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ABOUT THE EVENT

We are delighted to announce Disputandum'20 Chandigarh Chapter, a pedestal for young lawyers to discuss, deliberate and debate over intriguing topics of prime public interest.

Today, in the 21st century, the ability to create, present and evaluate ideas remains essential to democracy and commerce in modern societies. Disputandum intends to foster these traits.

We, on our platform, will be conducting an e-debate with the help of highly qualified and experienced professionals who shall moderate the panel discussion/debate with their infinite expertise.

The discussion shall be witnessed and judged by highly intellectual minds who shall guide the participants with their unbounded vision and wisdom.

Disputandum'20 promises to offer lucrative prizes to the winners in addition to providing a platform to the participants to voice up their opinions

RULES OF THE COMPETITION

Eligibility criteria

All practicing advocates with a standing of at least one year and not more than ten years, shall be eligible to participate in the competition. However, it shall be mandatory for all participants to either be a member of the Punjab and Haryana High Court Bar Association or the District Bar Association, Chandigarh District Courts. A maximum of 30 participants shall be allowed to take part in the competition, on a first come first serve basis.

Format of the competition

The competition shall be conducted in the following manner-

- All proceedings throughout the competition shall be conducted in English, and all participants shall be required to speak in English.
- The competition shall be conducted on an online platform, the details of which shall be provided to the participants once the registration is final. It shall be made public for people in general to log in to the platform and watch the competition as audience.
- Each round shall have an experienced person working in the field of law as a moderator, who would conduct the session smoothly. Participants shall speak only when asked to do so by the moderator, who would have the authority to mute/unmute all participants. Extension of time, if any, shall also be subject to the discretion of the moderator.
- Each round would be watched carefully by a judge, who would then, at the end of the session, give his feedback and declare the winner of the round. All judges shall be renowned legal luminaries with great experience and impeccable legal acumen.
- Rounds shall be divided into six preliminary rounds, followed by one final round.

- A list of topics for all rounds is being released along with the rules, however, each round shall have a distinct topic, and the participants of a particular round shall be provided with their topic out of the aforementioned list, only two days prior to the round.
- In each round, participants shall get a specified time for their opening speech, in which they shall state whether they are for or against a motion, followed by supporting arguments. The opening speeches shall be followed by an open debate where all participants would be required to speak.
- Six preliminary rounds shall be held with five participants each, where each participant shall get four minutes for the opening speech, followed by fifteen minutes for the open debate under the strict supervision of the Moderator. During the entire session, particularly during the open debate, no participant shall be allowed to speak out of turn and the participants shall speak only when the moderator asks them to. Any unhealthy, uncalled for behaviour by any participant will result into disqualification. The decision of the Moderator and the organising committee shall be final.
- All six winners from the preliminary rounds shall participate in the final round, the topic for which would be given to them one day prior to the round. In the final round, each participant would get five minutes for the opening speech, followed by twenty minutes for the open debate. During the entire session, particularly during the open debate, no participant shall be allowed to speak out of turn and the participants shall speak only when the moderator asks them to. Any unhealthy, uncalled for behaviour by any participant will result into disqualification. The decision of the Moderator and the organising committee shall be final.

Disqualification

Any participant who conducts himself in an unprofessional manner during the rounds, or speaks in a derogatory manner, or does anything that is unbecoming of an advocate, shall be disqualified from the competition. The decision of the organising committee regarding disqualification shall be final and the committee shall also reserve the right to disqualify any participant for any other reason, other than those specified above, if in its reasonable judgment, calls for disqualification.

IMPORTANT DATES

21.05.2020	Opening date for registration
25.05.2020 till 5 P.M.	Closing date for registration
28.05.2020	Preliminary rounds
29.05.2020	Preliminary rounds
30.05.2020	Preliminary rounds
31.05.2020	Finals and Declaration of Results

NOTE:

- The timings of the rounds will be intimated to the participants well in advance

PRIZES

At the end of the competition, an online felicitation would be conducted where the following prizes would be handed out-

- The winner will get a prize amounting to Rs 50,000/- sponsored by our partner AREN JEWELLERS, One Year Premium Subscription amounting to Rs 20000/- & Two Litigation Searches amounting to Rs. 20,000/- sponsored by our partner PROVAKIL, A gift hamper from our partner SWEET TALK along with a certificate of appreciation and participation.
- First Runners Up will get 10 month subscription amounting to Rs. 20000/- sponsored by our partner PROVAKIL, prize amounting to Rs. 10,000/-, A gift hamper from our partner SWEET TALK along with a certificate of appreciation and participation.
- Second Runners Up will get Premium Subscription for a period of 8 months amounting to Rs. 20000/- sponsored by our partner PROVAKIL, A gift hamper from our partner SWEET TALK along with a certificate of appreciation and participation.
- All finalists would get a certificate of appreciation and participation, whereas, all participants would get a certificate of participation
- All the participants will get flat 25% off on all products available at Sweet Talk, SCO No 3, Sector 10, Chandigarh.

REGISTRATION

NO registration fee for the competition. All aspiring participants may apply by clicking on the link given below, whereby they would be required to fill in the registration form and send it to us.

Registration link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeFly0kohP3w_7TOmK0GPuEjRt_8RUxHa-TgDON_RljK9ZeiQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

TOPICS:

The participants will be allotted topics out of the following:

1. Parliamentary Supremacy and Judicial Review
2. Article 370: One Nation, One Constitution
3. Constitutional Morality: A tool or a Dangerous Weapon
4. Rape Laws should be made gender neutral
5. Sexual Intercourse on the pretext of marriage: A valid consent
6. Internet Shutdown: Necessity or a veil?

The topic of discussion will be disclosed to each participant well in advance. The participants will have to speak for or against the motion, which will be intimated to them alongwith the topic.

Topic for Final Round: UNIFORM CIVIL CODE OR THE EXISTING PERSONAL LAWS

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