## DR. AMBEDKAR COLLEGE, DEEKSHABHOOMI, NAGPUR, DEPARTMENT OF LAW ACADEMIC SESSION 2021-22

## SMCA IN-HOUSE MOOT COURT COMPETETION 2022

NAME OF PROGRAMME	IN-HOUSE MOOT COURT COMPETETION 2022
DATE AND DAY:	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2022, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
TIME:	Prelims and Semi-final round: 3.00 pm to 5. Pm.
	Final round: 11.00 am to 12.30 pm
VENUE:	Virtual Google meet link for Prelims and Semi round and
	Zoom link for Final round
ZOOM MEET LINK FOR	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89931109892?pwd=
FINAL ROUND	tzlktxrjbtlmmnnld05nbgu0muf3qt09
PROGRAM SUPERVISOR:	Dr. Mrs. Varsha Deshpande



## IN HOUSE MOOT COURT COMPETITION

Dr. Ambedkar College, Deekshabhoomi, Nagpur Department of Law Students' Moot Court Association



## **NOTICE**

The Students' Moot Court association is organizing, the 1st Virtual In-house Moot Court Competition from 3rd to 5th March, 2022. The link for registration is provided at the end of this notice. Further instructions will follow in due time. For any questions and queries regarding the same, contact any of the SMCA Core Committee members.

Registration Form Link:

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The Department of Law of Dr. Ambedkar College, Deekshabhoomi, Nagpur through its student's committee SMCA (Students' Moot Court Association) conducted the second event of the year with the 'In-house Moot Court Competition' virtually on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022. With the moot proposition being released nearly one month prior to the competition it was a matter of immense pride for SMCA that the competition received such overwhelming participation from the students of BA. LLB 5 Years programme and LLB 3 Years programme. All the necessary arrangements were efficiently made by the SMCA Core Committee and Faculty-In-Charge.

Adv. Patil drafted the moot problem that was related to Article 14 of the Constitution. As per the tradition, the moot proposition was based on civil law. The participants were expected to apply their knowledge on writ law and Constitutional law mainly. The main theme of this year's proposition was the non-renewal of employment contracts. Just as the committee members, the students showed great enthusiasm in actually participating and also in assisting the SMCA by taking up responsibilities of being courtroom officers, heads, team coordinators, etc. The result was that the competition saw great participation with 36 students split into 12 teams and arguing in 3 Courtrooms. The moot court was conducted in three rounds, viz. preliminary, semi-final and final. This took place in three consecutive days.

The Preliminary round was conducted on 3<sup>rd</sup> March from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm. The college was lucky to have six eminent judges gracing the occasion. Each courtroom had two judges. In courtroom A, judges Adv. Rahul Dhande and Adv. Gayatri Diwe presided. Courtroom B was graced by Adv. Richa Inamdar Tiwari and Adv. Onkar Ghare. Courtroom C was headed by Adv. Nidhi Dayani and Adv. Vikrant Vishwarupe. All participants showcased their arguments before their respective judges in various courtrooms. Every issue presented by the teams seemed so realistic and relatable that it actually made a commoner think about the facts. Moreover, the enthusiastic participation was highly impressive and the results showed that there was neck to neck competition. Post this round, the results were declared on the same evening. The qualifying teams B, D, H, and I were congratulated by everyone including the faculty in charge Mrs. Vaishali Sukhdeve and Mrs. Sarika Kamdi.

The Semi-finals took place the next day i.e., March 4th wherein the four teams argued in two courtrooms. The proficient judges for the semi-finals comprised of Adv. Vivek Awchat, Adv. Preeti Rane in one courtroom and Adv. Rahul Kishnani and Adv. Prakash Tiwari in the other. With the students' mooting skills at their best, there were intense arguments and great courtroom etiquette which proved to be great learning experience for the attendees. This time, the qualifying teams were faced with tougher and more technical questions, all of which they

faced to their best ability. Similar to the earlier day, this day too saw its conclusion with the result declaration. Teams B and H were declared winners and would be arguing against each other on the next day.

March 5<sup>th</sup> dawned with the finality of the competition. It was conducted on Zoom and was attended by students, members of the SMCA and the faculty members. The final round was adjudged by the esteemed panel comprising of Adv. Wilson Mathew and Adv. Ranjan Deshpande. The judges posed intense questioning to the speakers, still the teams showed great confidence and team spirit, they presented their arguments so immaculately that the decision was rather difficult. The competition was cut-throat with both the teams putting their best foot forward to answer the judges, who posed questions and counter-arguments to them. The final round was witnessed by more than 190 participants from different semester of LLB 3 years and 5 years course.

On March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the day everyone has been waiting for the results. The same was announced by the Head of the Department, Prof. Dr. Mrs. H.V. Menon. Team B (Ms. Sanika Duragkar; Ms. Stuti Salodkar and Ms. Sakshi Rathi) was adjudged as the Winner of the 1<sup>st</sup> Inhouse Moot Court Competition, 2022, followed by Team H (Ms. Unnati Bobde; Ms. Gayatri Khaire and Ms. Neha Sayre) as the Runner up. The Best Researcher was bagged by Ms. Neha Sayre and the Best Mooter was won by Mr. Shrikant Karmalkar. Team H (Ms. Unnati Bobde; Ms. Gayatri Khaire and Ms. Neha Sayre) was awarded the Best Memorial. Winners of all categories will be awarded with certificates and prizes on a date scheduled for the near future.

All the rounds were supervised by Dr. Varsha Deshpande and Faculty-In-Charge Mrs. Vaishali Sukhdeve and Ms. Sarika Kamdi provided constant support, supervision and assistance throughout the competition.

The ceremony ended with the faculty congratulating all the winners and realizing the efforts of other participants too. A message of encouragement and perseverance was given to all. The SMCA which is presided over by Miss. Sonia Shrinivasan was also lauded for their commendable efforts. The In-house Moot Court of 2022 was a massive success and hopefully, an inspiration for the future members to keep the competition running.

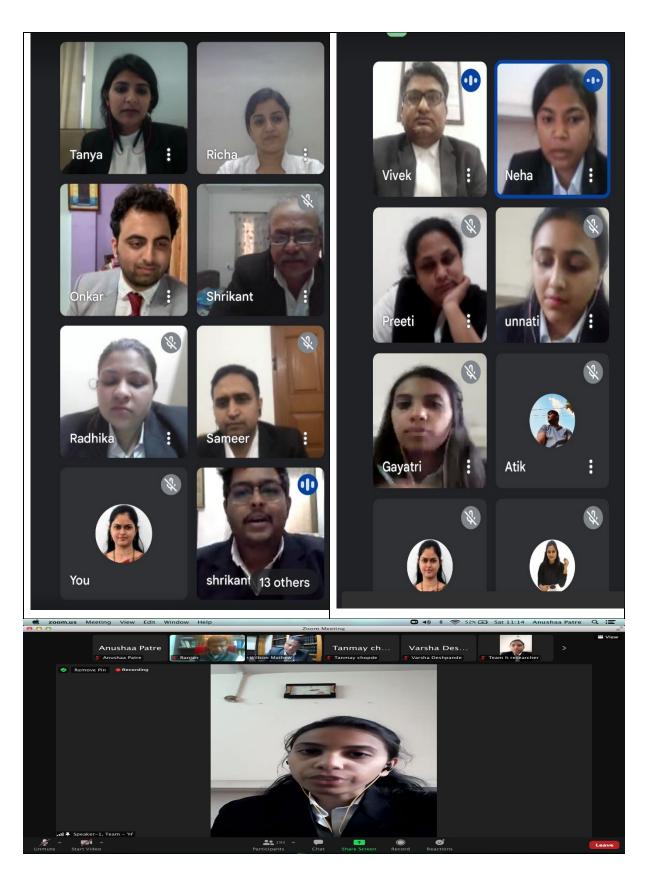




Preliminary round Judges, Adv. Richa Inamdar and Adv. Onkar Ghare putting questions to the Mooters and Researcher in one of the Virtual Courtroom.



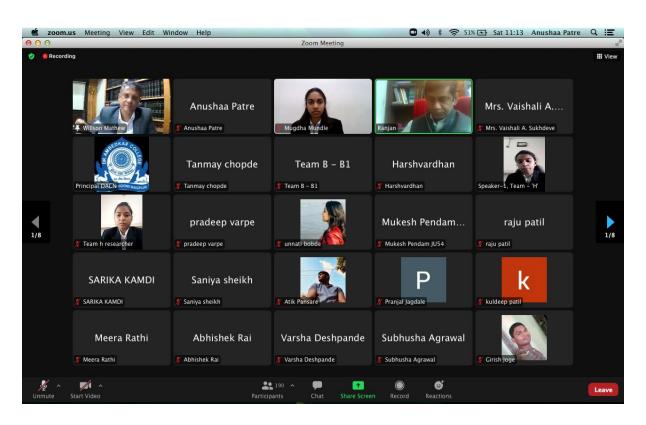
Adv. Preeti Rane and Adv. Vivek Awchat, judges of Semi- Final round listening to the arguments advanced by the speakers from respective Teams



Glimpses of Speakers and Researchers of different teams answering the questions posed to them by the Judges in different courtrooms.



Judges of Final Round Adv. Wilson Mathews and Adv. Ranjan Deshpande hearing the arguments of Respondent- Speaker 2 from Team H on 5<sup>th</sup> March



Participants witnessing the Final round of Moot court competition virtually through Zoom link on  $5^{th}$  March 2022