

TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR JUDGES FROM THE KINGDOM OF BHUTAN [SE-13]

24TH TO 28TH NOVEMBER, 2025

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

| SESSION & TIMING <i>In Indian Standard Time (IST)</i> | THEMES |
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| 23 rd November, 2025 (Sunday) VISIT TO SANCHI | |
| DAY 1 24 th November, 2025 (Monday) | |
| SESSION 1 10:30 AM -12:00 PM | Elements of Judicial Behavior: Ethics, Neutrality, and Professionalism <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</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 <u>Speakers</u> <i>Justice Ram Mohan Reddy</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>Proposed Scope of Discussion</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 <u>Speakers</u> <i>Justice Ram Mohan Reddy</i> <i>Mr. Kishore Jaiswal</i> |
| 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Lunch Break |
| SESSION 3 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM | Alternatives to Conventional Adjudicatory System <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ADR as a tool to conserve judicial resources & ensure speedy justice• ADR Mechanisms• Role of Court in Enabling Settlement <u>Speakers</u> <i>Justice Sonia G. Gokani</i> <i>Mr. Kishore Jaiswal</i> |

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| 4:30 PM | Tea |
| DAY 2 25th November, 2025 (Tuesday) | |
| SESSION 4 10:30 AM -12:00 PM | Electronic Evidence: New Horizons, Collection, Preservation and Appreciation <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evolving Nature of Electronic Evidence • Collection & Preservation of Electronic Evidence • Appreciation of Electronic Evidence <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Speaker</u> <i>Dr. Harold D'Costa</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Chair</u> <i>Justice Ved Prakash Sharma</i></p> |
| 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM | Tea Break |
| SESSION 5 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM | Sentencing Procedure: Issues and Challenges <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sentencing Parameters in Major offences • Judicious Approach in Determination of Quantum of Sentence • Doctrine of Proportionality <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Speakers</u> <i>Justice Sonia G. Gokani</i> <i>Justice Ved Prakash Sharma</i></p> |
| 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM | Lunch Break |
| SESSION 6 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM | Criminal Justice Administration <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elements of Fair Trial <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Natural Justice in Trial –Scope & Limits ○ Ingredients – Right to be informed; Right against Self-Incrimination; Right to Prepare for Defense; Right to Confront • Witness Protection • Individual Liberty <i>vis-à-vis</i> Criminal Justice: Bail <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Speakers</u> <i>Justice Ved Prakash Sharma</i> <i>Prof. Amit Mehrotra</i></p> |
| DAY 3 26th November, 2025 (Wednesday) | |
| SESSION 7 10:30 AM -12:00 PM | Forensic Evidence in Civil & Criminal Trials <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DNA, Handwriting, Fingerprinting, Toxicology & Ballistics |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Locard's Exchange Principle</i> • Appreciation of Forensic Evidence <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Speaker</u> <i>Ms. Nisha Menon</i></p> |
| 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM | Tea Break |
| SESSION 8 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM | <p style="text-align: center;">Principles of Evidence: Admissibility & Appreciation <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role of Circumstantial Evidence in Criminal Trial • Testimonial and Documentary Evidence • Evidentiary Standards <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Speaker</u> <i>Prof. Humayun Rasheed Khan</i></p> |
| 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM | Lunch Break |
| 03:00 PM Onwards Movie Screening In House Tea at 04:30 PM | |
| DAY 4 27th November, 2025 (Thursday) | |
| SESSION 9 10:30 AM -12:00 PM | <p style="text-align: center;">Judicial Stress and Wellness <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occupational Stress in Judging • Stress Management Techniques & Tools • Relaxation Techniques <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Speaker</u> <i>Dr. Sumit Roy</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Chair</u> <i>Justice Poonam A. Bamba</i></p> |
| 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM | Tea Break |
| SESSION 10 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM | <p style="text-align: center;">Law relating to Children: Issues & Challenges <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardinal Principles including Best Interest of Child • Law Relating to Presumptions, Age Determination • Case Law Jurisprudence on Evolving Principles <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Speakers</u> <i>Justice Poonam A. Bamba</i> <i>Ms. Shruti Jane Eusebius</i></p> |

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| 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM | Lunch Break |
| 03:00 PM Onwards | LOCAL VISIT |
| DAY 5 28th November, 2025 (Friday) | |
| SESSION 11 10:30 AM -12:00 PM | <p>Law relating to Cybercrimes: Challenges</p> <p><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regulating the Cyber Space: National and International Jurisprudence Liability & Accountability Challenges Jurisdictional Challenges <p><u>Speaker</u></p> <p><i>Dr. Ananth Prabhu Gurpur</i></p> |
| 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM | Tea Break |
| SESSION 12 12:30 PM - 02:00 PM | <p>AI & Judicial Governance</p> <p><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AI as tool <i>versus</i> Challenges Posed by AI Appreciation of Electronic Evidence in AI Eco-system Governing AI: Scope & Challenges <p><u>Speaker</u></p> <p><i>Dr. Sumit Bhattacharya</i></p> |
| 01:50 PM – 02:00 PM | Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants |
| Lunch | |

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