

## Court Computerization anyone?

### Checklist for court computerization

1. The denominators in the following order: why, what, how and when
2. The **why** questions:
  - a. Why do we need to computerize the courts:
    - i. Do we have backlog of cases
    - ii. Is our court process the reason for the backlog
    - iii. Is there a likelihood of increase in court works and the existing system of work cannot meet the need
    - iv. Are our Judges and court staff and the Bar ready for computerization and willing to learn
    - v. Are the existing court procedural legislations suitable for computerization
    - vi. Is there a minimum infrastructure in place
    - vii. Is there a good possibility of getting funding
3. If the answers to why questions are in the affirmative, then proceed with the **what** questions:
  - a. What kind of system do we need:
    - i. Do we start with a simple system for certain courts on pilot scheme and confine to the courts only without integrating with the other agencies within the justice system
    - ii. Is there enough judges and staff with basic interest in giving inputs for the pilot scheme

- iii. The pilot scheme will not disrupts the workings of the courts
- iv. Will the results of the pilot scheme create impact so as to be the impetus for the rest of the courts

4. If the answers to the what questions are in the affirmative then proceed to the **how** questions:

- i. Do we need the help of consultant or computer solutions company
- ii. Do we have to set up a computerization working committee
- iii. Do we need assistance for any member of APRJR on the project
- iv. Do we have a timeline to set up the system
- v. Are the data and other materials to be uploaded into the system
- vi. Do we have supplier for the hardware

5. If the answers to (v) (vi) and (vii) of the how questions are in the affirmative, then proceed to the **when** questions:

- i. Do we need timeline to install the system
- ii. Can we get the funding within the timeline
- iii. Do we want the installation of the system during office hours
- iv. Do we require training of the users during office hours
- v. Do we need to launch the system