

In order to encourage and motivate young lawyers at grass root level to stay and continue in legal profession and to improve their skills, knowledge and understanding of law, Jammu and Kashmir State Judicial Academy 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 Masoodi, Member) today organized one day training programme for young Advocates of Jammu in the State Judicial Academy at Jammu on the topics “Practical application of Basic provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure” and “Practical application of Basic provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure”.

Shri A.V. Gupta and Shri Sunil Sethi, Senior Advocates were the Resource persons who addressed the participants on Civil Procedure and Criminal Procedure respectively.

The Programme was conducted by Shri Pawan Dev Kotwal, Director, State Judicial Academy. While welcoming the Resource persons and participants in the programme, Director, State Judicial Academy in his introductory remarks deliberated on the need for such training programmes for the young Advocates and said that platform provided by the Judicial Academy is an opportunity for the young lawyers to benefit themselves in updating the knowledge of law and clearing their doubts by interaction with Resource persons.

In his address, Shri A.V. Gupta, Senior Advocate on “Practical application of Basic provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure” enlightened the participants regarding ways and means which they can adopt while dealing with civil cases. He explained the participants in detail from the stage of filing of civil cases to delivery of judgment, the principles of law and how basic legal mechanisms work.

Shri Sunil Sethi, Senior Advocate dealt the topic “Practical application of Basic provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure” in a scholarly manner. He told the participants some guidelines for trial of criminal cases. He advised the participants that before handling the criminal cases and before starting the trial of criminal cases, they should endeavour to make strategy, always study the case carefully and try to appreciate the case independently. They will find that there is always other justification in criminal cases. A person who is doing a wrong has a justification and there is justification for complainant too. To understand the criminal case, they have to understand the point of view of both sides. They have to prepare the case of other side also and then to see what are the loopholes in other's case. That is the way to succeed in criminal practice. He cautioned the young Advocates not to come in the court raw hand.

The participating officials freely interacted with the Resource person and sought clarification on several aspects of civil and criminal matters who cleared their doubts to their satisfaction. After the conclusion of the workshop participants felt satisfied about the usefulness of the programme in their day to day working.

While addressing vote of thanks by Director, State Judicial Academy, Shri Kotwal expressed that as a practicing senior Advocates and that too leading lawyers of Jammu, the experience gained by them and narrated to the participants would prove fruitful for the young advocates. Shri Yahaya Firdousa Ahanger, Sub-Judge (Leave Reserve), Shri Pankaj Kumar Gupta, Deputy Registrar, State Judicial Academy, Shri Jagdish Raj, Faculty Member and staff of the Academy were among others who attended the programme.

