

REFRESHER COURSE FOR FAMILY COURTS (P-1502)**2nd & 3rd May 2026****Venue: National Judicial Academy (NJA), Bhopal****PROGRAMME SCHEDULE**

TIMING(s)	DAY 1 2nd May 2026 (Saturday)
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	SESSION 1 Family Courts: Developing the Relevant Judicial Persona <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Communication Skills and Techniques for Effective Resolution of Family Disputes▪ Understanding litigant behaviour in diverse litigation
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	TEA BREAK
12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	SESSION 2 Role of Judges in Divorce and Maintenance Proceedings <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Individual Rights vis-à-vis Institution of Marriage▪ Grounds for Dissolution of Marriage vis-à-vis Resolution of Family Disputes▪ Conundrums & Parameters in Awarding Maintenance
01:30 PM – 02:30 PM	LUNCH BREAK
02:30 PM – 04:00 PM	SESSION 3 Exploring Psycho-Social Aspects of Family Disputes <u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Components Leading to Marital Discord and Dissolution▪ Finding Underlying Causes of Discord▪ Identification of Bias and Stereotypes
04:00 PM	TEA

TIMING(s)	DAY 2 3 rd May 2026 (Sunday)
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	<p style="text-align: center;">SESSION 4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Adjudication of Custody & Guardianship Disputes</p> <p><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Factors Relevant in Deciding Custodial Arrangements ▪ Welfare & Best Interests of the Child ▪ Balancing Parental Rights <i>vis-à-vis</i> Parental Alienation Syndrome
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	TEA BREAK
12:00 PM - 1:30PM	<p style="text-align: center;">SESSION 5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Counselling & Mediation in Resolving Family Disputes</p> <p><u>Proposed Scope of Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Conducive Courtroom Environment to Foster Amicable Settlement ▪ ADR Methods in Resolving Family Disputes: Tools & Techniques ▪ Judge as a Counsellor
01:30 PM - 01:40 PM	AUDIT OF THE COURSE BY PARTICIPANTS
01:40 PM	LUNCH & DEPARTURE

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