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**TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE DISTRICT JUDGES &
MAGISTRATES FROM SRI LANKA**

12th – 16th January, 2026

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	PROPOSED RESOURCE PERSON(S)
DAY 1 12th January, 2026 (Monday)		
SESSION 1 10:30 AM -12:00 PM	Elements of Judicial Behavior: Ethics, Neutrality, and Professionalism <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ethical standards & Norms <i>vis-à-vis</i> Conduct of Judges• Objectivity in Decision Making• Addressing Bias & Stereotypes in Adjudication	<i>Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque</i> <i>Justice R.C. Chavan</i>
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	TEA BREAK	
SESSION 2 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	Art, Craft and Science of Writing Judgments <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Judgments as the Voice of the Court• Significance of Reasoning in Judgments & Orders• Language & Law: Brevity & Coherence in Judgments• Gender Sensitivity in Judgments & Orders	<i>Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque</i> <i>Justice R.C. Chavan</i>
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK	
SESSION 3 03:00 PM – 04:30 PM	Developing Efficient Judicial System: Court and Case Management <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Role of a Judge in Streamlining Court Processes• Organizing the Docket for Effective Caseload Management: Prioritization of Cases• Staff Management and Supervision: Inspiring Commitment and Catalyzing Performance• Use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT)	<i>Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque</i> <i>Justice R.C. Chavan</i>
4:30 PM	Tea Break	

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DAY 2 13th January, 2026 (Tuesday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	<p style="text-align: center;">Juvenile Justice: International and Indian Perspective</p> <p><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of Children in Conflict with Law • Grant of Bail to Juveniles in Conflict with Law • Age Determination – Inquiry process for Age Determination, Evidentiary Proof & Challenges in Determination of Age 	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mr. Sharad Lagwal</i> <i>Ms. Shruti J. Eusebius</i></p>
11:30 AM –12:00 PM	TEA BREAK	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Judicial Intervention to Combat Money Laundering</p> <p><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept & Modalities as an Organized Crime • International & National Best Practices to Tackle Money Laundering • Nuances & Intricacies of Bail • Presumptions under Law & Burden of Proof 	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Justice Mayan K. Jain</i> <i>Mr. Sharad Lagwal</i></p>
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	LUNCH BREAK	
SESSION 6 2:30 PM- 04:00 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Sentencing Procedure: Issues and Challenges</p> <p><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sentencing Parameters in Major Offences • Judicious Approach in Determination of Quantum of Sentence • Doctrine of Proportionality • Mercy, Leniency & Misplaced Sympathy in Sentencing • Sentencing Practices in Sexual Offences • Sentencing Practice in Economic Offences • Remission of sentence 	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Justice Mayan K. Jain</i> <i>Prof. Humayun R. Khan</i></p>
DAY 3 14th January, 2026 (Wednesday)		
SESSION 7 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	<p style="text-align: center;">Jurisprudence on Environmental Law: Experience of the Supreme Court</p> <p><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of Environment under the Indian Constitutional Mandate • Public Trust Doctrine 	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mr. Uttam Kumar</i> <i>Ms. Shruti J. Eusebius</i></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judicial Role as <i>Parens Patriae</i> to Protect the Environment & Wildlife Significance of Judicial Activism in Protection of Environment & Wildlife Innovative Approaches to meet Global Challenges 	
11:30 AM –12:00 PM	TEA BREAK	
SESSION 8 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	Electronic Evidence & Cyber Crimes: New Horizons <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection & Preservation of Electronic Evidence Relevancy, Authenticity and Admissibility of Electronic Evidence Cybercrimes: Advances & Bottlenecks 	<i>Dr. Harold D'Costa</i>
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	LUNCH BREAK	
2:30 PM Onwards	STUDY TOUR	
DAY 4 15th January, 2026 (Thursday)		
SESSION 9 10:00 AM -11:30 PM	Forensic Evidence in Civil and Criminal Trials <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection, Preservation & Appreciation of Forensic Evidence Evidentiary Value Of Forensic Evidence and Expert Evidence Importance of Chain of Custody Evolution of Case Law Jurisprudence 	<i>Ms. Nisha Menon</i>
11:30 AM –12:00 PM	TEA BREAK	
SESSION 10 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	Judicial Stress and Wellness <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occupational Stress in Judging Stress Management Techniques & Tools Mindfulness: Staying Focused on Task Adapting to Change: Psycho-Social Adjustments 	<i>Dr. Sumit Roy</i>
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	LUNCH BREAK	
2:30 Onwards	SANCHI VISIT	
DAY 5 16th January, 2026 (Friday)		
SESSION 11	Alternatives to Traditional Judging <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u>	<i>Justice S. Talapatra</i>

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10:00 AM -11:30 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring ways to Handle Huge Pendency • Alternative Dispute Resolution u/Section 89 CPC • Role of the Court in Enabling Settlement • Important Aspects of the Mediation Act, 2023 • People's Court/ Lok Adalats 	<i>Dr Amit Mehrotra</i>
11:30 AM –12:00 PM	TEA BREAK	
SESSION 12 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">AI & Judiciary</p> <p><i><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AI as a Tool: Benefits <i>versus</i> Challenges • Judiciary on AI: Indian Experience • Governing AI: Policies & Jurisprudence 	<i>Justice S. Talapatra Dr Sumit Bhattacharya</i>
01:30 PM- 01:45 PM	Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants	
01:45 PM - 02:00 PM	Valedictory	
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Lunch	

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