



**Maharashtra National Law University
and
Centre for Research and Training in Commercial
Regulations**

presents

the 1st Edition of

NATIONAL CORPORATE DUE DILIGENCE COMPETITION, 2025

8th November
2025

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About MNLU MUMBAI

The Maharashtra National Law University Mumbai, founded on March 20, 2014, under the Maharashtra National Law University Act 2014, stands as one of India's leading National Law Universities. The legislation envisioned the creation of a Maharashtra National Law University in Mumbai, to impart advanced legal education and foster society-oriented research in legal studies to enhance the societal life of the nation's citizens.



The institution's principal objective is to disseminate sophisticated legal knowledge and processes among its students, guiding them in developing their advocacy skills, legal services, and law reform capabilities. Furthermore, the university aims to cultivate in its students an awareness of these instruments and the ability to utilize them for social transformation and progress.

About CTRRC



The Centre for Training and Research in Commercial Regulations (CTRRC) at Maharashtra National Law University Mumbai acts as a central hub for discourse, education, and scholarly inquiry in commercial law. It was founded to create an environment conducive to debate, discussion, and research by bringing together a diverse group of participants, including academics, legal professionals, regulatory officials, and students.

The Centre organized the 1st MNLUM-CTRRC National Corporate Client Counselling Competition (NCCCC), challenging participants in critical areas of commercial law. It also conducted editions of National Article Writing Competitions on topics such as the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) and Antitrust Laws.

In the domain of publications, the Centre manages the Forum on Commercial & Corporate Laws (FCCL), a blog for submissions from the legal fraternity, and the Journal on Corporate Law and Commercial Regulations (JCLCR), a bi-annual, peer-reviewed journal dedicated to advancing research in the field of commercial laws.

About the COMPETITION

This competition places participants in the shoes of transactional lawyers, challenging them to spot red flags, assess compliance gaps, and deliver strategic solutions in simulated corporate transactions. From contractual risks to complex advisory scenarios, the competition mirrors the layered and high-stakes process of legal due diligence.

By engaging with realistic document sets and advisory exercises, students will hone their practical skills in issue-spotting, drafting risk reports, and negotiating erroneous clauses to meet ZOPA, thus preparing them for the demands of top-tier transactional practice.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The competition is open to students enrolled in a 5-year integrated law program (**3rd year onwards**), or a 3-year LL.B (**2nd year onwards**) program. The students who have experience with corporate law shall be preferred.

The participating teams shall consist of *2 law students* of recognized law colleges. The students may or may not belong to the same institution.

Why you should PARTICIPATE

- ➔ Top-Tier Law Firm Internships for Achievers
- ➔ Exclusive and Novel Competition format in India
- ➔ Hands-on experience in the world of Corporate law
- ➔ Network and Connect with leading Corporate Law professionals
- ➔ Experience the legal simulation behind commercial decisions
- ➔ Distinguishing addition to your CV and much more...!

REGISTRATION PROCESS



The registration process shall be a *two-fold process*. The teams shall firstly pay a nominal fee of Rs. 500/- for registration and CV selection process via a form by **20th October 2025**. This shall be accompanied with their Statement of Purpose (SoP) and their Curriculum Vitae (CV). On the basis of this, the top 16 teams shall be selected for the final registration and the selection results shall be declared on **22nd October 2025**.

The selected teams shall have to make the final registration fee payment of Rs. 8000/- by **25th October 2025**. The Participants will be provided with Breakfast, Lunch, and High-Tea on the 8th of November, 2025 which is included in these fees. It is to be noted by the participants that accommodation will **not be** provided. However, the Organizing Committee shall help the participants to arrange accommodation, but the expense has to be borne by the participants themselves.

It is also important to note that the competition **shall tentatively** commence at **9 am on 8th November** to ensure that the participants have the requisite time to make arrangements for travel and accommodation.



REGISTRATION

Details

Registration Link

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeFhMkDFvgkASwG4QTth4FK6uwdOC9wThitxuEhyBJoMEjYIQ/>

The participants shall pay **Rs. 500** with this application for the registration of interest to the following bank account.

Payment Details

Bank Account Number	50200062453710
Account Holder	MNLU CNTR FOR TRNG FOR RESEARCH IN COM REG
Branch	HDFC Bank, Powai Hiranandani Branch
IFSC Code	HDFC0000239

IMPORTANT DATES

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**Registrations
Open**

22nd September, 2025

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**Registrations
Close**

20th October, 2025

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**Announcement of
Selected Teams**

22nd October, 2025

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**Proposition
Release**

27th October, 2025

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**Submission of
documents**

4th November, 2025

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**Competition
Rounds**

8th November, 2025

COMPETITION STRUCTURE

*The competition shall be held **completely in-person** at the MNLU Mumbai campus.*

Identification & Redrafting Round

A total of 16 teams will be selected after a screening process based on their CVs and Statements of Purpose. The 16 teams will be divided equally, with 8 teams representing the buyers and 8 representing the sellers. Propositions for the respective sides will be sent to the teams one week prior. In this round, each team will be provided with a Share Purchase Agreement containing erroneous clauses. The task for the participants will be to identify those clauses that are unfavourable to their side and to redraft them in a way that minimizes liability and protects their party's interests.

This round shall be **solely** evaluated and scored on the basis of the submitted report.

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Negotiation Round

The Negotiation rounds of the competition shall be conducted on 8th November, 2025. In this round, teams will directly engage with one another to negotiate on which clauses should be retained, removed, modified, or newly added. The pairings for this negotiation round will be determined according to the rankings achieved in the first round, with the top-performing team matched against the lowest-ranked team (1 v. 9, 2 v. 10, and so on).

The participants shall be assessed on the basis of **both** the due diligence report as well as the negotiation session. The winners of the competition will be declared on the basis of their cumulative performance across both the drafting (50%) and negotiation rounds (50%).

Tie Breaker: In the event that the cumulative scores of the DD report and the negotiation round between the two teams are the same, the team with the higher negotiation score will be declared as the winner.

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