

# HIGH COURT OF MADHYA PRADESH

## “BEST PRACTICES AND ACHIEVEMENTS”

(JANUARY-JUNE, 2023)

In the High Court of Madhya Pradesh for “Action Plan and Monitoring” an “**Arrear Committee-cum-Case Management Committee-cum-Committee for State Court Management System**” has been constituted comprising of five Hon’ble Judges of the High Court and Ld. Advocate General. A permanent Secretariat has also been constituted i.e. “State Court Management System”.

For monitoring of the Action Plan and pendency reduction in the High Court as well as in the District Courts, time to time directions are being given by this Hon’ble Committee in the meetings held in regular intervals.

### Constitution of District Sub-Committees:

At district level, as per the directions of the Hon’ble Committee, 5 Judges’ Committee has been constituted to monitor and ensure expeditious disposal of cases pending for more than 5 years and other priority cases.

### Pendency and Disposal of cases

During the period of 01.01.2023 to 30.06.2023, pendency, institution and disposal trend in the High Court and District Courts is as under :

#### HIGH COURT

##### STATUS OF ALL CASES

Opening Balance (as on 01.01.2023)	Institution (01.01.23 to 30.06.23)	Disposal (01.01.23 to 30.06.23)	Case clearance ratio in percentage	Closing Balance (as on 30.06.2023)
429567	76222	61848	81.14%	443941

#### DISTRICT COURTS

##### STATUS OF ALL CASES

Opening Balance (as on 01.01.2023)	Institution (01.01.23 to 30.06.23)	Disposal (01.01.23 to 30.06.23)	Case clearance ratio in percentage	Closing Balance (as on 30.06.2023)
2008566	682721	685499	100.40%	2005788

➤ **MAKING FIVE PLUS ZERO A REALITY**

**HIGH COURT**

- During the period from January, 2023 to June, 2023, old cases were listed in chronological order on priority basis from oldest to newest as per prevailing "Listing Scheme". Division Benches were also constituted at Principal Seat Jabalpur and Benches at Indore and Gwalior for hearing old Criminal Appeals, in which accused are in jail.
- Old cases, in which applications for urgent hearing were filed, were listed before the respective Benches during the period mentioned above.
- Total 380 Jail Appeals (including 249 Jail Appeals pending for more than 5 years) have been disposed of during the aforesaid period.
- Total 1388 cases (including 1348 cases pending for more than 5 years) have been disposed of, which were not live/infructious/petty / could not survive.
- Total 1209 Held-up cases (including 389 cases pending for more than 5 years) have been disposed.

**DISTRICT COURT**

- According to resolution of the Hon'ble Arrears Committee, the Principal District and Sessions Judges, all in the State have been directed to strictly comply with the directions issued for expeditious disposal of cases.
- During the period 98,447 old cases have been disposed of, which were pending for more than 5, 10 or 20 years.
- Cut of date 31.12.2023 has been fixed for disposal of cases pending for more than 5 years in the District Courts.
- The Sessions Courts in the State, following the directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in W.P. Criminal No. 310/05 (Bhim Singh Vs. Union of India & Ors.), have disposed of 8921 cases related to Under Trial Prisoners.
- The guidelines for withdrawal of Stale and Ineffective criminal cases were transmitted to Principal District and Sessions Judges of the State. The District Committee(s) were constituted in each District Court establishment, which convene meeting according to the guidelines of the State Government. The monitoring of the criminal cases which have become Stale and Ineffective is conducted periodically. During the period, 1537 such cases have been identified and 1086 cases have been considered for an action u/s 258 of Cr.P.C.
- In compliance of the directions dated 06.03.2020 issued by the Hon'ble the Apex Court in WP (Cr.) 1/2019 'In Re : Alarming Rise In The Number of Reported Child Rape Incidents' and under Centrally Sponsored Scheme, 67 Fast Track Court(s) have been established in the State. During the period, 2709 cases were instituted in such

Fast Track Courts and 3934 cases have been disposed of, according to which during the period case clearance rate was 145.22%.

- The Judicial Officers dealing with the cases relating to crime against Children & Women are expected to decide not less than 20 cases in a month and to expedite disposal the units prescribing judging the performance have been increased by one unit for the Judges dealing with such cases and they have been granted one unit more than the prescribed unit for other Judicial Officers.
- A Committee consisting of 3 Hon'ble High Court Judges has been constituted to monitor the progress of the POCSO cases at High Court level.
- A Committee consisting of 5 Judges has been constituted to monitor the progress of old cases at District level.
- Directions have been issued to the Principal District & Sessions Judges to supervise and monitor old cases and make note in the ACRs of Judicial Officers disposing old cases for the purpose of promotion and grading in their ACRs.
- Directions have also been issued to restrict adjournments, which in any case should not be more than 14 days in old cases.
- Target has been fixed for every Judicial Officer to dispose of minimum 10% cases by way of ADR.

#### ➤ **INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT**

- **Availability of Court Complexes, Court Rooms and Residence**

<b>Particular</b>	<b>Availability as on 01.01.2023</b>	<b>Availability as on 30.06.2023</b>	<b>Actual enhancement during the period</b>
Court Complexes	232	232	--
Court Rooms	1541	1544	03
Residence for Judicial Officers	1284	1278	-06

- **Projects under construction**

<b>Particular</b>	<b>Project under construction as on 01.01.2023</b>	<b>Project under construction as on 30.06.2023</b>	<b>Project completed in the period</b>
Court Complexes	15	16	--
Court Rooms	403	431	03
Residence for Judicial Officers	75	111	--

- During the period construction work of 31 new court rooms has started.
- During the period construction work of 36 new residential accommodations has started.

➤ **HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT/FILLING-UP OF VACANCIES**

• **Recruitment of Judicial Officers in the period**

- (i) Final result of M.P. Civil Judge Junior Division (Entry Level) Exam-2021 was declared on 18.02.2023 and 147 candidates have been selected.
- (ii) Final result of M.P.H.J.S. (District Judge – Entry Level) through limited competitive exam-2022 was declared on 09.01.2023 and 02 candidates found success.
- (iii) Final result of M.P.H.J.S. (District Judge – Entry Level) Direct Recruitment from Bar Examination, 2021 was declared on 18.02.2023 and 02 candidates selected.
- (iv) Final result of M.P.H.J.S. (District Judge – Entry Level) Direct Recruitment from Bar Examination, 2022 was declared on 05.07.2023. No candidate could secure minimum qualifying 40% marks in interview.
- (v) Advertisement for M.P.H.J.S. (District Judge – Entry Level) through limited competitive exam-2023 published on 15.05.2023.

• **Recruitment of Officers / Employees in the High Court and District Court Establishment.**

- (i) Final Result for the post of Horticulturist in the establishment of High Court declared on 24.04.2023 and 03 candidates selected.
- (ii) Advertisement for promotion to the post of Senior Judicial Assistant from Judicial Assistant and Junior Judicial Assistant through Departmental Exam published on 16.02.2023.

➤ **CAPACITY BUILDING - TRAINING FOR THE JUDGES OF THE DISTRICT JUDICIARY AS WELL AS OTHER STAKEHOLDERS OF JUSTICE DISPENSATION SYSTEM.**

As per the approved Academic Calendar for the year 2023, the Academy is conducting Training Course for Civil Judges (Entry Level), Institutional Advance Training Course for District Judges (Entry Level) on promotion, Refresher Training Course for Civil Judges & District Judges, In-service/Mid-career Judicial Educational Programmes as well as Judicial Education Programmes for other stakeholders. These Courses/programmes are being conducted as per the Scheme for Judicial Education and Training which came into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2021.

The data of training programmes conducted for Judges and other stakeholders for the period from January to June, 2023 is as follows:

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Target Group	Date & Duration	Venue/ Mode of Training	No. of participants
<b><i>for the Judges of District Judiciary</i></b>					
1.	E-Courts Programme at all District Headquarters ECT_16_2023) <i>(e-Committee Special Drive Training and Outreach Programme through State Judicial Academies)</i>	Judicial Officers of the Districts	07.01.2023 (one day)	online	99
2.	Refresher Course for Civil Judges (Entry Level) (on completion of one year service) (Group I)	Civil Judges (Entry Level) of 2020 batch	09.01.2023 to 14.01.2023 (one week)	MPSJA	80
3.	Refresher Course for Civil Judges (Entry Level) (on completion of one year service) (Group II)	Civil Judges (Entry Level) of 2020 batch	16.01.2023 to 21.01.2023 (one week)	MPSJA	71
4.	Symposium on – Key issues relating to Forest & Wild Life Laws	Judicial Magistrates dealing with cases under Forest & Wild Life Laws & Forest Officers	28.01.2023 & 29.01.2023 (two days)	MPSJA	45
5.	Conference of Principal District & Sessions Judges	Principal District & Sessions Judges of the State & Senior District & Additional Sessions Judges	04.02.2023 & 05.02.2023 (two days)	MPSJA	61
6.	Second Phase Institutional Induction Training Course	Civil Judge Junior Division of 2020 batch	13.02.2023 to 10.03.2023 (four weeks)	online	1
7.	Induction Training Course for Civil Judges (Entry Level) (Institutional First Phase)	Civil Judges (Entry Level) of 2022 batch	13.03.2023 to 06.05.2023 (eight weeks)	MPSJA	122

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Target Group	Date & Duration	Venue/ Mode of Training	No. of participants
8.	Workshop on – Motor Accident Claim Cases	Judges dealing Motor Accident Claim Cases	04.03.2023 (one day)	online	78
9.	Interactive Session on – Key issues relating to cases under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005	Judges dealing with cases under PWDVA Act	18.03.2023 (one day)	online	69
10.	eSCR outreach programme (first batch)	Judicial Officers, Advocates & other stakeholders of Alirajpur, Anuppur, Ashok Nagar, Balaghat, Barwani, Betul, Bhind, Bhopal, Burhanpur, Chhatarpur, Chhindwara, Damoh, Datia, Dewas, Dhar, Dindori, Guna, Gwalior, Harda, Hoshangabad, Indore, Jhabua, Katni, Khandwa and Mandla	24.03.2023 (one day)	online	1534
11.	eSCR outreach programme (second batch)	Jabalpur, Mandleshwar, Mandsaur, Morena, Narsinghpur, Neemuch, Panna, Raisen, Rajgarh, Ratlam, Rewa, Sagar, Satna, Sehore, Seoni, Shahdol, Shajapur, Sheopur, Shivpuri, Sidhi, Singroli (Waidhan), Tikamgarh, Ujjain, Umariya and Vidisha	25.03.2023 (one day)	online	

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Target Group	Date & Duration	Venue/ Mode of Training	No. of participants
12.	Specialized Educational Programme at State Forensic Science Laboratory	Newly appointed/ promoted Judges of HJS cadre	15.04.2023 to 17.04.2023 (three days)	Sagar	40
13.	Specialized Educational Programme at State Medico Legal Institute, Bhopal	Newly appointed/ promoted Judges of HJS cadre	25.04.2023 to 27.04.2023 (three days)	Bhopal	30
14.	Workshop on – Key issues relating to Labour Laws	Presiding Judges of Labour Courts	07.05.2023 & 08.05.2023 (two days)	MPSJA	19
15.	Refresher Course for Civil Judges [on completion of 5 years service) (Group I)]	Civil Judges Class I (2014-2017 Batch)	19.06.2023 to 24.06.2023 (one week)	MPSJA	78
16.	Refresher Course for Civil Judges [on completion of 5 years service) (Group II)]	Civil Judges Class I (2014-2017 Batch)	26.06.2023 to 01.07.2023 (one week)	MPSJA	83
<b>for other stakeholders of Justice Dispensation System</b>					
17.	Special Workshop for Advocates	Advocates practicing at High Court of M.P., Jabalpur (having 0-5 years practice)	07.01.2023 (one day)	MPSJA	79
18.	Special Workshop for Advocates	Advocates practicing at High Court of M.P., Bench Indore having 0-5 years practice)	07.01.2023 (one day)	Conference Hall, High Court of M.P., Bench Indore	101
19.	Refresher Programme for Registry Staff of High Courts (ECT_15_2023) (e-Committee Special Drive Training and Outreach Programme through State Judicial Academies)	High Court Staff	14.01.2023 (one day)	online	35

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Target Group	Date & Duration	Venue/ Mode of Training	No. of participants
20.	Advocate/Advocate Clerk e-Courts Programme at Taluka/Village (ECT_7_2023) <i>(once in three months)</i> <i>(e-Committee Special Drive Training and Outreach Programme through State Judicial Academies)</i>	Advocate/Advocate Clerk	10.02.2023 (one day)	online	980 viewers
21.	Training programme for Chief & Deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsels <i>(in collaboration with SLSA)</i>	Chief and Deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsels appointed under LADCS Scheme of NALSA	21.02.2023 & 22.02.2023 (two days)	MPSJA	52
22.	Training programme for Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsels <i>(in collaboration with SLSA)</i>	Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsels appointed under LADCS Scheme of NALSA	23.02.2023 & 24.02.2023 (two days)	MPSJA	59
23.	Regional Workshop for Panel Lawyers	Panel Lawyers	24.02.2023 to 26.02.2023 (three days)	SLSA	99
24.	Special Workshop for Advocates	Advocates practicing at High Court of M.P., Jabalpur (having 0-5 years practice)	25.02.2023 (one day)	MPSJA	52
25.	Special Workshop for Advocates	Advocates practicing at High Court of M.P., Bench Indore (having 0-5 years practice)	25.02.2023 (one day)	Indore	68
26.	Special Workshop for Advocates	Advocates practicing at High Court of M.P., Bench Gwalior (having 0-5 years practice)	18.03.2023 (one day)	Gwalior	119



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27.	eSCR outreach programme (first batch)	Judicial Officers, Advocates & other stakeholders of districts Alirajpur, Anuppur, Ashok Nagar, Balaghat, Barwani, Betul, Bhind, Bhopal, Burhanpur, Chhatarpur, Chhindwara, Damoh, Datia, Dewas, Dhar, Dindori, Guna, Gwalior, Harda, Hoshangabad, Indore, Jhabua, Katni, Khandwa and Mandla	24.03.2023 (one day)	online	Advocates 423  Other stakeholders 454
28.	eSCR outreach programme (second batch)	Judicial Officers, Advocates & other stakeholders of districts Jabalpur, Mandleshwar, Mandsaur, Morena, Narsinghpur, Neemuch, Panna, Raisen, Rajgarh, Ratlam, Rewa, Sagar, Satna, Sehore, Seoni, Shahdol, Shajapur, Sheopur, Shivpuri, Sidhi, Singrauli (Waidhan), Tikamgarh, Ujjain, Umariya and Vidisha	25.03.2023 (one day)	online	
29.	Regional Workshop for Advocates	Advocates from districts Jabalpur, Katni, Satna, Rewa, Sidhi, Singrauli, Umariya,	19.05.2023 & 20.05.2023 (two days)	online	94

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Target Group	Date & Duration	Venue/ Mode of Training	No. of participants
		Dhar Shahdol, Anuppur, Dindori, Mandla, Seoni, Balaghat, Indore Dewas and Jhabua			
30.	Regional Workshop for Advocates	Advocates from districts Bhopal, Hoshangabad, Betul Vidisha, Raisen, Sagar, Damoh, Harda, Chhatarpur, Panna, Tikamgarh, Khandwa, Chhindwara, Ratlam Mandleshwar, Alirajpur & Mandsaur	16.06.2023 & 17.06.2023 (two days)	online	96

### ➤ INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#### Scanning & Digitization in the High Court:-

- Elimination of Digitized records is carried out, in accordance with the rules, by a dedicated team. All freshly filed cases are scanned at Filing Center itself and after digitally signing, the documents are uploaded on Server of the High Court.
- Digitization of approximately 53.46 Lac files comprising 19.42 Crores pages have been completed. This is a prelude to a paper-less Court (E-Courts).
- The Digitization of 9229 Law books comprising about 58.04 Lac pages was also completed which is going to help in moving towards the concept of e-Library of the High Court.
- Total 2,26,984 files and 65,99,156 pages have been scanned from January, 2023 to June, 2023.
- The software for Digitization and Scanning has been developed in-house by the IT Team of the High Court. In this software user may select process which include Fresh, Pending, Disposed, Loose Document, Disposed/Pending and Temp Data. For Fresh, Pending, Disposed, Loose Document, Disposed/Pending Process case type, case no. and case year is mandatory. After scanning of documents, the user may clean and

index them and thereafter split the document which is shown in the website to the authorized users (Advocates/ Litigants / Departments).

### **Scanning & Digitization in the District Courts:-**

- For the purpose of digitization of District Court Records, the rules have been framed and notified by the High Court.
- The contract regarding the scanning / digitization of records of District and Tehsil Courts has been executed by the High Court and work of digitization project is under full swing.
- Digitization of approximately 44.64 Crore pages has been completed at 53 locations (47 Districts and 6 Tehsil Courts) and in remaining Districts project is to be started very shortly.
- Total 3,50,282 files comprising 2,78,78,506 crore pages have been scanned from January, 2023 to June, 2023.
- Approximate near about 74.40% of disposed of records have been scanned at District Courts in the State of Madhya Pradesh as on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.

### **E-Filing:-**

- The Facility of e-Filing has been made available at High Court and District Courts.
- 6121 Advocates and 711 Litigant in person registered for e-filing process/ system.
- 284 Advocates and 91 Litigants in person registered for e-filing from January, 2023 to June, 2023.
- 71,339 Number of Cases filed at the High Court of Madhya Pradesh through e-filing, out of which 3419 Number of Cases filed from 01<sup>st</sup> January, 2023 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.
- E-Filing of 1071 cases done as on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at District Courts in the State.
- E-Filing of 160 cases done for the period from January, 2023 to June, 2023 in District Courts in the State of Madhya Pradesh.
- The facility of e-filing is in-built in the CIS 3.2 software, the implementation of the same is completed.
- The facility of E-filing 3.0 has been rollout in the State of Madhya Pradesh for online status of the cases.

### **E-Court Fee:-**

#### **High Court:**

- E-Court Fee Module is operational from 15th December 2017. In this regard, “The Court-Fees (Madhya Pradesh Amendment) Act, 2017” was notified on 01<sup>st</sup> September, 2017.
- Total Court fees deposited using Online Payment facility at High Court from 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017 as on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 is Rs.40,79,84,287/-.
- Total Court fees deposited using Online Payment facility at High Court from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2023 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 is Rs.10,08,90,280/-

- Total amount of Rs. 3,69,89,89,772/- deposited using Online fee system in the High Court and District Courts in the State of Madhya Pradesh from the date of its start.

#### **District Court:**

- E-Court Fees module has been developed by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh. Advocates/ Petition in Persons / Litigants / Parties may pay using various mode of payment using net banking, debit card resulting to that users can payment from remote location and payment is secure, tracking of payment is easier and relatively fast and also less consumption of paper.
- In this regard, “The Court-Fees (Madhya Pradesh Amendment) Act, 2017” was notified on 01<sup>st</sup> September, 2017.
- Online Court Fee Module is functional for making e-payment of Court Fees and other related fees.
- Total Court fees deposited using Online Payment at all District Courts is Rs.3,20,70,90,992/- as on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.
- Total Court fees deposited using Online Payment at District Courts during 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2023 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 is Rs.70,94,25,940/-
- Facility of Sundry deposits, fines, copying fees, CCD and other fees has been started online in the state of Madhya Pradesh through portal of the High Court and State Finance Department / Cyber Treasury.

#### **Other Online Payment:-**

- E-payment of Court Fees in the District Courts has already commenced. The payment of compensation to the victims of Motor Accident Claim Cases and Land Acquisition Cases may be directly credited into the bank account of concerned party.
- Online payment of various deposits, court fees is made through M.P. Online KIOSK centres. Also, the facility for making online payment pertaining to court fees, RTI application, copying and other deposits / Civil Court Deposits (CCD) is available with the website of the High Court and State Treasury Department.

#### **Special feature developed in CIS**

- Virtual Court System for Traffic Management has been implemented in the State of Madhya Pradesh.

#### **Technological achievements during last six months**

**from 01<sup>st</sup> January, 2023 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023**

#### **E-Sewa Kendra at High Court and District Courts:-**

- E-Sewa Kendra has been setup and functional at High Court of M.P., Jabalpur and Bench at Indore and Gwalior.
- Also, e-sewa Kendra setup has been completed and start functional at 28 Districts Courts of M.P. i.e. Barwani, Betul, Bhopal, Chhatarpur, Damoh, Datia, Dewas,

Dindori, Guna, Gwalior, Narmadapuram, Indore, Jabalpur, Jhabua, Katni, Mandleshwar, Morena, Narsinghpur, Neemuch, Panna, Rajgarh, Sagar, Satna, Shajapur, Shivpuri, Sidhi, Tikamgarh, Umaria.

- Under e-Sewa Kendra various e-Court services are made available through single window.

**Computerized Listing Policy of the High Court for the benefits of Duty Holders and Stake Holders (CMIS software):-**

- In order to meet the ever increasing demand for listing of cases for hearing, considering the available working Judges strength, streamlining the listing procedure, better court case management, ensuring timely disposal, transparency, accountability, consistency, make the process litigant and lawyer's friendly and to subserve the aspirations of the stakeholders, scheme for rationalization of listing of cases before the Benches of the High Court of M.P the horizontal and vertical pattern of listing has been started and the listing pattern changed regularly in order to avoid any type of listing / complaint issues.
- The principal objective of the scheme is to strengthen the Court functioning and make it transparent, rational, responsive and also for enhancing efficiency in docket management especially of Motion Hearing matters for dispensing quality justice to the litigants.
- On the basis of feedback, experience and keeping in mind, suggestions given by the Stakeholders, the scheme was modified from time to time by the High Court.
- Listing Policy facilitates monitoring of any case from the date of its filing till its disposal. The information collated is accurate and can be accessed by the public on our official website ([www.mphc.gov.in](http://www.mphc.gov.in)) and Kiosks installed at various places in the High Court premises at Jabalpur, Gwalior and Indore as well as in District and Tehsil Court premises.
- The system helps the stake-holders by providing speedy access to required information, in saving their valuable time and obviates from being lost in multiple judicial sections in the Court premises.
- Auto generated computer software system ensures listing of cases chronologically and in order of specified priorities coupled with equal distribution of work load amongst the Judges available on day to day basis.

**Relevant Measures to Enhance Excellence in Listing Policy:-**

- The High Court of Madhya Pradesh has developed Software for the staff to create virtual work cut out for them on day to day basis, which has reduced their work-load and optimized efficiency level.
- Well planned working environment for staff reduces pressure and provides stress free environment. Advance planning and timeliness in execution guarantees optimum utilization of human resources and infrastructure. It is possible only by means of technology and maximum automated processes and minimum manual intervention.
- To ensure better Administration of Justice, proper utilization of time resource of all the duty holders, facilitating the office of the Advocate General to ensure production of case-diary in the Courts, specific direction regarding matters arising from the same crime number in bail applications and the matters arising from the same judgment filed by the different accused persons / appellants /applicants is communicated.
- Internal Software is designed for High Court of M.P. to generate real time information and includes break up of nature of cases and disposed off cases nature wise, Court wise/ Judge wise. This facilitates analytical study and to focus on priority areas and preparation of Roster to make it efficient and quality time disposal.

**IT Infrastructure and Monitoring System:-**

- Successfully implemented "Network Notepad Enterprise edition" software in High Court of M.P. Jabalpur. It is used for management and monitoring of network devices and creating interactive network diagram of servers and network devices installed at High Court of Madhya Pradesh Jabalpur. It also having logging and e-mail alert facility on any event like connectivity failure of any switch/server in the network.
- The High of Madhya Pradesh has launched the **NISARG** Smart Monitoring app to track the compliance of court orders concerning social responsibility like tree plantation, volunteering responsibilities in hospitals, water conservation etc.

**Implementation of secured Wi-Fi Internet network at High Court of Madhya Pradesh, Jabalpur and its Bench at Indore and Gwalior.**

- High Court of M.P. has taken initiative to implement Wireless Secured Network Solution in all the three High Courts and District Courts of Madhya Pradesh. In "Phase-I" High Court of M.P., Jabalpur and Bench at Indore and Gwalior were enabled with Secured Wifi Network solution with 122 Wifi Access Points,

Centralized Controller and AAA secured solution for User Authentication, Accounting and User Access

- This facility enables all the stakeholders to derive the potential benefits from this technology, which includes easy access to Internet Services thereby increasing the ease of communication.
- The measure has been adopted during the Corona Epidemic in order to provide internet connectivity not only to Judges but to Advocates, Registry Officer and Litigants to derive the potential benefits of the technology, thereby increasing the Ease of Communication. This connectivity can be used for participating in video conferencing/ virtual court and even for e-filing, e-copying, searching case status etc.

**Integration of Land Records database with CIS software under “ease of doing business” project.**

- The High Court of Madhya Pradesh has completed the Integration of CIS software provided by e-Committee, Supreme Court of India with Revenue Case Management System, Land Revenue Department. The High Court of Madhya Pradesh is first in the country to integrate the CIS software with respective department database and information is made available online on mpbhulekh web portal of the State Government ([www.mpbhulekh.gov.in](http://www.mpbhulekh.gov.in)) and portal of the High Court of M.P. ([www.mphc.gov.in](http://www.mphc.gov.in)) for all citizens and Stake holders.
- This is one of the major activities “under ease of doing” of business reform action plan (BRAP).

**In-House “Mobile app” for all respective stakeholders**

- The High Court of Madhya Pradesh has taken an initiatives for development of In-House “Mobile app” for all respective stakeholders of the High Court and District Courts in bi-lingual mode i.e. Hindi and English language.
- The mobile app of the High Court is compatible with both android and iOS operating system and is having features like E-Display board, Judgment / orders, Case status, Cause list, Copying, Caveat, Defects / defaults, My Diary , Free text search, Feedback facility, Online payments, Video Conferencing Facility, ILR facility & Push Notification etc.

- The “mobile app” is having special feature of “my diary” in which the users/ advocates can see/maintain their whole list of pending/disposed cases details and also can search the cases on the basis of search parameter, if the mobile number is registered with High Court portal as used in “MPHC App”.
- Till 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 more than 93,280 downloads of the mobile app has been made by the users. 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2023 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 more than 16,334 .

**Virtual hearing of cases and functioning in less paper mode is successfully carried out at High Court of Madhya Pradesh, Jabalpur and Bench at Indore & Gwalior.**

- In order to cope out the corona pandemic and to continue the justice dispensation the IT Wing of the High Court has developed an “in- house module” for virtual hearing and paperless court.
- The module has been aligned and integrated with CMIS (Court Management Information System) software of the High Court and integrated with the portal of the High Court [www.mphc.gov.in](http://www.mphc.gov.in), in order to ensure minimum human intervention in the process.

**Pagination Software**

- The aim of this programme is to ensure that pleadings filed by different parties should conform the pagination of the court file and that the pagination should not be duplicated by different respondents. The computer programme /software facilitate Advocates and the Hon’ble Court in locating the relevant pleading and the documents referred by an Advocate for the parties during the course of arguments/hearing.

**Dashboard & Auto Electronic Mail System:-**

- The Supreme Court of India vide order dated 16-07-2021 in Suo Motu Writ Petition (Civil) No. 4/2021 In Re: Delay in Release of Convicts after Grant of Bail, directed to coordinate with all concerned to work out the modalities for implementation of the bail order in FASTER system. On this behalf, a module has been developed by the IT wing of the High Court for instantly sending all digitally signed Orders/Judgments passed by the High Court through automatic email system to the respective District Courts, Presiding officers of respective courts and also to Superintendent of Police and respective users.



- Also, “DASHBOARD” facility has been developed for all stakeholders. In order to use the dashboard, the login-ID and password has been provided to various State Government Departments of Madhya Pradesh. The User Government Departments can view their scanned documents, Registered Cases, Cause List, Case Status, Officer-Incharge (OIC) Entry and High Court Judgment/ Orders. The Government Departments / users can also view the consolidated report of reply filed or not filed in a case by clicking on “Report link” available under “Dashboard”. The Departments get the reports based on various search parameters (Case Status, Case Type, District and Nature Wise) for a particular case/ category of cases.
- From 26-07-2021 till 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 total 2,27,322 Judgments / Final Orders / Orders were sent to various users/stakeholder through auto email system.

**Integration of e-Court Services with Lok Sewa Kendra (LSK) of State Government of Madhya Pradesh:-**

- The integration of the e-Court services has been completed with Government of M.P. “Lok Sewa Kendra” by the IT Department of the State Government and IT Team of the High Court.
- Various e-court services are available to stakeholders through more than 450 “Lok sewa Kendra” across the State.

**Implementation of Stock Management system at High Court and District Courts:-**

- The Stock management system software has been developed for the High Court of Madhya Pradesh in order to maintain proper inventory of the IT infrastructure / computer hardware articles. Also, the facility of QR code system is added in the software.
- Stock Management Software has been implemented in which the entries of the hardware along with invoice details are made by the respective District Court Staff and the invoice details are verified at High Court level. On the basis of various reports we may be able to analysis the actual requirement of the hardware required in respective District Courts.

**Hardware complaint management system at the High Court:-**

- The hardware complaint management system software has been developed in order to log the computer hardware complaints and to keep track on same.

**The District Court Reporting System:-**

- The Various types of reports are generated and used by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh with the help of software / application.
- Also, under this system a module has been developed regarding Judicial Officers of District Courts and Tehsil Courts in the State of Madhya Pradesh showing the work done by them for a particular period and what was the performance/grade of their predecessors during the corresponding period in the past.

This module is helpful in following ways: -

- Getting the details of the grade, ACR of the respective Judicial Officers along with case institution, disposal of case by them.
- The dynamic report is generated from the database of case information system (CIS) 3.2 software of the District Courts and the Personal information System (PIS) software of the High Court.

**Customized web conferencing solution for the High Court and District Courts:-**

- High Court of Madhya Pradesh emphasize its desire for establishing Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) based Video conferencing solution for 1200 initial Licenses names user host Licenses with further rate contract for 500 licenses.
- Offered solution is Software Video only conferencing solution & no subsets or bundle with of larger offering.
- Solution allows unlimited number of meetings without any time limit.
- Solution is capable to allow maximum participants, each can collaborate with two-way audio & video, chat, poll & content share within a single meeting with participants joining from PC, laptop, mobile devices like android/ iOS over an app using 3G/4GBroadband/ILL and unlimited PSTN call for voice only (dial-in) meeting and also provide SIP and H.323 link for each host or meeting.
- The solution is online, real-time collaboration tool with features like; public & private chat video, voice, audio, screen sharing, Document or presentation sharing, recording, etc., content annotation. The feature is available on laptop, desktop, iOS and android.

- This solution is having inbuilt webinar functionality to live stream meetings.
- The platform has a stage/advanced layout such that some of the key stakeholders during the meeting can be pinned on screen such that they are also visible during the meeting.

#### **Integration of Case status with ILR software / module:-**

- To check any case that is reported in ILR, integration of Case Status with ILR Software has been completed. The said information is available under the following Link- <https://mphc.gov.in/case-status>.

#### **Integration of MP ILR series with SCC online software:-**

- The digitization and integration of ILR records / database with SCC online web portal / software has been completed by the High Court.

#### **Online Exam Counselling Module:-**

- This module is used to allot seat to selected candidates according to the merit list of the exam. The candidate having more score will get first chance and if two candidates are having same score then candidate merit list is decided on the basis of date of birth. If any candidate is not present at the time of counseling withheld option is available in the Software. By using this option the present candidate is send to waiting list and next candidate will get a chance to select the seat. Candidate can see the availability of seat in different location while selecting seat.

#### **Video Conferencing System / Solution at District, Tehsil Courts, Central Jails/ District Jails / Sub-Jails, District/Civil Hospitals, Railway Courts & Juvenile Justice Boards.**

- The High Court of Madhya Pradesh, Jabalpur with intent to avoid delay in judicial proceeding due to non-availability of parties, counsels, witnesses and accused and looking to urgent need has taken up matter for a user-friendly video conferencing facility and other modes of audio-visual electronics linkage for the purpose of hearing of the cases as well as recording of evidence of witnesses unable to attend the Court, found that the information Technology is good tool for speedy trial and speedy justice.

- The High Court of Madhya Pradesh has taken up 6,71,171 number of cases for listing till 30th June, 2023 through VC. The District Judiciary (District Courts and Tehsil Courts) has conducted approx 8,35,850 number of VC till 30th June, 2023.
- The High Court of Madhya Pradesh has listed approx 3,262 number of cases through VC from 01st January, 2023 to 30th June, 2023.
- The District Court of Madhya Pradesh has conducted approx 52,940 number of VC from 01st January, 2023 to 30th June, 2023.

#### **e-Vakalatnama:-**

- A module has been developed for instantly generating the Vakalatnama in the case of High Court of Madhya Pradesh, Jabalpur and its Bench at Indore and Gwalior. Vakalatnama is on the dash board of Advocates in the “Additional Vakalatnama” tab provided by the High Court of Madhya Pradesh.

#### **Implementation of Virtualization Software:-**

- The implementation of virtualization software is completed in major servers at the High Court of M.P. Jabalpur and at Madhya Pradesh State Data Centre, Bhopal. The virtualization provides faster server provisioning and deployment, easier management, portability, minimized downtime, reduced operating costs, and increased IT productivity.

#### **Implementation of QR code module in CMIS software for quick file tracking and information:-**

- This project will be helpful in quick file tracking, easy retrieval and auto data feeding for information of cases at various sections of the High Court of Madhya Pradesh.

#### **Implementation of e- Court Services at Gram Panchayat Level:-**

- Under pilot phase at Gram Panchayat Budhaniya Path, District Indore ; Gram Panchayat Ghansour, District Jabalpur and Gram Panchayat Chinour, District Gwalior, the setup of e-Sewa Kendra has been completed. From these Gram Panchayats e-Court Services shall be available to all the stakeholders.

**Inter office Video Conferencing System:-**

- Web based latest video conferencing system has been installed which facilitates quick audio visual communication between officials of the Registry for consultation regarding official matters. This optimizes timeliness in processing and also saves quality time of officers waiting for appointment.

**Implementation of bail application module:-**

- The High Court of Madhya Pradesh has completed the Integration of CNR (case number record) Number of CIS (Case Information System) software for bail matter cases with the database of Land Revenue Department.
- In this, user enter the CNR Number (For Example MP20010000322021) in periphery software and then select Bail (U/S), District Name , Tehsil Name , village Name, RI, Halka. On the basis of these parameters, khasra details will get displayed in dropdown dynamically from Revenue Department Application Programme Interface (API). On selecting khasra ID, Land Owner details will get displayed in textbox dynamically from Revenue Department API. Then user may select sub-type of Surety(Agricultural Land, Commercial Property, Fund Transfer, House, Non Agricultural Land, Urban Land Plot), Petitioner/Respondent and then enter accused bail amount in rupees.

**Malkhana Software:-**

- Malkhana Software is used for the maintenance and the disposal of the seized case properties related to criminal matters. The Malkhana Nazir/ Nayab Nazir handles the works of Malkhana Section. In this software various reports are made available with the help of Malkhana no./ ID, Case no., Date, Crime number, property name, accused name and the court name. The facility of Malkhana Software has been started at District and Tehsil Courts in the state of M.P. in order to facilitate the entries of properties and linking with CIS software.

**➤ ENCOURAGING ADR****National Lok Adalat**

- Under the guidance & unwavering motivation of Hon'ble the Chief Justice & Patron-in-Chief, Madhya Pradesh State Legal Services Authority, till July, 2023 02 National Lok Adalats have been organized on 11th February, 2023 & 13th May, 2023.

- In the Lok Adalat held on 11th February, 2023, the Statistics shows that a total of 33,308 pending cases and 79,042 Pre-litigation cases total 1,12,350 cases have been settled mutually involving an amount of 343 Crore.
- Similarly, in the Lok Adalat held on 13th May, 2023 31,094 pending cases and 61,010 Pre-litigation cases total 92,104 cases have been settled mutually involving an amount of Approx. 457 Crore.

### HIGH COURT

- National Lok Adalat

National Lok Adalat held in the period	Cases disposed of in the National Lok Adalat	Persons benefitted by Lok Adalat	Amount of settlement through Lok Adalat
<b>2</b>	<b>3460</b>	<b>12376</b>	<b>14,66,954</b>

- Information regarding Mediation

Number of cases referred to Mediation	Number of cases Disposed of through Mediation
<b>179</b>	<b>38</b>

### DISTRICT COURT

- National Lok Adalat

National Lok Adalat held in the period	Cases disposed of in the National Lok Adalat	Persons benefitted by Lok Adalat	Amount of settlement through Lok Adalat
<b>2</b>	<b>233788</b>	<b>333645</b>	<b>9,03,12,06,773</b>

- Information regarding camps / Programs organized for legal aid and advice

Number of Camps	Beneficiaries
<b>12234</b>	<b>2276990</b>

- Information regarding Mediation

Number of cases referred to Mediation	Number of cases Disposed of through Mediation
<b>38655</b>	<b>8820</b>

### **MEDIATION**

- M.P. State Legal Services Authority in coordination with Team Pre-Salve 360 organized a workshop on 26.04.2023 for the purpose of creating awareness regarding redressal of the pre-litigation cases of the commercial nature through online mediation.
- In the said workshop presiding officers and members of Commercial Courts- Bhopal, Burhanpur, Gwalior, Indore, Jabalpur Rewa and Singrauli, trained advocates, mediators and parties were present through online medium.
- In the said awareness programme, information was provided about the techniques to be adopted in relation to the effective implementation of Pre-Institution Mediation and effective guidance was given on the cases to be instituted in commercial courts and on

adopting the process of pre-institution mediation as per the intention of the Commercial Courts Act, 2015.

- Under the able guidance & instruction of Hon'ble Executive Chairman, MPSLSA organized one-day mediation awareness training programs on 25.02.2023, 04.03.2023, 29.04.2023.
- Further, a 20 Hrs. Community Mediation Training program was organized in District Legal Services Authority- Ujjain from 24 to 26 June, 2023 for Dashora, Kayastha, Agrawal, Gujarati, Muslim, Sen, Brahmin, Bairwa, Jain, Kshatriya, Christian, Jaiswal, Sindhu, Balai, Maheshwari, Majhi, Gahoi Vaishya, Maharashtrian, Ravidas, Rathore and Ahirwar communities. In the said training programme a total of 72 participants were trained.

### **INITIATIVES TAKEN BY THE M.P. STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY**

#### **An exhibition with display of Paintings and products of tribals, Forest Department and Jail Prisoners On the occasion of Republic Day**

- On the occasion of 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2023 an exhibition on Paintings made by children of child care institutions and school across the State was organized by MPSLSA. Along with this, an exhibition on tribal products viz. kutki, kodu and other food items, forest department products pure honey, medicines, soap and products made from materials extracted from the forest areas and the products made in the Central Jail Jabalpur by the prisoners were also included in the exhibition.

#### **Inauguration of 1<sup>st</sup> phase of legal aid defense counsel system**

- On 21<sup>st</sup> February, 1st Phase of Legal Aid Defense Counsel System was inaugurated in 19 Districts of M.P. Viz.- Ashoknagar, Balaghat, Barwani, Bhopal, Chhatarpur, Chhindwara, Dewas, Dhar, Guna, Jhabua, Mandla, Mandsaur, Narmadapuram, Narsingpur, Raisen, Shahdol, Shajapur, Umaria, Vidisha (M.P.). Along with this orientation and Capacity Building Training Programme for selected Chief & Deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsels was also held.

#### **Workshop for Transgender Community**

- MPSLSA organized a workshop for the benefit of the transgender community in coordination and collaboration with the organization "The Humsafar Trust" on 27.04.2023.
- In the said workshop, emphasis was laid on bringing the Transgender community to the mainstream of the society and to increase their acceptance among the general public, similar awareness and sensitization programs will be organized from time to time in the entire Madhya Pradesh by the Legal Services Institutions.

#### **Special Medical Health Checkup camp**

- A special health check-up camps were organized in all central jails, district jails and sub-jails under High Court of M.P. Principal Seat- Jabalpur. The camps were organized in central jails on 25.04.2023, in district jails on 27.04.2023 and in sub-jails on 29.04.2023.

- In these jails, the health check-up of the prisoners was done by the team of medical experts from the Medical College/Health Department. Along with organizing the said health check-up camp, legal aid camps were also organized in all these central jails, in which the prisoners were apprised of the status of their cases by the panel advocates appointed in the concerned prisoners, along with this the prisoners were provided necessary legal aid and advice.
- In the said camp, Legal aid was provided to 150 prisoners and legal advice to 8420 prisoners and health check-up was done through 433 doctors. Medical examination was done of total 127 were HIV positive prisoners, 43 cancer victims and 79 T.B. victims. In this way, health test of 10475 prisoners was done (9750 men & 725 women). Apart from this, health check-up of 80 children was also done during the camp.

### **Empowering Prisoners through Skill Development**

- MPSLSA in collaboration with various government departments and Jail Administration inaugurated a vocational course-cum-training program titled "*Empowering Prisoners through Skill Development*" on 16.05.2023 in Central Jail Jabalpur.
- The aim behind organizing this vocational course-cum-training programme was to provide prisoners employment opportunities for livelihood after their release from the jail. The courses which are started are DTP, Fashion Designing and Arc Welding. This training program has been started in collaboration with Kala Niketan College, Jabalpur, Women's Polytechnic College, Jabalpur.

### **For the well-being of destitute, a programme on the International Yoga & World Music Day organized by MPSLSA**

- MPSLSA organized a special program in the evening of International Yoga and World Music Day at Moksha Sanstha Ashray Sthal, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, Medical College, Jabalpur, where the destitute persons are residing. The program was specially dedicated to destitute and physically challenged and mentally ill people.
- On this occasion residents of Moksha Sanstha shelter were made to practice yoga and were advised to do yoga regularly. Also, on this occasion Sitar & tabla performance were given by artists.

### **Blood Donation Campaign**

- MPSLSA included blood donation drives in its Action Plan for the year 2023-24, so that shortage of blood in blood banks may be fulfilled. In compliance of the directions issued from MPSLSA, all DLSAs organized blood donation drives in their respective districts in which court staff, lawyers, bar members took part and donated blood. In total, 3110 units of blood has been collected across the State.

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