



THE ICFAI UNIVERSITY HIMACHAL PRADESH

FACULTY OF LAW

**2nd NATIONAL LEVEL
TRIAL ADVOCACY COMPETITION, 2026**

September 30, 2026

Hybrid Mode

**Online: Preliminary &
Octa-Final Rounds**

**Offline: Quarter-Final,
Semi-Final & Final Rounds**



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❖ THE ICFAI GROUP ❖

Pioneering professional education for over 04 decades

The ICFAI group was established in 1984 as a not-for-profit society with the broad objective of empowering citizens through world class quality education. The Institute announced its arrival into the Indian education fora by launching a high end, innovative professional program in financial analysis in 1985. The Program was first-of-its-kind in India, aimed at equipping students and working professionals with cutting-edge knowledge in contemporary areas of finance. Since its establishment, ICFAI Group has made a significant mark in the Indian educational field with a pan-Indian network and presence. Innovation has been the mainstay of ICFAI Group with innovation prevalent in its programs and even its culture. Subsequently, there was a big leap when ICFAI Group started its chain of business schools (IBS) across India in 1995 to offer management program. Since its inception, IBS has been consistently ranked among the top ranked B-Schools of India providing excellent academic delivery and infrastructure to its students and transforming them into leaders for the future. Another example that is a testimony to the culture of innovation is the introduction of Case Study methodology at IBS. The Case Research Center at IBS has become a center of excellence and has won several accolades across the world. ICFAI Group has 2 Strategic Institutional Units, the ICFAI Universities and the ICFAI Business Schools. In all the programs offered across these units, the emphasis is on adherence to academic rigor and differentiated curriculum that bridges the industry-academia gap. ICFAI Group focuses on learning rather than instruction. In addition, the institute is engaged in important areas of research covering environmental sustainability, agricultural economics, health policy, financial economics, banking, intellectual property rights etc. There have been path-breaking research and good quality publications in these areas. Flexible and tech enabled learning also plays an important role in ICFAI's teaching methodology. The delivery takes place with the use of hi-tech learning management system at campus programs and content delivery for distance learning through online medium. ICFAI Group practices the value of academic integrity at all levels. As a policy, admissions are purely based on merit and there is nothing like capitation fee et al. The fee payable is published in the application material and that remains unchanged. The ICFAI Group's culture of teaching and learning supports and fosters intellectual and personality development among its graduating students. They carry an attitude of ownership of their work. ICFAI Group strives to make the students - DOERS. The programs are designed such that the students & professionals graduating from the institution have the ability to take risks, make decisions and own the work. ICFAI Group system, strongly believes in developing an 'entrepreneurial mindset' among its graduating students. At ICFAI, students inculcate research and analytical orientation due to its institutional strength and support for the research and development activities. Holistically, the student undergoes a transformative change. The alumni of ICFAI Group are working in renowned companies world-wide. Collectively, ICFAI Group alumni contribute significantly to the growth story of India.

Awards won by The ICFAI Group



❖ FOUNDER'S PROFILE ❖



N J Yasaswy
(1950-2011)

Mr. N. J. Yasaswy (1950-2011), founder of the ICFAI Group of educational institutions and a pioneer in promoting higher education in the private sector had a brilliant academic career: B.Com (Andhra University 1969 – First Rank), CA Inter (May 1971 – First Rank), CA Final (May 1973 – First Rank), ICWA Inter (July 1970 – First Rank) and ICWA Final (July 1972 – First Rank). He was the recipient of the Basu Foundation Award for the Best Student of the Year from both – The Institute of Cost and Works Accountants of India (in 1972) and The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (in 1973). During 1974-1980, Mr. Yasaswy was associated with the Administrative Staff College of India as a Faculty Member. In 1981, he started his consultancy firm, Yasaswy Management Associates Private Limited, Hyderabad. Mr. Yasaswy was appointed by the Government of Andhra Pradesh as Chairman, Andhra Pradesh State Trading Corporation (1985-88), and Vice-Chairman, Public Enterprises Management Board (1986-88). He was a visiting faculty member at the Indian Institute of Management-Ahmedabad (1986-88) and was nominated as a Member of the SEBI Committee on Accounting Standards. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Association of Certified International Investment Analysts (ACIIA), Switzerland. He authored several books on finance and investments.

Mr. Yasaswy set up the ICFAI as a single institute in 1985 without governmental sops or institutional funding, in an era where government support was the norm. He chose to spend all his energy on the fledgling institution which over the years grew to become a monument to what ambition can deliver. He was instrumental in building several business schools and universities in the developing states of India, particularly in the North-East region. He stood for professional management, excellence in the quality of education offered in the ICFAI institutions, and absolute discipline.

He was charismatic, a great teacher, an institution builder, a visionary and a genius who was years ahead of his time. His vision will continue to guide ICFAI forever.

❖ THE ICFAI UNIVERSITIES ❖



The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh (Baddi)

The ICFAI Group has established 11 Universities across India. The ICFAI Universities are located at Hyderabad [The ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education (IPHE), which is a Deemed-to-be University], Himachal Pradesh (Baddi), Dehradun, Jaipur, Jharkhand, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Raipur, Sikkim and Tripura.



The ICFAI Foundation
for Higher Education,
Hyderabad



The ICFAI University
Tripura



The ICFAI University
Dehradun



The ICFAI University
Raipur



The ICFAI University
Jaipur



The ICFAI University
Jharkhand



The ICFAI University
Nagaland



The ICFAI University
Sikkim



The ICFAI University
Mizoram



The ICFAI University
Meghalaya

ABOUT THE ICFAI UNIVERSITY

❖ HIMACHAL PRADESH ❖

The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh, is a premier institution of higher education committed to academic excellence, innovation, research, and professional development. Established with the objective of providing world-class education and fostering intellectual growth, the University offers a diverse range of undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs across various disciplines.

As a part of the prestigious ICFAI Group, established in 1984, the University carries forward a rich legacy of quality education and professional excellence. It continues to uphold the values of academic rigor, professional ethics, and excellence that have distinguished the ICFAI Group over the years.

The University's curriculum is designed to align with evolving industry requirements while encouraging critical thinking, innovation, and lifelong learning. With modern infrastructure, experienced faculty, and a student-centric academic environment, the University promotes interdisciplinary learning, practical exposure, skill development, research, and industry engagement. It strives to nurture competent, ethical, and socially responsible professionals equipped to meet the challenges of a dynamic and interconnected world.

The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh, remains committed to fostering academic integrity, leadership, creativity, and holistic development. Through its focus on excellence and innovation, the University aims to shape future-ready individuals who can contribute meaningfully to society and the nation.



❖ ABOUT THE FACULTY OF LAW ❖

The Faculty of Law, The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh, is committed to developing a new generation of legal professionals through comprehensive, contemporary, and interdisciplinary legal education. The Faculty offers B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.B., LL.M., and Ph.D. programmes in Law.

The Faculty focuses on academic excellence, practical training, research, advocacy skills, and professional development through moot courts, legal aid activities, internships, seminars, workshops, training programmes, and advocacy competitions. Students are encouraged to gain practical exposure through internships with lawyers, law firms, corporate houses, public sector undertakings, NGOs, and judicial institutions.

The Faculty also promotes holistic development through its Moot Court Committee, Legal Aid Committee, Training and Placement Committee, Cultural Committee, and Research and Publication Committee. These committees provide students with opportunities for leadership, teamwork, professional networking, and practical legal learning.

The Faculty of Law, The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh, has been ranked 1st among the Top Law Schools of Himachal Pradesh and 33rd among the Top Law Schools of India in the GHRDC Law School Rankings 2026. This recognition reflects the Faculty's commitment to quality legal education, professional excellence, and holistic student development.



MESSAGE FROM THE HON'BLE ❖ VICE-CHANCELLOR ❖



The Faculty of Law, The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh, envisions law as a powerful instrument of justice, social transformation, and empowerment. Our Institution is dedicated to equipping Students with the knowledge, skills, and resources necessary to address contemporary socio-legal challenges and contribute meaningfully to society.

Our educational philosophy integrates legal education with emerging fields such as management, technology, governance, and public policy while maintaining social responsibility as the cornerstone of legal learning. The legal profession is witnessing unprecedented transformation owing to globalization, digitization, artificial intelligence, and evolving dispute resolution mechanisms. Consequently, legal education must prepare Students not only to understand the law but also to anticipate and respond to future challenges.

The 2nd National Level Trial Advocacy Competition, 2026, is a step towards fostering practical legal skills and professional excellence among aspiring advocates. Through realistic courtroom simulations, participants shall develop advocacy skills, litigation strategies, witness examination techniques, ethical decision-making abilities, and courtroom confidence essential for success in the legal profession.

I extend a warm welcome to all the participating Institutions and Students across the Nation and wish them an enriching and rewarding learning experience.

Prof. Keshav Sharma
Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor

MESSAGE FROM THE ❖ REGISTRAR ❖



The legal profession thrives on preparation, perseverance, professionalism, and persuasive advocacy. Trial Advocacy Competitions serve as an invaluable platform for the Students to translate classroom learning into the practical courtroom experience.

The 2nd National Level Trial Advocacy Competition, 2026, provides participants with a unique opportunity to sharpen their litigation skills, strengthen their legal reasoning, and experience the realities of the courtroom practice. Such events inspire confidence, encourage teamwork, and promote professional growth among the Students.

I commend the Faculty of Law for organizing this prestigious event and extend my best wishes to all the participating teams for a successful and memorable competition.

Dr. Bharat Bhushan
Registrar

MESSAGE FROM ❖ THE DEAN ❖



Greetings!

It gives me an immense pleasure to invite Law Schools and Universities from across the country to participate in the 2nd National Level Trial Advocacy Competition, 2026, organized by the Faculty of Law, The ICFAL University, Himachal Pradesh.

The trial Advocacy forms the backbone of the legal practice. It enables students to develop practical skills in witness examination, cross-examination, evidentiary appreciation, courtroom management, legal drafting, and oral advocacy. This Competition seeks to provide a realistic and intellectually stimulating platform where the Students can test their abilities, refine their advocacy techniques, and engage with contemporary legal challenges.

I sincerely thank the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Keshav Sharma and Registrar Dr. Bharat Bhushan for their continued support and encouragement. On behalf of the Faculty of Law, I warmly welcome all the participants and wish them a rewarding and intellectually enriching experience.

Dr. Keshva Nand
Dean I/c, Faculty of Law

❖ ABOUT THE MOOT COURT COMMITTEE ❖

The Moot Court Committee of the Faculty of Law, The ICEAI University, Himachal Pradesh, is the official Student-Faculty body entrusted with promoting practical legal education and advocacy-oriented learning within the institution. The Committee serves as a platform for developing essential legal skills such as legal research, drafting, oral advocacy, courtroom etiquette, analytical reasoning, and professional ethics.

The Committee actively works towards bridging the gap between classroom instruction and practical legal training by organizing the academic events, advocacy competitions, workshops, training programmes, and interactive sessions with legal practitioners, academicians, and the members of the judiciary.

As part of its commitment to experiential legal education, the Moot Court Committee is proud to organize the *2nd National Level Trial Advocacy Competition, 2026*. The Competition has been conceived to provide law students from across the country with an opportunity to experience realistic courtroom proceedings and develop practical litigation skills through simulated trial advocacy exercises.

The Committee believes that advocacy is one of the most fundamental attributes of the legal profession and seeks to cultivate professionalism, confidence, ethical conduct, and excellence in legal practice among aspiring lawyers. Through this Competition, the participants will engage in witness examination, cross-examination, courtroom strategy, evidentiary appreciation, and oral advocacy, thereby gaining invaluable exposure to the realities of trial practice.

The Moot Court Committee remains committed to fostering a culture of advocacy excellence and providing Students with the opportunities that contribute meaningfully to their academic, professional, and personal growth.



The Moot Court was graciously inaugurated by Hon'ble Justice Swatanter Kumar in the esteemed presence of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Keshav Sharma IUHP.

MESSAGE FROM THE MOOT COURT ❖ COMMITTEE CONVENOR ❖



It gives me immense pleasure to welcome all the participants to the **2nd National Level Trial Advocacy Competition, 2026**, organized by the Moot Court Committee, The Faculty of Law, The ICPAI University, Himachal Pradesh.

Advocacy is the cornerstone of the legal profession, build upon knowledge, preparation, ethics and perseverance. This Competition has been designed to provide aspiring legal professionals with a platform to experience the realities of courtroom litigation, sharpen their advocacy skills, and cultivate the confidence required to excel in the pursuit of justice.

I hope that this competition inspire every participant to think critically, argue persuasively, uphold professional ethics, and embrace the true spirit of legal advocacy. Beyond competition, it is an opportunity to learn, collaborate, and grow as future members of the legal fraternity.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, **Prof. Keshav Sharma**, for his visionary leadership and unwavering encouragement; to the Registrar, **Dr. Bharat Bhushan**, for his constant support and guidance; and to the Dean I/c, Faculty of Law **Dr. Keshva Nand**, for the encouragement and institutional support extended towards this initiative. I also appreciate the dedicated efforts of the faculty members, student organizers, and volunteers whose commitment has made this competition possible.

I warmly welcome all the participating teams and wish them a rewarding, enriching, and memorable experience.

Dr. Legha Mamta
Convenor, Moot Court Committee

RULES AND REGULATIONS

2nd NATIONAL LEVEL TRIAL ADVOCACY COMPETITION, 2026

Organised by the Moot Court Committee

The Faculty of Law, The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh

I. INTRODUCTION

The 2nd National Level Trial Advocacy Competition, 2026 is being organised by the Moot Court Committee, The Faculty of Law, The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh.

The Competition is designed to provide law students with practical exposure to the trial court proceedings and to develop essential skills in advocacy, examination-in-chief, cross-examination, re-examination, objections, appreciation of evidence, case strategy, and the courtroom etiquette.

The Competition shall be conducted in a hybrid mode. The Preliminary and Octa-Final Rounds shall be conducted online, whereas the Quarter-Final, Semi-Final, Final Round and the Valedictory Ceremony shall be conducted physically at The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh.

II. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. **Administrator** means the Faculty of Law, The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh.
2. **Bench** means the judge or panel of judges invited to adjudicate any round of the Competition.
3. **Competition** means the 2nd National Level Trial Advocacy Competition, 2026.
4. **Organizers** means the Moot Court Committee, The Faculty of Law, The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh.
5. **Participating Institution** means the University, College, or Institution represented by a participating team.
6. **Participating Team** means a team that has successfully completed the registration process and has been confirmed by the Organizers.
7. **Team Code** means the unique code allotted to each participating team after successful registration.
8. **Trial Proposition** means the case problem released by the Organizers for the Competition.
9. **Written Submissions** means the written arguments submitted by the teams on behalf of the Prosecution and Defence.
10. **Witness** means the member of the team designated to depose as a witness during the trial proceedings.
11. **Clarification** means any explanation or response issued by the Organizers regarding the Trial Proposition or rules of the Competition.
12. **Draw of Lots** means the process used to determine side allocation, courtroom fixtures, or match-ups.

III. DATE, VENUE AND MODE

The Competition shall be conducted in two stages:

Stage I – Online Rounds

1. Preliminary Round
2. Octa-Final Round

Stage II – Offline Rounds

1. Quarter-Final Round
2. Semi-Final Round
3. Final Round
4. Valedictory Ceremony

The offline rounds shall be held at: **The ICPAI University, Himachal Pradesh Campus.**

IV. ELIGIBILITY

1. The Competition is open to the Students duly enrolled in a full-time Three-Year LL.B. Programme or Five-Year Integrated LL.B. Programme from any Institution recognized by the Bar Council of India or any competent authority.
2. Only one team from each Institution shall be allowed to participate.
3. The Organizers reserve the right to decide any issue relating to eligibility, and such decision shall be final and binding.

V. TEAM COMPOSITION

1. Each team shall consist of three members:
 - a. Two Counsels
 - b. One Witness
2. No change in team composition shall be permitted after registration without prior written approval of the Organizers.

VI. OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

1. The official language of the Competition shall be English.
2. All written submissions, oral submissions, witness examinations, and the official communications shall be in English.

VII. REGISTRATION

1. REGISTRATION PROCESS

1. Interested teams shall register through the official registration form circulated by the Organisers.
2. Registration through email or any other mode shall not be accepted unless expressly permitted by the Organizers.
3. The team shall mention the details of one member as the official Point of Contact.
4. All official communication shall be made through the registered email ID of the Point of Contact.

2. REGISTRATION FEE

CATEGORY	FEES
Online Preliminary and Octa-Final Rounds	₹3,000 per team
Offline Advanced Rounds without Accommodation	₹2,000 per team
Offline Advanced Rounds with Accommodation	₹4,000 per team

The Registration Fee is non-refundable.

3. ACCOUNT DETAILS

Account Name: The ICFAI University, Himachal Pradesh, **Account Number:** 50200027099633

Bank Name: HDFC Bank, **Bank Branch:** Baddi, **IFSC Code:** HDFC0000650

4. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

The following documents shall be uploaded along with the Registration Form:

1. Payment receipt or screenshot showing the successful transfer of the registration fee.
2. Authorization Letter issued by the participating institution, duly signed by the Head of the Institution/Dean/Competent Authority and bearing the official institutional seal, authorizing the team to participate in the competition.
3. Student Identity Cards of all team members.

5. WITHDRAWAL

If a team withdraws from the Competition after the registration, it shall not be entitled to refund of the registration fee or any other amount paid.

6. INCOMPLETE REGISTRATION

Incomplete forms, Incorrect Details, Missing Attachments, or Non-Payment of Fee shall Result in rejection of the Registration.

The Decision of the Organizers regarding registration shall be final and binding.

VIII. ALLOTMENT OF TEAM CODE AND ANONYMITY

1. After the successful registration, each team shall be allotted a Team Code.
2. Teams shall identify themselves only by their Team Code during the Competition.
3. The name, logo, seal, state, region, or any identifying detail of the Institution shall not be disclosed in written submissions, oral submissions, compendium, or during any round.
4. Violation of anonymity may attract penalty or disqualification.

IX. DRESS CODE

All the participants shall appear in the formal advocate attire, comprising a white shirt, black trousers, black blazer/coat, black tie, and black formal shoes, applicable uniformly to both male and female participants.

X. CLARIFICATIONS

1. Teams may seek clarifications regarding the Trial Proposition within the prescribed deadline.
2. Clarification requests shall be sent to: mcc_fol@iuhimachal.edu.in
3. The subject line shall be: Seeking Clarification – 2nd National Level Trial Advocacy Competition, 2026
4. Clarifications issued by the Organizers shall be shared with all participating teams.

XI. WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS

1. General Rules

- (i) Each team shall prepare Written Submissions for both sides:
 - a. Prosecution
 - b. Defence
- (ii) Written Submissions shall not contain any identifying mark except the Team Code.
- (iii) Any violation of anonymity may result in penalty or disqualification.

2. Submission Guidelines

- (i) Written Submissions shall be submitted in PDF format within the prescribed deadline.
- (ii) Each team shall submit two separate PDF files:
 - a. Prosecution Written Submission
 - b. Defence Written Submission
3. The file name shall be in the following format:
TC-XXP for Prosecution
TC-XXD for Defence
4. Each team shall submit five hard copies of the Written Submissions/Trial Briefs from each side, i.e., five copies on behalf of the Prosecution/Complainant and five copies on behalf of the Defence/Accused at the time of reporting.

XII. FORMAT OF WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS

1. STRUCTURE

The Written Submissions shall contain the following:

1. Cover Page
2. Table of Contents
3. List of Abbreviations
4. Index of Authorities
5. Statement of Jurisdiction
6. Statement of Facts
7. Issues Raised
8. Summary of Arguments
9. Arguments Advanced
10. Prayer

2. COVER PAGE

The Cover Page shall contain:

1. Team Code
2. Name and year of the Competition
3. Case title
4. Side represented
5. Forum before which the matter is placed

Suggested colour scheme:

Blue: Prosecution

Red: Defence

3. FORMATTING RULES

Paper Size: A4

Font: Times New Roman

Font Size: 12

Footnote Font Size: 10

Line Spacing: 1.5

Alignment: Justified

Margins: 1 inch on all sides

Citation Style: ILJ

Maximum Page Limit: 30 pages

4. PLAGIARISM

1. Written Submissions must be original.
2. A similarity index exceeding 20%, after standard exclusions, shall not be acceptable and may attract penalty or disqualification.

XIII. MARKING CRITERIA FOR WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS

Each Written Submission shall carry 100 marks.

SR. NO.	CRITERIA	MARKS
1	Originality of Thought	20
2	Knowledge of Facts and Law	20
3	Legal Analysis and Reasoning	15
4	Application of Procedural and Evidentiary Law	15
5	Research and Use of Authorities	15
6	Language, Structure and Grammar	10
7	Citation and Formatting	5
	Total	100

XIV. COMPENDIUM

1. Teams may submit a Compendium containing relevant case laws, statutory provisions, documents, and authorities relied upon during oral submissions.
2. Submission of Compendium is optional.
3. The Compendium shall not contain any identifying mark of the participating Institution.
4. If any identifying mark is found, the team may be penalized or disqualified.

XV. STRUCTURE OF ORAL ROUNDS

Each Trial Round may include the following components:

1. Opening Statement by the Prosecution
2. Opening Statement by the Defence
3. Examination-in-Chief of Prosecution Witness by the Prosecution
4. Cross-Examination of Prosecution Witness by the Defence
5. Examination-in-Chief of Defence Witness by the Defence
6. Cross-Examination of Defence Witness by the Prosecution
7. Final Arguments by the Prosecution
8. Final Arguments by the Defence

Note: Re-Examination of witnesses, if any, shall be subject to the discretion of the Bench.

The Bench shall have the discretion to regulate the manner, sequence, and duration of the proceedings.

XVI. GENERAL RULES FOR ORAL ROUNDS

1. Teams shall not raise issues that are not included in their Written Submissions.
2. The language of oral rounds shall be English.
3. Use of mobile phones, laptops, or electronic gadgets during rounds shall be prohibited unless permitted by the Bench.
4. The Participants may use bare acts, notes, printouts, and compendium, subject to anonymity rules.
5. The Teams shall not communicate with any external person during the rounds.
6. The decision of the Bench regarding marks shall be final and binding.

XVII. COMPETITION ROUNDS

The competition shall be conducted in five stages, beginning with the online rounds and culminating in the offline advanced rounds.

1. Preliminary Round – Online

All registered teams shall participate in the Preliminary Round.

2. Octa-Final Round – Online

The top 16 teams qualifying from the Preliminary Round shall advance to the Octa-Final Round.

3. Quarter-Final Round – Offline

The top 8 teams qualifying from the Octa-Final Round shall advance to the Quarter-Final Round.

4. Semi-Final Round – Offline

The top 4 teams qualifying from the Quarter-Final Round shall advance to the Semi-Final Round.

5. Final Round – Offline

The top 2 teams qualifying from the Semi-Final Round shall compete in the Final Round.

Note: The Advanced Rounds shall be conducted on a knockout basis.

XVIII. TIME LIMITS

A. Preliminary and Octa-Final Rounds

The Preliminary and Octa-Final Rounds shall be conducted **online**. The side to be represented by each team, i.e., **Prosecution or Defence**, shall be decided by **draw of lots** prior to the commencement of the respective round.

Each team shall be allotted a total time of **30 minutes**, which shall be divided as follows

1. **Opening Statement** – 6 minutes
2. **Examination-in-Chief** – 8 minutes
3. **Cross-Examination** – 8 minutes
4. **Final Arguments/Closing Arguments** – 8 minutes

B. Quarter-Final, Semi-Final and Final Rounds

The Quarter-Final, Semi-Final and Final Rounds shall be conducted **offline**. The time limits for these rounds shall be notified to the qualifying teams in due course.

Note: The Organising Committee reserves the right to provide **additional witnesses** for the Semi-Final and Final Rounds, if required. The details regarding such additional witnesses shall be intimated to the qualifying teams at the time of the **Advanced Rounds**.

Note: Exceeding the prescribed time limit may attract penalty at the discretion of the Bench.

XIX. MARKING CRITERIA FOR ORAL SUBMISSIONS

Each oral round shall carry 100 marks.

SR. NO.	CRITERIA	MARKS
1	Appreciation and Application of Facts	10
2	Application of Legal Principles	10
3	Use of Authorities and Precedents	10
4	Presentation Skills	10
5	Clarity and Structure of Arguments	10
6	Poise and Demeanour	10
7	Courtroom Etiquettes	10
8	Strategy and Time Management	10
9	Knowledge of Law	10
10	Response to Bench Questions	10
	Total	100

XX. MARKING CRITERIA FOR WITNESS EXAMINATION

Witness Examination shall carry 100 marks.

SR. NO.	CRITERIA	MARKS
1	Knowledge of Facts	20
2	Consistency of Testimony	20
3	Response during Examination-in-Chief	15
4	Response during Cross-Examination	15
5	Courtroom Conduct	10
6	Confidence and Composure	10
7	Relevance and Clarity of Answers	10
	Total	100

XXI. RESULT AND TIE-BREAKER

1. Qualification to the subsequent rounds shall be based on the scores obtained in the respective round.
2. In case of a tie, the team with higher Written Submission marks shall be given preference.
3. If the tie continues, the decision of the Organizers shall be final and binding.

XXII. DISQUALIFICATION AND PENALTIES

The following acts may attract penalty or disqualification:

1. Plagiarism.
2. Misconduct or misrepresentation.
3. Disclosure of institutional identity.
4. Scooting.
5. Use of unfair means.
6. Disrespect towards Judges, Organizers, volunteers, or participants.
7. Violation of dress code.
8. Non-appearance within 10 minutes of the scheduled round.
9. Violation of any rule or instruction issued by the Organizers.

XXIII. ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

1. Accommodation shall be provided only to those teams that have opted for accommodation and have qualified for the offline rounds. Such accommodation shall be provided for two days only, namely, on the date of arrival, i.e., one day prior to the commencement of the Competition, and on the first day of the Competition. Accommodation for the Second day of the competition shall be provided only to the teams qualifying for the Final Round, and teams not qualifying for the Final Round shall not be entitled to accommodation beyond the first day of the Competition.
2. Accommodation shall be provided on a sharing basis.
3. No independent accommodation shall be provided.
4. Accommodation shall be available only for registered team members.
5. Parents, Observers, Coaches, and Faculty advisors shall not be accommodated by the Organizers.
6. Teams opting for accommodation shall be provided breakfast and dinner as per the accommodation package.
7. Lunch and refreshments shall be provided during offline competition days.
8. The Organizers reserve the right to modify accommodation and food arrangements if necessary.

XXIV. GENERAL ETIQUETTE

1. Teams shall conduct themselves in a dignified and professional manner.
2. Teams shall not cause inconvenience to the Judges, Organizers, Volunteers, or other participants.
3. The Organizers reserve the right to take appropriate action against any unethical, unprofessional, or improper conduct.

XXV. INTERPRETATION OF RULES

1. In case of any ambiguity, the interpretation of the Organizers shall be final.
2. The Organizers reserve the right to amend, modify, or delete any rule at any stage of the Competition.
3. All decisions of the Organizers shall be final and binding on all participating teams.

❖ XXVI. TIMELINES ❖

EVENT	DATE
❖ Commencement of Registration	16 July 2026
❖ Last Date of Registration	15 September 2026
❖ Last Date for Seeking Clarification	18 September 2026
❖ Release of Clarification	21 September 2026
❖ Last Date for Submission of Soft Copy of Written Submissions	25 September 2026
❖ Online Preliminary Round	30 September 2026
❖ Online Octa-Final Round	01 October 2026
❖ Offline Inaugural Ceremony	17 October 2026
❖ Offline Quarter-Final Round	17 October 2026
❖ Offline Semi-Final Round	17 October 2026
❖ Final Round	18 October 2026
❖ Valedictory Ceremony	18 October 2026

❖ XXVII. PRIZES AND AWARDS ❖



WINNER

Cash Prize of ₹31,000

RUNNER-UP

Cash Prize of ₹21,000

BEST SPEAKER

Cash Prize of ₹3,000

BEST WITNESS

Cash Prize of ₹3,000

BEST WRITTEN SUBMISSION

Cash Prize of ₹3,000

Note: Certificates of participation shall be awarded to all participating teams. For the online rounds, certificates shall be issued in e-certificate format, whereas for the offline rounds, certificates shall be provided in physical form.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE



Dr. Keshva Nand
Dean I/c, Faculty of Law



Dr. Legha Mamta Ranjitsingh
Convener



Mr. Vishav Kishore
Co-Convener

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In Campus Accommodation

With academic activities round the clock, Students are required to live on the campus. There are separate Hostels for Girls. The Campus offers 24/7 Internet via WiFi. Also, Campus residence has a Common Hall namely the Multi-Purpose Hall for recreational purposes. Uninterrupted power supply is guaranteed during outages.

Medical and Security Facilities

A medical inspection room is set up on the University Campus. An ambulance is available for 24×7 for any emergency. The gated campus has security guards to safeguard and to stop any unauthorized outsiders entering into the Campus. CCTVs have been fixed in Administrative Building, Library Building, Academic Building and Students' residences to monitor any irregularities and anti-social elements.



Clean Campus

The ICFAI University stands out for its impeccably clean Campus, reflecting a commitment to environmental stewardship and Student well-being. The pristine surroundings create a conducive learning environment, showcasing the Institution's dedication to maintaining a hygienic and aesthetically pleasing space for all the members of the academic community. The entire Campus is a Zero Plastic Zone and dustbins have been placed at all strategical places, that are also segregated before disposal.

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The ICFAI University prepares the Students for the corporate world with the sports facilities. Fitness enthusiasts can find body-mind balance in a well-equipped gym. Popular sports like badminton, cricket, table tennis, and volleyball thrive on campus. The sports committee organizes regular events for physical relaxation and mental rejuvenation. In addition to sports, the Students Cultural Committee initiates cultural and intellectual programs, adding a holistic dimension to Student life.

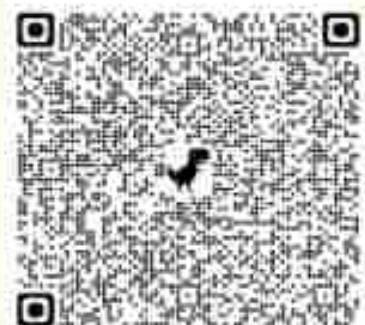
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