REPORT ON MURAFA'AH

2ND INTRA MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2026

MANUU Law School
Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad
Dates: 2–5 November 2026

1. Introduction

MANUU Law School, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), organised *Murafa'ah – The 2nd Intra Moot Court Competition, 2026*, from 2 to 5 November 2026. The competition provided a structured academic platform for law students to engage in simulated courtroom proceedings and develop essential skills in legal research, written advocacy, oral submissions and courtroom presentation.

Moot court exercises constitute an integral component of professional legal education, bridging the gap between theoretical understanding and practical application of law. Through a series of competitive rounds, the participants were provided an opportunity to analyse complex legal issues, formulate reasoned arguments, respond to judicial questions and demonstrate professional courtroom etiquette. The competition also encouraged independent legal research, critical thinking and effective advocacy.

The competition was organised under the leadership and guidance of **Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad, Dean and Head, MANUU Law School**. The organising committee comprised **Dr. Mohammad Tabish** as Faculty Convenor, with **Ms. Afifa Ahmad and Dr. Mohammad Asif** as Faculty Co-Convenors. The student organising team was led by **Mohd. Anas (Student Convenor)**, assisted by **Abdul Rahman (Student Co-Convenor)** and **Alfiya K. A. (Secretary)**, along with other members of the Moot Court Committee.

2. Programme Schedule

The competition was conducted over four days through a series of research and oral advocacy rounds, as detailed below:

Date	**Programme**	**Timing**
2 November 2026	Researcher Test	11:00–11:30 AM
2 November 2026	Preliminary Round I	3:00–3:40 PM
2 November 2026	Preliminary Round II	4:20–5:00 PM
3 November 2026	Quarter-Final Rounds	3:00–4:00 PM
4 November 2026	Semi-Final Rounds	3:00–4:20 PM
5 November 2026	Final Round	3:00–4:40 PM

3. Proceedings of the Competition

The competition commenced on 2 November 2026 with the Researcher Test, in which the designated researchers of all participating teams assessed their legal research and analytical abilities. The test was conducted in the presence of **Dr. Mohammad Asif, Faculty Co-Convenor** of the Moot Court Committee**, and Mr. Sher Aslam Khan**, Assistant Professor, MANUU Law School.

Subsequently, a draw of lots was conducted to determine the allocation of sides and match-ups for the preliminary rounds in the presence of Dr. Mohammad Tabish, Ms. Afifa Ahmad and Dr. Mohammad Asif. This was followed by the first and second preliminary rounds, wherein the participating teams presented their oral submissions before the respective adjudication panels.

The competition progressed through the quarter-final rounds on 3 November and the semi-final rounds on 4 November 2026. Draws of lots were conducted before the respective stages to determine the match-ups. The successive rounds provided participants with opportunities to demonstrate their legal acumen, advocacy skills and ability to respond to questions from the Bench.

The final round was conducted on 5 November 2026 at the Moot Court Hall, MANUU Law School, bringing together the two qualifying teams for the concluding round of oral arguments.

4. Adjudication Panels

The competition was adjudicated by distinguished faculty members and legal professionals who evaluated the participants on their legal knowledge, research, articulation, courtroom etiquette and persuasive advocacy.

Preliminary Rounds:

The preliminary rounds were adjudicated by the following panels:

- Dr. Rashmi K. S. and Ms. Nasreen Hasan.
- Dr. Sateesh Kumar and Mr. Rizwan Ahmad.
- Mr. Ikram ul Haque and Mr. Mujtaba Hussain.
- Dr. Shoaib Ansari and Mr. Kumail Asghar.
- Mr. Sher Aslam Khan and Mr. Mohammad Ziya Ansari.
- Dr. Mohd. Rashid and Mr. Abu Zar.
- Mr. Mohd Saquib and Ms. Saheba Shams.

Quarter-Final Rounds:

The quarter-final rounds were adjudicated by Dr. Rashmi K. S., Dr. Mohammad Nadeem, Dr. Sateesh Kumar, Mr. Sher Aslam Khan, Dr. Shoaib Ansari, Mr. Abu Zar, Dr. Mohd. Rashid and Mr. Mohd. Saquib.

Semi-Final Rounds:

The semi-final rounds were adjudicated by the following panels:

- Dr. Shoaib Ansari and Mr. Sher Aslam Khan.
- Dr. Mohd. Rashid and Mr. Mohd. Saquib.

Final Round:

The final round was adjudicated by **Mr. S. M. Rafee, Former District and Sessions Judge of the erstwhile Andhra Pradesh and Telangana and Former Director, Andhra Pradesh Judicial Academy**, along with **Advocate Nazir Ahmed Khan, Professor of Practice, MANUU Law School**.

5. Finalists and Competition Results

The final round witnessed the participation of two qualifying teams representing different programmes and semesters of MANUU Law School.

Finalist Teams:

Team	**Members**
B.A. LL.B., Semester V	Shania Minhaj, Mariya Hasan Suri and Mohd. Saad
LL.B., Semesters III and I	Md. Iftekhar Alam, Sana Tabrej and Mohd. Umair Khan

After the conclusion of the final round, the following results were declared:

Winners:

- Shania Minhaj (Speaker 1)
- Mariya Hasan Suri (Speaker 2)
- Mohammad Saad (Researcher)

Runners-up:

- Md. Iftekhar Alam (Speaker 1)
- Sana Tabrej (Speaker 2)
- Mohd. Umair Khan (Researcher)

6. Special Awards and Recognitions

In recognition of outstanding individual and team performances throughout the competition, the following awards were conferred:

Award Category	Recipient
Best Male Speaker	Mohd. Faisal Ansari
Best Female Speaker	Shania Minhaj
Best Researcher	Jazza Fathima Chemban
Best Memorial – Petitioner	Team Code MI08
Best Memorial – Respondent	Team Code MI54

These recognitions acknowledged excellence in oral advocacy, legal research and written submissions, reflecting the diverse competencies demonstrated by the participants.

7. Valedictory Session and Prize Distribution

The competition concluded with a valedictory session held on 5 November 2026. The session was anchored by **Sarah Talib Khan (LL.B., Semester III)** and **Ayisha Lamees (B.A. LL.B., Semester III)**.

The session commenced with the felicitation of the Chief Guest, **Mr. S. M. Rafee**, by **Prof. (Dr.) Mohd. Imran, Associate Dean, MANUU Law School**. This was followed by the welcome address delivered by Prof. (Dr.) Mohd. Imran, setting the context for the concluding ceremony.

The Chief Guest, Mr. S. M. Rafee, addressed the gathering and shared his professional insights and observations on the significance of practical legal training and advocacy in the legal profession. Advocate Nazir Ahmed Khan, Professor of Practice, MANUU Law School, also addressed the gathering.

The results and award recipients were formally announced by **Ms. Afifa Ahmad, Faculty Co-Convenor of the Moot Court Committee**. The prizes and awards were subsequently distributed by the Chief Guest, Mr. S. M. Rafee, recognising the achievements of the winning teams and individual award recipients.

The session concluded with a formal vote of thanks delivered by **Dr. Mohammad Tabish, Faculty Convenor of the Moot Court Committee**, expressing gratitude to the university administration, faculty members, adjudicators, participants and organising committee for their valuable contributions towards the successful conduct of the competition. The programme culminated with the National Anthem.

Murafa'ah – The 2nd Intra Moot Court Competition, 2026 successfully provided a meaningful academic and professional learning experience for the students of MANUU Law School. The four-day competition brought together students, faculty members and distinguished adjudicators in an environment that encouraged legal scholarship, critical analysis and courtroom advocacy.

Beyond determining the winning teams, the competition served as an important exercise in experiential legal education, enabling participants to translate their theoretical knowledge into practical advocacy skills. The event reaffirmed MANUU Law School's commitment to strengthening practical legal education and fostering the development of competent, confident and professionally equipped future legal practitioners.

HIGHLIGHTS OF *MURAFA'AH* 2nd INTRA MOOT COURT COMPETITION,2026

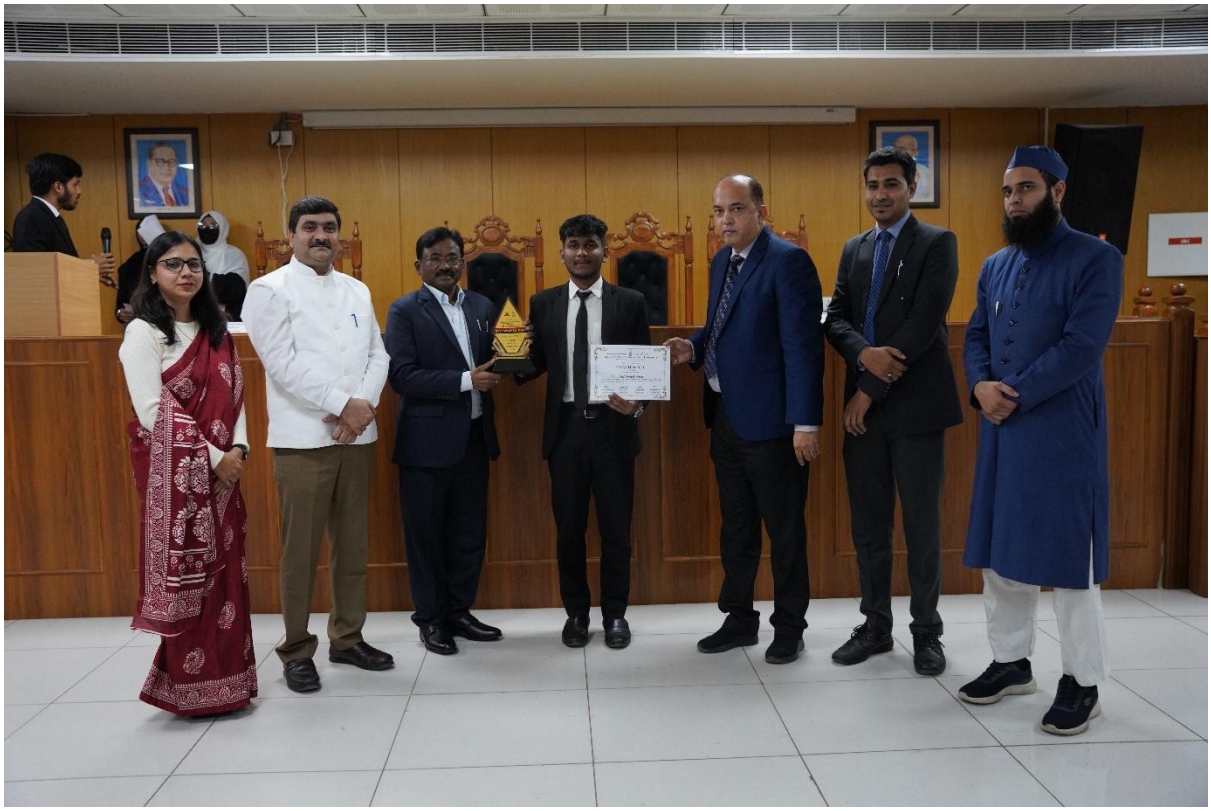









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