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Institutional Distinctiveness of Narayanrao Chavan Law College:

A Legacy of Mooting Culture

Narayanrao Chavan Law College, Nanded, boasts a long-standing tradition of moot culture, making it a distinctive institution within the realm of legal education. For over forty two years, the college has cultivated a robust moot culture that predates the Bar Council of India's mandate for moot court as a compulsory practical training course. This early and sustained emphasis on moot has established the college as a leader in providing practical legal education and shaping skilled legal professionals.

History and Legacy

The history of moot courts at Narayanrao Chavan Law College is rich and deeply rooted, and illustrious, showcasing the institution's foresight and commitment to providing hands-on legal training. This pioneering spirit underscores the college's foresight in understanding the value of experiential learning in developing competent lawyers.

Moot court offers students invaluable experience in legal research, writing, and oral advocacy. It helps students develop critical thinking, public speaking, and teamwork skills, which are essential for a successful legal career. Competitions often involve interactions with practicing lawyers, judges, and legal scholars, providing students with insights into the actual workings of the law.

Objectives of Mooting Culture:

Moot court plays a critical role in legal education by offering students invaluable experience in several key areas:

- 1. Oral Advocacy Skills and Legal Argumentation:** Providing students with the ability to present their arguments. By simulating real court proceedings, students learn to present their arguments persuasively, think on their feet, and respond effectively to questions from judges.
- 2. Quick Thinking and Responsiveness:** Developing the ability to think on their feet and respond to judges' questions effectively.
- 3. Extensive Legal Research:** Enhancing students' skills in conducting thorough legal research.



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- 4. Courtroom Etiquette and Case Management:** Offering insights into courtroom decorum and the organization of legal arguments.
- 5. Analytical Abilities and Critical Thinking:** Strengthening the essential skills needed for effective legal practice.

Action Plan

To maintain and enhance its distinctive moot culture, the college has implemented a comprehensive action plan-

- 1. Organizing National Level Moot Court Competitions:** To provide a platform for students to compete at a high level.
- 2. Conducting Intra Moot Court Competitions:** To build confidence and prepare students for higher-level competitions.
- 3. Drafting Hypothetical Moot Problems:** Focusing on diverse areas of law to stimulate critical legal thinking and research.
- 4. Certificate Program on "Mooting Skills":** A 30-hour program designed to develop proficiency in legal research, persuasive argumentation, and courtroom decorum.
- 5. Motivating Students for External Competitions:** Encouraging participation in state and national moot court competitions organized by other institutions.

Activities Demonstrating Mooting Culture:

To maintain and enhance its distinctive moot culture, Narayanrao Chavan Law College has implemented a comprehensive action plan -

- 1. National Moot Court Competition:** The college hosts annual national-level moot court competitions to provide a platform for students. The 2022-23 academic year marked the 42nd year of moot court competitions at the college, highlighted by the Late Kusumtai Chavan Memorial 8th National Moot Court Competition.



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- Intra Moot Court Competition:** Regular intra-college competitions build confidence among students and prepare them for higher-level competitions. This competition also encourages participation in regional language, i.e. Marathi, to promote inclusivity and remove language barriers. The 7th Intra Moot Court Competition in 2022-23 aimed for the same.
- Hypothetical Moot Problems:** Moot problems are crafted on diverse legal subjects to stimulate critical legal thinking and motivate students to engage in extensive legal research. Diverse legal subjects are used by faculty members of college to draft moot problems, promoting critical thinking and legal research.
- Certificate Program:** The "Excelling Mooting Skills" certificate program is designed by the IQAC to help students develop key skills in legal research, argumentation, courtroom protocols, and teamwork. This thirty-hour certificate program aims to build confidence in oral advocacy, and foster critical thinking skills.
- Participation in External Competitions:** Students are motivated to participate in moot court competitions beyond the college, gaining broader exposure and experience.

Achievements and Impact

The success of the Mooting Culture at Narayanrao Chavan Law College is evident in several key achievements:

- Continuous Organization of Competitions:** National and intra moot court competitions are held annually, maintaining a tradition of excellence.
- Recognition of Hypothetical Moot Problems:** Eminent lawyers and judicial officers have praised the quality of the moot problems drafted by the teaching faculty of college.
- Successful Certificate Program:** 116 students participated in and completed the "Excelling Mooting Skills" program.



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4. **Increased Student Participation:** There is a growing number of students participating in moot court competitions, reflecting the program's significant impact.

Academic Year 2018-19: Twenty teams participated in the Intra Moot Court Competition. Fourteen teams participated in the National Moot Court Competition.

Academic Year 2019-20: Twenty teams participated in the Intra Moot Court Competition. Twelve teams participated in the National Moot Court Competition.

Academic Years 2020-21 and 2021-22: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdowns, it was not possible to conduct the competitions. However, the Intra Moot Court Competition was conducted in the Academic Year 2020-21, with seventeen teams participating.

Academic Year 2022-23: Due to delays in Law First Year admissions, the number of teams for the Intra Moot Court was reduced to nine, while twelve teams participated in the National Moot Court Competition

Conclusion:

The mooting culture at Narayanrao Chavan Law College plays a vital role in shaping competent, confident, and well-prepared legal professionals. It complements academic learning with practical experience, thereby enriching the overall educational experience. The college's long-standing tradition of excellence in mooting has not only enhanced its reputation but also set a benchmark for other institutions to follow. By maintaining and expanding its mooting activities, Narayanrao Chavan Law College continues to provide its students with the skills and confidence needed to succeed in the legal profession, demonstrating its commitment to high standards of legal education and student excellence. This distinction underscores the college's dedication to high standards of legal education and student excellence.



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