



SINGHANIA & CO.

Since 1969

Solicitors & Advocates
International Legal Consultants

Dharmashastra National Law University Student Law Journal (SLJ)

in collaboration with

Singhania & Co.

presents

DNLU-SLJ

ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION 2025

THEME

CONTEMPORARY DEVELOPMENTS IN CORPORATE AND COMMERCIAL LAW



November 2025

knowledge partner



TheLegalVoice

About

Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur



Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur, established in 2018 is one of the prestigious National Law Universities. With the aim to achieve, impart, and disseminate the best in the knowledge of the law and to establish itself as a premiere institute in the promotion of research and academic culture, the University strives for the holistic development of the students, including various extracurricular, co-curricular, and non-academic activities. In achieving this, the whole university works like a big family, the DNLU family.

About DNLU-SLJ



The Dharmashastra National Law University – Student Law Journal (DNLU-SLJ) is a peer reviewed, student-run academic journal dedicated to promoting high-quality research in law and legal studies from comparative, global, and transdisciplinary perspectives. As the flagship publication of Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur (DNLU), the journal serves as a unique platform for students to express their opinions and insights through scholarly articles, research papers, book reviews, and case studies.

The journal has the Hon'ble Chief Justice of the Madhya Pradesh High Court, Justice Sanjeev Sachdeva, as its “Patron-in-Chief” and the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kumar Sinha, as its Patron. The print edition of the journal is registered under ISSN No. 3048-7536. The Advisory Board includes eminent scholars and professionals like Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Prof. (Dr.) Yogesh Pratap Singh, Prof. Yaniv Roznai, Prof. Abhijit Das, Dr. Ajar Rab, and Mr. Manan Lahoty, amongst others.

About Singhania & Co.

SINGHANIA & CO.



Since 1969

Solicitors & Advocates
International Legal Consultants

Founded in 1969 by the eminent legal luminary D.C. Singhania, S&Co has grown into one of India's premier law firms, upholding a tradition of excellence for over five decades. With a presence in multiple Indian cities and in London, the firm has built its reputation on dependability, mastery of the law, and a culture deeply rooted in integrity and professionalism. Ranked among the top 20 law firms in India by Asian Legal Business, S&Co continues to embody Mr. Singhania's vision of providing timely, precise, and reliable legal services.

The firm delivers expertise across diverse practice areas including arbitration and litigation, tax (direct and indirect), corporate and regulatory advisory, mergers and acquisitions, white-collar crime, insolvency and bankruptcy, maritime law, competition law, and intellectual property rights. It also offers specialized counsel in high-stake matters involving foreign collaborations, technology transfers, and commercial law. Notably, S&Co's Private Client Practice caters to promote families, entrepreneurs, high-net-worth individuals, and C-suite executives on estate and succession planning. Guided by its client-centric ethos, the firm continues to add value by aligning legal strategy with long-term business goals.

About TheLegalVoice



TheLegalVoice

TheLegalVoice, knowledge partner for the competition, is a premier legal edtech organisation incorporated as an LLP and duly registered as a Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) under the Government of India. It is also recognised as a Startup by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) and holds the ISO 9001:2015 certification, reflecting its commitment to quality and excellence.

TheLegalVoice offers expert-led courses, workshops, and webinars designed to bridge the gap between academic learning and real-world legal practice. It also facilitates internships to provide learners with practical exposure, equipping them with the right skills and confidence to advance their careers.

Over time, the institution has established itself as a platform fostering academic engagement, professional development, and critical discourse within the legal community. With its extensive network and sustained efforts toward empowering students and young professionals, TheLegalVoice has emerged as an esteemed knowledge partner in initiatives that aim to nurture and guide the next generation of legal minds across the country.

About DNLU-SLJ Essay Writing Competition, 2025

DNLU-SLJ in collaboration with **Singhania & Co.** is hosting an “**Essay Writing Competition**” on the central theme of “**Corporate and Commercial Laws.**” This competition aims to provide students with an enriching academic experience in corporate and commercial laws and their intersections with diverse legal domains, thereby bridging the gap between scholarly inquiry and industry practice.

By integrating an essay writing competition into the initiative, the endeavour seeks to foster critical thinking, analytical writing, and a deeper understanding of contemporary legal challenges within the framework of corporate and commercial jurisprudence.

About

The Theme and Sub-Themes for the Competition

Central Theme

“Contemporary Developments in Corporate and Commercial Law”

Sub Themes

The following sub-themes are merely indicative areas of consideration for submissions. The authors are free to delve into any subject matter of contemporary relevance under the following subthemes

- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Private Equity and Venture Capital
- Global Competition Law and Antitrust Regimes
- Cross-Border Insolvency and Restructuring
- International Capital Markets
- International Banking and Finance Laws
- Cross-border Investment and Trade Laws
- Cross-Border Commercial Dispute Resolution
- ESG Compliance in Corporate Law

Submission Guidelines

1. Word limit: 1500–2000 words, excluding the Footnotes.
2. Co-authorship is limited to a maximum of **two (2) authors**.
3. Essays must be original, unpublished, non-plagiarised and shall not be under simultaneous consideration for publication elsewhere.
4. The main body of the essay: Times New Roman, Font Size 12, line spacing 1.5 and justified alignment.
5. Footnotes must be cited strictly in accordance with the latest OSCOLA (4th edition) format. No endnotes or descriptive footnotes are permitted.
6. Footnotes: Times New Roman font, Font Size 10 and line spacing 1.0.
7. Copyright of the essays selected for publication shall vest with DNLU.
8. The Journal maintains a **zero-tolerance policy** towards the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in manuscript preparation. Similarity should be less than **15%**.

Eligibility

- Student/Research scholars enrolled in any UG/PG/PHD courses from any Indian University are eligible to participate in the competition.
- Multiple entries from the same authors are not allowed.

Competition Timeline

- Commencement of Registration: **14 October 2025 (Tuesday)**
- Last Date for Registration: **5 November 2025 (Wednesday)**
- Deadline for Essay Submission: **9 November 2025 (Sunday)**
- Declaration of Results: The results shall be tentatively announced by the **last week of November 2025**

Important Note: The submission link shall be communicated to the participants upon successful completion of the registration process.

Awards

The top three entries will receive the following cash prizes:

- 1st Prize: **Rs. 10,000**
- 2nd Prize: **Rs. 7,500**
- 3rd Prize: **Rs. 5,000**

As the Knowledge Partner of the Competition, TheLegalVoice will be offering **free courses worth up to ₹10,000** to the winners of the competition. In addition, all participants will be entitled to a **20% discount** on the full range of courses offered by TheLegalVoice.

Publication

- Top 10 papers will be published in a Special Volume of the DNLU – Student Law Journal and receive the certificate of merit.
- All participants will receive the certificate for participation.

Registration Fee

- Rs. 300 for Single Authorship
- Rs. 500 for Co-Authorship (up to 2 authors only)

Registration Details



SCAN THIS QR CODE TO FILL THE REGISTRATION FORM



OR



CLICK

CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE REGISTRATION FORM

Contact Us

In case of any clarifications or queries, please feel free to contact us



Phone +91 62600 77896



Email dnluslj@mpdnlu.ac.in



LinkedIn [DNLU Student Law Journal](#)



dnluslj.in