

CALL FOR ARTICLES: ESSAY COMPETITION: LEX POPULI FOURTH EDITION

For the past three years, the GNLU Centre for Constitutional and Administrative Law (CCAL) has been publishing "Lex Populi", an in-house publication that is circulated among members of the judiciary. For its fourth edition, due to be released in the summer of 2019, the Centre is hosting an essay competition to select the best entries for publication.

There are three categories for entries:

- Case Commentary: 500-1000 words analysing any judgement rendered since January 2018.
- Legislation Analysis: 500-1000 words critically analysing any Bill or legislation which was proposed, passed or came into force in the last year.
- Mind Speak: An opinion piece on a topical area of Constitutional or Administrative law importance, 1000-1500 words.

(A participant can submit multiple pieces in each or all categories.)

There are two prizes in each category:

- Winning entry Rs. 2000/-
- Runner up entry Rs. 1000/-

Participants will also receive a certificate of participation, and the top 4 best entries in each category will feature in the 4th edition of Lex Populi.

Some suggestive topics for submissions include:

- Justice K.S. Puttaswamy (Retd.) & Anr. v. Union of India (The Aadhar Judgement)
- 2. Jarnail Singh v. Lachhmi Narain Gupta
- 3. The Decriminalisation of Adultery
- 4. The unconstitutionality of section 377 IPC
- 5. The Sabarimala Judgement

- 6. The 103rd Constitutional Amendment Act
- 7. Open Justice and Open Courts: Live streaming of Supreme Court proceedings
- 8. Cleansing Politics: Should Accused be allowed to contest elections?
- 9. Mamata v Centre (Featuring Federalism)
- 10. The Citizenship Amendment Bill, 2019

Entries are not limited to the above-mentioned topics.

The <u>last date</u> for submission is <u>11:59 p.m. April 15, 2019</u>. All submissions must be sent to <u>ccal@gnlu.ac.in</u> and must strictly adhere to the formatting guidelines found in the attachment to this email. The email with the entry must have the subject <u>"Submissions for Lex Populi"</u>. The Centre reserves the right to publish any entry received. We look forward to your participation.