No. 385 Rules/II.D17 (Rule Cell-7RC)

From:

The Registrar General,
High Court of Punjab & Haryana,
Chandigarh.



To

The District and Sessions Judges,
In the States of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh,

Dated, Chandigarh the 13/1/26

Subject: - Use of nomenclature 'District Courts/District Judiciary/Trial Courts' instead of 'Subordinate Judge/Subordinate Courts/Lower Courts'.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to forward herewith a copy of circular no. 588/Spl/II.D17 (Rule Cell) dated 24.12.2025 (copy enclosed), with a request to upload the same on the website of the District Court, for necessary compliance.

Yours faithfully,

Devinder Sharma 20-01-2026
Assistant Registrar,
For Registrar (General).

Encls. As above.

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Reader/Ahlmad/Office to note.
It is copy be forwarded to the following for info. & n/compliance:-
(i) The Nodal officer (Comp.), Ludhiana;
(ii) All the Judicial officers of this Sessions division; Addl. be observed.
(iii) DSA/S.O./S.A

District & Sessions Judge,
Ludhiana

20 JAN 2026

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA, CHANDIGARH

588/SPL/II.D.17 (Rule 11) Dated: 24.12.2025

CIRCULAR

Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Judges have been pleased to direct that henceforth, all the Courts in the States of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh other than the High Court, shall be referred to as "District Courts/District Judiciary/Trial Courts". The terms "Subordinate Judge/Subordinate Courts/Lower Courts" shall not be used in the official correspondence as well as in the judicial functioning of the High Court as well as the District Courts, unless the same is inevitable.

24.12.2025
Registrar General