NLUJAA Event Report of 6th Capacity Building Moot Court Competition, 2023 Moot Court Committee

MOOT COURT COMMITTEE, NLUJA ASSAM

Event: 6th Capacity Building Moot Court Competition, 2023

Date: November 25-26 November, 2023

Venue: National Law University and Judicial Academy Assam, Guwahati

Organized by: Moot Court Committee, NLUJA Assam

- Dr. Shailendra Kumar (Faculty Advisor)
- Mr. Ayush Yashaswi (Convener, MCC)
- Mr. Rajat Kumar Garg (Member, MCC)
- Ms. Akansha Sharma (Member, MCC)

Participation: 20 Teams (60 Students)

Guests: 20 Judges for 2 Preliminary Rounds

The National Law University and Judicial Academy Assam recently played host to an impactful intra-college event—the 6th Capacity Building Moot Court Competition. Aimed at providing a platform for first-year law students to refine their advocacy skills, the event was designed to foster legal acumen and familiarize participants with practical aspects of courtroom proceedings.

Judicial Expertise Elevates the Competition:

Distinguished advocates from the Guwahati High Court lent their expertise as judges, adding a layer of professionalism to the competition. This not only elevated the significance of the Capacity Building Moot but also provided students with a unique opportunity to engage with experienced professionals in the field. A total of 20 judges were invited for the Preliminary Rounds of the CBM.

Enthusiastic Participation:

The Capacity Building Moot witnessed enthusiastic participation from twenty teams, each comprising first-year law students. The teams showcased their research, analytical, and argumentative abilities while addressing legal issues related to the Constitution. The moot problem challenged participants to apply theoretical knowledge to real-world scenarios, encouraging a comprehensive understanding of the subject matter. The Moot Problem was authored by Mr. Tathagat Sharma (Advocate, Supreme Court of India), assisted by Mr. Rajat Kumar Garg.

Structured Competition Unfolds:

The event unfolded in several stages, with participants forming teams within their peer groups and selecting mentors from senior batches, facilitated by the Moot Court Committee. Submissions of memorials (written submission) took place by November 22, with a researcher's test conducted on November 25, emphasizing the importance of research in advocacy. The test was followed by a draw of lots and an exchange of memorials. The method of draw of lots was used to form the fixtures of the oral rounds. The Oral Rounds of the competition took place on 26th November (both the Preliminary rounds were conducted that day) and finally on 29th November, the Valedictory Ceremony of the event took place.

Oral Rounds and Judicial Feedback:

The culmination of the event occurred on November 26 with the oral rounds, where esteemed advocates from the Guwahati High Court served as judges. Their involvement added authenticity to the competition, giving students insight into the expectations and standards of the legal profession. Judges provided constructive feedback, contributing to the overall learning experience. Preliminary rounds involved rigorous scrutiny of legal arguments, research depth, and presentation skills, with participants engaging in spirited debates to demonstrate their grasp of legal principles.

Awards Recognizing Merit:

The event concluded with the announcement of awards recognizing outstanding participants. Awards:

- Winning Team (The Protégé) Ayushman Singh, Dhruv Vashishth & Vaibhav Bansal (TC-2)
- Runners-up Team (The Apprentice) Anushka Daipuria, Varada S, T Kinjala (TC-9)
- Best Speaker Priyansh Kanawat (TC-15)
- Best Researcher Dhilan Sarma (TC 16)
- Best Memorial Ayushman Singh, Dhruv Vashishth & Vaibhav Bansal (TC-2)

were the awards presented. These accolades not only motivated the participants but also underscored the importance of continuous improvement and dedication to the field of advocacy.

The National Law University and Judicial Academy Assam's Capacity Building Moot proved to be a resounding success, offering a valuable platform for the development of budding legal minds and fostering a spirit of excellence in the practice of law.