

**(NORTH ZONE-I): REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON ADVANCING RULE OF LAW THROUGH
TECHNOLOGY: CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES [P-1490]**

28th & 29th March, 2026

Venue: Chandigarh

**National Judicial Academy in collaboration with the High Court of Punjab & Haryana and
the Chandigarh Judicial Academy**

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DAY 1		
28th March, 2026 (Saturday)		
SESSION & TIMING	THEMES	Resource Persons
9:30AM – 10:00AM	<u>Inaugural</u>	
SESSION 1 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	Bridging the Digital Divide: Role of e-Services <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Understanding the Digital Divide: e-Courts Project Insights on Access and EffectivenessPromoting Inclusivity: e-Courts Project StrategiesHarnessing technology in facilitating diverse court practices	Justice Augustine George Masih Justice A. Muhamed Mustaque
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Tea Break	
SESSION 2 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	Effective use of Technology in Alternate Dispute Resolution <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">ADR Mechanisms: Equitable and Accessible mode of dispute resolutionLeveraging settlement through Online Dispute Resolution (ODR)Progressing towards automated dispute resolution with intelligent decision support systems, smart negotiation tools etc.Collaboration and Capacity Building Mechanisms	Justice DK Upadhyay Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	Lunch Break	
SESSION 3 02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	Electronic and Digital Media: Role of Courts <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Privacy and Freedom of ExpressionSanctity of legal proceedings vis-à-vis potentially contemptuous contentImpact of Media Reporting on the Administration of JusticeDigital Media and Censorship	Justice Gurmeet Singh Sandhwalia Justice Atul Sreedharan
04:00 PM	Tea	

DAY 2 29th March, 2026 (Sunday)		
SESSION 4 10:00 AM -11:30 AM	Cybercrimes and Digital Forensics <i><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jurisdictional issues in Adjudication of Cybercrimes • Liability of Intermediaries • Admissibility and Appreciation of Electronic Evidence 	Justice Atul Sreedharan Justice Suraj Govindaraj
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Tea Break	
SESSION 5 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	Improving Quality of Adjudication: Emerging and Future Technologies <i><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Judicial Decision Making • Block Chain Technology for secure record management • Recent advances in technology and potential use case 	Justice M. Sundar Justice Anoop Chitkara
1:30 PM – 1:40 PM	Feedback and Audit of the Course by Participants	
Lunch & Departure		

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