



DEPARTMENT OF LAW
NORTH-EASTERN HILL UNIVERSITY
SHILLONG, MEGHALAYA

3rd

**NORTH-EASTERN HILL
UNIVERSITY
NATIONAL MOOT COURT
COMPETITION**

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THE STATE

Nestled in the northeastern part of India, Meghalaya is a breathtaking state known for its lush landscapes, cascading waterfalls, and vibrant culture. Dubbed the “Abode of Clouds,” this enchanting region is home to rolling hills, unique living root bridges, and some of the wettest places on Earth. With its rich biodiversity and warm, welcoming communities, Meghalaya offers an unforgettable experience filled with adventure and discovery. Inhabited by the Khasi, Jaintia, and Garo tribes, Meghalaya is not only known for its traditional natural beauty but also for its unique matrilineal society, which governs lineage and ancestral inheritance through the female line.



THE UNIVERSITY

The North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU) nestled in the heart of the “Scotland of the East” is a prominent Central University located in Shillong, Meghalaya and was established by an Act of Parliament in 1973. The objectives of the University are to disseminate and advance knowledge by providing instructional and research facilities in various branches of learning; to pay special attention to the improvement of the social and economic conditions and welfare of the people of the hill areas of the North-eastern region, and in particular, the intellectual, academic and cultural advancement. With a motto of “Rise Up and Build”, NEHU has established itself as an institution of higher learning and research of very high quality. NEHU has three campuses, with the main campus located at Umshing Mawkynroh, Shillong.



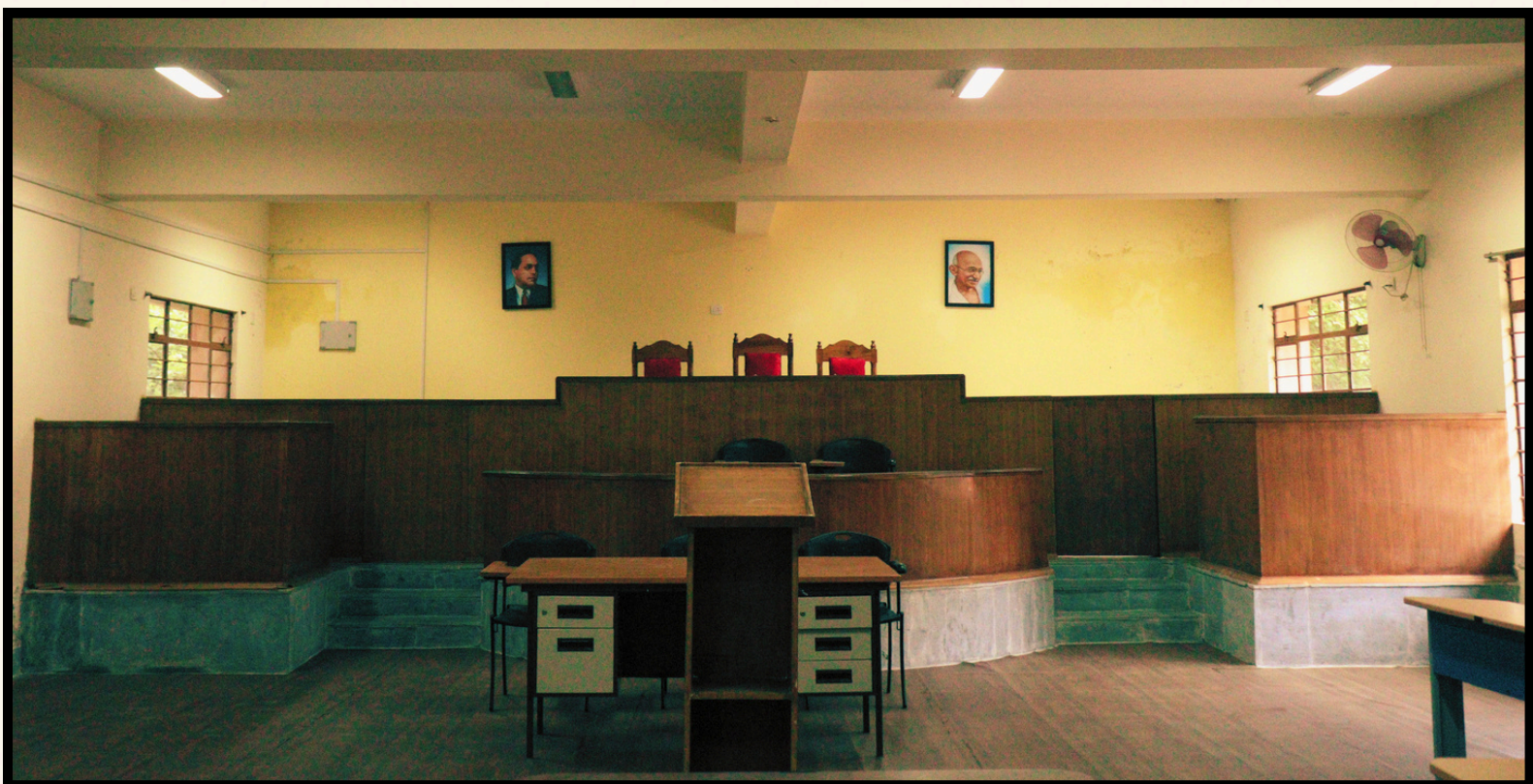
DEPARTMENT OF LAW



The Department of Law, North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong, established in 2005, has emerged as a leading center for legal education in Northeast India. Through continuous curriculum development, innovative teaching methods, and a strong clinical legal education programme, the Department fosters academic excellence and professional growth. With experienced faculty members and a vibrant learning environment, it equips students with essential legal knowledge, practical skills, and ethical values. The Department currently offers B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., and Ph.D. programmes, enrolling over 300 students. It also actively promotes mooting through its flagship North-Eastern Hill University National Moot Court Competition and participation in national competitions.

THE COMPETITION

The 3rd North-Eastern Hill University National Moot Court Competition, 2026, will mark its return after 8 years with a renewed objective to engage law students in a comprehensive discourse of contemporary legal issues. With previous editions laying the foundation for strong student advocacy, skill strengthening and coherent arguments on pertinent legal matters, this new edition aspires to connect law students across diverse regions through a shared, yet an enhanced passion, zeal and determination to shape the next generation of legal experts. With new avenues settling for polarising legal discussions and novel concepts of law intercepting the minds of legal professionals, this competition aims to provide a centre stage amidst our lush campus for widespread participation of young students. The success of the previous editions is a testament to this mandate and the current and future endeavours of the North-Eastern Hill University National Moot Court Competition will continue to transcend regional boundaries, intellectual rigour, and the spirit of advocacy.



PREVIOUS EDITIONS

The Department of Law, North-Eastern Hill University, has consistently strived to promote advocacy, legal research, and experiential learning through moot court competitions. In pursuit of this objective, the Department successfully organized the 1st North-Eastern Hill University National Moot Court Competition in October, 2016, laying the foundation for a tradition of academic excellence and competitive advocacy.

Building on the success of the inaugural edition, the 2nd North-Eastern Hill University National Moot Court Competition was organized in October, 2018. Both editions provided participants with a platform to develop and showcase their skills in legal research, memorial drafting, and oral advocacy. More importantly, these competitions brought together law students from diverse institutions across the country, fostering intellectual exchange, professional growth, and a spirit of excellence in legal education.



ABOUT THE PARTNERS

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OVERVIEW OF COMPETITION

Date and Venue

- The Virtual Rounds shall be conducted via Google Meet on 29th and 30th September, 2026.
- The Physical Rounds shall be conducted on 29th and 30th October, 2026 at Department of Law, NEHU.

Eligibility Criteria

- The Competition is open to bona fide students duly enrolled in a regular Undergraduate Law Programme (Three-Year or Five-Year LL.B.) or a Postgraduate Law Programme (LL.M.) offered by an institution recognised by the Bar Council of India.
- Each recognised University, Law School, or College shall nominate only a single team to represent it in the Competition.

Team Composition

- The Competition shall accommodate a maximum of 36 teams from Universities and Law Colleges across the country.
- Each team shall consist of two or three members.
- In a team comprising three members, two members shall serve as Speakers and one member shall serve as the Researcher.
- In a team comprising two members, both participants shall serve as Speakers, and the Researcher Test may be undertaken by either member of the team.

Registration Process

- Registration for the Competition shall commence at 12:00 A.M. on 28th July, 2026, and shall remain open until 11:59 P.M. on 28th August, 2026.
- The Competition is limited to 36 teams, and registrations shall be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Interested teams must complete the registration process through the registration link provided below:

Registration Link :

[CLICK TO REGISTER](#)

- A registration fee of ₹1,500/- per team shall be payable at the time of registration. The registration fee, once paid, shall be non-refundable and non-transferable.
- Teams qualifying for the Physical Rounds shall be provided complimentary accommodation and meals for the duration of the Competition.
- Teams advancing to the Octa-Finals, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals, and Final Round shall be required to complete an additional physical registration and verification process upon arrival at the venue.

Competition Rounds

- The Competition shall comprise the following rounds:
 - Preliminary Round
 - Octa-Final Round
 - Quarter-Final Round
 - Semi-Final Round
 - Final Round

- The Preliminary Rounds shall be conducted in Virtual Mode on 29th–30th September, 2026, with participation from all registered teams.
- The Octa-Final, Quarter-Final, Semi-Final, and Final Rounds shall be conducted in Physical Mode at the Department of Law, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, on 29th–30th October, 2026.
- Of the 36 participating teams, the top 16 teams shall qualify for the Octa-Final Round. Subsequently, 8 teams shall advance to the Quarter-Final Round, 4 teams to the Semi-Final Round, and 2 teams shall compete in the Final Round.
- The Researchers' Test shall be conducted in Physical Mode on 29th October, 2026 for all teams qualifying for the Physical Round.

Competition Resources

Scan the QR Code below to access:

- Moot Proposition
- Rulebook
- Quick Reference Guide
- Letter of Authorisation



Linktree :

[COMPETITION RESOURCES](#)

EVENT TIMELINE



AWARDS

WINNER

INR 50,000/-

RUNNERS-UP

INR 25,000/-

BEST ADVOCATE

INR 11,000/-

BEST MEMORIAL

INR 11,000/-

BEST

RESEARCHER

INR 8,000/-

All participants will be awarded a
CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION
along with a **10% SCHOLARSHIP CODE**
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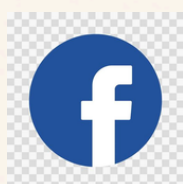
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