HIGH COURT OF MADHYA PRADESH: JABALPUR MEMO

No. 1513

Jabalpur, dated 23rd August, 2017

To,

All the District & Sessions Judges in the State.

Sub - Regarding usage of social networking site, Whats App/facebook etc.

Reference – Memo No.996 dated 19th October, 2016.

On the subject and reference cited above, it has come to notice that the judicial officers are indulged in posting of objectionable, unwanted and obscene material on Whats App groups, which is not only dis-reputing the image of the Judiciary as a whole but is also maligning the image of the individual Judge indulged in sharing such posts/material. Such practice is prevalent, despite issuance of the above referred memo.

A Judicial Officer is not only required to behave alike a sober, seasoned and dignified person while presiding over the board but is also expected to maintain the same decency and decorum in public as well as in their personal life.

Therefore, as directed, in continuation of circular No.996 dated 19-10-2016, you are requested to direct all the subordinate judicial officers working under your control and supervision to maintain decency and decorum as and when they appear in public so as to maintain a sober, seasoned and dignified persona. In addition thereto, all the judicial officers shall not share any vulgar and obscene videos, photographs etc. on social networking sites, such as Facebook, What's App. etc. If any judicial officer is found indulging in doing such acts, which are unbecoming of a Judicial Officer, the same would be viewed seriously and stern disciplinary action would be taken against them.

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