

# BEST PRACTICES IN THE UNIVERSITY BEST PRACTICE - I

## ❖ Title "MOOT COURT ASSOCIATION"

## Objectives of the Practice

Moot Court is a great propeller for both Doctrinal and Empirical Research. The Moot Court Association [MCA] of the School of Excellence in Law, Chennai was established with the view to promote oral advocacy skills and legal writing techniques. The foremost endeavor of the MCA is to develop and encourage mooting and to regulate the participation of students in all Moot Court & Allied Competitions conducted at the State, National, and International Levels.

#### ❖ The Context

The students are exposed to different dimensions of research and advocacy. Each step of mooting is taught and demonstrated by a group of students who mentor and guide the juniors and pave the way for the betterment of their skills. Thus, moot club is formed to provide expression of mooting skills. This association takes the lead in organizing Debates and Moot Court Competitions and has organized Fresher's Moot Court, participated in various competitions and bagged various prizes.

## **❖** The Practice

The Moot Court Association (MCA) is the institution's student committee entrusted with fostering, administering, and facilitating mooting activities and upholding the benchmark of excellence it has set for itself.

MCA serves to develop future mooters, as well as an interest in mooting. In pursuance of this, the MCA follows a policy of encouraging participation in mooting from all batches, including the first years. The association allows them to compete on an equal footing; the MCA organizes extensive workshops and demonstrations to enable them to learn the process of mooting from the very basics to the most intricate details. Further, the MCA arranges interactive sessions with experienced mooters and litigators from previous batches to guide the present mooters better. Inter-class, inter-collegiate and National Moot Competitions are a regular feature.

### Evidence of Success

- The Pro Bono Enviro National Moot Court Competition conducted annually since 2007 in collaboration with the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, is the first Competition in the country to address environmental issues. Its latest edition, 17th Pro Bono Enviro National Moot Court Competition, 2023 was a huge success. MCA also organized the K.R. Ramamani Memorial Taxation Moot Court Competition in association with S.A.P.R. Advocates, Chennai. National Tamil Moot Court Competition. Both the moots have evoked tremendous responses with the increasing number of participants every year. Intra University Intellectual Property Law Moot Court Competition, 2023 was an intellectually stimulating and academically enriching event. The MCA has also begun hosting a National Tamil Moot Court Competition to encourage oral and written advocacy in Tamil. The PR VSS Research Paper Competition, 2024 was held alongside the KRR Moot Court Competition which sought to recognize talent with regards to research capabilities of Students. Aazhi Law Fest, 2024 which is an Intra University Law Fest was perfectly curated for the students of SOEL with Main Events (Med-Arb Competition, C-Neg Competition, English Moot Court Competition, Tamil Moot Court Competition) and Ancillary Events (Memorial Drafting Competition and Judgement Writing Competition.
- The zeal which the students have towards mooting and the support offered by our faculty is reflected in our results. The Students of the School of

Excellence in Law have represented the institution in several International Moot Court Competitions. The Number of Wins constitute 4 International and 35 National Level Competitions. Among these, they emerged as Winners in 18 Moot Court Competitions, Runners Up in 5 Competitions, Awarded with Best Speaker/ Best Student Advocate/ Best Oralist/ Best Upcoming Mooter/ Spirit of the Constitution/ Best Mediator in almost 16 Competitions, Several Best Researcher Awards, Several Best Memorial Awards and earned laurels.

# ➤ A few significant achievements of the students of the School of Excellence in Law:

- After having defeated some of the most renowned universities, in the International Rounds, the team also emerged as Winners of the SAARC Rounds of the 28<sup>th</sup> Stetson International Environmental Moot Court Competition. Also, won awards for the 1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> Best Speakers' Award. The Team also bagged the Fourth Best Memorial.
- Adjudged as "Runners Up" in the fiercely competitive 22<sup>nd</sup> Henry Dunant Memorial Moot Court Competition, 2023 (India National Rounds).
- The team from School of Excellence in Law, represented India and other SAARC Nations in the World Rounds of 28<sup>th</sup> Stetson International Environmental Moot held in April 2024 in Florida. The Team emerged as Ouarter Finalist in the International Rounds.
- 'Winners' of the 17<sup>th</sup> Rai Anand Moot Court The Indian Science Inventions
   Competition, 2023 conducted by the renowned Anand and Anand Firm.
- Emerged as "Winners" in the prestigious 7<sup>th</sup> Edition National Moot Court Competition, 2023 organised by Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya, Indore, Madhya Pradesh. They were also awarded the Best Speaker and Best Researcher Titles.

- 'Winners' in the prestigious "12th Edition of Nyayavalokan, 2023 National Trial Advocacy and Judgement Writing Competition" organized by SVKM's Pravin Gandhi College of Law (PGCL), Mumbai.
- "Winners" of the VIDWATA 6.0 National Moot Court Competition, hosted by LJ School of Law, affiliated to Gujarat University, Ahmedabad. Also awarded the Best Mooter of the Competition.

# Problems Encountered and Resources Required

The University aims to develop human resources by regularly organizing Orientation Programmes, Training Programs and Workshops. For this, the University needs proper funding and resource.

# **BEST PRACTICE - II**

# \* Title "NATIONAL CADET CORPS (NCC)"

## **\*** Objectives of the Practice:

To develop character, commandership, discipline, leadership, secular outlook, a spirit of adventure, and the ideals of selfless service amongst the youth of the country.

To create a human resource of organized, trained, and motivated youth to provide leadership in all walks of life and always available for the service of the nation.

To provide a suitable environment to motivate the youth to take up a career in the Armed Forces.

The National Cadet Corps in the university is a youth development movement. It has enormous potential for nation-building. The NCC provides opportunities to the youth of the country for their all-round development with a sense of Duty, Commitment, Dedication, Discipline, and Moral Values so that they become able leaders and useful citizens that aim:

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## The Context

The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University NCC comprising of 1(TN) ARTY BTY NCC & 1(TN) R&V SQN NCC is built on the energy and the drive

of its cadets. It is the first of its kind in the state of Tamil Nadu. TNDALU NCC has flourished over the years by currently having a strength of over 100 cadets. The TNDALU NCC holds the pride of being the only law university to have NCC within its premises.

Within a short span of 15 years, cadets have excelled well in terms of nation service and are making numerous achievements.

### **\*** The Practice

The NCC provides exposure to the cadets in a wide range of activities with a distinct emphasis on Social Services and community development campaigns, character and career development programmes, outstanding training standards akin to the defence forces. The NCC team is committed to render their selfless support as a part of their commandments to various public establishments like, the District Authorities, local Army and Police establishments, Dept. of Youth Welfare and Sports Development, health organizations, educational institutions and many others. They take care of basic public administration during all National and Local festivities, at times of Disasters and Unpredicted Mishaps. The Cadets are given basic military training in Small Arms used in the armed forces, Drill Parades, classes on Line Communication and Tactical Combat Training.

The NCC is a responsive, learning, and continuously evolving organization. Its activity is guided by certain core values that are instilled among all ranks of the NCC like A sense of patriotic commitment to encourage cadets to contribute to National Development and National Integration. The cadets owe respect for diversities in religion, language, culture, ethnicity, lifestyle, and habitat to instill a sense of national unity and social cohesion, etc.

# **\*** Evidence of Success

It is an honour that every year, cadets from our TNDALU NCC are representing Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Andaman Nicobar Directorate at the Annual Republic Day Camp (RDC), at New Delhi as a part of Republic Day celebrations. The camp hosts and provide an opportunity to two thousand out cadets to represent their directorates and the organization to many national leaders including the President and the Prime Minister. These cadets are handpicked from thirteen lakh cadets from all across the country through a rigorous selection process.

Our, cadets also participate in All India Thal Sainik Camp (TSC) and various equestrian competitions during RDC and brought many laurels to our state. The NCC cadets of TNDALU have actively enrolled in the youth exchange programme and cadets of TNDALU NCC have represented our nation in various countries like Russia, Nepal, Bhutan, Vietnam etc as Youth Ambassadors. The cadets have flourished and participated in attachment training with various army units and prestigious defence institutions like the Indian Military Academy, Dehradun and Officers Training Academy, Chennai. TNDALU NCC have showed great responsibility towards the society by organizing many Social Service and Community Development Activities in and around Chennai.

The organization actively contributes to societal welfare through various initiatives. Plantation Drives, River Cleaning Campaigns and Blood Donation camps are integral parts pf NCC's programs. These activities not only instill a sense of responsibility but also emphasize the importance of environmental conservation and community service. Cadets learn to value collective effort and develop a strong commitment to making a difference in society.

NCC also plays a vital role in promoting physical and mental fitness. Rigorous training sessions, including drills, trekking and obstacle courses, strengthen the body while instilling resilience and discipline. Additionally, mental challenges during camps and activities prepare cadets to remain calm and composed under pressure, equipping them with the skills to excel in all walks of life.

The institution also had an opportunity in hosting various dignitaries. Some of our guests are, the Director General of NCC India, Lt. Gen. Gurbirpal Singh, AVSM, VSM, Hon'ble Governor and Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, General Officer Commanding and Chief of Staff, Dakshin Bharat Area, Esteemed Judges of Hon'ble Supreme Court and Hon'ble High Court etc.

## **❖** Problems incurred and Resources Required

Some of the students, though academically capable, could not afford the cost of the training due to their poor economic background. The Nodal Agency for NCC may increase the funding towards the training of the NCC Camps.

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