

TAMIL NADU STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMY REGIONAL CENTRE, MADURAI

Professional Development Programme-II for Civil Judges (Batch–I)

10.09.2022 and 11.09.2022

PROGRAMME REPORT

A "Professional Development Programme - II for Civil Judges (Batch - I)" was held on 10.09.2022 and 11.09.2022 at Tamil Nadu State Judicial Academy, Regional Centre, Madurai. Mr. S. Muthu Maharajan, Deputy Director, TNSJA-RC, Madurai, delivered the Welcome Address.

On 10.09.2022, the first session was on the topic 'Proclamation Proceedings against Absconding Accused & Recording of Evidence u/s. 299 Cr.P.C', which was taken by Mr. R. Gandhi, Advocate. He elaborately dealt with the topic with the help of PowerPoint presentation. The resource person comprehensively explained the underlying procedures as to Proclamation against the absconding accused and Attachment of property of the absconding accused. He differentiated the provisions namely, Sections 82(1) and 82(4) Cr.P.C. as to 'Proclaimed Person' and 'Proclaimed Offender'. He also reiterated the principles and procedures in recording the evidence u/s.299 Cr.P.C. in absence of the accused.

The next session was on the topic of 'Verification of Stamp Papers – Find the Fake' which was taken by Mr. S. Muthu Maharajan, Deputy Director. He

explained the nature and character of court fee stamps used in Courts and the importance of identifying the fake stamps. In order to control the fake stamps, he said that, judges shall urge the advocates and litigants to use e-stamps instead of the old stamp papers.

In post lunch session, the topic of 'Law of Adverse Possession' was deliberated by Mr. S. Srinivasa Raghavan, Advocate. The resource person explained the fundamentals and basic principles of Adverse Possession. He highlighted the relevant provisions, ingredients, elements of adverse possession. He also explained the acts which do not amount to adverse possession with the governing precedents in this regard. The resource person also emphasized on the concept of ouster, adverse possession in context of License and statutory exceptions.

On 11.09.2022, the first session was on the topic of 'Suits relating to Cancellation and Setting aside of Documents and Decrees', which was taken by Mr. S. Meenakshi Sundaram, Senior Advocate. The Resource Person extensively dealt with Sections 31 and 34 of the Specific Relief Act which deals with the cancellation of instruments. He also covered the related aspects of Court-fee under TN Court Fees and Suits Valuation Act and Limitation under Limitation Act, 1963. Further, he elaborated the settled propositions of unilateral cancellation of documents with the recent authoritative pronouncements.

In the post lunch session, the topic of 'Private Complaint – Procedures to be followed' was taken by Mr. K. Nambirajan, Secretary, District Legal Service Authority, Kanniyakumari @ Nagercoil. He practically covered all procedures relating to private complaint. On both days, all resource persons answered the queries and practical difficulties, raised by the participants.