

**WORKSHOP FOR PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGES ON ADJUDICATING
TERRORISM CASES (P-1283)
19th & 20th February 2022
Program Schedule**

| SESSION | THEME | RESOURCE PERSONS |
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| 19TH FEBRUARY 2022 (SATURDAY) | | |
| SESSION 1 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Laws Relating to Terrorism Cases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Important facets of Indian law (substantive and procedural), concerning terrorism related cases. ❖ Differences between ordinary criminal laws (substantive and procedure) and laws specifically governing terrorism and terrorism-related cases; peculiarities and significance of the latter. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>10:30 AM – 10:45 AM</u> Discussion/Q&A</p> | Justice N. Kotiswar Singh |
| SESSION 2 10:45 AM – 11:15 AM | Framing Charges and Unique Features of Terrorism Trial <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Framing appropriate charges and ensuring adequate defense for the defendant in terrorist trial. ❖ Discussion on charging provisions in the UAPA Act, as well as the burden of proof under the Indian Evidence Act, 1872 & special burden requirements under terrorism laws. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>11:15 AM – 11:30 AM</u> Discussion/Q&A</p> | Justice P.N. Prakash |
| 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM | Break | |
| SESSION 3 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM | Case Management in Terrorism Cases & Offences Against National Security <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Methods of effective case management including judicial leadership, mastery of the record and law by the judge, the ability to setup a pre-trial conference quickly and adequately. ❖ Use of a continuous trial, witness management, and the use of courtroom technology for improved organization. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>12:30 PM – 12:45 PM</u> Discussion/Q&A</p> | Justice G.S. Kulkarni |
| SESSION 4 12:45 PM -1:15 PM | Fair Trial <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Concepts and mechanisms enabling a judge to ensure fair trial in spite of inherent difficulties in a terrorism trial. ❖ Ensuring a speedy trial, open v. in-camera courtrooms, and subconscious bias. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>1:15 PM – 1:30 PM</u> Discussion/Q&A</p> | Justice Sanjeev Kumar |

20TH FEBRUARY 2022 (SUNDAY)

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| SESSION 5 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Evidence, Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty (MLAT) and Extradition <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Introduction to the complex process of assessing evidence in terrorism cases.❖ The MLAT process, how to access evidence from foreign sources, and impact of confidentiality.❖ Procedures and steps to acquire relevant evidence from international sources. 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM Discussion/Q&A | Justice Atul Sreedharan |
| SESSION 6 10:45 AM – 11:15 AM | Digital Evidence <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Collection, preservation, chain of custody of digital evidence.❖ Insight into valuable skills for trial judges when tasked with assessing relevance and admissibility.❖ Case law Jurisprudence on admissibility of electronic evidence. 11:15 AM – 11:30 AM Discussion/Q&A | Justice Raja Vijaya Raghavan V. |
| 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM | Break | |
| SESSION 7 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM | Judicial and Courtroom Security <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Importance of providing security to all stakeholders in the justice delivery system.❖ Role of judge as a facilitator in preparation & implementation of security plan, including witness protection measures, continuous monitoring and supervision of execution of security plan throughout trial. 12:30 PM – 12:45 PM Discussion/Q&A | Justice Joymalya Bagchi |
| SESSION 8 12:45 PM -1:15 PM | Managing Media in Adjudicating Terrorism Cases <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Difficulty in managing media attention in a high-profile terrorism case.❖ Timely access to accurate information of court proceedings to enhance transparency and public confidence.❖ Strategies to regulate conduct of the proceedings, maintain decorum, prevent distraction, and ensure safety of courthouse personnel. 1:15 PM – 1:30 PM Discussion/Q&A | Justice S. Talapatra |

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