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BRAC University Hosts Regional Moot Court Competition



On 16 and 17 October 2009, the School of Law, BRAC University, co-hosted the 5th Henry Dunant Memorial Regional Moot Court Competition, with the International Committee for the Red Cross. The Competition was held at the BRAC Centre and students from Law Schools in Iran, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka, who had won the national rounds in their own countries, also participated. The competition rounds were adjudicated by eminent Judges of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh, members of the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs and of Foreign Affairs and three eminent legal professionals from India, Nepal and Sri Lanka respectively. The Henry Dunant Regional Moot Court Competition is based on a hypothetical case involving violations to human rights and humanitarian law. Law students have to prove not only they mooting skills, but also their grasp of international law and humanitarian law, based mainly on the four Geneva Conventions and the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Knowledge of other human rights instruments also comes in handy.

India became the regional champions, while the Bangladesh national team from the School of Law, BRAC University, became runners up. Sanjeeb Hossain from the Bangladesh team won a trophy for Best Mooter.

This is the first time such a regional moot competition has been held in Bangladesh and the School of Law, BRAC University is proud to have been a part of it not only in organising the event, but also because its students had represented Bangladesh and had won recognition within the region. Congratulations to Sanjeeb Hossain, Kazi Tuney Binte Zinnat and Muhsina Farhat Chowdhury.