## MEGHALAYA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY::SHILLONG

### NOTIFICATION

# Dated Shillong the 14Th March, 2016

*No.MSLSA.26/2014/16* - In pursuance of Regulation 10 of the National Legal Services Authority (Free and Competent Legal Services) Regulation, 2010, the Hon'ble Executive Chairman, Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority is pleased to constitute "*Monitoring <u>Committees</u>*" for the District Legal Services Authorities for the purpose of close monitoring of the court based legal services rendered and the progress of the cases in legal aided matters at the District level with the following members :-

#### **District Monitoring Committee**

1.	District & Sessions Judge/Deputy Commissioner cum Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) <sup>*</sup>	Chairman
2.	Chief Judicial Magistrate/Additional Deputy Commissioner Cum Secretary, District Legal Services Authority (DLSA).	Member Secretary
3.	One Advocate having more than fifteen years experience to be nominated by the Chairman of the Monitoring Committee in consultation with the local Bar Association.	Member

#### Functions of the Monitoring Committee:-

- 1. Whenever legal services are provided to an applicant, the Member Secretary or Secretary shall send the details in Form –II to the Monitoring Committee at the earliest.
- 2. The District Legal Services Authority shall provide adequate staff and infrastructure to the Monitoring Committee for maintaining the records of the day-to-day progress of the legal aided cases.
- 3. The District Legal Services Authority may request the Presiding Officer of the Court to have access to the registers maintained by the Court for ascertaining the progress of the legal aided cases.
- 4. The Monitoring Committee shall maintain a register for legal aided cases for recording the day-to-day postings, progress of the case and the end result (success or failure) in respect of cases for which legal aid is allowed and the said register shall scrutinized by the Chairman of the Committee every month.
- 5. The Monitoring Committee shall keep a watch of the day-to-day proceedings of the Courts by calling for reports from the panel lawyers, within such time as may be determined by the Committee.
- 6. If the progress of the case is not satisfactory, the Committee may advise the District Legal Services Authority to take appropriate steps.

### Reports etc

- 1. Monitoring Committee to submit bi-monthly reports:- The Monitoring Committees shall submit bi-monthly reports containing its independent assessment on the progress of each and every legal aid case and the performance of the panel lawyers or Retainer lawyer, to the Chairman of the District Legal Services Authority.
- 2. After evaluating the reports by the Committee, the Chairman of the District Legal Services Authority shall decided the course of action to be taken in each case.
- 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority to place the reports of the Monitoring Committee before the Chairman of the District Legal Services Authority and to obtain orders.
- 4. A Comprehensive Monthly Report shall be furnished to the State Legal Services Authority by the District Legal Services Authority on the progress/status of legal aid cases in the District within the first week of every month.

(W.Ďiengdoh) Member Secretary, Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority, Shillong. Dated Shillong the /4<sup>TM</sup>March, 2016.

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- 1. The Joint Registrar cum Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Justice of the High Court of Meghalaya for favour of kind information of His Lordship.
- The Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Mr Justice S.R.Sen Executive Chairman, Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority for kind information of His Lordship.
- 3. The Registrar General, High Court of Meghalaya, for information.
- 4. The Special Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Law Deptt. for kind information
- 5. The Member Secretary, National Legal Services Authority for kind information.
- The District & Session Judge cum Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, Shillong/Nongpoh/Nongstoin/Jowai/Tura/Williamnagar for kind information and necessary action.
- 7. The Judge, District Council Court, Shillong/Jowai/Tura for information and necessary action.
- The Deputy Commissioner-Cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, Mawkyrwat/Khliehriat/Resubelpara/Baghmara/for information and necessary action.
- The Chief Judicial Magistrate cum Secretary, District Legal Services Authority Shillong/Nongpoh/Nongstoin/Jowai/Tura/Williamnagar for kind information and necessary action.

- 10. All Principal Magistrates, Juvenile Justice Boards in Meghalaya for kind
- information and necessary actionnformation.
- 11. The State Informatics Officer for information with a request to upload the Notification in the official website of the Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority.

By Order etc...

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