

CENTRE FOR ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION



7TH SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT LAW MEDIATION COMPETITION

25th-27th April, 2025

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ABOUT RGNUL

Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Punjab, was established by the State Legislature of Punjab by passing the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab Act, (Punjab Act No. 12 of 2006). The Act incorporated a University of Law of national stature in Punjab, thereby fulfilling the need for a Centre of Excellence in legal education in the modern era of globalization and liberalization.





The Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) at RGNUL has been established to promote students' and researchers' interest in Alternative Dispute Resolution constituting of dispute resolution methods like Arbitration, Negotiation, Mediation and Conciliation and it aims to promote and develop ADR as a vehicle for socioeconomic and political justice. The ultimate objective of the Centre is to strengthen the ADR mechanism in the country by emerging as a platform for students to further their interest in the field. A strong team of teachers and students is working towards achieving this end.



ABOUT SEMC

To further its avowed aim, CADR has been organising the RGNUL Sports and Entertainment Law Mediation Competition (SEMC) since 2019. The SEMC is one of India's premier competitions in the field of mediation, pitting the best budding ADR enthusiasts against one another. The initial two editions of the competition served as the Indian qualifiers to the International Mediation Singapore (IMSG) organized by the Singapore International Mediation Institute (SIMI). Despite the turbulent times brought by COVID-19, the third and fourth editions of the competition were organised, however, in a virtual setup. We have been blessed with some of the best organisations in the industry ranging from the Singapore International Mediation Institute (SIMI), the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine School of Law, Global Academy for Advocacy in Dispute Resolution, Mediator Network to the Peacekeeping and Conflict Resolution Team (PACT), Krida Legal, Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas and Markanda Advocates as our past collaborators.



ABOUT OUR COLLABORATORS

Principal Knowledge
Partner- Zeus Law



Zeus Law Associates is a full-service law firm based in New Delhi, India, established in 2005. The firm specializes in corporate advisory, dispute resolution, real estate, infrastructure, intellectual property, and regulatory matters. With a team of experienced legal professionals, Zeus Law provides comprehensive legal solutions to domestic and international clients. Recently recognised in the Forbes India Legal Power List 2023-2024, the firm is known for its expertise in corporate law, litigation, and technology law. The firm is committed to delivering innovative and client-centric legal services.

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Expert Partner– Dr. P.C.
Markanda Chair on ADR



Markanda Advocates, a top law firm in Delhi and a leading Arbitration Law Firm in India, specializes in handling significant claims. It serves as legal counsel in various domestic and international arbitrations, including investor-state arbitrations and construction disputes. The firm also assists in dispute resolution through negotiations and mediation, with lawyers often acting as arbitrators. Collaborating closely with clients' in-house legal teams, they offer expertise in resolving disputes and frequently partner with co-counsel seeking a team that respects existing client relationships.

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ABOUT PREVIOUS EDITIONS

1st Edition


The Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) of Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, in association with The Peacekeeping and Conflict Resolution Team (PACT), organized a first of-its-kind Mediation Competition from 12–14 April, 2019. The Winning Negotiating Team of Diyanshu Sinha and Adwitya Grover (RGNUL) went on to represent India in MSG 2019 and secured the Gold Medal in the competition.

2nd Edition

The 2nd Edition aimed to enhance advocacy and communication skills, culminating in a final round between MNLU Mumbai and NLIU Bhopal. MNLU Mumbai emerged victorious, represented by Mudit Mahajan and Kartik Gupta in MSG 2020. Vasundhara Mahajan earned Best Mediator, while Gaurang Samel and Riya Punamiya from GLC Mumbai and Roshni Mulchandani gained automatic qualification for MSG 2020.

3rd Edition

The 3rd edition of the RGNUL National Sports and Entertainment Law Mediation Competition successfully transitioned to a virtual format while maintaining the high standards of previous editions. Thirivikram Balaji and Shubhangi Nangunoori from SLS Hyderabad won the Best Negotiation Team, with Sharmila Adyanthaya as the Best Mediator. They represented India in the Singapore International Mediation Competition 2021, along with Akul Khandelwal and Manasvi Ahuja from SLS Pune and Tushmi Udyalak, who received automatic qualification by the PACT Jury.





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4th Edition


The 4th edition of the RGNUL National Sports and Entertainment Law Mediation Competition, conducted virtually, showcased adeptness in mediation from negotiating teams and mediators. In a closely contested final, NLUO, Odisha secured Best Negotiating Team, with SLS Pune as Runners-Up. Advait Raghunath from SLS Pune was named Best Mediator, contributing to the event's grand success.

5th Edition

The 5th RGNUL National Sports and Entertainment Law Mediation Competition 2023, hosted by CADR along with Indus Law and Dr. P.C. Markanda Chair on ADR at RGNUL, took place from March 31st to April 2nd, 2023. With 32 different colleges participating, the competition covered various nuances of sports and entertainment law. Hidayatullah National Law University, Raipur, secured the Best Negotiating Pair, while NLSIU, Bangalore, won Best Mediator. The event was declared as the biggest SEMC edition ever because of the massive participation, setting a benchmark for future editions.

6th Edition

The 6th edition of RGNUL National Sports and Entertainment Law Mediation Competition 2024, hosted by CADR along with Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas and Dr. P.C. Markanda Chair on ADR at RGNUL, took place from March 29th to March 31st, 2024. The competition hosted teams from all across India, chosen based on the experience and accomplishments of the universities in the field of Alternative Dispute Resolution.



GLIMPSES FROM PREVIOUS EDITIONS





REGISTRATION DETAILS

Team Structure

Each participating team shall consist of a Client-Counsel pair (i.e., the Negotiating Team) and one student as the Mediator.

Registration Process

- Universities/Colleges interested in sending their teams must complete the provisional registration by filling the below mentioned google form latest by April 7, 2025.
- The final registration form requires teams to specify the roles of each individual member. The roles which have been pre-assigned by the team will be carried forward throughout the competition. The link for the said form will be sent through mail upon valid selection of the University.
- Change of roles after the registration will only be permitted on the Organising Committee's approval.
- Upon selection by the Organizing Committee, teams must complete the payment of the registration fee within a period of 48 hours. Details for making payment of the registration fee shall be separately e-mailed.
- The Registration Fee for the competition is INR 9000/- per team (exclusive of GST), which is inclusive of the cost of food, accommodation and other logistics. This fee is non-refundable.
- Final registration of the teams is subject to the successful payment of the registration fee within the stipulated time.

Provisional Registration Link:
Access Here





OTHER DETAILS

Eligibility

- The competition is open to full-time law students (5-year and 3-year course) registered in any university in India for the academic year 2024-2025.
- Only students studying Law may participate in the competition.
- The competition is not open to LLM students.
- Each University may nominate up to 2 teams to participate in the competition. However, the second slot is subject to availability and number of provisional registrations received by the Centre.


Declaration

- The Organizing Committee (OC) for this competition has no conflict of interest to declare.
- The Organizing Committee reserves the right to amend or modify any rule/s regarding the competition. All measures will be undertaken for fair and orderly conduct of the Competition.
- The decision of the Organizing Committee in all matters regarding the Competition shall be final.

Awards

- Winning Negotiating Team
- Runners-up Negotiating Team
- Winning Mediator
- Runners-up Mediator
- Best Negotiating Team of the Preliminary Rounds
- Best Mediator of the Preliminary Rounds

**A detailed list of prize money and other exciting awards (including internship opportunities and Certified Mediation Courses) will be soon unveiled on our websites and other social media platforms.



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

2nd April- 7th April

Provisional
Registration

8th April- 10th April

Final
Registration

11th April

Release
of Problem

12th April

Release of
Selected Universities

15th April

Deadline to seek
Clarifications

18th April

Release of
Clarifications

25th April

Inaugural Ceremony

26th April

Preliminary, Quarter
Final & Semi-Final
Rounds

27th April

Final Rounds &
Closing Ceremony



ORGANISING TEAM

PATRON-IN-CHIEF

Professor (Dr.) Jai S. Singh
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