# National Judicial Academy

**P-1019: Annual National Seminar on Working of the Juvenile Justice Boards in India**  
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No. of Participants: 47  
No. of forms received: 47

## I. OVERALL

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<td>a. The objective of the Program was clear to me</td>
<td>93.62</td>
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<td>b. The subject matter of the program is useful and relevant to my work</td>
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<td>c. Overall, I got benefited from attending this program</td>
<td>80.85</td>
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<td>d. I will use the new learning, skills, ideas and knowledge in my work</td>
<td>87.23</td>
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<td>e. Adequate time and opportunity was provided to participants to share experiences</td>
<td>68.89</td>
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## II. KNOWLEDGE

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<td>a. Useful to my work</td>
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<td>17.02</td>
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<td>b. Comprehensive (relevant case laws, national laws, leading text / articles / comments by jurists)</td>
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<td>c. Up to date</td>
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<td>d. Related to Constitutional Vision of Justice</td>
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<td>e. Related to International Legal Norms</td>
<td>53.33</td>
<td>37.78</td>
<td>8.89</td>
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The program provided knowledge (or provided links / references to knowledge) which is:
### III. STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAM

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<th>Satisfactory</th>
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<td>a. The structure and sequence of the program was logical</td>
<td>84.78</td>
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<td>b. The program was an adequate combination of the following methodologies viz.</td>
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<td>(i) Case Studies were relevant</td>
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<td>(ii) Interactive sessions were fruitful</td>
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<td>30.43</td>
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<td>(iii) Simulation Exercises were valuable</td>
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<td>(iv) Audio Visual Aids were beneficial</td>
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### IV. INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS

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<td>a. Discussions in individual sessions were effectively organized</td>
<td>63.04</td>
<td>32.61</td>
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<td>b. The session theme was adequately addressed by the Resource Persons</td>
<td>74.47</td>
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### V. PROGRAM MATERIALS

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<td>b. The content was updated. It reflected recent case laws/ current thinking/ research/ policy in the discussed area</td>
<td>89.36</td>
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<td>c. The content was organized and easy to follow</td>
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### VI. GENERAL SUGGESTIONS

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<td>a. Three most important learning achievements of this Programme</td>
<td>1. How to act upon the major changes in Juvenile Justice Act 2015; Constitutional implication to the provisions for adjudication of juveniles; Enquiry process for age determination.</td>
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<td>2. 1. Determination of age- most useful; 2. Grant of Bail-most useful; 3. Dispositional orders- most useful.</td>
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3. To update; How to apply concerned provision and spirit of law; To give benefit of provision to concerned.

5. Age determination; Preliminary sessions; Adoption

6. Participant did not comment.

7. 1. Procedural Knowledge; 2. Will assist in day to day work; 3. Interaction.

8. Very deep study of JJ Act 2015


11. A deep study of JJ Act and relating to adoption.
12. Participant did not comment

13. 1. The fixing of age of Juvenile helpful in day to day affairs of JJB; 2. Granting of bail and denial – methods; 3. Appropriate orders for benefit of Juvenile.

14. Dealing with Juveniles; Reformative orders; Dealing with Bail application.

15. About restorative justice; 2. The lecture on adoption by Mr. BK. Sahu; 3. Purposive interpretation of the Statute for benefit of children.

16. Effective; Important; Progressive

17. Gave ideas to make innovative changes to adopt more and more child friendly aspects to pass orders not seeing the gravity of offence alone.

18. 1. Be innovative with new ideas; 2. Child is considered child not because of its age but because of mental growth; 3. Be caring to CCL.

19. Age determination

21. In respect of grant of bail to child/juvenile in conflict with law; Session pertaining to age determination; Fair trial rights of child/juvenile in conflict with law.


23. 1. Increased sensitization on key objectives of the JJ Act; 2. Increased exposure to best practices in other States qua various order in JJ Act.

24. Situation based training is good and very effective.
25. As per 15 Clause 18 (3)/ JJ Act; Section 19 to 21 / JJ Act.
26. It highlighted the position on each & every aspect.


28. Sensitizing towards juvenile and the best interest of child.

30. Foundational values of JJB; Concept of Bail; Sensitization regarding child with rights.

31. No

32. 1. Discussion of Hon’ble Dr. Justice SS Phansalkar Joshi and Hon’ble Mr. Justice Mannmohan Sarin; 2. How to conduct preliminary assessment; 3. What are negative quality to refuse bail;

33. **Session 1: Jurisprudential Evolution of the Juvenile Justice Law in India; Session 2: Fair and Speedy Inquiry under JJ Act; Session 5: Age of Juvenility**

34. Disproportional orders; Age of Juvenility.

35. Preliminary assessment; Age determination and different modes of making final order.

36. 1. JJB’s should work for best interest of the child; 2. JJ Act is for protection of child; 3. Orders of JJBs should reflect rehabilitation of the child.

37. Acquired sufficient knowledge.

38. 1. Classification of offences clarified; 2. Age determination thoroughly discussed; 3. Important cases have been highlighted.

39. 1. Discussion about classification of heinous offences; Age determination process; Judgements cited during lectures.

40. 1. Matters to look upon while drawing preliminary assessment; 2. Things to consider while framing dispositional orders and kinds of orders.

41. 1. It gave a new perspective to JJ Act; 2. The reading material provided is very useful; 3. Audio visual method is effective.

42. Participant did not comment.


44. Though JJ is not constituted in our state J & K, I have got the concept of JJB.

45. Experience of other states; View of the Experts; Very good study material; Solutions of some practical problems.

46. Participant did not comment.

47. 1. Purposive interpretation of JJ Act for benefit of Children; 2. Restorative justice to balance interest of CCL and victims; 3. Everything was discussed.

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<th>b. Which part of the Programme did you find most useful and why</th>
<th>1. Matching the order of the offence and the juvenile and exercise of discretion in passing order, i.e. discussion in <strong>Session 6: Dispositional Orders Under JJ Act (Simulation Exercise by Resource Person)</strong></th>
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2. The above mentioned programmes pay much attention in solving the day to day problems that arise in JJB.

3. Bail application; Age determine.

4. Sensitization of PM JJBs.

5. Preliminary Assessment because there was some doubt and now it is clear.

6. Interactive session where fellow Principal Magistrates share their practical experience with solutions.

7. Lectures and Interactions.

8. All the sessions.

9. 1. Session of Hon’ble Justice Phansalkar Joshi—It is about practical difficulties.

10. 1st part of day 1.04.2017—**SESSION 1** Jurisprudential Evolution of the Juvenile Justice Law in India

11. All the sessions

12. All

13. **SESSION 3** Grant of Bail to Juveniles in Conflict with Law—Bail is a Rule and Denial is an exception; **SESSION 5** Age of Juvenility—since foremost it is necessary to decide age.

14. How to ascertain the age of juvenile.

15. 1. Lecture on Age enquiry with case law; 2. Adoption lecture; 3. Dispositional order of Sec 16 JJ Act, 2015


17. Granting of Bail; Disproportional orders.

18. Every part was useful to some extent.

19. Preliminary assessment

20. Grant of Bail to CCL.

21. All parts of the sessions are very useful.

22. **Session 6:** Dispositional Orders Under JJ Act.

23. The Session on bail matters qua the child in conflict with law was most useful.

24. **Session 1:** Jurisprudential Evolution of the Juvenile Justice Law in India; **Session 2:** Fair and Speedy Inquiry under JJ Act; **Session 5:** Age of Juvenility; and **Session 6:** Dispositional Orders Under JJ Act (Simulation Exercise by Resource Person).

26. Whole programme was useful.
27. Bail matters and passing dispositional orders as most of the times problems are faced by the Boards.

28. Session 1: Jurisprudential Evolution of the Juvenile Justice Law in India; Session 4: Role of Courts in Adoption Matters; Session 5: Age of Juvenility; and Session 6: Dispositional Orders Under JJ Act (Simulation Exercise by Resource Person).

29. Age determination and when sending application to children court.

31. No
32. Bail order.

33. Session 1: Jurisprudential Evolution of the Juvenile Justice Law in India; Session 2: Fair and Speedy Inquiry under JJ Act; Session 3: Grant of Bail to Juveniles in Conflict with Law; Session 4: Role of Courts in Adoption Matters; Session 5: Age of Juvenility; Session 6: Dispositional Orders Under JJ Act.

35. Preliminary assessment.
36. Session 6: Dispositional Orders Under JJ Act was most useful. I learnt to the factors to consider in choosing the appropriate order.

37. All the sessions are good.
38. All
39. Prof. Ved Kumari’s lectures.

40. Session 2: Fair and Speedy Inquiry under JJ Act; Session 5: Age of Juvenility
41. All parts are very useful.
42. Participant did not comment.
43. Age of Juvenility - this part posed most problems.
44. Role of Courts and Bail.
45. Determination of Age; Preliminary assessment; Bail; Disproportional orders.
46. Participant did not comment.
47. 1. Modes of dispositional orders; 2. Method of age enquiry.

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<td>8. Nil</td>
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<td>9. Adoption- we are not concerned with it.</td>
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11. Nil
12. None

13. **Session 4: Role of Courts in Adoption Matters**—Since we are not competent to deal with adoption.

14. Participant did not comment.
15. None
16. No
17. Participant did not comment.
18. No
19. Participant did not comment.

20. **Session 4: Role of Courts in Adoption Matters**—because of no practical application.

21. Participant did not comment.
22. Role of courts in adoption matter.

23. The sessions on history of Juvenile Act and adoption matters were least useful.

24. **Session 3: Grant of Bail to Juveniles in Conflict with Law; Session 4: Role of Courts in Adoption Matters.**

25. No

26. Every part of the programme was useful.
27. Adoption part as it did not pertain to our functions as PM, JJB.

28. Adoption.
29. Participant did not comment.
30. Nil
31. No.
32. Nothing
33. Participant did not comment.
34. None
35. Adoption
36. Participant did not comment.
37. No such sessions.

38. Adoption matters, as I have not dealt with any of them.

39. Participant did not comment.
40. Adoption
41. None
42. Participant did not comment.

43. Role of Courts—There are not enough cases on this side.

44. Nil
45. None
46. Participant did not comment.
47. None
d. Kindly make any suggestions you may have on how NJA may serve you better and make its programmes more effective

1. Participant did not comment.
2. Participant did not comment.
3. Training days may be increased; Repeated training programme may be conducted.
4. The problems which we are facing remained intact- like- whether we have to wait for charge sheet to come or not etc. I feel in Seminars like this, the participant may be suggested to follow common procedure.
5. Kindly try to circulate the model orders related to JJB. It will be more useful for ready reference.
6. Participant did not comment.
7. Participant did not comment.
8. This type of programme should be organized most of the time.
9. 1. Discussion about the disposal of old cases should be included.
10. Give cases to decode in every session.
11. Organize such programmes at regular intervals and to organize in different parts of the country.
12. At least children and spouse be allowed to stay in NJA. Staying outside with child is not comfortable.
13. Number of training days can be increased since travelling a long distance at the cost of Government money.
14. Programme days may be increased; since 1 ½ days is too short.
15. Participant did not comment.
17. Participant did not comment.
18. Try to make it timely.
19. Kindly try to circulate the model rules.
20. Classes of some aspects to child psychology to be included.
21. The seminar on the functioning of JJB in India was very useful & thought provoking & it will certainly help us in our working.
22. Install CCTV in corridors of guest rooms.
23. 1. Include a task on child psychology by on expert; 2. Increase duration of programme; 3. Show model orders and best practices from various States.
24. Participation of inter se participants is desirable of case study approach is needed.
25. Good, No suggestions.
26. It is working very effectively.
27. More discussions of case studies, practical problems faced by the judicial officers and tracing out the ground problems faced by JJB.
28. Ensure that there is lecture between speaking and discussion.

29. Participant did not comment.
30. Participant did not comment.
31. No.
32. Nothing
33. Participant did not comment.
34. No suggestions.

35. Programme duration should be longer and speakers should bit be interrupted very often, as it affects the flow and discussion at the end.

36. The duration of the programme must be of longer duration.
37. All arrangements is good. No more suggestions.

38. Training and Seminars needs to be convened at least twice in a year for discussion on juvenile related cases and challenges faced by us can be addressed at.

39. Participant did not comment

40. Provide soft copy of the deliberation by Resource Persons.

41. 1. Should organize more frequently; 2. Reading material should be provided in soft copy as well so that we can share it with other members of our state.

42. Participant did not comment.

43. Most of the Resource Persons keep on lecturing; Interactive and participative part should be given more time in future.

44. Participant did not comment.

45. Provide the soft copies of the material also.
46. Participant did not comment.
47. Already doing well.