PRESS NOTE

The High Court of Madhya Pradesh has framed "Standard Operating Procedure" (SOP) for "Hybrid System of Physical / virtual hearing of cases" at High Court of Madhya Pradesh, Jabalpur and Bench at Indore & Gwalior under the able guidance of Hon'ble the Chief Justice Mr. Mohammad Rafiq.

The main objective of "Hybrid System of Physical / virtual hearing of cases" is to facilitate Advocates / Litigants for hearing of cases in both the mode viz: physical and virtual.

The necessary infrastructure is made available for "Hybrid System of Physical / virtual hearing of cases".

The physical filing of cases at High Court of Madhya Pradesh, Jabalpur and its Bench at Indore & Gwalior has been started from 08th February, 2021 and physical hearing of cases at High Court, Main Seat Jabalpur, Benches at Indore and Gwalior shall be started from 15th February, 2021 as *default mode*.

Also, the choice is given to the Advocates who are above 65 years old in specific and other Advocates as well, to appear through virtual mode on the basis of advance intimation given to the Registry as per SOP. In case where Advocates from one side wish to appear by physical mode and of the other side, by virtual mode, the arrangement for hearing by hybrid system is made and the procedure is mentioned in the SOP.

The SOP is made available in the website of the High Court of Madhya Pradesh viz: www.mphc.gov.in

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