

THE CONSTITUTION
OF
LAW CENTRE II STUDENTS' UNION,
DELHI UNIVERSITY

PREAMBLE

We, the students of Law Centre-II, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi, Delhi, having solemnly resolved to constitute a **STUDENTS' UNION** and to promote among all its members:

Social, Cultural and Intellectual awareness;

A Corporate life;

A spirit of service to the fellow beings;

Harmonious relationship with the (Faculty) authorities;

Training in the art of democratic leadership to strive for excellence in professional legal education; and to live up to the important role students have to do.

In our constituent assembly this **7th day of April, 1986** to hereby Adopt, Enact and Give to ourselves this constitution.

CHAPTER I : PRELIMINARY

- 1. Name:** The name of the Union shall be LAW CENTRE-II STUDENTS' UNION (hereinafter called Union).
- 2. Activities:** With a view to achieving the aims and objectives enshrined in the preamble, the Union may organise the following activities:
- I. Debates, lectures, discussions, study groups, moot courts and other academic activities.
 - II. Cultural performances and contests.
 - III. Bring to the notice of patron the needs and difficulties of the students;
 - IV. Organise such other activities, as will further the realisation of its aims and objectives.

CHAPTER II

- 3. Patron:** The Professor-in-Charge of Law Centre-II will be the Patron of the Union.
- 4. Staff Adviser** There will be a staff adviser of the Union who shall be appointed by the Patron.

CHAPTER III: POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE AUTHORITIES

5. Patron.

The patron shall take all necessary steps to ensure that the Union functions in accordance with this Constitution and any other Act, Statutes, ordinances, rules etc. which may be applicable thereto. He shall possess all such powers as may be necessary in that behalf including the power to interpret various provisions of the Constitution.

Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provision, he shall have the powers:

- i) to approve the Budget of the Union.
- ii) To supervise the finances of the Union.
- iii) If he feels that a member of the Union executive is unworthy of his conduct, he may refer the matter to the Union executive, and on Executive Committee recommendations, he may suspend that member from the Union for a specific period not exceeding 15 days.

6. Staff Adviser. The staff adviser shall guide the Union in all its activities and every activity of the Union shall be organised in consultation with staff adviser.

Staff adviser shall have the right to attend the meeting of Union Executive as observer, but shall have no right to vote.

CHAPTER IV: MEMBERSHIP AND UNION EXECUTIVE ETC.

7. Membership: Every regular student of the Centre and LL.M. students enrolled as full time students (2 year course) shall *ipso-facto* be the member of the Union. All the members shall constitute the General Body of the Union.

8. The Executive Committee of the Union:

There shall be an executive committee of the Union which shall consist of the following:-

- i. President
- ii. Vice-President
- iii. Secretary
- iv. Joint Secretary
- v. Class Representatives
- vi. Sports Secretary (ex-officio)

9. Office Bearers: The office bearers of the Union shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Joint Secretary.

CHAPTER V: QUALIFICATION AND DISQUALIFICATION FOR OFFICE BEARERS

10. Qualification Subject to provisions of the Article below any member of the Union shall be qualified for holding or being a candidate for election to any post of the office bearer of the Union.

11. Disqualification A member of the Union shall be disqualified from holding or being a candidate for election to any post of the office bearers of the Union, if:

- he has been convicted by a court in India of any offence and fined or sentenced to imprisonment, unless a period of 5 years has elapsed since his release.
- Any action has been taken against him/her by the University, Faculty or Centre's authorities for committing any act of indiscipline.

CHAPTER VI: POWERS, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE, OFFICE BEARERS AND OTHERS.

12. President. The President shall be the Chief Principal Office bearer of the Union and shall—

- organise, preside over and conduct all functions of the Union;
- direct the Secretary to call the meeting of the Union Executive and normally preside over such meetings;
- requisition money in writing with the approval of the Patron.

The President may, if he/she thinks fit, delegate any of his/her power to the Vice-President.

13. Vice-President. The Vice-President of the Union shall—

- assist the President in all his functions;
- exercise the powers of the President during the absence of President.

14. Secretary. Secretary of the Union shall—

- present the annual budget estimates of the Union before the Executive Committee.
- present the annual report of Union Executive before General Body of the Union.
- be responsible for keeping records of the proceedings of the Union Executive and of functions of the Union.

d. call on the instruction of the President or the Patron the meeting of the Union Executive.

15. Joint Secretary: Joint Secretary of the Union shall —

- a. Assist the President and Secretary in carrying out their functions; and
- b. Exercise the powers of the Secretary during his/her absence.

16. Executive Committee All policy decisions shall be taken by the Executive Committee. In the absence of unanimous or consensus, a decision supported by majority of the members present and voting shall be the decision of the Executive Committee.

Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, the Executive Committee shall have the powers:-

- a. to discuss and vote on all the matters that may come before Executive Committee.
- b. to demand reports, explanations and clarification from the office-bearers with regard to various functions organised by the Union.
- c. to consider and approve the budget proposal of the Union for the current year.
- d. to bring to the notice of the Executive Committee of the difficulties and grievances of any of their respective constituency.
- e. the Executive Committee shall appoint the conveners of the various committees on the recommendation of the committee consisting of the four principal office bearers of the Union.

CHAPTER VII: SPORTS

17. All matters relating to sports will be governed by the Sports Ordinance, 1975, as amended upto date.

CHAPTER VIII : MEETINGS

18. Executive Meetings:

- a. The first meeting of the Union Executive shall be held within 15 days of declaration of the election results. This meeting will discuss and finalise the budget estimates and formulate the programme of activities for the current year.
- b. Meeting of the Executive shall ordinarily be called at least once in each semester in addition to the meeting referred to in clause (a) above.

- c. Meeting of the Executive shall be convened after three days notice (along with the agenda) to the members. However, an emergent or adjourned meeting can be convened at a notice of minimum one day.
- d. A meeting of the Executive be requisitioned by not less than 1/3 of total members of the Union Executive. A notice in writing stating the specific purpose of calling such a meeting should be given to Secretary. The Secretary there upon call such a meeting within a period of 5 days from the date of receipt of the requisition. The Patron may call the meeting on the failure of the Secretary to do so.
- e. The quorum for ordinary meetings of the Executive shall be 1/3 of the total members of the Executive and for requisition meeting 1/2 of the total number of the Executive members. An adjourned meeting shall not require any quorum.

19. General Body Meeting.

- a. The General Body Meeting shall be held at least once in one academic year.
- b. Meeting of the General Body shall be convened after 7 days notice (alongwith agenda) to the members. However, an emergent or adjourned meeting can be convened at a shorter notice of minimum one day.

CHAPTER IX: MANNER OF ELECTION ETC.

- 20. The Office Bearers of the Union, namely President, Vice President, Secretary and Joint Secretary, shall be directly elected by the students of Law Centre- II through simple majority vote, in accordance with the constitution and rules framed thereunder.¹
- 21. The Class Representative shall be directly elected by the members of their respective sections in accordance with the rules framed in this regard.
- 22. The elections shall be conducted by the Election Officer to be appointed by the Patron.
- 23. Rules for nominations and elections to the Union shall be duly notified by the Election Officer in consultation with Patron.
- 24. All decisions on any matters relating to the elections shall be taken by the Election Officer. He shall also have the power to review his decisions.

¹ Subs. by the Law Centre-II Students Union Constitution (First Amendment) Act, 2026, for:-

“20(a) Office Bearers of the Union, namely President, Secretary shall be directly elected by and from amongst the members of the Union by simple majority vote, in accordance with the constitution and rules framed thereunder.”

and

“20(b) Vice-President and Joint Secretary shall be nominated by the Executive Committee of the Students Union by and from amongst the members of the Union by simple majority vote in accordance with the Constitution and rules framed thereunder”

- 25 . An appeal from the decision of the Election Officer may be filed with the Patron by the aggrieved member of the union.

Provided such an appeal can be filed only after the election is over and the result has been declared.

Provided further that such an appeal shall be filed within 15 days of such declaration of result or decision of the Election Officer.

CHAPTER X: NO CONFIDENCE

- 26 . Motion of no confidence can be brought against the whole body of the office bearers of the Union Executive and not against any particular office bearer in accordance with the following procedure:

- a. such motion cannot be moved in the 1st semester of the academic year not before 16th October and not later than 10th November.
- b. a vote of no confidence shall not be admitted unless it has been signed by not less than 1/3 members of the Union in presence of the Patron or his nominee.
- c. motion thus admitted shall be effective only if it has been passed by a majority of not less than two thirds of those who voted.
- d. on passing of such a motion as aforesaid the office bearers of the Union shall cease to hold their respective office and a fresh election of the office bearers of the Union shall be held within 10 working days.

CHAPTER XI: AMENDMENTS

27. A motion for amendment to this constitution may be presented to the Patron signed by not less than 1/3rd members of the General Body of the Union or 2/3 members of the Executive Committee.

An amendment thus proposed shall be considered by the members of the Union and shall be deemed to have been passed when approved by a majority of 3/5th of the total number of the members of the Union as on the roll of the Centre.

The procedure and the manner of taking votes on such an amendment shall be prescribed by the Patron.

The amendment thus passed shall be presented to the Patron for his assent. It will come into operation from the date of assent or such other date as the Patron may notify.

CHAPTER XII: REMOVAL OF DIFFICULTIES

- 28 . The Patron may, for the purpose of removing any difficulty, in the implementation of this constitution, by order direct that this constitution shall have effect subject to such adaptations by way of modifications, additions or omissions, as he may deem necessary.

Provided that no such order shall be made after two years from the date of the commencement of the Constitution.