

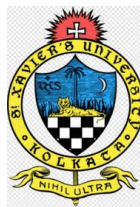
**SURANA & SURANA AND ST. XAVIER'S UNIVERSITY
TECHNOLOGY LAW
MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2025-26**

On Campus

Apr 16th - Apr 18, 2026

RULES

**Host &
Joint Organisers**



**Xavier Law School, St. Xavier's University
Kolkata**

**Professional Partner &
Joint Organiser**



**Surana & Surana International Attorneys
Chennai**

Venue

**Xavier Law School
St. Xavier's University
Action Area III B, New Town
Kolkata, West Bengal 700 160**



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RULES AND REGULATIONS

I. Aim & Purpose

The Surana & Surana and St. Xavier's University Technology Law Moot has been conceived with the aim to

- i. Create awareness on Technology Law in a systematic / scientific manner and train participants for effective practice.
- ii. Facilitate the evolution of Technology Law through the jurisprudential analysis of the existing law and consequential emergence of new laws besides developing cutting edge skills in research, writing and advocacy.

II. Venue and Date

The **Surana & Surana & St. Xavier's University Technology Law Moot Court Competition** shall be held on **Apr 16th to Apr 18, 2026 On Campus** Xavier Law School, St. Xavier's University, Action Area III B, New Town, Kolkata, West Bengal 700 160.

III. Language

The Competition shall be in the English language

IV. Eligibility

The competition is open for students who are pursuing LLB three-year / five-year course during the current academic year. One team per university / institution shall be eligible to participate.

V. Team Composition

- a. Each team should consist of a minimum of 2 and a 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 the prior permission of the court and Chief Administrator in case of illness of the designated speakers.
- c. Each team will **be provided a team code** prior to the submission of memorials via e-mail. This team code is to be used only for the soft copy of the memorials. Teams should not disclose the identity of their institution in their memorials; such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the Chief Administrator.



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VI. Registration

- a. Online registrations are open from **6th February 2026**. The teams must register online by **31st March 2026**. Teams will have to register online at www.moot.in
Only 30 teams will be allowed to register & participate in the competition on first-come-first server basis.
- b. No temporary registration requests will be entertained. Kindly refrain from sending such requests to Surana & Surana or Xavier Law School, Kolkata.
- c. Participants will receive an automated system-generated acknowledgement on successful submission of registration. Participants will receive an approval email as acceptance of their request for participation latest by **1st April 2026** or earlier.

d. *Registration Process*

Option 1 - The Registration form cum Approval letter as provided in the rules duly signed & sealed by your university / college / moot society.

Option 2 - Upload both (i) & (ii) together as a **single PDF**

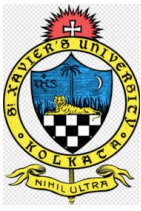
- i. The Registration form cum Approval letter (without seal & signature) as provided in the rules duly filled along with
- ii. Scanned copy of authorisation letter with sign and seal from your university / college / moot society

Or

An email communication from the official ID (to be filled as notification email ID during online registration process) of the institution, from your university / college / moot society to complete the registration process.

Note :

1. Signatories on the registration form should be any of the following :- Faculty- in-charge of MCA / MCS / MCC, Registrar, Dean, Principal, Director, Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor
 2. Registration without the scanned copy of the approval letter / an email communication from the college/institution/university or duly attested registration form will not be valid.
- e. There shall be no team cap for the number of institutes that wish to participate in the Competition.
 - f. Soft copy of the registration and approval letter/ an email communication as a **single PDF** to be sent by email to: suranaandsuranasxuk.mcc@gmail.com marked as **SURANA & SURANA AND ST. XAVIER'S UNIVERSITY TECHNOLOGY LAW MOOT COURT**



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COMPETITION - REGISTRATION as subject of the mail latest by **31st March 2026**. The provisional team code shall be allotted to the registered teams by Host University soon after receiving of registration particulars. **The Provisional team code is to be used for submission of only the soft copies of your memorials.**

g. The registration fees for the Competition is **Rs. 4,500/-** :

For accommodation each team will be charged with Rs. 700/- per person per day (for example, for a 3 member team it will be Rs. 2,100/- per day x 3 days = Rs. 6,300/- for the entire team.)

to be paid through the below provided Bank A/c details. Payment receipt of the same shall be sent by e-mail to suranaandsuranasxuk.mcc@gmail.com with the name of the institution as the subject of the mail latest by **31st March 2026**.

BANK ACCOUNT:-

Beneficiary Name:

ST. XAVIER'S UNIVERSITY KOLKATA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Branch IFSC Code: CNRB0019721

Account Number: 97212010001155

Bank Name: Canara Bank

Branch Name: St. Xavier's University Kolkata Rajarhat Campus Branch

h. In the event a team drops out of the competition or is disqualified, then the next team in line as per the registration data (when the registration exceeds beyond the permitted 30 teams) will be offered a chance to participate in the competition at short notice. Such teams will have to submit memorials to be eligible at least 3 days prior to the start of the competition.

VII. Clarifications

Clarifications on the moot proposition may be sought before **29th March 2026** with an email to ai@lawidia.com & copy to suranaandsuranasxuk.mcc@gmail.com

VIII. Orientation

There will be an Orientation Program for all the participants on **16th April 2026**. It will be followed by a draw of lots and exchange of memorials for the Preliminary Rounds. **Competition team codes and side will be allotted during the orientation only.**

IX. Rounds

There will be two Preliminary Rounds of arguments, an Octa Final, a Quarter Final, a Semi Final and a Final round. The organisers reserve the right to amend the schedule / rounds as per the number of participating teams.



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Octa final will be conducted if the participation exceeds **24 teams**

Quarter final will be conducted if the participation exceeds **16 teams**

Note : Schedule are subject to changes by the organisers

Preliminary Rounds

- a. There will be two Preliminary Rounds of arguments per team, one for the Petitioner and another for Respondent side.
- b. No team will be facing each other more than once in the Preliminary Rounds.
- c. Each team will face a different two-judge bench in their second round of arguments.
- d. Preliminary Rounds I & II will be held on **16th April 2026**
- e. The **top sixteen / eight teams** from the Preliminary Rounds will advance to the Octa / Quarter Final Rounds that will be decided on
 - i. Win points.
 - ii. Win points + Aggregate raw points.
 - iii. Win points + Aggregate raw points (in case of tie minus memorial marks)

NB : Aggregate raw points = oral scores + memorial score

Memorial marks will be added to the scores of the Preliminary Rounds only.

- f. The dress code shall be advocate's attire during the rounds of the competition
- g. The oral arguments need not be confined to the contents that are presented in the submitted memorials, subject to the issues be covered within the case data.

Octa Final / Quarter Final / Semi-Final Round & Final Round:

- a. Draw of lots / power match will decide the sides of the arguments in Octa Finals, Quarter Finals, Semi Finals & Finals. The Octa Finals / Quarter Finals / Semi Finals are knockout rounds.
- b. The Octa Finals, Quarter Finals & Semi Finals will be held on **17th April 2026**
- c. The Finals will be held on **18th April 2026**

X. Ex-Parte Rounds (Preliminary Rounds I & II)

- a. In case of last-minute withdrawal / internet connectivity issue of any team during the On Campus / Virtual Session, the other opposing team as per the competition fixture will present their case to the bench and will be scored.
- b. Refer above **Clause IX e**, Win points will not be applicable for this round.
- c. The Aggregate raw points (Oral scores + Memorial scores) of the team presented will be taken into records as valid.
- d. Qualifying teams advancing to Octa Finals (16 teams) / Quarter Finals (8 teams) - the team with at-least 1 Win point + maximum Aggregate raw points will qualify for the Advance



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round, subject to the **Top teams (16 / 8)** qualify with 2 Win points & 1 Win point with the higher Aggregate raw points.

XI. Results (Announcement)

Results will be announced within 30 minutes after the full completion of the respective Preliminary / Octa / Quarter / Semi-Final Rounds. The Final result and the winners of the various categories will be announced only during the valedictory / prize distribution ceremony.

XII. Memorial

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 (Petitioner and Respondent).
- b. The soft copy of the memorials for the Petitioner and Respondent should be mailed to suranaandsuranasxuk.mcc@gmail.com with copy to ai@lawindia.com on or before **3rd April 2026 latest by 11:59PM**
- c. Late submission will be penalised by two points for every 6 hours of delay for each memorial.
- d. Memorials submissions beyond a delay of **One day** will not be accepted, this will by default disqualify from participating in the competition.
- e. Once the memorials have been submitted, **no revisions, supplements or additions will be allowed.**
- f. The teams are requested to carry along **5 copies** from each side of the Memorials with them and submit the same during Registration on **16th April 2026**. **The participants should mention their Competition code only on the hard copy of the memorials. The Competition code would be allotted to all the teams through a draw of lots during the Orientation on 16th April 2026.**
- g. The memorials have to be submitted on typed A4 size paper printed on one side and must contain:
 - Cover Page
 - 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 1 page)
 - The Arguments Advanced (not more than 15 pages)
 - The prayer



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- h. The font size should be 12 (one & half space) and for footnotes it should be 10 (single space) & double space between two-foot notes. Footnoting must conform to the Oxford University Standard for Citation of Legal Authorities (OSCOLA), 4th edition.
- i. The memorials should be staple-bound or stitched. Any other form of binding shall not be accepted.
- j. The memorial must have a margin measuring one inch on all sides of each page.
- k. The page numbering should be on the top right side of each page.
- l. Covers must be placed on briefs as follows:
Petitioner: Light Blue Color Respondent: Light Red Color.
- m. Use of Cellophane sheets over the covers or inside will be penalised.
- n. The cover page of the memorial must state the following:
 - i. Team / Competition Code (on the top right corner) of soft / hard copy
 - ii. The cause title
 - iii. Identify brief as Petitioner & Respondent as is applicable
- o. Identity of the institution shall not be revealed anywhere in the memorial, both soft and hard copy. Violation of this provision shall result in penalties including disqualification. The Chief Administrator's decision shall be final.
- p. The teams may share a separate paper book (compendium) of not more than 50 pages, which will carry all the annexure and case laws that have been referred to in the memorial. The paper book will have a white cover. Any identifying marks / seal of the college / university shall attract severe penalties including disqualification. The Chief Administrator's decision shall be final.

XIII. Oral Round

Preliminary Round, Octa Final & Quarter Final Round

- a. Each team will get a total of 30 minutes to present their case which will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.
- b. The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a minimum of 10 minutes and maximum of 15 minutes per speaker (excluding the rebuttal time). Division of time shall be informed to the court officer before arguments begin.
- c. The oral arguments need not be confined to the contents that are presented in the submitted memorials, subject to the issues be covered within the case data.
- d. Passing of notes to the speakers by the researcher during the rounds is allowed subject to the discretion of the Judges.
- e. The attendance of the researcher at the time of the oral pleading rounds is compulsory.



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Semi-Final & Final Round

- a. Each team will get a total of 45 minutes to present their case which will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.
- b. The division of time is at the discretion of the team, subject to a minimum of 20 minutes and maximum of 25 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 contents that are presented in the submitted memorials, subject to the issues be covered within the case data.
- d. Passing of notes to the speakers by the researcher during the rounds is allowed subject to the discretion of the Judges.
- e. The attendance of the researcher at the time of the oral pleading rounds is compulsory.

XIV. Scouting

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

XV. Scoring

A. Orals

The parameters for judging the oral arguments 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 law.
- j. Ingenuity (ability to argue by analogy from related aspects of law)

B. Written Submission (Memorials)

- a. The memorials shall be marked on a scale of 0-100 points each.
- b. Any revisions, supplements, or additions to the memorials after submission shall attract severe penalties subject to the discretion of the Chief Administrator.
- c. Award of the points shall be based on the following parameters:
 - Neatness, legibility, no typographical errors or format errors



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- 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.

XVI. Awards

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| i. Winner | : Rs. 35,000/- |
| ii. Runner up | : Rs. 25,000/- |
| iii. Best Memorial | : Rs. 15,000/- |
| iv. 2 nd Best Memorial | : Rs. 10,000/- |
| v. Best Student Advocate | : Rs. 10,000/- |
| vi. 2 nd Best Student Advocate | : Rs. 5,000/- |

In addition to the above awards, plaques and certificates will be given to other categories of winners. All participants will be issued participation certificates.

XVII. Anonymity

- a. Student counsel may introduce her / himself to the court in the usual manner and may also state her/his names. However, the team's college / institution affiliation may not be mentioned at any time before the Valedictory.
- b. Further, all team members, coaches, advisors, and observers shall refrain from identifying a team's institution 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. Live Streaming of the Finals

The organisers will arrange for the live streaming of only the finals of the competition through YouTube, links be provided by Surana & Surana.

XV. Decision of the Judges will be Final & Binding



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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 Xavier Law School, Kolkata 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 Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai and Xavier Law School, Kolkata 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 and other platforms by Surana & Surana 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 to the competition venue for the teams availing accommodation will be provided by Xavier Law School, Kolkata.
- (b) Accommodation will be arranged only during the period of competition i.e., **15th April 2026 (12:00PM IST) till 18th April 2026 (06:00PM IST)**.
- (c) The accommodation fee is non-refundable
- (d) 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 **Annexure B** positively to send the scanned copy by 11:59 PM on **31st March 2026** via eMail to suranaandsuranasxuk.mcc@gmail.com
- (e) Extra members over & above the prescribed number will not be entertained and accommodated under any circumstances

Misbehaviour of any sort by the participants will be dealt very seriously and will lead to disqualification

XVIII. The Chief Administrator of the competition is **Mr. Preetam Surana**, Partner - Dispute Resolution & Head - Academic Initiatives, Surana & Surana International Attorneys.



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

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

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Xavier Law School, Kolkata
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Regarding Registration

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IMPORTANT DATES

Start of Online Registration	6th February, 2026
Last date for Online Registration	31st March, 2026
Last date for receiving copies of Reg. Form / Approval letter by Xavier Law School, Kolkata	31st March, 2026
Last date for seeking Clarification to the case	24th March, 2026
Release of Clarifications	26th March, 2026
Last date for Payment of Registration Fee	31st March, 2026
Last Date for submission of Travel Plans	31st March, 2026
Last Date for Submission of Memorials (both Petitioner and Respondent) Soft Copy by eMail with temporary Team code	3rd April, 2026
Submission of Memorials 5 (Five) hard copies each (both Petitioner - 5 & Respondent - 5) (No markings, Competition code to be mentioned)	16th April, 2026
Inaugural, Orientation, Draw of Lots, Exchange of Memorial and Preliminary Rounds I & II	16th April, 2026
Octa Finals / Quarter Finals, Semi Finals	17th April, 2026
Finals, Valedictory & Prize Distribution	18th April, 2026



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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 organisers, i.e., the Surana & Surana International Attorneys, Chennai and the Xavier Law School, Kolkata for any claim or dispute arising out of the further use and exhibition of these materials.

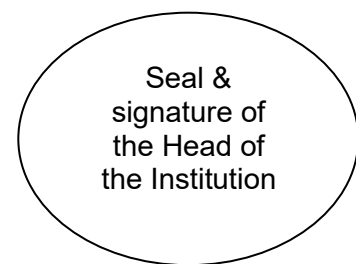
(All particulars must be given)

Name & Address of the participating Institution:

Notification Email:

Regd. Mobile #:

Name of the participant	Gender	Date of Birth	Course	Year / Semester	Signature



The participating team shall submit the form to the E-mail: suranaandsuranasxuk.mcc@gmail.com

The subject of the email must be "SURANA & SURANA and ST. XAVIER'S UNIVERSITY TECHNOLOGY LAW MOOT - REGISTRATION"



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TRAVEL PLAN (ANNEXURE B)

1. Name of Institution - _____
2. Team Code - _____
3. Arrival Details -
 - a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus _____
 - b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No. _____
 - c. Estimated Time of Arrival _____
4. Departure Details -
 - a. Mode of Arrival: Train / Air / Bus _____
 - b. Train No./Bus No./Flight No. _____
 - c. Estimated Time of Departure _____
5. Any other details:

NOTE: This travel form should be mailed at suranaandsuranasxuk.mcc@gmail.com by 11:59 PM IST on / before 31st March 2026