

## Recommended Preference List – For CLAT 2025 by VIDHIGYA

Dear CLAT Aspirants,

Greetings from Vidhigya, Your Best Pal in CLAT Preps.

The filling of preferences plays a very crucial role in the allotment of NLUs. The allotment is based on the criteria of '**merit-cum-preference**'. The preferences you fill are final and cannot be altered later in any manner **after 10:00 pm, December 20, 2024**.

Be clarified that you will be considered for admission only to the NLUs filled by you in your preference form. Thus, at Vidhigya we strongly suggest that every student shall fill all the **35 preferences (Science Stream)** and **34 preferences** (Other than Science Stream).

**In case you are NOT from the Science Stream (i.e. if you pursued Arts, Humanities, or Commerce in your XII) list all the 34 NLU courses (i.e B.A.LL.B, B.Com. LL.B and B.B.A.LL.B) according to your preferences, but DO NOT fill B.Sc. LL.B (Honors) of WB-NUJS, Kolkata in your preferences. (Must seek additional clarity as Information Brochure is silent about the requirement of Science Stream for B.Sc.LL.B course.)**

Be further clarified that **downward shifting is not possible**, thus you ought to be wise while filling forms for CLAT.

**Illustratively**, suppose your first preference is **GNLU**, Gandhinagar and you have bagged **AIR 8**, then you will be allotted **GNLU**. **You would lose the chance to get NLSIU, NALSAR, WBNUJS, NLU-J or NLIU because based on your merit cum preference you got your first preference allotted.**

The following is a **recommended preference list of NLUs** which may be kept in mind while filling forms. This list is curated by Mentors with over a decade of experience in training students for CLAT. **The factors taken into consideration while preparing it includes inter alia previous years' toppers preferences, placement record, year of establishment, academic infrastructure, and overall learning environment.**

We advise you to have a discussion with parents and exercise discretion in filling your preferences. You must fill up the Preferences in accordance with this list provided.

### Part - I: The Top Thirteen NLU Preferences

These are the **Top 13 preferences**, DO NOT consider your geographical or any other preferences here at least in **Top 6**. **We strongly suggest to go by this order of preference.**

#### Tier – I – NLUs

- 1) National Law School of India University (**NLSIU**), Bengaluru
- 2) National Academy of Legal Sciences & Research (**NALSAR**), Hyderabad
- 3) West Bengal National University of Judicial Sciences (**WBNUJS**), Kolkata
- 4) National Law Institute University (**NLIU**), Bhopal (*since seats are reduced*)
- 5) National Law University (**NLU – J**), Jodhpur
- 6) Gujarat National Law University (**GNLU**), Gandhi Nagar
- 7) \*West Bengal National University of Judicial Sciences (**WBNUJS**), Kolkata - **B.Sc. LL.B. (Hons.) [Criminology & Forensic]**. \* Since the programme / course offered is - **B.Sc. LL.B. (Hons.)**. The students with **Science stream in Class XII Board should be ELIGIBLE** to apply. Students from **other than science stream should not ELIGIBLE**. **(Must seek additional clarity as Information Brochure is silent about the requirement of Science Stream for B.Sc.LL.B course.)**

**Tier – II – NLUs**

- 08) Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University (**RMLNLU**), Lucknow
- 09) Hidayatullah National Law University (**HNLU**), Raipur
- 10) Maharashtra National Law University (**MNLU**), Mumbai
- 11) National Law University Odisha (**NLU -O**), Cuttack, Odisha (**BA.LL.B**)
- 12) National Law University Odisha (**NLU -O**), Cuttack, Odisha (**B.B.A.LL.B**)
- 13) Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (**RGNUL**), Punjab

**Part - II: The next Twenty - Two NLU Preferences**

These are the next 22 preferences, you may consider your geographical or any other preferences, specifically for the NLUs featuring out **after serial number 16 in our list**.

**Tier – III – NLUs**

- 14) National University of Advanced Legal Studies (**NUALS**), Kochi
- 15) Chanakya National Law University – B.A.LL. B Hons. (**CNLU**), Patna
- 16) Chanakya National Law University – B.B.A.LL. B Hons. (**CNLU**), Patna
- 17) Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University (**DSNLU**), Vishakhapatnam
- 18) Maharashtra National Law University - B.A.LL. B Hons (**MNLU -N**), Nagpur
- 19) Maharashtra National Law University - B.B.A.LL. B Hons (**MNLU -N**), Nagpur
- 20) National University of Study and Research in Law - (B.A.LL.B) (**NUSRL**), Ranchi
- 21) National University of Study and Research in Law - (B.B.A.LL.B) (**NUSRL**), Ranchi
- 22) \*\* Dharmashastra National Law University (**DNLU**), Jabalpur
- 23) Tamil Nadu National Law University- B.A.LL. B Hons. (**TNNLU**), Tiruchirappalli
- 24) Tamil Nadu National Law University- B.Com LL. B Hons. (**TNNLU**), Tiruchirappalli
- 25) National Law University and Judicial Academy (**NLUJA**), Guwahati, Assam
- 26) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar National Law University (**DBRNLU**), Sonapat
- 27) Maharashtra National Law University - B.A.LL. B Hons. (**MNLU-A**), Aurangabad
- 28) Maharashtra National Law University- B.B.A.LL. B Hons. (**MNLU-A**), Aurangabad
- 29) The Himachal Pradesh National Law University- B.A.LL. B Hons. (**HPNLU**), Shimla
- 30) The Himachal Pradesh National Law University- B.B.A.LL. B Hons. (**HPNLU**), Shimla
- 31) \*\* Gujarat National Law University- Silvassa Campus (**GNLU-S**), Silvassa
- 32) The National Law University, (**NLU-T**), Agartala – Tripura
- 33) Dr. Rajendra Prasad National Law University, (**RPNLU**) Prayagraj
- 34) India International University of Legal Education & Research - B.A.LL. B Hons. (**IIULER**), Goa
- 35) India International University of Legal Education & Research – B.B.A.LL. B Hons. (**IIULER**), Goa

\*\* Due to geographical preferences / conveniences, the Students from Madhya Pradesh and nearby areas may place **DNLU Jabalpur** and Students from Gujarat and nearby areas may place **GNLU - Silvassa** a bit above in their preference list but in no case above Top 13.

Mind well, the downward shifting is not possible. **Illustratively**, if your 22<sup>nd</sup> Preference is DNLU, Jabalpur and you are allotted any NLU above it (i.e., till 21<sup>st</sup> NLU as per your preference list), you would lose the chance to get DNLU Jabalpur. It is because the allotment is based on your merit cum preference and a NLU higher in preference than DNLU is allotted and further downward shifting is not permissible.

All the Best!!! Stay **LAWgical** with **VIDHIGYA**, Your Best Pal in CLAT Preps !!

**APPENDIX 1 – Information About NLUs (List is as per Year of Establishment, its not for Preference)**

S.No.	National Law University	YOE	2025 Seats	CLAT 2023 Closing AIRs		CLAT 2024 Closing AIRs		Annual Fees (Excluding Hostel)
				1st List (General)	5th List (General)	1st List (General)	5th List (General)	
1	NLSIU, Bengaluru	1986	300	107	114	97	102	Rs. 4,55,000
2	NALSAR, Hyderabad	1998	132	167	177	158	167	Rs. 2,05,000
3	NLIU, Bhopal	1997	68	407 (B.A.LL.B)	463 (B.A.LL.B)	404 (B.A.LL.B)	450 (B.A.LL.B)	Rs. 2,09,500
4	WBNUJS, Kolkata	1999	132	244	260	262 (BA LL.B)   998 (B.Sc LL.B)	279 (BA LL.B)   1010 (B.Sc LL.B)	Rs. 1,90,700
5	NLU, Jodhpur	1999	120	344	383	341	379	Rs. 3,00,000
6	HNLU, Raipur	2003	180	733	805	707	791	Rs. 2,20,000
7	GNLU, Gandhinagar	2003	193	419	462	429	464	Rs. 1,92,000
8	RMNLU, Lucknow	2006	191	681	749	694	764	Rs. 2,05,000
9	RGNUL, Punjab	2006	180	1082	1307	1129	1250	Rs. 2,55,000
10	CNLU, Patna	2006	138	1242 (B.A.LL.B)   1436 (B.B.A.LL.B)	1541 (B.A.LL.B)   2183 (B.B.A.LL.B)	1236 (B.A.LL.B)   1374 (B.B.A.LL.B)	1358 (B.A.LL.B)   1552 (B.B.A.LL.B)	Rs. 2,01,218
11	NUALS, Kochi	2005	120	1175	1461	1117	1144	Rs. 2,33,000
12	NLUO, Cuttack	2008	180	988	1207	1080	1205	Rs. 2,46,890
13	NUSRL, Ranchi	2010	134	1389	1895	1336	1594	Rs. 2,99,000
14	NLUJA, Assam	2009	60	1575	2569	1474	1704	Rs. 1,72,000
15	DSNLU, Vishakhapatnam	2008	132	1400	2080	1233	1390	Rs. 1,95,000
16	TNNLS, Tiruchipalli	2012	120	1325 (B.A.LL.B)   1572 (B.Com LL.B)	2045 (B.A.LL.B)   2385 (B.Com LL.B)	1401 (B.A.LL.B)   1459 (B.Com LL.B)	1628 (B.A.LL.B)   1711 (B.Com LL.B)	Rs. 2,24,500

17	MNLU, Mumbai	2014	100	533	590	547	590	Rs. 2,50,476
18	MNLU, Nagpur	2014	240	1483 (B.A.LL.B)   1560 (B.B.A.LL.B)	2102 (B.A.LL.B)   2226 (B.B.A.LL.B)	1360 (B.A.LL.B)   1425 (B.B.A.LL.B)	1587 (B.A.LL.B)   1685 (B.B.A.LL.B)	Rs. 2,35,000
19	MNLU, Aurangabad	2014	120	1743 (B.A.LL.B)   1867 (B.B.A.LL.B)	2655 (B.A.LL.B)   2818 (B.B.A.LL.B)	1561 (B.A.LL.B)   2115 (B.B.A.LL.B)	1832 (B.A.LL.B)   1625 (B.B.A.LL.B)	Rs. 2,15,569
20	HPNLU, Shimla	2016	120	1856 (B.A.LL.B)   1930 (B.B.A.LL.B)	2816 (B.A.LL.B)   2873 (B.B.A.LL.B)	1712 (B.A.LL.B)   1773 (B.B.A.LL.B)	2102 (B.A.LL.B)   2150 (B.B.A.LL.B)	Rs. 2,64,750
21	DNLU, Jabalpur	2018	134	1699	2698	1559	1824	Rs. 2,60,307
22	DBRNLU, Sonipat	2012	120	1902	2713	1714	2050	Rs. 1,47,000
23	NLUT, Tripura	2022	60	NA	NA	1785	2243	Rs. 1,56,000
24	GNLUS, Silwasa, Gujarat	2023	60	1303	1820	869	1060	Rs. 1,92,000
25	RPNLUP, Prayagraj	2020	60	NA	NA	NA	NA	Rs. 2,95,000
26	IIULER, Goa	2022	180	NA	NA	NA	NA	Rs. 8,01,000

**Disclaimer:** The information provided here has been collected from the official brochures of the National Law Universities (NLUs). While we strive to ensure accuracy, we recommend that you verify the details independently on the respective NLU's official website or contact their administration for the most up-to-date and reliable information. The hyperlink for official website is under:

[https://consortiumofnlus.ac.in/clat-2025/participating\\_universities.html](https://consortiumofnlus.ac.in/clat-2025/participating_universities.html)