

ADR BOARD REPORT 2023 – 2024

Faculty Coordinators

Dr. Shruti Kamat Dalal – Director

Asst. Prof. Disha Sardesai – Associate Director

About ADR Board

ADR Board of the College imparts training and exposure to students in Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) through effective client counseling, negotiation and mediation. The Board organizes orientation sessions for all students interested in being members of the ADR board, thereby augmenting their participation in the National and International ADR competitions. The enrolment of the students as members of the ADR Board undergoes a rigorous process of selection round, wherein the students are given a problem (two days in advance), and Confidential information (CI) 20 mins prior to their rounds which tests the skills of the students to negotiate and come up with creative solutions on modern-day issues. On successful completion of the selection rounds, the students are then selected to become members of ADR Board.

The selected members are further trained and are given the opportunity to represent the college at the National and International Competitions. The faculty coordinators / members of the institute are instrumental in engaging several training sessions of the members who represent the college at the National and International ADR competitions. Students of the college who have achieved laurels in the preceding year 2022-2023 are equally involved in engaging the trial rounds.

ADR Board also conducts compulsory Client Counselling sessions for final year students of the BALL.B. and LL.B. Degree programmes, as part of their practical paper.

Advisory Committee

Prof. Dr. M.R.K. Prasad

Dr. Sandhya Ram – Faculty, Former Director, ADR Board

Mrs. Pearl Monteiro - Faculty, Former Director, ADR Board

Dr.B.S. Patil – Faculty, Former Director, ADR Board

Orientation Sessions

Orientation sessions for the students registered for the Selection rounds of the ADR Board were conducted by Dr. M R K Prasad and Dr. B.S. Patil on 10th August 2023 in Hall no. 10 & Conference hall.



Prof. (Dr) M.R.K Prasad conducting the orientation session for students in the Conference Hall



Dr. B.S. Patil conducting the orientation session for students in Hall no. 10

Demo / Mock Mediation Session

A Demo / Mock Mediation Session was held on 21st August 2023 in the conference hall to accustom interested students to the process of ADR. A fact sheet of a previously discussed ADR problem was sent to all the registered students via their class WhatsApp groups.



BALL.B. Final Year students engaging the Demo round for the ADR registered students of Law Programmes



For better

understanding of the Demo round feedback on the session was given by Dr. B.S.Patil.

Selection to ADR Board

Notice was issued for the purpose of registration for selection rounds to the ADR Board on 3rd August 2023 and the last date to register was 22nd August 2023. The Selection Rounds were held on 25th August 2023 in 8 different halls at the College. Besides faculty members, alumni of the college having expertise in the field of ADR were also invited to preside over the selection rounds.

The declaration of the results was done on 28th August 2023.

ADR Board members: A total of 55 students were selected. Exemption from selection process was given to 11 former members who had achievements to their credit from previous year (2022 - 2023) National/International Competitions.

The selected members who participated at the National and International Competitions received coaching from Dr. B.S.Patil, Prof. M.R.K.Prasad, Practicing Adocates (through online meet). Several training sessions (mocks) were also conducted with the ADR selected students who had gained experience in the preceding year, through their participation in ADR Competitions representing the college.

First Meeting of the ADR Board on 31st August 2023

Faculty coordinators presided over the meeting. The new members were welcomed to the ADR Board and the work culture and duties of members were discussed and assigned. Students were

encouraged to participate in various competitions. A list of competitions was chalked out and students were invited to express interest in participating for the events.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE STUDENTS / MEMBERS REPRESENTING THE COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT



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VMSC student wins Mediator Award NT KURIOCITY

Joshua Dias, a fifth year BALL.B. student at V.M. Salgaocar College of Law (VMSC), Miramar, represented the ADR board of VMSC and has won the Mediator Award at the 1st International Negotiation and Mediation Competition in association with Wadia Ghandy and Company. The event was held at the SVKM'S NMIMS Kirit P. Mehta School of Law, Mumbai. Along with the winner's trophy, Dias also received a cash prize of Rs. 18, 000 and a two-month internship offer from the law firm Wadia Ghandy and Company.



Sitting from L to R Director of ADR Board at VMSC, Shruti Kamat Dalal; principal at VMSC Shaber Ali and (standing) Joshua Dias.

VMSCCL wins 'Mediator Award' at international competition in Negotiation and Mediation

Joshua Dias, a student of 5th year BALLB at VM Salgaocar College of Law (VMSCCL), Miramar, represented the ADR board of VMSCCL and has won the 'Mediator award' at the SVKM's NMIMS Kirit P Meha School of Law; Mumbai, at the first International Negotiation and Mediation Competition in association with Wadia Ghandy and Co. The preliminary rounds were conducted in virtual mode and the subsequent rounds were conducted in physical mode.

In the quarter finals, he knocked out the team from Christ University, School of Law after which he proceeded to the semi-finals where he knocked out Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru. After making it to the finals, he went up against O P Jindal Global University, Law School where he created a dominating session and provided multiple alternatives and solutions in dispute resolution of



the problem in the finals session. He then went forward to be awarded the Winner Mediator of the competition. During the competition, he also mediated sessions of various national and international universities. Along with the winner's trophy, Joshua also received a cash prize of Rs 18,000 and a two month internship offer from one of India's prestigious law firms, Wadia Ghandy and Company.

Blog for ADR Board – VMSCL Concord

The ADR Board had opened a blog on 4th October 2017 to share the experience, best practices and writings of students, faculty, alumni and invitees. During this academic year, posts were made and the blog has numerous visitors. The blog can be visited at <https://vmsclconcord.blogspot.in/>

@ V M Salgaocar College of Law Facebook page - Post dated 11/09/2023 and 15/10/2023.

ADR COMPETITION PARTICIPATION LIST (2023-24)

Sr. No.	Name of the students	Competition	Rounds Qualified	Competition Dates
1.	Saloni Parab. Rishabh Narvekar	K.L.E Law Academy's 1st National Negotiation Competition 2023	Preliminary	14th, 15th and 16th July 2023
2.	Esha Ghodekar Arya Haldankar Joshua Dias (Mediator)	SVKM's NMIMS Kirit P Mehta School of Law, Mumbai, 1st International Negotiation and Mediation Competition 2023	Preliminary Mediator Award won by Joshua Dias	19 th & 20 th August (Online) 2023, 2 nd and 3 rd September (Offline) 2023
3.	ASTHA S. KAMAT, SANIKA PEDNEKAR, MEERA BHANDANKAR	3rd National Mediation Competition (virtual), Amity Law School	Quarter Finals	25th-26th September 2023
4.	Lamisah Almeida, Raisa Pinto, Sean Gomes, Clive Fernandez, Joshua Dias	AIADR International Mediation Competition 2023	2nd Runners-Up Trophy Winners	23-24th September 2023 (Preliminary Rounds) & 1st October 2023 (Final Rounds)
5.	Nimish Borkar Anant Alias Aniket Prabhu NEGOTIATION	6th Amity National ADR Tournament, 2023	Quarter finals	5th-6th October 2023
6.	Eshaan Patil Raj Chodankar CLIENT COUNSELING	6th Amity National ADR Tournament, 2023	Quarter finals	5th-6th October 2023

7.	Chelsea Perpetua Travasso and Eugenia Melo e Granjo	Prestige Institute of Management and Research, Department of Law, 1 st National Client Counselling Competition	Preliminary	20th-22nd October, 2023
8.	Cassia Dsouza Shrinjan Ghosh	Client Counseling	Finals	12th - 14th January 2024
9.	Tejaswi Bhandare Ahlia Hussain Rishabh Narvekar, Riddhi Moghe Saloni Parab	Mediate Guru's 2nd Virtual International Client Counselling Competition 2024	Preliminary	18th-21st January, 2024
10.	Deepam Naik	Mediate Guru's 2nd Virtual International Client Counselling Competition 2024	Quarter finals	
11.	Saniya Sardesai Amanda Vailanki Gracias	Lex Infinitum 2024	Preliminary	18th January - 20th January 2024
12.	Jonus D'souza, Raj Chodankar	NYAYSHASTRAM'S RATAN K. SINGH (SR. ADV.) NATIONAL NEGOTIATION COMPETITION, 2024 RATAN K. SINGH (SR. ADV.) NATIONAL NEGOTIATION COMPETITION, 2024	Octa Final Round	26th - 28th January 2024
13.	Bibi Rabiya Basri, Sifa Ibrar Beig, Zoya Paes	3rd NALSAR Mediation Tournament	Preliminary	2nd-4th February 2024
14.	Trusha Desai Lorene Sequeira	Louis M Brown & Forrest S Mosten International Client Consultation Competition 2024 India Rounds	Preliminary	2nd-4th February 2024
15.	Nidhi Gawade, Siya Kamat	GLS University National Virtual Client Counseling Competition 2024	Quarterfinal round	4th February 2024 (Preliminary round) 17th February 2024 (Quarterfinal round)
16.	Hiral Kenaudekar, Omkar Gaonkar, Gladwin De Souza	5 th GNLU Annual Legal Service Forum Mediation Competition	Preliminary	10 th – 11 th February 2024

17	Esha Ghodekar	2 nd MNLU-N National Commercial Mediation Competition 2024	Preliminary	17 th & 18 th February 2024 (Online)
18	Sean Gomes, Raisa Pinto		Quarter Final Round	17 th & 18 th February 2024 (Online) 9 th and 10 th march 2024 (Offline)
19	Deepam Naik, Saniya Sardesai	SPARKLE 5.0 KLE College of Law, Client Counselling Competition (Hybrid Mode)	Preliminary	3 rd March 2024
20	Eshaan Patil, Gautami Kamat	Senior Advocate Late Shri P M Shah 2 nd MNLUA National Client Counselling Competition, 2024	Preliminary	9 th and 10 th March 2024
21	Sahi Pagui Shivam Usgaonkar		Preliminary	
22	Nimish Borkar Astha Kamat Client Counselling	4 th Justice J.S. Verma National Memorial ADR & Client Counselling Competition and NAVITAS NATIONAL LAW FEST 2024	Quarter Finals	12 th and 13 th March 2024
23	Tashina Pinto Tejaswi Bhandare Ruhi Kamat Tarcar Mediation	4 th Justice J.S. Verma National Memorial ADR & Client Counselling Competition and NAVITAS NATIONAL LAW FEST 2024	Preliminary	12 th and 13 th March 2024
24	Zainab Quadri, Dylan Oliveira, Richa Thakur	S.K. Misra Memorial International Mediation and Negotiation Competition, Llyod law college Greater Noida (Online)	Preliminary	15 th – 17 th March 2024
25	Sakshi Volvoikar Vishodhan Mangoli Shrinjan Ghosh		Preliminary	
26	Hiral Kenaudekar Saisha Mandrekar Disha Naik	12 th NLIU INADR International Mediation Tournament	Preliminary	22 nd – 24 th March 2024

“The Art of Negotiation” – Knowledge Sessions

The ADR Board of VMSCL, Goa offers a two – day Knowledge Sessions on the “The Art of Negotiation” which were held on 18th and 19th January 2024. They are training sessions that are conducted for students from all fields. This year there were 54 participants inclusive of 25

students from various Free Legal Aid Cells constituted in Goa. The sessions delve into the basics of negotiation and mediation and were conducted by trained professionals and experts in the field of mediation. They provide the opportunity to learn the essential skills and values to become an effective negotiator and a skilled mediator. These sessions were held on the following topics:

1. Effective communication & Online Mediation Skills
2. The Role of Power in Mediation: A Closer Look at Influence and Authority
3. Agenda Setting & Opening Statements
4. Introduction to Negotiation
5. Information Gathering for Parties
6. The Power of Storytelling in Negotiation: How Narrative Drive Resolutions

The sessions were engaged by,

Adv. Yukta Joshi – A licensed Advocate practicing before the High Court of Madhya Pradesh and NCLT at the Indore bench. She is also certified in Dispute Resolution Management by the Indian Institute of Arbitration and Mediation.

Josephine Reyes and Helen Miedzinski - Ms. Josephine Reyes is a mediator for Community Justice Centres of NSW State in Australia since 1984 up to the present. She Joined World Mediation Organization in 2013. Ms Helen Miedzinski is an experienced practitioner of Family Dispute Resolution (FDR) and Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) founding her own firm. She holds membership on numerous panels such as the NSW Law Society and Legal Aid NSW as a mediator, and coaching FDRP and ADR courses in the College of Law, Bond University and Relationships Australia.

Chirag Balyan – A founding faculty at National Law University Mumbai. He is a teacher, arbitrator, and mediator. He heads the Arbitration centre at the University and edits Indian Review of International Arbitration.

Prof. Dr Ram Krishna Mandava Prasad – A leading expert in clinical education in India. He is the first recipient of Vanderbilt Fulbright Scholarship in Clinical Legal Education and joined V.M Salgaocar College of Law in the year 1996. He is a member of several international

organizations such as Global Alliance for Justice Education, South Asian Forum of Clinical Law Teachers.

Adv. E.O.Mendes – State Government Counsel for several years; Standing Counsel to Municipal Council, Planning and Development authority and Village Panchayats; Special Public Prosecutor appointed by Government of Goa for prevention of Corruption Act cases besides handling briefs for MNC corporations/companies and High Net worth individuals.

Dr. Deevanshu Shrivastava - A young academician and a passionate researcher, having more than eleven years of teaching experience.

**THE ADR BOARD OF
V. M. SALGAOCAR COLLEGE OF LAW, GOA
PRESENTS**

KNOWLEDGE SESSIONS

The Art of Negotiation

ELIGIBILITY: STUDENTS,
PROFESSIONALS &
GENERAL PUBLIC

DATE: 18TH- 19TH JAN 2024
TIME: 10 AM- 4PM

SPEAKERS

DR. DEEVANSHU SHRIVASTAVA | MR. E. O. MENDES | MS JOSEPHINE REYES | MR. CHIRAG BALYAN | MS YUKTA JOSHI | MR. M.R.K PRASAD

LAST DATE OF REGISTRATION: 10TH JANUARY 2024
REGISTRATION ON FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS

COURSE SYLLABUS

- Introduction to Negotiation.
- Effective communication & Online Mediation Skills.
- Information gathering for parties
- Agenda Setting & Opening Statements.
- The Power of Story Telling in Negotiation: How Narratives drive Resolution.
- The Role of Power in Mediation: A closer look at Influence and Authority.

COURSE ENTITLEMENTS

- Certificate on completion of course
- Kit Bag
- Lunch, Afternoon Tea & Snacks

COURSE FEES

STUDENTS: 1000/-
PROFESSIONALS: 1500/-

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