

# 3<sup>RD</sup>

## ANNUAL TRIAL ADVOCACY COMPETITION, 2025

10<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2025



*presented by*

THE MOOT COURT ASSOCIATION

# ABOUT SYMBIOSIS LAW SCHOOL, HYDERABAD

Symbiosis Law School (SLS), Hyderabad, established in 2014, is a constituent of Symbiosis International (Deemed University), Pune. It was founded under the visionary leadership of Prof. Dr. S.B. Mujumdar, Chancellor of SIU and recipient of the Padma Shri and Padma Bhushan. The institution is guided by Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Pro-Chancellor and Principal Director of the Symbiosis Society, and is currently led by Dr. Sunil George, Director, SLS Hyderabad. Situated on a fully residential campus in Hyderabad, Telangana, SLS Hyderabad offers integrated B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) and B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) programmes, designed to blend rigorous legal education with interdisciplinary learning and practical exposure.

Anchored in the values of expertise, justice, and service, the law school emphasizes holistic development through mooting, legal aid, research centres, and community outreach. Students are encouraged to participate in national and international competitions and gain hands-on experience through internships and academic collaborations. With strong institutional support and access to SIU's pan-India alumni network, graduates go on to excel in litigation, corporate law, policy, judiciary, and public service, emerging as socially conscious and professionally competent legal professionals.





# ABOUT THE MOOT COURT ASSOCIATION

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The Moot Court Association (MCA) of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad is a dynamic body dedicated to cultivating a strong culture of mooting and trial advocacy within the institution. Guided by the Faculty In-Charge, Dr. Syed Shahid Rashid, and Assistant Faculty In-Charge, Ms. Sherin Priyan, the MCA plays a pivotal role in developing students' legal research, drafting, and oral advocacy skills through a wide range of structured activities and competitions.

The Association organises several internal events such as Zeal for first-year students, Zenith, Knockout Rounds, and the Challenger Series, each designed to build foundational and advanced mooting capabilities. It also hosts prestigious national events, including the Flagship National Moot Court Competition and the Annual Trial Advocacy Competition, which attract participation from leading law schools across the country. A core responsibility of the MCA is the selection and mentorship of University Moot Teams through an annual internal competition and a rigorous evaluation process, ensuring that Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad is ably represented at both national and international platforms.



# DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

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**Dr. Sunil George**  
**Director & Professor**  
**Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad**

It is an absolute pleasure and delight to finally embark upon the 3rd edition of the Annual Trial Advocacy Competition, 2025.

Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad has always endeavoured to present an enriching, principled and equitable arena to showcase lawyerly expertise—logical reasoning, legal argumentation and parlance, effective presentation and masterful research, and critical thinking skills.

The blend of meticulousness and diversity innate to the Symbiosis culture is unparalleled, together with an inexhaustible zeal to mould trailblazers in the legal fraternity, and beyond. We believe in aspiring to the goal of learning, unlearning and relearning as well as to the highest ethical, moral, professional and personal standards in the practice of the profession. These are indispensable in our commitment to engage proactively in societal concerns at the highest levels. We, as an institute, are collectively accountable to various stakeholders in ensuring that we render these services to the practitioners, abiders, and beneficiaries of the law.

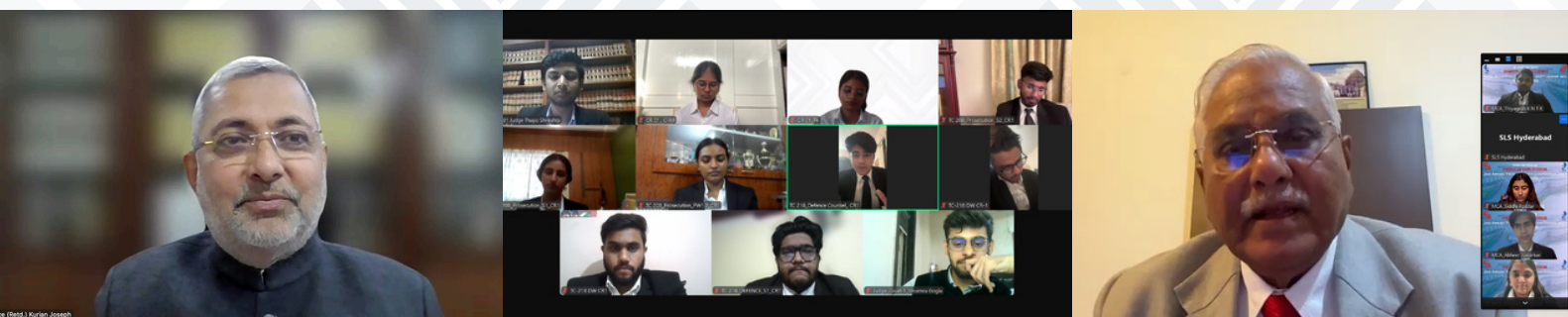
The Annual Trial Advocacy Competition, 2025 of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad is having its 3rd edition this academic year, and will be a touchstone for the ideals of integrity, equity, fairness and consistency. We are proud to welcome everyone to ardently participate in the big and bold 3rd edition of the ATAC; we are confident it will be a fruitful and memorable event for all.



# ABOUT THE COMPETITION

Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad is delighted to announce the 3rd Annual Trial Advocacy Competition, 2025 (3rd ATAC, 2025). This flagship event offers a premier platform for law students to exhibit their trial advocacy skills through a challenging and well-crafted hypothetical case. Participants will argue before a distinguished panel of judges comprising esteemed members of the Bench and Bar, ensuring a professionally enriching and intellectually stimulating experience.

After the resounding success of its previous editions—both conducted in virtual mode and graced by legal luminaries such as Hon'ble Justice A.K. Sikri, Hon'ble Justice Kurian Joseph, Hon'ble Justice V. Gopala Gowda, Hon'ble Justice S.R. Bannurmath, and Hon'ble Justice G.R. Swaminathan—the 3rd Edition of ATAC, 2025 will be held **Offline** for the first time. With participation from leading law schools across the country, this edition aims to elevate the competition experience, fostering excellence in trial advocacy and offering unmatched exposure to courtroom practice.



# ABOUT THE TRIAL PROPOSITION

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In light of the dynamic and evolving nature of legal education, the Trial Proposition for the 3rd Annual Trial Advocacy Competition, 2025, has been framed to focus on areas within criminal law, with the objective of enhancing participants' understanding and application of legal principles in this domain. The Proposition is entirely fictional and does not intend to replicate or represent any real-life event, individual, or entity—living or deceased. It has been drafted solely for academic purposes, and any resemblance to actual persons, events, or organizations is purely coincidental.

Participants are strictly prohibited from attempting to contact the author(s) or drafter(s) of the Trial Proposition at any time following its release and until the conclusion of the competition. Any such attempt will lead to immediate disqualification of the concerned team and may invite further disciplinary action at the discretion of the Institution. The Institution also reserves the right to amend, modify, or rescind any rules or provisions of the competition at any stage, as deemed appropriate in the interest of fairness and academic integrity.



# SCHEDULE OF THE COMPETITION

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4 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2025	COMMENCEMENT OF PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION
23 <sup>RD</sup> AUGUST, 2025	RELEASE OF TRIAL PROPOSITION
12 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2025	LAST DATE TO REGISTER
13 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER , 2025	LAST DATE TO SEEK CLARIFICATIONS
20 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2025	RELEASE OF CLARIFICATIONS
10 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2025	DRAW OF LOTS INAUGURAL CEREMONY
11 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2025	PRELIMINARY ROUNDS, QUARTER-FINAL ROUNDS
12 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2025	SEMI-FINAL ROUNDS, FINALS VALEDICTORY CEREMONY

# CASH PRIZES

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RS. 20,000/-

RUNNER'S UP

RS. 15,000/-

BEST SPEAKER

RS. 5,000/-

BEST WITNESS

RS. 5,000/-

PRIZES BY MANUPATRA  
ACADEMY

Winners receive 1 free  
course of choice.

Runners-up receive 75% off  
on 1 course.

Team securing 3rd Place  
receives 50% off on 1  
course.

All participants receive 15%  
off on 1 course.





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