

**TAMIL NADU STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMY  
HEADQUARTERS CHENNAI**

ICT and Computerization Sensitization and Awareness Programme (ICT-3)  
for Judicial Officers and Staff

**EVENT REPORT**

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**(Through online)**

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The programme commenced with Mr. D. Lingeswaran, Director, Tamil Nadu State Judicial Academy, welcoming, Mr. Thiru. A. Saravanakumar, Registrar (IT-cum-Statistics), Mr. C.B. Vedagiri, XIX Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, on Special Duty in the e-courts Project, the nodal officerto assist the Registrar (IT-cum-Statistics), High Court of Madras, resource persons, Mrs. G. Saraswathi, Chairperson, Permanent Lok Adalat, Tiruvallur, Dr. S.T. Lakshmi Ramesh, XVIII Additional Judge, City Civil Court ,Chennai, Mr. P. Nagarajan, Metropolitan Magistrate for exclusive trial of CCB Cases(relating to cheating cases in Chennai) and CBCID Metro Cases, Egmore, Mr. E. Damodaran, XXIII Assistant Judge, City Civil Court, Chennai and finally the participants for the programme.

Mr. D. Lingeswaran, Director, Tamil Nadu State Judicial Academy, highlighted about, the various themes which the master trainers were going to speak about during the training session and also affirmed that, there is a growing concern of space for storing records that has brought us look for more adaptable avenues in digitization that can help to accommodate such space constrains for storing records.

Mr. Thiru. A. Saravanakumar, Registrar (IT-cum-Statistics) talked about the e-courts project that includes themes and areas of the programme that encompassed, scanning, digitization and digital Preservation of case records, data accuracy, delay reasons and uploading of Orders / judgments/deposition in CIS and NJDG, Software Modules (Norms), Mobile Applications for Judicial Functions, Utilizing VC facilities for Court Hearings, Digital Registers under CIS 3.0, Digital Signatures.

Mr. C.B. Vedagiri, XIX Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, discussed about,digital preservation of records. The paradigm shift from physical storage to digital storage started in 2017. The digital preservation has large impact on the documents in the future. Respective Amendments have been made to the Indian Evidence Act, 1872. The need to open the access of such digital information to the differentially abled is the moot point today. Various best practices and devices for easy digitalization and maintenance of records was discussed.

The programme progressed with Mr. P. Nagarajan, Metropolitan Magistrate for exclusive trial of CCB Cases (relating to cheating cases in Chennai) and CBCID Metro Cases, Egmore, discussing about rendering citizen centric services with accurate data entry. There was an elaborate discussion about case information system software, national judicial data grid, role of data entry process, need for accuracy of data, usage of data health card, how digitization and accurately keep a track of delay, how uploading of orders can provide an all pervasive access.

After a short break for a Tea, the programme resumed with, Mrs. G. Saraswathi, Chairperson, Permanent Lok Adalat, Tiruvallur, discussed about software modules and norms incidental to the integration of CIS Software. This module presented assessment of judicial officers, unit heads, high court section, norms and its functioning from login dashboard till work done statement report.

The next session was an elaborate discussion by Mr. E. Damodaran, XXIII Assistant Judge, City Civil Court, Chennai, about video conference facilities in court facilities and its related laws that are put in place. The discussion emphasized the rules framed by the Madras High Court, VC Rules, July 2020 (R.O.C. No. 29030AI2020/Comp9). The discussion also emphasized that usage of various applications like, cisco webx, zoom, vidyo connect, team etc. Furthermore, the programme discussed about digital registers and transformation of manual form of registers to the digital format also.

Dr. S.T. Lakshmi Ramesh, XVIII Additional Judge, City Civil Court, Chennai discussed about, mobile applications and how to use digital signatures effectively. An elaborate discussion regarding the eCourts Services Mobile App, JustIS Justice Information System, NSTEP National Service and Tracking of Electronic Processes, and GIMS Government Instant Messaging System, was made. Further, the importance of digital signatures in judiciary was discussed with emphasize to pre-requisites and procedures.

The session concluded with an interactive discussion where the participant queries were clarified. The webinar was attended by 500 participants through CISCO Webex platform and viewed by more than seven thousand through its YouTube Online Stream Link from different parts of Tamil Nadu and proved to be very interactive and participative. ([Link for the Programme](#))

The programme was concluded by Mrs. D. Shoba Devi Assistant Director, TNSJA Headquarters, Chennai, delivering the Vote of Thanks, by thanking all the resource persons and the participants for their strong cooperative effort in making this online webinar a grant success.