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GNLU-NLA INTERNATIONAL ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION 2015

ON

"NUCLEAR ENERGY LAW & POLICY"

1.1 Introduction

nergy law and energy policy are intertwined and hard to separate. Policy makers around the globe continue to grapple for effective and efficient energy law and policy to balance energy affordability and access, demand, resource management, security and environment considerations. There is a need to illuminate complex and important issues and unravel impediments in one or more of the many fields comprising modern energy law and policy.

1.2 Initiation

The premier Indian, national law university "Gujarat National University" (GNLU), under the aegis of GUVNL-GNLU Research Fellowship on 'Energy Law and Policy' is organizing an essay competition on subjects relevant to Energy law and policy with an aim to involve all those who want to serve a purpose larger than themselves and are able to communicate their passion for the subject tempered by the wisdom of an overarching awareness.

This mission is in an effort to improve the debate and to make a difference in the evaluation; implementation, formulation and resolving the issues of energy sector both on domestic and international front for sustainable development. This specific energy sector selected for Essay Competition, this year is on "Nuclear Energy Law and Policy". This essay competition is being organized in collaboration with Nuclear Law Association, India (www.nlain.org).

1.3 Opportunity Offered

This contest is a valuable platform for **Research** Scholars, experts from academia, organizations, students from all backgrounds and all others who are interested in the subject to share their ideas on critical issues on the legal and policy aspects of civilian nuclear energy.

1.4 Broad Themes

- 1. Public acceptance and nuclear power
- 2. Nuclear power as a sustainable source of energy
- 3. State institutions and nuclear power development
- 4. Nuclear Energy and Safety- Legal dimension
- 5. Nuclear Regulatory Process/ domestic and comparative international practice
- 6. Nuclear Liability and Compensation Law, and insurance law
- 7. National or International environmental Law and Nuclear Energy
- 8. International institutions and legal instruments on nuclear energy

1.5 Panel Judges



1. R Rajesh Babu

Associate Professor& Chairperson, Public Policy and Management, Indian Institute of Management, Kolkata, India

Dr. R. Rajesh Babu is Associate Professor of Law at the Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Calcutta, India and the Editor-in-Chief of the IIM Calcutta journal Decision published by Springer. Before joining IIM Calcutta, Dr. Rajesh Babu served as Senior Legal Officer (2002-2009) in the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO), a New Delhi based intergovernmental organization (IGO). He obtained his Ph.D. and M.Phil. from the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi. Dr. Rajesh Babu has received scholarships from Hague Academy of International Law and the Graduate Institute, Geneva. His current research and areas of interest include, WTO Law, general international law, constitutional law, international adjudication, property rights, investment and arbitration. His recent book is on Remedies under the WTO Legal System (Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, Leiden/Boston 2012) (Hard cover-500 pp.).

2. Saptarishi Bandopadhyay,

Teaching Fellow & SJD Candidate, Harvard Law School, University, United States

Saptarishi Bandopadhyay is a S.J.D. (doctoral) candidate at Harvard Law School. His research focuses on international environmental law, legal history, and issues related to technology and society. Saptarishi have LL.M degrees from Harvard Law School and American University's Washington College of Law. From 2006 to 2010, he served as an associate with Radon & Ishizumi in New York, where he negotiated pharmaceutical agreements, assisted with constitution development in Nepal, and environmental policymaking in the Caucasus. Saptarishi has received research and advocacy fellowships from the Public International Law and Policy Group, the Center for International Environmental Law, Brown University's Watson Institute for International Studies, and most recently from Harvard Law School.

3. Ajish P Joy

Chief Sub Editor, The WEEK Magazine.

Ajish P Joy is the Chief Sub Editor, The Week. Ajish have been at the editorial desk of The Week magazine since October 2011, specializing on foreign affairs and diplomacy, energy

security, nuclear issues and constitutional reforms. Apart from editing stories, he contributes a weekly column called Worldwatch for The Week. Prior to joining The Week, Ajish worked at Observer Research Foundation, a New Delhi-based think tank focusing on Eurasian Studies. He has written extensively on international issues for newspapers and magazines and has also contributed articles to several edited volumes and have also published a book on India-Russia relations. Ajish have a PhD in international relations from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

4. M P Ram Mohan

Associate Professor, TERI University and President, Nuclear Law Association, India (Chair of the panel)

M P Ram Mohan is an Associate Professor at TERI University focusing on infrastructure and regulatory law, nuclear law, and energy and resources law. As part of the Atomic Energy Commission, India project ' Understanding Energy Risks in India: Towards a Safe and Informed Energy Program" he is coordinating the nuclear energy component of risk assessment. Ram Mohan is a nominated member of the "Nuclear energy for peaceful applications committee", Bureau of Indian Standards, Government of India. He is the President of the Nuclear Law Association, India. International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) has recognised him as the India Focal point of IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law, and is a member of its Energy Law and Climate Change Specialist Group.

5. Armin Rosencranz

Professor of Law and Public Policy, Jindal Global Law School, Haryana & Consulting Professor, Stanford University

Armin Rosencranz is a Professor of Law & Public Policy at the Jindal Global Law School of O.P. Jindal Global University and a Consulting Professor at Stanford University. Prof Rosencranz is a lawyer and political scientist, has taught a variety of environmental policy courses at Stanford since 1995. He taught one of India's first courses on environmental law, and his book, Environmental Law and Policy in India (2nd ed. 2001) is widely used throughout India.

6. Siddarth Sharma

Advocate, Supreme Court of India & Resident Counsel, Tata Sons

Siddarth Sharma is a lawyer practising at the Delhi High Court and the Supreme Court. Siddarth is Tata Sons' Resident Counsel in New Delhi and his areas of practice are corporate and commercial laws. Earlier, Sidharth worked as a corporate legal advisor for 8 years with the Tata group at their headquarters in Mumbai. An alumnus of the National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata, Sidharth has a keen interest in issues of constitutional law and has contributed articles to law journals, EPW and the Hindu Business Line.

1.6 Coordinator of the program

Harsha Rajwanshi

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1.7 Types of Essay

Long essay of minimum 8000-9000
words excluding footnotes

1.8 Format

- The essays submitted by the participants must be in 'English' language only.
- Each submission must include two cover pages.
- The first page should include the paper's title and the participant's name, mail address, academic details, designative description phone number and email address.
- The second page should include only the title of the essay accompanied with a small abstract of not more than 300 words.
- The essay must be typed in Microsoft Word with Times New Roman, Font size 12, 1.5 linear spacing, on A4 size paper with 2.56 CM margin on each side.
- Citations should be provided in the footnotes and references must appear as endnotes. All footnotes/references shall be in Chicago Manual of Style 16th Edition

1.9 Rules:

- Essay should be within the prescribed word limit. Word limit excludes abstract, foot notes or endnotes and references,
- 2. Essay can be co-authored from same or different institutions.
- There will be strict adherence to ethical writing principles. Any paper found to violate this will be rejected
- Every essay should contain abstract of 300 words and 6 keywords
- 5. The participants are free to work on different themes under the broad topics

1.10 Submission Procedure

Abstract Submission and Registration

Participant shall fill the Registration Form (as per annexure A) and submit the scanned copy of Registration Form duly signed along with Abstract before October 30, 2015 as an email attachment to gnluenergylaw@gnlu.ac.in

The subject line of email should read, "Registration and Abstract Submission"

Final Essay Submission

Participants should submit their essays in the prescribed format (please see section 1.8) as an email attachment, in Word Document or PDF form to gnluenergylaw@gnlu.ac.in

The subject line of the email should read, "GNLU-NLA Essay writing contest 2015 on Nuclear Energy law and policy."

1.11 Evaluation

All the entries will be evaluated by the panel of judges. Entries will be judged on the following criteria:

Total 100 M	tal 100 Marks	
Writing Skills	20	
Sequence and Presentation	15	
Originality of Idea	20	
Contents	45	

1.12 Awards

I. First Prize: Certificate of Excellence and a cash prize of US Dollars 150 and its equivalent in INR

II. **Second Prize:** Commendation certificate and a cash prize of US Dollars 120 and its equivalent in INR

III. **Third Prize:** Commendation certificate and a cash prize of US Dollars 100 and its equivalent in INR

IV. Honor Mention (15 numbers): Certificate of Recognition of Efforts

V. **Certificate of Participation** to all the participants of essay competition

VI. **Publication of 15 best essays** in a book to be published by our publication partner **Eastern Book Company*** (*Conditions apply).

Internship opportunities shall be provided to top 6 best essays writers at GNLU under GUVNL-GNLU Research Fellowship on Energy Law and Policy which can be availed by the winner till 2016. There shall be no stipend given under the internship. However, winner shall have free boarding and lodging facility at GNLU where they can make use of resource rich library of GNLU.

Participants of Essay competition can avail 50% **fee waivers** in the extension and training activities organized under GUVNL-GNLU Research Fellowship on Energy law and policy till 2018.

1.13 Notification of Winners

The winners of the essay writing competition shall be intimated though their contact details submitted by them as well as published on the GNLU website (<u>www.gnlu.ac.in</u>), GNLU Energy Law Website. (<u>www.gnluenergylaw.org</u>) and NLA Website (<u>www.nlain.org</u>).

1.14 Terms and Conditions

- All the participants interested to submit their essay, accept all the terms and conditions mentioned in entirety and shall abide by the same throughout the essay competition.
- Each participant can submit only one entry. Co-authored essays are permissible to the extent of two writers
- The participants submitting an entry in this essay contest need to affirm that the entry is his/her own work. Plagiarism can lead to outright rejection of submission.
- The GNLU/NLA evaluation decision on essays shall be final.
- GNLU will hold the copyright of the awarded essays and may reproduce them in any appropriate format, with due credit to the authors.

- Contest entrants allow GNLU to publish their work, or extracts thereof, with full credit to the author, on its website, social media platforms, any future publications, and publicity material.
- In the event that there is an insufficient number of qualified entries or if the judges determine that no entries meet the quality standards established to award the prizes and extended benefits, GNLU/ NLA reserves the right not to award any prizes and benefits.
- GNLU reserves the right to change these terms and conditions at any time without prior notice. In the event that any changes are made, the revised terms and conditions shall be posted on this website immediately. Please check the latest information posted herein to inform yourself of any changes.

1.15 Deadline

Abstract Submission and Registration: October 30, 2015 (23.59), participant's local time.

Final Submission: All entries must be received by December 21, 2015 (23:59) participant local time

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Registration Form

Name:
Address:
CityPin Code
Email Id@@
Contact Number (With area code in brackets)
Alternate Contact Number (With area code in brackets)
Designation/ Affiliation
Declaration:
I declare that the essay to be submitted by me is my original work and has not been submitted else work
Applicant Sign
Applicant Name
Date
Place