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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BENCH BAR LIAISON COMMITTEE FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2024.

The meeting was held on 16.03.2024 at 12:00 noon in the office of Hon'ble District & Sessions Judge, Mansehra. Mr. Zia-ur-Rehman, District & Sessions Judge, Mansehra, presided it over. The meeting was attended by:

S. No.	Name	Designation AD&SJ-III, Mansehra		
1.	Mr. Yasir Shabbir			
2.	Mr. Aftab Javed	Senior Civil Judge (Admin), Mansehra		
3.	Mr. Sheraz Khan	Senior Civil Judge (Judicial) Mansehra		
4.	Mr. Saleem ur Rehman	Senior Civil Judge (Family) Mansehra		
5.	Ms. Shahana	Judge Family Court-I, Mansehra		
6.	Mr. Sajid Ameen	Judicial Magistrate-I, Mansehra		
7.	Mr. Noor ul Haq	Civil Judge-I, Mansehra		
8.	Syed Faheem Hussain Shah	District Attorney, Mansehra		
9.	Mr. Muhammad Rafique Yousaf	President District Bar Association Mansehra		
10.	1.0	President, Tehsil Bar Association Balakot		
11.	Mr. Fida Muhammad Khan	Advocate		
12.	Mr. Kamran Rehmani	Advocate		
13. Ms. Rozeena Sarfaraz		Advocate		
14. Sheikh Noor ul Amin		Advocate		

(Remaining members did not attend the meeting).

Meeting commenced in the name of Allah. The Chair welcomed all the participants. The following agenda items were discussed.

S. # Agenda		Situation/Decision	Action by /responsibil ity assigned to	
01.	Review of the previous meeting	Minutes of previous meeting were thoroughly reviewed in general while status of pending temporary injunction applications were reviewed and discussed in particular. Statistics at District Level are as follows: Total: 1108 Disposal: 684 Balance: 695	Actions taken there upon were highlighted and further directions were given.	
		Decision: The chair appreciated the figure of disposal, however, with directions to expedite all such petition in which interim relief has	Concerned Judicial Officers and	



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		been sought.	members of the Bar.		
02	Target Cases and Disposal against fresh institution	Discussion : Overall performance of the district was discussed in detail and found satisfactory during the current month. The Chair shared the breakup of backlog and target cases pending in the district in detail.			
	Target Cases instituted before 31.12.2017	Performance with respect to disposal and pendency of Old cases, instituted before 31.12.2017 was discussed.			
		Statistics at Sessions Level are as follows: Pendency: 08 Transfer In: 0 Transfer Out:0 Disposal: 0 Balance: 08			
		Statistics at Lower Courts were: Pendency: 181 Transfer In: 10 Disposal: 13 Transfer Out: 0 Balance: 178			
		Decision: The chair directed all the judicial officers to prioritize the cases and ensure the meritorious disposal of old cases at the earliest. The house assured the chair that every effort would be made for the commendable disposal of the old cases at the earliest as per directives of NJPMC.	Judicial Officers and Members of the Bar		
	Family Target/Backlog Cases	Discussion: The disposal and pendency of the family target/backlog cases (two years old or more) was discussed in detail in view of the reports submitted by the concerned family courts. As per report 03 cases are still pending. The statistical court wise data of disposal and pendency is as below:			

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production places					
1	SCJ (FC)	0	0	0	0
2	JFC-I	2	2	0	0
3	JFC-II	0	0	0	0
4	JFC/CJ-II	2	2	0	0
5	JFC/CJ-IV	4	1	0	3
6	JFC/CJ-V	1	1	0	0
7	JFC/CJ-VI	1	1	0	0
1	Total	10	7_	0	3

Decision: The Chair directed that the concerned court should ensure the disposal of family target/backlog cases at the earliest. Bar members assured to extend their full co-operation in this regard as per their commitment.

The concerned Family Court and Members of the Bar.

Backlog Cases Instituted before 01.09.2020. Performance with respect to Backlog Cases, instituted before 01.09.2020 was discussed.

Statistics at Sessions Level:

Total: 196

Total Disposal: 5 Pending: 191

Statistics at Lower Courts:

Total: 1341

Total Disposal: 76 Pending: 1265

Decision: The chair directed that pace of disposal needs to be accelerated further in order to achieve the assigned target within stipulated period. The house assured that full co-operation would be extended for disposal of backlog cases by the members of the Bar.

Judicial Officers and members of the Bar.

110% Disposal Against fresh Institution **Discussion**: Performance with regard to 110% disposal against institution was discussed as per recent directions issued by the Hon'ble Peshawar High Court, Peshawar, vide letter No.643-77/SDJ dated 28.02.2024.

A total number of 1697 cases were instituted during the month of February 2024 out of which 1935

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cases were decided and thus, the performance ratio was 114%. The leftover balance of pending cases by the end of February 2024 is 15370.

Decision: The chair appreciated performance of all the stake holders and expressed hope that the same momentum would be maintained.

Judicial Officers and members of the Bar

Disposal of UTPs, Juvenile, GBV, CPA & Sexual offence cases. **Discussion**: The overall pendency of UTPs, juvenile & GBV cases was discussed. Disposal with regard to overall cases in such categories was found satisfactory, however, the cases have increased since December, 2023. Relevant statistics are recorded below.

Statistics:

UTP Cases:

Pendency: 188 Institution: 03 Disposal: 21 Balance: 169

GBV:

Pendency: 267 Institution: 07 Disposal: 14 Balance: 260

JJSA, 2018:

Pendency: 52 Institution: 02 Disposal: 05 Balance: 49

CPA:

Pendency: 52 Institution: 07 Disposal: 02 Balance: 57

Decision: The Chair emphasized that the cases of these categories are on top priority. The Chair apprised the house that a work plan has already been devised in the light of the directives and would be implemented in letter and spirit. The Bar members were urged to extend their full co-operation for the disposal of these cases. The Judicial officers were directed to

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pay special attention to these cases in order to ensure speedy disposal. Prosecution was also urged to take serious note of cases in these categories to ensure their early disposal.

The following agenda items were also taken up for discussion.

1 Eradication of Corruption; Suggestions and Measures

Discussion & Decision: The chair directed that effective step must be taken to improve public perception through facilitation and public criticism be welcomed. Virtual Bench of the High Court be utilized by the Bar members in motion cases at least, in order to reduce delays and adjournments. The chair further directed to avoid unnecessary adjournments in order to give meaningful disposal and restore confidence of public.

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2. Women
Facilitation
Center and
Extension of
Mosque

The chair apprised the members about the grant of funds for the construction of Women Facilitation Center. The chair also apprised the members about the extension of the already existing mosque for which funds need to be collected from the Judicial Officers as well as the Lawyers fraternity. To devise a roadmap, a sub committee was formulated to be chaired by the District & Sessions Judge with the following as its members:

- Mr. Yasir Shabbir, ADJ-III, Mansehra
- 2. Mr. Aftab Javed, SCJ(Admin), Mansehra
- 3. Sheikh Noor ul Amin, Advocate and
- 4. Syed Faheem Hussain Shah, District Attorney (Coordinator).

The chair also invited suggestions from the Bar on the Estimate of the construction devised by the contractor.

Concerned Committee Members

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The meeting ended with votes of thanks to and from the Chair.

Submitted By

SHAMANA
Judge Family Court-I,
Mansehra.

Approved By

Zia-ur-RehmanDistrict & Sessions Judge,
Mansehra.

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, MANSEHRA

No. 1988 - 2123

Dated: 20 / 03 /2024.

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- 3. The Director Inspection, Secretariat of the District Judiciary, Peshawar High Court, Peshawar.
- 4. President TBA, Balakot.
- 5. All the participants.
- 6. All judicial Officers, District Mansehra.

Zia-ur-Rehmah District & Sessions Judge, Mansehra