

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

A meeting of District & Sessions Judges with the Hon'ble Chief Justice Mr. Justice Yahya Afridi and Mr. Justice Waqar Ahmad Seth, was held today i.e. 1st January 2017 and the following attended; namely;

1. **Mr. Subhan Sher.**
2. **Mr. Sharif Ahmad.**
3. **Mr. Niaz Muhammad Khan.**
4. **Muhammad Masood Khan.**
5. **Mr. Fazal Subhan.**
6. **Mr. Khurshid Iqbal.**
7. **Syed Asghar Ali Shah.**
8. **Mr. Inamullah Khan.**
9. **Mr. Muhammad Younis.**
10. **Mr. Muhammad Adil Khan.**
11. **Mr. Nasrullah Khan Gandapur.**
12. **Mr. Ikhtiar Khan.**
13. **Mr. Naveed Ahmad Khan.**
14. **Mr. Ahmad Sultan Tareen.**
15. **Mr. Gohar Rehman.**
16. **Mr. Muhammad Zubair Khan.**
17. **Mr. Muzzamil Shah Khattak.**
18. **Mr. Salahuddin.**
19. **Mr. Muhammad Asif-II.**
20. **Mr. Naseem Akbar.**
21. **Mr. Muhammad Zeb Khan.**
22. **Mr. Shoaib Khan.**
23. **Mr. Muhammad Rauf Khan.**
24. **Syed Anees Badsha Bukhari.**
25. **Mrs. Rozina Rehman.**
26. **Mr. Aftab Afrid.**

FIRST SESSION

At the outset Hon'ble the Chief Justice welcome all the District & Sessions Judges, whereafter Hon'ble the Chief Justice lauded the role of District Judiciary in performing judicial work, especially those serving in hard areas. However he emphasized that to put more efforts and energy to achieve and provide the ultimate aim was to dispense justice and make every litigant who enters the court to be satisfied that his matter has been addressed in a meaningful manner. It was also emphasized that the district judiciary should not consider itself as a Subordinate Judiciary. In fact he desire that the District & Sessions Judges should lead from the front and set an example for other judicial officers in the District to follow.

The District & Sessions Judges present in the meeting assured the Hon'ble Chief Justice that they are thankful for showing trust and confidence upon them and they would left no stone un-turn to improve the delivery of quick and inexpensive justice to all the Sunday.

During discussion, Hon'ble Chief Justice directed that;

1. The vacancies falling vacant due to any reason must be filled within 30 days.
2. Similarly all inquiries must be completed in 30 days.
3. That keeping in view the aptitude of Additional District & Sessions Judges in the district, they may be assigned criminal and civil work, which would result in improvement in disposal of particular nature of cases.
4. In those cases in which accused are in custody must be given short dates.
5. Bench Bar Liaison Committee should have equal number of Civil and Criminal lawyers.
6. Check the performance of judicial officers on weekly basis.
7. For all administrative matters Registrar of the High Court may be contacted through letter, e-mail and the same may also be sent to him.
8. District & Sessions Judges must set targets for all judicial officers in the District.

9. Deceased sons and Retired sons list of applications be displayed outside their offices of the superintendent. The quota for appointments be strictly followed.

That the Research and Library Wing of the Hon'ble High Court would provide short term plan within 15 days.

With these discussions, the first Sessions of the meeting ended.

2ND SESSION

In the 2nd session, Hon'ble the Chief Justice Mr. Justice Yahya Afridi and Mr. Justice Waqar Ahmad Seth, met with the above named judicial officers individually and were appraised about their posting in different districts of the province, which they willingly accepted and assured their full support and cooperation in attaining the desired results.

3rd SESSION

The District & Sessions Judges, sought for their empowerment in certain administrative matters and after threadbare discussions and deliberations, Hon'ble Chief Justice, made the following policy decisions.

Immediate steps to be taken

Autonomy to the District & Sessions Judge to decide.

- Court timings
- In-district transfer and posting of Judicial Officers, including Additional District & Sessions Judges.
- Casual/short leave granting powers are delegated to the District & Sessions Judges for all Judicial Officers.

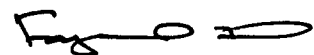
- Transfer of criminal cases from Additional District & Sessions Judges within the station.
- Initiation of PER of Additional District & Sessions Judges as first reporting officer.
- Strict compliance with the prescribed dress code by all.

Suggestions in respect of

Criminal cases

- No SPPs for session cases.
- All possible legal steps to be taken to dispose of criminal cases, including probation, admonitions, discharge and community service.
- Rehabilitation of drug addicts accused/convicts in narcotic cases.
- Rehabilitation of juvenile offenders by establishing Borstal intuitions.
- The District & Sessions Judges to sensitize all Judicial Officers of his district for strict compliance of legal provisions for quick disposal of criminal cases.

With these decisions, Hon'ble the Chief Justice assured the participants that similar meeting shall be held in future for improvement of the judicial system.



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