



NORTH GOA DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

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NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR ENGAGEMENT AS FULL-TIME LEGAL AID LAWYERS IN LEGAL AID DEFENSE COUNSEL OFFICE IN 2 DISTRICTS OF THE STATE UNDER GOA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, PROVORIM GOA.

The State Legal Services Authority, established under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 with a mandate to provide free and competent legal services to the underprivileged and disadvantaged sections of society to ensure that opportunities for securing justice are not denied to any citizen by reason of economic or other disabilities and to secure that the operation of the legal system promotes justice on a basis of equal opportunity to all. Please visit the website www.slsagoa.nic.in for full details.

Realising the need to ponder over the reforms required in the Legal Aid Movement of India a new model of Legal Services Delivery, the '**Legal Aid Defense Counsel System**' (LADCS), in line with public defender system, is introduced by NALSA. As envisaged, LADCS involves full-time engagement of lawyers with support system, dealing exclusively with legal aid work in criminal matters at every stage starting from the pre-arrest, arrest & remand stage to the conclusion of trials and appeals etc. It will enhance the availability and accessibility of Legal Aid in a timely

manner and help in creating a mechanism to provide qualitative and competent legal services in a professional manner to underprivileged and disadvantaged section of the society.

Each Legal Aid Defense Counsel Office may have **01 Chief Legal Aid Counsel, 01 to 03 Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsels, 2 to 10 Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsels** (number of positions depending upon legal aid work in the district). This system will have the effect of enhancing the responsiveness of the Legal Aid Mechanism in the country and will ensure accountability on the part of the Legal Aid providers.


The Legal Aid Defense Counsel System will also provide a unique opportunity for Law Students to learn from the best. **The Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel** will be given the liberty to engage law students as interns, to give them exposure to practical aspects of criminal law including preparation of defense strategy and doing legal research in various factual scenarios. Goa State Legal Services Authority under the aegis of NALSA (www.nalsa.gov.in) is in process of implementing of LADCS in 2 Districts namely North Goa and South Goa.

Applications are invited from eligible lawyers having requisite qualifications for Contractual full time engagement for the posts of **Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel** and **Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsels**, as per the Scheme in each district proposed herein. The number of engagement positions may vary from district to district, depending upon actual need as projected by the DLSA concerned. The Lawyers so engaged therein will not be allowed to take any other private cases or any other retainership.

The Scheme of engagement along with the application form may be downloaded from the official website of Goa SLSA www.slsagoa.nic.in and also from Notice board of DLSA concerned. The duly filled application form along with self-attested copies of documents may be submitted to DLSA, wherein the candidate desires to apply through speed post or in an envelope personally in the office of the Secretary, North Goa District Legal Services Authority, situated at Old District &

Sessions Court Building, Near Panaji Residency, Panaji-Goa, on or before **25thMay, 2023 by 17.00 hrs.** Any application received after the due date shall not be considered.

Note: Applying for engagement does not create any right/ assurance whatsoever.


(**Artikumari N. Naik**)
SCJ & JMFC B Court Panaji
I/C Secretary
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Note: The Application Forms can be downloaded from the Official Website of Goa State Legal Services Authority, Porvorim, Goa, i.e.

www.slsagoa.nic.in

OR

Candidates can personally collect the Application Forms from the Office of the North Goa District Legal Services, Authority, Old District & Sessions Court Building, Next to Panaji Residency, Panaji - Goa.