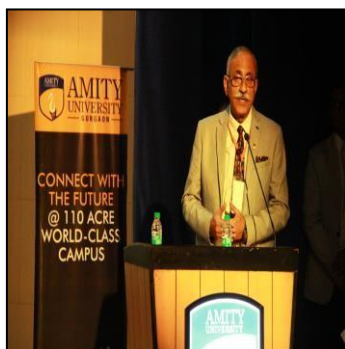
Best Researcher, **Vedant Deepak Akhade**, NLU Nagpur.

Best Mooter, **Saher Naqvi**, NALSAR ,Hyderabad



Best Memorial, **School of Law, KIIT University**,

All the participating Teams were also presented with participating Mementos and Certificates by all the dignitaries present on the dias.



Thereafter Maj. Gen. P.K. Sharma (Retd.), summarized the entire event of the 4th National Moot Court Competition with his Concluding Remarks and thanked the Chief Guest and the dignitaries for gracing the occasion and encouraging the students with their insights . He also thanked the Judges of the various rounds and the entire Administration for facilitating the Event.

In the end , Vote of Thanks was proposed by Yuvraj Singh, Student Convener 4TH National Moot Court Competition. He thanked all Members of the Organizing Teams, The Faculty and Students of Amity Law School for assisting in the successful conduct of the Moot Court Competition . He extended his gratitude to guests, dignitaries and participating Teams for making this Event a huge success.

The three-day Competition came to an end with a Gala and DJ Night organized by Cultural Society 'Law- Wale' for the participating Teams and Students of Amity Law School. The highlight of the Gala Night was a One Act Play "Aman ke Rakhwale" staged by Rangshree

GLIMPSES OF GALA NIGHT

