



EVENT REPORT

8th ANNUAL CAPACITY BUILDING MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2025
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Moot Court Committee
Valar Mootghulis

The 8th Capacity Building Moot Court Competition, 2025, was successfully organized on 21st-22nd November, 2025 by the Moot Court Committee at National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam. The event aimed to provide budding legal minds with an opportunity to enhance their research, drafting, and oral advocacy skills addressing the moot proposition based on the core topic of federalism.

Organized by: Moot Court Committee, NLUJA Assam

- Dr. Shailendra Kumar (Faculty Co-ordinator MCC)
- Ms. Anchal Singh (Convener, MCC)
- Mr. Aroni Swami (Member, MCC)
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- Mr. Dhruv Vashisht (Member, MCC)

The proposition for the competition was drafted by Mr. Harsh Amrit and Mr. Aroni Swami and focused on the pertinent issue of right to vote within the Indian Constitution.

The Capacity Building Moot has been an annual affair since 2018 and was the brainchild of the Moot Court Committee to introduce the first-year undergraduate batch to the nuanced and intricate arena of mooting in a domestic environment.

The 8th Edition witnessed participation from 60 students from the Class of 2030 forming 20 teams. 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 took place by November 15th, with the researcher's test conducted on November 17th, emphasising 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 researchers' test had questions on the basic tenets of constitutional law such as the basic structure doctrine, repugnancy and questions from the statement of facts in the moot proposition with a subjective question on the golden triangle of the Indian Constitution. On 21st November, all 20 teams convened in the 1st year class room for the draw of lots and the exchange of memorials for the oral rounds.



The draw of lots is a widely used method in moot court competitions to determine the matchups between competing teams. This process is crucial for ensuring transparency and fairness in the competition. The Moot Court Committee kept 2 bowls of chits bearing the team codes (1-20) and picked randomly to ascertain the petitioner and the respondent in the respective rounds. The draw was decided and one representative from each team was called up to the podium to exchange the memorial of their teams with their opponent.

After the draw of lots, the teams were given a short brief on how the oral rounds of a moot progress and points to adhere to whilst interacting with the judges.



The classrooms were arranged in accordance with the team codes and were marked as courtrooms 1-10.

The oral rounds of the competition were held on 22nd November, 2025 and commenced immediately after the judges' felicitation and briefing ceremony at 10:30 A.M.



The invited judges to grace the event were practicing advocates of Gauhati High Court and academicians from the state. The list of judges is as follows:

- Agniv Das
- Arunav Bhattacharya
- Jahnabi Goswamee
- Agrata Das
- Panchami Khaund
- Jyotiringa Puzari

- Pulak Symon
- Saptarishi Prasad Sharma
- Debayan Banerjee
- Kuntala Roy Choudhury
- Affan Bakhtiar
- Debjani Chowdhury
- Sabnam Begum
- Joydeep Bordoloi
- Saranga Ballav Goswami
- Poondla Siva Durga Sai Kaartheik
- Shouvik Nath
- Himangshu Kalita
- Debasmita Acharjee
- Manash Barman

The oral rounds were held in two phases with each team arguing once before the bench as petitioner and once as respondent. A recess of 1 hour was convened during the two rounds for lunch.





The second round commenced from 2:00 P.M and concluded at 3:00 P.M.

Valedictory Ceremony

The valedictory ceremony of the 8th Capacity Building Moot was held on 26th November, marking the occasion of Constitution Day and celebrating the 76th year of the Indian constitution.

The event kicked-off at 12:30 P.M after the Constitution Day festivities and was inaugurated with the Vice-Chancellor's of National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam 's Prof. (Dr.) K.V.S Sarma's speech on the importance of moot courts. The prizes were announced by the Convener of the Moot Court Committee and were given by the Vice-Chancellor and Dr. Shailendra Kumar.

The winners are mentioned in this order:

Best Team: TC-06 Nupur Singh, Shatakshi and Mirza Hussain Ali Khan



Runners-up: TC-14 Harshita Sai Lakshmi, Bhavika Shah and Vaishnavi Devi



Best Speaker: TC-13 Neethu Sujan Ninnan



Best Researcher: TC-06 Mirza Hussain Ali Khan



Best Memorial: TC-10 Anushka Rai, Priyom Protim Boro and Nikita Borah



