

**REFRESHER COURSE FOR FAMILY COURTS (P-1439)****Participants- District Judiciary****15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025****Venue: National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal****PROGRAMME SCHEDULE**

<b>TIMING(s)</b>	<b>DAY 1 15<sup>th</sup> February 2025 (Saturday)</b>
<b>10:00 AM – 11:30 AM</b>	<b>SESSION 1</b>  <b>Family Courts: Developing the Relevant Judicial Persona</b>  <b><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Communication Skills and Techniques for Effective Resolution of Family Disputes</li><li>▪ Understanding litigant behaviour in diverse litigation</li></ul> <b>Speakers</b> Dr. Justice P. Venkata Jyothirmai Justice K. Kannan <b>Chair - Justice M. Sundar</b>
<b>11:30 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	<b>TEA BREAK</b>
<b>12:00 PM - 01:30 PM</b>	<b>SESSION 2</b>  <b>Role of Judges in Divorce and Maintenance Proceedings</b>  <b><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Individual Rights vis-à-vis Institution of Marriage</li><li>▪ Grounds for Dissolution of Marriage vis-à-vis Resolution of Family Disputes</li><li>▪ Conundrums &amp; Parameters in Awarding Maintenance</li></ul> <b>Speakers</b> Justice K. Kannan Justice Poonam A. Bamba <b>Chair - Dr. Justice P. Venkata Jyothirmai</b>
<b>01:30 PM – 02:30 PM</b>	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>
<b>02:30 PM – 04:00 PM</b>	<b>SESSION 3</b>  <b>Exploring Psycho-Social Aspects of Family Disputes</b>  <b><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Components Leading to Marital Discord and Dissolution</li><li>▪ Finding Underlying Causes of Discord</li><li>▪ Identification of Bias and Stereotypes</li></ul> <b>Speaker</b> Dr. Harish Shetty <b>Chair - Justice Poonam A. Bamba</b>
<b>04:00 PM</b>	<b>TEA</b>

TIMING(s)	DAY 2 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 (Sunday)
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SESSION 4</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Adjudication of Custody &amp; Guardianship Disputes</b></p> <p><b><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Factors Relevant in Deciding Custodial Arrangements</li> <li>▪ Welfare &amp; Best Interests of the Child</li> <li>▪ Balancing Parental Rights <i>vis-à-vis</i> Parental Alienation Syndrome</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Speakers</b> Justice Roshan Dalvi Dr. Justice S. Phansalkar Joshi</p>
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	<b>TEA BREAK</b>
12:00 PM - 1:30PM	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SESSION 5</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Counselling &amp; Mediation in Resolving Family Disputes</b></p> <p><b><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Conducive Courtroom Environment to Foster Amicable Settlement</li> <li>▪ ADR Methods in Resolving Family Disputes: Tools &amp; Techniques</li> <li>▪ Judge as a Counsellor</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Speakers</b> Justice Roshan Dalvi Dr. Justice S. Phansalkar Joshi</p>
01:30 PM - 01:40 PM	<b>AUDIT OF THE COURSE BY PARTICIPANT JUSTICES</b>
01:40 PM	<b>LUNCH &amp; DEPARTURE</b>

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