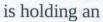


MEGHALAYA STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMY

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Online Sensitization Programme for Judicial Officers and other Stakeholders on the Principles of Best Interest of a Child while dealing with POCSO Cases

| 9:45 am to 10:00am | | Welcome address by Director, MSJA | |
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| Session | Time | Topic | Resourse Person |
| I | 10:00 am - 10:45 am | Child Sexual Abuse - its extent and dimension | Mr. Bhuwan Ribhu, Child Rights Advocate & Activist Bachpan Bachao Andolan |
| II | 10:45 am to 11: 30 am | Salient features of the POCSO Act and recent Amendments with emphasis on: Key provisions of the Act The reasons for the need of POCSO Act The different aspects:- reporting an offence, Child pornography, Presumption, recording of statement, medical care and examination, appointment and termination of support person. Age determination of victims and accused persons Child friendly procedure and Entitlement with emphasis on vulnerability of victims Linkages and coordination required to be maintained by the POCSO Courts with CWC, DLSA and Police Key components of the Child Protection Plan The facet of compensation Followed by interaction | Ms. Jyoti Mathur, Director, Kailash Satyarthi Children's Foundation |
| III | 11: 30 am to 12: 15 am | Implementation of POCSO Act - Challenges during trial and compensation • Delay in filing FIR viz a viz mandatory reporting Procedural delay and technical delay • High acquittal rate • Power of POCSO Court in determining Victim Compensation • Need of Training to Medical, Teachers, Judicial, Advocates and Law enforcing agencies • Consent • Medical examination • Treatment Cost • Consented sexual intimacy • Child Marriage • Role of Mental Health professional • Reporting Followed by interaction | Ms. Sampurna Behura, Director, Legal Bachpan Bachao Andolan |

| IV | 12:15 am to | Trial of cases under the POCSO Act with | |
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| | 1: 00 pm | latest Case laws: | |
| | i | Charges and Sentencing pattern under the POCSO Act Recording of Child Testimony Age determination of Victim Presumption of guilt Medical evidence Compromise in rape cases is impermissible Bail Provisions | College Sensitives the Principles Date: 22.87.2821 |
| | | Followed by interaction | Dr. J.N. Barowalia, |
| V | 1: 00 pm to | Loopholes in the Act of 2012 | Retd, District & Sessions |
| | 1:45 pm | The directions for overcoming the existing pitfalls as issued vide the consultation bench of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Alaskh Alok Srivastava vs. Union of India & others reported in (2018) 5 SCC 651. | Judge, Himachal Pradesh |
| | raice and Introduction | The context of the Protection of Children from Sexual offences (Amendment) Bill, 2019. Followed by interaction | DE RES DE LES |
| | 1: 45 pm to 2: 00 pm | Vote of thanks | |