





RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW

CENTRE FOR BUSINESS LAWS AND TAXATION

presents

NATIONAL ARTICLE WRITING COMPETITION





ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY



The Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Punjab, was established by the State Legislature of Punjab. The Act incorporated a University of Law of national stature in Punjab to fulfill the need for a Centre of Excellence in legal education in the modern era of globalization and liberalization. Recently, the University has earned the coveted status of being one of the top-ranking law teaching institutions in the Country.

Over 1000 students acquire state-of-the-art legal education in a well-furnished and fully developed residential campus which boasts of all necessary infrastructural and manpower facilities for the all-around growth of the students. RGNUL is currently emphasizing research, training, and consultancy in various areas of contemporary interest. It is envisaged to be a research-intensive university in the times to come.



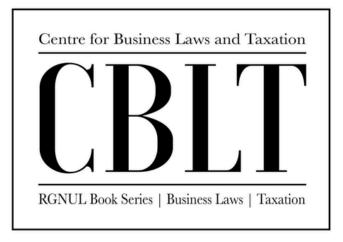


ABOUT THE CENTRE



The Centre for Business Laws and Taxation (CBLT) is one of the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab's flagship centre. The Centre aims to further its objective of bridging the gap between the theory and practice of corporate law. It is established to promote comparative research and discussion in the field of corporate law. It focuses on analyzing current policy approaches in various areas of corporate laws such as corporate governance, insolvency law, mergers and acquisitions, taxation, etc.

It plans to streamline the process of learning through academic courses, programs, and publications. It also focuses on identifying the gaps existing between industry and academia by effective joint research. The Centre follows a multi-disciplinary approach to recognizing problems in the field of corporate laws and endeavors to engage in dialogue to facilitate changes in it. It is based on the objective of establishing a culture of discussion on corporate laws in the country by educating the next generation of lawyers and law students.





ABOUT THE FIRM



Panag & Babu Law Offices is a globally acclaimed, specialist law firm with four marquee practices - Business Crimes (Governance, Investigations & White Collar Defense), Complex Disputes & International Arbitration, Corporate & Regulatory Advisory and Telecom, Media & Technology.

The firm has a pan-India practice, serviced through their dual headquarters in New Delhi and Bengaluru.

Panag & Babu's specialism across its practice areas is sector agnostic, with a distinguished service offering drawn from multi-disciplinary teams and India's top legal talent.



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ABOUT THE COMPETITION C



The Article Writing Competition invites students, professionals, and researchers to explore how emerging technologies are reshaping business laws. With the theme "The Impact of Emerging Technologies on Business Laws: Challenges and Opportunities," this competition offers a platform to discuss the legal complexities businesses face in a fast-changing digital world.

From navigating regulatory challenges in new technologies to addressing ethical concerns in AI-driven decisions, the competition encourages participants to dive into the real-world legal issues that companies and policymakers are grappling with today. It also opens the floor for discussions on securing investments in an evolving financial landscape, the growing dominance of major tech firms, and the responsibility of businesses to integrate sustainable practices. With the rise of digital currencies and blockchain, understanding the legal frameworks governing these innovations has never been more crucial.

Through this competition, we hope to spark thoughtful discussions, fresh perspectives, and well-researched insights that contribute to shaping the future of business laws in the age of technology.

Theme – The Impact of Emerging Technologies on Business Laws: Challenges and Opportunities

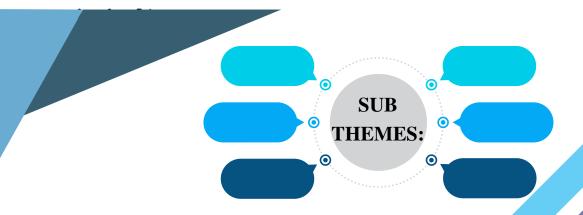


SUB-THEMES



- Antitrust Challenges and Government Interventions in Regulating Big Tech's Market Dominance.
- Data Privacy, Cybersecurity, and Legal Liabilities in a Cross-Border Digital Economy.
- Regulatory and Labor Law Challenges in the Platform Economy: Gig Worker Classification and Intermediary Liability.
- Corporate Responsibility in Sustainable Business Practices: ESG Compliance, Greenwashing Risks, and Legal Mandates.
- Cross-Border Mergers and Acquisitions in a Digital World: Tax Implications, Foreign Investment Laws, and Regulatory Approvals.
- The Changing Regulatory Framework of E-Commerce: Consumer Protection, Fair Trade Practices, and Digital Taxation.
- Blockchain in Debt Restructuring: The use of smart contracts for automating debt repayment and insolvency resolutions.
- Digital Assets in Insolvency Proceedings: Legal challenges in valuing and distributing cryptocurrencies and NFTs during bankruptcy.
- Green Tech Patents and Intellectual Property Law: Balancing innovation in sustainable technologies with IP protections.
- Decentralized Finance (DeFi) and Regulatory Gaps: Addressing the legal challenges of unregulated financial ecosystems.
- Crowdfunding and Tokenized Investments: Legal frameworks for equity crowdfunding and security token offerings (STOs).
- · Legal Risks of Algorithmic Decision-Making in Securities Trading.

(The sub-themes are suggestive in nature. The articles on broad themes





- All students pursuing a bachelor's degree in law i.e. three-year L.L.B.
 course or five-year L.L.B. course from any law
 college/school/university recognized by the Bar Council of India are
 eligible to participate in this competition.
- Co-authorship is allowed.
- Cross-institutional teams are allowed.
- Only one submission per author is allowed.



- Announcement of Competition: 19th March 2025
- Deadline for registration and submission of Article: 10th April 2025
- Announcement of result: 30th April 2025



The winners of the competition will be awarded the following prizes :

- Internship opportunities with Panag and Babu Law Offices.
- Top 10 papers will get an opportunity to get their articles published by the Centre for Business Laws and Taxation. (Subject to Ed. Board Review)

Formatting Guidelines

The Editorial Board requires that all submissions adhere to the following guidelines:

- Font style- Garamond, font size 12, with a line spacing of 1.5.
- Maintain margins of 1.5 inches on the left and 1 inch on the right, with 1 inch on the top and bottom.
- Citation format- OSCOLA (4th edition) must be followed uniformly throughout the manuscript.
- The maximum word limit for the article is 2500-3000 words (excluding footnotes).
- The manuscript should not contain the name of the author(s), institutional affiliation, or any other identification mark.
- The author(s) are responsible for the accuracy of facts, opinions, or views stated in the submitted manuscript.

Submission Guidelines

- All manuscripts will be subject to similarity and AI evaluation by the Editorial Board. AI-generated and plagiarized submissions will be rejected. A similarity index of 20% will be strictly adhered to for all submissions
- Submissions are to be made in MS Word format (*.doc/.docx). Any submissions in *.pdf format will not be considered.
- Only original and unpublished work will be considered.
- Submissions must be made through the submission form.



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