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*14th EDITION OF*  
**V.S. SUNDARAM MEMORIAL  
RESEARCH PAPER  
COMPETITION, 2024**



**RULE BOOK**



**DATES:**  
15/02/24 - SUBMISSION  
10/03/24 - RESULTS

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# **RULES & REGULATIONS**

## **1. PARTICIPATION:**

- a. NO REGISTRATION FEES is required to be paid for the V.S. Sundaram Memorial Research Paper Competition.
- b. An article can be authored by a maximum of two students.
- c. Entries must be in English only.
- d. Participation is restricted to students enrolled in undergraduate courses in Law, Accountancy, Commerce and Taxation.
- e. Participants must also submit a short bio- data mentioning their full name, college name, contact number, email and postal address.

## **2. PRESENTATION:**

- a. The research article must comprise of not less than 7500 words and not more than 10,000 words including footnotes.
- b. The following content specifications shall be strictly adhered to:
  - The research article should be typed on A4 size paper.
  - Body Font and Size: Times New Roman, 12.
  - Line Spacing: DoubleSpace.
  - Footnotes Font and Size: Times New Roman, 10.
  - Line Spacing: 1.0.
  - Alignment (Body & Footnotes): Justified.
  - Margin: 1 inch on all 4 sides.
  - Citation Method: The Bluebook, A Uniform System of Citation, Harvard Law Review, 20th edition.
- c. A separate page for bibliography indicating all the articles, books, references, websites, etc. referred to, should be added at the end of the article.
- d. Participants must email a copy of their entry as an MS Word document and as a PDF to krramamani2023@gmail.com on or before **15th February, 2024** by 23:59 Hours.
- e. The subject of the mail shall be “Entries for VSS Research Paper”.
- f. Copyrights of all authors are respected, but the Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University will not be responsible for any infringement of the same.

## **3. MARKING CRITERIA:**

- a. Each research article will be marked for a total of 100 marks.
- b. The decision of the judges shall be final.
- c. The criteria for judging and the weightage given to every judging criterion are reproduced in the table below:

CRITERIA	MARKS
STRUCTURE OF THE ARTICLE	20
INGENUITY OF IDEAS	15
ISSUES COVERED	15
LANGUAGE	30
USE OF AUTHORITIES	20
TOTAL	100

#### **4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS:**

- a. The Winner of the Best Research Article will be felicitated at the Valedictory of the 14th K.R Ramamani Memorial National Moot Court Competition, 2024 to be held on 10th March, 2024 at the Perungudi Campus of School of Excellence in Law, the Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai- 600 113.
- b. The results shall be posted on our website <http://www.krntaxmoot.law/> on 10th March 2024.

#### **5. AWARDS:**

- a. Cash prize of Rs. 20,000/- shall be awarded to the best research paper.
- b. E-Certificates of Participation will be issued to each of the participants.

#### **6. MISCELLANEOUS:**

- a. For the purpose of this competition, each article shall be the original work of the participants. Any article found to be a copied work from any other original work will be disqualified.
- b. The article should not have been submitted to any other competition and/ or should not have been published earlier.
- c. All entries shall be deemed to be the property of the association which reserves the right of publication of the same.
- d. If there arises any situation that is not contemplated in the Rules, the organizers' decision on the same shall be final.
- e. The organizers reserve their right to vary, alter, modify or repeal any of the above rules if so required and as they deem appropriate.

f. The authors should not send the papers for publication to any magazine, paper etc. without the prior consent of the organizers.

**7. INTERPRETATION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

- a. All interpretations, as well as any waivers, consents, or other decisions in the administration of the Competition are at the complete discretion of the Host Institution and the Organizing Committee.
- b. Any decision made by the Host Institution or the Organizing Committee shall be final and binding on all participating teams.

**8. TOPIC FOR THE RESEARCH PAPER:**

The topic for the Research Paper is:

***"Implications of the recent landmark judgments of the Supreme Court of India in Ahmedabad Urban Development Authority, and New Noble Educational Society on charitable institutions"***

**9. POINT OF CONTACT:**

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