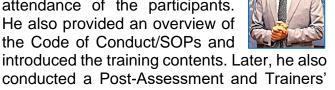
## Three-Day Training Program on Gender-Based Violence for **Civil Judges/Judicial Magistrates**

(15 - 17 AUGUST 2023, BATCH-03)



- The rise of Gender-Based Violence (GBV) offenses that are coming to light brings about fresh hurdles, underlining the need for a fundamental grasp of GBV matters. To meet these challenges head-on, it was essential to adequately equip the judiciary and prosecution with knowledge about GBV crimes. This involved imparting training and education to boost their understanding, abilities, strategies for response, empowering them to tackle and counteract these emerging patterns of violence adeptly.
- The Sindh Judicial Academy collaboration with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) arranged a "Three-Day Training of Trainers on GBV for 45 Civil Judges & Judicial Magistrates (Batch-03) from 15 - 17 August 2023 at Sindh Judicial Academy, Karachi.
- \* Mr. Arsalan Masood Representative) (UNODC oversaw the registration and attendance of the participants. He also provided an overview of the Code of Conduct/SOPs and introduced the training contents. Later, he also

Evaluation.



Mr. **Shahid** Muhammad (District & Sessions Judge/Senior Faculty Member, SJA) shared the Course Objectives and conducted a Pre-Course Assessment. another In session. delivered he "Victim presentation on

In a jointly conducted session by Mr. Muhammad Shahid **Shafiq** Sabghatullah Patoli (Senior Civil Judge), the participants were enlightened on "Unpacking Gender constructs: Enhancing Gender Understanding of Concepts."

Witness Protection."



- Dr. Summaiya S. Tariq \* (Police Karachi) Surgeon, discussed the "Medical She Jurisprudence". also discussed the "Collection Medical Evidence in GBV Cases".
- Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq and Mr. Waseem Ahmed (Senior Civil Judge) led a session on "International Legislation and policy framework in the GBV cases."





❖ In another session Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq and Ms. Surkhab Un Nisa (Civil Judge & Judicial Magistrate) collaboratively conducted a session on "National Legislation



session on "National Legislation and Policy Framework in the GBV Cases." They also covered the "Presenting GBV cases in the Courts – DOs and DONTs." They elaborated on the "Submission of the final report/challan" and discussed "Case Management."

Ms. AmbreenAslam (District and Sessions Judge) and Mr.Aftab Shoaib





(Representative from UNODC) discussed "Coordination and Cooperation among the Stakeholders."

❖ Qazi Muhammad Naeem Siddiqui (former Additional District and Sessions Judge) led a simulated trial-centered Mock Trial around the topic of "Gender-Based Violence."



In a session jointly conducted by Mufti Najeeb and Mr. Iqbal Maitlo (DSJ) discussed the religious expects of "As



the religious concept of "Adal-o-Insaaf."

## **Conclusion**

The increasing prevalence of GBV \*\* offenses poses new challenges, emphasizing the necessity for a deep understanding of GBV issues. This training program addressed these challenges effectively and provided the judiciary and prosecution with comprehensive knowledge about GBV crimes. This training enhanced their understanding, skills, and response strategies. lt also provided empowering legal professionals in this way, they can adeptly and proficiently confront and mitigate these evolving forms of violence. This training increased awareness, improved understanding, enhanced response skills with legal knowledge, and equipped to address and prevent gender-based violence effectively.

At the end of training, participants were awarded Certificates.











