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### NATIONAL COMPETITION ON

# LEGAL INNOVATION & LEGAL STARTUPS – 2021

PROMOTING THE CULTURE OF LEGAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Organised by

RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW,

Punjab

IN ASSOCIATION WITH

**LEGAL STARTUPS** 

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## ABOUT RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB

Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Punjab, was established by the State Legislature of Punjab by passing the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab Act, 2006 (Punjab Act No. 12 of 2006). The Act incorporated a University of Law of national stature in the State of Punjab, thereby fulfilling the need for a Centre of Excellence in Legal Education in the modern era of globalization and liberalization. RGNUL started functioning from its temporary Headquarters - Mohindra Kothi, The Mall, Patiala w.e.f. 26 May, 2006. The University acquired approval of the Bar Council of India (BCI) in July 2006. The University also got registered with the University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi under Section 2(f) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 and has been declared fit to obtain grant from the University has been accredited with 'A' grade by NAAC. The University has started functioning at its permanent Headquarters in Village Sidhuwal on Bhadson Road from 1st July 2013 in an area of 50 acres.

The University is dedicated to provide holistic legal education and to promote quality research in law and allied disciplines. Over the years, it has addressed a large number of contemporary social issues and invested a lot of innovative thinking in its instructional and research programmes. Towards this, it always welcomes collaboration with reputed institutions and organizations so as to build a platform for interchange of ideas on vexed social issues and problems confronting the society.

RGNUL has a well-equipped computerized Central Library with about twenty one thousand titles in addition to the specialized libraries of the various Research Centres. There are three advanced Computer Labs comprising of Apple, Del and HP computers and leased line Internet connectivity. The University is fully residential with boys and girls staying in separate hostels. The entire RGNUL Campus is Wi-Fi enabled which is also extended to the respective hostels round the clock. The University has also set up a number of Centres of Excellence on its campus. These are Centre for Advanced Studies in Criminal Law (CASCL); Centre for Consumer Protection Law and Advocacy (CCPLA); Centre for Advanced Study in International Humanitarian Law (CASH); School of Agricultural Law and Economics (SALE); Centre for Advanced Studies in Human Rights (CASIHR); RGNUL Legal Aid Clinic (RLAC); RGNUL Enabling Unit (REU); RGNUL Institute of Competitive Examination (RICE) and Directorate of Distance Education (DODE). The objective of these centres is to undertake advanced study and research in the emerging areas of the respective fields, independently or in collaboration with the professional institutions various at national and international levels; to bring about publications and produce study material in the respective fields of knowledge; to organize seminars, workshops and conferences on contemporary and significant issues.

RGNUL has established a programme study centre of IGNOU, i.e. the School of Law (SOL) in its premises as well. The Study Centre was established at RGNUL in the year 2009. It runs various Post Graduate Diploma Programmes in diverse fields of Law. These courses are undertaken as distance education programmes and are run through the Programme Study Centres of IGNOU. The diplomas and courses are conducted with professional expertise and administrative support. At present, many students, professionals, administrators, researchers, lawyers, etc. from all over the northern zone are enrolled with the School of Law under various academic courses.

In a short span, RGNUL has also become a member of a number of professional organizations of national and international stature like the Asian Law Institute (ASLI), Singapore; Commonwealth Legal Education Association (CLEA), London; Forum of South Asian Clinical Law Teachers (FSACLT), Goa; Indian Economic Association (IEA), New Delhi; Indian Institute of Comparative Law (IICL), Jaipur; Indian Law Institute (ILI), New Delhi; Indian Political Science Association (IPSA); Indian Society of Criminology (ISC), Madras; Indian Society of International Law (ISIL), New Delhi; Institute of Constitutional and Parliamentary Studies (ICPS), New Delhi; International Association of Law Schools (IALS), United States of America; and International Law Students Association (ILSA), United States of America, Legal Information Institute of India (LII of India) etc.

## ABOUT THE COLLOBRATORS: LEGAL START UPS

Indian Legal System is going through a tough time because of the pendency of cases for years. Many efforts have been made to cope up with this situation. We need a radical change in the legal system and innovation is the answer to this. Western countries have come up with several innovative platforms i.e. legal startups to address various legal affairs. We also need legal startups in India to make the system efficient and effective which is non-existent. People do not know about legal startups. Looking at this situation, Legal Startups has been created for highlighting all legal startups across the world.

The main objective of Legal Startups is to highlight all legal startups and put it on one platform.

### **ABOUT THE COMPETITION**

The main idea of the competition is to showcase the Legal Start Up's, exhibit their functioning, the challenges they faced or are facing and the outcome achieved by them. The competition is an attempt to provide a platform to all the Legal Start Up's to exhibit their ideas and working in a competitive ambience.

### **THEME OF THE COMPETITION**

The field of litigation is witnessing various challenges for last few decades especially in terms of pendency of cases, quick disposal, mounting appeals, traditional methods of lawyering which fail to address the contemporary problems and complex legal compliance's. To address these situations, we need to device new and better innovative mechanisms and initiatives in the said fields. Innovation and Startups in the legal field are the answer to this paradox that our Judicial System is facing. Many young entrepreneur have introduced startups which have come up in the legal system in the past few years especially by young, dynamic individuals. Also, the Ministries, Government Departments /bodies have initiated various innovative schemes for ensuring Justice is served to people at large.

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The main vision of RGNUL is:

66 Our endeavour is to serve the society through reforms in legal services by way of preparing professionally competent lawyers, inquisitive researchers, able administrators, conscientious judicial officers, and above all, socially responsible citizens, who shall be whole- heartedly and continuously engaged in the process of nation building ....."

Keeping the spirits of our vision in mind we at RGNUL, Punjab in association with Legal Startups is going to organize a unique National Competition on Legal Innovation & Legal Startups. We appeal and encourage young generation to present their existing startups/initiatives in the competition.

The competition is structured on the basic idea that we need to boost the morale of the people engaged in thinking out of the box and innovate in the process of reducing the work load of the courts. This competition will not just identify but also support those start ups which have a positive impact on the problems and the challenges faced by the judicial system.

## **GUIDELINES OF THE COMPETITION**

• Only existing Startups/Initiatives are allowed to participate in the competition. Startup/Initiative must be at least one year old but not more than three-year-old from the date of announcement of the competition.

The competition is open to all individuals who are 18 years of age or above on the date of release of the competition.

Participation is allowed only as a team. The team will consist of a minimum of two and maximum of four members.

There is a registration fee of **Rs. 1180/-** (inclusive of GST) for participation by **Tuesday, August 29, 2021.** 

✤ . The link for the payment of the registration fees can't be found <u>here</u>.

Registrations are to be done through the Google form by Tuesday, August 29, 2021. The link for the same can be found <u>here</u>.

Only selected entries will be invited to present their startup idea/initiative ideas. The shortlisting of the teams will be done by a Panel of Experts constituted for the same.

✤ After the shortlisting, there will be 2 rounds in the competition, preliminary and final. The preliminary round will be conducted on Friday, October 1, 2021, and the Final on Saturday, October 2, 2021. Both the rounds will be conducted through the Online mode. The top 5 teams will proceed to the final round. 50% of the Marks obtained in the Preliminary round will be carried forward. The Finals shall be adjudged on the basis of research undertaken, steps of implementation, methods adopted for improvisation, application success, Novelty as parameters, and presentation. The teams will be adjudged according to these parameters.

Business Idea/Proposal to be sent in the prescribed format in Annexure 1 to email id <u>LSI@rgnul.ac.in</u> in the pdf file only on or before Monday, September 20, 2021, by 11.59 p.m. Business Plan will consist of the following:

- Coverpage mentioning name of all members, affiliation, mobile no, email id, Month and year of starting startup/initiative. (Attach proof of existence at the end of the proposal)
- Table of Content
- Executive Summary
- Details as per headings mentioned in Annexure A

The decision of the organizer will be final and binding on the teams.

### **AWARDS & CERTIFICATION**

#### Winner

Cash Prize of Rs. 51,000/-Memento & Certificate of Merit

#### 1st Runner Up

Cash Prize of Rs. 25,000/-Memento & Certificate of Merit

#### 2nd Runner Up

Cash Prize of Rs. 11,000/-Memento & Certificate of Merit

- All the entries will be given certificate of participation
- Selected ideas can be given funding support, mentorship by RGNUL, Patiala as per their terms and conditions prescribed.

### PATRONS

**PROF. (DR.) G. S. BAJPAI** Vice- Chancellor RGNUL, Punjab **PROF. (DR.) NARESH KUMAR VATS** Registrar RGNUL, Punjab

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## BUSINESS IDEA/PROPOSAL ANNEXURE 1

INTRODUCTION & TEAM	Brief Introduction about the initiative and Promoter(s) Information.
INITIATIVE	The objective behind the idea or the Initiative undertaken, details of the plans put forth for the fulfillment of the objective, and in detail mention of the objectives of the initiative.
PROBLEM	The background against which the initiative was started and the problem the initiative is trying to address.
SOLUTION	Solutions proposed and achieved by the initiative i.e. how far is the initiative successful in fulfilling the objective for which it was initiated.
TARGET AUDIENCE	How big is the problem the initiative is trying to address and the number of people who benefited through this initiative?
COMPETITION	Are there any existing challenges being faced by the team with regards to the initiative and further how does the team plan to compete against existing problems?
EXECUTION PLAN	What is the mode of the execution of the initiative and How execution is being done?
FINANCIALS	What was the amount of investment done initially to start the initiative? Further what is present and projected financial performance?
REPLICATION	How far the initiative is successful in fulfilling the objectives in the other cases. Submit the analysis with the help of data.
EVALUATION	Are there any evaluation processes put forth in order to evaluate the success of the initiative? Submit the analysis with the help of proof.

## IMPORTANT DATES

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021	LAST DATE FOR REGISTRATION THROUGH THE GOOGLE FORM
TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021	LAST DATE FOR THE PAYMENT OR REGISTRATION FEES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 BY 11.59 P.M	LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSION O THE PDF FORMAT OF TH PROPOSAL OR INITIATIVE
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2021	PRELIMINARY ROUND
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2021	FINAL ROUND