



MOOT COURT

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Moot court is one of the most exciting activities for law students. Every legal person knows about the moot court because moot court is a very important activity in every law school. According to bar council of India direction about practical training in new syllabus in law degree four practical training papers have been introduced with the object to provide professional knowledge in law students. Moot court is a one of them. Moot court is not only practical training for law student it also trains about proper professional ethical knowledge. Contempt of law is avoided by law student when there is a proper knowledge about moot court. The proceedings in a moot court mirror real-life court proceedings. The purpose of the activity is to help law students understand how real courts work and their proper code of conduct, the importance of dress code and the use of formal language.

A Moot Court is a miniature version of a real courtroom where legal processes and trials are held. It is also known as a Mock Court, in which law students act as professionals and assume all of the responsibilities and duties assigned to them to demonstrate their ability to think creatively, answer convincingly when questioned, and demonstrate their oratory, writing, and persuasive skills. A realistic court situation is set up, with students acting as Councillors (Advocates) and presenting each side, Plaintiff and Defendant, using evidence. They argue with each other to prove their position in front of the judge, who then renders his verdict and determines the winner based on the relevant questions of law.

Moot Court combines the best of both worlds—persuasive written and oral advocacy! Similar to what attorneys actually do at the state appellate, High Courts and supreme courts, teams of two to three students write an appellate brief and prepare to present oral arguments in front of panels of judges, attorneys, and professors, at competitions, around the nation. A moot court is a replica of real court proceedings. The purpose of moot court competitions is to make students aware of the court proceedings related to disputes between parties. This practice helps in the development of legal skills, research acumen and speaking skills.

The process of mooting is not the same as public speaking or debating, moot courts are more interactive in nature and there is cross-questioning. Moot courts have two teams- Defendants and Respondents. The mooting presents a hypothetical case and both teams are required to research it and represent their arguments. The mooting culture began in India in 1981 and since then has been used as a tool of persuasive advocacy to train the future generation of lawyers.

Objective of the moot court: -

Mooting is a great way to develop one's confidence, speaking, writing skills and research acumen. Participating in moot courts is not just great for budding advocates but also for



future Judges and arbitrators. The main objective of moot court is to sharpen the academic and professional excellence in the law students. The rights of the citizens of India and the spirit to protect the national interests by moving the judicial tribunals would develop in the legal fraternity. These moot court competitions also aims to provide an opportunity for law students to exhibit their skill, increase legal awareness and the skills of advocacy. In a moot court, new knowledge and experience are acquired by combining previous experience, legal information and practical uses. It connects the law student to real court experience. The moot court experience for law student develops the ability to identify the legal subject, arrange various law material, prepare plead arguments, duties of an advocate, nature of judicial system of India and answering the questions raised by the other side, facing cross examination, answering without losing the temper. Mooting is a concept where there is a mooting proposition which is related to any law related subject which is given to all the teams in advance so that they can prepare for that in the form of a memorial which tests and helps them in their researching skills and sticks to the deadlines. It teaches the students how to work under pressure with the goal to give productive output. Mooting helps in understanding and developing and inculcating the capacity to argue passively before the judge. Mooting helps in raising your chances to be get hired for a job as well. Mooting helps in the overall development of an individual as a good and proficient lawyer and participating in Moot Court Competition regularly makes a student familiar with the proceedings that take place generally in real courtrooms. Thus, the advantages of mooting are as follows:-

A) Networking

One of the important features of mooting is that it helps you to connect and socialize with so many people across the globe with whom you connect in the process of mooting. As students from different places and colleges come to represent themselves, it gives an opportunity to get the exposure to the outside world.

B) Researching and Writing Skills

Participating in the moot court competitions helps you in enhancing your researching skills because it is your research on the basis of which you will be fighting your case and representing your side and it also helps you in framing a good moot court memorial on the basis of which the other team would raise objections and question you. This will also help in enhancing your skills as to how to adapt to prompt situations and how you tackle situations where you are at unease.

C) Building Confidence

Mooting helps an individual to build his confidence in communicating and putting his view in front of the people. It helps a person to build his confidence to such an extent that he does not fear to question or to speak in front of anybody and can fight cases efficiently.

D) Practical Knowledge

Mooting helps in giving the practical implication and knowledge to the students who are studying law in such a way which they will never find in the books and would be unaware



of, as practical and theoretical knowledge are like two different sides of the same coin and to pass the hurdle you need to study both of them although both look same but are totally opposite in reality.

E) Team Work

Moot court competitions take place in the school or colleges who organizes it and the various teams from different colleges come and participate in the event. The team comprises of 3 students with one as the researcher and the other two as the speakers presenting their arguments on either side. This teaches the students to perform well when they are together in as a team and analyze what are their strengths and weakness, how can they work upon them to achieve maximum efficiency. It also helps to work with people who are different from you and it also teaches how to coordinate with each other.

F) Society Welfare

The society needs efficient lawyers, mainly judges and advocates so that the society can benefit at large due to the pendency of the cases in India. For the purpose to provide proficient individuals who are perfect in their field is not an easy task, for the same purpose moot court is really important to build such lawyers for the benefit the society at large, so that the problem of pendency of cases can be solved in the near future because if there will be efficient and good judges, the problem will be solved automatically.

G) Practicing

The main purpose of moot court is that to make you practice before actually becoming a professional and practicing in courtrooms about everything. If you have years of practice then it is easier for one to make a lot of clients because of his practice and knowledge one has gained in the field.

H) Experience

An important part of every individual's life from which it grows is the experience he gains from the life that he gets and gaining experience will help in any profession because it is the experience that matters when the case or proposition is related to very controversial laws and topics and at that time the experience helps him as how to go ahead in the case. This is done by participating in different kind of moots by going to different cities meeting new people from various law schools and interact with them will definitely help you in understanding the law in a better way.

I) Creative thinking

When one participates in different kinds of moot court competitions in various places and colleges, there might arise situations that you have to play with words and mould the case in your favour then there comes the art of creative thinking which you are required to show and you have to think on your feet as you cannot be prepared for everything, as moot court is a place where you have to expect the unexpected. Thus, it will also help you to enhance your thinking in a better way.



J) Motivation

Lastly, students who participate first time in this kind of activities not only get the exposure but also the motivation to take part in a more comprehensive way and in other competition and moots as well. These kinds of mooting competitions boost up the morale of the students and help them to talk passively and hence put forth their ideas in front of anybody if earlier they were hesitant to do so.

Purpose of the Moot Court: -

The main purpose of mooting is to establish a good overview by the students of law and enhancing the legal skills. To fulfill this need for Law courses RNB Global University successfully organizing National Level Moot Court Competitions from past four years and looking to the demand of Law Centers in the country, RNBGU has organized four Seth Jagannath Bajaj Memorial RNBGU National Moot Court Competitions.

A legal problem facing the country at the present time has been made a subject to increase the legal acumen of the student of Law. Moot court also develops art which will follow the student for the rest of his professional life. According to Mr. Justice R Kishore Prasad "youth is not an achievement it is an opportunity. Don't let it pass by". Let it be rephrased in these words - "Admission into professional course is not an achievement but an opportunity to hone ones professional skill and one must not let it pass by" Some lucky student gets into a professional course, a judge has to admit justice and an advocate has to assist a judge in admistering. The Bar Council of India has propounded and prepared a scheme for legal research for which moot court may prove to be very helpful and purposive.

This scheme should provide the student to see bar council of India rules of legal education, the skill necessary to identify problem, design project proposal, include mythology, and analyze data and right research report on small topic. As when you sit in a job interview the employer will look in your resume that if you have done mooting before then, the chances of you being hired in a company will be more as the employer will be willing to invest in you and train you as he wants higher productivity from skilled people.

Applicability: - It is applicable to LLB (Three Year Course), BA/ BBA LLB integrated course
Learning Outcomes:-

Moot Courts are organized in law schools to intellectually stimulate students to develop skills that will be of great importance in the future. The **legal areas** covered under moot courts are - Public International Law, Human Rights, Arbitration, International Criminal Law, and Law of the Sea Convention etc. Mooting is an exercise that helps a law student develop all of the necessary habits and grasp all of the court's policies and processes to better prepare him for his future. Moot Court Competitions are held all over the world for the same reason so that students from all over the world can interact with one another and better comprehend the notion of mooting. Mooting is one of the most important things that help in career and in future growth as well.



Mooting is one thing that inculcates a lot of habits and discipline that are requirements by many of the Law firms Recruiters and when a law student sits in a Job Interview, if your resume will display that you have done a different kind of moots then it will be very beneficiary as the employer will know that you have a good amount of knowledge in this field and you have experience and your chances of being selected will automatically go up. Mooting in today's generation is something considered to be one of the most important factors which everybody looks after because if you are a good mooter, people will consider you important and knowledgeable. Also the exposure you get in mooting helps you to easily adjust in your future jobs which are quite important.

A moot court competition provides the students with a foundational platform so that students can be prepared to face the professional rivalry qualifying which requires a few steps. The practice of having moot courts is considered necessary because of multiple reasons. Some of them are-

- It helps students to engage and understand legal issues
- It helps students analyze legal topics and work on its research
- Students learn to work in teams and learn from their teammates
- Students can demonstrate their advocacy skills and legal skills
- Students can improve their confidence and speaking skills
- Students can learn from your peers and develop your debating skills
- Mooting is intellectually rewarding and stimulating for budding lawyers

Process: -

Student of RNBGU, Participate in various national level moot court competitions in various renowned universities of India. They learn how to draft a moot memorial, how can an advocate do arguments in court via theses moot court competitions and develop the qualities of a legal professional. Also participate in house moot court competitions to learn and develop skill of a good mooter.

Events at RNBGU MOOT COURT: -

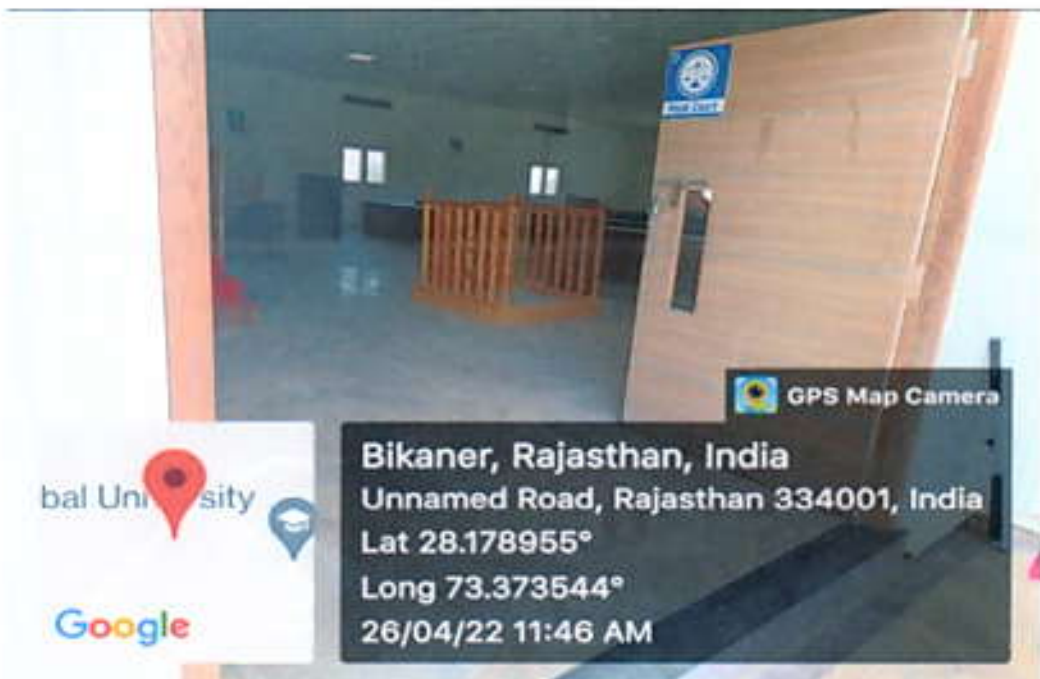
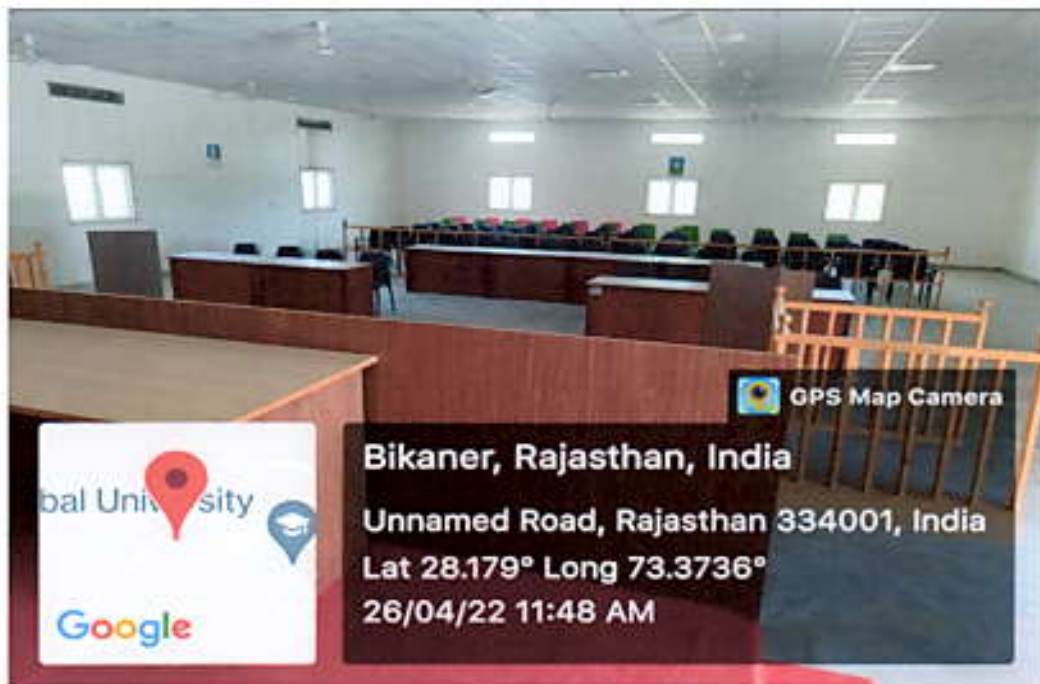
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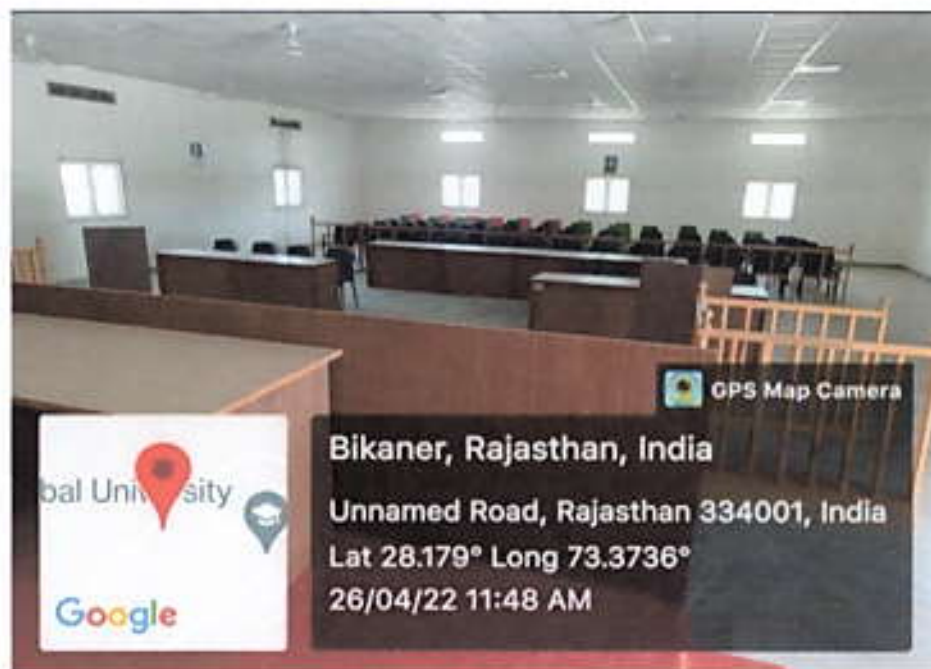
School of Law conducting Event at Moot Court





Front view and entrance of Moot Court





View of Moot Court from inside





Students performing in event at Moot Court

