

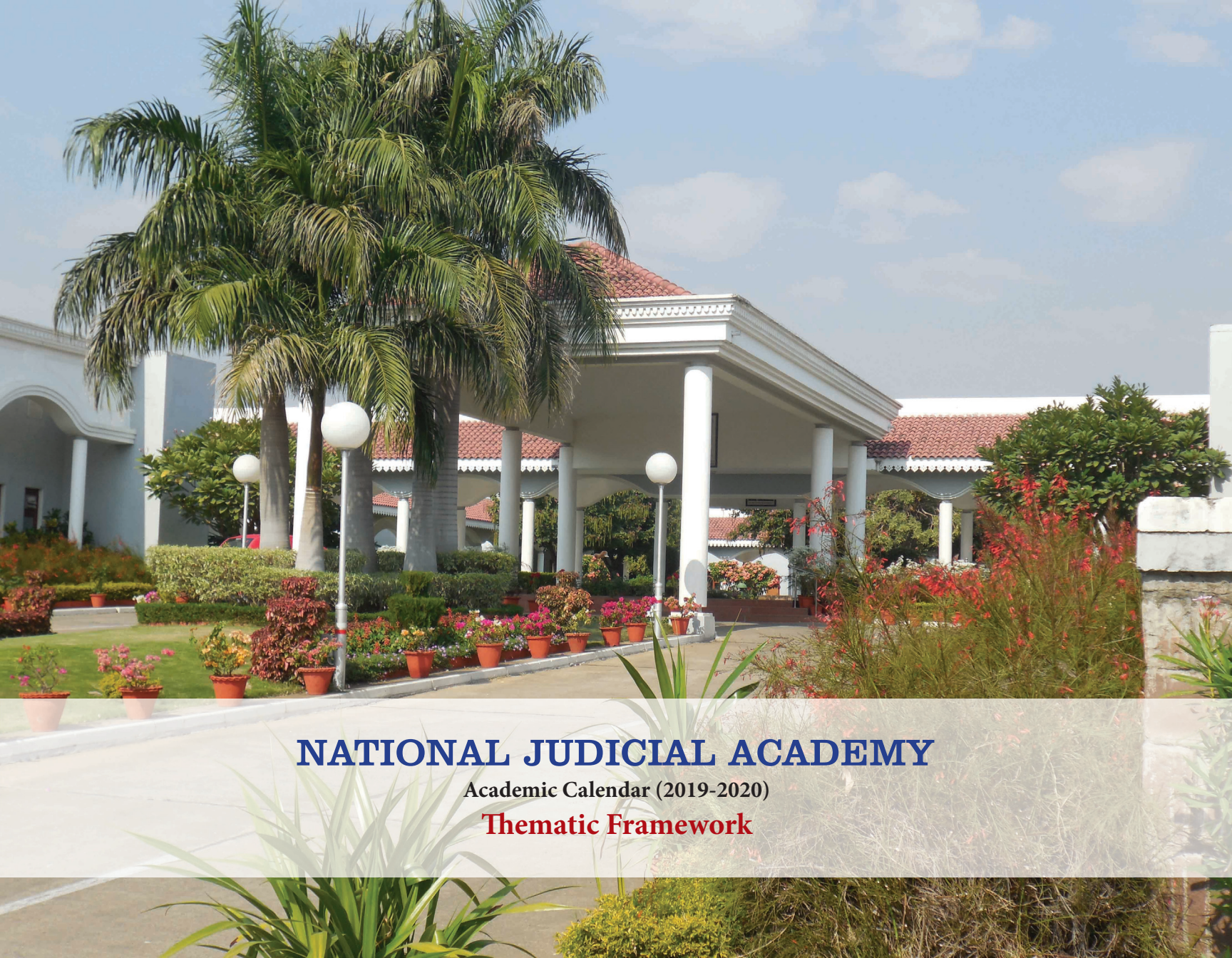


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Workshop for High Court Justices (2)

Programme Number & Date

P-1173 05/10/2019 to 06/10/2019

P-1225 04/04/2020 to 05/04/2020

Participants to be Nominated

High Court Justices



Objectives :

This Academic Year, the NJA is organizing two Workshops for High Court Justices, covering various thematic areas, with a view to provide a platform for justices to share experiences, insights and suggestions with a panel of distinguished resource persons from the judicial branch and other relevant domain experts. These workshops are designed to facilitate discussions on issues related to social context adjudication within the constitutional framework, precedents: navigating through conflicting decisions, contemporary judicial review and separation of powers and construing the sounds of constitution's speech. These workshops will also focus on areas such as corporate frauds and economic crimes. Identifying challenges and evolving optimal solutions/strategies to effectuate qualitative justice delivery will be among the agenda of the workshop.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Social context adjudication
- Election laws
- Impact of media on public perception regarding vitality of justice delivery
- Judicial review and separation of power
- Sounds of Constitutions speech: Meaning beyond text
- Corporate fraud and manipulation
- Money laundering

Workshop for High Court Justices on Direct Taxes (1)

Programme Number & Date

P-1211 14/03/2020 to 15/03/2020

Participants to be Nominated

High Court Justices



Objectives :

The workshop would facilitate deliberation among participant justices on contemporary issues and recent developments in direct taxation regime in India and globally. It will provide a forum for discussing normative issues pertaining to the evolution of direct taxes, interpretation of tax statutes and treaty law; major issues of dispute and role of High Court alongwith case studies; besides overview of the constitutional provisions for Money Bills.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions :

- History and basic features of tax laws, constitutional provisions for Finance Bill and treaties, Money Bills & scheme of the Act
- International tax treaty law and double tax avoidance agreements: An overview
- Interpretational issues in tax and treaty law
- Burden of proof and law of evidence in tax law with special reference to search and seizure, illegally collected evidences, Tax avoidance, international principles, etc.
- Transfer pricing, Basic principles, Major issues of dispute & role of High Court
- Appellate and writ jurisdiction of High Courts: Powers/ Jurisdiction and limitations
- Case studies on High Court Appellate and Writ Jurisdictions
- Leading cases and precedents.

Workshop for High Court Justices on the Regime of Goods and Services Tax (2)

Programme Number & Date

P-1171 28/09/2019 to 29/09/2019

P-1197 04/01/2020 to 05/01/2020

Participants to be Nominated

High Court Justices



Objectives :

The workshops are designed to provide insights into the GST Act, 2017; deliberate upon normative issues relevant to the evolution of indirect taxes; the shift from a regime of discrete and multiple taxation to one of substantial uniformity across diverse tax domains and jurisdictions i.e., federal and State. The workshops will also explore and identify potential areas of conflict and litigation consequent to this legislative shift, the constitutional evolution in the area and the adjudicative and socio-judicial inferences that arise thereby.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Indirect taxes – Historical perspective
- GST: Constitutional perspective
- Concept of supply
- Classification: Mixed/ Composite supply
- Valuation: Time and place of supply
- Input tax credit
- Advance ruling anti-profiteering
- Demands/ refunds normal/extended period of limitation Unjust enrichment zero rated exports – mechanism

Workshop for High Court Justices on Arbitration including International Arbitration (1)

Programme Number & Date

P-1205 08/02/2020 to 09/02/2020

Participants to be Nominated

High Court Justices



Objectives :

To provide an insight into recent developments in domestic and international arbitration; facilitate deliberations among participant justices on the Arbitration and Conciliation Act. The workshop will also provide a platform for sharing experiences, insights and suggestions with a panel of distinguished resource persons from the judicial branch and other relevant domains.

The workshop aims to identify challenges and evolving optimum solution/strategies to effectuate qualitative justice delivery during the course of discussions on contemporary areas pertaining to arbitration and conciliation including international arbitration. The sessions would further include interactive and round table discussions on designated themes, among participant justices.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Balancing conflicting interests: “Public Policy” vis-à-vis domestic arbitration.
- International commercial arbitration: Role of courts in post BALCO regime.
- Enforcement of foreign arbitral award: Issues and challenges.
- Emergency arbitration and enforceability of its orders in India.
- Rethinking dispute resolution in public–private partnerships.
- Jurisdictional issues and challenges in international arbitration.

Workshop for High Court Justices on Commercial Division and Commercial Appellate Division (1)

Programme Number & Date

P-1210 07/03/2020 to 08/03/2020

Participants to be Nominated

High Court Justices



Objectives :

With the advent of the Commercial Courts Act, 2015, High Courts have to adjudicate high value commercial disputes and concerns as well. These issues are new and intricate in nature, and require deep knowledge and practical understanding in the era of rapid industrialization and globalization. Experts from related domains will share experiences, knowledge and skills with participants and help identify solutions to challenges faced in adjudication of commercial disputes through discussions and interactive sessions.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Development of corporate jurisprudence in India
- Some contemporary issues pertaining to commercial Laws for effective adjudication of commercial disputes
- Addressing tax laws related challenges of digital economy
- Commercial courts: Genesis, importance, benefits & challenges.
- Interplay between the Commercial Courts Act, 2015 and the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.

Workshop for High Court Justices on Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) (1)

Programme Number & Date

P-1186 02/11/2019 to 03/11/2019

Participants to be Nominated

High Court Justices



Objectives :

The workshop would sensitize judges on intellectual property rights, to facilitate effective adjudication of IPR disputes, strengthening enforcement and combating economic crimes. To get acquainted with legal challenges emerging due to shift of societal interaction from physical to virtual space, the workshop would cover litigation challenges faced by parties and judges in such a technical field. The workshop further intends to provide a platform for justices to share experiences, insights and suggestions with a panel of distinguished resource persons.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Intellectual property rights: Genesis, benefits, importance
- Intellectual property rights regime in India: Government policies
- Challenges of intellectual property rights in digital age
- Emerging issues on IP regime in India and globally
- Jurisdictional issues in trademark, copyright & patent disputes
- Role of the judiciary in effective enforcement of intellectual property rights
- Resolving intellectual property disputes via. Commercial courts and ADRs
- India's IP-related treaty obligations
- Landmark judgments on intellectual property rights in India and abroad and their impact

Workshop for Newly Elevated High Court Justices (2)

Programme Number & Date

P-1174 12/10/2019 to 13/10/2019

P-1201 18/01/2020 to 19/01/2020

Participants to be Nominated

High Court Justices



Objectives :

The workshop would facilitate deliberations among participant justices on contemporary topics of ICT in courts; court management techniques to improve efficiency and strengthen justice administration; core constitutional principles such as judicial review, federal architecture, separation of powers, doctrine of basic structure and fundamental rights. The workshop would include interactive sessions and round table discussions on designated themes :

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Constitutional vision of justice
- Court and case management
- Information and communication technology in courts
- Theories of judicial review
- Allocation of legislative powers- The federal architecture
- Separation of powers
- Theory of basic features; Fundamental rights and restrictions on guaranteed rights
- Emerging issues for adjudication: Interactive session.

***National Convention for
Senior High Court Justices:
Strengthening Fiscal and
Administrative Protocols in
High Courts (2)***

Programme Number & Date

P-1206 15/02/2020 to 16/02/2020

P-1226 11/04/2020 to 12/04/2020

Participants to be Nominated

Puisne Justices 1 to 3 in Seniority



Objectives :

The objective of the convention is to discuss and identify best practices specifically for enabling (a) fiscal and (b) administrative protocols for effective and smooth functioning of a High Court.

The workshop will attempt to address fiscal challenges and optimization of financial management. Moreover, an endeavour at developing best practices to enable the Chief Justice in navigating the administrative role and for efficient conduct of administration of the High Court will be undertaken.

Areas for deliberations during the sessions:

A. Fiscal / Financial Management

- Co-opting/ consulting experts for fiscal planning and budget preparation;
- Budgeting and generation of proper demands;
- Effective utilization of grants and other financial resources;
- Ensuring maintenance of fiscal discipline and rigor.

B. Administrative Functions of a Chief Justice

- Evolving standard operating procedures (SOPs);
- Consultation and communication with other judges;
- Appointments, promotions and cadre management;
- Horizontal and vertical relation management with the Supreme Court, other High Courts, government and staff;
- Chief Justices conferences;
- Superintendence and monitoring of subordinate judiciary;
- Constitution, composition and monitoring of various committees;
- Distribution of work amongst judges and effective roster management;
- Compilation, classification, upgradation and preparation of Ready Refrencers for Chief Justices and Senior Judges, and the High Court Rules and Regulations;
- Elevations to the High Court: Assessment, process and productive collegium outcomes.



*Workshop on Adjudicating
Terrorism Cases in
Collaboration with CEELI
Institute and FJC (Phase
IV) at NJA India (2)*

Programme Number & Date

P-1163 10/08/2019 to 12/08/2019

P-1170 27/09/2019 to 29/09/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Principal District and Sessions

Judges OR Additional District and Sessions Judges
dealing with Trial of Extremism/Terrorism Cases



Objectives :

The NJA is organizing two workshops this Academic year on the theme adjudicating terrorism cases during phase IV of the multi stage project in collaboration with the CEELI Institute, Prague and the Federal Judicial Center, Washington D.C. Phase I of the training Program was held at the NJA, Bhopal on October 27 – 29, 2017. Phase II was a Master Trainers' Program on "Counter-Terrorism Trials" for training of in service High Court Justices who would impart further training to officers of the subordinate judiciary on the subject, within India through the NJA or State Judicial Academies. Phase III was a faculty development seminar held on 20-21 April 2019 at the NJA, Bhopal.

The eight Hon'ble High Court justices who assimilated knowledge on counter terrorism adjudication during the first three phases of the multi-stage program, would now function as master trainers and disseminate their experience and knowledge to a larger cross section of the Indian judges dealing with terrorism trials and allied areas during these workshops.

The purpose of the Workshop is to sensitize judges to contemporaneous best practices and jurisprudence pertaining to counter-terrorism control norms, adjudication protocols and allied areas. The Workshop aims to implement the Hague Memorandum in India suggesting good practices for adjudication of terrorism Cases.

Subjects to be discussed : Areas that will be covered include fair trial, evidence and MLATs, forensics, role of media in terrorism trials, court management, judicial and courtroom security and framing of charges in the context of terrorism trials.

Seminars for Principal District and Sessions Judges

Programme Number & Date

P-1167 13/09/2019 to 15/09/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Principal District and Sessions
Judges



National Seminar for Principal District and Sessions Judges on Court Administration, Management and ICT

Objectives :

The seminar is to provide a forum to participant judges to deliberate upon contemporary themes like re-engineering court process through technology amalgamation, relationship management between stakeholders, court management, human resource management, cadre management, performance assessment and time management to strengthen court administration. The sessions would incorporate discussions on effective use of ICT for digitization of records to improve functioning of the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG). Contemporary issues relating to connectivity and security, which retard efficient use of ICT at District court levels, would also be discussed. The Seminar seeks to facilitate integration of technology in court administration towards better accessibility and transparency in justice delivery. To the extent practicable, the deliberations and discussions during the sessions would be in the clinical/case law analysis format.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Role of national court management system in court and case Management.
- Cadre management

- Achievements of NJDG and CIS.
- Grassroot level challenges faced in court computerization.
- Issues relating to the use of ICT.
- Digitization and paperless courts.
- Remedial steps for combating delay and making the court litigant friendly.
- Issues relating to judicial performance assessment.
- Bar-bench relations at district court level.



Seminars for Principal District and Sessions Judges

Programme Number & Date

P-1187 08/11/2019 to 10/11/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Principal District and Sessions
Judges



Seminar for Principal District and Sessions Judges on Constitutional and Administrative Law

Objectives :

The seminar will provide an overview of the constitutional framework in India and engage the participant judges in discussions on principles of constitutional and administrative law. Issues of constitutional adjudication will form a part of the discussions. The sessions will revisit the principle of stare decisis and precedential conflict. The programme will sensitize participants to imperatives of adhering to constitutional and administrative law norms while construing, applying and executing substantive and procedural mandates applicable to causes coming before their courts.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Overview of the Constitution of India
- Doctrine of basic structure
- Theories of judicial review
- Introduction to writ jurisdiction
- Access to justice and rule of law
- Fair trial rights: Role of a judge

Seminars for Principal District and Sessions Judges

Programme Number & Date

P-1202 31/01/2020 to 02/02/2020

Participants to be Nominated

Principal District and Sessions
Judges



Seminar for Principal District and Sessions Judges on Access to Justice and Legal Aid

Objectives :

The objective is to study and analyze activities of Lok Adalats and the National Legal Service Authority with a view to assess the impact on justice delivery system. The seminar attempts to address challenges which impede access to justice. It provides a forum for Principal District and Sessions Judges for deliberations leading to formulation of strategies to ensure access to justice despite adverse economic, social or cultural deprivations and to study current legal aid dispensation protocols with a view to streamline delivery of aid to marginalized sections of society.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Access to justice as a crucial component of constitutional vision of justice
- Timely and speedy justice delivery
- Social and economic impediments in access to justice
- Critical evaluation of the legal services authorities: Role & responsibilities
- Strengthening the judicial system through access to justice
- Working of Lok Adalat system : Issues and challenges.

Refresher Courses for Special Courts (6)

Programme Number & Date

P-1168 20/09/2019 to 24/09/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Family Court Judges



Refresher Course for Family Courts

Objectives :

Family courts are conceived to facilitate conciliation and speedy settlement. On the recommendation of the 59th Law Commission Report, a radical approach for Family courts was reiterated in the 230th Report of the Law Commission. In the light of these recommendations, the Academy has been organizing programs for Family Court judges. The refresher course is designed to facilitate Family Court judges to comprehend family law jurisprudence. Participant judges will share experiences on issues and concerns that arise during family disputes and identify best practices for dealing with them satisfactorily and expeditiously. Deliberations would identify several optimal approaches for settling family disputes and the proper role of judicial officers while addressing family law issues. Effective use of ADR/mediation methods in resolving disputes will also be discussed. Psycho-social requirements in the judicial persona dealing with disputes coming up for resolution will also be a part of the training modules during the sessions.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Constitutional and legislative mandate of family courts
- Understanding family Disputes: A Psychological approach

- Communication skills and techniques for effective resolution of family disputes
- Divorce and family mediation: Understanding the pre and post-divorce family
- Judging family disputes: Judges demeanor
- Gender justice and gender bias: Maintaining equilibrium
- Significance of couple therapy & group therapy in matrimonial disputes
- Resolving family disputes through effective ADR methods
- Maintenance and divorce proceedings: Radical approach of family courts
- Role of family courts in protecting rights and interests of children
- Challenges and constraints affecting the working of family courts



Refresher Courses for Special Courts (6)

Programme Number & Date

P-1172 04/10/2019 to 06/10/2019

Participants to be Nominated

NDPS Court Judges



Refresher Course for NDPS Courts

Objectives :

The 1985 NDPS Act has been enacted to ensure speedy trial of offenses prosecuted for violation of its provisions. Effectuation of the core objectives of the Act, through capacity building of judges presiding over these courts, is the idea behind this Refresher Course. The course would comprise deliberations and interactive sessions on identification of nuances, and evolving strategies to deal with practical problems arising during adjudication of cases pertaining to narcotic and psychotropic substances

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Expeditious disposal of NDPS case
- Confiscation of property and disposal of contraband
- Sentencing in NDPS cases
- NDPS courts in combating drug trafficking
- Role of NDPS Courts in ensuring fair trial in NDPS cases.

Refresher Courses for Special Courts (6)

Programme Number & Date

P-1193 06/12/2019 to 08/12/2019

Participants to be Nominated

CBI Court Judges



Refresher Course for CBI Courts

Objectives :

The Course is conceived to sensitize judges operating in their jurisdiction with contemporary developments in jurisprudence and to accrete knowledge base and skills requisite to enable qualitative and timely delivery of justice. The sessions would facilitate deliberations on challenges faced while adjudicating issues and help identify best practices and solutions for a variety of problems; and the evolving horizons of relevant law and jurisprudence.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Prosecution of civil servants: Sanction for prosecution, arrest etc.
- Impact of media on trial of CBI cases
- Appreciation of evidence including electronic evidence in CBI cases
- Economic offences: Banking and corporate frauds
- Cyber crimes and role of CBI courts
- Investigation by CBI and role of courts
- Defective investigation and role of trial courts
- Sentencing practices in CBI/corruption cases

Refresher Courses for Special Courts (6)

Programme Number & Date

P-1196 03/01/2020 to 05/01/2020

Participants to be Nominated

POCSO Court Judges



Refresher Course for POCSO Courts

Objectives :

The POCSO Act requires judges, prosecutors and advocates to modify/tune practices and attitudes to ensure that the proceedings are sensitive to the needs and rights of children; to adopt measures to prevent exposure of the child to the accused while ensuring that the rights of the accused are not jettisoned. Judges presiding over POCSO courts appear to face constraints in implementing the several provisions of the Act. The objective of the Course is to acquaint the participants with international perspectives on sexual offences, victim protection, child-friendly court procedures, the best interests of the child and the role of the POCSO courts.

The Refresher Course is designed to facilitate discussions on issues related to recording & appreciation of evidence, presumption & burden of proof under the POCSO Act, age determination, and rehabilitation and compensation for child victims of sexual offences. The course also aims to provide a platform for the POCSO judges to share experiences, insights and suggestions with resource persons on issues concerning POCSO adjudication.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Protection against child sexual abuse and harassment: International perspectives

- Child sexual abuse: Understanding behavioral and psychological impairments in victim
- Child friendly court procedures and judicial attitudes: Statutory provisions and best practices
- Standard of proof regarding presumption of culpable mental state under the POCSO Act
- Age determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions
- Recording & appreciation of evidence in the POCSO cases
- Presumption & burden of proof under the POCSO Act.
- Rehabilitation and compensation for child victims of sexual offences.
- Experiences and challenges in prosecuting offenders under the POCSO Act.



Refresher Courses for Special Courts (6)

Programme Number & Date

P-1200 17/01/2020 to 19/01/2020

Participants to be Nominated

Commercial Court Judges



Refresher Course for Commercial Courts

Objectives :

The Course would address the challenges in the sphere of intellectual property rights, construction and infrastructure agreements, joint venture agreements and distribution and licensing agreements. The Course would facilitate discussion on issues and problems arising during adjudication of disputes and would identify measures to deal with them. The Course would also involve discussion on the scope of jurisdiction of Commercial Courts and to evolve strategies for speedy disposal of cases.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Jurisprudential Charter of Commercial Courts
- Jurisdiction of Commercial Courts
- Amendments to the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 under the Commercial Court Act, 2015
- Commercial Courts Viz a viz Arbitration
- Intellectual property rights- Genesis, benefits, importance
- Copyright, design, trademark and patent disputes
- Role of judiciary in effective enforcement of intellectual property rights
- Adjudication of disputes under the Act: Challenges and solutions
- Interpretation of distribution & licensing agreements: Disputes & resolution
- Construction and infrastructure agreement
- Joint venture agreements

Refresher Courses for Special Courts (6)

Programme Number & Date

P-1204 07/02/2020 to 09/02/2020

Participants to be Nominated

Money Laundering Courts Judges



Refresher Course for Money Laundering Courts

Objectives :

The Course seeks to assess/ audit the working of the PMLA courts, to identify the bottlenecks encountered in adjudicating cases and to evolve strategies for resolving such bottlenecks and challenges. Participant judges will be acquainted with the evolving jurisprudence on money laundering, and will be engaged in discussions on the core issues in adjudication of cases by these courts. The Course seeks to identify appropriate measures to assist the judges presiding over PMLA Courts to dispose off cases speedily.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Money laundering - Origins and evolution
- Nuances of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002
- Special Courts under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002. Jurisdiction charter, contemporary challenges and bottlenecks in adjudication
- Bail under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002
- Attachment/confiscation and disposal of property in money laundering cases
- Burden of proof and appreciation of evidence in Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002
- Cross – border money laundering offences
- Fugitive Economic Offenders Act, 2018

Workshops for Additional District Judges (5)

Programme Number & Date

P-1165 06/09/2019 to 08/09/2019

P-1188 15/11/2019 to 17/11/2019

P-1198 10/01/2020 to 12/01/2020

P-1208 21/02/2020 to 23/02/2020

P-1223 27/03/2020 to 29/03/2020

Participants to be Nominated

Additional District Judges

Objectives :

The Workshop has been conceived to identify and address areas of adjudication which critically impact justice delivery at the District level; to provide a platform to participating District judges to share views and garner best practices in the areas including appellate and revision jurisdictions. The impact and issues relating to implementation of alternative dispute resolution system (ADR) at District level; and administrative issues relating court and case management would be discussed. Topics viz. issues and practices pertaining to collection, preservation and appreciation of electronic evidence; advances and bottlenecks in laws regulating cybercrimes; nuances and conventions in sentencing practices and jurisprudence on fair trial process inter alia will be explored in the Workshop.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Civil Appeal/Revision
- Criminal Appeal/Revision
- Alternative dispute Resolution
- Court and case management
- Fair sessions trial
- Electronic evidence
- Law relating to cybercrime
- Sentencing



Workshops for Magistrates (3)

Programme Number & Date

P-1164 31/08/2019 to 01/09/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Magistrates



Workshop on Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) Act, 1994

Objectives :

The Workshop is designed to enhance the capacity of Judicial Magistrates in better implementation of the provisions of the PC & PNDT Act and the expeditious disposal of cases. The Workshop will involve discussions with and guidance from experts engaged in implementation of the Act including judges, advocates and civil society organizations. It will focus on issues regarding social context of the PC & PNDT Act; grey areas between medical termination of pregnancy and sex-selection; role and functions of authorities under the Act; jurisprudence concerning implementation of the Act; trial process and appreciation of evidence under the Act. The emphasis in session will be on clinical methods, case law analysis and interactive discussions.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Cultural, social and economic factors that promote gender bias: Context of the PC & PNDT Act in India
- Role and functions of authorities under the PC & PNDT Act
- Medical termination of pregnancy and sex selection: Grey areas
- Trial process under the PC & PNDT Act
- Appreciation of evidence under the PC & PNDT Act
- Jurisprudence on implementation of the PC & PNDT Act
- Major challenges in the implementation of the PC & PNDT Act

Workshops for Magistrates (3)

Programme Number & Date

P-1190 22/11/2019 to 24/11/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Magistrates



Workshop on Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881

Objectives :

According to the 213th Report of the Law Commission, there are nearly 20 percent pending cases under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881. Sections 138 to 142 of the Act that was introduced by an amendment in 1988, deal with prosecution and recovery mechanism. The judicial procedures over the time have been influenced by dishonest drawers adopting strategies to delay / defeat the process. Persistent judicial efforts to plug the loopholes are apparent from the several judgments of the Apex court.

The Negotiable Instruments (Amendment) Act, 2018 is designed to facilitate quick relief to the drawees and to act as a deterrent by enhancing the credibility of cheques.

The Workshop is conceived to enhance the capacity of Judicial Magistrates in better implementation of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 and expeditious disposal of cases. The Workshop intends to discuss key features of the 2018 amendment in the light of Sections 143A and 148. Interplay between these amended sections and Section 421 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 will also form an integral part of the discussion. History and evolution of the Act in pursuance to Section 138 of the Act, jurisdictional

developments under Section 138 and recent Supreme Court rulings for speedy disposal of cases under Section 138 will be the core area of discussions in the workshop.

Subjects to be discussed during the session:

- History and evolution of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881
- Jurisdictional development and recent trends under Section 138
- Presumption under Section 118 and 139 of the Act
- Techniques and tools for timely disposal of cases under the Act
- Sharing of best practices by the participants



Workshops for Magistrates (3)

Programme Number & Date

P-1194 21/12/2019 to 22/12/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Magistrates



Workshop on Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015

Objectives :

The NJA is organizing a Workshop for magistrates on Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 covering various thematic areas. The Workshop is aimed to provide a forum for deliberations on recent changes in the laws; interpretation and treatment of juveniles in conflict with law; appropriate processes and strategies for care and protection of juveniles; audit and measures to accrete the efficiency of Juvenile Justice Boards and other duty holders. Assessment of available infrastructure and suggestions for augmenting the same, pendency and causes therefor, and concerns regarding and modalities for robust monitoring and co-ordination of institutions associated in dealing with juveniles in conflict with law, will also be areas for discussions and suggestions by participants. The program is conceived with a view to provide a platform for participants to share experiences, insights and suggestions with a panel of distinguished experts.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Understanding non adversarial nature of juvenile justice system
- Juvenile justice in India: Human rights and constitutional perspectives

- Changes brought by the 2015 Act and the 2016 Rules: An overview
- General principles of care and protection of children u/s 3 of the 2015 Act
- Presumption and determination of age u/s 94 of the 2015 Act and the 2016 Rules
- Placement or bail under the 2015 Act: Issues and concerns
- Role of duty-holders at various stages of inquiry/trial of juvenile
- Individualized care plan for comprehensive development of children: Role of JJB and other duty-holders
- Adoption under the JJ Act.



Orientation Program for Junior Division Judges (4)

Programme Number & Date

P-1166 06/09/2019 to 12/09/2019

P-1189 15/11/2019 to 21/11/2019

P-1199 10/01/2020 to 16/01/2020

P-1207 21/02/2020 to 27/02/2020

Participants to be Nominated

Junior Division Judges



Objectives :

District judiciary is the basic framework of our justice delivery system and is to a substantial measure the most accessible institution of the judicial branch to the vast multitude of our people. Judges operating at the primary tier in the judicial hierarchy constitute the vitals of; and their operative excellence indexes our institutional relevance to justice delivery and in effect the health of our democratic way of life itself.

The Program is conceived at capacity building of judicial officers at the primary tier, viz. Civil Judges (Junior Division). The sessions are designed to provide a forum for participant officers to share experiences and views with counterparts from other States; to facilitate better appreciation of the judicial role; responsibility of judicial officers in a constitutional democracy; recent developments in juridical thinking and technological advances relevant to accreting our performance standards; and to deliberate on several aspects of law and practice relevant to enhancing the quality of their performance.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Role of the court in a constitutional democracy; Constitutional vision of justice; Discovering current judicial methods; Adherence to core judicial values;
- Judging skills: Art, craft and science of drafting judgment
- Managing the docket: Court and case management
- Information technology and cyber crimes
- Electronic evidence: Collection, preservation and appreciation
- Forensic evidence in civil and criminal trials: DNA profiling
- Understanding stress and its implications
- Managing stress through emotional intelligence
- Dealing with occupational stress
- Role of courts in securing gender justice
- ADR and plea bargaining
- Law of precedents
- Identifying and applying ratio decidendi
- Courtroom technology: Use of ICT in courts
- Art of hearing and of regulating appropriate decorum in the court room
- Perceptions and prejudices

Court Excellence Enhancement Program (CEEP) (20)

Programme Number & Date

CEEP-I P-1175 to 1184
18/10/2019 to 20/10/2019

Participants to be Nominated

All stakeholders of a Court
(Chief Judicial Magistrate, Advocate, Prosecutor, Clerk and Reader)

High Courts : Allahabad, Andhra Pradesh, Bombay, Calcutta, Chattisgarh, Delhi, Gauhati, Gujrat, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka.

Programme Number & Date

CEEP-II P-1213 to 1222
27/03/2020 to 29/03/2020

Participants to be Nominated

All stakeholders of a Court (Chief Judicial Magistrate, Advocate, Prosecutor, Clerk and Reader)

High Courts : Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Madras, Manipur, Meghalaya, Orissa, Patna, Punjab & Haryana, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tripura, Telangana, Uttarakhand.

Objectives :

CEEP conceived by the Academy in 2010, has been rated as a useful Program for judicial officers and other stakeholders of the justice delivery system. This Program is designed to bring together several stakeholders to enable comprehensive



deliberations and discussions, provide a forum for identifying challenges and to constraints to efficiency and evolve standard working models for delivery of quality justice.

Two cluster programs are scheduled this academic year. Respective High Courts will be requested to nominate one Chief Judicial Magistrate facing high pendency and arrears. A template will be provided to the nominated judicial officers in advance, seeking specification and analyses of the challenges, causes and reasons for the delay in disposal of cases. The Program seeks to develop a comprehensive court excellence plan for enhancing qualitative and timely justice through harnessing the synergies of various stake and duty holders in the system. An action plan is envisaged to be developed, which would identify areas calling for systemic improvement.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Assessing and enhancing court performance.
- Discussion on court excellence Indicators and court excellence plan.
- Open discussion involving participants and resource persons on best practice solutions for improving the court performance.
- Breakout group discussion and presentation by the participants on enhancing their court's performance.
- Presentations by various stakeholders on challenges faced by them and their own probable suggestions to improve the court performance.
- Court wise presentation on developing court excellence plans.
- Follow-up of their court performance as per the plan developed by themselves.

Training of Trainers Program for State Judicial Academies (1)

Programme Number & Date

P-1224 03/04/2020 to 05/04/2020

Participants to be Nominated

Directors and Faculty
Members of SJAs



Objectives :

The objective of the Training of Trainers Program is to strengthen judicial education in the country through development of standard framework for judicial training. The Program focuses on exploring training modules for maximizing learning process and for developing methodologies and pedagogies with assistance from in-house experience and domain experts. The Program would facilitate discussions and sharing of information on training methodologies, faculty, infrastructure at the State Academies; and interactive sessions for exchange of knowledge and experience regarding challenges and best practices available for enhancing quality of judicial education.

Subjects to be discussed:

- Role of trainers in judicial education
- Determining course objectives and selection of course content
- Selection and application of training methods
- Designing curriculum for continuous training on specialized subjects
- Impact assessment: Review of judicial training
- Opportunities and emerging challenges in judicial education

Regional Conferences (8)

Programme Number & Date

P-1185 19/10/2019 to 20/10/2019
P-1192 30/11/2019 to 01/12/2019
P-1195 28/12/2019 to 29/12/2019
P-1169 11/01/2020 to 12/01/2020
P-1203 01/02/2020 to 02/02/2020
P-1209 29/02/2020 to 01/03/2020
P-1212 21/03/2020 to 22/03/2020
P-1227 18/04/2020 to 19/04/2020

Participants to be Nominated

High Court Justices, Registrar (Recruitment), Registrar (Budget Preparation), Principal District Judges and Chief Judicial Magistrates

Objectives :

Efficient functioning of Subordinate Courts is elemental for proper administration of justice and quality justice delivery. Continual dialogue, communication and exchange of evolving horizons of knowledge and best practices between judicial hierarchies- the Higher and Subordinate Courts, conduces and nurtures quality justice delivery.

The Regional Conferences are designed to provide a forum for exchange of experiences, communication of knowledge and dissemination of best practices from across clusters of High Court jurisdictions in regions of our country and amongst hierarchies; to accentuate the experience of familial community between High Court and Subordinate Courts judicial officers, besides revisiting



established and imperative norms of a constitutional vision of justice and the role of a judge in constitutional democracy. The Conference will focus on themes relating to access to justice including information and communication technology in courts; court and case management; and critical administrative issues.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Constitutional vision of justice
- Being a judge: Role of a judge in constitutional democracy
- Access to justice:
 - Information and communication technology in courts
 - Court and case management
- Cadre management in district judiciary:
 - Recruitment process: Upgrading input quality
 - Identifying and filling of vacancies
- Fiscal and budgetary planning



Orientation Program on Cases Concerning Persons Residing Abroad (1)

Programme Number & Date

P-1191 23/11/2019 to 24/11/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Additional District Judges



Objectives :

Section 105 of the Criminal Procedure Code (Cr.P.C.) provides for reciprocal arrangements to be made by the Central Government with foreign governments with regard to the service of summons / warrants/ judicial processes, however the judicial process gets delayed due to various reasons including non-adherence to the correct legal process. Therefore, in order to streamline and guide judicial officers, this Orientation Program will provide a forum for participant judges to deliberate on issues with respect to judicial process concerning persons residing abroad, obtaining evidence in an ongoing investigation by various prosecuting agencies under Section 105, 166A and Chapter VIIA of the Cr.P.C. through a Letter Rogatory or Letter of Request and processing the extradition requests received from State Governments and other law enforcement agencies.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Summons/notices/judicial processes issued by the Courts
- Procedural aspects
- Criminal offences/applicable legislation/penalties
- Extradition for crimes covered by Section 498-A of the Indian Penal Code and other Dowry-related offences

Special Events (11)

Programme Number & Date

SE-01 23/08/2019 to 29/08/2019

SE-10 13/03/2020 to 19/03/2020

Participants to be Nominated

Judges and Judicial Officers at the District and Township Level



Seminar for Foreign Judges (Myanmar)

Objectives :

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been entered between the National Judicial Academy (NJA), India and the Office of the Union Chief Justice (OUCJ), under the Supreme Court of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar for organising training and capacity building programs for Myanmar judges and judicial officers. For the year 2019-20, it is proposed that two batches, each consisting of 40 judges and judicial officers at the district and township level nominated by Myanmar, will visit India and participate in a seven days training program.

The program will include sessions on judicial skills, constitutional, civil, criminal, human rights laws and correlative jurisprudence. The program also aims to acquaint participants with skills of judging and judgment writing. The programs will also facilitate discussions on court and case management and the use of ICT in the administration of justice.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Overview and architecture of the Indian constitutional arrangement
- Indian judiciary: Organizational structure, jurisdiction and approaches

- Goals, role and mission of courts: Constitutional vision of justice
- Elements of judicial behaviour- Ethics, neutrality and professionalism
- Judging skills : Art, craft and science of drafting judgments
- Judge the master of the court : Court management and case management
- Principles of evidence: Appreciation in civil and criminal cases
- Electronic evidence: New horizons, collection, preservation and appreciation
- Forensic evidence in civil and criminal trials; DNA profiling
- Criminal justice administration: Fair, impartial and competent investigation
- Criminal justice administration: Fair and speedy trial and human rights
- ICT and e-judiciary: Indian perspective
- Civil laws and procedure: Recent development
- Process of trial in civil cases: Best practices Alternative dispute resolution and plea bargaining



Special Events (11)

Programme Number & Date

SE-03 11/10/2019 to 13/10/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Members of the Customs, Excise
& Service Tax Appellate Tribunal



Seminar for Members of the Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal

Objectives :

The Seminar would explore the scope, contours & limits of judicial review in CESTAT along with application of judicial discretion in adjudication. The Seminar aims to deliberate on Constitutional & Administrative law principles relevant for adjudication in CESTAT. The Seminar will also provide an opportunity to debate and evaluate the pace and progress towards paperless adjudication. The Seminar is an endeavour to implement technological means for speedy and timely disposal of disputes and to strengthen the understanding of fundamental principles of adjudication.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Constitutional authority and basis of taxation
- Core principles of interpretation of tax statutes
- Scope, contours & limits of judicial review in CESTAT
- Assessment proceedings: Role of CESTAT
- Applicability of principles of natural justice
- Appreciation of electronic evidence
- Art and science of judgement writing

Special Events (11)

Programme Number & Date

SE-05 01/11/2019 to 07/11/2019

SE-09 14/02/2020 to 20/02/2020

Participants to be Nominated

Senior Assistant Judges, Assistant Judges and Magistrates (Level 2)



Seminar for Foreign Judges (Bangladesh)

Objectives :

Training and capacity building programs for judicial officers of Bangladesh, covering all district and below judicial officers, to be organized and conducted under the aegis of the Academy, was formalized during the visit of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of Bangladesh to India. MOU for the purpose was entered into between the Academy and the Supreme Court of Bangladesh for training of about 1500 officers from 2017 to 2023. During this academic year, 4 batches of about 40 officers would participate in a course of 15 days training program. The first three batches would comprise junior division judges, magistrates and subordinate judges; and the fourth batch would comprise District and Sessions and equivalent rank judicial officers. Identified and designated State judicial academies would organize part of the training Program after a stint of training at the Academy within the framework of a training module and curriculum designed by the Academy. The Program will include sessions on judicial skills, constitutional, civil, criminal, environmental and human rights laws and correlative jurisprudence. Domain experts and Justices of High Courts and the Supreme Court will be invited as resource persons to guide deliberations.

Topics to be discussed during the session :

- Overview and architecture of the Indian constitutional arrangement
- Indian judiciary: Organizational structure and jurisdiction
- Goals, role and mission of courts: Constitutional vision of justice
- Elements of judicial behaviour – Ethics, neutrality and professionalism
- Judging skills: Art, craft and science of drafting judgments
- Judge the master of the court: Court management & case management
- Principles of evidence: Appreciation in civil and criminal cases
- Evidentiary presumptions; Onus and burden of proof
- Electronic evidence: Collection, preservation and appreciation
- Forensic evidence in civil and criminal trials; DNA profiling
- Criminal justice administration and human rights
- Identification of ratio in a precedent
- ICT and e-judiciary: Indian perspectives, and landmark judgments in India



Special Events (11)

Programme Number & Date

SE-04 23/10/2019 to 24/10/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Senior IRS (C&IT) Officer



Workshop for Senior IRS (C&IT) Officers on Adjudication Skills

Objectives :

The Workshop is intended to provide a forum for Senior IRS Officers to discuss, deliberate and share experiences, knowledge and best practices. The participants will be able to interact with the domain experts and Hon'ble Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts, who would be invited as resource persons to engage with evolving horizons of relevant law and jurisprudence; seminal interpretive principles; the incessant problem of objectivity in decision making; the art, science and craft of drafting reasoned orders and like themes.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Role of civil service in a democracy;
- Constitutional authority to tax;
- Variety of taxes: Federal context;
- Elements of interpretation of fiscal statutes;
- Ethics, professionalism and neutrality in adjudication;
- Constitutional and administrative law principles relevant for adjudication;
- Art, craft and science of writing judgements;
- Law of precedents.

Special Events (11)

Programme Number & Date

SE-06 05/12/2019 to 11/12/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Judges from Sudan



Training Program for Judges from Sudan

Objectives :

The National Judicial Academy has received a request from the Sudan Judiciary Training Department for organizing a special course for their judges. In pursuance of the said request, a 7 days programs for one batch of 40 judges nominated by Sudan, will be organized by NJA at Bhopal.

The program will include sessions on judicial skills, constitutional, civil, criminal, human rights laws and correlative jurisprudence. The program also aims to acquaint participants with elements of judicial behaviour- ethics, neutrality and professionalism, skills of judging and judgment writing. The program will also facilitate discussions on court & case management and use of ICT in administration of justice.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions:

- Overview and architecture of the Indian constitutional arrangement
- Judge in a constitutional democracy: Constitutional vision of justice
- Access to Justice: Court management & case management
- Judging skills: Art, craft and science of drafting judgments
- Elements of judicial behaviour- Ethics, neutrality and professionalism

- Electronic evidence: New horizons, collection, preservation and appreciation
- Criminal justice administration: Fair and speedy trial.
- Anti-Corruption law: Indian legal framework
- Forensic evidence in criminal trials; DNA profiling
- Juvenile jurisprudence and age determination in juvenile cases
- Stress management
- International human rights
- Communication skills for judges: active and passive communication
- ICT and e-judiciary: Indian perspective



Special Events (11)

Programme Number & Date

SE-07 13/12/2019 to 19/12/2019

SE-11 10/04/2020 to 16/04/2020

Participants to be Nominated

District Judges / Session Judges,
Additional and Joint Session Judge and Additional District Judges (Level 1)



Seminar for Foreign Judges (Bangladesh)

Objectives :

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Topics to be discussed during the session:

- Overview and architecture of the Indian constitutional arrangement

- Indian judiciary: Organizational structure and jurisdiction
- Goals, role and mission of courts: Constitutional vision of justice
- Elements of judicial behaviour – Ethics, neutrality and professionalism
- Judging skills: Art, craft and science of drafting judgments
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- Electronic evidence: Collection, preservation and appreciation
- Forensic evidence in civil and criminal trials; DNA profiling
- Criminal justice administration and human rights
- Identification of ratio in a precedent
- ICT and e-judiciary: Indian perspectives, and landmark judgments in India



Special Events (11)

Programme Number & Date

SE-08 21/12/2019 to 22/12/2019

Participants to be Nominated

Members of CAT



Seminar for Member of the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT)

Objectives :

The Seminar aims to provide a platform to participant members of the Central Administrative Tribunal to share experiences, develop professional harmony between judicial and technical members and to develop strategies for effective disposal of cases. The Seminar would incorporate discussions on principles of administrative law; judicial review and court and case management to enhance timeliness and responsiveness of justice delivery system. The Seminar would include discussions on scope of judicial discretion and the art of drafting judgments.

Subjects to be discussed during the sessions -

- Principles of administrative law
- Scope and limits of judicial review
- Scope of judicial discretion
- Court and case management
- Identification of ratio decidendi in a precedent
- Art, craft and science of drafting judgments.

Seminar for Members of the Railways Claims Tribunal [02 Days]
Seminar for Members of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal [03 Days]
Seminar for Presidents of District Consumer Forum [03 Days]

Training Modalities for these programmes at NJA are under consideration



Seminar for Foreign Judges [Bhutan] - 02
Seminar for Foreign Judges [Maldives] - 02
Seminar for Foreign Judges [Uzbekistan] - 01

Training Modalities for Training of Judges of these countries at NJA are under consideration









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