From

Member Secretary, Haryana State Legal Services Authority, Institutional Plot No. 9, Sector-14, Panchkula

To

- 1. All the District & Sessions Judges-cum-Chairpersons, District Legal Services Authorities, in the State of Haryana
- 2. All the Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Secretaries, District Legal Services Authorities, in the State of Haryana
- 3. All the Additional Civil Judges (SD)-cum-Chairpersons, Sub Divisional Legal Services Committees, in the State of Haryana

No. 7196-727 (LO)/2024/MS/HALSA Dated, Panchkula, the 6/7/24

Subject: Revision of Scales of legal fee/legal expenses payable to the Advocates empanelled for providing free legal aid.

Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed herewith copy of revised legal fee schedule as approved by the Hon'ble Patron-in-Chief of the Legal Services Authorities of Punjab, Haryana, U.T., Chandigarh and the High Court Legal Services Committee, Chandigarh. The revised fee to be applicable w.e.f. **01.07.2024** onwards.

You are requested to bring the same in the notice of all concerned. Please acknowledge its receipt.

**Encl:** As above

(Akshdeep Mahajan)
Joint Member Secretary
For Member Secretary,
Haryana State Legal
Services Authority,
Panchkula

# I. SCALES OF LEGAL FEE PAYABLE TO THE EMPANELLED ADVOCATES FOR PROVIDING LEGAL AID BY PULSA/HALSA & UT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

### A. FOR STATE/CENTRAL TRIBUNALS

Sr. No.	Nature of cases	Revised Rates
1.	All type of cases	
	I. Contested and decided on merits	Rs.20,000/-
	II. Uncontested like DAW/ex- parte/admitted	Rs.10,000/-
2.	Drafting of substantive pleadings	Rs.3,000/-
3.	Drafting of miscellaneous application	Rs.1,000/- per application subject to maximum of Rs.2,500/- for all applications in one case

## B. FOR SUBORDINATE COURTS AT ALL LEVELS INCLUDING TRIBUNALS AT DISTRICT LEVEL/CONSUMER FORUMS/REVENUE COURTS

Sr. No.	Nature of cases	Revised Rates
1.	Sessions trial	
	A. Session Trial under IPC	
	I. Contested trial	Rs.15,000/-
	II. Uncontested trial (includes cases of Discharge, Remand back and quashing by High Court etc.)	Rs.7,500/-
	B. Trial under Acts I. Contested trial	Rs.10,000/-
	II. Uncontested trial (includes compounding of cases, cases where accused pleaded guilty or where accused confessed his guilt or is discharged or FIR is quashed etc.)	Rs.5,000/-
2.	All other cases	
	I. Before DSJ / ADSJ / Family Court	
	(CRA/CA / MACT / Rent / Appeal etc. not covered under Serial No.1 of this Table)	
	A.Contested	Rs. 10,000/-
	B.Uncontested (Withdrawl of case/appeal, ex-parte, dismissed	Rs. 5000/-

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	for want of prosecution, Compounding of case etc)	
	II. Before Civil Judge /Magistrate	
	A.Contested	Rs. 10,000/-
	B.Uncontested (Withdrawl of case, ex-parte, dismissed for want of prosecution, Compounding of case, confession etc.)	Rs. 5000/-
3.	Drafting of substantive pleadings	Rs.2,500/- per case
4.	Drafting and contesting bail applicat	ion
	Before Sessions court	Rs.2,000/- per application subject to maximum of Rs.4,000/- for all applications in one case
	Before Magistrate Court	Rs.1,000/- per application subject to maximum of Rs.2,000/- for all applications in one case
5.	Miscellaneous substantive applications including drafting charges before all courts and excluding applications for adjournment and exemption for personal appearance	application subject to maximum of Rs.3,000/- for all applications in

# II. SCALES OF LEGAL FEE PAYABLE TO THE EMPANELLED ADVOCATES FOR PROVIDING LEGAL AID BY HIGH COURT LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Sr. No.	Nature of cases	Revised Rates
1.	<ul> <li>Civil/Criminal Writ Petitions</li> <li>LPA</li> <li>RSA's</li> <li>Criminal Appeals</li> <li>FAOs/RFAs</li> <li>Revision (Civil/Criminal)</li> </ul>	Rs.20,000/-
2.	Bail Applications, COCP, CRM-M, Transfer Application, parole matters and other civil/criminal cases not covered at Sr. No.1	Rs.12,000/-
3.	Charges for drafting of substantive pleadings, applications and other miscellaneous charges	as at Serial No. 1 and 2

#### III GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITIES/ COMMITTEE

- (1) In the cases which are disposed of through ADR mechanism, like Lok Adalat, Arbitration and Mediation and Conciliation, a counsel shall be given full fee.
- (2) In connected cases, the counsel shall be given full fee in the main case and in every connected case (subject to a maximum of five cases) half fee shall be payable. In case connected cases are more than 5 in number then the fee shall be decided by Member Secretary of the concerned Legal Services Authority/Committee.
- (3) **For Table I (A & B)**: The fee shall be paid in two stages. 50% of the fee shall be paid on completion of pleadings/framing of charge/framing of issues. The balance 50% fee shall be paid at the conclusion of the case.

In civil appeal/criminal appeal/criminal revision, 50% of the fee shall be paid at the time of appearance/filing. The balance 50 % fee shall be paid at the time of conclusion of the case.

**For Table II**: 50 % of the total fee will be paid at the time of appearance/filing. The balance 50 % fee shall be paid at the time of conclusion of the case.

Drafting/Miscellaneous Charges (for I & II) will be paid on raising the bill, in this regard.

- (4) When during the course of litigation any legal aid counsel is changed due to incapacitation or cessation of active practice or for any other reason, the new counsel shall be paid fee in terms of Clause 3 after taking into consideration the stage of case.
  - In case of change of legal aid counsel for any reason, the new counsel will be entitled for remaining fee as per Clause 3.
- (5) Fees payable in any case not specifically covered in the schedule shall be determined by the Member Secretary, whose decision shall be final.
- (6) In case of any doubt with regard to payment of fee or miscellaneous expenses which may include typing, translation charges etc. the decision of the Member Secretary shall be final.
- (7) The revised fee schedule shall be applicable to the fresh cases allocated from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2024. Returned cases allocated prior to this date shall be covered by old fee structure.
- (8) No fee shall be payable for legal advice as the same is to be rendered by retainers.