



**LAUNCH OF BENCH BOOK ON MUSLIM FAMILY LAWS
&
NATIONAL TRAINING WORKSHOP ON FAMILY LAWS
& WOMEN'S MARRIAGE RIGHTS**



Tentative Venue: Movenpick, Karachi

Date: 5th to 7th June, 2023

DAY 1: Monday, June 05, 2023

Timing: 09:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

Time	Activity	Instructor/Resource Person
09:00 am to 09:30 am	Registration and Recitation of Holy Quran	Mr. Qazi Ishaq Sindh Judicial Academy
09:30 am to 10:00 am	Welcome Note	Fatima Yasmin Bokhari , CEO, Musawi; Advocate, High Court
		Muhammad Shahid Shafiq , District & Sessions Judge, Senior Faculty Member, Sindh Judicial Academy
10:00 am to 10:45 am	Opening Remarks: Introductory Panel on Muslim Family Laws with a Focus on Women's Marriage Rights	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tassaduq Hussain Jillani , Former Chief Justice of Pakistan Hon'ble Mr. Justice Nadeem Akhtar , Judge High Court of Sindh and Director General, Sindh Judicial Academy (SJA) Hon'ble Judge Jamel Mamutuk , Republic of Philippines Hon'ble Judge Ismail Yahya , Malaysia
10:45 am to 11:00 am	 Tea Break	
11:00 am to 11:30 am	<i>Pre-Training Assessment</i>	Facilitated by Musawi
11:30 am to 12:00 pm	Context Setting: Overview of the Training & Bench Book on Muslim Family Laws	Facilitated by Musawi & SJA



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12:00 pm to 1:30 pm	The Family Courts and their Jurisdiction <i>Main Areas of Concern:</i> Procedural issues faced by judges under Family Courts Act 1964	Muhammad Shahid Shafiq, District & Sessions Judge, Senior Faculty Member, SJA
1:30 pm to 2:30 pm	 Lunch Break	
2:30 pm to 4:30 pm	Legal Framework on the Nature of Marriage & Child Marriages <i>Main Areas of Concern:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues regarding validity/proof of marriage & consent of the guardian/<i>wali</i> for marriage • Conflicting case law on the interpretation of columns & stipulations in the <i>Nikkahnama</i> • Cognizance of child marriage cases & determination of child's age 	Nida Aftab, Advocate High Court, Consultant, Musawi

DAY 2: Tuesday, June 06, 2023

Timing: 9:00 AM – 5:15 PM

Time	Activity	Instructor/Resource Person
09:00 am to 09:15 am	Registration & Recitation of Holy Quran	Mr. Qazi Ishaq Sindh Judicial Academy
09:15 am to 10:30 am	Legal Framework on Dower & Dowry <i>Main Areas of Concern:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different types of dower & applicable columns in the <i>Nikkahnama</i> • Return of dower in dissolution of marriage cases • Jurisdictional issues on return of dowry articles & evidentiary requirements 	Barrister Khadija Bokhari, Director Litigation & Advocacy, Musawi Facilitated by: Maimoona Yaqub, Research Associate, Musawi
10:30 am to 11:00 am	 Tea Break	



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11:00 am to 12:15 pm	Legal framework on Maintenance of Wives & Children <i>Main Areas of Concern:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Determination of quantum of maintenance• Admissibility of evidence• Interim maintenance & provincial variations• Order writing and discussion	Muhammad Shahid Shafiq, District & Sessions Judge, Senior Faculty Member, SJA
12:15 pm to 1:30 pm	Legal Framework on Custody & Guardianship <i>Main Areas of Concern:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assumption of jurisdiction• Welfare of the child• Recent case law	Nida Aftab, Advocate High Court, Consultant, Musawi Discussant: Hon'ble Judge Jamel Mamutuk, Republic of Philippines
1:30 pm to 2:30 pm	 Lunch Break	
2:30 pm to 3:30 pm	Legal Framework on Polygamy <i>Main Areas of Concern:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provincial variations on cognizance and penalty• Recent case law	Barrister Khadija Bokhari, Director Litigation & Advocacy, Musawi
3:30 pm to 5:00 pm	Legal Framework on Dissolution of Muslim Marriage <i>Main Areas of Concern:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Types of dissolution of marriage• Procedural issues• Practical issues faced by female litigants in respect of each type of dissolution.	Rabbiya Bajwa, Advocate Supreme Court of Pakistan; Vice-President Lahore High Court Bar Association Discussant: Hon'ble Judge Ismail Yahya, Malaysia; Barrister Umar Mahmood Khan, Director Law & Policy, Musawi



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DAY 3: Wednesday, June 07, 2023

Timing: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Time	Activity	Instructor/Resource Person
09:00 am to 09:15 am	Registration & Recitation of Holy Quran	Mr. Qazi Ishaq Sindh Judicial Academy
09:15 am to 11:00 am	Comparative Insights from other Jurisdictions: Main Areas of Concern: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age of consent• Stipulations in marriage contract• Alimony• Dissolution of marriage: <i>Talaq</i> and <i>Khul</i>	Hamid M. Khan , Lecturer Islamic Law, University of Michigan Law School
11:00 am to 11:30 am	 Tea Break	
11:30 am to 1:30 pm	Panel Discussion on Comparative Jurisprudence on Muslim Personal Laws and Protecting Women's Marriage Rights <i>Followed by Q and A</i>	Hon'ble Judge Jamel Mamutuk , Republic of Philippines Hon'ble Judge Ismail Yahya , Malaysia Facilitated by: Fatima Yasmin Bokhari , Advocate High Court; CEO, Musawi Hamid M. Khan , Lecturer Islamic Law, University of Michigan Law School
1:30 pm to 2:30 pm	 Lunch Break	



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2:30 pm to 3:45 pm	Judgment Writing: Gender Sensitization in Court Proceedings	Barrister Khadija Bokhari, Director Litigation & Advocacy, Musawi Discussants: Hon'ble Judge Jamel Mamutuk, Republic of Philippines Hon'ble Judge Ismail Yahya, Malaysia Rabbiya Bajwa, Advocate Supreme Court of Pakistan; Vice-President Lahore High Court Bar Association
3:45 pm to 4:15 pm	<i>Post-Training Assessment</i>	Facilitated by Musawi
4:15 pm to 5:00 pm	CONCLUDING SESSIONS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Concluding Remarks by Hon'ble Director General, Sindh Judicial Academy MR. JUSTICE NADEEM AKHTAR, Judge High Court of Sindh• Distribution of Certificates & Shields• Group photo	Facilitated by Musawi & SJA
5:00 pm	 Hi-Tea / Refreshments	