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### “First National Moot Court Competition on Securities and Investment Law”

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Greetings from GNLU!

GNLU has organized the first national moot court competition on Securities and Investment Law from September 11-13, 2015.

The inaugural edition of the GNLU Moot on Securities and Investment Law was successfully conducted in a grand fashion from 11th to 13th September, 2015 at GNLU's campus at Attalika Avenue, Gandhinagar. The final round took place between School of Law, Christ University and Army Institute of Law, Mohali. The teams were judged in the final rounds by a Panel of five renowned experts in Securities and Investment Law. The Final Rounds Bench Comprised of Hon'ble (Mr.) Justice Akil Kureshi, Judge at the High Court of Gujarat, Mr. Bishwajit Bhattacharya, Senior Advocate at the Supreme Court of India and former ASG, Mr. Mihir Thakore, Senior Advocate at the Gujarat High Court and Ms. Dharmishtha Raval, Advocate at the Gujarat HC and Member of the SEBI Advisory Committee on Mutual Funds.

After more than forty five minutes of arguments from each side, both teams impressed the distinguished Bench but the team from School of Law, Christ University emerged the winners. At the valedictory ceremony after the final rounds, the winning team received a grand trophy from Hon'ble (Mr.) Justice Akil Kureshi along with cash prize and books. There were also prizes in other categories such as the best memorial and the best speaker as well.

The Valedictory Session of the Competition saw an inspiring speech delivered by Justice Akil Kureshi, asking the students to uphold the ideals enshrined under the Constitution and to strive to achieve social justice for the citizens of India, the task of which, has only been half accomplished ever since India became independent. This year's moot court competition saw legal arguments and technicalities pertaining to insider trading and disclosures to be made by a company in accordance with the SEBI Regulations. 26 teams from law universities all across India participated in the Competition over a duration of two days. The Competition was judged in the preliminary stage, quarter final rounds and semi-final rounds by renowned advocates and associates from leading law firms across India. The participants seemed awed with both the high standard of mooting as well as the warm hospitality provided by GNLU which had housed the participants on campus. The Competition was sponsored by Bombay Stock Exchange Investor Protection Fund, Lex Witness, Manupatra, Wolters Kluwer and Uber. Mr. Girish R., faculty convenor of the Organising Committee of the event, though looking content with the successful culmination of the first edition mentioned that the next edition of the Competition would be even better than the 2015 edition.

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