



## UNIVERSITY LAW COLLEGE, UTKAL UNIVERSITY, BHUBANESWAR

**PRESENTS** 

# 3<sup>RD</sup> VISHWANATH PASAYAT MEMORIAL NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION 2025

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#### [A] ABOUT UTKAL UNIVERSITY



Established in 1943, Utkal University is the 17th oldest university in India and the premier institution of higher education in Odisha. Accredited with an A+ Grade by NAAC and ranked 42nd among State Public Universities in NIRF 2024, it serves over 1.5 crore people across nine districts. With 27 postgraduate departments, 17 self-financing programs, and 371 affiliated colleges, it offers diverse programs in Humanities, Science, Commerce, Education, Medicine, and Law.

The University has produced distinguished alumni across medicine, law, civil services, science, literature, and politics, and is committed to excellence in teaching, research, and societal development. It continues to play a pivotal role in shaping the academic and professional landscape of the region. University Law College (ULC) is one of its constituent institutions.

#### [B] ABOUT UNIVERSITY LAW COLLEGE



"Where Law Meets Legacy and Leadership Begins"

Established in 1975-76, University Law College (ULC) is a distinguished constituent institution of Utkal University, Bhubaneswar. Recognized by the Bar Council of India (BCI) and the University Grants Commission (UGC), the college has earned its place as a credible centre of legal education and excellence.

Our primary goal is to produce legally proficient, ethically driven, and socially conscious professionals who can contribute to society. It provides a comprehensive legal education, fosters critical thinking, encourages research, promotes awareness of constitutional values, and prepares students for diverse legal careers.

ULC aims to produce responsible citizens who uphold the rule of law. This college is known for its excellence in legal education and student development. It produces high-performing graduates, distinguished alumni, and has a strong legal aid and outreach network.

#### [C] <u>ABOUT LATE VISHWANATH PASAYAT</u>



Late Viswanath Pasayat

Late Viswanath Pasayat, born on 10th October 1912 in Cuttack, was the son of aristocrat Late Gokulananda Pasayat. Despite his affluent background, he championed the underprivileged and led significant student movements against British rule as the first Secretary of the Students Federation of India in Orissa.

After earning a law degree from Patna University, he struggled between pursuing law and continuing the freedom fight. He chose law but remained committed to defending freedom fighters and the oppressed. Notably, he refused a judgeship to avoid conflicting with his principles.

Viswanath Pasayat's home in Cuttack became a hub for intellectuals and politicians. He wrote "Russ Bhraman," one of the first travelogues on Russia, and edited the journal "Adhunik." He passed away on 27th December 1964 at 52. His legacy is carried on by his son, Hon'ble Justice Arijit Pasayat.

Mr. Vishwanath Pasayat's remarkable contributions to uplifting the poor and downtrodden earned him the title of a 'marvel of an Indian' by Hon'ble Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer. To commemorate this legal luminary, a moot court competition was organized yearly in collaboration with the Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial Committee, Cuttack, under the guidance of his son, Hon'ble Justice Arijit Pasayat, a former Judge of the Supreme Court of India.







A moot court competition is an event organised for the students of law to contest, ascertain and harness their legal acumen as well as their knowledge on and implementation of court craft including the effective communication and research skills. It will also give the students a first-hand experience in the usage and implementation of law through varied legislations.

University Law College, Bhubaneswar a constituent college of the Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha-751004, has announced the organisation of the **3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the prestigious Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial National Moot Court Competition 2025**, to be held on 7th October 2025 to 9th October 2025.

This event is conducted in honour of the Late Mr. Viswanath Pasayat, a distinguished lawyer known for his unwavering dedication and commitment to justice for the underprivileged. Mr. Viswanath Pasayat's remarkable contributions to uplifting the poor and downtrodden earned him the title of a 'marvel of an Indian' by Hon'ble Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer. To commemorate this legal luminary, the competition is organized in collaboration with the Viswanath Pasayat Memorial Committee, Cuttack, under the guidance of his son, Hon'ble Justice Arijit Pasayat, a former Judge of the Supreme Court of India.

The Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial Moot Court Competition has been conducted at the state level since 2014, earning a strong reputation and prestige over the span of around 10 years. From 2023, the prestigious competition started to be conducted at the national level inviting the students to participate from across the country. The upcoming edition marks the 3rd National-level edition of this prestigious competition, being organized by the University Law College, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar.

#### **DATE SHEET**

SL. No.	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
1.	<b>05.09.2025</b> (Friday)	Release of Moot Proposition
2.	22.09.2025 (Monday)	Registration close & Team Code allotment
3.	<b>18.09.2025</b> (Thursday)	Last date to seek clarification
4.	22.09.2025 (Monday)	Release of clarification
5.	<b>01.10.2025</b> (Wednesday)	Last date to memorial submission
6.	<b>07.10.2025</b> (Tuesday)	Participant Reporting & Memorial Submission  Researcher's Test  Inaugural Ceremony
7.	<b>08.10.2025</b> (Wednesday)	Preliminary Round 1  Preliminary Round 2  Result of Prelims & Draw of Lots  Lunch  Quarter-Final Round  Result of Quarter-Final & Draw of Lots
8.	<b>09.10.2025</b> (Thursday)	Semi Final Round  Result & Memorial Exchange  Final Round

#### [E] FOREWORD FROM PRINCIPAL

It gives me immense pleasure to present the Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial National Moot Court Competition, 2025, organized by University Law College, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, in collaboration with the Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial Committee, Cuttack. This event commemorates the life and legacy of Late Shri Vishwanath Pasayat, a distinguished lawyer whose unwavering commitment to justice and service to the underprivileged earned him the recognition of being a "marvel of an Indian" by Hon'ble Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer. The competition is a tribute to his ideals and values, inspiring young legal minds to pursue advocacy with integrity and dedication.

Since its establishment in 1975, University Law College has taken pride in its tradition of nurturing legal talent through a balanced approach of academic rigor, practical exposure, and ethical orientation. Moot court competitions are a cornerstone of this journey, providing students with a platform to bridge theory and practice by engaging with complex legal problems, sharpening their research and advocacy skills, and imbibing the values central to the profession. The success of past events, including the Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial National Moot Court Competition, 2023, and the recently concluded 2nd Antarik Sarkar Memorial Inter-Semester Moot Court Competition, 2025, has strengthened our resolve to provide enriching opportunities for students.

I warmly welcome all the participating teams, judges, academicians, and distinguished guests who have joined us for this edition. I am confident that the competition will serve not only as an academic exercise but also as an inspiring experience that fosters critical thinking, fairness, and professional growth. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the organizers, faculty members, students, and the Pasayat family for their invaluable contribution in making this event possible. I wish all participants the very best in this intellectual pursuit and hope the experience will remain a memorable milestone in their legal journey.

Best Regards,

Dr. Gyanendra Kumar Sahu,

Principal,

University Law College, Utkal University.

#### [F] MESSAGE FROM FACULTY CONVENOR

On behalf of University Law College (ULC), it is my distinct honour to welcome you to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial National Moot Court Competition, 2025. As a constituent college of Utkal University, Odisha's premier institution and the 17th oldest in the nation, we are rooted in a profound legacy of academic excellence, accredited with an A+ Grade by NAAC. Since its inception in 1975-76, ULC has been dedicated to nurturing legal professionals who are not only proficient in law but are also ethically driven and socially conscious.

This competition carries a special significance as it commemorates the life and work of Shri Viswanath Pasayat, a stalwart of the bar and a fearless champion for the underprivileged. His career was a powerful crusade against the injustices faced by those barred from the courts by economic and social impediments. He understood that access to justice was intrinsically linked to the protection of one's most basic human rights, and he fought tirelessly to uphold them. His dedication earned him the revered title of a 'marvel of an Indian' from the Hon'ble Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer.

This event, organised in collaboration with the Viswanath Pasayat Memorial Committee under the visionary guidance of his eminent son, Hon'ble Justice Arijit Pasayat, a former Judge of the Supreme Court of India, seeks to do more than just honour a memory. It seeks to ignite a flame. The objective is to motivate students to embrace the fight for justice with the integrity and passion that Shri Pasayat embodied. This moot court competition provides the perfect arena to sharpen the advocacy skills, intellectual rigour, and unwavering ethics that are the hallmarks of a truly great advocate.

University Law College has a celebrated tradition of hosting successful national events that have been platforms for insightful discourse with legal luminaries. We invite you to be a part of this vibrant confluence of legacy and learning, and we look forward to witnessing the next generation of legal leaders in action.

Best Regards,

Shraddha Seth,

**Faculty Co-ordinator,** 

3<sup>rd</sup> Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial National Moot Court Competition,

University Law College, Utkal University.

#### [G] LETTER OF INVITATION

To,

The Director/Dean/Principal/Head of the Department,

Concerned Institution.

Subject: Invitation for Participation in the 3rd Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial National Moot Court Competition 2025

Respected Sir/Ma'am,

The Moot Court Society of University Law College, a distinguished constituent institution of Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, extends a cordial invitation to your esteemed institution to depute a team to participate in the 3rd Vishwanath Pasayat Memorial National Moot Court Competition 2025. This prestigious event is set to be held from October 7th to October 9th, 2025, at our college premises. We kindly request you to refer to the official brochure and rulebook for a detailed overview of the competition format, rules, and important dates.

This competition is held to commemorate the enduring legacy of the late Shri Viswanath Pasayat, a legal luminary widely revered for his unwavering commitment to justice for the underprivileged. In the spirit of his commendable contributions to Indian jurisprudence, this event aims to foster a culture of excellence in advocacy, legal reasoning, and ethical conduct among the next generation of legal professionals. The competition will provide a robust platform for students to hone their adjudicatory skills and engage with a challenging moot problem, thereby enhancing their practical understanding of the law.

We are confident that this competition will be a rewarding experience for the participating team and we eagerly anticipate your esteemed institution's participation. For any queries, please do not hesitate to contact our Governing Council at ulcbbs.edu@gmail.com.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gyanendra Kumar Sahu,

Principal,

University Law College, Utkal University,

Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

#### [H] POINT OF CONTACT

#### Contact Details:

For any queries regarding the competition, you can reach out to the Governing Council through email to <a href="mailto:ulcbbs.edu@gmail.com">ulcbbs.edu@gmail.com</a> and through call to any of the <a href="mailto:student members">student members</a> during official hours.

#### Venue:

University Law College, Utkal University, Vani Vihar, Bhubaneswar, Odisha-751004.

Google Maps location details: <u>7RWW+M69</u>, <u>University Law College</u>, <u>Utkal University</u>, <u>NH 5</u>, Vani Vihar, Bhubaneswar, Odisha 751004

#### **[I] CORE COMMITTEE DETAILS**

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