

# Refresher Course for POCSO Courts - (P-1474)

06<sup>th</sup> & 07<sup>th</sup> December, 2025

At National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal

## PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

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Session/ Timing	Theme
<b>Day 1</b> <b>06<sup>th</sup> December 2025 (Saturday)</b>	
<b>Session 1</b>  10:00AM -11:30AM	<b>Judicial Sensitization and Ethical Considerations in POCSO Cases</b>  <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Developing Judicial Sensitivity, Addressing Bias and Stereotypes</i></li><li>• <i>Ensuring Privacy and Confidentiality</i></li><li>• <i>Balancing Justice and Child Welfare</i></li></ul>
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	<b>Tea Break</b>
<b>Session 2</b>  12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	<b>Age Determination: Addressing Challenges and Exploring Solutions Scope of discussion</b>  <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Procedures for Age Verification</i></li><li>• <i>Complexities surrounding Age Determination</i></li><li>• <i>Exploring Novel Strategies via use of Advance Medical Technology, Legal Precedents, and International Guidelines etc.</i></li><li>• <i>Role of Love- Consent in POCSO Cases</i></li></ul>
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>Session 3</b>  02:30 PM - 04:00 PM	<b>Evidence in POCSO Cases: Collection, Appreciation, Presumption and Burden of Proof</b>  <u><i>Proposed Scope of Discussion</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Collection, Preservation and Appreciation of Medical &amp; Forensic Evidence</i></li><li>• <i>Standard of Proof Regarding Presumption of Culpable Mental State: Scope &amp; Limits</i></li><li>• <i>Presumption under Section 29 vis-à-vis Trial of Alternative or Cumulative Charges under the BNS</i></li><li>• <i>Burden of proof and Reverse Burden of proof</i></li></ul>
04:00 PM	<b>Tea</b>

**Day 2**  
**07<sup>th</sup> December 2025 (Sunday)**

<p><b>Session 4</b></p> <p><b>10:00AM -11:30AM</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Rehabilitation and Compensation of Victim</b> <b><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Prompt actions on application of victims/parents/guardian for compensation</i></li> <li>• <i>Parameters for determining interim and final compensation</i></li> <li>• <i>Access to Support Service: Impact of POCSO Offences &amp; Victim Rehabilitation</i></li> <li>• <i>Measures to prevent Re-Victimization and Stigmatization of Victims</i></li> </ul>
<p><b>11:30 AM - 12:00 PM</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tea Break</b></p>
<p><b>Session 5</b></p> <p><b>12:00 PM - 01:30 PM</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Exploring Psycho-Social Aspects of POCSO Cases</b> <b><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Understanding Child Psychology</i></li> <li>• <i>Demeanor of POCSO Court Judges</i></li> <li>• <i>Handling psycho Social Pressure</i></li> </ul>
<p><b>01:30 PM - 01:45 PM</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Audit of the Course by Participant Judges</p>
<p><b>01:45 PM</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Lunch Break &amp; Departure</b></p>

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