## **National Judicial Academy**

**P-1278:** Refresher Course for Family Court Judges  $22^{\text{nd}} - 23^{\text{rd}}$  January, 2022

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No. of Participants : 35 No. of forms received : 16

	I. OVERALL								
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	PROPOSITION	To a great extent	To some extent	Not at all	Remarks				
a.	The objective of the Program was clear to me	100.00	-	-	2. Nothing to add.				
b.	The subject matter of the program is useful and relevant to my work	100.00	-	-	2. Nothing to add.				
	Overall, I got benefited from attending this program	93.75	6.25	-	2. Nothing to add.				
	I will use the new learning, skills, ideas and knowledge in my work	93.75	6.25	-	2. Nothing to add.				
e.	Adequate time and opportunity was provided to participants to share experiences	87.50	12.50	-	2. Nothing to add.				
	II. KNOWLEDGE								
	PROPOSITION	To a great extent	To some extent	Not at all	Remarks				
The program provided knowledge (or provided links / references to knowledge) which is:									
a.	Useful to my work	93.33	6.67	-	-				
b.	Comprehensive (relevant case laws, national laws, leading text / articles / comments by jurists)	81.25	18.75	-	-				
c.	Up to date	68.75	31.25	-	-				
d.	Related to Constitutional Vision of Justice	75.00	25.00	-	-				

e. Related to International Legal Norms	43.75	43.75	12.50	-				
III. STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAM								
PROPOSITION	Good	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Remarks				
a. The structure and sequence of the program was logical	100.00	-	-	-				
b. The program was an adequate combination of the following methodologies viz.								
(i) Case studies were relevant	87.50	12.50	-	-				
(ii) Interactive sessions were fruitful	87.50	12.50	-	-				
(iii) Audio Visual Aids were beneficial	81.25	12.50	6.25	-				
IV SESSIONS WISE VETTING								
Parameters								
G	Discussions in individual sessions were effectively organized		The Session theme was adequately addressed by the Resource Persons					
Session	Effective and Useful	Satisfactory	Effective and Useful	Satisfactory				
1	93.33	6.67	92.31	7.69				
2	80.00	20.00	84.62	15.38				
3	73.33	26.67	76.92	23.08				
4	80.00	20.00	76.92	23.08				
V. PROGRAM MATERIALS								
PROPOSITION	To a great extent	To some extent	Not at all	Remarks				
a. The Program material is useful and relevant	100.00	•	-	-				
b. The content was updated. It reflected recent case laws/ current thinking/ research/ policy in the discussed area	93.75	6.25	-	-				
c. The content was organized and easy to follow	87.50	12.50	-	-				

## VIII. GENERAL SUGGESTIONS

- Three most important learning achievements of this Programme
- 1. Looking at the problems with another prospective; Finding solutions to those problems the psychological behavioural, emotional angle; How to build confidence.
- 2. 1. The family is divided in matrimony and united in parenting; 2. Judges are powerful social animals; 3. In the wake of institution of marriage, life begins and love never ends.
- 3. 1. The importance of understanding the mental state of the parties involved in various cases for proper adjudication; 2. Recognition and appreciation of woman's position in the family & society; 3. The awareness provided by Dr. Harish Shetty, Dr. Aruna Broota & other resource persons regarding mental illness & its treatment of the persons involved in matrimonial cases was very insightful.
- 4. Helpful in dealing matters between couples disputes.
- 5. Sensitization about the sensitive aspects of the stake holders before the family courts.
- 6. Even in the impossible type of case one must try sincerely.
- 7. 1. Useful; 2. Informative; 3. Knowledgeable.
- 8. 1. By finding out at least the basic psycho-social problem in a given litigation, redressal for the family disputes could be easier. So, I would hereafter first try to find out the basic psycho-social problem before proceeding with cases of the spouses; 2. The parameters for entrusting the custody of the child during is or permanent custody to the spouses or relatives or well-wishers; 3. How the counseling, conciliation and mediation are helping in resolving the disputes in a given family dispute before venturing to grant divorce to the parties.
- 9. Sharing of experience by other judges.
- 10. 1. The role of judge in resolving family disputes; 2. Counselling and mediation in resolving of family disputes; 3. Latest reading material and recent case law provided to us.
- 11. 1. I learnt, what a judge must to while listening a case in family court; 2. We have to work as a human being not only a judge; 3. Judge also require self-introspection.
- 12. Hearing the legal experts (Hon'ble Judges) directly and getting to know their perspective while handling a case; Hearing the medical experts directly; Hearing the interactions of the participants.
- 13. 1. Counseling, conciliation & mediation; 2. Tools and tectonics; 3. Self-care.
- 14. 1. I have learned a understanding of litigant behaviour; 2. I have learned a role of judges in a good way in divorce, maintenance; 3. I have learned my role as a counselor.
- 15. 1. Psycho-social approach; 2. Judge as a counsellor; 3. ADR methods.
- 16. 1. In family matters no unnecessary adjournment shall be given; 2. Shall sit in work with open mind; 3. Try for more settlement.
- 2. Which part of the Programme did you find most useful and why
- 1. Lectures of Dr. Shetty and Dr. Aruna Broota were really good. Particularly their suggestions about finding problems be listen couple and how to tackle them, how to build confidence with them.
- 2. 1. A happy marriage is the union of two forgivers; 2. Women without her man is nothing; If punctuations are added, the concept of sentence gets changed-

- 3. Sharing of experiences by all the resource persons in respect of understanding litigant behaviour in various litigations as well as tools & techniques for effective resolution of family disputes.
- 4. Justice Roshan Dalvi and Dr. Aruna Broota and Dr. Harish Shetty's seminars are very useful to understand the things.
- 5. **Session 1:** Understanding Family Disputes: A Psycho-Social Approach and **Session 2:** Role of Judges in Divorce, Maintenance, Custody and Guardianship Proceedings involvement of psychiatrist & psychologist the discussion.
- 6. More or less, all sessions are good, and useful.
- 7. I found all the sessions very useful, efficient with elaborate discussion on all the important topics.
- 8. Session 1: Understanding Family Disputes: A Psycho-Social Approach.
- 9. **Session 2:** Role of Judges in Divorce, Maintenance, Custody and Guardianship Proceedings.
- 10. The role of judge in divorce, maintenance and guardianship proceedings, as elaborated by resource persons is very much effective and knowledgeable.
- 11. Session 3: Tools and Techniques for Effective Resolution of Family Disputes because learned speakers spoke in length about are role of a judge and tools and techniques for effective resolution of family dispute.
- 12. The experts (psychologist) explaining the topic in most lucid way; Hearing them (psychologist) and knowing that the way I, as an individual was handling the cases is very much correct and it gives a lot of confidence, and also coming to know about some new tips and applying them now in the practical field would be very productive.
- 13. Requirements of effective communication is most useful in handling parties in the public court as well as during reconciliation.
- 14. I like most the role of judge in divorce, maintenance, custody ND guardianship proceeding; Because this part of discussion increased my role as a judge.
- 15. Psycho-social approach, because it helps to find and the roots of the disputes.
- 16. **Session 1:** Understanding Family Disputes: A Psycho-Social Approach and **Session 2:** Role of Judges in Divorce, Maintenance, Custody and Guardianship Proceedings and **Session 3:** Tools and Techniques for Effective Resolution of Family Disputes.
- 3. Does the programme need further modulations or change
- 1. Change is always better though programme was well organized. We could really learn something new and useful.
- 2. Letters of law are dead, but once one puts life to it- its flame gets dazzled to be useful. Place, Time and need are convertible. Law is necessarily to be molded in terms of place, Time and need. Therefore, the programme further needs modulations wherever the programmer deems it fit.
- 3. As desired by the National Judicial Academy.
- 4. Digest as in book form material may be provide to all participants.
- 5. No.
- 6. Yes the educated working couples take the divorce an easy way out and they don't believe in family values, they come with strong decision of getting away with the

relationship. It is really tough to counsel them, compare to the older generation couple. So the future programme can take this issue more specifically. 7. I find it satisfactory. 8. No. 9. No. 10. No change is required. 11. None. 12. In my view the best practices, if any, would have been shared by every individual Judges, would definitely reap more benefits; The experts if would have given some tips of their subject, like the way they deal a patient, some signs, some reaction given by patients and so on, could be the turning point in handling the cases by us as Judges. 13. Yes, programme requires some change by introducing demonstration of case studies. 14. No. 15. No. 16. More time has to be given to each session. 4. Kindly make 1. None. any suggestions you may 2. The Hon'ble Director of National Judicial Academy is believed to be a more have on how NJA effective moderator for grand success of the programme. Hope and expect, his may serve you better Lordship's discourse is awaited on the subsequent programme if there is no bar. and make its 3. I suggest to maintain a regular cycle of refresher courses on various topics for programmes more effective effective adjudication of the cases. 4. Study materials in book from (Digest) can be provide all participants that will be more useful also. 5. Nil. 6. None. 7. Such programme should be held at frequent interval. 8. Nil. 9. More lecture sessions. 10. By organizing more training programme on family laws can make it more effective. 11. None.

13. It is better to collect selected judgments of family courts in random through put

India to enlighten the participants on practical problems and solutions.

12. Perfectly planned.

14. Nil.15. None.16. None.