

**(EAST ZONE-I): REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON ADVANCING RULE OF LAW THROUGH
TECHNOLOGY: CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES [P-1483]**

31st January & 1st February 2026

Venue: Ranchi, Jharkhand

National Judicial Academy in collaboration with the High Court of Jharkhand and the Judicial Academy Jharkhand

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DAY 1 31st January, 2026 (Saturday)	
SESSION & TIMING	THEMES
9:30AM – 10:00AM	<u>Inaugural</u>
SESSION 1 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	Bridging the Digital Divide: Role of e-Services <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understanding the Digital Divide: e-Courts Project Insights on Access and Effectiveness• Promoting Inclusivity: e-Courts Project Strategies• Harnessing technology in facilitating diverse court practices
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Tea Break
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	Effective use of Technology in Alternate Dispute Resolution <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ADR Mechanisms: Equitable and Accessible mode of dispute resolution• Leveraging settlement through Online Dispute Resolution (ODR)• Progressing towards automated dispute resolution with intelligent decision support systems, smart negotiation tools etc.• Collaboration and Capacity Building Mechanisms
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	Lunch Break
SESSION 3 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	Electronic and Digital Media: Role of Courts <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Digital Privacy and Freedom of Expression• Sanctity of legal proceedings vis-à-vis potentially contemptuous content• Impact of Media Reporting on the Administration of Justice• Digital Media and Censorship
04:00 PM	Tea

DAY 2 1st February, 2026 (Sunday)	
SESSION 4 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Cybercrimes and Digital Forensics <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jurisdictional issues in Adjudication of Cybercrimes • Liability of Intermediaries • Admissibility and Appreciation of Electronic Evidence
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Tea Break
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	Improving Quality of Adjudication: Emerging and Future Technologies <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Judicial Decision Making • Block Chain Technology for secure record management • Recent advances in technology and potential use case
1:30 PM – 1:40 PM	Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants
Lunch & Departure	

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