

FAMILY COURT AT CHAVARA

Family Court at Chavara is a court established under the Family Court Act, 1984. It started to function with effect from 30.03.2013. The court deals with the suits or proceedings relating to matters concerning the family as per the Family Court Act, 1984, Hindu Marriage Act 1955, Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872, Special Marriage Act 1954, Guardian and Wards Act 1890, Dissolution of Muslim Marriage Act 1939 etc. Jurisdiction of the court comprises all villages in Karunagappally taluk and Kunnathoor taluk.

PRESIDING JUDGE

A Judge in the rank of District Judge in the Higher Judicial Service is exercising the powers conferred on the court by the Family Court Act, 1984 and other law for the time being in force. He is the presiding officer of the court and also discharge his duties as the Head of the Office.

COUNSELLOR

Apart from other Civil Courts, a Counsellor is serving in the court and he is bound to assist the court in the discharge of its functions. Main duty of the Counsellor is to assist and advise the parties in the cases for settlement of the subject matter of dispute among them selves and to help them in arriving at reconciliation. Two Addl Counsellors are also assisting the Prl. counsellor. (on Temporary basis)

SHERISTADAR

Chief Ministerial Officer of the court is designated as Sheristadar. He is authorised to receive suit or proceeding presented by the parties or their agent or by post. It is to be filed and numbered and submitted before the court for further step as specified in the Family Court Act. He is also authorised to sign certified copy of the court orders or communications by the order of the Presiding Judge. He is bound to comply all the directions of the court either by way of Judicial Orders or administrative instructions.

OTHER STAFF MEMBERS

There are 31 staff members in the court and they are designated as Junior Superintendent, Senior Clerk, Clerks, Typists (Sel. Grade Typist , Sr. Grade Typist, U.D. Typist, L.D. Typist) , Amins, Process Servers, Court Keeper, Duffedar, Driver, Office Attendants, and PTS Sweeper. Main duty of the staff members is to execute the court orders and to attend other office works assigned to them.

WORKING HOURS OF THE COURT

Working hours of the court shall be the same as prescribed by the Hon'ble High Court for the subordinate courts, ie., 10 am to 5 pm on all working days and the court may hold sittings on holidays and outside normal working hours if the Judge consider it necessary to do so, in the circumstance of a case, with prior notice to the parties.

RECORDS

Records that are kept in the court consisting of case files, documents produced by the parties, Judgments, Court Registers and other office records.

NAME AND DESIGNATION OF THE PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

Smt. Rani Swapna. G.S, Junior Superintendent, is the Public Information Officer of this court.