

<b>MADHYA PRADESH STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMY, JABALPUR</b>		
<b>SYMPOSIUM ON – KEY ISSUES RELATING TO FOREST &amp; WILD LIFE LAWS</b>		
<b>DATE: 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 (Venue: MPSJA)</b>		
<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
<b>4<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 (Friday)</b>		
<b>SESSIONS</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>TOPICS</b>
I	10.00 a.m. to 10.20 a.m.	Inauguration and overview of the Symposium By: <b>Hon’ble Shri Justice Atul Sreedharan</b> <b>Judge, High Court of M.P.</b> <b>&amp;</b> <b>Chairman, Governing Council,</b> <b>MPSJA</b>
II	10.20 a.m. to 11.20 a.m.	Forest and Wild Life offences – An overview By: <b>Shri Ritesh Sarothiya</b> <b>IFS,</b> <b>Head,</b> <b>State Tiger Strike Force</b> <b>Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal</b>
<b>TEA BREAK (11:20 a.m. to 11:35 a.m.)</b>		
III	11.35 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Forest land & forest conservation dispute and challenges By: <b>Shri Manoj Kumar Agarwal</b> <b>IFS,</b> <b>Principal Chief Conservator of Forest</b> <b>(Forest Protection)</b> <b>&amp;</b> <b>Shri Sachin Sharma,</b> <b>Additional Director, MPSJA</b>
<b>SHORT BREAK (12.30 p.m. to 12.45 p.m.)</b>		
IV	12.45 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.	Interactive session on – Practice and Procedure in Forest & Wild Life cases <i>Scope of discussion:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Admissibility and probative value of statement/evidence</li> <li>• Recording of confessional statement, its proof and evidentiary value</li> <li>• Search and Seizure</li> <li>• Presumption in forest and wildlife laws</li> <li>• FSL report – Requirement and effect of delay</li> <li>• Appreciation of Circumstantial evidence</li> <li>• Defective investigation</li> </ul> Chaired by: <b>Director, MPSJA</b> Co-chaired by: <b>Shri Dharmendra Tada,</b> <b>Faculty (Sr.), MPSJA</b> <b>&amp;</b> <b>Shri Manoj Kumar Agarwal</b> <b>IFS,</b> <b>Principal Chief Conservator of Forest</b> <b>(Forest Protection)</b>
<b>LUNCH BREAK (2.00 p.m. to 2.45 p.m.)</b>		

V	2.45 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	<p>Interactive session on – Practice and Procedure in Forest &amp; Wild Life cases</p> <p><i>Scope of discussion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power to record evidence in light of S. 50(8) WLP Act</li> <li>• Judicial notice of notification</li> <li>• Filing of charge-sheet/complaint in Wild Life and Forest cases</li> <li>• Preliminary inquiry and Pre-trial preparation</li> <li>• Prosecution sanction</li> <li>• Bio Diversity Act, 2002</li> <li>• M.P. Van Upaj (Vyapar Viniyman) Adhiniyam, 1969</li> <li>• M.P. Kashhthha Chiran (Viniyman) Adhiniyam, 1984</li> <li>• Madhya Pradesh Charai Niyam, 1986</li> </ul> <p>Chaired by: <b>Shri Sachin Sharma,</b> <b>Additional Director, MPSJA</b></p> <p>Co-chaired by: <b>Shri Amit Singh Sisodia,</b> <b>OSD, MPSJA</b> <b>&amp;</b> <b>Shri Ritesh Sarothiya</b> <b>IFS,</b> <b>Head,</b> <b>State Tiger Strike Force</b> <b>Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal</b></p>
<b>TEA BREAK (4.00 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.)</b>		
VI	4.15 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	<p>Interactive session on – Practice and Procedure in Forest &amp; Wild Life cases</p> <p><i>Scope of discussion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interim and Final Disposal of Property</li> <li>• Importance of electronic evidence</li> <li>• Compounding of offences</li> <li>• Sentencing policy</li> <li>• Applicability of Probation of Offenders Act, 1958</li> </ul> <p>Chaired by: <b>Shri Manish Sharma,</b> <b>Faculty (Jr.-1), MPSJA</b></p> <p>Co-chaired by: <b>Shri Amit Singh Sisodia,</b> <b>OSD, MPSJA</b> <b>&amp;</b> <b>Shri Ritesh Sarothiya</b> <b>IFS,</b> <b>Head,</b> <b>State Tiger Strike Force</b> <b>Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal</b></p>

<b>5<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 (Saturday)</b>		
<b>Group Photograph (10.20 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.)</b>		
<b>I</b>	<b>10.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon</b>	<p>Special Session on – “Strengthening Environmental Justice through Judicial Innovation and Institutional Synergy”</p> <p><b>By:</b> <b>Hon’ble Shri Justice Atul Sreedharan</b>  <b>Judge, High Court of M.P.</b>  <b>&amp;</b>  <b>Chairman, Governing Council, MPSJA</b></p> <p><b>Hon’ble Shri Justice Anand Pathak,</b>  <b>Judge, High Court of M.P. &amp;</b>  <b>Member, Governing Council, MPSJA</b></p> <p><b>Krishnamurty Mishra,</b>  <b>Director, MPSJA</b>  <b>and</b>  <b>Shri Subharanjan Sen</b>  <b>Principal Chief Conservator of Forest &amp;</b>  <b>Chief Wildlife Warden, Madhya Pradesh</b></p> <p>(.....contd)</p>
<b>SHORT BREAK (12.00 noon to 12.15 p.m.)</b>		
<b>II</b>	<b>12.15 p.m. to 1.30 pm</b>	<p>Special Session on – “Strengthening Environmental Justice through Judicial Innovation and Institutional Synergy”</p> <p><b>By:</b> <b>Hon’ble Shri Justice Atul Sreedharan</b>  <b>Judge, High Court of M.P.</b>  <b>&amp;</b>  <b>Chairman, Governing Council, MPSJA</b></p> <p><b>Hon’ble Shri Justice Anand Pathak,</b>  <b>Judge, High Court of M.P. &amp;</b>  <b>Member, Governing Council, MPSJA</b></p> <p><b>Krishnamurty Mishra,</b>  <b>Director, MPSJA</b>  <b>and</b>  <b>Shri Subharanjan Sen</b>  <b>Principal Chief Conservator of Forest &amp;</b>  <b>Chief Wildlife Warden, Madhya Pradesh</b></p>
<b>LUNCH BREAK (1.30 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.)</b>		
<b>III</b>	<b>2.15 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.</b>	<p>Issues relating to Wildlife Forensics</p> <p><b>By:</b> <b>Dr. Kajal Kumar Jadhav</b>  <b>Assistant Professor</b>  <b>&amp;</b>  <b>Dr. Nidhi Rajput</b>  <b>Assistant Professor</b>  <b>School of Wildlife Forensic and Health,</b>  <b>Nanaji Deshmukh Veterinary Science</b>  <b>University, Jabalpur</b></p>
<b>IV</b>	<b>3.15 p.m. onwards</b>	<p>Valedictory Session with Views and Suggestions &amp; way forward</p> <p><b>By: Officers from MPSJA</b>  <b>&amp;</b>  <b>Officers from Forest Department</b></p> <p><i>Followed by High Tea</i></p>

Note: The Time Table is subject to change as per exigencies.

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