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Press Release

Digitalization of the Judiciary in Pakistan.

The Honorable Chief Justice of Pakistan, Mr. Justice Qazi Faiz Esa, has reconstituted the National Judicial Automation Committee (NJAC) to improve the efficiency of the judiciary in Pakistan. The Committee will be led by Mr. Justice Mansoor Ali Shah, a judge of the Supreme Court of Pakistan, and Mr. Justice Muhammad Ali Mazhar, another judge of the Supreme Court of Pakistan, will also be a member. Judges from the High Courts and the Federal Shariat Court will also be part of the committee.

The National Judicial Automation Committee (NJAC) will work towards the digitalization of the court's processes and records, introduce mobile applications for better access to justice and improve case management. The Committee aims to automate and integrate the judiciary and also introduce Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the legal processes and research. It will prepare a national plan based on technology and AI to improve the efficiency of service delivery of the judiciary.

Justice Shah believes that the justice sector in Pakistan should take advantage of the new developments in technology. The world has moved from the age of the Industrial Revolution to the Era of Technological Transformation, and the Justice Sector in Pakistan needs to invest in state-of-the-art digital infrastructure, modernized training programs, and robust measures for better administration of justice.

Justice Mazhar thinks that the digitization of the justice sector is only the beginning of the transformative change they envision for the legal system. As they move forward, they remain committed to continually enhancing their digital capabilities, further improving access to justice, and ensuring a transparent and efficient legal process for all.

Justice Shah was a Judge and later Chief Justice of the Lahore High Court. During his tenure, he established a Resource Center and launched a distinctive automation project that resulted in the successful deployment of Case Flow Management System. Similarly, Justice Mazhar took several initiatives to equip the High Court of Sindh with IT technology.

The National Judicial Automation Committee (NJAC) is a sub-committee of the National Judicial Policy Making Committee (NJPMC) which is an apex body responsible for improving the performance of the administration of justice, harmonizing the judicial processes and standards, and ensuring a skilled and efficient judiciary. The Chairman of NJPMC is the Chief Justice of Pakistan, Mr. Justice Qazi Faiz Esa. The Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan acts as the Secretariat of the NJPMC and supports NJAC in its work.



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