

**Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University
Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh**



Date: May 7, 2026

To
The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor/ Principal
University / College / Institution

Dear Sir/Madam,

Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University (DSNLU) was established by the Government of Andhra Pradesh in 2008 and is recognized under section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956, and has been granted 12(b) status by the University Grants Commission (UGC). The University DSNLU offers a comprehensive range of programs, including a five-year integrated B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), three-year LL.B., and one-year LL.M. program. DSNLU emphasizes practical legal training to prepare students effectively for their future careers in law with a mission of providing quality legal education and fostering academic excellence in legal research.



The new “Statue of Justice” / “Goddess of Justice” unveiled by the Supreme Court of India on October 2024 is not blindfolded, she holds the Indian Constitution in her left hand instead of a sword, and a balancing scale in the right hand; draping a saree, augmenting its connection to Indian culture and heritage. The Constitution of India in the hands of Goddess of Justice represents wisdom and provides protection equally to the citizens. It ensures justice as a fundamental right and safeguards the Constitutional Protection under the Rule of Law under the ages of Principles of Justice, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity enshrined in the Preamble of the Constitution. This change takes us away from the Classic Western representation of Lady Justice, which usually includes a blindfold and a sword.

DSNLU is delighted to announce - Design “The Idol of Goddess of Justice” Competition, 2026. The submission is invited from all the Students studying five-year integrated LL.B. (Hons.), three-year LL.B., and LL.M. program from a UGC and BCI recognised University.

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We request your kind self to circulate amongst your students encouraging them to participate in the competition. Your support in this regard is appreciated.

Rules of the Competition to be strictly followed by the Participant:

1. The Design of “The Idol of Goddess of Justice” shall be submitted on or before June 27, 2026 by 5.00 pm. Late submissions will not be accepted.
2. The Design shall be original work of art or graphic design. The design, concept, and execution should reflect the participant's own creative input. The participant may submit the design by drawing, sketching, portrayal or picture. The Design shall be contextually and culturally connected to heritage of India. The Design should not infringe on any third-party Intellectual Property Rights (IPR).
3. The Design of “The Idol of Goddess of Justice” shall have a brief write-up on the creative idea with justifiable reasons by the Participant, which shall describe: Inspiration (what cultural reference has inspired the design); Meaning (How it reflects the values and identity of “Justice” in India); Approach as to the Design (Reason for choosing the design) and usability (Whether the design can be used across print, digital, monochrome). The write-up shall be with a maximum 250 words. Write-up shall be in simple, professional language. Jargon are to be avoided.
4. **‘One Participant One Design’ i.e. Participant shall be permitted to submit “Only One” Design.**
5. The participants shall not submit any AI generated work. Any submission made by Generated AI shall not be considered to be the original work. The submission shall be rejected and participant’s submission shall be disqualified.
6. The design must be adaptable across various media platforms: print, digital, and outdoor.
7. The competition will be judged by an independent panel of experts in the field of Creative Art. If the expert panel selects no design, the award will not be declared.
8. Design submission shall be made both in Word and PDF format.
9. DSNLU reserves the right to further develop, modify, or define the use of the selected symbol with the assistance of a third-party design agency for any internal use at the University. Copyright of the Design including the Write-up will be with the University.
10. The expert panel may request participants to revise their designs based on their feedback.
11. The best entries will be awarded with the following Cash prizes:

| # | Description | Prize Money |
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| 1. | First Prize | Rs. 25,000/- |
| 2. | Second Prize | Rs. 15,000/- |
| 3. | Third Prize | Rs. 10,000/- |
| 4. | Consolation Prizes (5 Designs) | Rs. 5,000/- |

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The entries for the competition may be submitted to dsnudigj2026@dsnl.ac.in. Any queries can be submitted to dsnudigj2026@dsnl.ac.in addressing Dr. Dayananda Murthy C.P., Coordinator of the Competition.

**Sd/-
Registrar I/c**