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To

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**Subject:** Online Deliberation on “*Child Witness Testimony under the POCSO Act, 2012: Judicial Understandings of Competency and Credibility*” with Special Court Judges.

Sir,

“Jai Hind”

I have the honour to submit that His Lordship, Hon’ble President of the Academy has been pleased to approve to organize Online Deliberation on “*Child Witness Testimony under the POCSO Act, 2012: Judicial Understandings of Competency and Credibility*” with Special Court Judges of the State, in collaboration with SAMVAD (Support, Advocacy & Mental Health Interventions for Children in Vulnerable Circumstances and Distress), National Institute of Mental Health & Neurosciences (NIMHANS), tentatively on 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2022. The following judicial officers have been nominated for attending the aforesaid deliberation:

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It is further submitted that the 2-hour meeting with the participant judicial officers before the final deliberation, may please be organized after lunch hours, preferably from 3.00 PM to 5.00 PM.



I may, therefore, request your goodself to kindly convey your consent at the earliest.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(R.K. Sharma)

Director

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Dated: 15.11.2021

Copy forwarded for information to:

1. The Worthy Registrar General, High Court of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
2. The Principal Private Secretary to Hon'ble the Chief Justice, High Court of H.P. (Hon'ble Patron-in-Chief of the Academy), Shimla.
3. The Secretary to Hon'ble Shri Justice Tarlok Singh Chauhan, Judge, High Court of H.P. (Hon'ble President of the Academy) [Through email only].
4. The Ld. District and Sessions Judges, Bilaspur/ Chamba/ Hamirpur/ Kangra at Dharamshala/Kinnaur at Rampur Bushehr/ Kullu/ Mandi/ Shimla/ Sirmour at Nahan/ Solan/ Una; with the request to inform the respective Judicial Officers posted in their Civil & Sessions Division to attend the online deliberation on the above mentioned date being organized by Himachal Pradesh Judicial Academy in collaboration with SAMVAD (Support, Advocacy & Mental Health Interventions for Children in Vulnerable Circumstances and Distress), National Institute of Mental Health & Neurosciences (NIMHANS). Copy of Concept Note developed by SMVAD team of NIMHANS, for attending the deliberation is attached herewith for your kind perusal. The deliberations will be conducted online via the video-conferencing platform "Zoom". The link to the Zoom meeting will be sent to the participant-officers prior to the final deliberations.
5. All the concerned Judicial Officers nominated for attending the Deliberations (Through email); with the request to attend the Deliberation on the above mentioned date. Copy of Concept Note developed by SMVAD team of NIMHANS, for attending the deliberation is attached herewith for your kind perusal. The link to the Zoom meeting will be sent to the participant-officers prior to the final deliberations.
6. Sh. Pawan Kumar, System Analyst of the Academy; with the direction to upload the same in the website of the Academy and also to send the same to the Id. District and Sessions Judges and the concerned officers through e-mail. He is also directed to please to make necessary arrangements and to do the needful to follow the methodology and procedure laid down in the Concept Note to organize the deliberations in collaboration with NIMHANS, in a smooth manner.

Director