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ACCESS TO JUSTICE FUNDAMENTAL
RIGHT OF PEOPLE:
CHIEF JUSTICE OF LAHORE HIGH COURT

LAHORE, APRIL 16, 2014:

Chief Justice of Lahore High Court, Mr. Justice Umar Ata Bandial has said that access to justice was fundamental right of every citizen and Judges were required to endeavour for dispensation of justice in order to ensure peace and tranquility in the society.

The Hon'ble Chief Justice was addressing a laptops awarding ceremony held at Punjab Judicial Academy, here today. Hon'ble Judges Lahore High Court adorning Principal Seat, Registrar Sardar Ahmad Naeem, Director General of Academy, Mr. Sohail Nasir and officers of LHC were also present on the occasion.

The Hon'ble Chief Justice said that rule of law was necessary for good governance and prosperity in the country. He said that judiciary has emerged as an independent and strong institution and also wished strengthening of other state institutions.

Addressing the participants, Hon'ble Chief Justice said that it was his earnest desire to search role models in the institution of justice and today he was happy that a number of role models have sprang up. Hon'ble Chief Justice maintained that a hectic effort spanning over two months has led to the selection of 71 Judges that demonstrated tremendous work, remarkable conduct, integrity, extraordinary disposal and excellent management of the Courts. Hon'ble Chief Justice said that complaints are pouring in by the advocates regarding uncomfortable behaviour on the part of certain Judicial Officers which needed to be addressed. He advised the Judicial Officers that they were neither rulers nor officers but offer services to poor litigants and it was hallmark of their profession. Hon'ble Chief Justice offered gratitude to Almighty Allah that judiciary of the Province was blessed with Judges of impeccable integrity and these adjudicators of high calibre and impartiality were posted even in remote areas of the Province of Punjab. Hon'ble Chief Justice gave away laptops to 71 Judicial Officers which include Registrar

Sardar Ahmad Naeem, Staff Officer to Hon'ble Chief Justice, Mr. Jawad ul Hasan, District & Sessions Judge (Establishment), Mr. Khaqan Babar and Senior Instructor Punjab Judicial Academy, Mr. Muhammad Amir Munir, D&SJ Vehari, Mr. Abid Hussain Qureshi, D&SJ Faisalabad, Muhammad Azhar Ch. D&SJ Gujranwala, Mr. Tariq Iftikhar Ahmad, D&SJ Rawalpindi, Mr. Abdul Sattar, D&SJ Sargodha Ch. Humayun Imtiaz, D&SJ Multan, Mr. Bahadur Ali Khan, D&SJ Gujrat, Mr. Khalid Naveed Dar; Additional District & Sessions Judges consisted of Mr. Ghulam Abbas, Ghulam Murtaza, Muhammad Javed ul Hassan Chishti, Mr. Amjad Nazeer Chaudhry, Mr. Anwaar Ahmad Qureshi, Mr. Manzer Ali Gill, Ms. Mahrukh Aziz, Mr. Bedar Bakhat, Mr. Bakht Fakhar Bahzad, Muhammad Ata Rabbani, Mr. Mushtaq Elahi, Mr. Abdur Raheem, Mr. Wajahat Hasan, Syed Ali Imran, Muhammad Naveed Iqbal, Mr. Shazib Saeed, Mr. Asad Ali, Muhammad Asghar Khan; Senior Civil Judges Muhammad Ajmal Khan, Mr. Khalid Saeed Wattoo, Mr. Iftikhar Ahmad, Mr. Iftikhar-un-Nabi, Mr. Irfan Ahmad Sheikh, Mr. Muhammad Sher Abbas, Muhammad Saeed Rafiq; Civil Judges Muhammad Azam Javed, Syed Jahangir Ali, Ms. Raheela Umar, Mr. Faiz Hussain, Muhammad Moeen Khokhar, Mr. Sabir Hussain, Mr. Masood Akhtar, Muhammad Yousaf Hafiz, Mr. Ahmad Mujahid Sherdil Cheema, Syed Shahzad Muzaffar Hamdani, Mr. Misbah-un-Nabi, Mr. Amer Zia, Mr. Farhan Shakoor, Mr. Shahbaz Ahmad, Mr. Javed Iqbal, Mr. Muhammad Qamar-uz-Zaman Bhatti, Mr. Muhammad Asim, Mr. Kashif Qayyum, Mr. Shahbaz Hussain, Mr. Aftab Ahmad Rai, Muhammad Ishaq Hashir, Mr. Usman Ali Awan, Mr. Asad Hafeez, Mr. Muhammad Ashraf, Mr. Khurshid Ahmad Anjum, Mr. Muhammad Zia-ul-Tariq, Mr. Falak Sher Jasra, Mr. Imran Khurshid, Mr. Ahmad Iqbal, Rai Liaqat Ali Kharal, Mr. Akleem Raza, Mr. Shafiq Abbas, Mr. Azfar Sultan Ibrar Syed, Mr. Saif Ullah Sohal and Mr. Munawar Hussain. **(MEDIA CELL)**