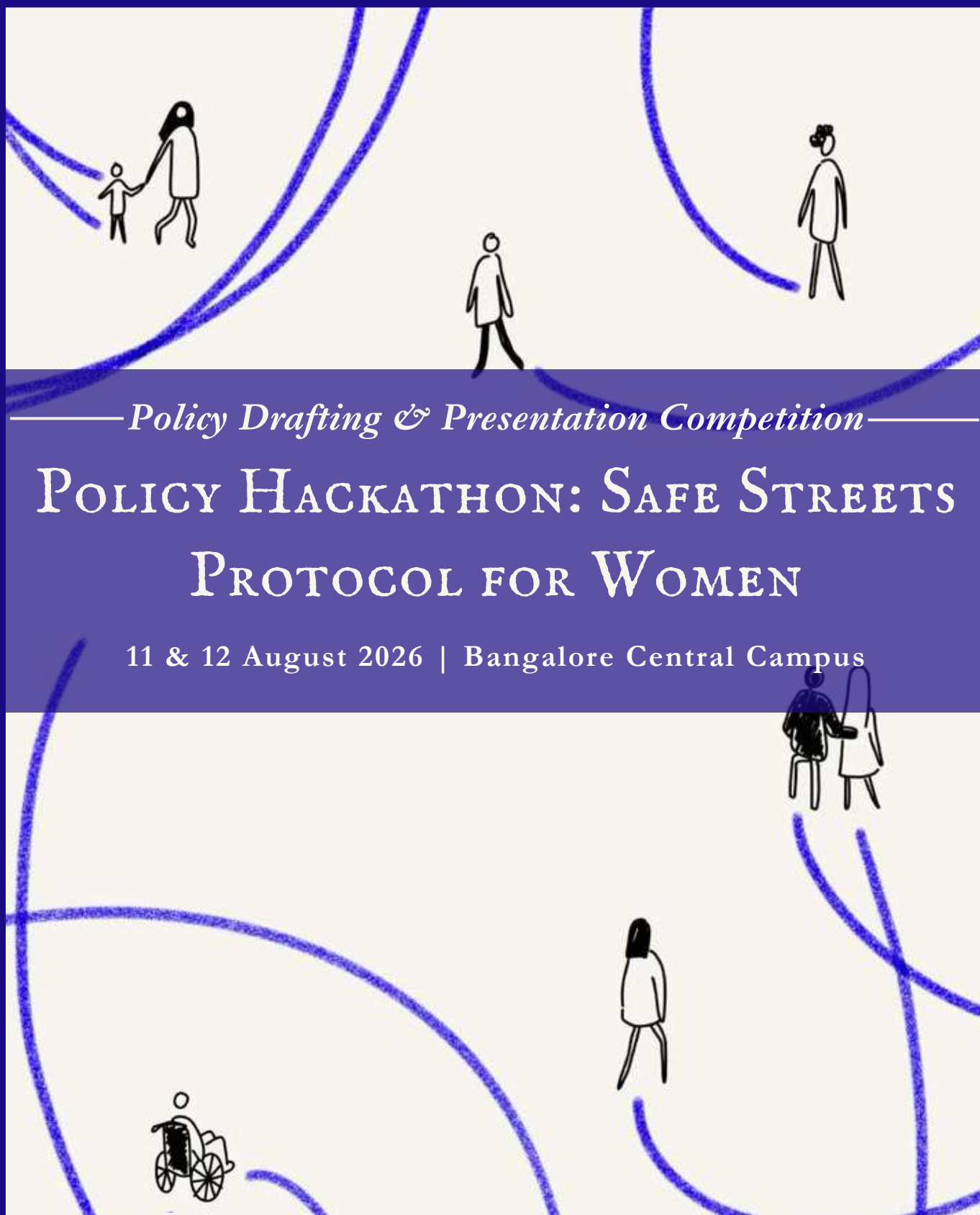




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Gender Studies Committee, School of Law CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore



Policy Drafting & Presentation Competition

POLICY HACKATHON: SAFE STREETS PROTOCOL FOR WOMEN

11 & 12 August 2026 | Bangalore Central Campus

About CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore



The CHRIST (Deemed to be University) was born out of the educational vision of St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara, an educationist and social reformer of the nineteenth century in South India. He founded the first Catholic indigenous congregation, Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI), in 1831 which administers CHRIST (Deemed to be University). CHRIST (Deemed to be University) was established as 'Christ College' in 1969. It undertook path-breaking initiatives in Indian higher education with the introduction of innovative and modern curricula, insistence on academic discipline, imparting of holistic education and adoption of global higher education practices with the support of creative and dedicated staff. The multidisciplinary university which focuses on teaching research and service offers Bachelors, Masters, and Doctoral programmes in humanities, social sciences, sciences, commerce, management, engineering, architecture, education, and law to about 25,000 students. CHRIST (Deemed to be University) has seven campuses, four centred in Bangalore (Bangalore Central Campus, Bangalore Bannerghatta Campus, Bangalore Kengeri Campus, and Bangalore Yeshwanthpur Campus), Delhi NRC Off-campus and Pune Lavasa Off Campus. The central campus is a living example of harmonious multiculturalism with students from all the states and union territories and around 60 different countries. CHRIST (Deemed to be University) publishes six peer-reviewed research journals and has published more than 300 books in Kannada and English. A promoter of sports, music, and literary activities, it is a nurturing ground for creative excellence.

About School of Law



School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), through its five-year law Program, has carved a space for itself in the top league of premier law schools in India. The school molds its students through a combination of exposure to the advanced syllabus, clinical legal education programs, and faculty monitored participation in curricular and extra-curricular activities.

The syllabus for the five-year program goes far beyond the basic requirements of the Bar Council of India reflecting the current trends and demands of academia and the industry. Besides having a league of highly qualified faculty, the educational process is supported by a library equipped with a rich depository of online and offline resources. The School of Law will strive to work with an untiring commitment to the cause of rule of law and promotion of excellence in the realm of legal education in India.

About the Gender Studies Committee



CHRIST (Deemed to be University) has always supported holistic education and development, and the education of students on issues surrounding gender is an intrinsic part of such development. At the Gender Studies Committee, School of Law, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore, we endeavour to create a space for students to unlearn indoctrinated ideas, engage in thoughtful discussions on gender identity, feminism and queer theory, and deliberate on issues that are at the intersection between “the private” and “the public”.

Over the past few years, the Gender Studies Committee has been at the forefront of research, outreach, and advocacy. We have taken meaningful strides in framing policies, reviewing legislation, and collaborating with national and state-level interdisciplinary departments, ministries and commissions. Alongside this, we are committed to encouraging thoughtful conversations among the student body through the conduct of events, including academic reading circles, guest lectures, certificate courses, and open forums. At the heart of this effort lies ‘FLUID’, the student-led annual newsletter, dedicated to exploring one’s openness, adaptability and willingness to break down traditional binaries, and discovering the complexities and nuances of gender.

Background Guide

Accessibility to public areas faces a persistent danger, and it goes beyond physical exposure, as it instils the notion that women's bodies are vulnerable to observation, regulation, and unwelcome interference. When poor urban planning fails to address the problems women face due to the lack of an intersectional approach to urban infrastructure, it becomes necessary to discuss the solutions. Participants are required to draft a comprehensive policy, recognising that experiences of safety are not uniform and should account for the lived realities of diverse groups.

The proposed protocol should address both preventive and responsive measures. This can include, among other things, urban planning and infrastructure, public transport safety, street lighting, surveillance and privacy safeguards, emergency response mechanisms, community engagement, reporting and grievance redressal mechanisms, accountability of public authorities, digital safety, and public awareness initiatives. Participants can do this by analysing the existing legal and policy landscape, including constitutional principles, municipal regulations, judicial precedents, and relevant national and international best practices, and by drawing upon empirical research, policy reports, case studies, and stakeholder consultations to support their recommendations.

When divided into the specific stakeholder groups, they are collectively expected to approach the drafting exercise from the perspective of the stakeholder it represents while remaining mindful of the broader objective of creating an effective and executable protocol. The participant groups should identify the interests, responsibilities, and constraints of their allotted stakeholder, practical recommendations which the stakeholder would advocate for, and areas where collaboration with other stakeholders would be necessary.

Effective public policy is the result of negotiation and collaboration. The final protocol should reflect a balanced approach that is feasible, practical and legally sound to respond to the needs of all women.

Details of the Competition

I. ELIGIBILITY

All undergraduate and postgraduate students of law are eligible to take part in the Competition. The Competition will be taking place in person; only students who are able to travel to Bangalore Central Campus are encouraged to register.

II. REGISTRATION

- All interested students are required to register to confirm their participation in the Competition.
- The registration fee is Rs. 750/- for external participants, and Rs. 450/- for students of CHRIST (Deemed to be University). Requests for refund of the registration fee will not be entertained, per the University's policy.
- Registration link: <https://forms.gle/9EeXoDx5dFL9HLCc8>

III. CONDUCT OF THE COMPETITION

- STAGE I**
- Each participant will be allotted a particular stakeholder prior to the Competition, in relation to the planning, implementation and/or enforcement of a Safe Streets Protocol, including, *inter alia*, municipalities and urban planners, police and law enforcement, state authorities and women's commissions.
 - Participants are required to conduct prior research specific to their allotted stakeholder and compile the same before Stage II, which will be in person at the Bangalore Central Campus.
- STAGE II**
- On the day of the event, participants will be put into groups of three (3) members as per the stakeholder allotments and will be required to collaboratively draft the policy. A template for the policy draft shall be provided and must be strictly adhered to.
 - Teams will be given two (3) hours for drafting the policy: 1 hour for discussion, and 2 hours for drafting, compilation and formatting.
 - The top drafts will be selected for presentation on the next day, i.e., 12 August 2026, before a panel of Academics.

IV. FORMATTING

- All submissions must be in Garamond, Font Size 12, Spacing 1.15; Footnote size 10, Spacing 1.0; Margins: left 1 inch, right 1 inch, top 1 inch, and bottom 1 inch.
- The word limit of the submission shall be a minimum of 1,500 words.
- The relevant sources/references must be mentioned as footnotes. Plagiarism or use of AI-generated content will result in immediate disqualification.
- Citations must strictly conform to the Harvard Bluebook Format (21st Edition).
- All submissions should be made in .doc/.docx and .pdf format.
- The participants shall bear sole responsibility for the accuracy of facts, opinions, or views mentioned in their policy draft.

V. GENERAL GUIDELINES

- The Gender Studies Committee reserves all rights over the policy drafts submitted as part of the conduct of this Competition.
- The decision of the Committee and the judges shall be final and binding.
- Non-adherence to the rules and guidelines mentioned shall lead to disqualification of the team.

VI. PRIZES*

1st Best Team Draft: Rs. 9,000

2nd Best Team Draft: Rs. 6,000

Best Presenter: Rs. 3,000

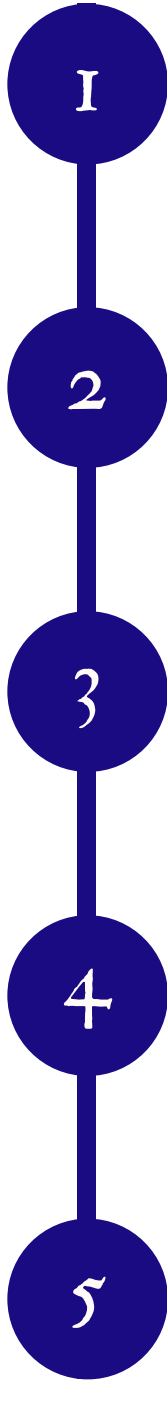
The top 10 team submissions will receive certificates of merit, and all participants will receive certificates of participation.

*Please note that the prize money amount is subject to taxation *vide* GST and will be deducted at the source.

Evaluation Rubric

Drafting	Simple, straightforward, error-free writing.	10 Marks
Research	Thorough understanding of the issues, identifying the right themes and resources, and quality, extent, and relevance of the research to the issues.	10 Marks
Standard of Proposed Measures	Consideration of the problem at hand, and how well the team's position has been put forward: whether loopholes have been identified, anticipated and appropriately plugged.	10 Marks
Feasibility of Solution/s	Feasibility of the solution/s proposed in the real world. This is not intended to be a mere theoretical or academic exercise.	10 Marks
Articulation	Structuring of the submissions: flow of the submission, style of writing, language, grammar and overall presentation including formatting.	10 Marks

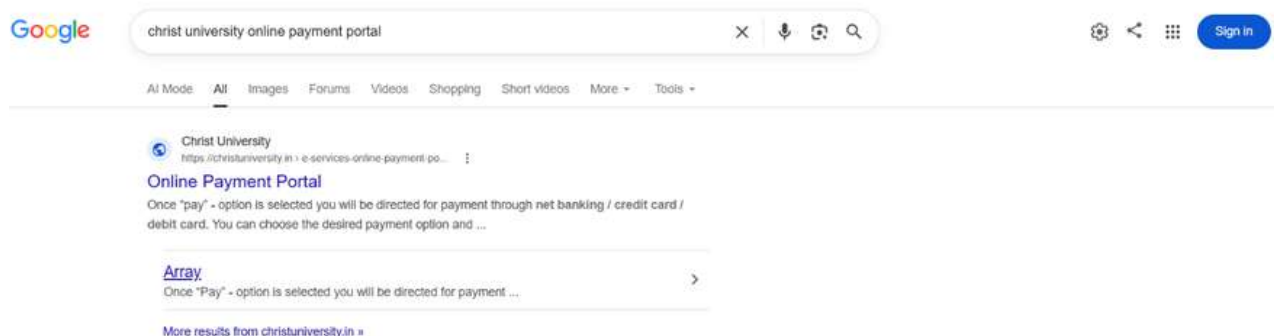
Timeline for the Competition

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I Call for Registrations
18 July 2026
- 2** Final Deadline for Registration
30 July 2026
- 3** Release of Stakeholder Allocations
1 August 2026
- 4** Drafting Competition in-person at Bangalore Central Campus
11 August 2026
- 5** Presentation of Shortlisted Drafts in-person at Bangalore Central Campus
12 August 2026

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Link to payment portal

<https://christuniversity.in/e-services-online-payment-portal>

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