

THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

Nationwide competition to create awareness about legal rights of women

The National Commission for Women is a national level statutory body established under an Act of Parliament. The Commission is mandated to study and monitor all matters relating to constitutional and legal safeguards provided for women; to review the existing legislations and suggest amendments, wherever necessary; look into complaints and take *suo motu* notice of the cases involving deprivation of the rights of women in order to provide support, legal or otherwise; and monitor proper implementation of all legislations enacted to protect the rights of women to enable them to achieve equality in all spheres of life and equal participation in the development of nation.

The National Commission for Women has, with a view to ensure adherence to the Constitutional and Legal requirements, decided to inter-alia launch a nationwide programme for generating awareness about legal rights of women to ensure that all sections of society are fully conversant with the law and contribute effectively for their successful implementation. As part of this programme, the Commission has decided to conduct a competition to assess and enhance legal awareness about legal rights of women for college and university students in all States and Union Territories in India. The competition will be held at three levels viz. at (i) College/University level to be conducted by the concerned college or university; (ii) State level to be conducted by the State Commission for Women or any other body as may be nominated by the National Commission for Women in consultation with the State/UT Government; and (iii) at the National level to be conducted by the National Commission for Women.

The Commission will give prizes to winners of the competition as per the details given below:

Level	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize
College/University level	Rs.2000/- (one)	Rs.1500/-(one)	Rs.1000/-(five)
State level	Rs.10,000/- (one)	Rs.7,500/- (two)	Rs.5,000/-(ten)
National level	Rs.50,000/-	Rs.35,000/-	Rs. 25,000/-

The organizing College/University will be given an amount of Rs.20,000/- each for organizing the competition at their own level. The State level competition will be organized by the State Commission for Women in the

concerned State and facilities available with College/University will be utilized for the purpose. However, where the State Commission for Women may not be able to do it or the Commission has not been established, the competition may be conducted by such body as may be recommended by the State/UT Government and may be approved by the NCW. The State Commission for Women or any other body entrusted with the task, will be given an amount of Rs.50,000/- for conducting such competition at the State Level.

The College and Universities ensuring participation of 100% students in the competition will also be suitably felicitated. The College/University level competitions are to be organized during September and October 2017 and the State level competitions will be held before December, 2017 and latest by January, 2018. The competition will be based on the Module prepared by the National Commission for Women for Legal Awareness Programme.

Prize winners at the National/State/UT level will have the opportunity to intern with the National Commission for Women for a period upto three months during which they can study/undertake research in specific areas relating to laws concerning women.

The Colleges/Universities willing to conduct the competition may mail their proposal to **us-ncw@nic.in** by or before **31.08.2017**. The proposals will be processed and entertained on first come first serve basis keeping in view the funds allocated for the programme for the current year.

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