





ARTICLE WRITING COMPETITION

ORGANIZED BY PRO BONO CLUB
NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, ODISHA

ABOUT PRO BONO CLUB

Launched as a sub-club under the law ministry's *Nyaya Bandhu scheme*, the Pro Bono Club focuses on developing legal volunteering skills for aspiring lawyers. Pro Bono Club (PB club) Scheme, has been conceptualized to strengthen the existing pro bono programme, by integrating law schools and students within its fold.

PRO BONO CLUB, NLUO was constituted in NLUO, Cuttack in the month of March 2022 with 9 Pro Bono Associates ("PBAs") as student members. After their induction into the PBC, the PBAs were oriented on the scope of the Pro Bono Club and the Pro Bono Club scheme. The mission of the Pro Bono Club is to enhance the efficiency and quality of pro bono legal services by fostering collaboration between law students, practicing advocates, and civil society organizations. We aim to instill a sense of social responsibility among young legal minds, encouraging them to actively contribute to the community by providing legal assistance to disadvantaged individuals. Through a range of activities, we seek to expand access to justice, promote legal awareness, and support alternative dispute resolution mechanisms, thereby strengthening the culture of pro bono service in the legal fraternity.

ABOUT THE COMPETITION

The **PRO BONO CLUB at NLUO** is excited to introduce the inaugural edition of its Article Writing Competition based on the theme 'A goal for a Developed India.' The competition is being organized in the light of "Panch Pran of Amrit Kaal." This initiative serves as a call to action for propelling India towards development by 2047, marking the next 25 years as a crucial period for transformative change in both society and the nation.

The competition will provide a platform for students to express their thoughts, ideas, and perspectives on a chosen theme it will also allow the students to showcase their writing skills and creativity, encouraging them to articulate their ideas effectively

For any queries please reach out to probonoclub@nluo.ac.in

THEME: A Goal of Developed India

Sub Themes:

- 1. Women & Children
- 2. Inclusive Development
- 3. Health & Wellness
- 4. Tribal Empowerment

Mode of the competition: Online

Language: English

Topics may fall under the above-mentioned sub-themes or closely related to the main theme.

ELIGIBILITY

All the students pursuing undergraduate or postgraduate degree from any College/University recognized by Bar council of India and/or UGC are eligible to participate in the competition.

Co-authorship is allowed up to **2 members** only.

Cross - institutional teams are allowed

Multiple entries are not allowed from the same authors.

REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

Interested candidates are required to register by providing the requisite details of the author(s) through the completion of the registration form.

REGISTRATION FORM

https://forms.gle/B8dngR2qi3QvWZmu6y text

(Please Note that maximum two authors are permissible for co-authored entries)

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- 1. The article should be the original work of the author(s) and non-plagiarized.
- 2. The writings should exhibit originality in thought, critical evaluation and careful interpretations. It should not have been published in any platform and is not being considered for publication elsewhere.
- 3. The word limit for an article should be between 3500 to 5000 (excluding footnotes) words and must be exclusively in English.
- 4. Formatting Style: Font: Times New Roman; Size: 12(including headings); Line Spacing: 1.5(for body); Alignment: Justified.
- 5. Formatting Style(Footnote): Font: Times New Roman; Size: 10; Line Spacing: 1.
- 6. Use of hyperlinks are encouraged as opposed to footnotes for references. If the sources in the article cannot be linked, use Oxford Standard for the Citation of Legal authorities (OSCOLA) (4th Edition) style in footnotes.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

- 1. The article should be submitted in Microsoft Word format (.doc, .docx) only.
- 2. The file name of the attached article must be the name(s) of the author(s).
- 3. The submissions shall be made to the official mail id of the Pro Bono Club. probonoclub@nluo.ac.in with the subject of the mail as "Article Writing Submission"
- 4. Submissions after the deadline will be outrightly rejected.

DECLARATIONS

The Decisions of the Reviewers shall be final and Binding. All the participants must adhere to the guidelines mentioned above. Deviance from the said guidelines and rules in any manner whatsoever shall result in disqualification.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Registration Starts: 26th February, 2024
- Last Date for Registration: 15th March, 2024
- Last Date for Submission: 16th March, 2024

AWARDS AND PERKS

The winner and runner-up would be awarded monetary prizes i.e., the announcements would be done in three categories

Winner - Best Overall Article - INR 1500 Runner Up - Second Best Overall Article - INR 1000

Winner - Most Creative Article - INR 1500 Runner up- Second Most Creative Article- INR 1000

Winner -Best Researched Article- INR 1500 Runner up- Second Best Researched Article- INR 1000

All Participants shall receive a Certificate of Participation. The Top 5 entries shall receive a Certificate of Merit. The Top 3 entries shall receive a Certificate of Achievement along with the above-mentioned cash prize. Opportunity will be provided for selected articles to be published in NLUO'S website.

(Please Note that the Prize Money in case of co authorship will not be distributed per head but would be awarded to the team comprising of both the authors)

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