



TAMIL NADU STATE JUDICIAL ACADEMY
in association with
TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT



Field Training on Forest-related Cases for Civil Judges
at Advanced Wildlife Management Training Centre
Theppakadu, Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, The Nilgiris
17th and 18th June, 2017

16 th June 2017 – Arrival of Judicial Officers	
Day 1: 17 th June, 2017	
06.30 – 07.30 a.m.	Introductory Field Visit inside Mudumalai Reserve – Circle Road area in Theppakadu Range
09.00 – 09.30 a.m.	Registration
09.30 – 09.45 a.m.	Invocation
	Welcome Address Mr. Srinivas R Reddy, I.F.S., CCF & Field Director, MTR
09.45 – 10.00 a.m.	Inaugural Address Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. SATHISH KUMAR Judge, High Court of Madras/Member, Board of Governors, TNSJA
10.00 – 10.45 a.m.	An overview of Bio-diversity conservation – Importance of Forest and Wildlife conservation measures for future generation Mr.K.Kalidasan, President, Osai Environmental Organization
10.45 – 11.00 a.m.	Tea Break
11.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon	Salient Features on Forest Act and Wild Life Protection Act – Various acts and rules being enforced by Forest Department Mr. C.Bathraswamy, DFO (Rtd)
12.00 noon – 01.30 p.m	Field Visit Exposure Field Visit on Forest and Wildlife Habitat – Understanding of Forest Terrain, Water Body, AP Camp at Ombatta in Mudumalai Tiger Reserve
01.30 – 03.00 p.m.	Lunch Break
03.00 – 04.00 p.m.	Visit to Singara hydro electric Power Project station
04.00 – 05.30 p.m.	Filed Visit to Vibuthimalai in Singara area – Vulnerable spots of Forest and Wildlife Offences and protection issues – Singara Elephant Corridor and related issues – Corridor fragmentation – Illegal tourism around Singara

Day 2 : 18th June 2017	
06.30 – 08.00 a.m.	Field Visit – Field exposure training – visiting vulnerable spots – Marshy land management – visiting Game hut area – Upper Kargudi view point – over all view of major part of MTR and neighboring states
09.30 – 10.30 a.m.	Wildlife management – Protection issues – About Wild Life crime Mr. Praveen C. Tyagi, I.F.S, PCCF(HOFF) and CWLW, Chennai
10.30 – 11.30 a.m.	Elephant behaviour – Man Animal Conflict – Elephant Corridor issues and Corridor fragmentation Dr. Ajay A Desai, Consultant to WII and WWF, India
11.30 – 11.45 a.m.	Tea Break
11.45 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	Various Acts and Rules being enforced by Forest Department. Definition of terms and offences, punishment and powers of forest officers under TNF Act, 1972; Wildlife Protection Act, 1949, TNPPF Act, 1955; TNHP (of Trees) Act, etc. – Relevant sections of IPC involving the prosecution and compounding of forest and wildlife offences – Legal procedure for detection and eviction of encroachment in forest protected areas Mr. G. Chandrasekaran, D.C.F., (Retd.)
12.30 – 01.15 a.m.	Procedural aspects of trials relating to forest and wildlife offences Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. SATHISH KUMAR Judge, High Court of Madras/Member, Board of Governors, TNSJA
01.15 a.m. – 01.30 p.m.	Sharing experiences – Problems relating to handling forest offences including trial in court – Problems and hurdles faced while booking offences – Direct interaction on case study and discussion with forest officers and field staff Mr. Srinivas R Reddy, I.F.S., CCF & Field Director, MTR Mr. V.A. Saravanan, Deputy Director, MTR Mr. G. Chandrasekaran, D.C.F., (Retd.) Mr. Selvaraj, Forest Range Officer, Singara Range
01.30 – 01.45 p.m.	Evaluation report by the participants
01.45 – 02.00 p.m.	Vote of thanks Mr.L.Sundararajan, Assistant Conservator of Forests, MTR
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