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# SIMULATION COMPETITION RULE BOOK

## 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1** The Corporate Governance Simulation Competition 2025 ("the Competition") shall be organised by the Corporate Law Committee (CLC), School of Law, Presidency University, Bangalore.
- 1.2** The CLC shall be the sole authority for the framing, interpretation, and implementation of all rules governing the Competition.
- 1.3** Any decision taken by the Organising Committee or the designated judges shall be final and binding on all participants.

## 2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1** The Competition is open to all undergraduate and postgraduate law students enrolled in recognised universities across India.
- 2.2** Students pursuing allied courses such as Company Secretary or Management (UG/PG) can also participate.
- 2.3** A participant may represent only one team in a single edition of the Competition.
- 2.4** Participation may take place in two modes:
  - 2.4.1 Team Participation:** Each institution may nominate teams consisting of five (5) members, with each member being assigned a distinct role.
  - 2.4.2 Individual Participation:** Students may also register individually. Such participants shall be grouped into composite teams by the Organising Committee and shall be informed of their final team composition via the email address provided, **at least seven (7) days** before the commencement of the Workshop (refer Clause 4.2).

## 3. TEAM COMPOSITION

- 3.1** Each team shall consist of five (5) members, with each member assuming one of the following roles:

- 3.1.1** Chairperson
- 3.1.2** Company Secretary
- 3.1.3** Independent Director
- 3.1.4** External Legal Counsel
- 3.1.5** Small Shareholder Director

- 3.2** In the case of individual participation, the Organising Committee shall form composite teams by grouping individual participants together. Final team compositions shall be communicated to such participants at least seven (7) days prior to the commencement of the Workshop
- Once roles have been allocated by the Organising Committee, no participant shall exchange or alter roles during the course of the Competition.
- 3.3** In case of unforeseen circumstances, any alteration or replacement must be notified to the CLC at least three (3) days prior to the Workshop, and such replacement shall be permitted only if the team arranges its own substitute.

## **4. REGISTRATION**

### **4.1 Team Registration**

- 4.1.1** Teams must register through the official link circulated by the Organising Committee.
- 4.1.2** Registration shall close on the date notified in the official announcement.
- 4.1.3** The registration fee for a team is fixed at ₹3,000 (Rupees Three Thousand only) per team, which must be paid at the time of registration through the official link.

### **4.2 Individual Registration**

- 4.2.1** Individual participants shall register through the same official link.
  - 4.2.2** The registration fee for individual participation is ₹600 (Rupees Six Hundred only) per participant.
  - 4.2.3** Composite teams shall be formed from individual participants to complete the required five-member team structure based on the registrations received.
- 4.3** All registration fees, whether for teams or individual participants, are strictly non-refundable under any circumstances.
- 4.4** Confirmation of registration shall be sent to the email ID provided by the participant as the point of contact.

## 5. RELEASE OF THE SIMULATION PROBLEM

**5.1** The Simulation Problem shall be released at the end of the Panel Discussion on Day 1 of the Workshop.

**5.2** The Problem shall include:

- A factual case study
- Detailed role briefs for each participant
- Instructions for the simulation round

## 6. DRESS CODE

**6.1** Participants shall adhere to the following professional dress code:

**6.1.1** External Legal Counsel: Black blazer, white shirt, black tie, and black trousers.

**6.1.2** All Other Board Members (Chairperson, Company Secretary, Independent Director, Small Shareholder Director): Formal wear with blazer (tie optional).

**6.2** Non-compliance with the prescribed dress code may result in penalties at the discretion of the Organising Committee. (refer Clause 11.2)

## 7. USE OF EXTERNAL RESOURCES

### 7.1 Preparation Stage

Participants may consult standard academic and professional materials for preparing their arguments after the release of the Simulation Problem, including but not limited to:

**7.1.1** Bare Acts, textbooks, commentaries, and case law reporters.

**7.1.2** Online legal database (SCC Online).

**7.1.3** Academic articles, journals, and other publicly available sources.

Participants are strictly prohibited from seeking direct assistance from faculty members, practicing advocates, or any external professional advisors. Any violation of this restriction shall result in disqualification.

### 7.2 Simulation Stage

During the Simulation Round, participants may only carry and rely upon:

**7.2.1** The Simulation Problem and role briefs issued by the Organising Committee.

**7.2.2** Their own handwritten or typed notes prepared during the preparation stage.

**7.2.3** Bare Acts (physical or digital), provided they do not contain annotations, commentary, or notes.

**7.2.4** The consolidated Board Brief submitted at the commencement of the Simulation Round, in hardcopy format, prepared by the team as per Clause 8.2

**7.2.5** Participants shall not be permitted to use mobile phones, laptops, tablets, or any other electronic devices during the Simulation Round, except to the extent explicitly permitted under this Clause. Any violation shall attract penalties under Clause 11.

Possession or use of any other material during the Simulation Round shall amount to a violation of the Rules and may result in penalties, including disqualification.

## 8. COMPETITION FORMAT

**8.1** The Simulation Round shall be conducted on Day 2 of the Workshop in a structured boardroom setting. Each participant shall present their position, engage in rebuttals, and contribute to the drafting of a collective resolution.

**8.2** Teams must submit a consolidated Board Brief in the prescribed format through the link shared in the official WhatsApp group between 11:00 PM on 7th November and 8:00 AM on 8th November. In case of delay, a final opportunity shall be given to submit at least one hour before the event begins on Day 2, as per the final schedule; failure to do so shall result in penalties

### 8.3 ■ 8.3.1 Opening Statements

At the commencement of the simulation round, each team is required to submit a consolidated Board Brief in Soft copy format,

- Chairperson: 2 minutes
- Other Members (Company Secretary, Independent Director, External Legal Counsel, Small Shareholder Director): 2 minutes each (total 8 minutes)

### ■ 8.3.2 Rebuttals and Questioning

Collective rebuttal and interactive phase: 12 minutes, including questions posed by the judges.

### ■ 8.3.3 Closing Statements

Each of the four members, excluding the Chairperson, shall deliver a closing statement of up to 90 seconds each (total 6 minutes).

### ■ 8.3.4 Declaration of Resolution

The Chairperson shall formally declare the final resolution arrived at by the board: 2 minutes.

- 8.4** The Chairperson shall moderate the discussion during the rebuttals and interactive phase, ensuring that all members are given an opportunity to speak. Judges may intervene at any stage to pose questions, seek clarifications, or test the reasoning of the participants.
- 8.5** The medium of communication during the Simulation Round shall be exclusively English.

## 9. JUDGING CRITERIA

**Participants shall be judged individually and collectively on the following parameters:**

- Legal Knowledge & Application including the board brief (25%)
- Role Play & Persuasiveness (15%)
- Problem-Solving & Negotiation Skills (20%)
- Governance & Ethical Awareness (25%)
- Teamwork & Professional Conduct (15%)

## 10. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 10.1** Participants must maintain the highest standards of professionalism and decorum throughout the Competition.
- 10.2** Disruptive behaviour, disrespect towards fellow participants, judges, or organisers shall lead to immediate disqualification.
- 10.3** Use of unfair means, including plagiarism or external assistance, is strictly prohibited.

## 11. PENALTIES & DISQUALIFICATION

### **11.1 Time-Keeping:**

- 11.1.1** A designated timekeeper shall be appointed for each session.
- 11.1.2** A warning bell/indicator shall be given 30 seconds before the end of each allotted time segment.
- 11.1.3** Exceeding the allocated time may result in deduction of marks in accordance with Clause 11.2.1.
- 11.1.4** Time allocations for each phase of the Simulation Round are prescribed in Clause 8.3

## **11.2 Penalties:**

**11.2.1 Time Overrun:** Exceeding allotted time shall attract a penalty of up to 2 marks per overrun, at the judges' discretion.

**11.2.2 Dress Code/Late Submission Violation:** Failure to comply with the prescribed dress code or failure to submit the Board Brief may result in deduction of up to 5 marks. (refer Clause 6 & 8.2)

**11.2.3 Misconduct:** Any disruptive behaviour or disrespect towards judges, participants, or organisers shall lead to disqualification.

**11.2.4 Malpractice/Plagiarism:** Any attempt to gain unfair advantage through malpractice, including plagiarism in submissions, unauthorised assistance, or use of prohibited materials (refer Section 7, Use of External Resources) shall attract immediate disqualification of the participant or team, at the sole discretion of the Organising Committee.

**11.2.5. Unauthorized Use of Electronic Devices:** Any use of mobile phones, laptops, tablets, or other electronic devices during the Simulation Round, except as expressly permitted under Clause 7.2, shall attract penalties which may include deduction of marks or disqualification, at the discretion of the judges.

**11.3** The Organising Committee reserves the right to disqualify any team or participant for non-compliance with these Rules.

## **12. INTERPRETATION OF RULES**

**12.1** The decision of the Organising Committee and judges with respect to the interpretation of these Rules shall be final and binding.

**12.2** The Organising Committee reserves the right to amend, modify, or supplement these Rules at any stage of the Competition.



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