



THE NATIONAL LAW INSTITUTE UNIVERSITY, BHOPAL

## DRAFTING EXERCISE BROCHURE



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# NLIU-SARAF AND PARTNERS

## ADVANCE CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME *on* COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

*in association with*



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# ABOUT NLIU

National Law Institute University, Bhopal (NLIU), was established under the Rashtriya Vidhi Sansthan Vishwavidyalaya Adhiniyam, by Act No. 41 of 1997 enacted by the Madhya Pradesh State Legislature. NLIU is recognized by the University Grants Commission and the Bar Council of India.

The university was established to fill the gap and provide the most modern legal education through multidisciplinary teaching and training of newer skills needed for the profession. Over the years, NLIU has been designing and delivering courses with a view to enhance the ability and capacity of the students, members of the faculty and other participants in addressing and resolving problems under the framework of law.

## ABOUT CCJC

The Civil and Criminal Justice Cell (CCJC), National Law Institute University, Bhopal, is a dedicated cell focused on litigation strategy and dispute resolution.

It is dedicated to simplifying complex civil and criminal laws and impart practical legal education to law students by organizing workshops, conducting lectures and competitions.



## ABOUT CADR



The Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution, NLIU Bhopal, is a student committee dedicated to ADR activities at NLIU. It conducts various internal and external ADR competitions, including Asia's oldest mediation tournament.

It has been a pioneer in cultivating a culture of dialogue, negotiation and scholarship in dispute resolution at NLIU.

# ABOUT SARAF & PARTNERS

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Saraf & Partners is a contemporary, full-service law firm with established standing in commercial litigation and arbitration, including international and domestic arbitrations under major institutional rules, annulment and enforcement proceedings before Indian courts, and civil, commercial and insolvency-linked disputes across infrastructure, energy, technology and financial services.



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# THE DRAFTING EXERCISE

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## THE FORMAT

The drafting exercise will take the form of a fact-based problem-solving assessment. Drawing on the facts and issues set out in the problem, participants will be required to determine and prepare the appropriate legal draft(s) as their proposed solution.

II

## THE CASE RECORD

Participants will receive the case record three to four days before the offline sessions at National Law Institute University, Bhopal. The exercise will test their ability to apply the concepts and principles covered during the virtual sessions to a practical scenario.

III

## EVALUATION & RESULTS

All submissions will be evaluated by Saraf & Partners, and the results will be announced on the final day of the course, i.e. 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2026

# ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE

## Round Table Conference: India's Pro-Arbitration Framework: Reality or Aspiration?

Every registered participant of gets complimentary access to this round table to be held on **15<sup>th</sup> November 2026 at NLIU Campus.**

Good drafting starts with knowing how clauses and pleadings fare in practice. The round table looks at how arbitration agreements are enforced, what courts and tribunals do with them, and what happens to awards afterwards. These are the questions that decide how an arbitration clause or application should be drafted.

### Speakers

- Mr. Anirudh Gandhi, Partner, Saraf & Partners
- Hon'ble Justice Tejas Karia, Delhi High Court
- Three senior legal counsel from leading multinational corporations

### Session I | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

#### Initiating Arbitration: Court Intervention, Interim Reliefs and Procedural Efficiency.

- Giving effect to the arbitration agreement: referral, appointment of arbitrators, non-signatories and stamping objections
- Interim relief from courts, tribunals and emergency arbitrators
- Timelines, jurisdictional challenges and delay
- Why businesses choose or avoid India as a seat, compared with Singapore, London, Hong Kong and Paris

# ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE

Session II | 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

## Post-Award Challenges: Judicial Review, Enforcement and Finality of Arbitral Awards

- Challenges to awards, public policy and patent illegality
- Finality against fairness, including an appellate arbitral mechanism
- Enforcement of domestic and foreign awards
- Confidence in India as a seat of arbitration

# ADMISSION

## Eligibility

The Course is open to individual participants pursuing either the 3-year LL.B or 5-year LL.B Programmes. Participants must be present at NLIU Bhopal on 14th and 15th November 2026

The Registration fee of the event is ₹3,500 (inclusive of accommodation)

## Process of Registration

Registrations must be made through the official registration form: [link](#)

Additionally payment of the registration fees should be done via the ERP portal on the official website of NLIU.

Participants must provide their full name, institution, course and year of study, email address and contact number. The last date for registration is 11:59 PM, 09th November 2026. Seats are limited and confirmed on a first- come, first-served basis.

# AWARDS AND PRIZES

| Category              | Details                                                                                    |
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| Winners               | Cash prize of ₹20,000, along with an internship opportunity at Saraf and Partners.         |
| Runners-up            | Cash prize of ₹12,000, along with an internship opportunity at Saraf and Partners.         |
| Certificates of Merit | Awarded to recognise outstanding performance in the draft submission and Evaluation round. |

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