

One-Day Training Program for Members of The District Bar Association, Thatta

Sindh Judicial Academy in collaboration with The Asia Foundation and Thatta District Bar Association arranged a one-day training program for the members of Bar on



Team Sindh Judicial Academy & Asia Foundation with the members of District Bar Association, Thatta

04-10-2018. Mr. **Syed Ijaz Shah** advocate, President of the Bar, welcomed the Hon'ble team members of Sindh Judicial Academy and The Asia Foundation. He shared that it was the first time in the history of the District Bar Association Thatta that Sindh Judicial Academy visited them for the purpose of training on very important and thought-provoking subjects of law. Mr. **Justice Syed Ali Aslam Jafri**, Former Judge High Court



Mr. Justice Khilji Arif Hussain &
Mr. Justice Syed Ali Aslam Jafri

of Sindh introduced the training program and its objectives. It was informed that the Bar and Bench should have cordial relations with each other and on this point **Hon'ble Mr. Justice Khilji Arif Hussain** should be invited to discuss this point in detail. He also informed that mediation process may play

effective role in early disposal of court cases.

Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq discussed the process of compromise/mediation, especially the mediation and reconciliation proceeding in compoundable offences. It was shared that mediation had been given space in our criminal justice system, as most of the cases fall the category of compoundable offences and therefore could



Mr. M. Shahid Shafiq
District & Sessions Judge
Senior Faculty Member, SJA

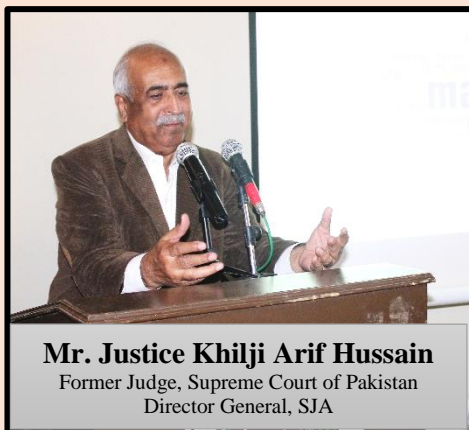
be disposed of amicably with the intervention of respectable persons of the locality and trained mediators. It was shared that the process may be structured and used formerly in our criminal justice system and Bar may play effective role in this regard.

Mr. Justice Syed Ali Aslam Jafri discussed “Land Revenue law” and the disputes that arise thereunder. He shared that sometimes our Civil Procedural law causes delay in disposal of a civil case and if we start applying mediation techniques and procedures, the cases may be disposed of with the consent of parties in a shortest possible time. It was informed that a case which may be decided



Mr. Justice Syed Ali Aslam Jafri
Former Judge, High Court of Sindh
Consultant, SJA

through amicable settlement/ mediation, should not disappoint any of the parties as they reach at some logical conclusion with their consent. It also ends lengthy future litigation.



Mr. Justice Khilji Arif Hussain
Former Judge, Supreme Court of Pakistan
Director General, SJA

Mr. Justice Khilji Arif Hussain, discussed “Code of Conduct and Court Mannerism” in detail. He was of the view that an advocate should be honest with the court as well as with his client. He also shared about “Rights of Children and Women”. According to him sometimes women were discriminated because of one or other reasons.

However, we had to take care Rights of every citizen in particular, who had been protected under a special legislation such as laws relating to women & children.

Mr. Justice Khilji Arif Hussain discussed at length the process followed in Civil Courts for referring cases under section 89-A C.P.C. and role of a mediator. It was informed that the Hon’ble



Director General gave ‘Shield of honor’ to the Hon’ble Chief Guest and to District Bar Association, Thatta



High Court of Sindh had setup a court annexed mediation center at Sindh Judicial Academy for disposal of cases with the consent of the parties. It was also informed that Sindh Judicial

Academy had suggested amendments in Civil Procedure Code whereby a court would have authority to refer cases for mediation and the parties would be at liberty to approach a recognized mediator for redressal of their grievances through mediation or reconciliation. At the end of the program Hon'ble Director General and other guests planted trees. Hon'ble Director General Sindh Judicial Academy thanked the Asia Foundation & District Bar Association for cooperation.



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Tree Plantation Ceremony



Group Photos

