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No. **67** /Order-Book-2026 Pithoragarh dated May **23** , 2026

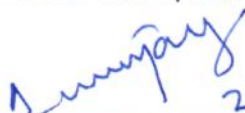
OFFICE - ORDER

Subject: Guidelines for virtual proceedings and other measures for the rational utilization of resources.

Hon'ble High Court of Uttarakhand, Nainital has been pleased to issue the following guidelines regarding valuable contribution in the ongoing fuel saving drive across the nation vide letter no. 2697/UHC/Admin.A/2026, dated 22.05.2026 :

- (A) Every working Saturday in the districts be observed as 'Virtual Hearing Day'. For this purpose, Courts may list cases fixed for final hearing, hearing on applications/legal issues, which do not require presence of parties and other suitable cases on Saturdays, and as far possible, these cases may be taken up by virtual mode. The learned advocates accordingly be requested and encouraged to appear virtually, and thus, only judicial officers/staff need to commute to Courts on working Saturdays.
- (B) The C.L. No. 02/UHC/Admin.B/2022, dated 05.01.2023 of the Hon'ble Court, supplemented by consequential circulars, which have been issued for examination of witnesses through virtual mode, are emphasized, and they may seriously followed for examination of maximum possible witnesses through VC facilities.
- (C) Judicial officers, when they proceed on leave, recess etc. or do not hold Court for official reasons, the link officer and jail authorities may be given advance information for production of accused persons facing the trials through the VC facilities.

Therefore, all the Judicial Officers of Judgeship, Pithoragarh are hereby directed to follow the above guidelines with true letter and spirit.


(Dhnanjay Chaturvedi)
District Judge
Pithoragarh
23/05/2026

Endorsement No. Memo/Order Book-2026, dated as above

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1. Judge, Family Court, Pithoragarh.
2. Additional District & Sessions Judge, Pithoragarh.
3. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Pithoragarh.

4. Civil Judge (Sr. Div.), Pithoragarh.
5. Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Pithoragarh.
6. Civil Judge (Jr. Div.), Pithoragarh.
7. Civil Judge (Jr. Div.), Didihat, District Pithoragarh.
8. Civil Judge (Jr. Div.), Gangolihat, District Pithoragarh.
9. Civil Judge (Jr. Div.), Dharchula, District Pithoragarh.
10. Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Pithoragarh.
11. Principal Magistrate, Juvenile Justice Board, Pithoragarh.
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By order

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(Jagmohan Joshi)
Chief Administrative Officer
District Court, Pithoragarh



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From

Registrar General,
High Court of Uttarakhand,
Nainital.

To

All the District Judges,
Uttarakhand.

No. 2697 /UHC/Admin.A/2026

Dated 22.05.2026

Sub: Guidelines for virtual proceedings and other measures for rational utilization of resources.

Sir/Madam,

In view of the recent developments, Government of India as well as State Government have issued various guidelines for rational utilization of energy resources. In the interest of nation, these guidelines are being implemented by authorities.

2. In this regard, it is the considered view of the Hon'ble Court that united efforts of all the citizens are instrument for successful implementation of these guidelines, in which, State Judiciary may also make its significant contribution. Accordingly, I am directed to convey followings guidelines and appeal of Hon'ble the Chief Justice to all the officers/staff and advocates in the districts for their valuable contribution in the ongoing fuel saving drives across the nation:-

- (A) Every working Saturday in the districts be observed as a 'Virtual Hearing Day'. For this purpose, Courts may list cases fixed for final hearing, hearing on applications/legal issues, which do not require presence of parties and other suitable cases on

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Saturdays, and as far possible, these cases may be taken up by virtual mode. The learned advocates may accordingly be requested and encouraged to appear virtually, and thus, only judicial officers/staff would need to commute to Courts on working Saturdays.

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- (C) Judicial officers, when they proceed on leave, recess *etc.* or do not hold Court for official reasons, the link officers and jail authorities may be given advance information for production of accused persons facing the trials through the VC facilities.
- (D) C.L. No. 09/UHC/Insp./2025 dated 09.07.2025 of the Hon'ble Court, which provides that in view of the challenging geographical terrain and climatic conditions of the State, judicial officers posted in Outlying Courts, situated at a distance requiring journey of 90 minutes or more to headquarters may join monthly meetings through VC facilities, is amended to cover all the judicial officers, posted in Outlying Courts, notwithstanding the distance/journey time between the Outlying Courts and Headquarters.



(E) District Judges are requested to encourage judicial officers, living in judicial colonies for car pooling to commute to Courts. District Judges are further requested for similar encouragement to the Court staff for car/vehicle pooling.

3. Besides the above, District Judges are requested to take other suitable measures, which they deem fit and appropriate for rational utilization of resources in their Judgeships. They are also requested to share such measures with the Hon'ble Court so that the good practices may further be shared with other Judgeships.

Yours sincerely,


(Yogesh Kumar Gupta)
Registrar General

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22.05.2026
Chief Administrative Officer
District Court, Pithoragarh

From,

Registrar General,
High Court of Uttarakhand,
Nainital.

To,

All the District Judges,
State Judiciary, Uttarakhand.

C. L. No. 02/ UHC/Admin. B/2022

Dated: 5th January, 2023.

Subject: Recording Of Evidence Through Video-Conferencing.

Sir/Madam,

Apropos to the subject noted above, I am directed to issue the following directions of the Hon'ble Court with regard to recording of evidence in the District Judiciary:

1. Evidence of Doctors, Forensic Experts and other witnesses of formal nature invariably be recorded through Video-Conferencing in accordance with "*High Court of Uttarakhand Video Conferencing Rules-2020*".
2. If any of the party applies to the Court that the examination of any of above such witness in Court is necessary instead of by Video-Conferencing, then such witness would be summoned by a speaking order with special reasons justifying the physical presence of such witness passed by the Court concerned before dispensing with the recording of evidence of such witnesses through Video-Conferencing.
3. While recording the evidence through Video-Conferencing, provisions contained in "*High Court of Uttarakhand Video Conferencing Rules-2020*" in general and Rule 3 in particular, be followed invariably.
4. Monthly data of recording of evidence through Video-Conferencing shall be maintained by each Court and shall be submitted along with the minutes of monthly meeting. Minutes shall also contain data of above such witnesses, who were summoned for special reasons.
5. In case, evidence of such witnesses has not been recorded through Video-Conferencing, copy of order justifying the physical presence of such witnesses be enclosed with the minutes.

It is, therefore, requested to circulate the aforesaid directions amongst all the Judicial Officers in your respective judgship for information and strict compliance.

Regards.

Yours sincerely,

(Vivek Bharti Sharma)
Registrar General

No. 82 /UHC/Admin. B/2022

Dated: 5th January, 2023.

Copy for information and necessary action to:-

- (i) Director, Uttarakhand Judicial & Legal Academy, Bhowali, Nainital.
- (ii) All the Family Court Judges, State of Uttarakhand.
- (iii) Chairman, Commercial Tax Tribunal, Dehradun.
- (iv) Chairman, State Transport Appellate Tribunal, Dehradun.
- (v) Registrar, State Consumer Redressal Commission, Dehradun.
- (vi) Member Secretary, Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority, Nainital.
- (vii) Presiding Officer, Industrial Tribunal-cum-Labour Court, Haldwani, District Nainital.
- (viii) Presiding Officer, Labour Courts, Dehradun, Haridwar & Kashipur, District Udham Singh Nagar.
- (ix) Presiding Officer, Food Safety Appellate Tribunal, Dehradun & Haldwani.
- (x) Registrar, Public Service Tribunal, Uttarakhand, Dehradun.
- (xi) Chairman, Uttarakhand Cooperative Tribunal, Dehradun.
- (xii) Secretary-cum-Registrar, State Level Police Complaint Authority, Dehradun.
- (xiii) Chairman, Permanent Lok Adalat, Dehradun, Haridwar, Nainital and Udham Singh Nagar.
- (xiv) All the Registrars of the Court.
- (xv) Joint Registrars, Deputy Registrars, Asstt. Registrars & Section Officers of the Court.
- (xvi) Computer Section of the High Court with a direction to upload the same in the website of the High Court of Uttarakhand.
- (xvii) Guard File.

Deputy Registrar
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From

Registrar General
High Court of Uttarakhand
Nainital.

To

All the District & Sessions Judges
State Judiciary, Uttarakhand

C.L. No. : 09 /UHC/Insp./2025

Dated: 09 July, 2025.

Subject : Participation in monthly meetings through video conferencing facility.

Sir,

On the subject noted above, keeping in view the challenging geographical terrain and climatic conditions of the State as well as the convenience and safety of the judicial officers, the Hon'ble Court is pleased to direct that judicial officers posted in outlying Courts, situated at a distance requiring journey of 90 minutes or more to the Headquarter, may be permitted to attend the monthly meetings through video conference facility instead of attending the monthly meetings in person at the Headquarter.

2. All earlier Circular Letters of the Hon'ble Court on the subject are modified to the aforesaid extent.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-

(Yogesh Kumar Gupta)

No. 4241 /UHC/Insp./2025

Dated: 09 July, 2025

Copy for information and necessary action to:

1. P.P.S. to Hon'ble the Chief Justice with the request to place it before His Lordship for kind perusal.
2. P.S./P.A. to Hon'ble Judge(s) with the request to place it before His Lordship for kind perusal.
3. P.S. to Registrar General.
4. All the Registrars of the Court.
5. O.S.D./C.P.C./Secretary H.C.L.S.C. of the Court.
6. Deputy Registrar (I.T.) of the Court with a request to upload this Circular on the official website of the High Court of Uttarakhand.
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Registrar General