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Chief Justice of the Lahore High Court, Mr. Justice Umar Ata Bandial has asked the judges to act like gladiators (swords men of Rome) for providing justice to the litigant public. Gladiators had entertained audiences in violent confrontations risking their social values and earned acclaim. Hon'ble Chief Justice was addressing at a dialogue on Court Management and Culture of Tolerance organized by the Punjab Judicial Academy, here today. Mr. Justice Anwar Zaheer Jamali, Hon'ble Judge Supreme Court of Pakistan, Chief Justice of Balochistan High Court, Qazi Faez Isa, Justice Raiz Ahmed of Islamabad High Court, Justice Syed Mansoor Ali Shah and Muhammad Farrukh Irfan Khan of the Lahore High Court also graced the occasion.

Hon'ble Chief Justice advised the Judicial Officers to develop a proactive and dynamic approach for ensuring Court management and keep on a par counsel for both the parties irrespective of their status. Hon'ble Chief Justice also appreciated the performance of District Judiciary and desired it to inspire the Bar for upholding the dignity and decorum of courts.

Justice Anwar Zaheer Jamali of the Supreme Court addressing the gathering termed the senior advocates as an institution and underlined the need for learning from them as well as enhancing their respect and honour as they enjoyed in the past.

Justice Manzoor Ahmad Malik, a senior judge of the Lahore High Court, speaking on the occasion said that Judges as well as advocates were required to improve the environment of the courts for the benefit of the public who were the real stakeholders of the system of justice.

Registrar, Sardar Ahmed Naeen, conducted the proceedings of the talk show and extended a vote of thanks to the participants for helping the event conclude in a pleasant way. He also requested the Hon'ble Chief Justice for organizing another such function on 16th November, the world day for tolerance.

Mr. Shafqat Mahmood Chauhan, President Lahore High Court Bar Association, other office bearers and a large number of advocates as well as representatives of the district judiciary of the Punjab-from Court staff to District and Sessions Judges also participated in the dialogue. **(MEDIA CELL)**