

PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF SELECTION COMMITTEE REGARDING MODALTIES OF SELECTION PROCESS

Today on 18.12.2025, a meeting of Selection Committee was held under the Chairmanship of District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, Faridkot to discuss the selection process of the Legal Aid Defense Counsel.

Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Faridkot has stated that 09 application forms for the one post of Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel and 57 application forms for the two posts of Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsels have been received from the candidates in pursuance of advertisement for the post detailed below:-

Sr. no.	Name of the Post	No. of Posts
1.	Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel	01
2.	Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel	02

After deliberations, the committee has unanimously resolved the criterion for selection of Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel and Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel.

Criteria for Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall be as under:-

- The candidate shall be selected purely on the basis of merit taking into account the knowledge, oral and written communication skills, understanding of criminal law, and skill in legal research, ability to work with others, understanding of ethical duties of Defense Counsel and IT knowledge with proficiency in work.
- Each candidate shall be rated at the scale of **100** marks as per the following table:-

a.	Knowledge and understanding of law	25 marks
b.	Understanding of ethical duties as defense counsel	25 marks
c.	Administrative skills to work with the other	25 marks
d.	Communication skills	25 marks

- No candidate having practice of less than **7** years in criminal law shall be selected.
- As far as possible it shall be ensured that the candidate must have handled not less than **05** criminal trials in Sessions Court.
- The candidate must have a license to practice issued by Bar Council.

Criteria for Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall be as under:-

- The candidate shall be selected purely on the basis of merit taking into account the knowledge and understanding of criminal law, ability to work with others, writing and research skills, understanding of ethical duties of Defense Counsel, IT knowledge with high proficiency in work and oral and written communication skills.
- Each candidate shall be rated at the scale of **100** marks as per the following table:-

a.	Knowledge and understanding of law	25 marks
b.	Understanding of ethical duties as defense counsel	25 marks
c.	Knowledge of information and technology	25 marks
d.	Communication skills	25 marks

3. The candidate must have practice in criminal law from 1 to 3 years.
4. The candidate must have a license to practice issued by Bar Council.

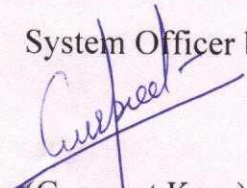
Besides the aforesaid criterion, the qualifications, conditions and the guidelines issued by National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi shall be adhered to while selecting the candidates.

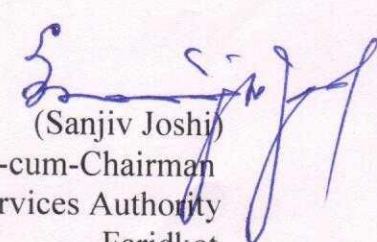
After interview the result of selected candidates shall be prepared and sent to the Punjab State Legal Services Authority, Faridkot.

Before start of process of interview, Scrutiny of applications shall be made. It is unanimously resolved that the applications shall be scrutinized by the Selection Committee before 18.12.2025. The candidates shall be given opportunity to complete the deficiencies and produce the requisite documents before 20.12.2025.

A waiting list shall also be prepared along with the list of selected candidate for the period of one year.

System Officer be directed to upload the dates of interview on the website.


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