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In the name of Allah, the most Beneficent and the most Merciful



DIRECTOR GENERAL'S MESSAGE

Realizing the 21st century challenges Punjab Judicial Academy is committed to its par excellence targets in judicial education and training in accordance with the vision of Hon'ble Chief Justice Lahore High Court Lahore/ Chairperson Board of Management PJA.

PJA is mandated under its governing law to impart pre-service and in service training to all the judicial officers and court staff in Punjab. In the past two years, it's significant achievement has been the commencement of General Training Program, with the slogan, every judge, every year. In this program, the PJA provides a forum to the judicial officers to discuss the common issues and practical problems faced by them in court proceedings and ways and means to resolve them. It is pointed out that it was after a thorough assessment of institutional capacity of PJA and intensive Training of the Trainers (ToT) Program conducted by Dr. Livingston Armytage Director Centre for Judicial Studies Australia, that the GTP has been revised. As such the monitoring and evaluation of the ongoing program and to assess the impact of training, before and after the course, is one important feature of the current training program. The Training of Trainers (ToT) program conducted in August this year was the first of its kind in the history of PJA. I consider, it has added immense value to all the spheres and activities of PJA. The focus is now inculcating values, changing attitudes, and developing skills in addition to gaining knowledge. A unique feature is dissemination of knowledge by webinars. In fact distant learning is now an essential part of the PJA Road map and Academic Calendar.

I feel no hesitation in saying that owing to the commitment and efforts of our highly professional resource persons and faculty members who are now well equipped, PJA has made a new name in the judicial training institutions of Pakistan within a short span of time. At present, PJA is continuously running the 10-day General Training Program for all the civil judges/judicial

magistrates and all the Additional District and Sessions Judges in Punjab apart from other training courses and workshops.. The Academy also intends to organize an International Conference for judicial academies world over to share best practices in judicial education and training..

With all our efforts focused towards improvement and reform, we are keenly looking forward to a positive change in the courts system all over Punjab.

Uzmaa Akhtar Chughtai

District & Sessions Judge/ Director General

Punjab Judicial Academy

1. Programs conducted between January-March, 2017

General Training Program

The current General Training Program has been designed and developed for Additional District & Sessions Judges and Civil Judges. This program is comprehensive in nature and covers all aspects of judicial responsibilities to equip them with professionalism. It has been specifically developed to impart skills and to develop attitudes. The curriculum is as follows:

Core topics
• Judgment Writing
• Recording of evidence through Skype
• Use of Social Media
• Gender Sensitization
• Forensics
• Communication & Language Skills
• Family Laws
• Common mistakes committed by civil courts ,family courts rent tribunals and criminal courts
• Case Management

The judicial officers are apprised and updated with the recent amendments in the laws and procedures pertaining to the court proceedings. As such the General Training Program has covered the following subjects in its schedule.:

Civil Judges	AD&SJ
Core topics	Core topics
• Use of Social Media and Ethics	• National and International best practices on Code of Conduct
• Precedential Value of New Judgments	• Disposal of murder cases during trail (confession, admission, compromise, - application u/s 265-k, Cr.Pc)
• International best practices on Code of Conduct	• Stress Management
• Gender Bias: An issue of attitude	• Bail (Pre and Post Arrest)
• Use of Social Media / Video Link for Court Services	• Precedential Value of New Judgments
• MS Office (Word + PowerPoint + Excel)	• Gender Bias: An issue of attitude
• Application of New Laws	• Judgment Writing and Sentencing in Narcotics Cases
• Appreciation of Forensic Report	• MS Office (Word + PowerPoint)
• Cyber Laws	• Criminal Appeal
• How to file declaration of assets and E-filing of Income Tax Return	• Judgment Writing and Sentencing in Murder Cases
• Income Tax Laws for Filing of Return	• Dealing with special witness (Child, deaf & Dumb and expert witnesses etc)
• Judgment Writing: Giving reasons, findings and Conclusion	• Forensic in aid to Criminal Justice
• Communication & Language Skills	

• Family Law: Interpreting Terms & Conditions of Nikah Nama	• How to file declaration of assets and E-filing of Income Tax Return
Environmental Laws	• Communication & Language Skills
• Managing Adjournments effectively	• Environment Laws
• Common mistakes committed by Civil Courts	• Evaluation of Evidence in Murder Cases in light of charge and relevant facts
• Legal Research Method	• Appraisal of Challan (FIR Investigation)
• Principles of judgment writing: Structure and sequence	• Recording of Statement / evidence of accused u/s 342, 340, & 340(2) Cr.PC
• Prioritizing Cases: A Tool for Delay Reduction	• Dealing with the problems of confrontation during evidence
• Admitting documents in evidence	• Appreciation of Post Mortem Report
• Code of Conduct for District Judiciary	• Application u/s 22-A(6) Cr.PC
• Appreciation of Medico Legal Report	• Civil Appeal, Revision and Review
• Managing Adjournments effectively	• Application of New Laws
• Protecting the rights of Vulnerable Groups	• Criminal Revision
• Cases Management	• Cyber Laws
• Post and Final Test (MCQs Test)	• Post and Final Test (MCQs Test)

i. Ten Days Training Course for AD&SJ & Civil Judges GTP (122nd to 124th Courses) (02-01-2017 to 11-01-2017)



General Training Program for Additional District & Sessions Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble DG and Faculty Members (122nd Training Course)



General Training Program for Civil Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble DG and Faculty Members (123rd & 124th Training Course)

ii. Ten Days Training Course for AD&SJ & Civil Judges GTP (125th to 127th Courses) (16-01-2017 to 25-01-2017)



General Training Program for Additional District & Sessions Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble DG and Faculty Members (125th Training Course)



General Training Program for Civil Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble DG and Faculty Members (126th & 127th Training Course)

iii. Ten Days Training Course for AD&SJ & Civil Judges GTP (128th to 130th Courses) (30-01-2017 to 08-02-2017)

iv. Ten Days Training Course for Civil Judges GTP (131st to 134th Courses) (13-02-2017 to 22-02-2017)





v. Ten Days Training Course for AD&SJ & Civil Judges GTP (135th to 137th Courses) (27-02-2017 to 08-03-2017)



vi. Ten Days Training Course for AD&SJ & Civil Judges GTP (138th to 140th Courses) (13-03-2017 to 22-03-2017)

vii. Ten Days Training Course for AD&SJ & Civil Judges GTP (141st to 143rd Courses) (27-03-2017 to 05-04-2017)

General Training Program for Additional District & Session Judges & Civil Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble Chief Justice, DG and Faculty Members (105th & 107th Training Course)

I. Ten Days Training Course for Additional District & Sessions Judges & Civil Judges. GTP/Group-2 (108th to 110th Courses) (31-10-2016 to 09-11-2016)

General Training Programme for Additional District & Session Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble Justice (R) Mahmood Maqbool Bajwa, DG and Faculty Members (110th Training Course)

General Training Programme for Civil Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble Justice (R) Mahmood Maqbool Bajwa, DG and Faculty Members (108th Training Course)

General Training Programme for Civil Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble Justice (R) Mahmood Maqbool Bajwa, DG and Faculty Members (109th Training Course)

II. Ten Days Training Course for Additional District & Sessions Judges & Civil Judges. GTP/Group-3 (111th to 113th Courses) (14-11-2016 to 24-11-2016)

General Training Programme for Civil Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble Director General and Faculty Members (111th & 112th Training Course)

General Training Programme for Additional District & Session Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble Director General and Faculty Members (113th Training Course)

III. Ten Days Training Course for Additional District & Session Judges & Civil Judges. GTP/Group-4 (116th to 118th Courses) (28-11-2016 to 07-12-2016)

General Training Programme for Additional District & Session Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble Director General and Faculty Members (121st Training Course)

*General Training Programme for Civil Judges in Group Photo with Hon'ble Director
General and Faculty Members (119th & 120th Training Course)*

2. Workshops Organized in Punjab Judicial Academy

I. One Day Seminar/Workshop on pilot project of Criminal Justice System for Attock, Chiniot, Narowal and Vehari District at PJA.(21st January,2017)

Supreme Court senior puisne judge Justice Asif Saeed Khosa has said that the culture of unnecessary adjournments will have to be done away with in order to provide quick relief to the public.

"Uncalled for adjournments are tantamount to denial of justice," said Justice Khosa in his keynote speech at a seminar on 'Pilot criminal justice project', arranged at the Punjab Judicial Academy here on Saturday.

The need of the hour, said the senior puisne judge, was to find ways and means of removing deficiencies in the administration of justice and not reviewing or amending the laws.

"Unusual delays occur in the disposal of cases. It is unfortunate that an ordinary civil suit lingers on for decades and even for generations. Many criminal cases were decided in shortest possible time and I have witnessed it during my 38-year law practice. Delays in settlement of cases not only cause frustration among the litigant public but also hamper the socio-economic development of the society," observed Justice Khosa.

He said a pilot project was being launched in Attock, Chiniot, Narowal and Vehari districts. The relevant district police, jail officials, prosecution and judicial officers besides other stakeholder would have to play a positive role to ensure quick disposal of civil and criminal cases, he said while urging Chief Justice Mansoor Ali Shah of the Lahore High Court to personally supervise implementation on the project.

Hon'ble Chief Justice Mansoor Ali Shah said the pilot project was launched in four districts where the number of murder and narcotics cases was high compared to other cases. The need of the hour was to segregate civil and criminal courts and issue a practicable separate cause list for the both. The project would not succeed without a case management plan.

Special benches would be constituted at the LHC for hearing cases pertaining to these four districts while keeping in view availability of lawyers concerned as it would also facilitate them.

“The aim of both the bar and the bench is to address the issue of delayed justice,” said Justice Shah while urging the lawyers to end the culture of boycotting the courts. “A protest, if inevitable, can be held after the court working hours,” he said.

Earlier, Attock District and Sessions Judge Sohail Nasir explained to the participants the salient features, aims and objectives besides usefulness of the pilot project.

II.

III. Workshop on Case Management Scheme in Anti-terrorism Courts (18th Mach,2017)

On March 18, 2017 a Workshop was arranged by the Punjab Judicial academy in Case Management Scheme in Anti-terrorism Courts. Hon’ble Chief Justice Syed Mansoor Ali Shah said a new case management plan was being launched in the LHC and district judiciary from January 9, 2017. Briefing the media here on Thursday, he said that special benches, hearing of advanced cases by senior judges, three months roster were salient features of the plan being implemented in the LHC.

IV. Women Judges workshop (25th February,2017)

V. Inauguration Of ADR center in Lahore High Court Lahore (7th March,2017)

Hon’ble Chief Justice Syed Mansoor Ali Shah said on Tuesday 7th March,2017 that alternate dispute resolution (ADR) system would prove a game changer for the judiciary. Addressing a ceremony at Punjab Judicial Academy in connection with establishment of first ADR center here on Tuesday, he said, “It is our basic responsibility to check strikes”.

“We can resolve our issues through dialogue after court hours”, he said and added that concerned district and tehsil bars should approach the Punjab Bar Council in case of any issue.

“We are in contact with Punjab Bar Council and ready to resolve issues through dialogue mutually”, he added.

He said that two judges from each district were nominated for ADR. “They will perform in respective mediation centers after receiving training from the Punjab Judicial Academy for the purpose. He said, in the beginning every system faced challenges but efforts were required to make it successful.

He said that mediation center was working successfully at the Lahore Chamber of Commerce & Industry and a system had been developed to forward cases to the center from Lahore High Court and district judiciary. He said that family and guardian cases would be given priority in start.

VI. Women Judges workshop (31st March,2017)

3. Administrative Activities

**I. Director General Meeting with
(11th January, 2017)**

**II. Director General Meeting with
(14th January, 2017)**

**III. Director General Meeting with
(26th January, 2017)**

IV. International Women's Day Celebrations at Punjab Judicial Academy.

International Women's Day was celebrated in the Punjab Judicial Academy on 08-03-2017. Director General PJA acknowledged the efforts of women in professional fields and said that these efforts will be paid off in the long run which will be majorly contributing in the success of our country. All the female participants of GTP, Female staff and faculty participated in the celebrations.

V. Arrangements for Interview of Senior Civil Judges-cum-Magistrates and Civil Judges-cum-Magistrates in Punjab Judicial Academy 21st March, 2017 to 25th March,2017

Arrangements were made in the Punjab Judicial Academy committee room for conducting interview of 38 Senior Civil Judges-cum-Magistrates and 211 Civil Judges-cum-Magistrates from 21-03-2017 to 25-03-2017.

VI.

4. Visits and Delegation

I. Director General (Ms. Uzma Akhtar Chughtai) attended PUNJAB GENDER PARITY REPORT, 2017 launch event organized by PCSW

The Director General Punjab Judicial Academy was invited by the Punjab Commission on the Status of Women (PCSW) to launch event on 6th March, 2017. Its objective was to launch PUNJAB GENDER PARITY REPORT, 2017 . The Chief Minister of the Punjab was the Chief Guest in this event. The Punjab Gender Parity Report (PGPR) is the first of its kind document that will serve as a comprehensive analytical aid for women rights in Punjab. The aim of the PGPR is to highlight major areas of concern with regard to women's rights.



II. Hon'ble Chief Justice of Pakistan addressed to all Judges of Punjab at Punjab Judicial Academy (3rd February, 2017)





Hon'ble Chief Justice of Pakistan Justice Saqib Nisar says all judges possess same authority and powers for provision of justice to the masses.

Addressing at Punjab Judicial Academy in Lahore, he said huge responsibility lies upon the judiciary for dispensation of justice in the society.

The Chief Justice said that "person and justice are interlinked".

He said demand for justice in the society increases with passage of time and every judge has to give judgment under the established laws.

Hon'ble Chief Justice Saqib Nisar said no judge can deliver a verdict based on his or her own will or desire but has to fulfill all the legal requirements of justice.

III. Hon'ble Chief Justice Mansoor Ali Shah Skype Lecture in Punjab Judicial Academy (23rd February, 2017)



IV. Director General Meeting with Asian Development Bank Team-Evaluating Gender Sensitization (17th March, 2017)

Director General, Uzma khtar Chughtai along with Jazeela Aslam Director Academic and other Faculty members welcomed the guests. The following members of Asian Development Bank Team visited the Punjab Judicial Academy to meet the trainee judges (Civil Judges and Additional District & Sessions Judges) attending GDP. Hon'ble Justice Robyan Layton (Consultant ADB), Zarzine Abdul Aziz (Consultant ADB), Samar Minallah (Consultant ADB), Irum Ahsan Senior Counsel ADB, Cecillia Sicango Legal & Policy Expert Consultant ADB and Saima Khawaja Advocate High Court. The DG gave an overall view of the activities of the PJA including the General Training Program (GTP).

Meeting dated 26.12.2016

The Hon'ble Chief Justice/Chairperson Board of Management PJA Syed Mansoor Ali Shah along with Hon'ble Judge Incharge Administration (Honble Justice Shujaat Ali Khan) and Hon'ble Judge Incharge Academic (Hon'ble Justice Ayesha A. Malik) convened an extensive meeting with the Director General and faculty of the Academy. The future vision of the Academy with regard to several initiatives and activities of the PJA was shared, such as use

of technology and development of web based training programs, publications by the PJA, international Conference on Judicial Education and administrative matters of the Academy,. Instructions and directions to follow up the plan were given to raise the level of the Academy to a new height with specific plan and deadlines for action.