

SIR SYED & SURANA & SURANA
NATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION - 2018

23 – 25 February 2018

Host &
Joint Organiser



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Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

I. AIM & PURPOSE

- a. The Sir Syed & Surana & Surana National Criminal Law Moot Court Competition - 2018 has been conceived with the aim of creating opportunities for learning the development of jurisprudence on emerging trends in Criminal Law besides developing cutting edge skills in research, writing and advocacy.

II. Venue and Date

The Sir Syed & Surana & Surana National Criminal Law Moot Court Competition – 2018 shall be held from **23 – 25 February 2018** at Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Qila Road, Aligarh - 202002 (U.P.).

III. The competition shall be in the English language.

IV. Eligibility

The competition is open for students who are studying LL.B three year or B.A.LL.B five year course during the current academic year.

V. Team Composition

- a. Each team should consist of a minimum of 2 and maximum of 3 members. This number cannot be modified under any circumstances.
- b. There shall be 2 speakers and 1 researcher designated for each team. The researcher shall be allowed to argue with prior permission of the court and National Administrator / Programme Director in case of any special circumstance.
- c. Each team will **be provided a team code** during orientation. Teams should not disclose the identity of their institution; such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the National Administrator / Programme Director.

VI. Registration

- a. Online registrations are open from 15 December 2017. The teams must register online by **31 January 2018**. Teams will have to register online at www.moot.in
- b. Participants will receive an automated system generated acknowledgement on successful submission of registration. Participants will receive an approval as acceptance of their request for participation latest by 1 Feb 2018 at 8:00 PM or earlier.
- c. **The National Administrator reserves the right to restrict the number of participating teams to 30 on a first come first served basis.**
- d. A scanned copy of the letter from the participating college/ institution / university duly signed by any one of the following :- Faculty-in-charge of MCS/MCA, Registrar, Principal, Dean, Director, Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor confirming the names of the participants, Year / semester in which studying, representing the college/ institution / university for the moot competition will have to be attached during the online registration process (The approval letter shall be formatted on the letterhead of the participating institution /college / university. Alternatively you may use the registration form itself as appended below as page 8 with the official seal).

- e. Registrations without the scanned copy of the approval letter from the college/institution/university or the duly attested registration form will not be valid.
- f. The registration fees of Rs.3500 to be paid in the form of Demand Draft (DD) drawn in favour of 'Dean, Faculty of Law, AMU, Aligarh' payable at Aligarh from any nationalised bank.
- g. Registration particulars as soft copy and scanned copy of Demand Draft (DD) should be sent by e-mail to amumcs@gmail.com marked as **The Sir Syed & Surana & Surana National Criminal Law Moot Court Competition - 2018 Registration** as the subject of the mail latest by **31 January 2018**.

VII. Rounds

There will be two preliminary rounds of arguments, a quarterfinal, a semi-final and a final round.

Preliminary Round

- a. There will be two preliminary rounds of arguments per team, once for appellant/petitioner & another for respondent.
- b. No team will face each other more than once in the preliminary rounds.
- c. Each team will face a different bench in their second round of arguments.
- d. Preliminary rounds and Quarterfinal rounds will be held on 24 February 2018 (Saturday), and the top eight teams, will qualify for the Quarterfinals.
- e. Top four teams from the Quarterfinal Rounds will advance to the Semifinal rounds that will be decided on
 - a. Win points
 - b. Win points + Aggregate points
 - c. Win points + aggregate points (in case of tie minus memorial marks)

Memorial marks will be added to the scores of both the preliminary rounds only.

- f. There will be an Orientation Program for all the participants on 23 February 2018 (Friday) followed by a draw of lots & exchange of memorials at 4.30 p.m. Team codes and side will be allotted.
- g. The dress code shall be:
 - I. GENTLEMEN ADVOCATES
 - (a) Black full sleeve coat with long trousers (black or grey) or (b) Black sherwani.
 - II. LADY ADVOCATES
 - (a) Black full sleeve coat, white shirt with or without collar with long trousers (black or grey).
 - or
 - (b) A Churidar-kurta (white) or salawar-kurta (white) with or without dupatta and in both the cases with black full sleeve coat.
- h. The oral arguments need not be confined to the issues presented in the memorials.

Quarterfinal Round/ Semi Final Round / Final Round:

Lots / power matching will decide the side of the arguments in Quarterfinals, Semifinals & Finals. Prelims & Quarterfinals will be held on 24 February, 2018 (Saturday). Semifinals will take place on 25 February, 2018 (Sunday) at 9.15a.m. The Finals will be held at 1.00 p.m. on 25 February, 2018.

Results (Announcement)

Results will be announced after the completion of the Preliminary/Quarter/Semifinal rounds. The Final result and the winners of the various categories will be announced only during the valediction /prize distribution ceremony.

VIII. Memorials

The following requirements for memorials must be strictly followed. Non-conformities will be penalised:

- a. Each team must prepare memorials for both parties to the dispute (Petitioners and Respondent).
- b. One advance hard copy of the memorials (both Appellant/Petitioner & Respondent) must reach the host institution (Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh) for evaluation by **10 February 2018** latest by 5.30 p.m. Soft copy of the memorials in word & pdf format must be mailed to **amumcs@gmail.com** with a copy to **mootcourt@lawindia.com**. Late submission will be penalized by one point each memorial for every day of delay after due date. No excuses in respect of delayed courier services will be entertained. The remaining 5 copies shall be submitted during orientation at **4.30 p.m. on 23 February 2018**.
- a. Once the memorials have been submitted, **no** revisions, supplements, or additions will be allowed.
- b. The memorials have to be submitted on typed A-4 size paper printed on one side and must contain:
 - The table of contents
 - The index of authorities
 - The statement of jurisdiction
 - The statement of facts (1 page only and argumentative statement of facts would attract penalties)
 - The statement of issues
 - The summary of arguments (not more than 2 pages)
 - The arguments advanced (not more than 30 pages)
 - The prayer
- c. The font should be Times New Roman and size of the font should be 12 (double space) and for footnotes it should be 10 (single space) with double space between two foot notes. The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (20th Edition) should be followed in the memorial throughout.
- d. The memorials should be spiral / staple bound or stitched. Any other form of binding shall not be accepted.
- e. The memorial must have a margin measuring one inch on all sides of each page
- f. The page numbering should be on the top right side of each page.
- g. Covers must be placed on briefs as follows:

Petitioner: Blue Color; Defendant: Red Color.

Use of Cellophane sheets over the covers or inside will be penalized.

- h. The cover page of the memorial must state the following
 - a. The cause title
 - b. Identify brief as Petitioners/Appellant & Respondents as is applicable
- i. Identity of the institution shall not be revealed anywhere in the memorial. Violation of this provision shall result in penalties including disqualification. The National Administrator's/ Programme Director's decision shall be final.

IX. Oral Round

Preliminary Round & Quarterfinals

- a. Each team will get a total of 30 minutes to present their case. This time will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.
- b. The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 15 minutes per speaker. Division of time shall be informed to the court officer before arguments begin.
- c. The oral arguments need not be confined to the issues presented in the memorials.
- d. Passing of notes to the speakers by the researcher during the rounds is allowed.
- e. The researcher shall sit with the speakers at the time of the oral rounds.

Semifinal Round & Final Round

- a. Each team will get 45 minutes to present their case that will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time
- b. The division of time is at the discretion of the team, with a maximum of 25 minutes per speaker.
- c. The oral arguments need not be confined to the issues presented in the memorials.
- d. Passing of notes to the speakers by the researcher during the rounds is allowed.
- e. The researcher shall sit with the speakers at the time of the oral rounds.

X. Scouting

Teams will not be allowed to observe the oral rounds of any other teams. Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any of the team members shall result in disqualification.

XI. Scoring

A. Oral Presentation

The parameters for judging the oral presentation on a scale of 0 – 100 points are:

- a. Knowledge of facts
- b. Logic and reasoning
- c. Organisation and clarity
- d. Persuasiveness
- e. Deference to the court
- f. Proper and articulate analysis of the issues arising out of facts
- g. Understanding of the legal principles directly applicable to the issues

- h. Ability to explain clearly the legal principles in general keeping to the time allotted
- i. Knowledge and use of legal sources and authorities and general principles of national law
- j. Ingenuity (ability to argue by analogy from related aspects of law)
- k. Non- compliance of the rules mentioned in Clause VII above shall attract severe penalties

B. Written Submissions (Memorials)

- a. The memorials shall be marked on a scale of 1-100 points each.
- b. Any revisions, supplements or additions to the memorials after submission shall attract severe penalties subject to the discretion of the National Administrator/Programme Director.
- c. Award of the points shall be based on the following parameters:
 - Neatness, legibility, no typographical errors or format errors
 - Logical progression of ideas
 - Effective use of headings to outline arguments
 - Understanding essential legal issues presented
 - Focus on essential (not collateral) issues
 - Clear, concise and unambiguous writing style
 - Forceful and persuasive presentation
 - Integration of facts into legal argument
 - Understanding of strengths and weaknesses of case
 - Discussion of viable alternative arguments
 - Understanding and analysis of authority
 - Proper use of citations and citation form
 - Effective use of authority to support arguments
 - Ability to distinguish adverse cases
- d. Non- compliance of the rules mentioned in Clause VIII above shall attract severe penalties

XII. Awards

- i. Cash prize :
 - a. Winning Team: Rs. 5100/-
 - b. Runner-up team: Rs. 3300/-
 - c. Best Speaker: Rs. 2100/-
 - d. Best Memorial: Rs. 3300/-
- ii. Plaques, trophies and certificates will be awarded to various winners of the competition.
- iii. All participants will be issued participation certificates.

XIII. Anonymity

- a. Student counsel may introduce her/himself to the court in the usual manner. However, the team's college / institution affiliation may not be mentioned at any time before the awards ceremony.
- b. Further, all team members, coaches, advisors, and observers shall refrain from identifying a team's school at any time and in any manner, including, but not limited to, wearing any identifying items, such as school clothing, ties, patches, or pins or carrying identifying material (such as a books with a college logo, or college seal).

XIV. Video Recording

- a. The organisers will arrange for video recording of only the finals of the competition. Teams that wish to obtain a copy of the recording may do so on payment of Rs. 750/- per copy
- b. The recording shall be sent to the college on payment of Rs. 750/- per copy in the form of a Demand Draft (DD) drawn in favour of 'Dean, Faculty of Law, AMU, Aligarh' payable at Aligarh from any nationalised bank.

XV. DECISION OF THE JUDGES, NATIONAL ADMINISTRATOR & PROGRAMME DIRECTOR IS FINAL

XVI. Copyright

- a. The copyright over the memorials submitted for participation in the competition is assigned by participants and shall also vest completely and fully in Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh and Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai. The participants shall certify in writing the originality of materials contained therein and shall be responsible for any claim or dispute arising out of the further use and exhibition of these materials.
- b. Further use and exhibition of these materials, electronically or otherwise, shall be the exclusive right of Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh and Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai and they shall not be responsible for any liability to any person for any loss caused by errors or omissions in this collection of information, or for the accuracy, completeness, or adequacy of the information contained in these materials.
- c. Distribution of these materials on affiliated websites such as www.moot.in does not constitute consent to any use of this material for commercial redistribution either via the Internet or using some other form of hypertext distribution. Links to the collection or individual pages in it are welcome.

XVII. Accommodation, Food & Transport

- a. Accommodation and transport between the hostel / hotel and the competition venue to the participating teams will be provided by Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.
- b. The accommodation will be provided only to the out station teams.
- c. The name and mobile number of the student volunteers in charge of transport / accommodation will also be made available after finalization. Teams should fill in their travel plan in the sheet available on page 9 positively so as to reach by 5.30 p.m. on 10 February 2018.

XVIII. The National Administrator of the competition is **Prof. (Dr.) Zaheeruddin**, Dean, Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.

The Programme Director of the competition is **Prof. (Dr.) Javaid Talib**, Chairman, Department of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.

XIX. Any clarifications for the competition can be sought from:

Regarding Queries on Case / Submission of Memorials / Accommodation / Transport / etc.:

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IMPORTANT DATES

Start of Online Registration	15 December 2017
Last dates for seeking clarification	20 January 2018
Last date for Online Registration	31 January 2018
Last date for receiving copies of Reg. Form / Approval letter	1 February 2018
Submission of Travel form	3 February 2018
Last Date for Submission of Memorials One Hard Copy (both appellant/petitioner and respondent) & Soft Copy by email	10 February 2018
Submission of Memorials (Five Hard Copies) During Orientation	23 February 2018
Orientation	23 February 2018
Prelims / Quarters	24 February 2018
Semifinals, Final, Valediction & Prize distribution	25 February 2018



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Date:

Registration form/ Approval letter

(Please fill in capital letters)

Undertaking

1. We hereby state that our participation complies with the rules and regulations of the competition.
2. We certify that the materials submitted/to be submitted are prepared by us and agree to indemnify the organizers, i.e. the Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai and Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh for any claim or dispute arising out of the further use and exhibition of these materials.

(All particulars must be given)

Name & Address of the participating Institution:

Notification Email:

Regd. Mobile #:

Name of the participant	Gender	Course	Year / Semester	Signature

Seal & signature
of the Head of
the Institution

Completed hard copy of the approval letter/registration form and the Demand Draft (DD) should reach Dean, Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Qila Road, Aligarh – 202002 by post on 1 Feb 2018. The enclosure containing the hard copy of the registration form and the Demand Draft (DD) should state the name of the college/ institution / university.

Completed soft copy of the approval letter/registration form and the Demand Draft (DD) should reach National Administrator (Dean, Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University, Qila Road, Aligarh - 202002) by 1 Feb 2018 at amumcs@gmail.com & The subject of the email must be “Soft Copy of form and DD for Sir Syed & Surana & Surana National Criminal Law Moot Court Competition – 2018.”



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TRAVEL PLAN

1. Name of Institution -

2. Arrival Details -

a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus _____

b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No. _____

c. Estimated Time of Arrival _____

3. Departure Details -

a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus _____

b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No. _____

c. Estimated Time of Departure _____

4. Any other details:

(Signature & Seal of the Head of the Institution)

Note: This Travel Form must reach amums@gmail.com on or before 3rd February 2018 latest by 5.30 pm and the e-mail should be titled "Travel plan for Sir Syed & Surana & Surana National Criminal Law Moot Court Competition - 2018"



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Moot Proposition¹

Shaam Savera Angel v. The State

{Under Section 101(5) of The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015}

Ajeevan Medical Research Trust v. Union of Winterfell

{Under Article 226 of The Constitution of Winterfell}

1. Winterfell is a country situated in the Northern kingdom of Westeros; a mystical land of dreams in which about a seventh of our world's population resides. It has one of the richest history and heritage. The most serious problem which Winterfell faces is that of rapid increase in violence due to drug addiction. Stark-Pradesh which is one of the 29 states of Winterfell has the most serious situation of increasing addiction of drugs among the youth and the new generation. Three out of every ten youngsters in Stark-Pradesh are tried under drugs laws. It was alleged that Republic of Meereen sponsored terrorism and drug-trade in Winterfell, especially in Stark-Pradesh, as it borders Republic of Meereen.
2. Shaam Savera Angel (fondly called SSA), a well-known God woman and leader of Manav Cult, is a philanthropist believing in the idea of advancing humanitarianism and multiculturalism. She obtained the Manav Cult from her father as a legacy after his death. She is a young woman with good public image having Ten Million followers around the world out of which 8 million reside within the state of Stark-Pradesh. She tutored her followers to fight the menace of drug addiction and in turn fight the alleged involvement of Republic of Meereen. In the financial year 2015, Manav Cult received a total of 100 million Winterfellian Dollars as monetary donations, out of which SSA, allocated 80 million Winterfellian Dollars for Drug Rehabilitation Centers (*Nasha Mukti Kendra*).
3. A shrine belonging to Manav Cult was situated in the state of Stark-Pradesh which was no less than a five-star hotel and had all the facilities which made it almost self-sufficient. Entry to the shrine was highly restricted for outsiders. SSA once publicly said that she holds no possession and has no means of income except what is selflessly donated to her and anyone can check wealth of Manav Cult which is an open affair.

¹ This moot problem is drafted by Mr. Piyush Chawla (Faculty of Law, AMU alumnus). Any attempt to contact him on matter relating to this problem or the SS&SSNCLMCC, 2018 shall result in immediate disqualification.

4. All the properties were owned by Manav Cult which were largely in control of their leader SSA. The cult was also funding a research programme to cure cancer and other incurable diseases. Recently it was heard that their pharmaceutical department was developing a medicine NZT-CANCER, as an alternative to chemotherapy.
5. The ideas and campaigns of Manav Cult were vehemently opposed by a group named Adi-Manav Cult. Adi-Manav Cult believed that the ideas of SSA and her cult were propagating a pseudo-science and she was befooling people by her antics. It is to be noted that Adi-Manav Cult once supported the separatist movements in the state of Winterfell. Adi-Manav Cult has 7.8 million followers around the world out of which 7.5 million followers reside in Stark-Pradesh.
6. Mr. Jendri Singh, driver of SSA came out in front of media and revealed that SSA had been doing illegal activities in the veil of a spiritual activities but he was not certain about the nature of such activities. Due to media uproar, an FIR was lodged against SSA for *illicit activities* with Republic of Meereen on 2nd January 2016.
7. Investigating officer, Mr. Jamie Sharma raided Manav Cult properties on 28th January 2016. However, the search teams could not find anything incriminating but charitable food and clothes were found in the premises.
8. SSA made a public statement on 29th January 2016 where she said it was an attempt by her political enemies and drug mafias to implicate her for the crimes which she herself stood against. She also said that Mr. Jamie Sharma was sponsored by Republic of Meereen and they were after her as she was a hindrance to their drug trade.
9. Mr. Jamie Sharma raided without warrants on the night of 9th February 2016 around 11.25 p.m. on the pharmaceutical research unit of NZT-CANCER. The team seized 90 kilograms of Cannabis in the factory's entrance courtyard in a truck. It was alleged that drugs were trafficked from Republic of Meereen by a Terrorist group, Winterfell Liberators, a declared terrorist organisation in Winterfell seeking liberation of a territorial part of Stark-Pradesh. The panchnama was made around 5:15 a.m. in the morning, the two witnesses were Mr. Peter Bailesh and Mr. Ashok Solemon, (considered staunch supporters of Adi-Manav Cult), as they were in charge of the adjacent Adi-Manav Cult headquarters in the vicinity of NZT unit. The other Pancha Mr. Addharth Singh was a local resident, who once went to prison for a minor theft crime. Mr. Khal Singh was the fourth witness to the panchnama, who was a local resident and a government employee.
10. Within two kilometres the other two facilities of NZT-Cancer Units were also raided on the same night and 50 kilograms of cannabis were seized at each facility.
11. One of the staff members of Pharmaceutical unit, Mr. Raamsay Naryan, was arrested from the site and during the investigation he said that he did not know much about the alleged drugs but all the products were used for medicinal purpose and research to cure cancer.

- 12.** On the same night search raids were done to arrest SSA, however, she absconded and could not be arrested that night. In a public statement, Manav Cult clarified that SSA is not guilty and didn't commit any crime, and cult has full faith in the institution of judiciary.
- 13.** During this period, videos showing SSA surfaced over media channels and were primarily shown by Winterfell Samachar. Videos featured SSA talking to members of Winterfell Liberators who had boxes of Illegal drugs along with them. The video was alleged to be released by a group of hackers known as 'Anonymous'. Various media channels ran forensic test on the video claiming that it wasn't doctored.
- 14.** On February 26, 2016, Mr. Birpaal Singh, Adi-Manav Cult's chief, lodged another FIR against SSA for carrying out racket of illegal drugs and aiding terrorists and threatening the security and integrity of Winterfell. On the same day Mr. Birpaal Singh was interviewed by Winterfell Samachar, he declared that SSA was a terrorist and a threat to Winterfellian national security and put out a bounty of 10 million Winterfellian Dollars on her head.
- 15.** On 3rd March 2016, SSA was arrested by National Investigation Agency near the border of Meereen and Winterfell with 20 million Winterfellian dollar, it was believed she was about to cross the border.
- 16.** After she was arrested, it was found by the authorities that she was a juvenile and the same was verified by various cogent sources that she was born on 20th June 1999. The Juvenile Justice Board made an assessment by virtue of 2015 Amendment and decided to try her as an adult given the heinous nature of crimes involved.
- 17.** Winterfell Liberators made an official statement on the arrest of SSA that if any harm is done to SSA, Winterfell will face their wrath.
- 18.** She was brought to trial under the charges for various crimes under sections 20, 21, 23 and 25 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, section 121 of Winterfellian Penal Code, 1860 and sections 20, 39 and 40 of Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 before the Special Court. She was found in "conflict with law" by the Special Court on all the above mentioned counts. Though during the examination of witnesses, the fourth witness (Khal Singh) to the panchnamas went hostile and said that he was not shown any seized drug and was coerced to an extent by the officers.
- 19.** SSA has now approached the Hon'ble High Court of Stark-Pradesh by way of Appeal against the decision of the Special Court. Further, the arbitrary procedure of assessment by board and the draconian approach of 2015 Amendment has been challenged in Appeal as they are against the spirit of a welfare legislation and constitutional values.
- 20.** An NGO, Ajeevan Medical Research Trust, which was researching the medicinal benefits of the cannabis and happened to be a supporter of Manav Cult's ideology, filed a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) before the Hon'ble High Court of Stark-Pradesh challenging the

constitutional validity of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985. The PIL contends the law to be draconian and arbitrary. Further, the Act is stringent and against the spirit of presumption of innocence of accused. Secondly, it was contended that, the trial of Juveniles for heinous crimes as Adults (such as under NDPS Act) was in violation of International obligations of Winterfell in United Nations Convention on the rights of the child, Beijing rules and other International instruments; as Winterfell was deviating from the notions of modern criminal jurisprudence of rehabilitation of juveniles.

- 21.** The PIL filed does not form part of the appeal before the Hon'ble High Court of Stark Pradesh, but for the convenience of argumentation, the issues raised by the appeal and the PIL shall be dealt in the same court and in the same submission. The matter is listed for final hearing on 24th February 2018 before the Hon'ble High Court of Stark-Pradesh.
- 22.** The laws of state of Winterfell are *Pari-materia* to the laws of Republic of India. The currency used in Winterfell is Winterfellian Dollar and the value of a Winterfellian Dollar is same as that of an Indian Rupee.
- 23.** All names, characters, persons, entities, etc., referred above are fictional in nature and any resemblance with any person living or dead is purely coincidental.

(Note - Teams are advised to make a single memorial for both Appeal and PIL from each side; dealing the issues of Appeal and PIL consecutively)



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National Criminal Law

Moot Court Competition, 2018



A humble initiative that started around four years ago is progressing with great zeal and fervour into another year of successful execution. Faculty of Law, Aligarh Muslim University with its joint organiser Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai is proud to announce its annual flagship event - Sir Syed & Surana & Surana National Criminal Law Moot Court Competition, 2018 scheduled to be held from 23rd to 25th February, 2018.

The competition is organised as a tribute and in the fond memory of the founder of Aligarh Muslim University Sir Syed Ahmad Khan. It is an attempt at fulfilling his vision of providing quality and value driven education. The National Criminal Law Moot has been conceived with the aim of creating opportunities for learning the development of jurisprudence on emerging trends in Criminal Law besides developing cutting edge skills in research, writing and advocacy.

Faculty of Law, popularly known as the mother Faculty has produced innumerable legal icons, who have rendered their services to many reputed Law Faculties in India. Their services have been acknowledged both at the Bench and the Bar. Some of its illustrious products who rose to senior and eminent positions in judiciary include the Supreme Court Judges such as Mr. Justice Baharul Islam, Mr. Justice Murtaza Fazle Ali and Mr. Justice R. P. Sethi. Other prominent foreign Justices & Chief Justices include Justice Baseer Ahmad Khan (Chief Justice, Tanzania), Justice Augustine Saedi (Chief Justice of Uganda), Justice of Pakistan. Moreover, foreign Advocates/Attorney Generals include Mr. Ali Ahmad Fuzail (Attorney General of Pakistan & Advocate General of United Provinces), Mr. Faiyyaz Husain (Advocate General of Pakistan & Advocate General of United Province), Mr. Qazi Khan Bux (Advocate General, Sindh), Mr. S. Nasiruddin (Advocate General of West Pakistan) etc. This year it has been ranked at 2nd position in terms of academic and research excellence among the Indian institutes of law.

Thus, Faculty of Law aims at continuing with its legacy of producing the best of the best in the field of law and legal education. The competition is an endeavour in the same direction.

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The firm collaborates with several Professional educational institutions in India & overseas for the promotion of academic excellence and research. Members regularly teach at various law and business schools, judicial and police academies.

We cordially invite you to participate in the Moot Court Competition, which in its all new form will no doubt give you an unforgettable intellectual, enriching experience.

We look forward to your participation in the Sir Syed & Surana & Surana National Criminal Law Moot Court Competition, 2018.

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