

# Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) Between

# Punjab Judicial Academy (PJA)



## Sindh Judicial Academy, Karachi



This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) determines the terms of mutually agreed understanding between the Sindh Judicial Academy (SJA) and the Punjab Judicial Academy (PJA) to carry out the mutually agreed interactive activities in pursuit of the statutory command of developing linkages with justice sector stakeholders for the benefit of the justice system and enhancing the quality of judicial education.

#### **Objectives and Principles**

- I. This Memorandum of Understanding (therein after referred to as the "M0U") intends to lay out the general principles of mutual cooperation for the scheme of achieving excellence in judicial education and research in the gaps of capacity building of judicial officers and stakeholders of justice system in Pakistan.
- II. This MOU will be carried out within the framework of the respective laws and regulations of the two institutions and is not intended to create any legally binding rights or obligations.

## **Scope of Cooperation**

Cooperative activities under this MOU will be carried out in the following areas:

- To consult, cooperate and exchange information with each other in the areas of mutual interest that will meet the objectives of the constituting statutes of the two academies.
- To share and exchange the ideas, resources and faculty for development of the field of the judicial education to cater the needs of the judiciary to produce competent and efficient judicial officers and court staff.
- To arrange study tours and academic visits on reciprocal basis for better understanding of working environments of courts in the two provinces.
- To work mutually in the field of research to produce quality support documents in terms of books, research papers, bench books, conference proceedings and other publications for the benefit of judicial officers and court staff.

- To arrange and participate in Training of Trainers Programmes organized by any of the two parties, severally or jointly.
- To hold and organize seminars, conferences and symposia on legal and judicial topics.

#### Implementation and funding

- I. Both the institutions will nominate their representatives to frame policy to regulate exchange of information and experience on research and investigation challenges and reforms to identify priorities for bilateral cooperation in the agreed areas.
- II. The cost of joint activities of common interest may be funded as mutually determined.
- III. Unless agreed, no financial liability will accrue on any of the parties for participation of the activities arranged by the other party.

#### Entry into effect and termination

This MOU will come into effect on the date of signature.

This MOU will remain in effect for an initial period of three year and will be extended for successive periods of one year unless either Party notifies the other party, in writing, of its intention to terminate this MoU at least six months of the expiry date of relevant period.

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