KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA JUDICIAL ACADEMY

PROFESSIONALISM EXCELLENCE AND DIVERSITY

CONCEPT NOTE

Activity	Pre-Service Training for Civil Judges-cum-Judicial Magistrates/Illaqa Qazis (2026)
Duration	**6 Weeks**
Number of Participants	**12 Newly Inducted Civil Judges-cum-Judicial Magistrates/Illaqa Qazis (2026)**
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Background and Introduction:

The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Judicial Academy is conducting 7th Pre-service Training Batch of Civil Judges-cum-Judicial Magistrates, 2025/2026. A total of 12 Judicial Officers shall join the judicial service after successfully qualifying the PCS (Judicial) competitive examination, conducted by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Public Service Commission.

Pre-service trainings enhance the competencies of newly inducted judges and magistrates; it provides them with a thorough understanding of the law, both substantive and procedural aspects. Trainings also develop their skills in legal reasoning, judgment and the ability to manage court proceedings efficiently. Moreover, it instills a sense of judicial ethics and understanding of the expectations from the judiciary according to the community's perspective, which is vital for maintaining public confidence in the legal system.

Furthermore, the training includes practical components, such as order sheet writings, judgment writing, mock trials, which simulate real courtroom experiences, allowing newly appointed judges to apply their learning, before they take on actual cases.

Pre-service trainings are, therefore, significant investment in the judicial system, which enhance the competencies of judges and magistrates, making them ready to meet the demands of their roles and enabling them to serve the cause of justice, effectively.

Objectives:

- To impart comprehensive legal education and practical skills to the newly appointed civil judges-cum-judicial magistrates, necessary for the performance of their roles, efficiently and effectively.
- To familiarize the trainees with current legal issues, judicial ethics and the expectations from the judiciary.
- To ensure that the trainees understand and uphold the rule of law effectively.

Training Content:

Training modules shall primarily follow the training manual of 2017. The following are the modules:

- Judicial Conduct & Ethical Issues
- Accounts & Financial Administration
- Research Skills
- Constitutional Law
- Qanun-e-Shahadat Order, 1984 And Islamic Law Of Evidence
- Evidence To Substantiate Case
- Family Court Procedures
- Local And Special Laws
- Judgment Writing
- English Language (Language Skills Enhancement For Effective Legal/Judicial Writing)
- Court Fee Act &; Suit Valuation Act
- Medical Jurisprudence &; Forensics

- Penal Laws-
- Precedents
- Rent Laws
- Revenue Law
- Probation & Parole
- Inheritance
- Contempt Of Court Laws
- Information & Communication Technology
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)
- Case Flow Management (Pre-Trial Criminal)
- Preventive Jurisdiction
- Case Flow Management (Criminal-Trial)

Methodology:

- Combination of classroom lectures, interactive sessions, and moot court sessions.
- Participation through panel discussions, presentations and study circles
- Use of case studies and real-life scenarios to develop problem-solving skills.
- Assessment through written exams and practical evaluations.

Assessments:

The trainees civil judges-cum-judicial magistrates shall, inter alia shall be assessed, objectively in legal research skills, assignments, behavior, mannerism & etiquettes, class participation, dress code, mock trial participation, punctuality and judgment writing skills. The breakup of the marks is asunder:

Component	Sub-Component	Marks Allocated	Key Details
Assessment Test &	Post-Training Knowledge Test	60	MCQs, Short Answers, Problem-Solving; all topics

Knowledge			taught during training.
	Field Visit Report	10	Evaluation of observations, analysis. Adherence to relevant Synopsis requirements
	IT Skills	10	Assessment of participants' ability to use legal research databases, drafting, word processing, IT tools.
Professional Conduct & Class Participation	Punctuality	10	Full attendance, adherence
	Conduct Inside & Outside Classroom	10	Respectfulbehavior, professional decorum. Adherence to rules.
	Participation in Training	20	Active engagement, quality contributions in discussions/Q&A sessions (10) Mock-Trials (10)
Assignments	Book Reviews / Research Article / Case Study	80	Book Reviews: (10) Research Article / Case Study: (10) Order-Sheet Writing(20) Judgment Writing (20) Framing of Charge(10) Framing of Issues(10)
Total		**200**	

Qualifying Marks and Result:

Percentage	Grade	Remarks
90–100%	Excellent (A)	Significantly exceeds threshold standard for a pass
80–89%	Very Good (B)	Very much exceeds threshold standard for a pass
70–79%	Good (C)	Above threshold standard for a pass
60–69%	Satisfactory (D)	Meets threshold standard for a pass
<60%	Unsatisfactory	Does not meet threshold standard for a pass

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Expected Outcomes:

- Trainees will acquire the necessary legal knowledge and skills.
- Trainees will demonstrate the ability to conduct fair and efficient judicial proceedings.
- Trainees will be prepared to contribute positively to the judicial system.

Conclusion:

- Emphasize the importance of the training for the personal and professional development of civil judges and judicial magistrates.
- Highlight the expected impact on the judicial system and society at large.

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