



Linking Young Minds Together

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A Preview of the Real Deal

A challenging moment for a lawyer or an advocate is when he or she fights for the first time in court. Mooting competitions are quite regular at law schools. The subject was very interesting -- dealing with corporate and commercial law. Four leading law schools of the country participated in this competition -- BRAC University School of Law, Southeast University Department of Law, London College of Legal Studies (South) and Newcastle Law Academy.

The first round was held on the October 13, 2012, at the BRAC Centre. The whole make up of the competition was similar to a real trial running inside an actual court. Barrister Tanjib Ul Alam, Barrister Mustafizur Rahman Khan, Barrister Sameer Sattar and Barrister Karishma Jahan acted as the judges. A steaming fight went on for hours between these schools. And finally, the fight ended when BRAC University School of Law won against Newcastle Law Academy, while London College of Legal Studies (South) won against Southeast University.



Courtesy: Farisa Kabir

On October 19, 2012, the two teams faced each other in the final round. The final moot was adjudicated by two Justices of the High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh -- Dr Justice Syed Refaat Ahmed and Madam Justice Farah Mahbub. This round was simply 'nail biting' with the two teams fighting it out like their lives depended on it! At the end, by a slight margin, BRAC University School of Law won the completion defeating London College of Legal Studies (South) and Newcastle Law Academy.

The prize giving ceremony was held on October 20, 2012, at the BRAC Inn Auditorium where the winner, runners up and the best speaker received cash prizes and were also offered the opportunity to undertake a two week pupillage (a legal internship/placement) at Vertex Chambers. Overall, the competition was simply exciting and one of the best ways for law students to feel how it is like to be in action!

