



IPR FACILITATION & RESEARCH CENTRE

at

**DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR NATIONAL LAW
UNIVERSITY, SONEPAT**

organizes the

NATIONAL IPR CASE ANALYSIS COMPETITION, 2025

in commemoration of

**75 YEARS OF INDIA'S CONSTITUTIONAL JOURNEY,
REFLECTING ON ITS LEGAL EVOLUTION AND THE
VISION OF VIKSIT BHARAT @2047**

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ABOUT DBRANLU



Dr. B.R. Ambedkar National Law University, Sonapat, established by the State Government of Haryana in 2019 through State Legislature Act No. 15, stands as a premier institution reflecting India's commitment to justice and constitutional values. Strategically located with excellent connectivity to Delhi, the University offers B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., and Ph.D. programmes, providing a comprehensive legal education that combines academic rigour with ethical and social awareness.

The University houses eleven specialised research centres, three dedicated cells, and a Legal Aid Clinic, fostering holistic legal education and community engagement. Its modern, eco-friendly campus integrates advanced facilities with inclusive design, embodying Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's vision of law as a means of social transformation

Through MoUs with institutions like V.V. Giri National Labour Institute, Institute of Constitutional and Parliamentary Studies, and the University of Waikato, New Zealand, the University promotes collaboration and global exposure. Guided by Hon'ble Chancellor Prof. Ashim Kumar Ghosh, Hon'ble Governor of Haryana, and Hon'ble Visitor Mr. Justice Bhushan Ramkrishna Gavai, Hon'ble Chief Justice of India, the University continues its pursuit of academic excellence and social relevance, offering aspiring legal scholars an ideal platform to shape a just and equitable society.

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MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR



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Prof. (Dr.) Devinder Singh

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor

**Dr. B.R. Ambedkar National Law University,
Sonapat**

It gives me immense pleasure to extend my heartfelt greetings to all participants, scholars, and distinguished guests engaging in this academic initiative focused on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and their growing significance in shaping India's innovation-driven future and the vision of Viksit Bharat @2047. This initiative marks an important step toward understanding the transformative role of IPR in fostering creativity, technological advancement, and economic development.

Over the years, India's IPR framework has evolved from a developing legal structure to a robust system that balances the rights of creators and innovators with the larger public interest. Through progressive legislation, judicial interpretation, and active policy measures, India has strengthened its commitment to protecting intellectual property while promoting accessibility, innovation, and sustainable growth.

This platform provides an invaluable opportunity for meaningful dialogue, research exchange, and interdisciplinary engagement on the evolving landscape of IPR in India. I am confident that the discussions and analyses will yield enriching insights into contemporary challenges such as digital innovation, AI-generated works, and global IP harmonization thereby inspiring thoughtful contributions toward India's growth as a knowledge-based economy.

I congratulate the organisers, faculty, and student community for their initiative and intellectual commitment in organizing this event. I extend my best wishes for its grand success and hope that it will deepen our collective understanding of the crucial role of Intellectual Property Rights in driving creativity, innovation, and national development in the pursuit of Viksit Bharat @2047.

MESSAGE FROM THE REGISTRAR



REGISTRAR

Prof. (Dr.) Ashutosh Mishra

Hon'ble Registrar

**Dr. B.R. Ambedkar National Law University,
Sonapat**

It gives me great pleasure to extend my warm greetings to all participants, scholars, and distinguished guests engaging in this academic initiative on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and their pivotal role in fostering innovation, creativity, and economic growth in pursuit of Viksit Bharat @2047. This initiative exemplifies our University's commitment to advancing academic excellence and providing a meaningful platform to explore the evolution and impact of IPR in shaping India's developmental and technological progress.

As Registrar, I take pride in our institution's ongoing efforts to promote scholarly research, interdisciplinary dialogue, and constructive engagement with emerging legal and policy issues. Over the years, India's IPR framework has evolved into a dynamic and balanced system that safeguards the rights of creators and innovators while supporting accessibility, fair competition, and national growth. By organizing this academic endeavour, we reaffirm our dedication to fostering an environment where innovation, research, and collaboration drive the vision of a knowledge-based and forward-looking India.

I am confident that the discussions and interactions emerging from this initiative will offer valuable insights into the strengthening of India's intellectual property ecosystem, inspiring participants to contribute meaningfully to the nation's innovation landscape and its journey toward Viksit Bharat @2047. I congratulate the organisers, faculty, and students for their commitment and diligent efforts in bringing this initiative to fruition, and I extend my best wishes for a successful and intellectually enriching event.

ABOUT IPRFRC



The IPR Facilitation and Research Centre at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar National Law University, Sonapat, is aimed at promoting innovative ideas for enriching research in unexplored and novel areas in the sphere of Intellectual Property Laws, and to provide a platform to students and researchers to engage in meaningful discourse and contribute to the evolving landscape of the IP regime.

The Centre endeavours not only to spread awareness about Intellectual Property Rights but also to actively facilitate individuals, communities, and organisations in protecting their intellectual creations.

It envisions fostering a culture of innovation and creativity by organising capacity-building programmes, workshops, and training sessions on various aspects of Intellectual Property Law. It also aims to engage in collaborative research with government bodies, academic institutions, and industry stakeholders to bridge the gaps between academic theory and practical enforcement of IPR.

The Centre remains committed to fostering a nuanced understanding of Intellectual Property Rights and their role in shaping the contours of innovations and public interest.



NATIONAL IPR CASE ANALYSIS COMPETITION



Conference Days
Nov 22, 2025 - Dec 06, 2025
(Detailed timeline to be shared shortly)

ABOUT THE CASE ANALYSIS COMPETITION

Case analysis competitions offer students a platform to apply theoretical legal knowledge to practical scenarios, thereby deepening their understanding of how law operates in real-world contexts. These competitions enhance analytical thinking, legal reasoning, and research skills, as participants are required to dissect complex legal problems, identify key issues, and present coherent, well-substantiated arguments. The preparation of written submissions further refines their drafting abilities, an essential skill for aspiring legal professionals.

Focusing on Intellectual Property Laws, the competition enables students to explore the legal frameworks that safeguard innovation and creativity through mechanisms such as patents, trademarks, and copyrights. This field's growing importance in the digital era equips participants with critical insights into how intellectual property fosters technological advancement and economic growth.

Moreover, the competition aligns with global efforts to promote innovation and protect creators' rights in line with international treaties and policy frameworks. By participating, students not only cultivate legal expertise but also contribute to advancing awareness of Intellectual Property Rights as a cornerstone of sustainable and knowledge-based development.

LIST OF CASES

PATENT ACTS

- VIFOR (INTERNATIONAL) LIMITED & ANR. V. MSN LABORATORIES PVT. LTD. & ORS. (2024)
CITATION-2024 SCC ONLINE DEL 784
LINK

TRADEMARK ACT

- PERNOD RICARD V. KARANVEER SINGH CHHABRA (LONDON PRIDE) (2025)
CITATION-2025 SCC ONLINE SC 1701
LINK

GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS ACT

- ASOCIACION DE PRODUCTORES DE PISCO A.G. V. UNION OF INDIA & ORS. 2025
CITATION-2025 SCC ONLINE DEL 4774 : (2025) 321 DLT 400
LINK

DESIGN ACT AND COPYRIGHT

- CRYOGAS EQUIPMENT (P) LTD. V. INOX INDIA LTD. & ORS.
CITATION- 2025 SCC ONLINE SC 780
LINK

RULES & REGULATIONS FOR THE CASE ANALYSIS COMPETITION

DEFINITIONS

- **“Case Analysis”** shall refer to a written analytical report prepared by participants, embodying the understanding, reasoning, and evaluation of a given legal issue or case.
- **“Evaluation Panel”** shall refer to the body of experts appointed to assess and score the case analyses submitted by participants.
- **“Organising Committee (OC)”** refers to the body of individuals appointed to oversee the planning, execution, and regulation of the competition.
- **“Participant”** shall refer to any individual duly registered for the competition.
- **“Submission”** shall refer to the case analysis provided by participants in accordance with the stipulated format and structure.

GENERAL RULES FOR THE COMPETITION

- **Eligibility:** The competition is open to all students currently enrolled in an undergraduate law program (either the 3-year LL.B. or the 5-year integrated LL.B. and LL.M. course) at any recognized institution within India.
- **Submission Format:** Entries must be submitted on an individual basis. Each participant is permitted only one submission.
- **Institutional Cap:** There is no limitation on the number of entries that may be submitted from any single institution.
- Participant must submit case analysis on any one of the given cases.

MODE OF COMPETITION

- The Competition shall be conducted entirely in online mode.
- All communications, and submissions shall be carried out through electronic means as prescribed by the OC.
- No physical rounds or in-person participation shall be conducted.

FORMAT OF THE CASE ANALYSIS

- **Word Limit:** 2,000 to 2500 words (excluding footnotes)
- **File Format:** PDF only
- **Font:** Times New Roman
- **Font Size:** 12 (main text), 10 (footnotes), 14 (headings)
- **Line Spacing:** 1.5 (main text), single (footnotes)
- **Margin:** 1 inch on all sides
- **Alignment:** Justified
- **Citation Format:** Bluebook 21st Edition

ORIGINALITY, PLAGIARISM AND USE OF ARTIFICIAL RESOURCES

- All submissions shall be original works of the participants. Plagiarism, including unattributed paraphrasing or reproduction of another's work, is strictly prohibited.
- A similarity index exceeding ten percent (10%) may attract penal consequences, including but not limited to disqualification.
- The use of generative artificial intelligence tools for the purposes of drafting, substantive editing, or content generation is strictly prohibited. However, the use of routine proofreading or formatting tools shall be permissible.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- **Language:** English only.
- **Originality and Plagiarism:** All submissions shall be original works of the participants. Plagiarism, including unattributed paraphrasing or reproduction of another's work, is strictly prohibited.
- **Similarity Index:** A similarity index exceeding ten percent (10%) may attract penal consequences, including but not limited to disqualification.
- **Use of AI:** The use of generative artificial intelligence tools for the purposes of drafting, substantive editing, or content generation is strictly prohibited. However, the use of routine proofreading or formatting tools shall be permissible.
- The Case analysis should be submitted in the PDF file (.pdf format), titled as “**CAC-2025_[TEAM CODE]**” along
- Each submission must be accompanied by a plagiarism report and an AI content detection report (generated through reliable tools such as Turnitin, Grammarly, or any equivalent software). Failure to submit these reports or exceeding the specified limits may attract penalties (deduction of scores) or disqualification, at the discretion of the OC.
- Each submission must include a combined Plagiarism and AI Content Detection Report in PDF format, titled as “**Report-CAC-2025_[TEAM CODE].**”
- No entries shall be accepted after forty-eight hours from the prescribed deadline for submission,

Note: The link for the submission will be sent to the participants via mail post registration.

ANONYMITY

- To guarantee impartiality and objectivity throughout the evaluation process, each participant shall be issued a unique team code [TC - xx] by the Organizing Committee (OC) prior to the submission of the case analysis.
- All communication, submissions, and references pertinent to participants or teams throughout the duration of the competition shall be conducted exclusively via the assigned team code. The inclusion of names, institutions, or any other identifying information is strictly prohibited in all documentation or correspondence related to this competition.
- The OC and the judging panel shall undertake all necessary measures to preserve the confidentiality of the participants' identities until the culmination of the competition, at which juncture the identities may be disclosed in a manner determined by the OC.
- Any breach of this anonymity clause, encompassing but not restricted to the unauthorized disclosure of names or institutional affiliations, may result in sanctions as deemed appropriate by the OC, which could include immediate disqualification from the competition.

DISCRETION TO BE EXERCISED BY THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

- The Organizing Committee (OC) reserves the exclusive authority to interpret these rules.
- Any circumstances not explicitly addressed by these rules shall be determined by the OC. All such determinations made by the OC will prioritize fairness and equality.
- Furthermore, all decisions rendered by the OC shall be considered final and binding.

CLARIFICATIONS

- Requests for clarification must be emailed to iprfc@dbbranlu.ac.in by using the subject “**Clarification – DBRANLU-CAC-2025 – [TEAM CODE].**”
- A consolidated clarification document binding on all participants will be released.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Sr. No.	Criteria	Marks
1.	Understanding of Facts and Issues	20 Marks
2.	Application of Law & Legal Principles	25 Marks
3.	Quality of Analysis & Reasoning	25 Marks
4.	Originality and Creativity of Solutions	15 Marks
5.	Clarity, Structure & Presentation	15 Marks

Note: The Participants would be marked out of 100.

PENALTIES

- The penalties shall be enforced as hereunder:

Sr. No.	Description	Range
1.	Incorrect formatting	-0.5 marks per instance (max -2 marks)
2.	Missing page numbers or improper submission	-2 marks each
3.	Exceeding Word/Page Limit	-1 mark per page
4.	Plagiarism	Up to 10% – 0 marks, 11-20% – 2 marks, 20-45% – 5 marks, 45-50% – 7 marks.
5.	Delay in submission per hour [max. 48 hours]	0.5 marks per hour

- The penalties listed above shall be deducted from the overall score of the participant at the discretion of the judging panel or the OC.

TIE RESOLUTION

- In the event of a tie in the scores assigned to two or more participants, the following tie breaking criteria shall be employed :
- The Judging Panel shall conduct a secondary evaluation of the tied submissions based on a comprehensive review of the legal reasoning and analysis;
- Should a tie persist, the judging panel shall deliberate collectively and render a final decision based on consensus.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- The implementation and interpretation of the rules regarding practice and procedures shall rest solely with the OC of the competition. The final decision on all matters shall be at the discretion of the OC.
- The copyright for the case analyses submitted by the teams shall vest with the IPR Facilitation & Research Centre, DBRANLU, Sonapat. Acceptance of this copyright assignment is a precondition for participation in the competition.
- Participants are required to strictly adhere to the rules governing the conduct of the competition; any deviations may result in penalties or disqualification at the sole discretion of the OC. The OC reserves the right to amend, alter, vary, or change the rules governing the competition in any manner. Such amendments will be communicated to the participants within a reasonable timeframe.

IMPORTANT DATES



**Release of Problem &
Registration
13 November 2025**



**Last date of Registration
25 November 2025**



**Last day for
Submission of Clarification
25 November 2025**



**Release of Clarification
26 November 2025**



**Last day of Submission
1 December 2025
Before 23:59 Hours IST**



**Declaration of Result
6 December 2025**

REGISTRATION DETAILS

- Teams are required to complete their registration on or before 25th November 2025 (23:59 Hours IST)
- Participants must provide the date of payment along with a screenshot of the transaction in the registration form. Only upon receipt of this information will the registration be deemed complete.
- Registration fees once paid are neither refundable nor transferable.
- Any changes in authorship will not be entertained after the submission of the registration form.
- Submission link will be forwarded to the registered e-mail IDs of the participants after registration fee payment is confirmed.
- Registration for the Competition shall be conducted by filling out the google form via the link : **REGISTRATION LINK**

- **Registration Fee Details:**

Fee Individuals Participants:

- Non-DBRANLU Students: Rs. 300/-
- DBRANLU Students: Rs. 250/-

- **Payment Details**

- Account Holder Name: REGISTRAR DBRANLU RAI
- Account Number: 50100156483861
- IFSC Code: HDFC0003433

PRIZES FOR THE COMPETITION

- The author/s of the Top 3 Case Analysis will receive a cash price as per the following scheme:

POSITION	PRIZES
WINNER	Rs. 3100/-
1 ST RUNNER UP	Rs. 2100/-
2 ND RUNNER UP	Rs. 1100/-

- All the participants will receive a Certificate of Participation.
- Furthermore, the authors of the Top 5 Case Analyses will also receive a Certificate of Merit.

**Note: All participants and winning teams shall be awarded e-certificates only, which shall be transmitted electronically to their registered email addresses. No hard copies of certificates shall be issued under any circumstances.*

ORGANISING COMMITTEE



PATRON IN CHIEF

Prof. (Dr.) Devinder Singh
Hon'ble Vice Chancellor

Professor (Dr.) Devinder Singh has a distinguished career that spans over 25 years. It is marked by his significant contributions to both legal scholarship and international education. He was recently invited to speak at the Conference on Clinical Legal Education, organised by the Global Alliance for Justice Education (GAJE) at Lazarski University in Warsaw, Poland, in July 2025.

He also presented a paper titled "Students' Perspectives & Reflections on Clinical Legal Education" at the 2nd Asia CLE Conference, held in Chiang Mai, Thailand, from May 26-28, 2023. Additionally, his presentation titled "Imperial resonance: The colonial legacy's imprint on India's constitutional rule of law" at the IACL Roundtable in Rome showcased his expertise on a global platform, thereby enriching the international discourse on governance. Dr. Singh's memberships and global affiliations reflect his impactful contribution to legal academia worldwide.



PATRON

Prof. (Dr.) Ashutosh Mishra
Hon'ble Registrar

Prof. (Dr.) Ashutosh Mishra has expertise in law, mediation, and public policy and has been an educationist with over 12 years of experience at the University of Delhi and DBRANLU, Sonapat. Trained in Global Academic Administration at the London School of Economics, he has organized three International Conferences in association with the Mediation and Conciliation Project Committee, Supreme Court of India, and contributed to policymaking with key ministries in India. His work has earned him notable honors such as the Global Prestige Award 2024 and the Soul of India Award 2023, presented at the UK House of Lords and Commons. He has also been invited as a Keynote Speaker on Mediation at the Singapore International Mediation Centre and by the Ministry of Law, Government of Singapore.

Dr. Mishra holds leadership roles on governance boards under the Government of India, including the Ministry of Defence and the Ministry of IT. He is an All India Member of the Kendriya Sainik Board and also a Member of the Cybersecurity Task Force, NIELIT India. Additionally, he has served as an Officer on Special Duty at the Delhi School of Public Policy. His extensive research supervision spans mediation, tribal affairs, and women's development, and his work has significantly influenced key legislative developments, including the Mediation Bill.

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All communication(s), queries, and update(s) to be communicated through the official mail ID.

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