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FIRST NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION

9th to 11th JULY 2026

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 BSOLS, Choondy, Edathala, Aluva, Kochi, Kerala 683112

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in the field of
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About **BSOLS**

Bharata Mata School of Legal Studies (BSOLS), Choondy, Aluva established in 2013, which is affiliated with M.G University, Kottayam and approved by Bar Council of India, New Delhi is committed in nurturing and developing highly qualified legal professionals who are passionate about their field of study. It was established by Bharata Mata College Educational Trust owned and managed by the Archdiocese of Ernakulam-Angamaly.

BSOLS offers three undergraduate programmes namely 5-year Integrated BA LLB, BBA LLB, B.Com LLB and Unitary LLB. It offers Post Graduate LLM Degrees in three different streams viz, Commercial Law, Criminal Law & Maritime law.

Over the decade, the college has made remarkable growth in the academic field and its performance and results have been commendable. Over the past ten years, BSOLS has evolved into a vibrant community of scholars, educators, and aspiring legal professionals.

The College maintains high standards of academic excellence and continues to produce graduates who make valuable contributions to the legal field with its strong commitment towards the society and nation. We have the highest enrolment rate in Kerala.



About **BSOLS Moot Court Society**

At Bharata Mata School of Legal Studies, we take immense pride in our vibrant and spirited mooting culture, where advocacy comes alive beyond the classroom.

We believe mooting is the heartbeat of legal education—shaping sharp thinkers, confident speakers, and fearless advocates. Through intensive research, persuasive drafting, and powerful courtroom simulations, our students experience the true essence of law in action, transforming theory into compelling argument and practice.

We actively mentor and train our students to compete at National and International Moot Court Competitions, guiding them with dedication and expertise. Through workshops, internal rounds, and continuous skill-building, we nurture professionalism, confidence, and courtroom excellence. At Bharath Mata School of Legal Studies, we do not just prepare law students—we shape future-ready legal professionals prepared to lead and succeed.



Our Patrons



Fr. Dr. Joshy Puthuva
Executive Director



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01	ATHUL KRISHNA B	CONVENOR	→
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08	SNEHA GANGADHARAN	EXECUTIVE MEMBER	→

Important Dates

5th June 2026

**Last date of Online
Registration**

**Last date for submission
of Travel Plans**

20th June 2026

25th June 2026

**Submission of
Memorials (Soft copy)**

**Submission of
Memorials**

09th July 2026

09th July 2026

**Researcher's
Test**

**Orientation, Draw of Lots
Exchange of Memorials**

09th July 2026

10th July 2026

**Preliminary Rounds 1 & 2
and Quarter Finals**

**Semi Finals, Finals
Valedictory &
Prize Distributon**

11th July 2026

RULE BOOK

These rules shall be called the BSOLS National Moot Court Competition Rules.

DEFINITIONS

- **"Competition"** means the BSOLS National Moot Court Competition.
- **"Compendium"** means a compilation or collection of legal or other authorities that a Team seeks to rely upon during the Oral Pleading Session
- **"Memorial"** means the written submissions submitted by each team.
- **"Organizer"** means Bharata Mata School of Legal Studies.
- **"Organizing Committee"** means the committee constituted by the organizer for conducting the moot court competition
- **"Team"** means a group of participants representing a recognized institution.

ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to law colleges, law departments and law universities recognized by the BAR Council of India. Participation is limited to undergraduate students in law, both in the 3 year and 5 years presently undergoing. **Number of teams from an institution is not restricted.**

TEAM COMPOSITION

Each team shall comprise a minimum of two members and a maximum of three members. In a Team comprising three members, two members shall be designated as Orators and the third member shall be designated as a Researcher. In a Team comprising two members, both the members shall be designated with the role of counsel and co - counsel. The requirement of having two speakers in the competition is a must, any team not fulfilling this criterion will be ineligible to participate in the said competition.

REGISTRATION

Each team shall provisionally register for the competition through this link: <https://forms.gle/T4PmdVJ9haXjgaLL6>

- A registration fee of Rs. 3,000/- without accommodation and Rs. 8,000/- with accommodation and transportation shall be paid by the participating teams. The registration fee once paid shall not be refunded.
- The last date for provisional registration is 5th June 2026.
- After the deadline for the provisional registration expires, the organizers shall respond to each provisionally registered team with a unique team code, which shall be used to identify the teams during the competition.
- Any changes in the contact details of Team members must be notified to the Organizing Committee at the earliest. This obligation to inform, shall continue throughout the course of the Competition, unless such a Team withdraws or is disqualified from the Competition.
- No alteration in the team composition shall be permitted after the receipt of the registration form, except at the sole discretion of the Organizing Committee. The decision of the Organizing Committee shall be final in this regard.

• The following are the details of the bank account for payment of registration fees:

Bank Name: The Federal Bank Ltd.

Account Name: Bharata Mata School of Legal Studies

Account Number: 16920100088674

IFSC Code: FDRL0001692

Branch Name: Chunangamveli



LANGUAGE

The official language of the competition shall be English.

MEMORIAL

The following requirements for memorials must be strictly followed. Non-conformities will be penalized.

- Each team must prepare memorials for both parties in the dispute.
- **All teams must send via email the soft copy of their memorials for evaluation by 25th June 2026 latest by 11.30pm, which must be a 'pdf file extension', to the official mail id mootcourtsociety@bsols.edu.in. Name of the pdf file should be given as Team Code. The cover page of the Petitioner memorial should be **Light blue** and for the respondents it should be **Light red**.**
- **Late submission of soft copy of the memorials will be penalized by one point every hour, with a maximum penalty not exceeding 20 points.**
- The Submission shall be identified solely by the Team Code assigned to the Team.
- The Written Submission shall not contain any annexure, photograph, diagrams, or other representation of like nature.
- The teams are requested to carry along **5 copies** from each side of the Memorials with them and submit the same during orientation on **09th July 2026**. The participants should mention their team code on the hard copy of the memorials. Further instructions on the memorials will be provided during the orientation.
- Once the memorials have been submitted, no revisions, supplements, or additions will be allowed at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

• **The memorials have to be submitted on typed A4 size paper printed on one side and must contain:**

1. The table of contents
2. The index of authorities
3. The statement of jurisdiction
4. The statement of facts (1 page only and argumentative statement of facts would attract penalties)
5. The statement of issues
6. The summary of arguments (not more than 1 page)
7. The arguments advanced (not more than 15 pages)
8. The prayer

The Written Submission shall adhere to the following mandatory specifications

Specification	Body Text	Footnotes
Page Size	A4	-
Font Type	Time New Roman	Time New Roman
Font Size	12	10
Line Spacing	1.5	1
Body of Text	Justified	Justified
Margin	1 Inch on all Sides	-
Citation Format	-	Bluebook (21st Edition)
Paragraph Spacing	1.5	0

• **Covers must be placed on briefs as follows:**

- Appellant: Light **Blue Color**; Respondent: **Light Red Color**.
- The cover page of the memorial must state the following
 - i. The team registration code in the upper right-hand corner, followed by an “A” for the Appellant Memorial, or an “R” for the Respondent Memorial. (For example, Team 5 would put the code “5A” in the upper right-hand corner of its Appellant Memorial)
 - ii. The name of the forum before which the proceedings are being conducted.
 - iii. The year of the Competition
 - iv. The name of the case.
 - v. The title of the memorial (either “Memorial for Appellant” or “Memorial for Respondent”).

• The Index of Authorities must list all the authorities cited in the Memorial. The Index must indicate the page number(s) of the Memorial in which the authority is cited.



- Identity of the institution shall not be revealed anywhere in the memorial. Violation of this provision shall result in penalties including deduction of marks or disqualification from the competition. The Organizing Committee's decision shall be final.
- The teams may submit a separate paper book of Compendium not more than 100 pages (printed on both sides), 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. The teams will retain them and may be submit to the judges during the rounds through the court assistants for reference. Any identifying marks / seal of the college shall attract severe penalties including disqualification. There will not be any passing of notes to the judges. The paper book will have to take care of this requirement. The team will take them back after the respective rounds.

MEMORIAL QUALIFICATION ROUND

Memorial Qualification Round shall be conducted only if the **number of participating teams exceeds 30**. In such cases, marks obtained in memorials shall be considered for qualification to advanced rounds. If the number of teams is 30 or below, memorials will not be used for elimination but may be considered for Best Memorial award and qualification to Quarter finals.

COMPETITION STRUCTURE

The competition shall consist of:

- Preliminary Rounds
- Quarter finals
- Semi-Finals
- Final Round

PRELIMINARY and QUARTER FINALS ROUNDS

1. The Preliminary and Quarter Finals Rounds shall be conducted on 10th July 2026.
2. There will be two Preliminary Rounds, and each Team shall argue once as the Petitioner and once as the Respondent.
3. The pairing of Teams for the Preliminary Rounds shall be done by a draw of lots by the organizing committee. No two Teams shall argue each other more than once in the Preliminary Rounds.
4. Each Team will be provided with the Memorial of the opposing Team soon after the Orientation/Inaugural Ceremony.
5. No Team shall be provided with any information regarding the identity of the opposing Teams or any other Team participating in the Competition.
6. Ex-Parte Proceedings - If a team fails to appear within 10 minutes of the scheduled round time, the round will proceed ex-parte.
7. Each team will get a total of 30 minutes to present their case. This time will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time.

1. The division of time is at the discretion of the team members, subject to a minimum of 10 minutes & maximum of 15 minutes per speaker. Division of time shall be informed to the bench clerks 10 minutes before the arguments begin.
2. Any extension of time beyond the specified period is subject to the discretion of the Judges upon the request from the Team, without which it might entail the deduction of marks.
3. The Rebuttals or Reply to Rebuttals, as the case may be, shall be presented by only one Orator of the Team. The Rebuttals of the Appellant shall be limited to responding to the Oral Pleadings of the Respondent. The Reply to Rebuttals of the Respondent shall be limited to responding to the rebuttals of the Petitioner.
4. 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.
5. Passing of notes to the speakers by the researcher during the rounds is allowed subject to the discretion of the Judges.
6. The attendance of the Researcher at the time of the oral pleading rounds is compulsory
7. Marks obtained in memorials shall also be added to the preliminary round scores
8. The combined score (oral + memorial) shall determine qualification to the next round.
9. Top 8 teams shall qualify for the Quarter finals round. In case of tie, the individual marks of memorials will be considered for tie breaking instead of combined score.
10. The pairing of Teams for the Quarter Finals Round shall be done by a draw of lots by the organizing committee.
11. The score of the Memorial shall not be considered for Quarter Finals. Only in the event of a tie, the score of the Memorial of the team shall be considered and the team with the higher marks shall qualify for the Semi Finals.
12. Top four teams shall qualify for the Semi Final Round.
13. Questions by the judges are part of the round.
14. Speakers must maintain proper court etiquette

SEMI FINAL & FINAL

1. The Semi – final and Final round shall be conducted on 11th July 2026.
2. Each team will get 45 minutes to present their case that will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time
3. The division of time is at the discretion of the team, with a minimum of 20 minutes & a maximum of 25 minutes per speaker. Division of time should be informed to the bench clerk before arguments begin.
4. Any extension of time beyond the specified period is subject to the discretion of the Judges upon the request from the Team, without which it might entail the deduction of marks.
5. 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.
6. The attendance of the Researcher at the time of the oral pleading rounds is compulsory.
7. The score of the Memorial shall not be considered for Semi Finals. Selection to the final round will be based on the aggregate speaker score. Memorial scores shall be taken into consideration only in the event of a tie.
8. The win-loss in the finals shall be decided based on the aggregate speaker score. Only in case of a tie will the Memorial Scores serve as the deciding factor.

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 from the competition

EVALUATION CRITERIA

- **Evaluation criteria of the memorials**

- The Memorial will be evaluated by a separate Panel of Judges who will not judge in the Oral Rounds
- Written Submissions will be marked on a scale of 100 marks as per the following criteria:

SL. NO.	CRITERIA	MARKS
1	Knowledge of Law and Depth in Research	20
2	Use of Authority/Precedents	20
3	Clarity of Thought and Organization of Argument	15
4	Interpretation of the Applicable Law	10
5	Incorporation of Facts into Arguments	10
6	Originality	10
7	Style of Presentation	10
8	Relief Sought	5
	TOTAL	100

- **The total marks for the Written Submissions shall be calculated by deducting marks for violations of the Rules of the Competition**
- **Evaluation Criteria for Oral Rounds**
 - Each Speaker will be marked on a total of 100 marks by each Judge in the Bench. The following will be the Marking Criteria and the Marks Allocated to each Speaker by each Judge in the Round:

Sl. No.	MARKING CRITERIA	MAXIMUM MARKS
1	Knowledge of Law	20
2	Use of Authority/ Precedents and Depth	20
3	Act of Persuasion or Rhetorics	10
4	Incorporation of Facts into Arguments	10
5	Clarity of Thought and Expression	10
6	Answering Queries	10
7	Relief Sought	10
8	Court Mannerisms	10
	TOTAL	100

RESEARCHER'S TEST

- The Researcher's Test shall be conducted on **09th July 2026 at 3.00pm**. The teams which have qualified for the Preliminary Rounds shall be eligible for the Researchers' Test.
- Only the Researcher, as designated under the Rules of the Competition, shall write the test.
- The Researchers' Test shall test the knowledge of the laws involved as well as the factual details of the Moot Proposition and the application of the relevant laws to the circumstances in the Moot Proposition
- No notes, legal texts, books or any other reference material or electronic aid shall be permitted during the Researchers' Test
- Amongst the 25 Multiple Choice Questions, five questions will be star questions carrying equal weightage in marks. In the scenario where there is a tie amongst the score of two or more Researchers, the Researcher getting the greater number of star questions correct will supersede.
- If the above condition cannot break the tie, then the Researcher who answered the most number of questions in chronology will be declared as winner of the tie. In other words, the Researcher which first gets a question wrong from the chronology will have lost the tie. If tie persists, then the team with the higher memorial score shall win.

GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION

Any violation of the rules of the competition or misconduct from the part of the team/participants shall lead to disqualification of the team and the decision of the Organising Committee in this regard shall be final and binding.

AWARDS

- **Winning Team - Rs. 50,000/-**
- **First Runner Up Team – Rs. 40,000/-**
- **Best Memorial - Rs. 10,000/-**
- **Best Speaker – Rs. 10,000/-**
- **Best Researcher – Rs. 10,000/-**
 - **In addition to the above awards, position certificates (up to 10th position) and participation certificates will be provided after the valedictory session on 11th July 2026.**

DRESS CODE

- Formal court attire is mandatory:
 - White shirt
 - Black trousers
 - Black blazer
 - Black shoes

PENALTIES

Sl. No.	Violation	Penalty
1	Late Submission	1 Point for every hour
2	Formatting violations	1
3	Affidavits/Annexures/Photographs/Sketches etc. in memorial	2
4	Non-compliance with required contents	2

ANONYMITY

- Student counsel may introduce her/himself to the court in the usual manner and may also state her/his name. However, the team's college / institution affiliation may not be mentioned at any time before the awards ceremony.
- Teams shall not reveal their identity in any form, except by means of the Team Code assigned to them in accordance with the Rules of the Competition.
- Teams shall not, in any way, reveal their identity in the Written Submissions or in the course of the Oral Pleading Session. The Written Submissions shall not bear the logo, name, etc. of the Team, its members or the Institution/College/University represented by the Team.
- Any material, including the Compendium, books, legal texts, or any other reference material, carried during the Oral Pleading Session, whether presented to the Bench or not subject to Rule 10, shall not reveal the Team's identity and will be devoid of any identification marks/seal of the Team or the Institution/College/University represented. If anything on the material carried during the Oral Pleading Session reveals the Team's identity, the Team shall render the same unrecognizable to the satisfaction of the organizing committee prior to joining the Oral Pleading Session.

- Any violation of these Rules of the Competition may attract disqualification of the Team from the Competition or any other penalty as determined by the organizing committee. The decision of the organizing committee in this regard shall be final and not subject to challenge.

LIVE STREAMING OF THE FINALS

The organizers will arrange for the live streaming of the Finals of the competition through the YouTube channel of the organizing institution.

DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING.

FOOD AND ACCOMADATION

Accommodation and transportation shall be provided to the teams opting for the same. Transportation facilities will be arranged between the place of accommodation and the competition venue. The location of the accommodation will be shared upon submission of the travel plan. The names and mobile numbers of the student volunteers in charge of transportation and accommodation will be shared after finalization. Teams opting for accommodation provided by the host institution shall fill in their travel details in the sheet provided on the last page and ensure their arrival **on or before 20th June 2026**

MISCELLANEOUS

- The Organising Committee reserves the right to amend, modify, change, or repeal any of the Rules of the Competition and shall communicate any changes made in the Rules of the Competition to the Teams.
- The communication of information concerning the Competition to any one member of a Team, it shall be deemed as if the said team as a whole has been duly notified or informed.
- The Best Speaker Award shall be given based on the performance and score of the oral presentation in the preliminary rounds of the competition.
- No audio or video recording of Oral Pleading Session is permitted. The organising committee reserves all rights to audio recording and videotaping, or any other form of audio or visual reproduction of any round or part thereof.
- If a Team believes that the Rules of the Competition have been violated at any stage of the Competition, the Team shall, after the completion of the round in which the alleged violation has occurred, at the earliest register a complaint with the Organising Committee or Grievance Redressal Committee.
- The team(s) shall not approach the Judges Panel with any complaints, under any circumstances whatsoever.
- Any changes in the schedule and timings of the competition will be duly notified to the participating teams via mail by the Organising Committee

GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL

- In case of any grievances during the course of the competition, teams may communicate their concerns to the Grievance Redressal Committee of the competition, which will comprise the Executive members and the Faculty Coordinators of the Moot Court Committee.
- The same shall be duly communicated to the Committee via mail at mootcourtsociety@bsols.edu.in

CONTACT

- **For queries, participants may contact**
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Travel Plan Form

NB: To be sent to mootcourtsociety@bsols.edu.in on or before 20th June 2026

INSTITUTION DETAILS

Name of The Institution :

ARRIVAL DETAILS

Mode of Arrival

Train

Bus

Air

Train / Bus / Flight No

Estimated Time of Arrival

DEPARTURE DETAILS

Mode of Departure

Train

Bus

Air

Train / Bus / Flight No

Estimated Time of Departure

(Signature & Seal of the Faculty in Charge)