Under the guidance and patronage of Chief Patron of State Judicial Academy, Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Paul Vasanthakumar, Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Committee of Hon'ble Judges, State Judicial Academy (Hon'ble Mr. Justice Muzaffar Hussain Attar, Chairman and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Hasnain Massodi, Member), Jammu and Kashmir State Judicial Academy today conducted one day refresher course for Munsiffs of Jammu province at Jammu.

Hon'ble Mr. Justice (Retd.) O.P. Sharma was the Resource person. The programme was conducted by Shri Pawan Dev Kotwal, Director, State Judicial Academy. In his introductory remarks, Director, State Judicial Academy welcomed the Resource person & Judicial Officers and deliberated on the need for such refresher programmes for the Judicial Officers.

Session-I was on "Sections 4 & 5 of Land Alienation Act and Sections 17, 49, 69, 77 and Rules of Registration Act." , Session-II related to "Sections 35 and 149 of Stamp Act, Easement Act for the purpose of Order XXXIX Rule 1 to 4 of CPC, Difference between Section 14 and 15 of Right of Prior Purchase Act and Limitation for such suits.", and Session-III was on the topic "Jurisdiction of Criminal Courts for inquires and trials with special emphasis to the cases under Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act."

Justice Sharma dealt with all the topics of the programme and exhaustively explained the provisions. His Lordship by his long and varied experience enlightened the participants regarding ways and means which they can adopt while dealing with cases and reminded the officers about their powers, duties and responsibilities in dispensation of justice.

The participating officers freely interacted with the Resource persons and sought clarifications of several aspects of application of law and also the ways and means as to how those difficulties are to be surmounted. After the conclusion of the refresher training programme, participating officers felt satisfied about the usefulness of the programme in their day to day official working.