Transnational Crimes

Judicial Academy Jharkhand
July 13-14, 2024

Saturday, July 13, 2024

9:00 a.m. **Opening Remarks**

***Mr. Sudhanshu Kumar Shashi**, Director, Judicial Academy, Jharkhand*

9:15 a.m. **Welcome & Overview**

***Dr. Sumedh Kumar Sethi**, Joint Registrar, Delhi International Arbitration Centre, High Court of Delhi*

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Sunday, July 14, 2024

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4:50 p.m. **Conclusion of the Program**

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West Bengal Judicial Academy
July 20-21, 2024

Saturday, July 20, 2024

9:00 a.m. **Opening Remarks**

Hon'ble Justice Joymalya Bagchi, *High Court of Calcutta*

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Mr. Manish Sharma, *Faculty Member, MP State Judicial Academy, Madhya Pradesh*

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4:40 p.m. **Day Concludes**

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Part Three: Trafficking in Persons

9:10 a.m. **Preventing Secondary victimization of the victims of human trafficking**

The session aims to provide Indian Judges a comprehensive understanding of the measures that they can take to ensure that the victims of human trafficking do not face re-victimization during their interface with the legal set of the country. The session will cover discussion on understanding the crime of human trafficking, the modus operandi of the commission of the crime, its dimensions and its impact. Indian judges will learn to strike a balance between protecting the rights and the identities of victim one hand and ensuring fair justice in open court to the accused on the other. The key components would include brain storming, a detailed presentation on the guidelines laid down by

the Constitutional Courts of the country along with quiz and discussion on applying those guidelines in the practical situation.

Ms. Kajal Jhamb, *Principal District and Session Judge, Khagaria, Bihar*

9:55 a.m. **Rehabilitation of the victim of human trafficking**

The main object of this session is to make judges aware about the legislative framework available for bringing the victims of Human Trafficking to main stream. For the given purpose, relevant legal provisions along with different scenarios pertaining to compensation will be highlighted. Indian Judges will be made aware about the fact that compensation can be awarded to the victim even if the accused is traceless or case is not proved against him or he is discharged. Special focus will be given to the guidelines laid down by the Apex Court with regard to compensation. At the end of the session with the think-pair- share activity a case fact will be given to the judges to enable them to understand the concept of compensation in a practical way.

Ms. Divya Vashistha*, Deputy Director, Bihar Judicial Academy, Patna*

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August 10-11, 2024

Saturday, August, 10 2024

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Hon'ble Shri Justice Vivek Agarwal, *Judge, High Court of Madhya Pradesh*

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August 17-18, 2024

Saturday, August 17, 2024

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Sunday, August 18, 2024

9:00 a.m. **Thoughts, Questions?**

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Part Three: Cyber-enabled Human Trafficking

9:10 a.m. **Cyber-enabled Human Trafficking**

This session focuses on the long-standing and urgent global problem of human trafficking, with a particular focus on trafficking aided by the use of technologies. Participating judges will familiarize themselves with the intricacies related to cyber-enabled social media investigation. The discussion will additionally educate participants about the relevant legislation regarding the prohibition, preservation, and rehabilitation of victims from foreign countries. The standard operating procedure regarding a missing child will be reviewed, with a focus on online platforms. The right to be forgotten, or the right to be erased, is crucial in the context of victims of human trafficking in this technology era. Various methods by which a court can implement a decision

will be examined. The rehabilitative strategy, in addition to compensation, will also be addressed.

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07th & 08th September, 2024

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Session/ Timing	Theme	Speakers
Day 1 07th September 2024 (Saturday)		
Session 1 **10:30AM -11:30AM**	**Effective Access to Justice: Addressing Systemic Barriers & Obstacles** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Social Context Adjudication: Constitutional Perspectives* • *Decisional Autonomy, Right to Privacy, Intersectionality, Systemic Discrimination, Indirect Discrimination, Transitional Gender Justice, etc.* • *Role of Courts in Securing Gender Justice* • *Fair Trial Standards*	**Justice Sunita Agarwal** **Justice Swarana Kanta Sharma**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 2 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**Gender Sensitivity in Courtroom & Judgment Writing** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Overcoming Judicial Bias & Gender Stereotypes* • *Gender Appropriate Language & Expressions* • *International and National Best Practices on Judges Applying a Gender Perspective in Judging*	**Justice Sunita Agarwal** **Justice Sonia G. Gokani**
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
Session 3 **02:30 PM - 04:00 PM**	**LGBTQIA + and Transgender – Socio-Legal Dimensions** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Rethinking Sex & Gender: Issues of Identity* • *Stereotyping & Behavioral Norms - Gender Mainstreaming & Inclusivity* • *Portrayal of Genders: Role of Different Media*	**Justice Swarana Kanta Sharma** **Justice Sonia G. Gokani**
04:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
06:00 PM	**Movie Screening for Participating Judges**	

Session/ Timing	Theme	Speakers
Day 2 08th September 2024 (Sunday)		
Session 4 **10:00AM -11:30AM**	**Women in the Workplace: Remedies Under POSH Act, 2013** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Women Judges: Experience Sharing* • *Breaking the Glass Ceiling: Challenges & Roadblocks in Ascending the Professional Ladder* • *Role of Judges in Preventing Sexual Harassment at Workplace* • *Devising Gender Sensitive & Non-stigmatizing Responses to Workplace Harassment*	**Justice Atul Sreedharan** **Justice Anubha Rawat Choudhary**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 5 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**Digital Transformation in Indian Judicial System: Enhancing Access to Justice** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *ICT Advancement in the Indian Judiciary: Challenges and Best Practices* • *Court & Case Management – National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG) , Case Information Software (CIS), Electronic Case Management Tools (ECMT)* • *Bridging the Digital Divide: Role of e-Services (E-filing, e-payments, Virtual Courts, ICJS, Video Conferencing* • *Ensuring Safety and Accountability of Stakeholders*	**Justice Atul Sreedharan** **Justice Sanjeev S. Kalgaonkar**
01:30 PM - 01:45 PM	Audit of the Course by Participant Judges	
01:45 PM	**Lunch Break & Departure**	

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National Conference for High Court Justices on Commercial Law
(14th and 15th September, 2024) [P-1410]

(PROGRAMME SCHEDULE)

DAY 1 14/09/2024 (Saturday)	**SESSION 1** 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM **Overview of Commercial Courts Act, 2015- Contours of Jurisdiction and Pre-Institution Mediation** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Specified Value • Scope of the Term "Commercial Dispute" • Pre Institution Mediation and Settlement (P.I.M.S.) **Panel** Justice Debangsu Basak Justice S.R. Krishna Kumar	**TEA BREAK**	**SESSION 2** 12:00 Noon – 1:30 PM **Interpretation of Commercial Contracts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Ascertainment of Intent of the parties • Resolving Ambiguities in Contract • Deviations from literal interpretation **Panel** Justice Debangsu Basak Justice S.R. Krishna Kumar	**LUNCH BREAK**	**SESSION 3** 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM **Expanding Horizons of IPR** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Intersection of Artificial Intelligence and IPR • Genetic Resources and Traditional Knowledge • Protection of Plant Variety **Panel** Justice Prathiba M. Singh Prof. Padmavati Manchikanti

DAY 2 **15/09/2024** **(Sunday)**	**SESSION 4** 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM **Arbitration Regime in India – Role of Courts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Interim Measures • Appointment of Arbitrators • Setting aside of Arbitral award **Panel** Justice M. Sundar Mr. Jayant Mehta	**TEA BREAK**	**SESSION 5** 12:00 Noon – 1:30 PM **Arbitration Regime in India - Enforcement of Arbitral Award** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Enforcement of Domestic and International Awards seated in India under Part I of the Arbitration Act • Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Award under Part II of the Arbitration Act • Developing Jurisprudence **Panel** Justice M. Sundar Mr. Jayant Mehta	**LUNCH BREAK**	

* In Houes Tea at 3.30 p.m. on Day 1

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Workshop for High Court Justices on Information & Communication Technology [P-1411]

15th September, 2024

Programme Schedule

Session & Timing	Themes	Resource Persons
SESSION 1 **10:30 AM to 12:45 PM**	**Digital Transformation in Indian Judicial System: Enhancing Court Efficiency, Access to Justice and User-Friendliness** ***Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Phase Wise Outline of the E-Courts Project ➢ High Court Computer Committee under E-Courts Project ➢ Role of High Court Justices, Role of Central Project Coordinators (CPC); Planning and Budgeting for Upgradation in ICT Infrastructure, Deployment of Infrastructure & Procurement of Hardware & Software ➢ Innovation and Implementation of Best Practices in Software System at High Court Level ➢ Paperless Courts & E-Filing; Role of e-Services (E-filing, e-payments, Virtual Courts, ICJS, Video Conferencing); E-Filing and E-Payment Protocols to Ensure the Security and Confidentiality ➢ Focusing on Citizens' Diverse Needs and Digital Literacy Levels; Gaps in Public Technological Infrastructure, Internet, Gadets and Skills Needed for Effective Access to Justice ➢ Court & Case Management Tools-National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG), Case Information Software (CIS), JustIS Mobile App ➢ Augmenting Technological Exchange and Training Methodologies Among Various Stakeholders (National Informatics Centre (NIC), Inter Operable Criminal Justice System (ICJS), Crime and Criminal Tracking Network & System (CCTNS), CIS Developers)	**Panel** **Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque** **Justice Atul Sreedharan** **Mr. Pravash Prashun Pandey**
In House Tea at 11.45 AM		
12:45 PM - 01:45 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 2 **01:45 PM to 03:15 PM**	**Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its Implications as Courtroom Technology** **Scope of discussion:** ➢ Evolving concept of Artificial Intelligence ➢ Integrating AI in Court Processes: Challenges and Issues ➢ Judicial Governance vis-à-vis Artificial Intelligence (AI) ➢ Ensuring Data Security and Privacy in the Digital Era ➢ Data Biases and Design Biases ➢ AI-Based Tools	**Panel** **Justice M. Sundar** **Justice Prathiba M. Singh** **Justice Anish Dayal**
Departure		

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National Conference for High Court Justices on Election Law, [P-1412]

Date: September 21-22, 2024; Venue: NJA, Bhopal

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

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21/09/2024

(Saturday)</td><td><u>SESSION 1</u>
<u>10:30am – 11:30am</u>

Electoral Integrity: Legal Framework and Enforcement

<u>Proposed Scope of discussion:</u>
• Representative Democracy to ensure free and fair elections: Constitutional & Statutory mechanism
• Role of Judiciary in maintaining electoral integrity
• Criminalization of Politics: Implications for Democracy and Governance

<u>Chair</u>: Justice .N Kotiswar Singh

Speakers
Dr. Justice A.K. Jayasankaran Nambiar
Dr. Justice S. Muralidhar</td><td>T
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A</td><td><u>SESSION 2</u>
<u>12:00 noon – 1:30pm</u>

Role of Courts in Handling Election Petitions

<u>Proposed Scope of discussion:</u>
• Scope of Jurisdiction in election petitions
• Grounds for declaring election to be void
• Corrupt practices versus electoral offences
• Judicial Review and the Anti-defection Law
• Expeditious disposal of cases

<u>Chair</u>: Justice N. Kotiswar Singh

Speakers
Dr. Justice S. Muralidhar
Dr. Justice A.K. Jayasankaran Nambiar</td><td>L
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<u>2:30pm – 4:00pm</u>

Funding: Transparency and Accountability vis-à-vis Role of Courts

<u>Proposed Scope of discussion:</u>
• Political finance in digital age
• Judicial scrutiny of financial irregularities in elections
• Balancing Right to information versus right to informational privacy
• Case Law Analysis and precedents: Limit on expenditure by a candidate

Speakers
Justice Sabyasachi Bhattacharyya
Dr. Jayaprakash Narayan
Mr. Dinesh Trivedi</td></tr>
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(Sunday)</td><td><u>SESSION 4</u>
<u>10:00am – 11:30am</u>

Election Commission: Supervisory and Regulatory Jurisdiction

<u>Proposed Scope of discussion:</u>
• Advisory Jurisdictions and Quasi-Judicial Functions
• Limitations on the powers of EC
• Art. 329(b) vis-à-vis judicial intervention in poll process: Limits on Judicial Review

Speakers
Mr. O.P. Rawat
Dr. Jayaprakash Narayan</td><td>B
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<u>12:00 noon – 1:15pm</u>

Digital Transformation & Enhancing Access to Justice

<u>Proposed Scope of discussion:</u>
• ICT Advancement in the Indian Judiciary: Challenges and Best Practices
• Court & Case Management – National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG), Case Infor mation Software (CIS), Electronic Case Management Tools (ECMT)
• Bridging the Digital Divide: Role of e-Services (E-filing, e-payments, Virtual Courts, ICJS, Video Conferencing)

Speaker
Dr. Justice Pushpendra Singh Bhati

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NATIONAL JUDICIAL ACADEMY

National Conference on Commercial Disputes [P-1413]
21st & 22nd September, 2024

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal
Participants- District Judiciary
Academic Coordinator: *Dr. Amit Mehrotra, Professor, NJA*

Programme Schedule

Day 1 **21st September, 2024 (Saturday)**		
Session 1 **10:00AM -11:30AM**	**Jurisprudential Framework vis-à-vis Jurisdictional Scope of Commercial Courts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Commercial Courts: Objective ➢ The Role of Commercial Courts in Economic Development ➢ Efficient Disposal of Disputes ➢ Ease of business vis-à-vis jurisdiction ➢ Specified value for cases ➢ Technology and Innovation in Commercial Courts	**Justice Vibhu Bakhru** **Justice Senthilkumar Ramamoorthy** **Chair:** **Justice N Kotiswar Singh**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 2 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**Intersection between Commercial Courts Act, 2015, and Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996:Legal Synergy** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Interpretative Challenges and Synergies between the Acts ➢ Jurisdiction in Arbitration Matters ➢ Strategies for Effective Application in District Courts ➢ Limitations under the Arbitration Act, 1996	**Justice Vibhu Bakhru** **Justice Senthilkumar Ramamoorthy**
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
Session 3 **02:30 PM - 04:00 PM**	**Pre- Institution Mediation and Settlement** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Effect of Section 12A in Pre-Instituted Commercial Mediation. ➢ Pre-Institution Mediation: Procedures ➢ Role of Referral Judge & Mediation Act, 2023 ➢ Settlement in Pre Institution Mediation: Precautions & Challenges ➢ Mediation Settlement: Execution and Ramification	**Justice Moushumi Bhattacharya** **Justice Dr. Sudhir Kumar Jain**
04:00 PM	**Tea**	

Day 2 22nd September, 2024 (Sunday)		
Session 4 **10:00 AM -11:30 AM**	**Ethical and Professional Standards for Judges** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Ensuring Impartiality and Integrity in Judging Commercial Dispute ➢ Managing Conflicts of Interest and Maintaining Transparency ➢ Judicial Independence: Due Process and Fair Hearing	**Justice Soumen Sen** **Justice M Sundar**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 5 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**Adjudication of Disputes under the Act: Navigating Challenges and Offering Solutions** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Identifying Key Challenges in Adjudication of Disputes: Understanding Complexities ➢ Strategies and Methods for Expeditious Settlement of Disputes ➢ Sharing of Best Practices	**Justice Soumen Sen** **Justice M Sundar**
01:30 PM - 01:45 PM	Audit of the Course by Participant Judges	
01:45 PM	**Lunch & Departure**	

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Orientation Course for Newly Elevated High Court Justices [P-1414]

28th -29th September 2024
National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal
Tentative Programme Schedule

Saturday	Day-1 28.09.2024	Proposed Speakers
11:00 AM -12:00 PM	**SESSION 1** **Writ Jurisdiction: Scope** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Origin of Writ Jurisdiction & its Evolving Dimensions • Concept of "Constitutional Morality" • Principles of "Proportionality" & "Reasonableness" • Constitutional validity of State Actions *vis a vis* "Manifest Arbitrariness"	*Justice Hrishikesh Roy* *Justice Rajesh Bindal* *Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra*
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**	
12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**SESSION 2** **Limits of Writ Jurisdiction** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Dealing with Factual Issues – Title, Possession, Ownership • Remedies against "Private Persons" by Constitutional Courts – Scope & Limits • Contractual Matters • Compensation and Damages • Territorial Applications	*Justice Hrishikesh Roy* *Justice Girish S. Kulkarni*
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	**Lunch**	
03:00 PM - 04:30 PM	**SESSION 3** **ICT & High Courts – Enabling & Transforming Digital Democracy** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • ICT as an Enabler in Court & Case Management • Emerging Technologies – Access to Speedy Justice (SUVAS, SUPACE, FASTER, etc.) • ICT for Systemic Integration – ICJS, NJDG, etc.	*Justice Rajesh Bindal* *Justice A. M. Mustaque*
04:00 PM	**Tea Break**	

Sunday	Day-2 29.09.2024	Speakers
10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**SESSION 4** **Role of a Judge in Supervisory Jurisdiction** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Article 227 – Scope & Limits • District Judiciary & High Courts – Synergy • Bar & Bench Relationship	*Justice Joymalya Bagchi* *Justice Akil Kureshi*
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**SESSION 5** **Fundamental Rights & Free Speech** *Proposed Scope of discussion*: • Jurisdiction in Digital Age • Evolving Concept of "Defamation" • Digital Platforms: Public Highway or Private Field? – Impact on Constitutional Rights	*Justice Joymalya Bagchi* *Justice Akil Kureshi*
01:15PM - 01:30PM	*Audit of the Course by Participant Judges*	
01:30PM	**Lunch & Departure**	

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NATIONAL SEMINAR ON JUDICIAL SKILLS [P-1415]
28TH & 29TH SEPTEMBER, 2024

PARTICIPANTS: NEWLY APPOINTED DISTRICT JUDGES

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSON(S)
DAY 1 **28th September, 2024 (Saturday)**		
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -11:00 AM **Q&A/Discussion** 11:00 AM-11:30AM	**Administrative Skills** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Delay and Arrear Management • Organizing the Docket for Effective Case Management • Staff Management and Supervision: Inspiring Commitment and Catalyzing Performance	**Justice A.M. Mustaque** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan**
In House Tea at 11:30 AM		
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM **Q&A/Discussion** 1:00 PM-1:30PM	**Elements of Judicial Behaviour** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Ethical Conundrums in Judicial Sphere & Possible Solutions • Integrity and Impartiality to ensure Judicial Neutrality • Ethical Standards, Judicial Norms, and Conduct of Judges	Chair **Justice Rajesh Bindal** Speakers **Justice A.M. Mustaque** **Justice G.R. Swaminathan**
Lunch Break - 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM		
SESSION 3 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM **Q&A/Discussion** 3:30 PM-4:00 PM	**Judging Skills** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Objectivity in Decision Making Art, Craft and Science of Drafting Judgments • Sensitivity in Judgments ✓ Gender Sensitivity in Judgments & Orders - Language - Eliminating Bias, Stereotypes & Prejudices - Restorative Justice Measures ✓ Appropriate in cases involving Vulnerable/ Disadvantaged Groups • Art of Hearing: Promoting Rational Discourse in Courtroom	**Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan**
In House Tea at 03:30 PM		

DAY 2 29th September, 2024 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:00 AM **Q&A/Discussion** 11:00 AM-11:30 AM	**Use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Courts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • ICT in Administration of Courts ✓ e-Filing: Effective use of e-Sewa Kendras, Electronic Process Serving & Electronic Payments etc. ✓ Technologies for Exchanges between Courts and Various Stakeholders: SUVAS, e-Court Services, NJDG etc. • ICT in Judicial Proceedings ✓ Video-Conferencing, Live Streaming & Recording ✓ Legal Research & Data Retrieval • Future of Courtroom Technology ✓ Paperless Courts ✓ Use of Artificial Intelligence to streamline court processes	**Justice Dr. Anita Sumanth**
Tea Break - 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM		
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM **Q&A/Discussion** 1:00 PM-1:30PM	**Maintaining Equanimity on and off the Dais** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Health Issues and its Impact on Personal and Professional Sphere • Intrusive Thoughts and Emotional Reactions • Attitudinal Changes and Biases • Relaxation Techniques • Psychosocial Adjustments and Adapting to Change	Chair **Justice Dr. Anita Sumanth** Speaker **Dr. Harish Shetty**
Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants - 1:30 PM – 1:45 PM		
Lunch & Departure		

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National Conference for High Court Justices on Constitutional Remedies and Administrative Law

[P-1416]

05 – 06 October, 2024

Programme Schedule

05 October, 2024
Saturday

Session & Timing	Themes	Resource Persons
SESSION 1 **11:00 AM to 01:00 PM**	**Judicial Review of Legislative Action and Administrative Action** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Doctrine of Manifest Arbitrariness & Doctrine of Pith and Substance • Legislative Competence and Repugnance: Article 246 & 254 • Resolution of Conflict Between Law Making Power of Union and States • Delegated Legislation and Subordinate Legislation • Grounds for Judicial Review of Administrative Action: Arbitrariness, Illegality, Irrationality, Jurisdictional Defects, Prima Facie Errors of Law and Facts, and Procedural Impropriety • Wednesbury Principle and Principles of Proportionality • Procedural Fairness and Principles of Natural Justice • Grounds for Refusing to Exercise Power of Judicial Review • Judicial Interference in Policy Matters - Scope & Permissible Extent	**Panel** **Justice Surya Kant** **Justice G.S. Kulkarni** **Mr. Tushar Mehta**
In House Tea at 12.00 PM		
01:00 PM - 02:00 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 2 **02:00 PM to 03:30 PM**	**Emerging Trends in Judicial Review** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Judicial Review & Separation of Power • Expansion of Constitutional Rights • Creating New Cause of Action through Constitutional Law	**Panel** **Justice G.S. Kulkarni** **Justice P. Sam Koshy**
Tea in Cafeteria		

06 October, 2024 Sunday		
Session & Timing	**Themes**	**Resource Persons**
SESSION 3 **10:00 AM – 11:30 AM**	**Constitutional Morality: Evolving Jurisprudence** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Constitutional Morality Vis-à-vis Constitutional Ethics • Enabling Conditions for Diversity, Inclusion and Tolerance • Compassion and Empathy in Judicial Process	**Panel** **Justice Sujoy Paul** **Prof. (Dr). Balram K. Gupta**
11.30 AM - 12.00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 4 **12:00 PM – 01:30 PM**	**Judicial Activism and Judicial Restraint in Contemporary Times** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Evolving Jurisprudence of Constitutional Rights • Doctrine of separation of powers • Use of 'Suo Motu' Power • Strengthening Rule of Law • Policy Issues and Judicial Intervention	**Panel** **Justice Sujoy Paul** **Prof. (Dr). Balram K. Gupta**
01:30 PM – 01:45 PM Feedback by Participants		
Departure		

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NATIONAL SEMINAR ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION [P-1417]
(5th & 6th October 2024)

Academic Coordinator - Ms. Ankita Pandey, Faculty, NJA

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSON(S)
DAY 1 5th October 2024 (Saturday)		
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -11:30 AM	**Fair Trial** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Presumption of Innocence & Burden of Proof • *Suo motu* powers of the Court • Accused's Access to Material • Investigatory Lacuna and Role of the Court • Ensuring Expeditious & Efficacious Trial	**Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra** **Mr. E.V. Chandru**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Bail Jurisprudence: Nuances and Intricacies** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Balancing Personal Liberty with Societal Interest - Expeditious disposal of bail applications - Bail upon long incarceration pending trial • Imposition of Conditions in Bail: Scope and Limits • Consistency and Uniformity in Grant of Bail • Writing Reasoned Bail Orders • Bail under Special Statutes	**Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra** **Justice Atul Sreedharan**
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	**Sentencing Procedure: Issues & Challenges** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Parameters for determination of quantum of sentence. • Death Sentence: Consideration of Aggravating & Mitigating Circumstances & Rarest of Rare Doctrine • Ensuring effective 'right to be heard' to the convict on the question of sentence	**Justice Meenakshi M. Rai** **Dr. Humayun Rasheed Khan**
04:00 PM	**Tea**	
DAY 2 6th October 2024 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**The Triple Method of Plea Bargain, Compounding and Probation** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Discussion in light of the Apex Court's suggestions in *In Re: Policy Strategy for Grant of Bail, 2022 SCC OnLine SC 1487* • Relevance of Probation to Prison Reform: An approach to Restorative Justice • Effective utilization of compounding of criminal cases	**Justice Dr. G. Jayachandran** **Dr. Humayun Rasheed Khan**

	• Identification of cases for disposal through plea bargaining and implementation of plea bargaining	
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 12:00 AM - 01:30 PM	**Victim in the Criminal Justice System** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Victim Participation in the Criminal Justice System • Victim Protection and Compensation • Measures to prevent re-victimisation and stigmatization of Victims	**Justice Anu Sivaraman** **Justice Dr. G. Jayachandran**
01:30 PM – 01:40 PM	**Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants**	
Lunch & Departure		

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR HIGH COURT JUSTICES

ON

DEVELOPMENT OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW BY THE SUPREME COURT AND HIGH COURTS

P-1418 – 19th & 20th October 2024

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Academic Coordinator: Shruti Jane Eusebius, Research Fellow, NJA

DAY 1 **19th October 2024 (Saturday)**		
SESSION 1 11:00 AM -12:00 PM	**Developments in Constitutional Law** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ➢ Constitutional Jurisprudence From Inception till the Present Day: Decadal Trends ➢ Development of Constitutional Law • Rights of the Individual • Social Welfare • Union & State Relations • Democracy & Governance	**Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ujjal Bhuyan** **Prof. (Dr.) Sudhir Krishnaswamy**
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**Trends in Constitutional Interpretation** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ➢ Interpretation of Constitutional Silences ➢ Constitutional Morality ➢ Basic Structure & Transformative Constitutionalism • Can "Basic" be equated with "Rigidity"? • Basic Structure & Constitutional Evolution: Dynamism, Adaptability versus Perceived Constraints	**Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ujjal Bhuyan** **Hon'ble Dr. Justice A.K. Jayasankaran Nambiar**
02:00 PM – 03:00 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 03:00 PM – 04:30 PM	**Dissents in the Constitutional Architecture** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ➢ The Voice of Dissent in Constitutional Courts: Unanimity versus Polyvocality ➢ Notable Dissenting Judgments in Constitutional Jurisprudence ➢ Dissent as Future Intelligence	**Hon'ble Dr. Justice A.K. Jayasankaran Nambiar** **Mr. N. Venkataraman**
04:30 PM	**Tea**	

DAY 2 20th October 2024 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Protection and Conservation of Environment & Ecology** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ➢ Judicial Review under Article 226 *vis-à-vis* NGT Act ➢ Emerging Issues in Environment Law • Rights of Sui Juris Entities • Environmental Concerns on the Horizon (E-Waste, Nuclear Waste & Bio-Waste Pollution, Dumping of Toxic Waste, Pollution by Stubble Burning, Public Health Hazards, Space Debris, & Global Warming) ➢ Moving from Reactive to Proactive Environment Jurisprudence: Role of Constitutional Courts	**Hon'ble Mr. Justice Devan Ramachandran** **Prof. (Dr.) Sairam Bhat**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**ICT As a Game Changer in the Judicial Sphere** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ➢ New Criminal Laws & ICT ➢ Impact of ICT on Litigation & Adjudication • Change in the Nature of Disputes & Cause of Action due to ICT • Evidentiary & Factual Evolutions driven by ICT that impact Adjudication	**Hon'ble Ms. Justice Anu Sivaraman** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Raja Vijayaraghavan V.**
01:30 PM – 01:40 PM	**Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants**	
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SOUTH ZONE-I REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON COURT DOCKETS: EXPLOSION AND EXCLUSION [P-1419]

26th & 27th October, 2024

Organised by - National Judicial Academy in association with the Madras High Court and Tamil Nadu State Judicial Academy

Venue – TNSJA Regional Centre at Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu)

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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

DAY 1 **26th October, 2024** **(Saturday)**	**INAUGURAL SESSION** 9:15 AM – 10:00 AM **SESSION 1** 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM **ADDRESSING DOCKET EXCLUSION: ENHANCING INCLUSIVITY AND OPTIMIZING COURT MANAGEMENT** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Access to Justice : Strategies to Promote Inclusivity and Overcome Exclusion • Effective Court Docket Management: Tools & Techniques • Intersectionality and Legal Challenges: Addressing the Complex Interplay **Speakers** **Justice M.M. Sundresh** **Justice M. Sundar**	**TEA BREAK**	**SESSION 2** 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM **EXPEDITIOUS AND EFFICACIOUS JUSTICE DISPENSATION THROUGH ADR MECHANISMS** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Strengthening Court-Annexed ADR • Leveraging settlement through Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) • Collaboration and Capacity Building Mechanisms **Speakers** **Justice C.T. Ravikumar** **Justice M. Sundar**	**LUNCH BREAK**	**SESSION 3** 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM **JUDICIARY AND MEDIA** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Impact of Media on Justice delivery System • Dealing with Multiple Media • Role of Media in High Profile Cases • Freedom of Media & Freedom from Media in the Digital Age **Speakers** **Justice C.T. Ravikumar** **Justice A. P. Sahi**

DAY 2 **27th October, 2024** **(Sunday)**	**SESSION 4** 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM **BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE: ROLE OF E-SERVICES** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Understanding the Digital Divide: e-Courts Project Insights on Access and Effectiveness • Ensuring Access and Inclusivity: e-Courts Project Strategies **Speakers** **Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque** **Dr. Justice Anita Sumanth**	**T E A B R E A K**	**SESSION 5** 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM **ADVANCING JUDICIAL GOVERNANCE THROUGH EMERGING AND FUTURE TECHNOLOGIES** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Judicial Decision Making • Blockchain Technology for Secure Record Management • Recent Advances in Technology **Speakers** **Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque** **Justice M. Sundar**	

TRAINING PROGRAMME ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND CITIZEN SECURITY FOR THE JUDGES OF REPUBLIC OF PERU [SE-18]

4th to 8th November, 2024

Academic Coordinators – Dr. Amit Mehrotra & Ms. Ankita Pandey, Faculty, NJA

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING *All timings are in Indian Standard Time (IST)*	**THEMES**	**RESOURCE PERSON(S)**
DAY 1 4th November, 2024 (Monday)		
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -11:30 AM	**Vision of Justice** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ● Ideals of Justice ● Facets of Justice: Social, Economic and Political ● Global Perspective on Justice: Evolving Jurisprudence	**Justice Sunil Ambwani**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	**Judge in a Constitutional Democracy** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ● Requisite Qualities & Attitude to be a Good Judge ● Ethical Conundrums in Judging & Possible Solutions ● Judicial Activism vs Judicial Restraint	**Justice Sunil Ambwani** **Justice Rajiv Shakdher**
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	**Protection of Environment and Wildlife: The Judicial Approach** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ● Protection of Environment as a Constitutional Mandate ● Judiciary as *parens patriae* to protect the Environment & Wildlife ● Role of Judiciary in developing Environmental Jurisprudence – Public Trust Doctrine, Polluter Pays Principle, Precautionary Principle etc. ● The vires of Judicial Activism in protection of Environment & Wildlife ● Innovative Approaches to meet the Global Challenges	**Prof (Dr) M K Ramesh** **Mr Samir Sinha**
4:00 PM	**Tea**	
DAY 2 5th November, 2024 (Tuesday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Human Trafficking: Legal Framework** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ● Major Legislations ● International Instruments and Standards ● Judicial Pronouncements	**Justice Sonia G. Gokani** **Dr P M Nair**

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	**Appreciation of Evidence in Human Trafficking Cases** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Evidentiary Standards • Types of evidences in Human Trafficking trial • Extra territorial Evidence • Expert Testimony	**Justice Sonia G. Gokani** **Mr Anil Kishore Yadav**
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 6 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	**Trauma Informed Judging in Trafficking Cases** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Understanding the impact of Trafficking on survivors and families: A psycho-social Approach • Tools to safeguard reluctant and fragile witnesses • Role of judge in preserving the dignity of trafficking survivors • Trauma-Informed Judicial Practices: Reimagining the Courtroom Environment	**Justice Sonia G. Gokani** **Ms. Samindara Hardikar Sawant**
4:00 PM	**Tea**	
LOCAL VISIT		
DAY 3 **6th November, 2024 (Wednesday)**		
SESSION 7 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Laws relating to Women & Children** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Major Legislations relating to women and children • Notable Judgments • Barriers to access to justice • Sensitivity anchors in Justice Delivery Mechanism ✓ Eliminating Bias, Stereotypes & Prejudices in the court Processes • Usage of appropriate words, phrases, and remarks in courts	**Justice Manju Goel** **Justice Asha Menon**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 8 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	**Victim in the Criminal Justice System** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Victim Participation in the Criminal Justice System • Victim Protection: Compensation & Rehabilitation • Measures to prevent re-victimisation and stigmatization of Victims	**Justice Manju Goel** **Justice Asha Menon** **Ms Ankita Pandey**

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
LOCAL VISIT		
DAY 4 **7th November, 2024 (Thursday)**		
SESSION 9 10:00 AM -11:00 AM	**Cyber-enabled Human Trafficking** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Emerging challenges, modus, motivations, threats and targets • Internet and Social Media vis-à-vis offences relating to human trafficking • Liability of intermediaries	**Dr Harold D'Costa**
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 10 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	**Admissibility and Appreciation of Electronic Evidence** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Expanding Horizons of Electronic Evidence: Challenges in Collection & Preservation • Relevance and Admissibility of Electronic Evidence • Judicial Pronouncements	**Dr Harold D'Costa**
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	**Lunch Break**	
LOCAL VISIT		
DAY 5 **8th November, 2024 (Friday)**		
SESSION 11 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Elements of Fair Trial** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Principles of Natural Justice • Human Right to fair and speedy trial • Judicial Control over the abuse of Investigation and Custodial Powers • Victim assistance and Witness Protection: Safeguarding the edifice of administration of justice	**Justice Ved Prakash Sharma** **Prof (Dr) Amit Mehrotra**
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	

SESSION 12 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	**Landmark Judgments: Celebrating Decadal Masterpieces** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Important Contributions of the Constitutional Courts in the Last Decade ✓ Gender Justice ✓ Right to Privacy ✓ Independence of Judiciary ✓ Social and Economic Justice ✓ Rights of Marginalized Sections of Society	**Justice Ved Prakash Sharma** **Prof (Dr) V K Dixit**
1:30 PM - 1:40 PM	**Feedback & Audit of the Course by Participants**	
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National Conference for High Court Justices on AI in Judicial Governance [P-1420]

09th -10th November 2024

National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

Tentative Programme Schedule

Saturday	Day-1 09.11.2024	Proposed Speakers
11:00 AM -12:00 PM	**SESSION 1** **An Introduction to AI: Scope & Limits** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Origin and Evolving Concept of AI: Brief Introductory Overview • Fact Check: Open Session to Understand the Existing Knowledge "State of the Art" • Plans & Proposal: Contemplating a Judicial "Blue Print" ○ What Can AI "Do" for Judiciary?	*Justice M. Sundar* *Prof. Madhusudanan B.*
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**	
AI: A Handmaiden of Judiciary		
12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**SESSION 2** **AI as an Aid in Sentencing: Critical Analysis** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Dealing with "Precedent" • Conflicting Positions • Analysis of Aggravating & Mitigating Circumstances	*Justice M.Sundar*
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	**Lunch**	

03:00 PM - 04:30 PM	**SESSION 3**
	AI as Administrative Tool
	
	Proposed scope of discussion:
	• Court Management
	  ○ Board Management
	  ○ Registry Management
	  ○ Roster Management
	• Case Management
	  ○ Transparency in lis
	  ○ Pendency
	  ○ Fair Hearing
	  ○ Access to Justice
	• Relationship Management
	  ○ Supervisory Jurisdiction
	  ○ Financial Management
	  ○ Govt. Departments: Integration
	  ▪ ICJS
	  ▪ NIC
		Justice C. M. Joshi
		Prof. Madhusudanan B.

04:00 PM	**Tea Break**	

Sunday	Day-2 10.11.2024	Speakers
Dealing with AI: Judicial Challenges		
10:00 AM -11:30 PM	**SESSION 4** **Contours of Prospective Issues & Threats** *Proposed Scope of discussion*: ***Legal Issues*** **-** • Dealing with "Authenticity" & "Reliability" – o Electronic Evidence o Impersonation *viz.* "Deep Fakes" • Fixing the "Liability" – o Metaverse o Free speech *v.* Defamation o IP infringements o Deep Fakes o ISPs: "*Safe Harbour*" *v.* "Legal Rights" (including Constitutional Rights *viz.* Privacy, Freedoms, etc.) • Dealing with "Jurisdiction" – o Tests – ▪ "Sliding Scale Test " (Zippo Test) ▪ "Effects Test" (Calder Test) o Golden Triangle of IPC, CrPC, & IT Act o Remedies – ▪ Global Injunctions ▪ Dynamic Injunctions	*Justice S. Muralidhar*
11:30 PM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**SESSION 5** **AI & Criminal Liability: Prospects & Challenges** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Exploring the Concept of Liability in Digital Age • Criminal Liabilities posed by AI • Dealing with Liability Issues: Indian Perspective	*Justice Raja Vijayaraghavan*
01:15PM - 01:30PM	*Audit of the Course by Participant Judges*	
01:30PM	**Lunch & Departure**	

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Workshop for High Court Justices on Information & Communication Technology [P-1421]
10th November, 2024
Programme Schedule

Session & Timing	Themes	
SESSION 1 **10:30 AM to 11:45 AM** *[*In House Tea at 11.30 AM]*	**Digital Transformation in Indian Judicial System: Enhancing Efficiency, Access, and Usability** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • e-Courts Project and ICT Infrastructure Development • Advancements in Judicial Technology • Improving Access to Justice and Digital Literacy • Court Management Tools and Collaborative Training	**Speakers** **Justice Suraj Govindaraj** **Justice Sanjeev Kalgaonkar**
SESSION 2 **11:45 AM to 01:00 PM**	**Creative Expression, Censorship, and ICT in the Justice System: Navigating the Intersection** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Impact of Creative Works on Public Opinion particularly in relation to online entertainment and its legal implication • Balancing Fair Trial with Censorship: Role of ICT ✓ Remote Hearings ✓ Access to Information ✓ Transparency and Accountability ✓ Digital Evidence • Case Studies and Real-World Applications	**Speakers** **Justice Suraj Govindaraj** **Mr. Tigmanshu Dhulia**
01:00 PM to 02:00 PM Lunch Break		
SESSION 3 **02:00 PM to 03:00 PM**	**Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its Implications as Courtroom Technology** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Evolution of AI • Integrating AI in Court Processes: Challenges and Issues • Judicial Governance *vis-à-vis* Artificial Intelligence (AI) • Data Security and Privacy in the Digital Era • Data Biases and Design Biases • AI-Based Tools	**Speakers** **Justice C M Joshi** **Justice Sanjeev Kalgaonkar**
03:00 PM – 03:15 PM [*Audit of the Course by Participant Justices]*		
Tea & Departure		

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TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR JUDGES FROM THE KINGDOM OF BHUTAN [SE-05]

11TH TO 15TH NOVEMBER, 2024

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING *In Indian Standard Time (IST)*	**THEMES**	**RESOURCE PERSONS**
DAY 1 **11th November, 2024 (Monday)**		
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -11:45 AM	**Vision of Justice** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Facets of Justice: Social, Economic, and Political • Rule of Law & Role of Judiciary • Expeditious & Accessible Justice: Experiences, Challenges & Potential Solutions ***(*In-house Tea at 11:30 AM)***	**Justice Mukta Gupta** **Prof V.K. Dixit**
11:45 AM - 12:00 PM	**Break**	
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Elements of Judicial Behavior: Ethics, Neutrality, and Professionalism** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Ethical standards & Norms vis-à-vis Conduct of Judges • Objectivity in Decision Making • Addressing Bias & Stereotypes in Adjudication	**Justice Mukta Gupta** **Justice Ved Prakash Sharma** **Justice Poonam Bamba**
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	**Art, Craft and Science of Writing Judgments** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Judgments as the Voice of the Court • Significance of Reasoning in Judgments & Orders • Language & Law: Brevity & Coherence in Judgments • Gender Sensitivity in Judgments & Orders	**Justice Ved Prakash Sharma** **Justice Poonam Bamba**
4:00 PM - 4:30 PM	**Tea Break**	

DAY 2 **12th November, 2024 (Tuesday)**		
SESSION 4 10:30 AM -12:00 AM	**Criminal Justice Administration and Human Rights** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Elements of Fair Trial • Witness Protection • Individual Liberty vis-a--vis Criminal Justice: Bail	**Justice Sonia G. Gokani** **Justice Asha Menon**
12:00 AM – 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**Judiciary and Media: Need for Balance** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Media Reporting of Judicial Proceedings: Concerns & Solutions • Media Trial vis-à-vis Judicial Ethics • Freedom of Media in Digital Age	**Justice Sonia G. Gokani** **Justice Asha Menon**
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	**Lunch Break**	
03:30 PM Onwards	**LOCAL VISIT**	
DAY 3 **13th November, 2024 (Wednesday)**		
SESSION 6 10:30 AM -12:00 AM	**Judicial Stress and Wellness** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Occupational Stress in Judging • Stress Management Techniques & Tools	**Dr. Harish Shetty**
12:00 AM - 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**	

SESSION 7 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**Electronic Evidence: New Horizons, Collection, Preservation and Appreciation** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Evolving Nature of Electronic Evidence • Collection & Preservation of Electronic Evidence • Appreciation of Electronic Evidence	**Dr. Harold D'Costa**
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 8 03:00 PM – 04:30 PM	**Forensic Evidence in Civil & Criminal Trials** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Locard's Exchange Principle • Appreciation of Forensic Evidence	**Ms. Nisha Menon**
4:30 PM	**Tea Break**	
06:00 PM	**Movie Screening for Participants** **(In House Tea at 06:45 PM)**	
DAY 4 **14th November, 2024 (Thursday)**		
SESSION 9 10:00 AM -11:15 AM	**Protecting the Rights of Persons with Disability** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Intersectionality of Disability • Addressing Stereotypes: Adopting Appropriate language & Attitudes • Inclusive Courts for Persons with Disability	**Justice Roshan S. Dalvi** **Ms. Geeta Ramaseshan**
11:15 AM – 11:45 AM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 10 11:45 PM - 01:00 PM	**Transition to a Gender Just Society** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Gender Sensitive Adjudication Gender Sensitive Judgment Writing	**Justice Roshan S. Dalvi** **Ms. Geeta Ramaseshan**

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM	**Lunch Break**	
02:00 PM-03:00 PM	**Interaction and Open Discussion** **Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal** **Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Law and Justice; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs**	
03:00 PM – 03:30 PM	**Tea**	
03:30 PM	**LOCAL VISIT**	
DAY 5 **15th November, 2024 (Friday)**		
SESSION 11 10:30 AM -12:00 AM	**Re-engineering Judicial Processes through ICT** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • ICT as an enabler of efficacious & expeditious justice • e-Courts – The Indian experience • Striking a Balance between Transparency & Confidentiality	**Mr. Atul Kaushik** **Mr. Kuldeep Kushwaha**
12:00 AM – 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 12 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**Alternative Dispute Resolution** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • ADR as a tool to conserve judicial resources & to ensure speedy justice • ADR Mechanisms • Role of Court in Enabling Settlement	**Justice Subashis Talapatra**
Lunch		

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National Conference for High Court Justices on Taxation [P-1422]

16th & 17th November 2024

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Session/ Timing	Theme	Speakers
Session 1 **11:00AM -12:00 Noon** ***Day 1*** ***16th November***	**The Fundamentals of Direct & Indirect Tax Regime in India** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Authority to Tax and the Basis of Taxation • 101st Amendment and Dimensions of Article 246A, 269A and 279 • Harmonized National Market vis-à-vis Cooperative/Competitive Federalism • GST Council: Role and Function in light of the Supreme Court judgment in *Union of India v. Mohit Minerals* (2022). • Constitutional Authority to Direct Taxation- Provisions for Finance Bill and Treaties, Money Bills & Scheme of Income Tax Act, 1961	**Dr. Justice Anita Sumanth** **Justice Anubha Rawat Choudhary**
Tea Break: 12:00 Noon - 12:30 PM		
Session 2 **12:30 PM - 02:00 PM** ***Day 1*** ***16th November***	**Concept of Supply: Mixed and Composite Supply** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Overview of Customs Tariff and GST Schedules • Model of Composite Supply in relation to "Two or more Taxable Supplies" • Principal Supply, Predominant Element, Deemed Supply and Incidental & Ancillary Supply	**Dr. Justice A.K. Jayasankaran Nambiar** **Justice B. D. Karia**
Lunch Break: 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM		
Session 3 **03:00 PM - 04:30 PM** ***Day 1*** ***16th November***	**Valuation, Time & Place of Supply** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Section 15 of CGST Act & Valuation Rules • Value of Taxable Supply • Forward & Reverse Charge • Determination of Place of Supply in Interstate Transactions	**Justice Mohammed Shaffiq** **Mr. S Ganesh**
Tea Break		

Session/ Timing	Theme	Speakers
Session 4 **10:00AM -11:30AM** ***Day 2*** ***17th November***	**Transfer Pricing - Basic Principles & Challenges: Role of High Courts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Background of Transfer Pricing in India • Transfer Pricing Regulations [Section 92 – Income Tax Act] & Issues [Comparability Analysis & Adjustment; Use of contemporaneous data; Application of data rules; Location Savings etc] • Interplay between Domestic Law and Tax Treaties • Share transfer without Consideration	**Shri. N. Venkataraman** **Shri Balasubramanian Krishnamurthy**
Tea Break: 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM		
Session 5 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM** ***Day 2*** ***17th November***	**International Tax Treaty Law and Double Tax Avoidance Agreements: An Overview** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Genesis & objective of tax treaties • General Rules of Interpretation of Treaties • General Rule of Interpretation [Article 31, VCLT] • Supplementary means of Interpretation [Article 32, VCLT] • [Model OECD, Travaux preparatoires, Conduct shown through Mutual Agreement procedures etc.] • Leading International Tax models and commentary • Principles of General Anti Avoidance Rule (GAAR)	**Shri. N. Venkataraman** **Shri Balasubramanian Krishnamurthy**
01:30 PM - 01:45 PM	Audit of the Course by Participant Judges	
Lunch Break & Departure: 01:45 PM		

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SENTENCING, PROBATION AND VICTIMOLOGY [P-1423]

(16th & 17th November, 2024)

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

PARTICIPANTS: DISTRICT JUDICIARY

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSON(S)
DAY 1 16th November 2024 (Saturday)		
SESSION 1 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Sentencing Procedure: Issues and Challenges** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Sentencing Parameters in major offences • Judicious Approach in determination of Quantum ofSentence • Doctrine of Proportionality • Individualization of punishment and Just deserts • Mercy, Leniency & Misplaced Sympathy in Sentencing • Sentencing Practice in Sexual offences • Sentencing Practice in Economic Offences • Remission of sentence	**Justice D.K. Upadhyaya Justice Joymalya Bagchi Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra**
Cc	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Death Sentence: Changing Contours** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Right to Life, Death Sentence and Age of Reformation • Rule of 'Absolute certainty', 'Beyond Reasonable Doubt', and 'Residual Doubts' • Major Shift in Approach to Sentencing in Murder • Aggravating and Mitigating circumstances • Crime Test, Criminal Test & Rarest of Rare Test • Life Imprisonment for a Fixed Period • Minimum Mandatory Sentence for Culpable Homicide not amounting to Murder under Section. 105 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023	**Justice Joymalya Bagchi Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra**
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	**Commutation of Death Sentence** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • From 'Judge-centric sentencing' to 'Principled Sentencing' • Individualized Sentencing Enquiry • Discussion on *Manoj v. State of M.P., 2022 SCC Online SC 677* • Practical Guidelines to collect mitigating circumstances • Mandatory Pre-Sentence Report (PST) in Death Penalty Cases • Mandatory Report from Probation Officer, Prison Authority & Medical Health Professional	**Justice D.K. Upadhyaya Justice P. S. Dinesh Kumar**
04:00 PM – 04:30 PM	**Tea**	

DAY 2 17th November 2024 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Sentencing Policy under New Criminal Laws & Victim Compensation** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Sentencing Policy under Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 • Community Service as a Form of Punishment • Rehabilitative and Reformative Justice • Changing Role of Victim in the Criminal Justice System • Victim Compensation under Cr. P. C., 1973, BNSS, 2023 & Victim Compensation Scheme	**Justice Anoop Chitkara** **Prof. (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai** **Mr. Anil Kishore Yadav**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Probation, Triple Method & Interface of Technology & Sentencing** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Sentence Determination • Probation of Offenders Act, 1958 & Triple Method • Lenient Punishment for plea bargaining for first-time offenders • Early release of certain under-trial prisoners • Artificial Intelligence and Sentencing Justice • Discussion on *State of Wisconsin v. Eric. E. Loomis* case • AI Algorithms and Issues of Fairness	**Justice Anoop Chitkara** **Prof. (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai**
01:30 PM – 01:45 PM	**Audit of the Course by Participant Judges**	
Lunch & Departure		

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR HIGH COURT JUSTICES ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION [P-1424]

(23RD & 24TH NOVEMBER, 2024)

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSONS
DAY 1 **23rd November, 2024 (Saturday)**		
SESSION 1 11:00 AM -12:00 AM	**Bail: Intricacies and Nuances** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Balancing Personal Liberty with Societal Interest • Conditions for Bail *-Identifying Permissible vs Onerous/Extraneous Conditions* • Writing Reasoned Bail Orders • Expeditious Disposal of Bail Applications • Consistency and Uniformity in grant of bail	**Justice Bharati Dangre** **Justice Anup Jairam Bhambhani**
Tea Break - 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM		
SESSION 2 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**Bail under Special Statutes** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Conditions for Grant of Bail Under: *-Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967* *-Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002* *-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985* • Bail pending long incarceration • Recent Judicial Pronouncements	**Mr. K.M. Nataraj** **Mr. Sidharth Luthra**
Lunch Break - 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM		
SESSION 3 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM	**Victim in the Criminal Justice System** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Victim Participation in the Criminal Justice System • Victim Compensation: Judicial Approach towards Compensatory Jurisprudence • Measures to prevent re-victimisation and stigmatization of Victims	**Justice Bharati Dangre** **Mr. E.V. Chandru**
In House Tea at 03:15 PM		

DAY 2 24th November, 2024 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Sentencing Procedure: Issues and Challenges** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Sentencing Parameters in major offences • Judicious Approach in determination of Quantum of Sentence • Element of Proportionality • Concept of Misplaced Sympathy	**Justice Atul Sreedharan** **Dr. Justice Pushpendra Singh Bhati**
Tea Break - 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM		
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	**Emerging Challenges in Criminal Justice Administration: Cyber Crimes** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Jurisdictional Issues in Adjudication of Cybercrimes • Identifying offenders and challenges relating to extraterritorial evidence • Liability of intermediaries	**Justice A.M. Mustaque** **Justice Atul Sreedharan**
Feedback of the Conferenceby Participants		
Lunch & Departure		

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REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON COURT DOCKETS: EXPLOSION AND EXCLUSION (NORTH ZONE-I) [P-1425]
30th November & 1st December 2024

National Judicial Academy in association with the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh and Jammu & Kashmir Judicial Academy Venue:
Srinagar
Academic Coordinators: Dr. Sumit Bhattacharya & Ms. Shruti Jane Eusebius, Research Fellow, National Judicial Academy

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DAY 1 **30th November 2024 (Saturday)**	
09:00 AM:	**INAUGURAL SESSION** **9:30 AM – 10:00 AM** Conduct of Proceedings: Director, Jammu & Kashmir Judicial Academy
09:20 AM :	Arrival of Participants
09:28 AM :	Arrival of Hon'ble Guest and Dignitaries
09:30 AM :	Arrival of the Chief Guest Hon'ble Mr. Justice Hrishikesh Roy
09:32 AM :	National Anthem
09:35 AM :	Lighting of Ceremonial Lamp
09:40 AM :	**Welcome Address** Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tashi Rabstan Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh
09:45 AM :	**Introductory Speech** Hon'ble Mr. Justice Aniruddha Bose (Former Judge, Supreme Court of India) Director, National Judicial Academy **Inaugural Address** Hon'ble Mr. Justice Hrishikesh Roy Judge, Supreme Court of India **Vote of Thanks** Hon'ble Ms. Justice Sindhu Sharma, Judge In-charge Jammu & Kashmir Judicial Academy **Break for Group Photograph**

TECHNICAL SESSIONS DAY 1 30th November 2024 (Saturday)		
SESSION & TIMING	**THEMES**	**RESOURCE PERSONS**
SESSION 1 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Expeditious and Efficacious Justice Dispensation through ADR Mechanisms** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Strengthening Court-Annexed ADR • Leveraging settlement through Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) • Collaboration and Capacity Building Mechanisms	**Panel** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice G. S. Kulkarni** **Chair** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Addressing Docket Exclusion: Enhancing Inclusivity and Optimizing Court Management** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Access to Justice : Strategies to Promote Inclusivity and Overcome Exclusion • Effective Court Docket Management: Tools & Techniques • Intersectionality and Legal Challenges: Addressing the Complex Interplay	**Panel** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Atul Sreedharan**
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	**Judiciary and Media** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Media and the Justice delivery System • Dealing with Social Media • Freedom of Media & Freedom from Media in the Digital Age from a Citizen's Perspective	**Panel** **Hon'ble Ms. Justice Gita Mittal** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice G. Raghuram** **Chair** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Kotiswar Singh**
04:00 PM	**Tea**	

DAY 2 1st December 2024 (Sunday)		
Tea Break		
SESSION 4 09:00 AM -10:15 AM	**Bridging the Digital Divide: Role of e-Services** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Understanding the Digital Divide: e-Courts Project Insights on Access and Effectiveness • Ensuring Access and Inclusivity: e-Courts Project Strategies	**Panel** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque**
SESSION 5 10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**Advancing Judicial Governance Through Emerging and Future Technologies** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Judicial Decision Making • Block chain Technology for Secure Record Management • Recent Advances in Technology	**Panel** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. Sundar** **Chair** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Kotiswar Singh**
11:30 AM – 11:40 AM	**Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants**	
Lunch & Departure		

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Orientation Course for Newly Elevated High Court Justices [P-1426]

7th - 8th December 2024

National Judicial Academy

Saturday	Day 1 7th December, 2024	Resource Persons
10:30 AM to 12:00 PM	**Session 1** **Scope of Writ Jurisdiction of the High Court under Article 226** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** • Origin of Writ Jurisdiction & its Evolving Dimensions • Principles of "Proportionality" & "Reasonableness" • Constitutional validity of State Actions *vis a vis* "Manifest Arbitrariness" • Procedural Fairness and Principles of Natural Justice	**Justice P. Sam Koshy** **Justice Girish S. Kulkarni** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan**
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**	
12:30 PM to 02:00 PM	**Session 2** **Limits of Writ Jurisdiction of the High Court under Article 226** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** • Dealing with Factual Issues – Title, Possession, Ownership • Remedies against "Private Persons" by Constitutional Courts – Scope & Limits • Judicial Interference in Policy Matters - Scope & Permissible Extent • Contractual Matters, Compensation and Damages • Territorial Application	**Justice P. Sam Koshy** **Justice Girish S. Kulkarni** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan**
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	**Lunch**	
03:00 PM to 04:30 PM	**Session 3** **Enhancing Court Efficiency, Access to Justice and User-Friendliness through Digital Transformation** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** • Best Practices in Software System at High Court Level • Paperless Courts & E-Filing • Citizens' Diverse Needs and Digital Literacy Levels • Gaps in Public Technological Infrastructure • Court & Case Management Tools- NJDG, CIS, JustIS Mobile App • System Integration: NIC, ICJS, CCTNS, CIS	**Justice Girish S. Kulkarni** **Justice C.M. Joshi**
04:30 PM	**Tea Break**	

Sunday	Day 2 8th December 2024	Resource Persons
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	**Session 4** **Scope of Jurisdiction of the High Court under Article 227** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Scope of Judicial Review under Article 227 • Existence of Alternative Remedy and Exercise of Power under Article 227 • Scope of Administrative Power under Article 227	**Justice Subhasis Talapatra** **Justice Devan Ramachandran**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
12:00 PM to 01:30 PM	**Session 5** **Fundamental Rights & Free Speech** ***Proposed Scope of discussion*** • Jurisdiction in Digital Age • Evolving Concept of "Defamation" • Digital Platforms: Public Highway or Private Field? – Impact on Constitutional Right	**Justice Subhasis Talapatra** **Justice Devan Ramachandran**
01:30 PM - 01:45 PM	**Feedback by Participants**	
01:45 PM	**Lunch & Departure**	

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Workshop for High Court Justices on Information & Communication Technology [P-1427]
08th December, 2024
Programme Schedule

Session	Themes	Proposed Speakers

10:30 AM to 11:45 AM	**SESSION 1**
	Digital Transformation in Indian Judicial System: Enhancing Efficiency, Access, and Usability
	Proposed Scope of Discussion:
	• e-Court Project and ICT Infrastructure Development
	• Technological Advances: Assessing Impact on Judicial System
	  ○ Improving Access to Justice and Digital Literacy
	  ○ Court Management Tools and Collaborative Training
	• Impact on "Docket-Exclusion" & Prevention of Potential "Docket Explosion"
	  ○ Disposal: Filing Ratio
	  ○ Registry Management
		Dr. Justice P. S. Bhati

In-House Tea at 11:30 AM		

11:45 AM to 01:00 PM	**SESSION 2**
	Challenges Posed by ICT and Digitization
	Proposed Scope of Discussion:
	• Stakeholder Security Concerns
	  ○ Privacy of Judges
	  ○ Privacy of Parties
	  ○ Witnesses & Victim Protection
	• Infrastructural Security Concerns
	  ○ Security of Court Premises
	  ○ Security of Judicial Data (Including Personal Data)
	  ○ Institutional Data Breaches: ICJS stake holders; NJDG; CCTNS; NIC
	• Livestreaming (LS) Issues
	  ○ Dealing with Potential Misinformation & Disinformation
	  ○ Anonymity, Identity, & Party Privacy in LS
	  ○ Commercialisation of Court room proceedings through Private Platforms
		Justice Anoop Chitkara
		Prof. Anant Prabhu G.

01:00 PM to 02:00 PM Lunch Break		

02:00 PM to 03:15 PM	**SESSION 3**
	Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its Implications in Courtrooms
	Proposed Scope of discussion:
	• AI as an Enabler to Judicial System
	  ○ Court & Case Management
	  ○ Relationship Management: Supervision, Bar & Bench, Other
		Dr. Justice P. S. Bhati
		Professor Arnab Bhattacharya

	Governmental Stakeholders ○ Registry Management – Case Load Optimization • Challenges Posed by AI ○ Governing & Regulating AI ○ Fixing of Liability: Civil & Criminal ○ AI led Evidentiary Issues: Admissibility, Authenticity, Reliability (Deep Fakes)	
Departure		

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TRAINING PROGRAM FOR MALDIVES JUDICIAL OFFICERS (SE-08)

09th December to 12th December, 2024

Academic Coordinators – Dr. Amit Mehrotra & Mr. Prasidh Raj Singh, Faculty, NJA

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

All timings are as per Indian Standard Time (IST)

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSONS
DAY 1 **09/12/2024 (Monday)**		
SESSION 1 11:30 AM -12:30 PM	**Indian Judiciary: Organizational Structure, Jurisdiction and Approaches** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Courts in India: Hierarchy and Jurisdiction • Separation of Power • Allocation of Legislative Powers- The Federal Architecture	**Justice U. U. Lalit** **Justice A. K. Goel**
12:30 PM - 01:00 PM: Tea Break		
SESSION 2 01:00 PM - 02:30 PM	**Goals, Role and Mission of Courts: Constitutional Vision of Justice** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Role of a Judge in a Constitutional Democracy • Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy • Doctrine of Basic Structure – Development of Jurisprudence • Judicial Activism	**Justice A. K. Goel** **Justice Subhasis Talapatra** **Chair: Justice U. U. Lalit**
02:30 PM – 3:30 PM: Lunch Break		
SESSION 3 03:30 PM - 05:00 PM	**Judicial Skills and Art of Judgement Writing** **Ethics, Neutrality and Professionalism** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Integrity and Impartiality to Ensure Judicial Neutrality • Objectivity in Decision Making • Judgments as the Voice of the Court • Significance of Reasoning in Judgments and Orders • Sensitivity in Judgments	**Justice Subhasis Talapatra** **Ms. Giribala Singh**
05:00 PM Onwards: Tea		

DAY 2 **10/12/2024 (Tuesday)**		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Judge as the Master of the Court:** **Court & Case Management** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Role of a Judge in Streamlining Court & Case Management • Bottlenecks in Judicial Administration • Best Practices for Effective Disposal of Cases • Use of ICT in court and case management • Innovations in terms of new applications and software • e-Judiciary & Data Protection/ Privacy	**Justice U. C. Dhyani** **Justice R. C. Chavan**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Tea Break		
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Jurisprudence on Environmental Law:** **Experience of the Supreme Court** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Protection of Environment under the Indian Constitutional Mandate • Public Trust Doctrine • Judicial Role as *Parens Patriae* to Protect the Environment & Wildlife • Significance of Judicial Activism in Protection of Environment & Wildlife • Innovative Approaches to Meet the Global Challenges	**Mr. Samir Sinha** **Prof (Dr.) Md. Zafar Mahfooz Nomani**
01:30 PM – 2:30 PM: Lunch		
STUDY TOUR		
DAY 3 **11/12/2024 (Wednesday)**		
SESSION 6 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Criminal Justice Administration:** **Fair Trial and Human Rights** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Attributes of Fair Trial • Procedural Safeguards • Rights of the Accused vis-à-vis Rights of the Victim • Judicial Control over the abuse of Investigation • Case Law Jurisprudence	**Mr. Rajiv Jain** **Prof (Dr.) Amit Mehrotra**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Tea Break		

SESSION 7 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Electronic Evidence: New Horizons, Collection, Preservation and Appreciation** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Settling, Resettling & Unsettling: Evolutionary Process of the Law on Electronic Evidence • Evolving Nature of Electronic Evidence: Challenges in Collection & Preservation of Electronic Evidence	**Dr. Harold D'Costa**
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM: Lunch Break		
STUDY TOUR		
DAY 4 **12/12/2024 (Thursday)**		
SESSION 8 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Principles of Evidence:** **Appreciation in Civil and Criminal Cases** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Standard and Burden of Proof regarding presumption of culpable mental state: Scope & Limits • Evidentiary Presumptions • Reverse Burden of Proof: POCSO Act, NDPS Act & PMLA	**Justice Ved Prakash Sharma** **Mr. Girish R. Agarwal**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Tea Break		
SESSION 9 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Civil Justice Administration:** **Alternative Dispute Redressal System in India** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • ADR as a tool to conserve judicial resources & to ensure speedy justice • ADR Mechanisms • Referral of Cases for Settlement: Suitable Cases, Procedure for Referral, Appropriate Stage for Referral	**Justice Poonam A. Bamba** **Justice Ved Prakash Sharma**
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NATIONAL CONVENTION FOR SENIOR HIGH COURT JUSTICES: STRENGTHENING FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROTOCOLS IN HIGH COURTS [P-1428]

14th & 15th December 2024

National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

TTENTATIVE PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

DAY-1: 14.12.2024 SATURDAY	
SESSION 1 **10:30 AM -12:00 PM**	**Administrative Functions of the High Court/ Chief Justice** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Effective Registry Management and Inspections: Role of Chief Justice in placement of efficient Judicial Officers • Training of Secretarial Staff: Technical and Non-Technical • Management of Full Court Meetings: Preparing the Agenda and Arriving at Consensus **Speakers** **Justice Kurian Joseph** **Justice A.P. Sahi**
***Tea Break:* 12:00 PM - 12:30PM**	
SESSION 2 **12:30 PM - 02:00 PM**	**Administrative Functions of the High Court/ Chief Justice** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Chief Justice the Master of Roster: Judicial & Administrative Considerations in Preparation of Rosters • Constitution of Committees • Portfolio Judges and their Responsibilities • Annual Confidential Report • Holding Timely Selections of Judicial Officers and their Protocols **Speakers** **Justice A.P. Sahi** **Justice Rajiv Shakdher**
***Lunch Break:* 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM**	
SESSION 3 **03:00 PM – 04:30 PM**	**Role of ICT in Advancing Judicial Governance** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Advancements in Technology and Judiciary: Impact Assessment • ICT as an Enabler for Process Re-engineering in the High Court • Court Management Tools and Collaborative Training **Speaker** **Prof. Ananth Prabhu G.** **Chair** **Justice A.P. Sahi**
Tea : 04:30 PM	

DAY-2: 15.12.2024 SUNDAY	
SESSION 4 **10:00 AM -11:30 AM**	**Budget Preparation & Fiscal Management** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Pre-budget Planning: Past Utilization, Current Requirements,Contingency; and Sector-Wise Estimates • Co-opting/Consulting Experts for Fiscal Planning and Budget Preparation • Effective Budgeting: Synergy between Judiciary and Fiscal Authorities • Designing Action Plan for Utilization of Fiscal Resources • Effective Utilization of Grants and other Financial Resources: Monitoring Expenditure **Speaker** **Mr. Subhash Pandey** **Chair** **Justice S. Talapatra**
***Tea Break*: 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM**	
SESSION 5 **12:00 PM - 1:30 PM**	**Administrative Functions of the High Court/ Chief Justice** *Proposed scope of discussion:* • Time Management: Balancing Judicial and Administrative Functions • Maintaining Docket of Reserved Judgments • Collaboration with other Branches - Union and State Executive: Infrastructure, Budget, and Law & Order **Speaker** **Justice Mohit S. Shah** **Justice S. Talapatra**
1:30 PM - 01:45 PM *Audit of the Course by Participant Justices*	
01:45 PM **Lunch Break & Departure**	

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NATIONAL SEMINAR ON ORGANIZED CRIME AND OFFENCES AGAINST NATIONAL SECURITY [P-1429]
4th & 5th January 2025
Participants – Sessions Judges/ Judges of NIA Courts

Academic Coordinator: Ms. Shruti Jane Eusebius, Research Fellow, National Judicial Academy

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSONS
DAY 1 **4th January 2025 (Saturday)**		
SESSION 1 10:00 AM -11:15 AM	**Organized Crime & Offences against National Security: Legislative Landscape** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Offences (UAPA & BNS) ➢ Jurisdiction (NIA & BNSS)	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Joymalya Bagchi Ms. Shruti Jane Eusebius
11:15 AM -11:45 AM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 11:45 AM - 01:00 PM	**Digital Evidence** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Evolving Nature of Digital Evidence ➢ Appreciation of Digital Evidence in Organised Crime & Offences against National Security	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Joymalya Bagchi Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anoop Chitkara
1:00 PM - 02:00 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 02:00 PM - 03:15 PM	**Bail and Remand** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Bail in Organised Crime & Offences Against National Security (UAPA & BNSS) ➢ Balancing Statutory Requirements on Bail & Remand with Accused's Right to Liberty and Fair Trial	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Abhay S. Oka Hon'ble Mr. Justice Aniruddha Bose Hon'ble Mr. Justice Joymalya Bagchi
03:15 PM	**In House Tea**	
SESSION 4 03:15 PM - 04:45PM	**Efficacious Conduct of Trial** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Observing Fairness During Framing of Charge and Trial ➢ Striking a balance between Disclosure of Materials to Accused and Confidentiality & Security of State	Mr. D. Lingeswaran Ms. Garima Sharma
04:45 PM	**Tea**	

DAY 2 5th January 2025 (Sunday)		
SESSION 5 10:00 AM -11:15 AM	**Trial Management** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Developing a Plan for Court & Stakeholder Security ➢ Fixing and Adhering to a Trial Schedule	Ms. Madhu Khanna Lalli Dr. Sunnam Srinivas Reddy
11:15 AM - 11:45 AM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 6 11:45 AM - 01:00 PM	**Evidence in Organised Crime & Offences against National Security** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Appreciation of Evidence ➢ Presumption of Innocence and Burden of Proof ➢ Securing Transnational Evidence *In House Tea*	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Subhasis Talapatra Mr. Manmeet Singh Suri
SESSION 7 01:00 PM – 02:15 PM	**Sentencing** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** ➢ Interplay of Principles of Sentencing in Determination of Sentence ➢ Aggravating & Mitigating Circumstances in Death Sentence	Hon'ble Dr. Justice G. Jayachandran Dr. Humayun Rasheed Khan
02:15 PM	**Lunch**	

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ORIENTATION COURSE FOR NEWLY ELEVATED HIGH COURT JUSTICES [P-1430]

(4TH & 5TH JANUARY, 2025)

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSONS
DAY 1 **4th January, 2025 (Saturday)**		
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -12:00 PM	**Role of Judge in a Democracy** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion***: • Espousing Constitutional Values • Ethical Conundrums in Judging & Possible Solutions • Biases, Prejudices and Recusal • Impact of Media Reporting on the Administration of Justice	**Justice A.S. Oka** **Justice Aparesh Kumar Singh**
Tea Break - 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM		
SESSION 2 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**Doctrine of Precedent** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Application of Precedents: *-Concepts of Stare Decisis, Ratio Decidendi, Obiter Dicta, Per Incuriam & Sub-Silentio* • Precedential Conflicts and References to Larger Bench • Article 141 as an element of judicial discipline • Precedent and its role in ensuring consistency	**Justice Sabyasachi Bhattacharyya** **Mr. N. Venkataraman**
Lunch Break - 2:00 PM – 2:45 PM		
SESSION 3 2:45 PM – 4:15 PM	**Effective use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Courts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • ICT in Administration of Courts *-e-Filing: Effective use of e-Sewa Kendras, Electronic Process Serving & Electronic Payments* *-Initiatives for Exchanges between Courts and Various Stakeholders: SUVAS, e-Court Services, NJDG, ICJS* • Future of Courtroom Technology *-Paperless Courts* *-Use of AI to streamline court processes* • Live Streaming Issues *-Dealing with Potential Misinformation* *-Anonymity, Identity & Party Privacy*	**Justice Anoop Chitkara** **Justice Sanjeev S. Kalgaonkar**
In House Tea at 03:15 PM		

DAY 2 5th January, 2025 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Bail: Intricacies and Nuances** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Balancing Personal Liberty with Societal Interest • Conditions for Bail: *-Identifying Permissible vs Onerous/Extraneous Conditions* • Bail under Special Statutes: *-Bail pending long incarceration* *-Recent Judicial Pronouncements* • Writing Reasoned Bail Orders • Consistency and Uniformity in grant of bail	**Dr. Justice G. Jayachandran** **Ms. Aishwarya Bhati**
Tea Break - 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM		
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	**Sentencing: Issues and Challenges** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Judicious Approach in determination of Quantum of Sentence • Element of Proportionality • Concept of Misplaced Sympathy	**Justice P. Sam Koshy** **Dr. Justice G. Jayachandran**
Feedback of the Conference by Participants		
Lunch & Departure		

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TRAINING PROGRAM FOR JUDGES FROM THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR [SE-06]
06th to 09th January, 2025

Academic Coordinators – Ms. Paiker Nasir & Ms. Nitika Jain, Faculty, NJA

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING *All timings are in Indian Standard Time (IST)*	**PROPOSED THEMES**	**RESOURCE PERSONS**
DAY 1 06th January, 2025 (Monday)		
SESSION 1 10:30am -11:45am	**Organizational Structure of Indian Judiciary: Goals Role & Mission of Courts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Courts in India: Hierarchy and Jurisdiction - Overarching Values of the Constitution as enshrined in the Preamble - Separation of Powers - Facets of Justice: Social, Economic, and Political	**Justice T.S. Thakur** **Justice Indira Banerjee**
11:45am – 12:15pm	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:15pm - 01:30pm	**Elements of Judicial Behaviour and Judgement Writing** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Ethics, Neutrality and Professionalism - Judicial norms and Conduct of Judges - Art, craft and science of drafting judgment - Significance of Reasoning in Judgments & Orders - **Gender Sensitivity in Judgments & Orders** • Language • Eliminating Bias, Stereotypes & Prejudices	**Justice Indira Banerjee** **Justice Subhasis Talapatra** **Chair: Justice T.S. Thakur**
1:30pm – 2:30pm	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 2:30pm – 3:45pm	**Developing Efficient Judicial System: Court and Case Management** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Role of a Judge in streamlining court processes - Organizing the Docket for effective Caseload Management: Prioritization of cases - Staff Management and Supervision: Inspiring Commitment and Catalyzing Performance - Use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT)	**Justice Subhasis Talapatra** **Mr. Girish R. Agarwal**
3:45pm – 4:15pm	**Tea Break**	
DAY 2 07th January, 2025 (Tuesday)		
SESSION 4 10:30am – 11:45am	**Cybercrime – Emerging Trends, Modus & Threats** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** - Overview of Cybercrimes and Trends in Cybercrime - Concerns Related to Online Abuse of Women and Children - Jurisprudence on State Responsibility for Cyber Attacks: Legal Implications and Accountability	**Ms. Nitika Jain** **Chair: Justice Subhasis Talapatra**

	- Dark Web and Artificial Intelligence	
11:45am – 12:00noon	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 12:00noon – 1:00pm	**Admissibility and Appreciation of Digital Evidence** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** - Relevancy, Authenticity and Admissibility of Electronic Records - Digital Forensics & Search and Seizure of Electronic Records - Chain of Custody and Integrity of Digital Evidence - Case Law Jurisprudence	**Mr. Manoj Kumar Sinha** **Chair: Justice Roshan S. Dalvi**
1:00pm - 2:00pm	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 6 2:00pm – 3:15pm	**Alternative Dispute Resolution** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - ADR as a tool to conserve judicial resources & to ensure speedy justice - ADR Mechanisms under Section 89 Civil Procedure Code, 1908 - Referral of cases for settlement through ADR: Suitable Cases, Procedure for Referral, Appropriate Stage & Recognition of Outcome by Court	**Justice Roshan S. Dalvi**
3:00pm – 3:15pm	**Tea Break**	
LOCAL VISIT		
DAY 3 **08th January, 2025 (Wednesday)**		
SESSION 7 10:30am – 11:45am	**Criminal Justice Administration** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - General principles of Natural Justice - Elements of Fair Trial and Impartial Investigation - Judicial Control over the abuse of Investigation and Custodial Powers - Victim assistance and Witness Protection: Safeguarding the edifice of administration of justice	**Mr. Vijay Chandra** **Chair: Justice Ashwani Ku. Singh**
11:45am – 12:15pm	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 8 12:15pm – 1:15pm	**Juvenile Justice: International and Indian Perspectives** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Assessment of Children in Conflict with the Law - Grant of Bail to Juveniles in Conflict with Law - Age Determination – Inquiry process for Age Determination, Evidentiary Proofs & Challenges in Determination of Age	**Ms. Shruti Jane Eusebius** **Chair: Justice Ashwani Ku. Singh**
1:15pm – 2:15pm	**Lunch Break**	
LOCAL VISIT		

DAY 4 09th January, 2025 (Thursday)		
SESSION 9 10:30am – 11:45am	**Forensic Evidence in Civil and Criminal Trials** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Application of scientific methods and techniques in administration of justice - Locard's Principle of Exchange - DNA Profiling: Evidentiary Value; Emerging technologies in DNA Profiling - Forensic Serology and Ballistics Common challenges before the Court: Chain of Custody; Privacy & Ethical concerns	**Ms. Nisha Menon** **Chair: Justice U.C. Dhyani**
11:45am – 12:15pm	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 10 12:15pm - 1:30pm	**Protection of Environment and Wildlife: The Judicial Approach** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Protection of Environment as a Constitutional Mandate - Judiciary as *parens patriae* to protect the Environment & Wildlife - Role of Judiciary in developing Environmental Jurisprudence – Public Trust Doctrine, Polluter Pays Principle, Precautionary Principle etc. - The vires of Judicial Activism in protection of Environment & Wildlife - Innovative Approaches to meet the Global Challenges	**Mr. Vikramjit Banerji** **Chair: Justice U.C. Dhyani**
1:30pm - 1:40pm	**Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants**	
Lunch		

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR HIGH COURT JUSTICES ON
DEVELOPMENT OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW BY THE SUPREME COURT AND HIGH COURTS
P-1431 – 11th & 12th January 2025
Program Schedule

DAY 1 **11th January 2025 (Saturday)**	
SESSION 1 10:30 AM 12:00 PM	**Developments in Constitutional Law** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ○ Evolution & Development of Constitutional Law ○ Constitutional Jurisprudence From Inception till the Present Day: Decadal Trends ***Panel*** *(Dr.) Justice B.S. Chauhan* *Mr. R Venkataramani*
Tea Break 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	
SESSION 2 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**Trends in Constitutional Interpretation** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* Interpretation of Constitutional Silences ○ Constitutional Morality ○ Basic Structure & Transformative Constitutionalism • Can "Basic" be equated with "Rigidity"? • Basic Structure & Constitutional Evolution: Dynamism, Adaptability versus Perceived Constraints ***Panel*** *Justice S. Ravindra Bhat* *(Dr.) Justice B.S. Chauhan* *Mr. R Venkataramani*
Lunch Break 02:00 PM – 03:00 PM	
SESSION 3 03:00 PM – 04:30 PM	**Dissents in the Constitutional Architecture** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ○ The Voice of Dissent in Constitutional Courts: Unanimity *versus* Multiple Opinions ○ Notable Dissenting Judgments in Constitutional Jurisprudence ○ Dissent as Future Intelligence ***Panel*** *Justice S. Ravindra Bhat* *Justice Ajay Bhanot*
Tea (04:30 PM)	

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DAY 2 **12th January 2025 (Sunday)**	
SESSION 4 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	**Protection and Conservation of Environment & Ecology** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ○ Judicial Review under Article 226 *vis-à-vis* NGT Act ○ Emerging Issues in Environment Law • Rights of Sui Juris Entities • Environmental Concerns on the Horizon (E-Waste, Nuclear Waste & Bio-Waste Pollution, Dumping of Toxic Waste, Pollution by Stubble Burning, Public Health Hazards, Space Debris, & Global Warming) ○ Moving from Reactive to Proactive Environment Jurisprudence: Role of Constitutional Courts ***Panel*** *Prof. (Dr.) SaiRam Bhat* *(Dr.) Justice Anita Sumanth*
Tea Break 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**ICT As a Game Changer in the Judicial Sphere** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ○ Appreciation of Digital Evidence & ICT ○ Determination of Liability in Digital Age ○ Impact of ICT on Litigation & Adjudication • Change in the Nature of Disputes & Cause of Action due to ICT • Evidentiary & Factual Evolutions driven by ICT that impact Adjudication ***Panel*** *Mr. Kuldeep Kushwaha* *(Dr.) Justice Anita Sumanth*
Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants 01:30 PM – 01:40 PM	
Lunch & Departure	

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NATIONAL SEMINAR ON JUDICIAL SKILLS [P-1432]
(11th & 12th January, 2025)
At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal
PARTICIPANTS: NEWLY APPOINTED DISTRICT JUDGES
Academic Coordinator – Dr. Humayun Rasheed Khan, Professor, NJA

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSON(S)
DAY 1 11th January 2025 (Saturday)		
SESSION 1 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Leadership & Administrative Skills** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • District Judge as Friend, Philosopher, and Guide of Judicial Officers • Effective Management of Different Stakeholders in the Justice Delivery System • Strategies to Achieve Organizational Goals • Docket Management • Staff Management and Supervision: Inspiring Commitment and Catalyzing Performance • Use of Artificial Intelligence in Court and Case Management	**Justice Ajay Bhanot Justice Ved Prakash Sharma**
11:30 AM-Noon	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Qualities, Attitudes, and Skills for Effective Judging** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Communication Skills • Ethical Conundrums in Judicial Spheres & Possible Solutions • Integrity and Impartiality to ensure Judicial Neutrality • Ethical Standards, Judicial Norms, and Conduct of Judges in the Age of Social Media	**Justice Ajay Bhanot Justice Sudhir Kumar Jain**
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	**Subjectivity vis-à-vis Objectivity, and Rationality in DecisionMaking** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Developing Efficient Judicial System • Art of Hearing: Promoting Rational Discourse in Courtroom • Objectivity in Decision-Making • Judgment & Orders as Voice of the Court • Developing Timelines/Timeframes for Delivery of Judgment	**Justice Ved Prakash Sharma Justice Sudhir Kumar Jain**

04:00 PM – 04:30 PM	**Tea**	
DAY 2 12th January 2025 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Judgment Writing** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* Art, Craft, and Science of Drafting Judgment Essential Elements in Judgment Brevity, Clarity & Coherence Manner of Reference to Precedents Reasoning in Orders and Judgements Discussion on *Suo Moto Writ (Crl) No. (S) 1/2017 In Re: To Issue certain Guidelines Regarding Inadequacies and Deficiencies in Criminal Trials v. State of Andhra Pradesh & Others*	**Justice Ravindra Bhat Justice A.R. Masoodi Justice M. Sundar**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Sensitization on the Use of Language Relating to Child, Women, and Differently Abled Victims & Witnesses** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* The Importance of Sensitivity in Judgments Gender Sensitivity in Judgment & Orders ✓ Language ✓ Eliminating Bias, Stereotypes & Prejudices ✓ Appropriate Approach in Cases involving Vulnerable/ Disadvantaged Groups ✓ Discussion on *Aparna Bhat & Patan Jamal Vali Judgements*	**Justice Ravindra Bhat Justice A.R. Masoodi Justice M. Sundar**
01:30 PM – 01:45 PM	**Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants**	
Lunch & Departure		

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REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON COURT DOCKETS: EXPLOSION AND EXCLUSION (SOUTH ZONE-II) [P-1433]

18th & 19th January 2025

National Judicial Academy in association with
the High Court of Andhra Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh Judicial Academy

Venue: Visakhapatnam

Academic Coordinators: Dr. Amit Mehrotra, Professor & Dr. Sonam Jain, Assistant Professor, NJA

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DAY 1 **18th January 2025 (Saturday)**		
SESSION & TIMING	**THEMES**	**RESOURCE PERSONS**
SESSION 1 **10:00 AM -11:30 AM**	**ADDRESSING DOCKET EXCLUSION: ENHANCING INCLUSIVITY AND OPTIMIZING COURT MANAGEMENT** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Access to Justice : Strategies to Promote Inclusivity and Overcome Exclusion • Effective Court Docket Management: Tools & Techniques • Intersectionality and Legal Challenges: Addressing the Complex Interplay	**Justice P.S. Narasimha** **Dr. Justice A. K. Jayasankaran Nambiar**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**EXPEDITIOUS AND EFFICACIOUS JUSTICE DISPENSATION THROUGH ADR MECHANISMS** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Strengthening Court-Annexed ADR • Leveraging settlement through Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) • Collaboration and Capacity Building Mechanisms	**Justice P. Sam Koshy** **Dr. Justice Anita Sumanth**
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 **02:30 PM – 04:00 PM**	**BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE: ROLE OF E-SERVICES** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion***	**Justice Anu Sivaraman** **Justice C. M. Joshi**

	• Understanding the Digital Divide: e-Courts Project Insights on Access and Effectiveness • Ensuring Access and Inclusivity: e-Courts Project Strategies	
04:00 PM	Tea	
DAY 2 **19th January 2025 (Sunday)**		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	JUDICIARY AND MEDIA *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Media and the Justice delivery System • Dealing with Social Media • Freedom of Media & Freedom from Media in the Digital Age from a Citizen's Perspective • New Media & Emerging Legal Landscape	Justice Devan Ramachandran Justice Moushumi Bhattacharya Chair: Justice Kurian Joseph
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Tea Break	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	ADVANCING JUDICIAL GOVERNANCE THROUGH EMERGING AND FUTURE TECHNOLOGIES *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Judicial Decision Making • Block chain Technology for Secure Record Management • Recent Advances in Technology	Justice A. M. Mustaque Justice M. Sundar Chair: Justice Kurian Joseph
1:30 PM – 1:40 PM	Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants	
Lunch & Departure		

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National Conference for High Court Justices on Arbitration (P-1434)

Date: 01st & 02nd February 2025; Venue: NJA, Bhopal

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Programme Schedule

Session & Timings	DAY 1 01st February, 2025 (Saturday)
SESSION 1 **10:30am – 11:45am** **(11:30am – 11:45am)** *Q & A, Open Discussion*	**Role of Courts in Arbitral Process: Towards A Model Dispute Resolution Regime** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • The Scheme of the Arbitration & Conciliation Act: (Amendment) Act, 2019 & 2021 • Sec. 11 and the limitation period • Ad-hoc and Institutional Arbitration • Court vis-à-vis Arbitral Tribunal: Interim Relief under Sec. 9 and 17 of the Act • Interplay between Sec.(s) 16 & 34 of the Arbitration Act • Doctrine of *Kompetenz-kompetenz* ***Speakers*** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Hemant Gupta** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. Sundar** **Mr. Gourab Banerji**
11:45am – 12:15pm : Tea/Coffee Break	
SESSION 2 **12:15pm – 1:30pm** **(01:15pm – 1:30pm)** *Q & A, Open Discussion*	**International Commercial Arbitration: Pressing Cross-Border Issues** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Distinction between commercial, investor-state, and state to state arbitration. • Legal concept of "seat" or "place" of arbitration; Difference between "seat" and "venue" • Governing Law and its implication • Harmonizing national interest and international expectations ***Speakers*** **Chair: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Hemant Gupta** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. Sundar** **Mr. Gourab Banerji**
1:30pm – 2:30pm : Lunch Break	
SESSION 3 **2:30pm – 4:00pm** **(03:45pm – 4:00pm)** *Q & A, Open Discussion*	**Recognition and Enforcement of Arbitral Award** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Award (New York, 1958) • Grounds for challenging an award under Part I & II • Conditions & limitation period for enforcement of arbitral awards • Challenges in Executing foreign arbitral awards in India • Developing Jurisprudence on Execution of award (Sec. 36) ***Speakers*** **Hon'ble Ms. Justice Moushumi Bhattacharya** **Dr. Birendra Saraf**
4:00pm onwards : Tea/ Coffee at Cafeteria	

Session & Timings	DAY 2 02nd February, 2025 (Sunday)
SESSION 4 **10:30am – 11:45am** **(11:30am – 11:45am)** *Q & A, Open Discussion*	**Current and Emerging Trends in Domestic and International Arbitration** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Investment Treaty Arbitration • Emergency arbitration and enforceability • Asymmetric Arbitration Agreement • "Specific clause" expressly barring payment of interest • Third-party funding • Counterclaim ***Speakers*** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Devan Ramachandran** **Mr. Tejas Karia**
11:45am – 12:15pm : Tea Break	
SESSION 5 **12:15pm – 1:30pm** **(01:15pm – 1:30pm)** *Q & A, Open Discussion*	**Information and Communication Technology & Arbitration** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Online Dispute Resolution Mechanism • AI and Blockchain • Role of Expert witness in the age of AI • Smart Contracts ***Speakers*** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Devan Ramachandran** **Mr. Tejas Karia**
1:30pm – 1:40pm : Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants	
1:40pm onwards : Lunch & Departure	

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NATIONAL SEMINAR ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION [P-1435]

01st & 02nd February, 2025

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

Participants- District Judiciary

Academic Coordinator: Dr. Amit Mehrotra, Professor, NJA

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Sessions & Timing	Themes	Resource Person
Day 1 01st February 2025 (Saturday)		
SESSION 1 10:00AM -11:30AM	**FAIR TRIAL** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Presumption of Innocence and Burden of Proof • Investigatory Lacuna and Role of the Court • Accused Access to Material • Ensuring Expeditious & Efficacious Trial	**Justice Siddhartha Varma Justice GR Swaminathan**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**BAIL JURISPRUDENCE: NUANCES AND INTRICACIES** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Balancing Personal Liberty with Societal Interest ➢ Expeditious disposal of bail applications ➢ Bail upon long incarceration pending trial • Imposition of Conditions in Bail: Scope and Limits • Consistency and Uniformity in Grant of Bail • Writing Reasoned Bail Orders • Bail under Special Statutes	**Justice Vinod S. Bhardwaj Justice U.C. Dhyani**
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 02:30 PM - 04:00 PM	**SENTENCING PROCEDURE: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Sentencing Parameters in major offences • Element of proportionality • Death Sentence: consideration of Aggravating and mitigating Circumstances & Rarest of Rare Cases • Ensuring effective 'right to be heard' to the convict on the question of sentence • Sentencing Practice in Sexual offences	**Prof. (Dr.) Humayun Rasheed Khan Chair: Justice Amreshwar Pratap Sahi**
04:00 PM	**Tea**	

Day 2 2nd February, 2025 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 **10:00 AM -11:30 AM**	**VICTIM IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Victim Participation in the Criminal Justice System • Victim Protection and Compensation: Judicial Approach ➢ Victim Compensation Schemes ➢ Final and Interim Compensation ➢ Recording Reasons for Awarding/Refusing Compensation • Measures to prevent Re-Victimization and Stigmatization of Victims	**Justice Ved Prakash Sharma** **Mr. E. V. Chandru**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**WITNESS PROTECTION: AN OVERVIEW** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • The Modalities of Witness Protection Scheme, 2018 • Protection of Witness under Special Legislations viz. Protection accorded under Special Statutes (UAPA, 1967; NIA, 2008; SC/ST (POA) Act, 1989; POCSO, 2012; JJ Act, 2015 etc.) • Challenges in Ensuring Protection of Witnesses • Examination of Vulnerable Witness	**Justice K Sreenivasa Reddy** **Mr. R. Srinivas**
01:30 PM - 01:45 PM	**Audit of the Course by Participant Judges**	
01:45 PM	**Lunch & Departure**	

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National Conference for High Court Justices on Cyber Law & AI [P-1436]
08th & 09th February 2025
Programme Schedule

Saturday	08.02.2025 (Day-1)
10:30AM -12:00PM	**SESSION 1** **Regulating the Cyber Space: National and International Jurisprudence** ***Proposed Scope of discussion:*** ✓ Evolving jurisprudence including – o Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 ✓ General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) – EU ✓ Artificial Intelligence Act – EU ✓ Cyber Contract and IT Act 2000 ✓ Jurisprudence on State Responsibility for Cyber Attacks: Legal Implications and Accountability ***Speakers*** *Justice Anish Dayal* *Dr. Harold D'Costa*
12:00PM - 12:30PM	**Tea Break**
12:30PM - 2:00PM	**SESSION 2** **Jurisdictional Issues in Adjudication of Cybercrimes** ***Proposed Scope of discussion:*** ✓ Determination of Parties, Place of Commission & Place of Suing o Theory of Uploader and Downloader ✓ Tests to determine jurisdiction ✓ Challenges relating to extraterritorial evidences o Long Arm Statute & Minimum Contact o Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties (MLATs): Enhancing International Cooperation in the Adjudication of Cybercrimes ***Speakers*** *Justice Rajiv Shakdher* *Justice Atul Sreedharan*
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	**Lunch**
3:00PM - 04:30PM	**SESSION 3** **Safeguarding Judicial Institutions from Cyber-attacks** ***Proposed Scope of discussion:*** ✓ Principles of Cyber Hygiene and Best Practices ✓ Concept of Secured e-Corridors ✓ Incident Response Planning for Judicial Institutions: Preparedness and Mitigation Strategies ✓ Role of IT Security Measures in Safeguarding Judicial Institutions from Cyber-attacks ✓ Collaboration with Law Enforcement and Intelligence Agencies to Counter Cyber Threats to Judicial Institutions ***Speakers*** *Justice Atul Sreedharan* *Dr. Harold D'Costa*
Tea Break	

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Sunday	09.02.2025 (Day-2)
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	**SESSION 4** **Courts in the 21st Century: Powers and Perils of AI Driven Judiciary** ✓ Transparency and Accountability in AI-Driven Judicial Tools ✓ AI as an Enabler: Decision making, Logistics, Court Security, Surveillance & Training ✓ AI-Assisted Sentencing: Balancing Efficiency and Justice ✓ Virtual Courtrooms and AI in Remote Legal Proceedings ✓ Impact of Predictive Analytics ✓ Balancing Human Oversight with AI Automation ***Speaker*** *Justice Anoop Chitkara*
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**
12:00 PM – 01:30 PM	**SESSION 5** **Challenges & Emerging Issues of Cyber Threats** ***Proposed Scope of discussion:*** ✓ Block chain Technology and its Impact on Digital Transactions ✓ Dealing with new-age technologies – Awareness & Contemporary knowledge o Cryptocurrency o Advanced Persistent Threats (States as actors that infiltrate computer networks to case harm, as in the notorious cases involving Maui Ransomware, Wanna Cry, Solar Winds, Pegasus, MOVEit, and Stuxnet). o Dark Web (content intentionally hidden that has evolved into a hotbed of illegal activities), o Deep fake (altered misrepresented audio visuals) o Internet of Things (IoT) ***Speakers*** *Justice Anoop Chitkara* *Dr. Ananth Prabhu Gurpur* *(Evaluation and Feedback)*
01:30 PM	**Lunch & Departure**

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Conference on Gender, Equality & Law (P-1437)

08th & 09th February, 2025

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Academic Coordinator - Dr. Sonam Jain, Assistant Professor, National Judicial Academy, Bhopal

Session/ Timing	Theme	
Day 1 08th February 2025 (Saturday)		
Session 1 **10:00AM -11:30AM**	**Emerging Horizons of Gender-centric Jurisprudence in India** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Evolving Nuanced Solutions to Address Victimization & Re-victimization* • *Intersectionality* • *Victimization of Women in the Digital Space* • *Drawing a Fine Line between Sensitization and Over Sensitization*	**Resource Person(s)** **Justice D.K Upadhyaya** **Justice Atul Sreedharan**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 2 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**Gender Sensitivity in Courtroom & Judgment Writing** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Overcoming Judicial Bias & Gender Stereotypes* • *Gender Appropriate Language & Expressions* • *International and National Best Practices on Judges Applying a Gender Perspective in Judging*	**Resource Person(s)** **Justice D.K Upadhyaya** **Justice Swarana Kanta Sharma**
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
Session 3 **02:30 PM - 04:00 PM**	**LGBTQIA + and Transgender – Socio-Legal Dimensions** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Rethinking Sex & Gender: Issues of Identity* • *Stereotyping & Behavioral Norms - Gender Mainstreaming & Inclusivity* • *Portrayal of Genders: Role of Different Media*	**Resource Person** **Justice Swarana Kanta Sharma**
04:00 PM	**Tea Break**	

Day 2 09th February 2025 (Sunday)		
Session 4 **10:00AM -11:30AM**	**Women in the Workplace: Remedies Under POSH Act, 2013** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Women Judges: Experience Sharing* • *Breaking the Glass Ceiling: Challenges & Roadblocks in Ascending the Professional Ladder* • *Role of Judges in Preventing Sexual Harassment at Workplace* • *Devising Gender Sensitive & Non-stigmatizing Responses to Workplace Harassment*	**Resource Person(s)** **Mr. Vijay Chandra** **Dr Sonam Jain**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 5 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**Intersection of Anti-Conversion Legislations and Laws relating to Marriage** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Testing Inter-faith Marriages & Anti-Conversion Laws on the Constitutional Foundations of Secularism* • *Special Marriage Act, 1954 vis-à-vis Anti-Conversion Laws* • *Personal Autonomy, Privacy & Anti-Conversion*	**Resource Person(s)** **Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai** **Justice Ajay Bhanot**
01:30 PM - 01:45 PM	Audit of the Course by Participant Judges	
01:45 PM	**Lunch Break & Departure**	

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR HIGH COURT JUSTICES ON PREVENTION OF MONEY LAUNDERING & FINANCIAL FRAUD [P-1438]

(15th & 16th February 2025)

Academic Coordinator – Ms. Ankita Pandey, Faculty, NJA

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSONS
DAY 1 15th February 2025 (Saturday)		
SESSION 1 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	**Money Laundering: Concept and Modalities** *Proposed scope of discussion* ● Money Laundering as an Economic Offence ● Ambit of term 'offence', 'proceeds of crime' and 'property' under the PMLA, 2002 ● Continuity of offence vs. retrospective application ● International & National Responses to tackle Money Laundering	**Dr. Justice G. Jayachandran** **Dr. Justice Pushpendra Singh Bhati**
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 11:30 AM - 01:00 PM	**Nuances and Intricacies of Bail** *Proposed scope of discussion* ● Bail under Section 45 of the PMLA ● Twin Bail Conditions: Scope & Limit ● Guidelines for grant or refusal of Anticipatory Bail ● Case Law Jurisprudence	**Justice Joymalya Bagchi** **Justice Atul Sreedharan**
01:00 PM – 01:45 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 01:45 PM – 03:15 PM	**Power of Arrest: Substantive and Procedural Aspects** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* ● Balancing Law Enforcement with Individual Interest ● ECIR vs. FIR ● Conditions to be satisfied before making Arrest ● 'Communication' or 'Information' of grounds of arrest: Ensuring transparency and aligning with the principles of justice ● Interplay between Section 19 and Section 50	**Justice G.R. Swaminathan** **Ms. Aishwarya Bhati**
03:15 PM	**Tea**	
DAY 2 16th February 2025 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Burden of Proof and Appreciation of Evidence** *Proposed scope of discussion* ● Burden of Proof under section 24 of the PMLA ● Admissibility of statements recorded by officers of Enforecement Directorate vis-à-vis right against self-incrimination ● Presumptions & Reverse Burden	**Justice Sanjeev S. Kalgaonkar** **Mr. E.V. Chandru**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	

SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Search, Seizure, Attachment and Disposal of Property** *Proposed scope of discussion* • Powers of Functionaries and Procedural Safeguards relating to search and seizure • Provisional attachment of property • Receipt, Management and Disposal of Confiscated Property • Judicial interpretation of the power to seize assets	**Mr. E.V. Chandru** **Chair** **Justice Sanjeev S. Kalgaonkar**
01:30 PM – 01:40 PM	**Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants**	
Lunch & Departure		

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REFRESHER COURSE FOR FAMILY COURTS (P-1439)

Participants- District Judiciary

15th & 16th February 2025
Venue: National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

TIMING(s)	DAY 1 15th February 2025 (Saturday)
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	**SESSION 1** **Family Courts: Developing the Relevant Judicial Persona** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** ▪ Communication Skills and Techniques for Effective Resolution of Family Disputes ▪ Understanding litigant behaviour in diverse litigation **Speakers** Dr. Justice P. Venkata Jyothirmai Justice K. Kannan ***Chair*** **-** Justice M. Sundar
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**TEA BREAK**
12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**SESSION 2** **Role of Judges in Divorce and Maintenance Proceedings** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** ▪ Individual Rights vis-à-vis Institution of Marriage ▪ Grounds for Dissolution of Marriage vis-à-vis Resolution of Family Disputes ▪ Conundrums & Parameters in Awarding Maintenance **Speakers** Justice K. Kannan Justice Poonam A. Bamba ***Chair*** **-** Dr. Justice P. Venkata Jyothirmai
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	**LUNCH BREAK**
02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	**SESSION 3** **Exploring Psycho-Social Aspects of Family Disputes** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** ▪ Components Leading to Marital Discord and Dissolution ▪ Finding Underlying Causes of Discord ▪ Identification of Bias and Stereotypes **Speaker** Dr. Harish Shetty ***Chair*** **-** Justice Poonam A. Bamba
04:00 PM	**TEA**

TIMING(s)	DAY 2 16th February 2025 (Sunday)
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	**SESSION 4** **Adjudication of Custody & Guardianship Disputes** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** ▪ Factors Relevant in Deciding Custodial Arrangements ▪ Welfare & Best Interests of the Child ▪ Balancing Parental Rights *vis-à-vis* Parental Alienation Syndrome **Speakers** Justice Roshan Dalvi Dr. Justice S. Phansalkar Joshi
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**TEA BREAK**
12:00 PM - 1:30PM	**SESSION 5** **Counselling & Mediation in Resolving Family Disputes** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** ▪ Conducive Courtroom Environment to Foster Amicable Settlement ▪ ADR Methods in Resolving Family Disputes: Tools & Techniques ▪ Judge as a Counsellor **Speakers** Justice Roshan Dalvi Dr. Justice S. Phansalkar Joshi
01:30 PM - 01:40 PM	**AUDIT OF THE COURSE BY PARTICIPANT JUSTICES**
01:40 PM	**LUNCH & DEPARTURE**

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[P-1440]: Regional Conference on Court Dockets: Explosion and Exclusion (East Zone-I)

22nd & 23rd February 2025

National Judicial Academy in association with the High Court of Judicature at Patna and Bihar Judicial Academy

Venue: Gaya, Bihar

Academic Coordinators: Dr. Humayun Rashid Khan, Professor & Ms. Nitika Jain, Research Fellow, NJA

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DAY 1 22nd February 2025 (Saturday)		
SESSION & TIMING	**THEMES**	**Resource Persons**
9:15am – 10:00am	**Inaugural Session (Tentative)** *Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjay Karol* *Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ahsanuddin Amanullah (Consented)* *Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal (Consented)*	
SESSION 1 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Addressing Docket Exclusion: Enhancing Inclusivity and Optimizing Court Management** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Access to Justice : Strategies to Promote Inclusivity and Overcome Exclusion • Effective Court Docket Management: Tools & Techniques • Intersectionality and Legal Challenges: Addressing the Complex Interplay	**Justice Aparesh Kumar Singh** **Chair: Justice Rajesh Bindal**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Expeditious and Efficacious Justice Dispensation through ADR Mechanisms** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Strengthening Court-Annexed ADR • Leveraging settlement through Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) • Collaboration and Capacity Building Mechanisms	**Justice Arindam Sinha** **Justice Anubha Rawat Choudhary**
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	**Judiciary and Media** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Media and the Justice delivery System • Dealing with Social Media • Freedom of Media & Freedom from Media in the Digital Age from a Citizen's Perspective • New Media & Emerging Legal Landscape	**Justice A.P. Sahi** **Justice Joymalya Bagchi** **Justice Sangam Kumar Sahoo**

04:00 PM	**Tea**	
DAY 2 **23rd February 2025 (Sunday)**		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Bridging the Digital Divide: Role of E-Services** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Understanding the Digital Divide: e-Courts Project Insights on Access and Effectiveness • Ensuring Access and Inclusivity: e-Courts Project Strategies	**Justice M. Sundar** **Chair: Justice Rajesh Bindal**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Advancing Judicial Governance through Emerging and Future Technologies** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Judicial Decision Making • Block chain Technology for Secure Record Management • Recent Advances in Technology	**Justice M. Sundar** **Justice Anoop Chitkara**
1:30 PM – 1:40 PM	**Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants**	
Lunch & Departure		

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National Conference for High Court Justices on Commercial Disputes [P-1441]
01st & 2nd March 2025

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

Academic Coordinator: Dr. Amit Mehrotra, Professor, NJA

Programme Schedule

Day 1 **1st March 2025 (Saturday)**		
Session 1 **10:30AM -12:00PM**	**Jurisprudential Framework *vis-à-vis* Jurisdictional Scope of Commercial Courts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Commercial Courts *vis-à-vis* Ease of Doing Business • Impact on Courts (Caseload & Docket Explosion) • Pre-Institution Mediation and Settlement • Bottlenecks and Overlapping Jurisdictions • Parallel Redressal Systems and the Issue of Forum Shopping	**Justice G. S. Kulkarni** **Justice M. Sundar** **Chair: Justice Aravind Kumar**
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 2 **12:30 PM - 02:00 PM**	**Interpretation of Commercial Contracts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • General Principles of Contract Interpretation • Ascertainment of Intent of Parties • Resolving Ambiguities in Contract • Deviations from Literal Interpretation	**Justice Aravind Kumar** **Justice Senthilkumar Ramamoorthy**
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	**Lunch Break**	
Session 3 **03:00 PM - 04:30 PM**	**Intersection between Commercial Courts Act, 2015, and Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996:Legal Synergies** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Interpretative Challenges and Synergies between the Acts • Jurisdiction in Arbitration Matters • Interim Measures • Setting aside of Arbitral Award • Recognition and Enforcement of Arbitral Awards • Strategies for Effective Disposal of Disputes	**Justice G. S. Kulkarni** **Justice M. Sundar** **Justice Moushumi Bhattacharya**
04:30 PM	**Tea**	

Day 2 02nd March 2025 (Sunday)		
Session 4 **10:00 AM -11:30 AM**	**Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) : Infringement & Enforcement** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • IP Infringement: Civil and Criminal Remedy • Arbitrability of IPR Disputes: Emerging Perspectives • Interim Relief: Scope & Impact • Proactive Role of the Judiciary in Protection of IPR	**Justice Moushumi Bhattacharya** **Dr. Shreya Matilal**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 5 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**Construction and Infrastructure Contracts vis-à-vis Commercial Courts Act** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Public Private Partnership (PPP) Contracts • Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) Contracts • Nuances of Prominent Dispute Factors • Disputes Arising out of Construction Contract	**Justice Debangsu Basak** **Mr. Jayant Mehta**
01:30 PM - 01:45 PM	Audit of the Course by Participant Judges	
01:45 PM	**Lunch & Departure**	

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National Seminar on Court Administration [P- 1442]

1st and 2nd March, 2025

Tentative Program Schedule

DAY 1 **1st March, 2025** **(Saturday)**	**SESSION 1** 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM **Administrative Responsibilities of Principal District Judges** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Principal District Judge as leader and guardian of the district judiciary • Budget and infrastructural requirements- Planning and Utilization • Preparation of Annual Confidential Reports [A.C.R] • Optimal resource allocation for efficient court functioning **Panel** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan** **Justice Ravindra Maithani**	**TEA BREAK**	**SESSION 2** 12:00 P.M. – 01:30 PM **Administrative Responsibilities of Principal District Judges** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Fostering conducive bar and bench relations • Co-ordination with district administration and other authorities • Role as Chairman of the District Legal Service Authority • Inspection of courts especially those located at remote locations **Panel** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan** **Justice Ravindra Maithani**	**LUNCH BREAK**	**SESSION 3** 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM **Effective Case Management for Expeditious Disposal** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Management of daily causelist • Role of District Case Management Committee • Preventing delays, curtailing adjournments and dilatory practices of lawyers • NCMS Baseline report on Case Management in the High Court and the District Judiciary,2024 **Panel** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan** **Justice Ravindra Maithani**

* Tea will be served at 3.30 P.M. on Day 1

DAY 2 **2nd March, 2025** **(Sunday)**	**SESSION 4** 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM **Human Resource Management and Supervision to Enhance Efficiency** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Harnessing talent and capacity building of staff • Fostering a productive work environment • Sensitization training to enable accessible and inclusive courts for vulnerable sections • Handling complaints and disciplinary proceedings against officers and staff **Panel** **Justice A.S. Oka** **Justice S.G. Gokani** **Justice C.M. Joshi**	**TEA BREAK**	**SESSION 5** 12:00 PM – 01:30 PM **Court Administration and Judicial Proceedings- Integration of ICT** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Judicial Administration and Performance Assessment through ICT tools • IT-Based Strategies for Case Management e.g. JustIS App • Optimum Utilization of video conferencing facilities • Incorporation of Artificial Intelligence in court processes and proceedings **Panel** **Justice S.G. Gokani** **Justice C.M. Joshi** **Justice Sanjeev S. Kalgaonkar**	**LUNCH BREAK**

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NATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMIES [P-1443]

JUDGE IN-CHARGE OF JUDICIAL EDUCATION & DIRECTOR OF THE STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMIES

Date: 8th & 9th March 2025

Coordinator: Ms. Shruti Jane Eusebius, Research Fellow, National Judicial Academy

DAY 1
8TH MARCH 2025 (SATURDAY)

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM: **SESSION 1**

Framework for Judicial Education

Scope of Discussion

- Judicial Education & Judging: Ensuring Institutional Relevance of Judicial Education
- 80:20 Policy of NJAC: Implementation & Challenges
- Judicial Education: Innovations, Best Practices & Constraints

Panel

Hon'ble Ms. Justice B.V. Nagarathna
Judge, Supreme Court of India

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Aniruddha Bose
Director, National Judicial Academy

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM: **Tea**

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM: **SESSION 2**

Assessment of Judicial Education Needs

Scope of Discussion

- Addressing Contemporary Challenges in Judging through Judicial Education
- Devising Curriculum on Specialized Areas of Law, Emerging Areas & Key Litigation Areas
- Accretion & Updation of Judicial Knowledge & Skills Through Judicial Education

Panel

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Vikram Nath
Judge, Supreme Court of India

Hon'ble Mr. Justice D.K. Upadhyaya
Chief Justice, High Court of Delhi

1:30 PM – 1:35 PM: **Group Photo**

1:35 PM – 2:30 PM: **Lunch**

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM: **SESSION 3**

Methodologies for Addressing Judicial Education Needs

Scope of Discussion

- Adopting Modern Methods and Andragogy
- Diversifying from Classroom Methods to Interactive & Experiential Learning

Panel

Hon'ble Ms. Justice B.V. Nagarathna
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4:00 PM: **Tea**

NATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMIES [P-1443]

(JUDGE IN-CHARGE OF JUDICIAL EDUCATION & DIRECTOR OF STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMIES)

Date: 8th & 9th March 2025

Coordinator: Ms. Shruti Jane Eusebius, Research Fellow, National Judicial Academy

DAY 2
9TH MARCH 2025 (SUNDAY)

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM: **SESSION 4**

Impact Assessment of Judicial Education

Scope of Discussion

- Assessing Effectiveness & Outcomes of Judicial Education Programs for the Judge & the Judiciary
- Formulating a Feedback Mechanism

Panel

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal
Judge, Supreme Court of India

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Atul Sreedharan
Judge, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM: **Tea**

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM: **SESSION 5**

Framework for Judicial Education 2025-26

Scope of Discussion

- Developing a Comprehensive Roadmap for Judicial Education
- Potential Collaborations
- Focus Areas for Judicial Education 2025-26

Panel

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal
Judge, Supreme Court of India

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Aparesh Kumar Singh
Chief Justice, High Court of Tripura

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1:30 PM: **Lunch**

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TRAINING PROGRAM FOR JUDGES FROM THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR [SE-13]
03rd to 06th March, 2025

Academic Coordinators – Sumit Bhattacharya & Ankita Pandey, Faculty, NJA

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING *All timings are in Indian Standard Time (IST)*	**THEMES**	**RESOURCE PERSONS**
DAY 1 03rd March, 2025 (Monday)		
SESSION 1 10:30am -11:30am	**Organizational Structure of Indian Judiciary: Goals Role & Mission of Courts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Courts in India: Hierarchy and Jurisdiction - Overarching Values of the Constitution as enshrined in the Preamble - Separation of Powers - Facets of Justice: Social, Economic, and Political	**Justice K. Kannan** **Ms. Renu Sharma**
11:30am – 12:00pm	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:00pm - 01:30pm	**Elements of Judicial Behavior: Ethics, Neutrality, and Professionalism** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Ethics, Neutrality and Professionalism - Judicial norms and Conduct of Judges - Bangalore Principles of Judicial Conduct	**Justice K. Kannan** **Justice Poonam A. Bamba**
1:30pm – 2:30pm	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 2:30pm – 4:00pm	**Judging Skills: Art, Craft, and Science of Drafting Judgments** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Judgment as the voice of the court - Language & Law: Brevity and Drafting - Significance of Reasoning in Judgments & Orders - Sensitivity in Judgments & Orders – Gender, Language, Bias & Stereotypes Elimination	**Justice K. Kannan** **Justice Poonam A. Bamba**
4:00pm	**Tea Break**	
DAY 2 04th March, 2025 (Tuesday)		
SESSION 4 10:00am – 11:30am	**Alternative Dispute Resolution** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - ADR as a tool to conserve judicial resources & to ensure speedy justice - ADR Mechanisms under Section 89 Civil Procedure Code, 1908 - Referral of cases for settlement through ADR: Suitable Cases, Procedure for Referral, Appropriate Stage & Recognition of Outcome by Court	**Justice Dr. Sudhir Kumar Jain** **Ms. Renu Sharma**
11:30am – 12:00noon	**Tea Break**	

SESSION 5 12:00noon – 1:00pm	**AI & Judicial Governance** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** - Origin and Evolving Concept of AI: Brief Introductory Overview - AI as a Tool in Judicial Management: International & Indian Perspectives - Issues and Challenges Posed by AI: Implications, Liabilities and Accountability	**Prof. (Dr.) Anant Prabhu**
1:00pm - 2:00pm	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 6 2:00pm – 3:30pm	**Admissibility and Appreciation of Digital Evidence** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** - Relevancy, Authenticity and Admissibility of Electronic Records - Digital Forensics & Search and Seizure of Electronic Records - Chain of Custody and Integrity of Digital Evidence - Case Law Jurisprudence	**Mr. Harold D'Costa**
3:30pm	**Tea Break**	
LOCAL VISIT		
DAY 3 **05th March, 2025 (Wednesday)**		
SESSION 7 10:00am – 11:30am	**Criminal Justice Administration** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - General principles of Natural Justice - Elements of Fair Trial and Impartial Investigation - Judicial Control over the abuse of Investigation and Custodial Powers - Victim assistance and Witness Protection: Safeguarding the edifice of administration of justice	**Dr. Humayun Rasheed Khan** **Mr. E.V. Chandru**
11:30am – 12:00pm	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 8 12:00pm – 1:30pm	**Maintaining the Balance: Judicial Stress and Wellness** ***Proposed Scope of discussion includes*** - Bench and Occupational Stress - Attitudinal differences and Biases - Interpersonal isolation: Withdrawal from society and community involvement - Mindfulness: Staying focused & on task - Adapting to change – Psychosocial adjustments. - Stress Management - Relaxation Techniques	**Dr. Harish Shetty**
1:30pm – 2:30pm	**Lunch Break**	
LOCAL VISIT		

DAY 4 06th March, 2025 (Thursday)		
SESSION 9 10:00am – 11:30am	**Judiciary and Media: Need for Balance** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Media Trial *vis-à-vis* Judicial Ethics - Media intervention in sub-judice matters: Restriction against the publication of court proceedings - Handling high-profile cases involving media pressure - Impact of Media Reporting on the Administration of Justice	**Justice Ved Prakash Sharma** **Mr. Vijay Chandra**
11:30am – 12:00pm	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 10 12:00pm - 1:15pm	**Protection of Environment and Wildlife: The Judicial Approach** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Protection of Environment as a Constitutional Mandate - Judiciary as *parens patriae* to protect the Environment & Wildlife - Role of Judiciary in developing Environmental Jurisprudence – Public Trust Doctrine, Polluter Pays Principle, Precautionary Principle etc. - The vires of Judicial Activism in protection of Environment & Wildlife - Innovative Approaches to meet the Global Challenges	**Prof. (Dr.) M.K. Ramesh**
1:15pm - 1:30pm	**Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants**	
Lunch		

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NATIONAL SEMINAR FOR PRESIDING OFFICERS OF DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (DRT) [SE-19]

17th & 18th March 2025

Venue: National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

TIMING	DAY 1 17th March 2025 (Monday)
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	**SESSION 1** **Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 (RDB): Genesis & Overview** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Jurisdictional Charter of DRT* ✓ *Territorial Jurisdiction* ✓ *Pecuniary Jurisdiction* ✓ *Bar of Jurisdiction [Section 17 and 18 of RDDBFI Act]* • *Proceedings before DRT* ✓ *Original Application [Filing, Accompanying Documents, Format, Relief and Interim Relief]* ✓ *Procedure under Section 19* ✓ *Recovery Proceedings before RO* ✓ *e-DRT PROJECT* ***Speakers*** Justice M.R. Shah Dr. Justice Vineet Kothari
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**TEA BREAK**
12:00 PM – 01:30 PM	**SESSION 2** **Case Management: Improving Efficiency & Efficacy of DRT** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Appropriate strategies for Expeditious Adjudication* ✓ *Prioritisation of Cases* ✓ *Identifying Best Practices for Effective Disposal of Cases* ✓ *Courtroom Management* • *Role of Adjudicating Officer in Streamlining Processes* • *Online Adjudication* ***Speakers*** Justice U.C.Dhyani Dr. Justice Vineet Kothari ***Chair*** Justice M.R. Shah
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	**LUNCH BREAK**
02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	**SESSION 3** **Judicial Discretion; and the Art, Craft & Science of Drafting Judgments/Orders** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Demeanor of the Presiding Officer* • *Significance of Reasoning in Orders* • *Drafting appropriate orders* ***Speakers*** Justice U.C.Dhyani Dr. Justice Vineet Kothari ***Chair*** Justice M.R. Shah
04:00 PM	**TEA**

TIMING	DAY 2 18th March 2025 (Tuesday)
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	**SESSION 4** **Role and Responsibilities of DRT post SARFAESI Act** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Enforcement of RDB Act, 1993 & SARFAESI Act, 2002 by DRT* • *Interplay between DRT proceedings and IBC* ✓ *Filing of Simultaneous Applications* ✓ *Limitation Period* • *Resolving of claims within six months* • *Interim Order by DRT* • *Judgment and Recovery Certificate by DRT* • *Appeal* ✓ *Appeal against the order of DRT in DRAT (Section 20)* ✓ *Appeal against the order of RO before PO, DRT (Section 30)* ✓ *Appeal against DRAT before High Court (Art. 226)* ***Speakers*** Justice M.R. Shah Justice DVSS Somayajulu
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**TEA BREAK**
12:00 PM - 1:30PM	**SESSION 5** **Procedural Issues and Challenges faced by Debt Recovery Tribunals** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *The Application Route- Contours of Section 19 and Section 22(1), RDB –PNJ* • *The SARFAESI Route- Contours of Section 13 (2), and Section 13 (4)* • *DRAT- An Expensive Forum?* • *Delay tactics by large borrowers* ***Speakers*** Justice M.R. Shah Justice DVSS Somayajulu
01:30 PM - 01:40 PM	**AUDIT OF THE COURSE BY PARTICIPANTS**
01:40 PM	**LUNCH & DEPARTURE**

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[P-1445]: Regional Conference on Court Dockets: Explosion and Exclusion (West Zone-I)

22nd & 23rd March 2025

National Judicial Academy in association with the High Court of Gujarat and Gujarat State Judicial Academy

Venue: Gujarat High Court Auditorium, Sola, Ahmedabad

Academic Coordinators: Mr. Rajesh Suman, Asst. Professor & Dr. Sumit Bhattacharya, Research Fellow, NJA

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

DAY 1: 22nd March 2025 (Saturday)	
SESSION & TIMING	**THEMES**
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	**Inaugural Session**
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -12:00 PM	**Addressing Docket Exclusion: Enhancing Inclusivity and Optimizing Court Management** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Access to Justice : Strategies to Promote Inclusivity and Overcome Exclusion • Effective Court Docket Management: Tools & Techniques • Intersectionality and Legal Challenges: Addressing the Complex Interplay **Panel** **Hon'ble Ms. Justice Sonia G. Gokani** **Hon'ble Dr. Justice Pushpendra Singh Bhati**
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**
SESSION 2 12:30 AM - 02:00 PM	**Bridging the Digital Divide: Role of E-Services** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Understanding the Digital Divide: e-Courts Project Insights on Access and Effectiveness • Ensuring Access and Inclusivity: e-Courts Project Strategies **Panel** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Suraj Govindraj**
02:00 PM – 03:00 PM	**Lunch Break**
SESSION 3 03:00 PM – 04:30 PM	**Expeditious and Efficacious Justice Dispensation through ADR Mechanisms** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Strengthening Court-Annexed ADR • Leveraging settlement through Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) • Collaboration and Capacity Building Mechanisms **Panel** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Manindra Mohan Shrivastava** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice G. S. Kulkarni**
04:30 PM	**Tea**

DAY 2 23rd March 2025 (Sunday)	
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Judiciary and Media** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Media and the Justice Delivery System • Dealing with Social Media • Freedom of Media & Freedom from Media in the Digital Age from a Citizen's Perspective • New Media & Emerging Legal Landscape **Panel** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Satish Chandra Sharma** **Hon'ble Ms. Justice Moushumi Bhattacharya** **Mr. Tushar Mehta**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Advancing Judicial Governance through Emerging and Future Technologies** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Judicial Decision Making • Blockchain Technology for Secure Record Management • Recent Advances in Technology **Panel** **Hon'ble Dr. Justice Anita Sumanth** **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anoop Chitkara**
1:30 PM – 1:40 PM	**Feedback by Participants**
Lunch & Departure	

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ORIENTATION COURSE FOR NEWLY ELEVATED HIGH COURT JUSTICES [P-1446]
(5TH & 6TH APRIL, 2025)

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSON(S)
DAY 1 **5^{5h} April, 2025 (Saturday)**		
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -12:00 PM	**Discretion and Proportionality in Decision Making Process** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion***: • Espousing Constitutional Values • Exercise of Discretion and Proportionality in Interim Stage • Biases, Prejudices and Recusal • Changing dimensions of Media Reporting on justice delivery system	**Justice Joymalya Bagchi** **Justice M. Sundar**
Tea Break - 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM		
SESSION 2 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**Doctrine of Precedent** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Application of Precedents: *-Concepts of Stare Decisis, Ratio Decidendi, Obiter Dicta, Per Incuriam & Sub-Silentio* • Precedential Conflicts and References to Larger Bench • Article 141 as an element of judicial discipline • Precedent and its role in ensuring consistency	**Justice Vibhu Bakhru** **Justice Sidharth Mridul**
Lunch Break - 2:00 PM – 2:45 PM		
SESSION 3 2:45 PM – 4:00 PM	**Effective use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Courts** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • ICT in Administration of Courts *-e-Filing: Effective use of e-Sewa Kendras, Electronic Process Serving & Electronic Payments* *-Initiatives for Exchanges between Courts and Various Stakeholders: SUVAS, e-Court Services, NJDG, ICJS* • Future of Courtroom Technology *-Paperless Courts* *-Use of AI to streamline court processes* • Live Streaming Issues *-Dealing with Potential Misinformation* *-Anonymity, Identity & Party Privacy*	**Justice Anoop Chitkara**
In House Tea at 03:15 PM		

DAY 2 6th April, 2025 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Bail: Intricacies and Nuances** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Balancing Personal Liberty with Societal Interest • Conditions for Bail: Identifying Permissible vs Onerous/Extraneous Conditions • Bail under Special Statutes: • Writing Reasoned Bail Orders • Consistency and Uniformity in grant of bail	**Justice Atul Sreedharan** **Justice Anup Jairam Bhambhani**
Tea Break - 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM		
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	**Judgment Writing** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion:*** • Objectivity in Decision Making • Sensitivity in Judgments ✓ Gender Sensitivity in Judgments & Orders - Language - Eliminating Bias, Stereotypes & Prejudices ✓ Appropriate approach in cases involving Vulnerable/Disadvantaged Groups	**Justice Atul Sreedharan** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan**
Feedback of the Conference by Participants		
Lunch & Departure		

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Refresher Course for POCSO Courts - (P-1447)

05th & 06th April, 2025

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Academic Coordinator - Dr. Sonam Jain, Assistant Professor, National Judicial Academy, Bhopal

Session/ Timing	Theme	
Day 1 05th April 2025 (Saturday)		
Session 1 **10:00AM -11:30AM**	**Judicial Sensitization and Ethical Considerations in POCSO Cases** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Developing Judicial Sensitivity, Addressing Bias and Stereotypes* • *Ensuring Privacy and Confidentiality* • *Balancing Justice and Child Welfare* • *Trauma Informed Judging*	**Resource Person(s)** **Justice Aniruddha Bose** **Justice P.N.Prakash** **Mr Vijay Chandra**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 2 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**Age Determination: Addressing Challenges and Exploring Solutions Scope of discussion** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Procedures for Age Verification* • *Complexities surrounding Age Determination* • *Exploring Novel Strategies via use of Advance Medical Technology, Legal Precedents, and International Guidelines etc.* • *'Love'& 'Consent' in POCSO Cases*	**Resource Person(s)** **Justice S. Nagamuthu** **Mr E.V. Chandru**
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**	
Session 3 **02:30 PM - 04:00 PM**	**Evidence in POCSO Cases: Collection, Appreciation, Presumption and Burden of Proof** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Collection, Preservation and Appreciation of Medical & Forensic Evidence* • *Standard of Proof Regarding Presumption of Culpable Mental State: Scope & Limits* • *Presumption under Section 29 vis-à-vis Trial of Alternative or Cumulative Charges under the BNS* • *Burden of proof and Reverse Burden of proof*	**Resource Person** **Justice S. Nagamuthu** **Justice P.N.Prakash**
04:00 PM	**Tea Break**	

Day 2 06th April 2025 (Sunday)		
Session 4 **10:00AM -11:30AM**	**Rehabilitation and Compensation of Victim** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Prompt actions on application of victims/parents/guardian for compensation* • *Parameters for determining interim and final compensation* • *Access to Support Service: Impact of POCSO Offences & Victim Rehabilitation* • *Measures to prevent Re-Victimization and Stigmatization of Victims*	**Resource Person(s)** **Mr E.V. Chandru** **Dr Sonam Jain**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
Session 5 **12:00 PM - 01:30 PM**	**Exploring Psycho-Social Aspects of POCSO Cases** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • *Understanding Child Psychology* • *Demeanor of POCSO Court Judges* • *Handling psycho Social Pressure*	**Resource Person(s)** **Dr Harish Shetty**
01:30 PM - 01:45 PM	Audit of the Course by Participant Judges	
01:45 PM	**Lunch Break & Departure**	

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[P-1448]: Regional Conference on Court Dockets: Explosion and Exclusion (North Zone-II)

12th & 13th April, 2025

National Judicial Academy in association with the High Court of Uttarakhand and the Uttarakhand Judicial & Legal Academy

Participating High Courts: Delhi, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Punjab and Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand

Venue: Hotel Hyatt Centric, Rajpur Road, Jakhan, Dehradun (Uttarakhand)

Academic Coordinators: Ms. Nitika Jain and Mr. Prasidh Raj Singh, Faculty, NJA

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DAY 1 12th April, 2025 (Saturday)	
SESSION & TIMING	**THEMES**
9:15am – 10:00am: Inaugural Session *(Minute-to-minute for the Inaugural Session shall be shared separately)*	
SESSION 1 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Addressing Docket Exclusion: Enhancing Inclusivity and Optimizing Court Management** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Access to Justice : Strategies to Promote Inclusivity and Overcome Exclusion • Effective Court Docket Management: Tools & Techniques • Intersectionality and Legal Challenges: Addressing the Complex Interplay **Speakers** **Justice Rajesh Bindal** **Dr. Justice Anita Sumanth**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Expeditious and Efficacious Justice Dispensation through ADR Mechanisms** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Strengthening Court-Annexed ADR • Leveraging settlement through Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) • Collaboration and Capacity Building Mechanisms **Speakers** **Justice Augustine George Masih** **Justice A.P. Sahi**
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	**Lunch Break**
SESSION 3 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	**Judiciary and Media** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Media and the Justice delivery System • Social Media • Citizen and the media in Digital Age **Speakers** **Chair: Justice Manmohan** **Justice A.P. Sahi** **Justice Michael Zothankhuma**
04:00 PM	**Tea**
7:30/ 8:00pm Onwards **Uttarakhand Folk Cultural Evening Programme followed by Dinner** *[Organized by Hon'ble High Court of Uttarakhand and Uttarakhand Judicial and Legal Academy]*	

DAY 2 13th April, 2025 (Sunday)	
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Bridging the Digital Divide: Role of E-Services** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Understanding the Digital Divide: e-Courts Project Insights on Access and Effectiveness • Ensuring Access and Inclusivity: e-Courts Project Strategies **Speakers** **Chair: Justice Rajesh Bindal** **Justice Sanjeev Sachdeva** **Justice M. Sundar**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Advancing Judicial Governance through Emerging and Future Technologies** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Judicial Decision Making • Block chain Technology for Secure Record Management • Recent Advances in Technology **Speakers** **Justice Sanjeev Sachdeva** **Justice M. Sundar**
1:30 PM – 1:40 PM	**Valedictory and Vote of Thanks**
Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants	
Lunch & Departure (1:40 pm onwards)	

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National Conference for High Court Justices on Civil Law
19 – 20 April, 2025 [P-1449]
Programme Schedule

DAY 1: 19 April, 2025 (Saturday)		
Session & Timing	**Themes**	**Resource Persons**
SESSION 1 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**First Appeal: Scope of Powers and Jurisdiction of High Court** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Framing Points for determination • Issues Concerning Question of Law and Fact • Scope of Interference in Factual Finding • Additional Evidence During First Appeal • Remand of Case • Appeal From Miscellaneous Orders • First Appeal from Order (F.A.F.O)	**Panel** **Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra** **Dr. Justice G. Jayachandran**
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 2 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	**Second Appeal: Contours and Limits** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Issues Concerning Substantial Question of Law • Framing of Substantial Question of Law • Mixed Question of Law and Fact • Scope of Interference in Factual Finding • Issues Concerning Re-appreciation of Evidence	**Panel** **Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra** **Justice Sabyasachi Bhattacharyya**
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	**Lunch Break**	
SESSION 3 03:00 PM – 4:30 PM	**Civil Revision: Parameters and Boundaries** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Grounds for Exercise of Revisional Jurisdiction- Jurisdictional Errors of the Lower Courts - Excess of Jurisdiction, Failure to Exercise Jurisdiction, Absence of Jurisdiction or Material Irregularity • Scope of Interference in Factual Finding • Issues Concerning Re-appreciation of Evidence	**Panel** **Justice Sabyasachi Bhattacharyya** **Mr. V. Raghavachari**
Tea		

DAY 2: 20 April, 2025 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	**Nature of Relief: Final and Interlocutory** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Nature of Reliefs; Specific Performance of Contract; Damages • Conditions for Granting Relief & Exercise of Judicial Discretion in Grant of Relief • Prima Facie Test; Balance of Convenience Test; Irreparable Injury Test • Appeals against interlocutory orders in Arbitration • When Mandatory Injunction can be passed? • Mareva Injunction, Anton Piller Injunction, John Doe Injunction, Anti-Suit Injunction, Dynamic Injunction	**Panel** **Justice D.V.S.S. Somayajulu** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan**
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Stay of Suit & Res Judicata** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Scope of Stay of Suit • Scope of Res Judicata • Non applicability of Res Judicata • Constructive Res Judicata [Explanation IV to Section 11 of CPC]	**Panel** **Justice D.V.S.S. Somayajulu** **Justice C.V. Karthikeyan**
01:30 PM – 01:45 PM	**Feedback Form**	
Lunch & Departure		

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NATIONAL SEMINAR ON CYBERCRIME & ELECTRONIC EVIDENCE [P-1450]
Participants: District Judiciary
19th – 20th April 2025
National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal
Programme Schedule

Saturday	**Day-1: 19.04.2025**
10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**SESSION 1** **Regulating the Cyber Space: National and International Jurisprudence** Proposed scope of discussion**:** ✓ Evolving jurisprudence including – o Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 ✓ General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) – EU ✓ Artificial Intelligence Act – EU ✓ Jurisprudence on State Responsibility for Cyber Attacks: Legal Implications and Accountability **Speakers** *Justice Anoop Chitkara* *Dr. Debasis Nayak*
11:30AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**
12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**SESSION 2** **Jurisdictional Issues in Adjudication of Cybercrime** Proposed scope of discussion: ✓ Determination of Parties, Place of Commission & Place of Suing • Theory of Uploader and Downloader ✓ Tests to determine jurisdiction ✓ Challenges relating to extraterritorial evidences • Long Arm Statute & Minimum Contact • Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties (MLATs): Enhancing International Cooperation in the Adjudication of Cybercrimes **Speakers** ***Chair*** *- Justice Atul Sreedharan* *Justice Suraj Govindaraj* *Dr. Debasis Nayak*
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	**Lunch**
02:30 PM - 04:00 PM **(Tea Break at 04:00PM)**	**SESSION 3** **Safeguarding Judicial Institutions from Cyber-Attacks: Cyber Security and Data Protection** Proposed scope of discussion: ✓ Principles of Cyber Hygiene and Best Practices ✓ Concept of Secured e-Corridors ✓ Incident Response Planning for Judicial Institutions: Preparedness and Mitigation Strategies ✓ Role of IT Security Measures in Safeguarding Judicial Institutions from Cyber-attacks **Speakers** *Mr. Kuldeep Singh Kushwah* *Dr. Harold D'Costa*

Sunday	Day-2: 20.04.2025
10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**SESSION 4** **Admissibility and Appreciation of Electronic Evidence** Proposed scope of discussion: ✓ Relevancy, authenticity and admissibility of electronic records ✓ Digital Forensics vis-à-vis acquisition, authentication, analysis and documentation of data ✓ Contours of Section 63 in light of *Arjun Panditrao Khotkar v. Kailash Kushanrao Gorantyal* ✓ Scientific v. Nonscientific Expert Testimony & Admissibility of Expert Testimony **Speakers** *Dr. Justice Pushpendra Singh Bhati* *Justice C.M. Joshi*
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Tea Break**
12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**SESSION 5** **Challenges & Emerging Issues of Cyber Threats** Proposed scope of discussion: ✓ Block chain Technology and its Impact on Digital Transactions ✓ Dealing with new-age technologies – Awareness & Contemporary knowledge o Cryptocurrency o Advanced Persistent Threats (States as actors that infiltrate computer networks to case harm, as in the notorious cases involving Maui Ransomware, Wanna Cry, Solar Winds, Pegasus, MOVEit, and Stuxnet). **Speaker** *Justice Anoop Chitkara*
01:15PM - 01:30PM	*Audit of the Course by Participant Judges*
01:30PM	**Lunch & Departure**

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Training Program for Maldives Judicial Officers (SE-11)
22nd April to 25th April, 2025
Programme Schedule
All timings are as per Indian Standard Time (IST)

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES
DAY 1 **22nd April (Tuesday)**	
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -12:00 PM	**Indian Judiciary: Organizational Structure, Jurisdiction and Approaches** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Courts in India: Hierarchy and Jurisdiction • Separation of Power • Allocation of Legislative Powers- The Federal Architecture **Panel** **Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey** **Justice S. G. Gokani**
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM: Tea Break	
SESSION 2 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM	**Goals, Role and Mission of Courts:** **Constitutional Vision of Justice** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Role of a Judge in a Constitutional Democracy • Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy • Doctrine of Basic Structure – Development of Jurisprudence • Judicial Activism **Panel** **Justice S. G. Gokani** **Justice Poonam Bamba**
02:00 PM – 3:00 PM: Lunch Break	
SESSION 3 03:00 PM - 04:30 PM	**Judicial Skills and Art of Judgement Writing:** **Ethics, Neutrality and Professionalism** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Integrity and Impartiality to Ensure Judicial Neutrality • Objectivity in Decision Making • Significance of Reasoning in Judgments and Orders • Sensitivity in Judgments **Panel** **Justice R.K. Gauba** **Justice Poonam Bamba**
05:00 PM Onwards: Tea	

DAY 2 **23 April (Wednesday)**	
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Judge as the Master of the Court:** **Court & Case Management** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Role of a Judge in Streamlining Court & Case Management • Bottlenecks in Judicial Administration • Best Practices for Effective Disposal of Cases • Use of ICT in court and case management • Innovations in terms of new applications and software • e-Judiciary & Data Protection/ Privacy • Staff Management and Supervision **Panel** **Justice A. K. Goel** **Justice K. Kannan**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Tea Break	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Jurisprudence on Environmental Law:** **Contribution of the Supreme Court** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Protection of Environment under the Indian Constitutional Mandate • Public Trust Doctrine • Judicial Role as *Parens Patriae* to Protect the Environment & Wildlife • Significance of Judicial Activism in Protection of Environment & Wildlife • Innovative Approaches to Meet the Global Challenges **Panel** **Justice A. K. Goel** **Justice K. Kannan**
01:30 PM – 2:30 PM: Lunch	
Local Visit	
DAY 3 **24 April (Thursday)**	
SESSION 6 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Criminal Justice Administration:** **Fair Trial and Human Rights** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Attributes of Fair Trial • Procedural Safeguards

	• Rights of the Accused vis-à-vis Rights of the Victim • Judicial Control over the abuse of Investigation • Case Law Jurisprudence **<u>Panel</u>** **Justice Ved Prakash Sharma** **Mr. Humayun Rasheed Khan**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Tea Break	
SESSION 7 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Electronic Evidence: New Horizons, Collection, Preservation and Appreciation** ***<u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u>*** • Settling, Resettling & Unsettling: Evolutionary Process of the Law on Electronic Evidence • Evolving Nature of Electronic Evidence: Challenges in Collection & Preservation of Electronic Evidence **<u>Panel</u>** **Mr. Harold D'Costa**
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM: Lunch Break	
STUDY TOUR	
DAY 4 **25th April (Friday)**	
SESSION 8 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	**Principles of Evidence:** **Appreciation in Civil and Criminal Cases** ***<u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u>*** • Property and Contract Law • Standard and Burden of Proof regarding presumption of culpable mental state: Scope & Limits • Evidentiary Presumptions • Reverse Burden of Proof: POCSO Act, NDPS Act & PMLA **<u>Panel</u>** **Justice S. Talapatra** **Dr. Justice Sudhir Kumar Jain**
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Tea Break	
SESSION 9 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	**Civil Justice Administration:** **Alternative Dispute Redressal System in India** ***<u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u>*** • ADR as a tool to conserve judicial resources & to ensure speedy justice • ADR Mechanisms • Referral of Cases for Settlement: Suitable Cases, Procedure for Referral,

	Appropriate Stage for Referral **Panel** **Justice S. Talapatra** **Dr. Justice Sudhir Kumar Jain**
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National Conference for High Court Justices on Docket Exclusion of Marginalised Groups (P-1451)

26th & 27th April, 2025
Venue: National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

TIMING	DAY 1 26th April 2025 (Saturday)
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	**SESSION 1** **Understanding Docket Exclusion: Systemic Barriers and Judicial Responsibilities** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Docket explosion leads to docket exclusion? • Identifying systemic barriers preventing marginalised communities from accessing legal remedies **Panel** Justice Ujjal Bhuyan Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	**TEA BREAK**
12:30 PM – 02:00 PM	**SESSION 2** **Access to Justice *vis-à-vis* Socio-Legal Challenges** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Discrimination and exclusion faced by Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, women, LGBTQ+ individuals, persons with disabilities and economically backward classes etc. • Contemporary trends in promoting inclusivity • Case law jurisprudence **Panel** Justice Aniruddha Bose Justice Moushumi Bhattacharya
02:00 PM – 03:00 PM	**LUNCH BREAK**
03:00 PM – 04:30 PM	**SESSION 3** **Approaches to Overcome Discrimination and Enhance Judicial Access** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Enhancing access through digital innovations • Judicial Sensitization for bias-free and inclusive adjudication • Expanding outreach initiatives - *Pro bono* services, Legal Aid & PILs **Panel** Justice Ujjal Bhuyan Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque Justice G. Raghuram
04:30 PM	**TEA**

TIMING	DAY 2 27th April 2025 (Sunday)
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	**SESSION 4** **Judicial Perspectives on Intersectionality and Marginalised Groups** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Intersectionality in Justice – Impact of caste, gender, and economy on marginalised groups • Judicial Interpretation *vis-à-vis* Intersectional Discrimination • Affirmative Action and Substantive Equality : Role of Courts **Panel** Justice Sandeep Mehta Justice C.T. Ravikumar Justice G. Raghuram
11:30 AM - 12:00 Noon	**TEA BREAK**
12:00 Noon - 1:30PM	**SESSION 5** **Enhancing Docket Management and Court Procedures to Address Systemic Exclusion of Marginalised Groups** **Proposed Scope of Discussion** • Impact of judicial delays and need for priority handling • Addressing procedural barriers for economically disadvantaged groups • Enhancing access to justice through mediation, conciliation & lok adalats **Panel** Justice Sandeep Mehta Justice C.T. Ravikumar
01:30 PM - 01:40 PM	**AUDIT OF THE COURSE BY PARTICIPANT JUSTICES**
01:40 PM	**LUNCH & DEPARTURE**

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TRAINING OF TRAINERS FOR STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMIES [P-1452]

(FACULTY OF STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMIES)

Date: 26th & 27th April 2025
Coordinator: Ms. Shruti Jane Eusebius, Research Fellow, National Judicial Academy

DAY 1
26TH APRIL 2025 (SATURDAY)

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM: **SESSION 1**

Sensitization Training on Gender

Scope of Discussion

- Training on Gender Sensitive Courtroom Conduct
- Gender Appropriate Language

Speaker

Justice Moushumi Bhattacharya

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM: **Tea**

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM: **SESSION 2**

Interactive and Experiential Learning Methods

Scope of Discussion

- Innovative Methods for Judicial Education
- Methods for Skill-based Training

Speaker

Dr. Justice A.K. Jayasankaran Nambiar

1:30 PM – 1:35 PM: **Group Photo**

1:35 PM – 2:30 PM: **Lunch**

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM: **SESSION 3**

Effective Engagement in the Classroom

Proposed Scope of Discussion

- Planning & Delivery of Content
- Interactive Classroom Methods
- Effective Use of Aids in the Classroom

Speaker

Justice Atul Sreedharan

4:00 PM: **Tea**

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(FACULTY OF STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMIES)

Date: 26th & 27th April 2025

Coordinator: Ms. Shruti Jane Eusebius, Research Fellow, National Judicial Academy

DAY 2
27TH APRIL 2025 (SUNDAY)

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM: **SESSION 4**

Technology for Judges

Scope of Discussion

- Interactive Trainings on Appreciation of Digital Evidence
- What Judges Should Know About AI

Panel

Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque
Justice M. Sundar

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM: **Tea**

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM: **SESSION 5**

Training on Judgment Writing Skills

Scope of Discussion

- Trainings on Structure, Style and Language of a Judgment
- Techniques to Demonstrate Good Practices in Judgment Writing

Panel

Justice Aniruddha Bose
Justice G. Raghuram

1:30 PM: **Lunch**

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NATIONAL SEMINAR ON ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION [P-1457]
Participants: District Judiciary
3rd – 4th May 2025
Venue: National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal
Academic Coordinator: Ms. Nitika Jain, Faculty, NJA

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Saturday	**Day-1: 03.05.2025**
SESSION 1 **10:00am – 11:30am** *(11:15am – 11:30am Q&A/Discussion)*	***ADR Mechanisms and Legal Framework: Access to Justice*** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** ➢ Significance of ADR and Key ADR mechanisms ➢ ADR practices in other jurisdictions ➢ Role of District Judges in ADR: Facilitator, referee, supervisor ➢ Changing judicial attitudes towards ADR mechanisms. **Statutory Framework for ADR**: ➢ Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996. ➢ Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987. ➢ Specific Acts governing sectoral ADR (e.g., Consumer Protection Act, 2019, Indian Contract Act, Commercial Courts Act and Family Courts Act, 1984). **Speakers** Justice M.I. Arun Justice U.C. Dhyani Dr. Justice Sudhir Kumar Jain
11:30am - 12:00noon	**Tea Break**
SESSION 2 **12:00noon - 01:30pm** *(1:15pm – 1:30pm Q&A/Discussion)*	***Mediation as a Tool for Dispute Resolution*** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** ➢ Understanding Mediation: Key principles: Voluntary, neutral, confidential. ➢ Comparison between judicial process, mediation, and arbitration. ➢ Cases suitable for Mediation ➢ Best Practices for Judges in Mediation: Encouraging parties to mediate; Effective referral mechanisms; monitoring and ensuring the integrity of the mediation process. ➢ Mediation Act 2023: Community Mediation **Speakers** Justice Ajay Bhanot Dr. Justice Sudhir Kumar Jain
01:30pm - 02:30pm	**Lunch**
SESSION 3 **02:30pm - 04:00pm** *(3:30pm – 3:45pm Q&A/Discussion)*	***Fundamentals and Scheme of Arbitration*** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** ➢ Arbitration and Section 89 of CPC ➢ Role of Courts in making domestic arbitral institutions into "good seat" ➢ Role of the district judge in supporting arbitration: Stay of court proceedings, interim orders, etc. ➢ Supervisory jurisdiction vs. intervention: Grounds for setting aside arbitral awards ➢ Addressing common challenges in the arbitration process. **Speakers** Justice M. Sundar Justice Ajay Bhanot
04:00 PM	**Tea at Cafeteria**

Sunday	Day-2: 04.05.2024
SESSION 4 **10:00am – 11:30am** *(11:15am – 11:30am Q&A/Discussion)*	***Conciliation, Lok Adalats, and Other ADR Mechanisms*** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** ➢ Difference between Mediation, Conciliation and Lok Adalat ➢ Role of the conciliator, the process, and its advantages ➢ Types of cases suitable for Lok Adalats. ➢ The role of judges and other stakeholders in Lok Adalats ➢ Hybrid ADR Models: Med-Arb and Arb-Med ➢ Online Dispute Resolution Mechanism (ODR) ➢ Negotiations **Speakers** Justice U.C. Dhyani Mr. Vijay Chandra
11:30am - 12:00pm	**Tea Break**
SESSION 5 **12:00noon - 01:30pm** *(1:15pm – 1:30pm Q&A/Discussion)*	***Maintaining the Balance: Judicial Stress and Wellness*** ***Proposed scope of discussion:*** ➢ Bench and Occupational Stress ➢ Attitudinal differences and Biases ➢ Interpersonal isolation: Withdrawal from society and community involvement ➢ Mindfulness: Staying focused & on task ➢ Adapting to change – Psychosocial adjustments. ➢ Stress Management : Relaxation Techniques **Speaker** Dr. Samindara Sawant
01:15pm - 01:30pm	**Audit of the Course by Participant Judges**
01:30pm	**Lunch & Departure**

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WORKSHOP FOR HIGH COURTS JUSTICES

ON

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY [P-1456]

(04th May, 2025)

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

Academic Coordinator – Dr. Amit Mehrotra, Professor, NJA

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	RESOURCE PERSON(S)
04th May, 2025 (Sunday)		
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -11:45 AM	**Digital Transformation in Indian Judicial System: A Strategic Overview** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Understanding the Digital Transformation: e-Courts Project Insights on Access and Effectiveness • Ensuring Access and Inclusivity: Top-down approach • Advancements in Judicial Technology • Innovation and Best Practices at High Court Level: Bottom-up Options	Justice Rajesh Bindal Shri Ashish Shirodkar
In House Tea at 11:30 AM		
SESSION 2 11:45 AM - 01:00 PM	**Institutional & Individual Security Concerns before the Courts in the 21st Century** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Secured and Robust ICT System to counter unwarranted invasions • Evolving Technology and Protecting Court Data: Dark Web, Deep Fake, Meta-verse, etc. • Regulating Security & Confidentiality: Ethical Dilemmas and Privacy Issues • Ensuring the Safety and Accountability of Stakeholders	Justice Anoop Chitkara Prof (Dr) Ananth Prabhu G.
01:00 PM – 02:00 PM Lunch Break		
SESSION 3 02:00 PM – 03:15 PM	**Advancing Judicial Governance through Emerging and Future Technologies** *Proposed Scope of Discussion* • Role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Judicial Decision Making • AI as an Enabler: Court Security, Surveillance & Training • Data Biases and Design Biases • Future Challenges in the Age of AI	Justice M.Sundar Prof (Dr) Saptarshi Ghosh
03: 15 PM – Tea		

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National Conference on Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 [P- 1455]

10th and 11thMay, 2025

Tentative Program Schedule

DAY 1 **10th May, 2025** **(Saturday)**	**SESSION 1** 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM **Offences under Prevention of Corruption Act,1988- Legislative Landscape** 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM **Arrest, Inquiry and Investigation** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Adherence to guidelines for arrest - Requirement of preliminary inquiry - Role of Court in regard to Investigation - Contours of Section 17A **Panel** **Justice Atul Sreedharan** **Justice P.N. Prakash**	**TEA BREAK**	**SESSION 2** 12:00 P.M. – 01:30 PM **Bail under Prevention of Corruption Act,1988** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Guidelines for grant of regular bail - Parameters for anticipatory bail in corruption cases - Right of accused to default bail - Delay in trial and grant of bail **Panel** **Justice P.N. Prakash** **Justice U.C. Dhyani** **Mr. E.V. Chandru**	**LUNCH BREAK**	**SESSION 3** 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM **Sanction for Prosecution** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** - Ascertaining validity of sanction order • Adequate material for grant of sanction order • Application of mind in grant of sanction order • Order of sanction by competent authority • Irregularity in grant of sanction - Absence of sanction - Delay in Grant of sanction - Section 19 PC Act *vis-à-vis* Section 218 BNSS **Panel** **Justice Ved Prakash Sharma** **Mr. Sharad Kumar Lagwal**	**TEA BREAK**

DAY 2 **11th May, 2025** **(Sunday)**	**SESSION 4** 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM **Evidentiary Challenges** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Appreciation and Admissibility of Electronic Evidence • Managing Voluminous Evidence **Panel** **Dr. Justice G. Jayachandran** **Justice Sanjeev S. Kalgaonkar**	**TEA BREAK**	**SESSION 5** 12:00 PM – 01:30 PM **Efficacious Conduct of Trial** ***Proposed Scope of Discussion*** • Preparation and adherence to trial schedule • Utilization of video conferencing • Addressing impediments in expeditious disposal of cases **Panel** **Dr. Justice G. Jayachandran** **Justice Sanjeev S. Kalgaonkar**	**LUNCH BREAK**

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