

# **COMMITTEE REPORT OF THE ALTERNATE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2019-2020**

## **About the Committee**

The Alternate Dispute Resolution Committee or the ADRC, initially functioning under the Moot Court Committee emerged as a separate committee in 2018. Although the committee is relatively new, it has been successful and has been received by students with the highest level of enthusiasm. It has played an imperative role in developing the ADR culture within the students and enabling them to explore the various mechanisms of Alternate Dispute Resolution and understand it in a better light. The committee deals with major mechanisms of Alternate Dispute Resolution including Mediation, Arbitration Negotiation and Client counselling. The committee regularly conducts various Intra University competitions, workshop and training sessions and also its annual Inter University National Mediation- Arbitration Competition. (NMAC).

## **Committee Members**



The Committee comprises of a total of 10 members across the different years of study and One Teacher coordinator. The Committee comprises of the following members.

Faculty Coordinator: Ms. Mrinmoyee Mukherjee

Student Members:

V. Ravindran	5 <sup>th</sup> year
Smritika Isaac	5 <sup>th</sup> year
Elakkiya R	5 <sup>th</sup> year
Divya Sridhar	4 <sup>th</sup> year
C.V Shreya	3 <sup>rd</sup> year
Nilanjan Kolay	3 <sup>rd</sup> year
Mrinali Dave	2 <sup>nd</sup> year
K. Aadhishankaran	2 <sup>nd</sup> year
Hananya A.S	1 <sup>st</sup> year
Vyshnavi Praveen	1 <sup>st</sup> year

## **Events conducted**

### **Orientation Session on Client Counselling**

The committee conducted an orientation session on Client Counselling on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August, 2019. The workshop started with an introduction to the world of alternate dispute resolution following which the students were familiarized with the concept of Client Counselling. The session was conducted by C.V Shreya of 3<sup>rd</sup> year. The session covered the various aspects including preparation style, language and etiquette to be followed. Following the session, a mock session was conducted for the students by Saloni Borse, Shradha Pandey and Aadith Sridhar of 3<sup>rd</sup> year. This was followed by a mock client counselling session for all the students in order to provide them a hands-on experience. The session was very fruitful and enlightening and received positive feedback.



### **Orientation Session on Mediation**

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of August, 2019, the committee conducted an orientation session on mediation which attended by students of all years of study. The session was conducted by Nilanjan Kolay of 3<sup>rd</sup> year. The session began by explaining the attendees the meaning and process of the mediation mechanism. The session was further carried on by Tamasaa TT of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year as well who went on to explain the roles of the client and counsel and various other intricacies. A mock session was conducted by P. Vasishtan and Elakkiya of the 5<sup>th</sup> year and Tamasaa of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year to enable the students to understand the mediation process in a better light. The session had a lot to offer to the students in terms of preparation strategy, cooperation and so on. The session was a great success and helped students gain a better insight of Mediation, it's concept and necessity.

### **Intra Alternate Dispute Resolution Competition (Mediation and Client Counselling)- 5<sup>th</sup> Edition**

The Alternate Dispute Resolution Committee successfully conducted the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the Intra-Client counselling and Intra- Mediation on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of August 2019. The competition featured over 37 client-counsel teams and over 36 mediators totalling over

110 participants for mediation and over 46 teams for client counselling from students across all years of study. The innovative problem for Mediation featured the issue pertaining to the tax rates between a food app and a group of restaurants and there featured an array of problems for client counselling ranging from live in relationship to medical negligence. The competition featured eminent judges from across the country who shared their knowledge and expertise with the participants. The participants did not fail to impress the judges with their extensive research and cooperation. The event was a great success and served as a platform for students to learn and improve their existing knowledge.



## Orientation session on Negotiation

On the 30<sup>th</sup> of September, 2019 the committee organised an orientation session on negotiation for all students. The orientation was conducted by P. Vasishtan of the 5<sup>th</sup> year. The students were acquainted with the various specificities of negotiation and given an insight into the preparation. The students were also taught as to how to prepare a strategy paper and what it ought to comprise of. The session was followed by a question and answer session where students interacted and clarified all their queries. The session was fruitful and enlightening and was well received by all attendees.



## One Day Training on Arbitration and Moot by Mr Akash Gupta

On the 12th of October, 2019 an Arbitration and Moot workshop was conducted by Mr Aakash Gupta, Research Associate, Jindal Global Law School, LL.M. in International Commercial Arbitration Law from Stockholm University. The session consisted of different segments dealing with the various aspects of Alternate Dispute Resolution with special reference to Arbitration which was followed by a question and answer session. The session was interactive, engaging students into discussions and quizzes after every segment. The session was thoroughly enjoyed by its attendees.



## **Intra University ADR (Negotiation) Competition**

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of October, 2019, the committee conducted the fifth edition of the Intra Negotiation competition. The event saw a good turnout with enthusiastic participation by students of all years of studies. The student participants were required to submit strategy papers and were judged based on that as well as their performance in the oral rounds. The competition was tough, as students came with extensive research and preparation. The students were judged by faculty and other external judges who had a lot to offer in terms of advice and knowledge. The event was a great success and served as a learning experience.



## **The National Mediation-Arbitration Competition (NMAC 2020)-2<sup>nd</sup> edition**

The University hosted the second edition of the Annual National Mediation-Arbitration Competition from the 31<sup>st</sup> of January to the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February. Hosting over 57 student participants from across 19 different universities, this edition was the biggest yet. The Competition is one of a kind as it featured two rounds including both arbitration as well as mediation on the same problem testing the all-round skills of the participants enabling them to think out of the box. The competition hosted eminent practitioners and arbitrators as judges to

enhance the overall experience of the participants and to enable them to hone their ADR skills. With a one of a kind sport problem, the issue was something thoroughly enjoyed by all participants. The competition featured cash prizes for the winning teams. The event was a grand success and received great feedback from participants and judges alike.





## Student Achievements

### **2<sup>nd</sup> NUJS, West Bengal, Mediation competition,2020.**

The Team Comprising of Arsha Mech of 2<sup>nd</sup> year, Anasuya Nair of 3<sup>rd</sup> year and Edgar K of 1<sup>st</sup> year secured the award for the Best Negotiating Team at the 2020 2<sup>nd</sup> NUJS Mediation competition held between 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020 to 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020.

### **5<sup>th</sup> National Alternate Dispute Resolution Competition, School of law Christ**

Anwin K Thomas of 2<sup>nd</sup> year secured the Runner up award for the Best Mediator in the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the National Alternate Dispute Resolution Competition Held at Christ University, Bangalore between 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020 to 18<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

### **GMU International Maritime Arbitration Moot, Gandhinagar**

Anuraj Goyal , Sowmya Srinivasan and Adity Gooyal of 3<sup>rd</sup> year secured the award for the Best Memorial at the International Maritime Arbitration Moot held between 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020 to 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at Gujarat Maritime University, Gandhinagar.

## ADRC COMPETITION ALLOTMENT LIST 2019-20

S.No.	Name of Competition	Type of Competition	Participants
1.	2nd NLUJ Deal Mediation Competition	Mediation Competition	<u>Mediator:</u> Sekhar Sahu <u>Client &amp; Counsel:</u> Sudanshu Krishan (Client) C.V Shreya (Counsel)
2..	1st National Mediation Competition 2020 by Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad	Mediation Competition	<u>Mediator:</u> Sekhar Sahu <u>Client &amp; Counsel:</u> Nilanjan Kolay and Tamassa.T.T

3.	Symbhav 2020 SLS Pune	Negotiation	Payaswini Rai Anoushka P.V
4.	2 <sup>nd</sup> NUJS Mediation Competition, 2020	Mediation	<u>Team 1:</u> <u>Mediator:</u> Edgar.K Client & Counsel: Arsha Mech Vikraman and Anasuya Nair <u>Team 2:</u> <u>Mediator:</u> Sekhar Sahu <u>Client &amp; Counsel:</u> Nilanjan Kolay and Tamassa.T.T
5.	5 <sup>th</sup> NADR, 2020 School of Law Christ, Bangalore	Client Counseling, Mediation and Negotiation	<u>Client Counseling:</u> Speaker 1: Anitha. T. Speaker 2: C. Silvena Cathy  <u>Mediation Competition:</u> Mediator: Anwin Thomas K. Client: K. Aadhishankaran Counsel: B. Devadarshini  <u>Negotiation Competition:</u> Speaker 1: Sagnik Sarkar Speaker 2: Vaidehi Gupta
6.	Louis M Brown & Forrest S Mosten International Client Consultation Competition (National Rounds) – 2020	Client Counseling	Simrandeep Singh Shambhavi Sharma
7.	5 <sup>th</sup> NLIU-Justice R.K. Tankha Memorial International Arbitration Moot, 2020	Arbitration	Aishwaryaa. A Anithaa Selvi Sashinyaa. R Sethupathy Rathnakumar

8.	VI <sup>th</sup> RMLNLU National Mediation Competition	Mediation	Nivea.S.R Thejashvini
9.	5 <sup>th</sup> VMSCCL International Dispute Resolution Competition (Lex Infinitum V)	Mediation	<u>Mediator:</u> Sekhar Kumar Sahu <u>Client &amp; Counsel:</u> Jayasudhagar.J and Sudanshu Krishan
10.	Mediation Bombay - National Level Mediation Competition Maharashtra National Law University, Mumbai	Mediation	<u>Mediator:</u> Payaswini Rai <u>Client &amp; Counsel:</u> Aparna Venkataraman and Neema Neerackal
11.	6 <sup>th</sup> NUALS International Maritime Law Arbitration Competition, 2019 (NIMLAC, 2019)	Arbitration	Samhitha Reddy Rishi Eswar Sri Sankar
12.	NLIU Link CC Competition, 2019 NLIU, Bhopal	Client Counseling	Sonal Chauhan Ananya Gaur
13	International Maritime Arbitration Moot 2020 Gujarat Maritime University, Gandhinagar	Arbitration	Anuraj Goyal Sowmya Srinivasan Adity Gooyal