



## THE GNLU DEBATE 2017 (FIFTH EDITION)



Gujarat National Law University

### OFFICIAL INVITATION

The Debating Society of Gujarat National Law University warmly invites you to the fifth edition of The GNLU Debate scheduled to be held on **August 25<sup>th</sup>- 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. It is an **Open British Parliamentary Debate tournament** and we look forward to welcoming institutions, cross teams as well as individual participants.

#### THE TOURNAMENT

The GNLU Debating Society, since its inception, has successfully organised four tournaments. The last three editions have seen international participation, both in terms of our adjudicator and speaker pools, thereby increasing the quality of debate and competition. Each tournament has proved better than its predecessor, and we hope that this edition continues that trend.

The Organising Committee for the fifth edition aims at ensuring that this edition is better than ever before, in terms of hospitality, management and quality of debate.

#### OUR ADJUDICATION CORE

The adjudicators on board for The GNLU Debate, 2017 are Ajinkya Deshpande, Virat Chopra, Dibyojyoti Mainak, and Yarn Shih, all of whom have participated in, and won multiple tournaments apart from being the chief adjudicators in prestigious tournaments.

**Ajinkya**, in addition to being elected to the Adjudication Core of the upcoming ABP, was an open quarter finalist at WUDC, 2017. **Virat** was a finalist at the Asian BP, 2016, semi-finalist at the UADC, 2016 and a grand-finalist at the Yale NUS pre ABP 2016 as well as the Yale NUS Debate Open 2016. **Dibyojyoti** has the distinction of being part of the first Indian team to break at the Malaysian Debate Open, 2011, and was the highest ranked Indian speaker at the Australasian Debate Championship in 2013. **Yarn** is the second Core Adjudicator of our tournament to be part of the Adjudication Core at the upcoming ABP at Krabi, which adds to his long list of

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achievements both as a speaker and as an adjudicator. He was the best speaker of the final round in both the 2015 and 2016 ABP tournaments, and was champion of the 2015 edition.

Having such an established Adjudication Core makes our tournament the perfect training ground for all the teams that plan to compete internationally, especially at the ABP tournament.

#### PRIZE MONEY

The debate will conclude on 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 with the Valedictory Ceremony followed by Prize Distribution, where winning teams, speakers and adjudicators will be handed over their prize money to eliminate indefinite delays.

Winners	Rs. 35,000	Best Adjudicator	Rs. 17,500
Runners Up	Rs. 25,000	Second Best Adjudicator	Rs. 12,500
Finalists	Rs. 10,000	Third Best Adjudicator	Rs. 7,500
Semi-Finalists	Rs. 5,000	Breaking Adjudicators	Rs. 1000
Quarter-Finalists	Rs. 2,000		
		Novice Winners	Rs. 5000
Best Speaker	Rs. 9,000	Novice Runners Up	Rs. 3000
Second Best Speaker	Rs. 7,500		
Third Best Speaker	Rs. 5,000		

#### REGISTRATION FEES AND ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

The registration fee for participants who wish to avail accommodation is **Rs. 2000**. The University has exclusive hostel facilities within campus for participants who come to GNLU to take part in any event organized by the University. For debaters and adjudicators who wish to make their own domestic arrangements for stay and don't require the accommodation provided by GNLU, the registration fee is **Rs. 1500** per participant.

We provide **breakfast on all days** of the debate for the participants. We also have the practise of assigning **one volunteer for every contingent**, who will help the participants in the event they face any issue through the course of the debate.

The GNLU Debate has seen enormous response from international circuits, and therefore we are happy to provide a complete registration fee and accommodation costs waiver to all international

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participants. Further, any international contingent that requires additional financial aid to attend the tournament can get in touch with our Organising Committee for the same.

#### REGISTRATION

The registration can be done for **Institutional Teams, Institutional Contingents, Cross Teams, Independent Adjudicators** by filling up the following registration form here:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc0g1ZP\\_hsnIEq6ZfxeMoRezQP68ybc2q0yD47xlut279Srg/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc0g1ZP_hsnIEq6ZfxeMoRezQP68ybc2q0yD47xlut279Srg/viewform?c=0&w=1)

To avail adjudicator subsidy, participants can send in their debate curriculum vitae to **gnlud debating@gmail.com** with the subject of the mail as “Adjudicator Subsidy – Application”.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION AND QUERIES

In case any of you have questions regarding The GNLU Debate, please mail **gnlud debating@gmail.com**.

We hope to be accessible to all the participants through social media aside from communication through mail. Please follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Feel free to drop in a message on Facebook and we will try our best to address your clarification on the same day. Our registration links are also available on these platforms.

We look forward to making our fifth edition a memorable one. Please contact the following individuals if you need further clarification regarding the contents of this invite or the tournament in general.

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Regards,

Organising Committee,

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