

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

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## Tentative Programme Schedule

Session & Timings	DAY 1 01 <sup>st</sup> February, 2025 (Saturday)
<p><b>SESSION 1</b> 10:30am – 12:00noon</p> <p>(11:30am – 12:00noon) <i>Q &amp; A, Open Discussion</i></p>	<p><b>Role of Courts in Arbitral Process: Towards A Model Dispute Resolution Regime</b></p> <p><u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Scheme of the Arbitration &amp; Conciliation Act: (Amendment) Act, 2019 &amp; 2021</li><li>• Sec. 11 and the limitation period</li><li>• Ad-hoc and Institutional Arbitration</li><li>• Court vis-à-vis Arbitral Tribunal</li><li>• Interplay between Sec.(s) 16 &amp; 34 of the Arbitration Act</li><li>• Interim Relief under Sec. 9 and 17 of the Act</li><li>• Doctrine of <i>Kompetenz-kompetenz</i></li></ul>
<p><b>12:00noon – 12:30pm : Tea Break</b></p>	
<p><b>SESSION 2</b> 12:30pm – 2:00pm</p> <p>(01:30pm – 2:00pm) <i>Q &amp; A, Open Discussion</i></p>	<p><b>International Commercial Arbitration: Pressing Cross-Border Issues</b></p> <p><u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Distinction between commercial, investor-state, and state to state arbitration.</li><li>• Legal concept of “seat” or “place” of arbitration; Difference between “seat” and “venue”</li><li>• Governing Law and its implications</li><li>• Harmonising national interest and international expectations</li></ul>
<p><b>2:00pm – 2:45pm : Lunch Break</b></p>	
<p><b>SESSION 3</b> 2:45pm – 4:15pm</p> <p>(04:00pm – 4:15pm) <i>Q &amp; A, Open Discussion</i></p>	<p><b>Recognition and Enforcement of Arbitral Award</b></p> <p><u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Award (New York, 1958)</li><li>• Grounds for challenging an award under Part I &amp; II</li><li>• Conditions &amp; limitation period for enforcement of arbitral awards</li><li>• Challenges in Executing foreign arbitral awards in India</li><li>• Developing Jurisprudence on Execution of award (Sec. 36)</li></ul>

Session & Timings	DAY 2 02 <sup>nd</sup> February, 2025 (Sunday)
<b>SESSION 4</b> <b>10:30am – 12:00noon</b>  <b>(11:30am – 12:00noon)</b> <i>Q &amp; A, Open Discussion</i>	<b>Current and Emerging Trends in Domestic and International Arbitration</b> <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investment Treaty Arbitration</li> <li>• Emergency arbitration and enforceability</li> <li>• Asymmetric Arbitration agreement</li> <li>• “Specific clause” expressly barring payment of interest</li> <li>• Third-party funding</li> <li>• Counterclaim</li> </ul>
<b>12:00noon – 12:30pm : Tea Break</b>	
<b>SESSION 5</b> <b>12:30pm – 1:45pm</b>  <b>(01:30pm – 1:45pm)</b> <i>Q &amp; A, Open Discussion</i>	<b>Information and Communication Technology &amp; Arbitration</b> <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online Dispute Resolution Mechanism</li> <li>• AI and Blockchain</li> <li>• Role of Expert witness in the age of AI</li> <li>• Smart Contracts</li> </ul>
1:45pm – 1:50pm	<b>Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants</b>
<b>Lunch &amp; Departure</b>	

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