

REPORT ON
National Orientation Programme for Additional District Judges (P- 866)
November 14 to 16, 2014

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Three 03 days National Orientation Programme for Additional District Judges (P- 866) from November 14 to 16, 2014), third one in the series of 06 programmes, was held at National Judicial Academy from Friday 14th November to Sunday 16th November 2014. Around thirty eight Judges from across the country participated in this programme.

Aiming to strengthen judicial system in our country, NJA nurtures the belief that quality of any system is dependent on the quality of people who man the system. Based on the above understanding, it has been consistent policy of the NJA to organize programmes which focus on capacity building of individual judges in order to ensure enhancement of the individual performance of judicial officers. NJA has been organizing orientation programme for newly appointed Additional District Judges (ADJs) for last many years. These programmes offer a unique opportunity to judges of the district judiciary to meet their counterparts from different parts of the country. The orientation programme for ADJs is a forum for district judiciary judges to share experiences, discuss problems, conduct introspection, and above all to develop solidarity with judicial officers across the nation.

This programme aims to orient and motivate district judiciary judges to play important role to ensure independence of judiciary at all tiers. It also provides an unique opportunity to district judiciary judges to meet their counterparts from different states, which can a go long way in fostering solidarity amongst judges.

On the first day, Prof. B.T. Kaul, Chairperson, Delhi Judicial Academy gave an impressive lecture on the topic of Situating District Judiciary in Constitutional Context under the Chair of Justice Chandresh Bhushan in the joint session with the participants of

with the participants of P-867. Thereafter, a Documentary film was screened for the participants. After the lunch break, Simulation Exercise on Electronic Evidence made by Dr. Geeta Oberoi, Professor, NJA thereafter Break Out Group Discussions conducted by under the chair of Justice Chandresh Bhushan

On the second day, in the first session on the theme of Criminal Justice System: Scope of Revision and Appellate Jurisdiction for District Judges shared by Justice S.K. Saxena and Justice B.B. Parsoon under the Chair of Justice D.K. Upadhyay. In the second session, on the topic of Role of Courts in Appreciating Electronic Evidence was deliberated by Shri Vakul Sharma, Advocate and panellists on the chair were Justice S.K. Saxena, Justice D.K. Upadhyay and Justice B.B. Parsoon. The sessions 3 and 4 shared by Justice S.K. Saxena and Justice B.B. Parsoon on the topics of Criminal Justice System Ensuring Fair Sessions Trial and Sentencing : Law & Practice under the chair of Justice D.K. Upadhyay.

On the third day, a *Joint Session with P 867 participants* was conducted on the topic, Regaining Public Trust in Civil Justice Administration: Key Challenges. The Panel for Discussion were Justice SK Saxena, Justice DK Upadhyay and Justice Seetharama Murti under the chair of Justice KT Sankaran. At the last, the last session of the programme, Justice D.K. Upadhyay deliberated on the topic of Civil Justice Administration Scope of Revision and Appellate Jurisdiction for District Judges under chair of Justice S.K. Saxena.

The programme was addressed by 8 eminent and prominent law luminaries from across the country as resource persons including internal faculty members of NJA.
