



12th Nyayavalokan National Trial Advocacy and Judgment Writing Competition, 2023



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1. I seek clarification with respect to name of Defence witness 2. Exhibit no. 5 and DW-2 represents same person i.e. wife of Sushant Halankar. Then, how come the names given in the proposition are different?

CLARIFICATION: The amendment has been made and Defence Witness 2 and Exhibit no. 5 now represents the same person, i.e. “**Meena Sushant Halankar**” in the Trial Problem uploaded on our Website.

2. Please clarify the rules regarding the judgement writing competition i.e., time, word limit, will there be any new set of facts provided for the same, marking criteria, maximum marks, etc.

CLARIFICATION: The Rules for the Judgment Writing Competition are already provided on Page 11 of the Rule Book, although there will be no new set of facts for the same, and the remaining instructions will be presented on the Inauguration Day.

3. In 11.2 (h) of the rule book, is the letter to the police the same letter which is written by the sister-in-law of Gayatri Mahesh Wadke?

CLARIFICATION: Yes both the letters are same.

4. What was the reason for the final report not being included in the proposition?

CLARIFICATION: The Final Report comprises of all documents that the prosecution relies on and statements of prosecution witnesses, as provided by us.

5. How many days was Mrs. Gayathri hospitalised for?

CLARIFICATION: No Clarification needed.

6. Will Mr Davinder Pujari i.e., the accused be brought on record if the application for same is submitted?

CLARIFICATION: No, the participants will not be permitted to bring the accused on record.

7. What is the age Mr Pujari's son?

CLARIFICATION: No Clarification needed.

8. What is the hierarchy of the society committee? Who amongst Mr Pujari and Mrs Nalini holds the higher authority?

CLARIFICATION: No Clarification needed.

9. Was the divorce between Sushant Halankar and his wife by mutual consent?

CLARIFICATION: No Clarification needed.

10. Where is the final report/charge sheet? And is it attached in the Moot proposition and is that a part of the problem?

CLARIFICATION: The same has been addressed in the answer of Question 4.

11. As it is mentioned in Rule Book of the Competition at page no. 05 at 10.2.4 each speaker shall have to conduct Examination-in-Chief and Cross Examinations of at least one witness in each round. This rule shall apply in all the Rounds. Each Speaker shall deliver either the opening statement or the Final argument in each round, does that mean in a team, one speaker will do an examination in chief and another cross or both of them have to do examination in chief and cross at least one witness.

CLARIFICATION: Both the Speakers have to do examination in chief and cross-examination of at least one witness. Each Speaker also has to deliver either the opening statement or the final argument in each round. This shall apply across the board from Preliminary to Final Rounds.

12. Can the participants frame more than one charge?

CLARIFICATION: Yes, it is allowed.

13. Except from the 1st, 3rd and 5th exhibits are all the others have been already proved by the prosecution?

CLARIFICATION: All participating teams are required to prove F.I.R., Letter of Complaint to the Society (for prosecution) and the Letter to the Police (for defence).

14. No expert witnesses were mentioned, i.e. doctor, or forensic expert but they submitted the reports should we examine them?

CLARIFICATION: The Participants can examine the reports but cannot add witnesses other than those listed in the Trial Problem.