NATIONAL JUDICIAL ACADEMY

P-1111: Refresher Course for POCSO Court Judges $14^{th} - 16^{th}$ September, 2018

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No. of Participants : 42 No. of forms received : 42

I. OVERALL						
PROPOSITION	To a great extent	To some extent	Not at all	Remarks		
a. The objective of the Program was clear to me	95.24	4.76	-	40. Very informative		
b. The subject matter of the program is useful and relevant to my work	92.86	7.14	-	-		
c. Overall, I got benefited from attending this program	90.48	9.52	-	-		
d. I will use the new learning, skills, ideas and knowledge in my work	92.86	7.14	-	-		
e. Adequate time and opportunity was provided to participants to share experiences	88.10	11.90	-	-		
	II.	KNOWLEDGE				
PROPOSITION	To a great extent	To some extent	Not at all	Remarks		
The program provided knowledge (or provided links / references to knowledge) which is:						
a. Useful to my work	97.62	2.38	-	-		
b. Comprehensive (relevant case laws, national laws, leading text / articles / comments by jurists)	88.10	11.90	-	-		
c. Up to date	83.33	16.67	-	-		

d. Related to Constitutional Vision of Justice	56.10	41.46	2.44	-			
e. Related to international legal norms	36.59	56.10	7.31	-			
III. STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAM							
PROPOSITION	Good	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Remarks			
a. The structure and sequence of the program was logical	85.71	14.29	-	-			
b. The program was an adequate combination of the following methodologies viz.							
(i) Interactive sessions were fruitful	87.80	12.20	-	-			
	IV SESSIONS WISE VETTING						
		Parameters					
a .	Discussions in individual sessions were effectively organized		The Session theme was adequately addressed by the Resource Persons				
Session	Effective and Useful	Satisfactory	Effective and Useful	Satisfactory			
1	83.33	16.67	87.88	12.12			
2	82.05	17.95	83.33	16.67			
3	76.92	23.08	80.00	20.00			
4	84.62	15.38	82.14	17.86			
5	82.50	17.50	77.42	22.58			
6	74.36	25.64	76.67	23.33			
7	94.87	5.13	93.33	6.67			
8	94.74	5.26	93.10	6.90			
V. PROGRAM MATERIALS							
PROPOSITION	To a great extent	To some extent	Not at all	Remarks			
a. The Program material is useful and relevant	85.71	14.29	-	-			
b. The content was updated. It reflected recent case laws/ current	76.19	23.81	-	-			

thinking/ research/ policy in the discussed area				
c. The content was organized and easy to follow	85.00	15.00	-	-

VIII. GENERAL SUGGESTIONS

- 1. Three most important learning achievements of this Programme
- 1. Exchange of perspectives on aspects dealing with child victim, law on rehabilitation and compensation and child friendly techniques.
- 2. 1. Assessment of compensation.
- 3. 1. Clarity on child friendly methods; 2. Sensitization of programme.
- 4. 1. Interviewing children; 2. Age determination and appreciation of evidence; 3. Compensation.
- 5. 1. Updated the knowledge; 2. Programme added new way of thinking; 3. Broadened the horizon.
- 6. Understanding the psychology of victim child; How to be friendly with victim child; How to provide friendly atmosphere to victim child.
- 7. Session 1: Protection against Child Sexual Abuse and Harassment: International Perspectives; Session 3: Child Friendly Court Procedures and Judicial Attitudes: Statutory Provisions and Best Practices;
- 8. Understanding Psychology of a child.
- 9. Participant did not comment.
- 10. Gained knowledge on some problems. Got solution.
- 11. Age determination.
- 12. Recording & appreciation of evidence in POCSO cases. Rehabilitation and compensation of child victims of sexual offences.
- 13. 1. Updated my knowledge; 2. Realized that I have to be more sensitive; 3. Have to be more innovative and open to ideas.
- 14. A good start for me as POCSO judge.
- 15. Participant did not comment.
- 16. With regard to age determination. Compensation and child psychology.
- 17. None.
- 18. 1. Updated rulings are very useful; 2. Court procedure and victim psychology.
- 3. Clarified some minute topics in practical aspects.
- 19. The programme sensitized us regarding child psychology by stepping into the victim's shoes regarding the trauma bore by them.
- 20. Participant did not comment.
- 21. 1. Basic law of POCSO and its aim for achievement; 2. Application of natural law to the POCSO law; 3. Appreciation of evidence & victim child and parents & relative.

- 22. Child friendly, Interaction with the resource persons, discussion about case laws.
- 23. The programme was very interactive and practical to be used in day-to-day trial.
- 24. Legal aspect of POCSO; understanding about child victim & rehabilitation and compensation.
- 25. The programme was very fruitful I have learnt much more from the programme.
- 26. 1. Child psychological behaviour; 2. The role of a judge in POCSO court; 3. All most all of the case laws.
- 27. 1. Child friendly methods and techniques for interviewing children; 2. Age determination of victim and perpetrator; 3. Appreciation of evidence.
- 28. Understood the object of POCSO Act, child, children, childhood and emotions and feelings, rehabilitation.
- 29. 1. Latest case laws of apex court were cited; 2. Practical difficulties were addressed; 3. All the sessions have sensitized us towards POCSO cases.
- 30. 1. Knowledge of child psychology; 2. Trial of POCSO cases; 3. Rehabilitation of victim of POCSO case.
- 31. 1. Child psychology How to adjudge & cope with child victim at their mental level; 2. How to be more compassionate with victims; 3. How to implement the real intent of POCSO Act.
- 32. 1. Interaction with the resource persons on all the questions which came in mind;
- 2. Knowledge about how the POCSO cases are dealt in other parts of our country;
- 3. How to make the courts victim friendly while testifying.
- 33. We have become more effective, up-to-date and knowledgeable to try POCSO cases.
- 34. 1. I found my short comings in trial process. 2. I learnt to improve my skills; 3. I got good stuff to carry with me.
- 35. Session 5: Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO cases; Session 6: Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act and Session 7: Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences- This will be useful in day-to-day justice delivery system, sensitizing judges.
- 36. Session 5: Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO cases; Session 6: Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act and Session 7: Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences. 1. Patient hearing; 2. Sensitizing judges; 3. Proactivism of a judge.
- 37. All were useful.
- 38. 1. Child psychology and child friendly methods and techniques for interviewing children; 2. Age determination; 3. Recording & appreciation of evidence.
- 39. 1. The programme was useful from theoretical point of view; 2. Also practical point of view; 3. And how to go ahead in future.
- 40. 1. Recent laws laid by various High Courts and Supreme Court has been brought to our knowledge; 2. Procedural problems were solved; 3. More clarity in laws was made.
- 41. 1. Be passionate and active during trial of POCSO cases; do not sit like umpire; 2. Anonymity of child victim should be maintained & should be dealt with sensitivity; 3. Victim should be given priority by court over other witness.

- 42. 1. This programme helped a lot in day-to-day functioning as a POCSO judge; 2. As well as recording of evidence of victim & speedy trial of POCSO case to award compensation to the victim.
- Which part of the Programme did you find most useful and why
- 1. Session 1: Protection against Child Sexual Abuse and Harassment: International Perspectives; Session 2: Child Sexual Abuse: Understanding Behavioral and Psychological Impairments in Victim; Session 3: Child Friendly Court Procedures and Judicial Attitudes: Statutory Provisions and Best Practices and Session 7: Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences.
- 2. Session 1: Protection against Child Sexual Abuse and Harassment: International Perspectives; Session 2: Child Sexual Abuse: Understanding Behavioral and Psychological Impairments in Victim; Session 3: Child Friendly Court Procedures and Judicial Attitudes: Statutory Provisions and Best Practices.
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- 4. Recording and appreciation of evidence as it helps regularly.
- 5. Day-I, Programme is most beneficial being edifice to POCSO cases.
- 6. Session 1: Protection against Child Sexual Abuse and Harassment: International Perspectives; Session 2: Child Sexual Abuse: Understanding Behavioral and Psychological Impairments in Victim; Session 3: Child Friendly Court Procedures and Judicial Attitudes: Statutory Provisions and Best Practices; Session 4: Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions; Session 5: Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO cases and Session 7: Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences.
- 7. All sessions..
- 8. Compensation & rehabilitation part.
- 9. **Session 1:** Protection against Child Sexual Abuse and Harassment: International Perspectives; **Session 4:** Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions; **Session 6:** Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act. **Session 7:** Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences and **Session 8:** POCSO Adjudication: Challenges and the Way Forward.
- 10. On 15th September- It is directly connected to cases being heard by me.
- 11. All
- 12. Child sexual abuse- Basics.
- 13. Interactive sessions.
- 14. First day and final day.
- 15. All the sessions.
- 16. Session 1: Protection against Child Sexual Abuse and Harassment: International Perspectives; Session 4: Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions; Session 5: Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO cases Session 6: Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act. Session 7: Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences and Session 8: POCSO Adjudication: Challenges and the Way Forward.

- 17. None
- 18. All programme. It is useful in day-to-day trial in POCSO cases.
- 19. Understanding child psychology as well as various forms of "Consent" which actually are not consent.
- 20. Session 1: Protection against Child Sexual Abuse and Harassment: International Perspectives; Session 2: Child Sexual Abuse: Understanding Behavioral and Psychological Impairments in Victim; Session 3: Child Friendly Court Procedures and Judicial Attitudes: Statutory Provisions and Best Practices; Session 7: Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences and Session 8: POCSO Adjudication: Challenges and the Way Forward.
- 21. **Session 7:** Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences.
- 22. Discussion of cited case laws.
- 23. All three days were very interactive and useful.
- 24. Session 4: Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions; Session 5: Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO cases; Session 6: Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act; Session 7: Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences and Session 8: POCSO Adjudication: Challenges and the Way Forward.
- 25. All programme I find very informative & useful.
- 26. The presentation of Justice Gokani are most useful and valuable for me to work sensitively.
- 27. Discussion regarding age determination and compensation to victim of sexual abuse.
- 28. All programme are found most useful.
- 29. **Session 4:** Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions; **Session 5:** Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO caseswere very useful because all doubts were cleared to a great extent.
- 30. **Session 4:** Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions; **Session 5:** Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO cases; **Session 6:** Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act. these subjects discussed various problems faced by POCSO judges.
- 31. All
- 32. It can't be chosen. Every part was most useful as all are innovative.
- 33. All session are very important and useful especially all sessions of day second.
- 34. Last session of the day 16th September, 2018.
- 35. Session 4: Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions; Session 5: Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO cases; Session 6: Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act. Session 7: Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences and Session 8: POCSO Adjudication: Challenges and the Way Forward- The speakers provided much more information.
- 36. **Session 4:** Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions- onwards. The speakers were par excellence.
- 37. All parts were useful.

- 38. All the above mentioned in Col. No. (a) because it helps, practically, how to conduct POCSO trials, effectively & efficiently.
- 39. All parts were useful.
- 40. Law set by Hon'ble Supreme Court.
- 41. **Session 5:** Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO cases- because earlier more or less I used to expect a narrative version of the incident from the child witness like an adult.
- 42. All were excellent.
- Which part of the Programme did you find least useful and why
- 1. Session 6: Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act.
- 2. Session 6: Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act.
- 3. **Session 4:** Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions and **Session 6:** Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act.
- 4. No such programme.
- 5. None.
- 6. **Session 6:** Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act.
- 7. All most all.
- 8. Presumption & burden of proof.
- 9. **Session 3:** Child Friendly Court Procedures and Judicial Attitudes: Statutory Provisions and Best Practices.
- 10. Participant did not comment.
- 11. Participant did not comment.
- 12. Presumption & Burden of proof under POCSO because discussion time was less.
- 13. Sessions stressing on the theoretical part of the subject.
- 14. No
- 15. Participant did not comment.
- 16. Participant did not comment.
- 17. None
- 18. Participant did not comment.
- 19. The part addressed by Ms. Geeta Oberoi.
- 20. Participant did not comment.
- 21. No one.
- 22. Participant did not comment.
- 23. I enjoyed all part of the programme and benefitted.
- 24. Participant did not comment.
- 25. None.
- 26. All the programmes are useful for me.
- 27. Does not arise.
- 28. Does not arise.

- 29. **Session 1:** Protection against Child Sexual Abuse and Harassment: International Perspectives; **Session 2:** Child Sexual Abuse: Understanding Behavioral and Psychological Impairments in Victim-were least useful.
- 30. **Session 4:** Age Determination (of victim and perpetrator): Challenges and Solutions; **Session 5:** Recording & Appreciation of Evidence in POCSO cases; **Session 6:** Presumption & Burden of Proof under POCSO Act. is very useful for all POSCO judges, many problems are very easily cleared by resource persons.
- 31. No.
- 32. None
- 33. None.
- 34. Every session was good.
- 35. None.
- 36. None.
- 37. None.
- 38. **Session 7:** Rehabilitation and Compensation for Child Victims of Sexual Offences and **Session 8:** POCSO Adjudication: Challenges and the Way Forward.
- 39. None.
- 40. NA.
- 41. Participant did not comment.
- 42. None.
- 4. Kindly make any suggestions you may have on how NJA may serve you better and make its programmes more effective
- 1. No suggestions required as programme was very well structured.
- 2. Participant did not comment.
- 3. Participant did not comment.
- 4. Update the knowledge regularly through e-mail.
- 5. Participant did not comment.
- 6. Call us again after some months in order to know as to how we benefited by this programme & what problems we face in POCSO trial.
- 7. NJA, should provide better facilities of food and transport facility to the participants at least on the last day of the programme, though on payment.
- 8. Some more time is required.
- 9. Participant did not comment.
- 10. Permit spouse.
- 11. All is very good.
- 12. To give more time for discussion.
- 13. Participant did not comment.
- 14. Provide effective training as I enjoyed.
- 15. This programme should be given to JJB Boards also as they also deal with POCSO cases where the perpetrator is child-in-conflict with law.
- 16. Participant did not comment.
- 17. None

- 18. Participant did not comment.
- 19. Participant did not comment.
- 20. Participant did not comment.
- 21. Present process & measure is sufficient.
- 22. Mode of child friendly recoding of statement u/s 164 Cr. P.C. may be trained/served to the magistrates.
- 23. Please keep up the good work.
- 24. On every part training programme should be conducted so that we enrich and justice can be done.
- 25. I am fully satisfied the way programme was organized and the resource perosns are excellent.
- 26. Power point presentation is not visible to the last two lines, kindly install larger screen to avoid difficulties.
- 27. No suggestion.
- 28. Since NJA has great service, no suggestion is required.
- 29. Reading material also should be provided by way of soft copy and through email.
- 30. NJA programme are very well & effective. Thank you.
- 31. Nothing, as NJA has made this programme in a very effective manner.
- 32. Thanks.
- 33. Participant did not comment.
- 34. 1. All presentations must be given in CD; 2. Group studies must be there; 3. There must be group presentation too; 4. Before starting course, participants may be called for submitting their problems earlier through mails.
- 35. Participant did not comment.
- 36. Continue inviting for such refresher courses.
- 37. Participant did not comment.
- 38. Study material shall be dispatched to nominated judges well in advance, so that they may come prepared.
- 39. So far as POCSO cases are concerned police officers, prosecutors require such type of training, besides judicial officer. Last but not the least different courses must be taught.
- 40. The programme was very effective and useful. Resource Persons explained all the problems effectively.
- 41. Participant did not comment.
- 42. Study materials be provided through email to all the judges.