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DG, FJA, SENSITIZES FAMILY COURT JUDGES

ROLE OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE COMPLEX, UNIQUE IN OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM: DG, FJA

Mr. Fakhar Hayat, Director General, Federal Judicial Academy, said that training for family court judges was imperative because the role of a family court judge was complex and unique in our judicial system. These judges are required to make daily decisions that affect the lives of children and families across the country.

He expressed these views in the inaugural ceremony of a one -week Training Course on “Management of Family Cases” for Females Judges of the Family Courts from all over Pakistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir at the Academy on Monday.

He said, “For Family Court Judges to make informed decisions about families, they need to be knowledgeable with regard to child development and what constitutes as healthy family functioning; using personal experience and specific case facts may not be enough to determine what is best for the children in a domestic relation case. It is obvious that with this kind of training Family Court judges would be able to understand and use various tools and techniques for effective management of family cases; however, without an appropriate understanding of what judges really know about child development and the family system, we may never be able to provide them with training programs that will be beneficial to their decision making.”

Twenty-five Family Court Judges are nominated to benefit from this weeklong training in the Academy.