





XAVIER LAW SCHOOL

Xavier Society of Law and Justice (2023-24)

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# XAVIER MEDIATION COMPETITION 2023

State Edition

IN ASSOCIATION WITH

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# OFFICIAL EVENT BROCHURE

- 19, 20 H & 21 ST APRIL, 2023 (WED-THU-FRI)
- XAVIER LAW SCHOOL, ST. XAVIER'S UNIVERSITY, KOLKATA ADDRESS: ACTION AREA III, B, NEWTOWN, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL 700160



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## **ABOUT SXUK**











### J ST. XAVIER'S UNIVERSITY, KOLKATA - IN PHOTOS &

St. Xavier's University, Kolkata is a private university run by the Jesuits. It bears testimony to the 500-year-old legacy of Jesuit education. It was established on February 8, 2017 and was inaugurated by the Honorable Chief Minister of West Bengal, Smt. Mamata Banerjee in the presence of Mr. L. N. Mittal and his wife Mrs. Usha Mittal. It has a sprawling campus expanding to 16.64 acres of land. The University offers 8 undergraduate courses namely in the subjects of Commerce (Morning and Day), Management Studies, English, Mass Communication, Economics and Law. It offers postgraduate courses in the subjects of Commerce, Mass Communication, Economics, English, Social Work and Psychology. It also offers PhD courses in Commerce, Management, English, Economics and Mass Communication. The University also comprises of Xavier Business School which offers MBA courses and Xavier Law School which offers undergraduate courses in Law.



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The University seeks to provide limitless opportunities to the students in different horizons. The University is equipped with modernized infrastructure to provide maximum facilities to students. It also seeks to formulate a plan to implement the National Education Policy and expand the infrastructure furthermore according to the 'Plan 2025'.







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## **ABOUT XLS**











### XAVIER LAW SCHOOL - IN PHOTOS

Xavier Law School was established in August, 2019 by the Honorable Lokpal of India, Mr. Pinaki Chandra Ghosh. It seeks to carry on the legacy of Jesuit education in the fields of legal education and research. It promises to provide all the facilities to the student which would help them to reach the pinnacle of success. Currently it offers two undergraduate courses- B.A.LLB. (Hons.) and B.Com.LLB, (Hons.) however it promises to offer both postgraduate and PhD courses in the near future. It comprises of highly qualified faculty members and modern infrastructure including a Moot Court hall and a Law Library dedicated the Law school. It also comprises of Three Student-run societies namely the Xavier Society of Law and Justice (XSLAJ), The XLS Moot Court Society and the Legal Aid Society, which strives to give multiple opportunities to the students.

It seeks to set international standards in legal education and to promote holistic development of students. Xavier Law School strives to promote a society based on love, freedom, liberty, justice, equality and fraternity by training the law students to focus on 'Satya' and 'Dharma'. With this at the backdrop, Xavier Law School is determined to feature among the top law schools in the country.







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# ABOUT XSLAJ











### u Xavier Society of Law and Justice - In Photos u

XSLAJ has been established under St. Xavier's University, Kolkata to achieve quality based legal education and has a broader goal of preparing men and women for others. In its constant pursuit of excellence, it always strives to create a legacy of leadership, professional acumen and excellence. This society strives towards exploring the benchmarks of educational standards for the best outcome in areas of law. XSLAJ isn't limited by it's professionality, but empowered by it. XSLAJ represents students from 8 semesters. They say that it is impossible to tell where law stops and justice begins but here at XSLAJ, we strongly believe that it is the spirit and not the form of law that keeps justice alive, and along those lines we do conceptualize our events and activities, so that every student of XLS can get a clearer perspective of the two neighboring concepts.

### "MORE THAN A SOCIETY, XSLAJ IS A MAJOR STEP TOWARDS STRENGTHENING XLS, IN ITS GROWING YEARS, AND HAS POTENTIAL TO BE THE HEART AND SOUL OF XLS"

At XLS, where gauging the power of law is considered as a supreme lesson, XSLAJ aims to create a platform, a rostrum for law students where they can go beyond the study material, and delve deep into the world of law, explore infinite possibilities of how a law can affect the system, and understand, in doing so, that to pursue law, is to pave justice.



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## **OUR ASSOCIATE PARTNER**





Parnasree Jeewandeep Seva Sansthan commonly known as PJSS is a non-governmental and non profitable organization registered under the West Bengal Societies Registration Act of 1961.

Our object is to establish a sound and healthy atmosphere in society by organizing different programs for enhancement of quality life for people and their surroundings. We value life and its beautification as this is the need of the hour to achieve the highest level of satisfaction for life of a living being. Where life seems to be full of anxiety, helplessness and wandering for many, we stand by them at their need and extend support for better opportunities available with us.











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We are pleased to announce that XSLAJ is organizing the First Intra-State Edition of Xavier Mediation Competition 2023 in partnership with Khaitan & Co., as it's "Legal Partner". We look forward to a fruitful mediation competition for the students of Law from across the State of West Bengal, with the expertise and guidance from a leading law firm in India, as Khaitan & Co.







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## **OUR EVENT PARTNERS**





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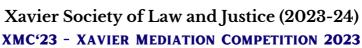
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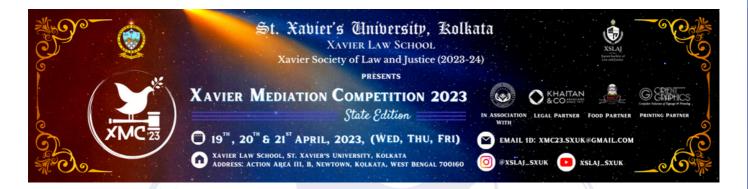


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## **ABOUT XMC'23**



### XMC'23 (STATE EDITION) - IN PHOTO

Mediation is different from other forms of ADR such as arbitration, conciliation and settlement. Unlike litigation and arbitration, which are adversarial in nature, mediation is founded on pillars of cooperation and trust, and is similar to negotiation. Mediation is becoming more popular than litigation these days because it is time and money-saving. It is going to be more popular along with arbitration in the coming future. Even courts refer some cases to ADR (alternate dispute resolution) for faster dispute resolution. Students will greatly benefit from a Mediation Competition as it will help them get a broader perspective on the various methods of ADR (Alternate Dispute Resolution), and experience Legal Education beyond the limitations of the Curriculum.

XMC'23 is envisioned to be held on a State Level, across 3 days - inviting participations from various Law Colleges across the State of West Bengal - under the leadership of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of St. Xavier's University, Kolkata and Chairperson of XSLAJ, **Rev. Dr. John Felix Raj, S.J.** XMC'23 aims to provide a platform wherein the students pursuing Law will get a first-hand experience on how Mediation takes place, in the legal world.

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## **SCHEDULE**

All the important dates pertaining to the Xavier Mediation Competition 2023 (Sub-Events & Events, have been mentioned below - in detail:

MARCH MARCH						
S	M	T	w	Т	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

	APRIL					
S	M	T	w	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

### **TIMELINE ■**

#### Saturday, 25th March, 2023

#### Release of SXUK Hostel Notification

(Registrations and Payment Window for SXUK Hostel Accommodation Facility Open)

#### Saturday, 1st April, 2023

#### Release of All Mediation Problems

(Prelims, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & Finals)

#### Saturday, 8th April, 2023

Last Date for Clarifications on the Problems

#### Friday, 10th April, 2023

Last Date for Team Registrations (11:59 PM) Release of Final Clarifications

#### Saturday, 15th April, 2023

Last Date for Hostel Registrations/Payment

#### Wednesday, 19th April, 2023

The Draw of Lots & Orientation of Teams

#### Thursday, 20th April, 2023

XMC'23 Opening Ceremony XMC'23 Day 1 (Prelims I & II)

#### Friday, 21st April, 2023

XMC'23 Day 2 (Quarter-Final, Semi-Finals & The Final Round) & XMC'23 Closing Ceremony







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## THE MEDIATION PROBLEMS



The **Mediation Problem** will contain the General Problem-at-hand, privy to all the Participants, whereas the **Confidential Information Exhibits** or **C.I.E.** will contain Specially Drafted Factual & Confidential Information pertaining to each side (Requesting and Responding).

- The Confidential Information Exhibit (C.I.E.) for a Round shall be released i.e., revealed to the respective Negotiating Pair only (and not the Mediating Pair), exactly **30 minutes** before their respective rounds in the rooms allotted for the same C.I.E.R.S. (Confidential Information Exhibit Reading Station)
- The Confidential Information can be first used/disclosed by the Negotiating Pairs ONLY during the Caucus, not before. However, after the Caucus, the usage of the Confidential Information is allowed, up to the discretion of the Negotiating Pairs.
- The Confidential Information is not mandatory to be used during a Round (at the time of the Caucus, and post-caucus) by the Negotiating Pairs. The usage shall be at their discretion, i.e., a Negotiating Pair may choose not to disclose their Confidential Information in their Caucus.



#### → RELEASE OF THE MEDIATION PROBLEMS ←



There shall be a different Mediation Problem for each Round of Mediation i.e. separate problems in the Prelims I, Prelims II, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & The Final Round, and 2 different Confidential Information Exhibits (C.I.E.) each, for the Requesting and Responding Side respectively. Therefore there shall be 5 Mediation Problems and 10 C.I.E.s. All the 5 Mediation Problems will be released collectively on the 1st April, 2023, as per the Event Schedule (see page no. 10) - so that the Participants can get acquainted with the Problems well in advance, and form their arguments and contentions accordingly, in the adequate time-frame before the Competition.







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# TIME DISTRIBUTION

Given below (in tabular format) is the Detailed Time Division (in minutes - **binding & compulsory** for all teams) - for each Level in the Competition:

Detailed Time Distribution - Level Wise (in Minutes)	Prelims (I & II)	Quarter Finals	Semi Finals	Final Round
Opening Statements by the Mediators	6	6	6	7
Opening Statements by the Requesting Side	5	5	5	6
Opening Statements by the Responding Side	5	5	5	6
Joint Session	10	12	12	12
Caucus	10	10	15	15
Resumption of Joint Session - Post Caucus	10	13	13	14
Closing Statements by the Responding Side	3	3	3	5
Closing Statements by the Requesting Side	3	3	3	5
Closing Statements by the Mediators	3	3	3	5
Feedback by the Judges	5	5	5	5
TOTAL ROUND TIME IN EACH LEVEL	60	65	70	80







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The Participating Teams in XMC'23 (State Edition) shall qualify from the Prelims I  $\mathcal{E}$  II in the manner described below in detail:-



All the Participating Teams shall appear twice in the Prelims - once from the Requesting, and then from the Responding Side, in the Prelims I & II - as per the Draw of Lots\*. The Negotiating Pair of each Team - consisting of the Attorney/Counsel and the Client - will be marked together as a unit, while the Mediator of each team shall be marked separate from that team's Negotiating Pair. (See page no. 14)



After appearing once from each side (Requesting & Responding), in the Prelims I & II, the Top 8 Mediators and the Top 8 Negotiating Pairs, with the highest cumulative (average) scores from both the Prelims, will advance to the Quarter-Finals. All the rounds (65 minutes) in the Quarter Finals will be held parallelly. In the Quarter Finals, the Qualifying Negotiating Pairs will be allotted a side to represent - Req. or Res. (as per the Draw of Lots\*).



After the Quarter-Finals, the Top 4 Mediators and the Top 4 Negotiating Pairs, with the highest scores from the Quarter-Finals, will advance to the Semi-Finals. Both the rounds in the Semi-Finals (70 minutes) will be held parallelly - in 2 Mediation Rooms (M.R.s). In the Semi-Finals, the Qualifying Negotiating Pairs will be allotted a side to represent - Req. or Res. (as per the Draw of Lots\*).

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\*Details of the "Draw of Lots" to be informed during the course of the event.







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After the Semi-Finals, the Top 2 Mediators and the Top 2 Negotiating Pairs, with the highest scores from the Semi-Finals, will advance to the Final Round - 80 minutes. In the Final Round, the Finalist Negotiating Pairs will be allotted a side to represent - Req. or Res. - on the basis of the toss of a coin.



### THE MARKING SCHEME - QUALIFICATION



- 1. The Mediator of a Team shall not be paired with his/her own team in any of the Prelims (I & II)
- i.e. the Mediator of a Team will be a competing unit separate from the Negotiating Pair (Attorney & Client) of the same team, hence there shall be no Team-Wise Marking. Therefore, there may be cases, wherein the Mediator of a Team qualifies for the other rounds, but the Negotiating Pair of the same team doesn't - or vice versa.
- 2. The Mediating Pair (consisting of two mediators from two different teams) in the rounds will be marked individually - and not as a Pair. The Mediators will advance individually, i.e. irrespective of their Team or Pair in a round.
- 3. The Client & the Counsel in a Negotiating Pair, however, will be marked together as a Pair hence the Negotiating Pairs will not be changed throughout the duration of the Competition and will advance together as a pair.

Random Pairing Post-Prelims: In the Preliminary Rounds (I & II), the Mediator from a Team will - under no circumstance - be paired with the Negotiating Pair of the Same Team. But in the Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & the Final Round - the allotments can be random, and such a case may arise where a qualifying Mediator and a qualifying Negotiating Pair belong to the same team, and they are grouped together.







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## MARKING SCHEME





### I. MARKING SCHEME FOR THE MEDIATOR

### 1. Opening Statement (10)

• Effective explanation of the process of mediation, the role of the mediators, the code of conduct and any other significant aspect.

### 2. Confidentiality (10)

- Maintenance of the confidentiality of both the parties' confidential information.
- The ability to balance the strengths, weaknesses, contrasting interests and needs of the parties, during the Session.

### 3. Time Management (10)

• Adherence to the prescribed time limit in the Session.

### 4. Co-Operation (10)

- Co-ordination and facilitation between the Mediators, throughout the round.
- Understanding the points put forth by the negotiating pairs and helping them arrive at a productive solution or arrangement.

### 5. Tackling (10)

- Employing techniques of active listening
- Being neutral and non-judgmental to defuse conflict.

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## **MARKING SCHEME**



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### 2. MARKING SCHEME FOR THE ATTORNEY



### 1. Opening Statement (10)

- Awareness of factual knowledge, and identification of issues arising out of the facts.
- Properly dealing with technicalities, and details pertaining to the facts.

### 2. Utilization of C.I. (Confidential Information) (10)

• Disclosure and beneficial use of confidential information.

### 3. Co-Operation (10)

• Teamwork between client and counsel for effective communication between the two as well as in order to avoid any role-overlap.

### 4. Attorney Skills (10)

- Backing up the client's demand during the presentation of offers through legal validations.
- Strategizing to arrive at a reasonable and effective solution, balancing the client's interests and effective utilization of time.

### 5. Negotiation (10)

- Ensuring legitimacy of persuasion methods and a convincing attitude.
- Guiding the client to use leverages appropriately to arrive at a reasonable and realistic solution that suits the parties.

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### 3. MARKING SCHEME FOR THE CLIENT



### 1. Opening Statement (10)

- Proper knowledge of the facts and an articulate presentation of the same.
- Clarity of stance and expectations for settlement to be duly expressed.

### 2. Utilization of C.I. (Confidential Information) (10)

• Disclosure and beneficial use of confidential information.

### 3. Co-Operation (10)

• Teamwork between client and counsel for effective communication between the two as well as in order to avoid any role-overlap.

### 4. Conduct (10)

- A formal and proper conduct with a respectable and patient demeanour to keep the environment secure and avoid hostility.
- Effective utilization of time, along with a degree of self-control against manipulative and inciting tactics deployed by members of the opposing parties.

#### 5. Negotiation (10)

- Rigidity of stance, and flexibility of negotiating positions.
- Use of collaborative and reasonable measures while engaging in a problem-solving search for sensible and inventive solutions.







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## REWARDS

The Cash Prizes allotted for the Top 3 Positions in XMC'23 - Xavier Mediation Competition 2023 (State Edition) are as follows:-



>>> BEST NEGOTIATING PAIR AWARD

77.000 (TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND RUPEES)



>>> BEST MEDIATOR AWARD

₹ 12,500 (TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED RUPEES)



>>> RUNNER-UP NEGOTIATING PAIR AWARD

₹ 15,000 (FIFTEEN THOUSAND RUPEES)



>>> RUNNER-UP MEDIATOR AWARD

₹ 7,500 (SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED RUPEES)



>>> 2ND RUNNER-UP NEGOTIATING PAIR AWARD

₹ 10,000 (TEN THOUSAND RUPEES)



>>> 2ND RUNNER-UP MEDIATOR AWARD

 $\stackrel{>}{\sim}$  5,000 (FIVE THOUSAND RUPEES)

All the Members of the Participating Teams will get Printed Participation Certificates! All the Winners (enlisted above) will get Printed Merit Certificates!

\*Certificates to be distributed after the Closing Ceremony.



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## REGISTRATION

Given below are the details of the team registrations for participation in XMC'23 - State Edition:-



### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR REGISTRATION**



- **1. Territory, Recognition & Course:** Students pursuing any three-year or five-year integrated courses of the LL.B. degree from any Law School/College/University/Institution across the <u>State of West Bengal</u>, <u>recognized by the Bar Council of India (BCI)</u> are eligible to participate.
- **2. Semester/Year:** Students from any Year/Semester can form/join a Team and register for participation. <u>Cross-Semester Participation is allowed, i.e., a Team may consist of students from different semesters/years.</u>

**Closure of Registrations on reaching Intake Capacity:** Registrations will be disabled on the Google Form once the Team Intake Capacity is reached. Teams will be taken on first-come-first-serve basis.

(See "Detailed Procedure of Team Registration" - on the next page)







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### **DETAILED PROCEDURE FOR TEAM REGISTRATION**



- **1. Bona-Fide Letter:** Students can form Teams as per the Eligibility Criteria (mentioned on page no. x) and obtain a Bona-Fide Letter from their respective Law School/College/University, affirming the participation of that team in XMC'23, which should compulsorily contain the following:-
  - 1. Official Logo/Seal of the University/College/School
  - 2. Names of the Students of the Participating Teams
  - 3. Acknowledgement of their Participation in XMC'23 (State Edition) as a Team
- **2. Payment of Team Registration Fees:** Each team, including the Mediator, Client & Counsel is required to pay the Team Registration Fees of Rs.2,000 (see page no. 22), **cumulatively**, through any of the <u>Payment Gateways mentioned on Page No. 22</u>, and once the registration fees amount is transferred, the Teams are required to take a Screenshot/Scanned Copy of the Payment Receipt generated, or the Bank Slip in order to attach it in the Google Form.

(Does not include SXUK Hostel Accommodation Fees - to be paid separately on notification)

- **3. Submission of Team Registration Form:** After the Fees Transaction, the team has to fill and submit the Google Form for XMC'23 Team Registrations (link attached on page no. 21- with QR Code). In the Google Form, the following details and attachments will be required:-
  - 1. Name of the Law College/University/School. (Cross College Participation is prohibited)
  - 2. Personal Details of the Students, as per roles opted by them (Mediator, Client & Counsel):
    - Name, Course, Email ID and Phone No. (preferably WhatsApp Enabled)
  - 3. ID Proof (University/College ID Card) of the Students attachment in PDF Format.
  - 4. Scanned Copy of the Bona-Fide Letter attachment in PDF Format.
  - 5. Scanned Copy of the **Payment Receipt of the Registration Fees** attachment in PDF Format.

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**4. Submission & Confirmation:** Once the form is received by the Organizing Committee, a mail confirming the Team to be registered for Participation - will be sent, after the Verification of the documents attached and payment of the Team Registration Fees.



### GOOGLE FORM LINK FOR XMC'23 (STATE-LEVEL) REGISTRATIONS

Click on this hyperlink text to access the Google Form.

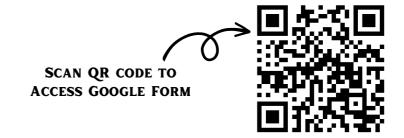


#### SCAN THE QR CODE - ATTACHED TO THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE

Scan the QR Code given at the bottom of the page to access the Google Form.

**Refund Policy:** In case a Team's registration is not confirmed after the payment of Registration Fees - the full amount will be duly refunded. However, no amount will be refunded to any Team which cancels their registration after payment of the Team Registration Fees.

**Note:** The roles cannot be changed after the Confirmation of Registration. Any requested change shall be completely at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.









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## **PAYMENT GATEWAYS**

Given below are the details pertaining to the Team Registration Fees for Participation in XMC'23 State Edition, and the Payment Gateways for the same. For SXUK Hostel Accommodation Facility Fees & Payment Details - see page no. 23.



### **DETAILS OF FEES FOR TEAM REGISTRATIONS**



### **XMC'23 TEAM REGISTRATION FEES**

>>>  $\stackrel{?}{?}$  2,000 (Two Thousand Rupees)

\*DOES NOT INCLUDE THE FEES FOR SXUK HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION FACILITY

\*\*INCLUSIVE OF ALL TAXES

**Disclaimer:** The Registration Fees shall be paid cumulatively by the Team as a whole. It is not for the Individual Members of the Team.



### TEAM REGISTRATION FEES PAYMENT METHOD



### METHOD OF PAYMENT: NEFT/RTGS

>>> ACCOUNT NAME: CANARA BANK

>>> ACCOUNT NO.: 97212010000023

>>> IFSC CODE.: CNRB0019721

>>> MICR: 700015146

>>> BENEFICIARY NAME: ST XAVIERS UNIVERSITY KOLKATA

>>> BRANCH NAME: SXUK RAJARHAT CAMPUS

>>> BRANCH ADDRESS: ACTION AREA IIIB, NEW TOWN, KOLKATA - 700160







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## **ACCOMODATION**











#### **SXUK HOSTEL FACILITY - IN PHOTOS**

The St. Xavier's University, Kolkata (SXUK) Hostel will be available for Accommodation of Participants who may want to avail the facility due to travel/distance hindrances. All the details for the same have been provided below:-



### SXUK HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION FACILITY

The Students who may want to avail the SXUK Hostel Accommodation Facility can register for the same - **on an individual basis -** through a process that will be notified on the 25th March, 2023 - as per the Event Schedule (see page no. 10), along with all other relevant details.

### FEES FOR SXUK HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION FACILITY



\*FOR 3 NIGHTS, 4 DAYS - INCLUDING BREAKFAST, LUNCH & DINNER.

\*\*NON-AC SHARING ROOMS \*\*\*INCLUSIVE OF ALL TAXES

Due to limited provision for Accommodations - allotments will be made on first-cum-first-serve basis - at the Discretion of the Organizing Committee.

The hostel accommodation fees shall be paid by the student opting for the Facility. The amount will **not be refunded** on cancellation of registration - after the payment is made and the accommodation is confirmed.







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## **RULES & REGULATIONS**



Given below are certain important Rules & Regulations - mandatory for every Participant to comply with. Non compliance of these rules may lead to Negative Marking, or Disqualification\*.



### **ARTICLE 1 - TEAM COMPOSITION & TEAM CODE**



- 1. **Team Members & their Roles:** Each team shall mandatorily consist of 3 members. This number cannot be modified under any circumstances. There shall be 1 Mediator, 1 Attorney (or Counsel) and 1 Client designated for each team. The roles will not be subject to any change after the confirmation of the team's registration.\*
- 2. **Team Code:** Each team will have a unique team code. Teams should not disclose their identity or that of their institution, etc., under any circumstances and such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification from the Competition directly. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the Organizers.



### ARTICLE 2 - DATE, TIMING, & VENUE



- 1. Date: The competition will be held from Wednesday, 19th April, 2023 to Friday, 21st April, 2023.
- 2. Venue: Xavier Law School, St. Xavier's University, Kolkata,
  - Address: Action Area III, B, Newtown, Kolkata, West Bengal 700160.



#### **ARTICLE 3 - DRESS CODE**



- 1. Dress Code Law Formals (Black Suit, Trousers, Tie & Shoes, and White Shirt)
- 2. The Dress Code is **same** for all Mediators, Clients & Counsels.
- 3. The dress code is **compulsory** for all the participants, and they are expected to make their own arrangements regarding the same. Not abiding by the said rule can lead to negative marking or direct disqualification\*.

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### ARTICLE 4 - MAINTENANCE OF ANONYMITY



- 1. The Mediators, Clients & Counsels may introduce themselves to the Judges in the usual manner and are required to also state their respective code Mediator Code, Attorney Code or Client Code. However, the team's college name shall not be indicated to the judges at any time.
- 2. **Neutral Identification:** Further, all team members shall refrain from identifying a team's law school/college/university at any time and in any manner, including but not limited to wearing any identifying items (such as college clothing, ties, patches or pins) or carrying identifying material (such as books with a college logo or seal etc.).
- 3. **ID Card Verification:** Participants must carry their College/University/Institution Identity Card (ID Card) for the purpose of identification/verification during the competition.



### ARTICLE 5 - CODE OF CONDUCT



- 1. **Scouting:** Teams will not be allowed to observe the rounds of any of other teams. Scouting is strictly prohibited. Scouting by any of the teams shall result in direct disqualification\*.
- 2. Language: The Participants are directed to use only English Language during the Competition.
- 3. **Prohibition on use of Mobile Phones & Electronic Gadgets:** Use of mobile phones or any other electronic device (Eg.: Smart Watch) is strictly prohibited during the competition, in between the Rounds at the M.R.s, and during the C.I.E. Reading Time, at the C.I.E.R.S. The Team Members will be required to hand their phones over to the Team Representatives allotted to the Teams (by the Organizing Committee) before their C.I.E. Reading Time begins, and shall obtain it back from them at the end of their respective Mediation Round (in all levels). Non compliance may lead to direct disqualification.\*
- 4. **Prevention of Unethical Means:** The display of any other unethical/unprofessional conduct is strictly prohibited. Non-compliance will lead to immediate disqualification of the team.\*

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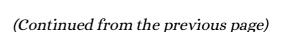
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5. **Prohibition on Revelation of Confidential Information (C.I.):** It is strictly prohibited for anyone to share/reveal any detail pertaining to or even closely related to the Confidential Information, outside the Caucus Session of a Round. The mediators shall have no access to the confidential information of any of the parties, apart from their own Caucus Rounds. Non-compliance may lead to direct disqualification of the Team.\*



### **ARTICLE 6 - CREATION OF EXTRANEOUS FACTS**



1. **Prohibition on Creation of Extraneous Facts:** The creation of extraneous facts is not permitted and the teams shall be penalized for the same. However, the teams may reasonably interpret the problem to draw reasonable conclusions.



#### ARTICLE 7 - PROCEDURAL RULES & GUIDELINES



1. The term "Caucus" shall refer to a private meeting between the Mediators and a Negotiating Pair (Client & Counsel). A Caucus is called for the Teams to take input from the Mediators or for when there is some Confidential Information that they are not comfortable sharing during the Joint Session. The Caucus is mandatory to be called by the Mediators/Negotiating Pairs at the time mentioned as per the Time Distribution (See Page No. 12)

Usage of Caucus Time by Negotiating Pairs: Minimum: 1 minute, Maximum: 5 minutes.

Note: There is no provision for cross-caucus. ("Cross-Caucus" refers to a separate meeting between the Mediators and both Counsellors or a separate meeting between the Mediators and both Clients.

- 2. The Mediators **must** ask the Negotiating Pairs (during/after the caucus) before bringing up or discussing/revealing their side's Confidential Information in the post-caucus session.
- 3. The "**feedback**" shall be provided to the teams by the Judges of the respective rounds.

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### ARTICLE 8 - AMENDMENT OF RULES



1. Amendment Powers of the Organizing Committee: The Organizing Committee of XMC'23 reserves all rights & powers to amend any rule/guideline/provision mentioned in this Brochure.







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