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**OCTOBER 29 - 30, 2018      |      RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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### **1.1. Administration**

(a) The Alliance University National Debate – 2018 (“Competition”) is held and administered by Alliance Debate Club, Alliance University, Bengaluru.

(b) The competition will be held on October 29<sup>th</sup> and October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at Central Campus, Alliance University, Chandapura – Anekal Main Road, Bengaluru.

### **1.2. Language**

The competition will be conducted in English only.

### **1.3. Structure of the competition**

The competition consists of four rounds:

- Preliminary round
- Quarter-final
- Semi-final
- Finals

#### **1.4. Eligibility**

The competition is open for students pursuing any Undergraduate degree courses or Postgraduate degree courses in any recognized University/College.

#### **1.5. Team Composition**

- (a) Each team shall comprise of Two members.
- (b) Cross-institutional teams are allowed.

#### **1.6. Online registration format**

Teams must register online by **21 October 2018** by filling up the Google Form available at:  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxyjMFkiAkKnCssuOfxFs57ipPEHfM3hFqUdTmUQsRjD7sDw/viewform?c=0&w=1>

#### **1.7. Registration Fee**

- (a) Teams invited to participate in the Alliance University National Debate – 2018 are required to register with a fee of **Rs. 1,000/- per team** via Online Transfer (NEFT) latest by **21 October 2018**.

#### ***Bank account details:***

Bank Name: PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK

Branch: HUDSON CIRCLE BRANCH

Beneficiary Name: ALLIANCE UNIVERSITY

Account Number: 0041000101026083

Account Type: SB Account

IFSC: PUNB0004100

(b) Participants are required to send the online transfer receipt to **debateclub@alliance.edu.in** by 22 October 2018.

### **1.8. Preliminary Round**

(a) Only the registered teams will be participating in the Preliminary rounds.

(b) The topic for preliminary round is **Should a criminal charge, cost you the right to contest elections?**

(c) In the preliminary round, the teams shall present **only one side** of the motion which shall be selected by means of draw of lots.

### **1.9. Quarter-finals**

(a) Eight (8) teams from the preliminary round shall proceed to the quarter-finals.

(b) The topic for quarter-final round is **Efficacy of Election Commission of India.**

(c) In the quarter-final round, the teams shall present **both the sides** of the motion which shall be selected by means of draw of lots.

### **1.10. Semi-finals**

(a) Four (4) teams from the quarter-final round shall proceed to the semi-finals.

(b) The topic for semi-final rounds is **Proportional Representation vs. First Past the Post System.**

(c) In the semi – final round, the teams shall present **both the sides** of the motion which shall be selected by means of draw of lots.

### 1.11. Finals

- (a) The top two (2) teams with the highest scores will proceed to the finals. The winner of the final round shall be declared “Winner of the Competition”.
- (b) The topic for the final round is **One Nation – One Election**.
- (c) In the final round, the teams shall present **both the sides** of the motion.

### 1.12. Sequence of the rounds shall be as follows: *(for Preliminary, Quarter-final, Semi-final Rounds)*

Opening remarks (For the Motion) – 7 Minute

Opening remarks (Against the Motion) – 7 Minutes

Rebuttal round – 4 Minutes

Closing remarks (For the Motion) – 2 Minutes

Closing remarks (Against the Motion) – 2 Minutes

Q & A round – 8 Minutes

**(Total=30 Minutes)**

### 1.13. Sequence of the rounds shall be as follows: *(for Final rounds)*

Opening remarks (For the Motion) – 10 Minute

Opening remarks (Against the Motion) – 10 Minutes

Rebuttal round – 8 Minutes

Closing remarks (For the Motion) – 3 Minutes

Closing remarks (Against the Motion) – 3 Minutes

Q & A round – 11 Minutes

(Total=45 Minutes)

*Note: Candidates will be allowed to refer to materials during the rounds.*

#### **1.14. Scouting**

- (a) Teams shall not be allowed to observe the oral rounds of other teams, unless they have been officially knocked-out of the competition. Scouting is strictly prohibited.
- (b) Scouting by any team shall result in disqualification.

#### **1.15. Awards**

**The Winning team** will receive a trophy and cash prize worth Rs. 20,000/-.

**The Runners-Up team** will receive a trophy and prize worth Rs. 10,000/-.

**All participants will receive Certificate of Participation.**

#### **1.16. The decision of the judges shall be final and binding.**

#### **1.17. Accommodation, food and transportation**

- (a) Participants shall arrange their own accommodation and transportation, should any assistance be required, feel free to contact the organizers. (Clause 1.19)
- (b) Participants may make use of the bus services plying from city campus (BTM 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage and BTM 1<sup>st</sup> Stage) to central campus.
- (c) Food shall be provided to all teams on both days of the competition.



(d) Team's travel details must be sent to [debateclub@alliance.edu.in](mailto:debateclub@alliance.edu.in) by 26 October 2018.

### **1.18 Agenda**

#### **October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

Inaugural ceremony

Preliminary rounds

Quarter-final rounds

#### **October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

Semi-final rounds

Finals

Valedictory ceremony



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<b>Important Timelines</b>	
October 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2018	Last date for registrations
October 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2018	Last date for payment
October 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	Last date to submit travel details
October 29 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	Main event

### **1.19 For Clarifications:**

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