

Ramaiah College of Law Moot Court Committee Regulations, 2021.

Preamble- The Ramaiah College of Law Moot Court Committee Regulations, 2021 intend to regulate the mooting and its allied activities in the College, in a just and fair manner while facilitating such activities in the best possible way.

Extent- These Regulations shall extend to all the students and the staff of the Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru. The provisions enshrined in this document shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the rules and regulations of the College for the time being in force and updated/modified thereafter.

CHAPTER- I

DEFINITIONS

1. **'College'** refers to the Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru.
2. **'Chairperson'** refers to the Principal of the Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru.
3. **'RCLMCC'** means the Ramaiah College of Law Moot Court Committee constituted under Chapter 2 of these Regulations.
4. **'Academic Year'** means the academic year starting in August every year till July in the successive year, subject to any notification made in the academic calendar of the College.
5. **'Notification'** means a notification issued by the RCL Moot Court Committee in addition to this Regulation according to the power under Regulation 11.4 of these Regulations.
6. **'Odd Semester'** means the semester stretching from August to January of each academic year.
7. **'Even Semester'** means the semester stretching from February to July of each academic year.
8. **'Student'** refers to the student of Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru.
9. **'Principal'** means the Principal of Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru.
10. **'Faculty Coordinators'** means the Faculty Coordinators in charge of the Moot Court Committee and all its activities as appointed by the Principal.
11. **'Student Coordinators'** means the student coordinators appointed according to Regulation 3 of these Regulations.
12. **"Committee"** means the Ramaiah College of Law Moot Court Committee.

CHAPTER- II

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Composition of the Committee- The Committee shall consist of a Chairperson, the Faculty Coordinators and the Student Coordinators.

2. Tenure of the Committee- The tenure of the Committee shall be for one academic year, post which, it shall be freshly constituted.

3. Composition of Student Coordinators- The Committee shall consist of the following members:

3.1 Convenor- One Convenor from the Final Year of the 5-Year LL.B. course.

3.2 Co-Convenor- Two Co-Convenors from the Fourth Year of the 5-Year LL.B. course.

3.3 Treasurer- One Treasurer from the Fourth Year of the 5-Year LL.B. course.

3.4 Secretary- Two Secretaries from the Third Year of the 5-Year LL.B. course.

3.5 Junior Members- Two members from each section of the First Year and the Second Year of the 5-Year LL.B. course.

3.6 At no point should the total effective membership of the Committee fall below 14 members.

3.7 Additional Members may be inducted at the discretion of the Faculty Coordinators in consultation with the Chairperson of the Committee.

3.8 In case of termination of a member, the Committee shall induct a new member as expeditiously as possible.

4. Eligibility Criteria for the Members- All the students of the Ramaiah College of Law are eligible to become members of the Committee subject to the following criteria:

4.1 All the students of the Fifth Year of 5-Year LL.B. course, who have participated in a minimum of two National/International Moot Court Competitions shall be eligible for the post of Convenor.

4.2 All the students of the Fourth Year of 5-Year LL.B., who have participated in a minimum of two National/International Moot Court Competitions shall be eligible for the post of Co-Convenors and Treasurer.

4.3 All the students of the Third Year of 5-Year LL.B., who have participated in a minimum of one National Moot Court Competition shall be eligible for the post of Secretaries.

4.4 All the students of the Second Year of 5-Year LL.B. and the First Year of 5-Year LL.B. shall

be eligible for the post of Junior Members.

4.5 The preference will be given to the students who have diligently assisted in the organization of programs/competitions organized by the Moot Court Committee.

4.6 A minimum of 70% attendance shall be mandatory to hold any position mentioned under Regulation 3 of these Regulations.

5. Selection of the Members- There shall be a Selection Committee consisting of the Faculty Coordinators who will take the initial screening of the students based on the criteria mentioned under Regulation 4 of this Regulation.

5.1 The Chairperson, in consultation with the Faculty Coordinators, shall appoint the Student Coordinators as per Regulation 3 of these Regulations.

5.2 The decision of the Chairperson and the Faculty Coordinators as provided shall be final and binding.

6. Removal of a Member- A member under Regulation 3 of this Regulation may be removed from their position if the member is found to be functioning unsatisfactorily or is involved in any such activities that warrant a suspension accordingly. The decision of the Faculty Coordinators in consultation with the Chairperson shall be final in this regard.

7. Resignation from Membership- A member may resign by sending a resignation letter to the Chairperson; provided that the acceptance of such resignation would be subject to the approval of the Chairperson.

8. Effect of Removal- A member removed from the office according to Regulation 6 of this Regulation shall no longer be a part of the Committee and must immediately stop exercising all official powers and functions thereof. Such member shall not represent the Committee in any way thereafter and the removal shall be kept on record.

9. Primary Functions of the Committee: The Committee shall perform the following primary functions:

9.1 The Committee shall organize an annual Intra-Moot Court Competition to select teams that shall represent the College in various National and International Moot Court Competitions.

9.2 The Committee shall take initiatives for the development of mooting and its allied activities in the College.

9.3 The Committee shall organize National and International Moot Court Competitions inviting participation from other universities. Such competitions shall include those which are hosted by the College independently and those hosted in association with other agencies.

9.4 The Committee shall maintain the annual reports for the record. The Co-conveners shall

submit to the Faculty Coordinators an annual report stating the performance of the College in various moot court competitions and the performance of the Committee in general.

9.5 The Committee will prepare a separate set of rules and regulations for organising the moot court competitions mentioned under these Regulations.

10. Fiscal Functions of the Committee- The Committee will prepare an annual budget of all financial expenses to be incurred during an academic year. The records of such expenses shall be maintained by the Treasurer.

11. Powers of the Committee- The Committee shall enjoy the following powers:

11.1 The Committee shall have the sole authority to regulate all mooting and its allied activities of the College.

11.2 It shall be the sole discretion of the Committee to select the moot court competitions in which the College may participate. At the beginning of every academic year, the Committee shall compile a list of all the major upcoming moot courts competitions in which the College may participate.

11.3 If a team expresses their interest to participate in a moot court competition that has not been listed in the calendar of upcoming moots and brings this to the notice of the Committee, they may be allowed to do so at the discretion of the Committee. The decision of the Committee shall be final in this regard.

11.4 The Committee shall have the power to issue notifications under the name of the Moot Court Committee from time to time as approved and signed by Faculty Coordinators.

12. Restrictions on the Committee Members - No member participating in the Intra-Moot Court Competition shall be associated with the organising committee of the Intra-Moot Court Competition in any capacity other than that of a participant.

13. Duties of the Committee- It shall be the duty of the Committee to ensure transparent, fair and non-arbitrary execution of all its functions enshrined under these Regulations.

14. Committee Meetings- The Committee shall ordinarily conduct a meeting for members from time to time. Attendance in such meetings shall be compulsory for the members.

15. Quorum of the Meeting- The quorum of the aforementioned meetings shall be no less than 2/3 of the total strength required to be present for that meeting.

16. Procedure for Convening the Meeting- All meetings shall be convened with reasonable prior notice to all the members and shall be presided over by the Convenor and/or by the Faculty Coordinators.

16.1 It shall be the responsibility of the Secretaries to ensure that every member has been

notified about such a meeting.

16.2 The Secretaries must maintain the minutes of the meeting which are to be signed and verified by the Convenor/Faculty Coordinators and kept on record.

CHAPTER- III

ALLOCATION OF COMPETITIONS

17. Representing the College in National Moot Court Competitions- The participation of all the students of the Ramaiah College of Law in the National Moot Court Competitions and other allied competitions shall be regulated by the provisions of this Chapter.

17.1 The Moot Court Committee shall organize the Intra-Moot Court Competition annually for selecting students to represent the College in various National Moot Court Competitions and other allied competitions as notified by the Committee.

17.2 To organise an Intra-Moot Court Competition, the Committee shall issue a notification along with the moot problem and the rules of the competition.

17.3 The selection of the students shall take place according to their ranking in the Intra-Moot Court Competition organised by the Committee.

17.4 The students shall represent the college in the competitions subject to the approval of the Moot Court Committee in consultation with the Faculty Coordinators.

17.5 Within a week from the issue of the notification for the Intra-Moot Court Competition by the Committee, any student member of the College who wishes to participate in the competition shall form a team of their choice and register for the competition in the manner prescribed in the notification.

17.6 Each team shall comprise a maximum of three members of whom, two shall be the oralists and one shall be the researcher.

17.7 Once a team has registered for the Intra-Moot Court Competition, they shall not be allowed to change the composition of the team except under exceptional circumstances, subject to the discretion of the Faculty Coordinators.

17.8 Once a team has registered for the intra-moot court competition they shall not be allowed to withdraw from the competition. In the event of any such withdrawal, the team may be barred from participating in any other competitions in that academic year.

17.9 The allocation for the National Moot Court Competitions shall take place as per the provisions of Regulation 19.

18. Representing the College in International Moot Court Competitions- The participation of

all the students of the Ramaiah College of Law in the moot court competitions and other allied competitions at the International level shall be regulated by the provisions of this Chapter.

18.1 The Moot Court Committee shall organize a separate Intra-Moot Court Competition annually for selecting students to represent the College in various moot court competitions and other allied competitions at the International level as notified by the Committee.

18.2 To organise the Intra-Moot Court Competition for International Competitions, the Committee shall issue a notification along with the moot problem and the rules of the Competition.

18.3 The selection of the students shall take place according to their ranking in the Intra-Moot Court Competition.

18.4 The students shall represent the college in International Moot Court Competitions subject to the approval of the Moot Court Committee in consultation with the Faculty Coordinators.

18.5 Within a week from the issue of the notification for the Intra-Moot Court Competition by the Committee, any student member of the College who wishes to participate in the Intra-Moot Court Competition, shall form a team of their choice and register for the competition in the manner prescribed in the notification.

18.6 Each team shall comprise a minimum of three and a maximum of five members in total.

18.7 Once a team has registered for the Intra-Moot Court Competition, they shall not be allowed to change the composition of the team except in exceptional circumstances subject to the discretion of the Faculty Coordinators.

18.8 Once a team has registered for the Intra-Moot Court Competition they shall not be allowed to withdraw from the competition. In the event of any such withdrawal, the team may be barred from participating in any other competitions in that academic year.

18.9 The allocation for the International Moot Court Competitions shall take place as per Regulation 19.

19. Allocation of Competitions- The Moot Court Committee shall publish separate rank lists for the Intra-Moot Court Competition for the 'National Competitions' and the Intra-Moot Court Competition for the 'International Competitions'. The teams shall be allowed to apply for a maximum of TWO competitions in an Academic Year, including the National and the International Competitions.

Provided that one out of the two of the competitions chosen by the team must be a National Competition.

19.1 Once a team chooses the competition it wishes to participate in, the team shall submit an application in writing, signed by all the members of the team to the Convenor of the Moot Court

Committee.

19.2 On receipt of such application, the Convenor in consultation with the Faculty Coordinators shall grant a provisional letter of approval to the team to participate in the National/International Moot Court Competition.

20. Screening Process- One week before their scheduled departure, the teams who have been granted the provisional approval under Regulation 21 have to undergo a screening process before a panel constituted by the Faculty Coordinators.

20.1 If the panel so constituted finds that the preparation of the team is inadequate and that the team is not in a position to compete effectively in the said competition, the panel may revoke the provisional approval.

20.2 In such circumstances no other team shall be allowed to take part in that competition.

20.3 The decision of the panel shall be final and binding in this respect.

20.4 The panel shall also give their feedback in writing to the team and the Moot Court Committee.

21. Final Approval for Participation- Upon receiving approval from the panel, the team shall approach the Moot Court Committee and obtain a certificate of approval from the Committee to participate in the said competition.

22. Withdrawal from or Cancellation of an Allotted Competition- A team who has been allotted the National/International Moot Court Competition under Regulation 21 shall not be allowed to withdraw from the said competition.

22.1 In case of any such withdrawals, the team may be barred from participating in any other competitions in that academic year.

22.2 Provided that if there is reasonable ground to believe that the withdrawal from the said competition is due to no fault on the part of the team, the team may be allowed to participate in other competitions, subject to the discretion of the Faculty Coordinators.

22.3 If the competition allotted to a team is cancelled from the part of the organizers, the Faculty Coordinator shall have the discretion to allot any other competition to the team for that Academic Year.

23. Disciplinary Action: The provisions of the Regulations shall be followed by the Committee in all circumstances and for all purposes relating to the functioning of the Moot Court Committee.

23.1 Any student who takes part or attempts to take part in any National/International Moot Court or allied competition in violation of any of the provisions of this Regulations shall be

subject to strict disciplinary action by the Chairperson.

CHAPTER- IV

AID AND ASSISTANCE

24. Aid and Assistance for students participating in any National Moot Court or other allied Competitions: The students representing the college in any National Moot Court or other allied Competitions will be reimbursed the expenses incurred for registration, memorial and travel, based on their performance in the respective moot court competitions. For availing the reimbursement, the team should submit an application to the Chairperson to be forwarded through the Faculty Coordinators. The allotment of the reimbursement shall be as follows:

Runner Up/Winners	Registration Fee + 100% of the expenses incurred
Semi-Finalists	Registration Fee + 75% of the expenses incurred
Best Memorial	Registration Fee + 50% of the expenses incurred
Quarter-Finalist/Preliminary Round	Registration Fee only

24.1 For the purpose of calculating reimbursement, 'expenses incurred' means travel expenses incurred for to and fro 'sleeper class train tickets'.

24.2 The memorial charges will be paid at the rate of Rs.1/- per page for printing and Rs. 50/- per copy for binding. No reimbursement for the compendium shall be given, except in exceptional circumstances to be recorded in writing with the approval of the Chairperson.

25. Aid and Assistance for students participating in any International Moot Court or other allied Competitions: The students representing the college in any International Moot Court or other allied Competitions will be reimbursed the expenses according to this Regulation. For availing the reimbursement, the team should submit an application to the Chairperson to be forwarded through the Faculty Coordinators.

25.1 Students representing the College in the Moot Court Competitions happening outside India shall be given a full reimbursement of the registration fee.

25.2 For the students who are representing the College in International Competitions, the

expenses incurred for travel may be reimbursed only if the student has qualified for the International Rounds. The expenses incurred for accommodation and memorial charges will be borne by the students themselves.

26. Students representing the College in any National or International Moot Court Competition may be assigned a Faculty-in-Charge for the sole purpose of guiding the teams.

CHAPTER- V

GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL

27. **Grievance Redressal:** Any student of the College who has a grievance regarding the decisions of the Committee may bring it to the notice of the Faculty Coordinators in writing.

27.1 The Faculty Coordinators shall be responsible to address such grievances and take the appropriate decision.

27.2 The final authority in such cases shall be the Chairperson of the Committee and the decision of the Chairperson shall be final and binding in all matters relating to the working of the Committee.

CHAPTER- VI

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

28. **Amendments-** All the provisions in this Regulations can be amended by the Faculty Coordinators with the assent of the Chairperson.

29. **Residuary Clause-** The residuary power concerning any matter/issue/rule not enumerated in the Regulations of the Moot Court Committee lies with the Faculty Coordinators with the assent of the Chairman.