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**2ND DR. TMA PAI
INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY
LAW MOOT COURT
COMPETITION**

26TH-27TH APRIL 2025

PRIZES WORTH 3,00,000(INR)

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE



We live in an era where technology impacts, nay shapes, all facets of the human experience. As our lives become increasingly intertwined with advancing technology, the boundaries between innovation and responsibility blur and the legal landscape faces unprecedented challenges qua privacy, ethics, and human rights.

Manipal Academy of Higher Education, an institution of eminence, has been a cornerstone of collaborative innovation producing cutting-edge research. Manipal Law School is guided by the same philosophy and aspires to contribute to the production of knowledge in the realm of law. With a keen focus on Technology Law, Manipal Law School is pioneering innovations to make education holistic and accessible by introducing novel teaching-learning techniques centered around academic growth.

The theme of this year's competition prompts an enquiry into the sustainability of technological advancements and the possibilities of its misuse in the wrong hands. Amidst a global struggle for equality of status and opportunities for all genders, the potential challenges of regulation and governance may result in unprecedentedly unique scenarios, and we may be left to ponder law's role in balancing it.

This year's theme, Technology Facilitated Gender Based Violence (TFGBV) is specifically designed to bring to the forefront the concerns associated with technological innovations which go beyond data sovereignty and algorithmic accountability, and attempts to provoke the next generation of our nation's lawyers to come up with unique and practicable solutions to problems which may arise much sooner than anyone anticipated.

It gives me immense pleasure to invite students from various parts of the globe for the 2nd edition of the Dr. TMA Pai International Technology Law Moot Court Competition and extend my heartfelt welcome and best wishes to all participating students.

Prof. (Dr.) Sarasu Esther Thomas
Director, Manipal Law School (MAHE Bengaluru)

ABOUT MANIPAL LAW SCHOOL

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Manipal Law School, Bengaluru, focuses on revolutionizing legal education by equipping students with comprehensive understanding and practical skills in multi-dimensional legal systems. Emphasizing on written and oral communication, problem-solving, and research abilities, MLS prepares students for the complexities of the legal profession. Through practical engagement with neighbourhood communities and courses like professional ethics, students are primed for real-world challenges. The eco-sustainable campus offers inclusive access to progressive legal education, supported by a wide range of co-curricular activities, a legal research centre, and a legal aid clinic. Guided by exemplary faculty, students actively serve local and global communities, fostering a holistic learning environment within a sustainable ecosystem.



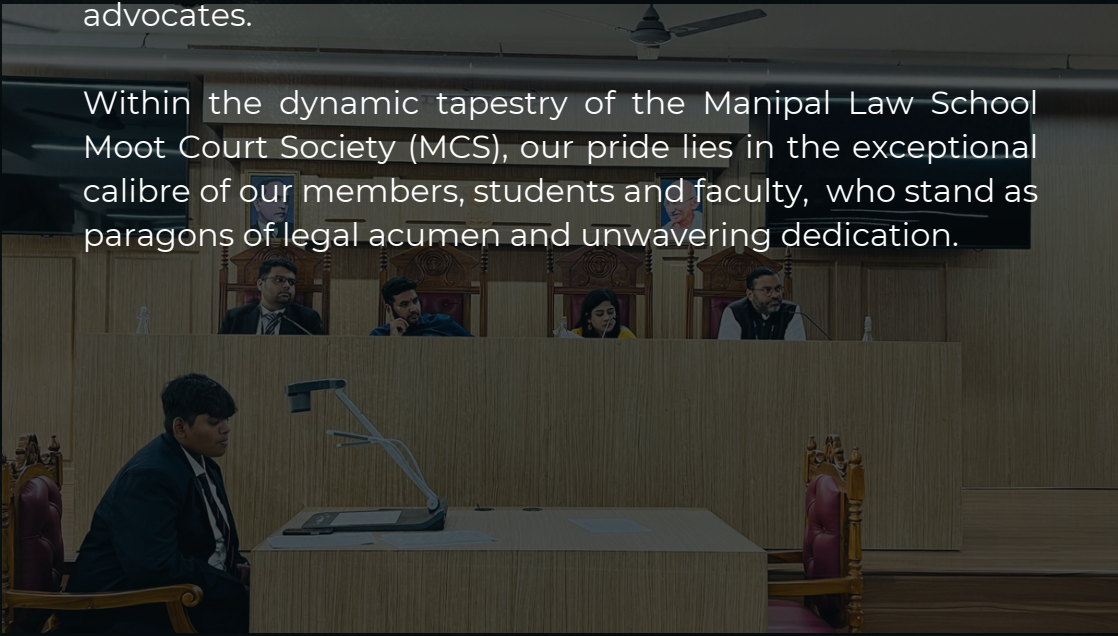
MANIPAL LAW SCHOOL'S MOOT COURT SOCIETY

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The Manipal Law School's Moot Court Society (MCS) serves as a cornerstone of legal enthusiasm. Its primary objective is to foster a research-oriented environment that nurtures the skills of young legal minds in research, drafting, and argumentation. Comprising of dedicated members spanning the B.A. LL.B./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) and the LL.B. (Hons.) program, MCS is the official student-run body entrusted with the organization of mooting activities and events at the university.

The essence of the Moot Court practice lies in its resemblance to a court simulation, offering students a platform to refine their skills in an environment akin to an actual courtroom. The committee is committed to moulding students into adept mooters and, consequently, professionally competent and socially responsible advocates.

Within the dynamic tapestry of the Manipal Law School Moot Court Society (MCS), our pride lies in the exceptional calibre of our members, students and faculty, who stand as paragons of legal acumen and unwavering dedication.



As we delve into the heart of the moot competition, the theme of technology emerges as a crucible for legal acumen. In this era of rapid technological advancement, the conventional boundaries of dispute resolution have expanded, and the synergy of law and technology has become indispensable. MCS, cognizant of this paradigm shift, aims to equip its members and participants alike with a nuanced understanding of the intersection between technology and law.

This competition provides all of us an opportune moment to explore and navigate the intricacies of technology's impact on human rights, and the problem of AI bias, an increasingly perennial issue in technology law. As the organizers of this competition, we extend our guidance to all participants, recognizing the shared pursuit of excellence in this unique moot competition. Get ready to witness legal brilliance in action as our MCS takes hosting stage, prepared to leave an indelible mark on your first moot endeavours at Manipal Law School, MAHE Bengaluru.

ELUCIDATING THE THEME

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This year's theme puts things in perspective by raising questions about law's ability to govern technological advancements. With the stakes being that of one's right to privacy in an increasingly globalised world, further aggravated by the involvement of Artificial Intelligence, the participants will be expected to engage with the law critically and offer solutions to a particular kind of problem AI poses in the realm of human rights- Technology Facilitated Gender Based Violence.

Tackling Tech-Facilitated Gender Based Violence

The rapid advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AI), digital platforms, and data-driven technologies has reshaped global governance frameworks, raising critical questions of liability, privacy, digital rights, and online safety. As societies become increasingly dependent on technology, emerging legal disputes highlight the complex interplay between innovation, national security, and fundamental rights—particularly in the context of technology-facilitated gender-based violence (TFGBV).

One of the central debates revolves around the liability of AI developers and digital intermediaries when their platforms are misused for generating deepfakes, enabling non-consensual content circulation, or facilitating online harassment. The legal framework governing traceability, intermediary protections, and AI transparency remains a gray area, requiring courts and policymakers to interpret evolving laws in light of online gender-based harm and the duty of platforms to ensure digital safety. Another key issue concerns the role of governments in regulating AI and digital platforms, particularly through bans, compliance mandates, and security regulations that may clash with business interests, freedom of expression, and global trade laws, but are often justified as safeguards against online exploitation and digital abuse.

Furthermore, the proposition raises critical concerns over data privacy, content authenticity, and digital platform accountability, questioning the extent to which platforms must proactively prevent the misuse of AI-generated content while preserving user autonomy and innovation. As courts grapple with these issues, the legal community must explore nuanced, technology-specific regulatory frameworks that address TFGbV, AI misuse, and intermediary responsibility, while setting global precedents for AI governance, platform liability, and digital rights protection in the evolving digital era.

ABOUT THE COMPETITION

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After an immensely successful first iteration, Manipal Law School, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (Institution of Eminence, Deemed to be University), Bengaluru hereby announces the second edition of Dr. TMA Pai International Technology Law Moot Court Competition, 2025. With technology shaping today's globalised world and driving the dynamic and fast-moving industry of the day, we think it is time to move ahead of the traditional focus on municipal substantive and procedural laws in legal education.

Keeping this in mind, Manipal Law School, MAHE Bengaluru is continuing the legacy of Dr. TMA Pai International Technology Law Moot Court Competition. This pioneering moot competition seeks to unravel the interplay between technology and law, offering participants a unique opportunity to navigate the complex landscape where legal principles intersect with technological advancements. At the core of this intellectual pursuit lies an exploration of the multifaceted dimensions of tech law and its compelling global significance.

In preparing for this intellectually stimulating endeavour, delving into landmark judgments and seminal works on the intersection of international arbitration and technology law will undoubtedly provide a solid foundation. Familiarity with the evolving landscape of technology, from artificial intelligence to blockchain, will further equip participants to dissect complex legal issues arising in this domain.

The 2nd Dr. TMA Pai International Technology Law Moot Court Competition 2025 promises an immersive experience, beckoning participants to explore this intricate tapestry of technology law on the global stage. As you embark on this journey, we at Manipal Law School, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (Institution of Eminence, Deemed to be University), Bengaluru encourage you to embrace the challenges with intellectual curiosity and a keen eye for the evolving role of technology in shaping the contours of international legal practice.

Hope to see there!

REGISTRATION & ACCOMMODATION

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2nd Dr. TMA PAI INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2025

Details & Format of the competition

Manipal law school invites participants to register for the 2nd edition of the Dr. TMA PAI INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2025 scheduled to be held on 26th and 27th April 2025. Please find the registration details here under:

Team Composition: 2 Speakers, 1 Researcher

Registration Process and Instructions:

- Click here for the REGISTRATION: [Registration Link](#)
- Registration opens on: 21st February 2025
- Registration closes on: 20th March 2025

Registration Fee:

- For Participants from India: ₹4,500 (INR)*
- For International Participants: \$150 (USD)*

Payment Details:

- Refer to rules and regulations

Venue:

- Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Bengaluru Campus (Institution of Eminence Deemed to be University) Govindapura, Yelahanka, Bengaluru 560064, Karnataka, India



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****includes food & accommodation***

AWARDS & CASH PRIZES

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Best Team (Winners)

₹1,50,000

Runners Up

₹50,000

Best Memorial:

₹20,000

Best Speaker (Male)

₹20,000

Best Speaker (Female)

₹20,000



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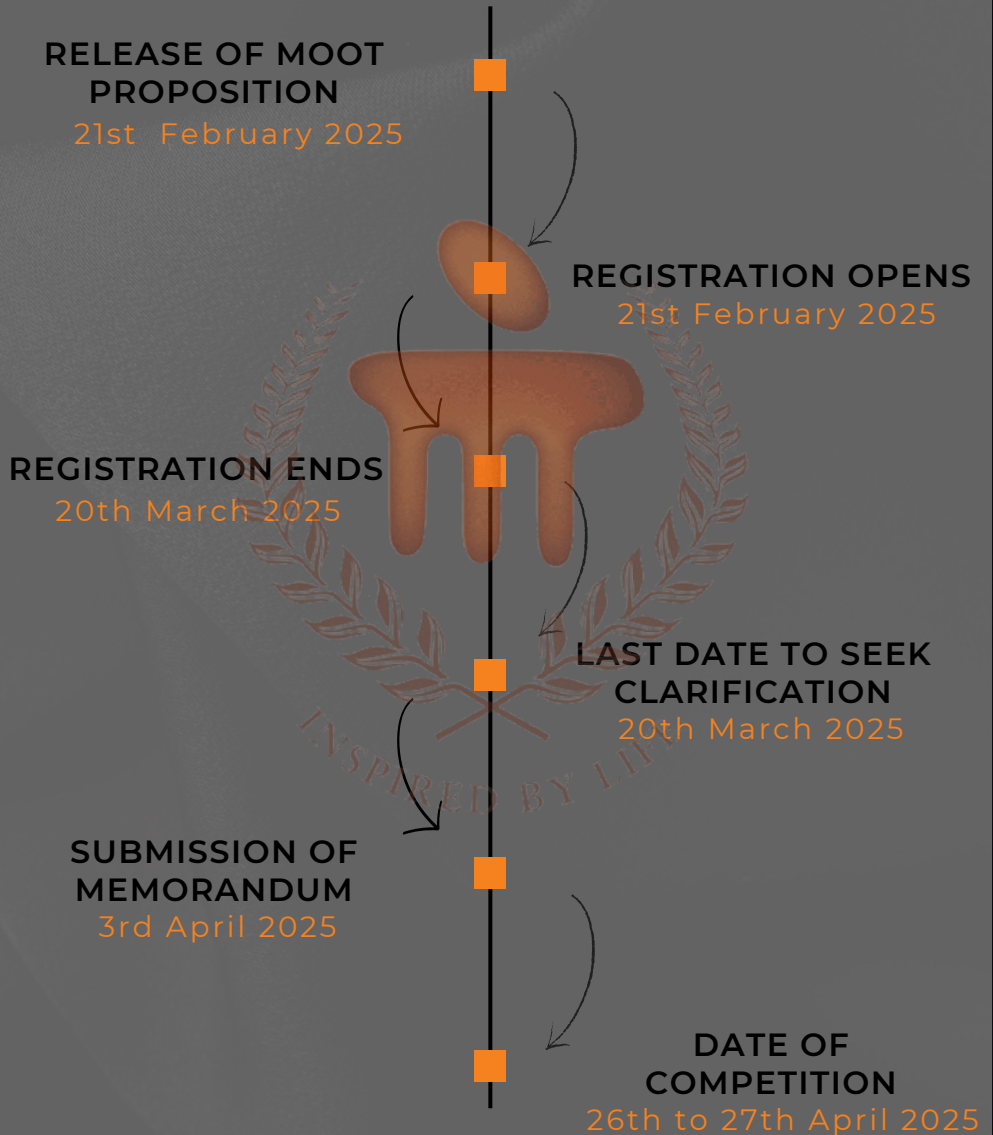
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We look forward to your active Participation in
**Dr. TMA Pai International Technology Law Moot Court
Competition 2025**