

**(EAST ZONE-I): REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON ADVANCING RULE OF LAW THROUGH  
TECHNOLOGY: CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES [P-1483]**  
**31<sup>st</sup> January & 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026**

**Venue: Ranchi, Jharkhand**

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

**PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

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

**DAY 2**  
**1<sup>st</sup> February, 2026 (Sunday)**

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

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