OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, ALIPURDUAR

ADVERTISEMENT NOTIFICATION NO.2/DLSA/2025 DATED. 04.07.2025

In view of the letter No. 1129/SLSA-143/2000 dated: dated: 06.05.2025 of Ld. Member Secretary, State Legal ServicesAuthority, West Bengal, applications are invited from willing legal practitioners for empanelment as legal aid counsel.

a. Willing legal practitioners must submit their individual applications.

b. Willing legal practitioners must submit with her/his application with **enrolment certificate, five copies of judgments (civil or criminal or both) that records the applicant's appearance as lead counsel for any of the parties, as well as the arguments that were advanced by her/him, and five copies of cross-examination conducted by the applicant. Appellate judgments and contested sessions judgments are to be given additional weightage at the time of selection.**

c. Willing legal practitioners eligible for empanelment in **Group A [more than 10(ten) years of practice]** and specializing in the civil laws must submit **contested judgment in probate matter or PP Appeal or LA matter or matrimonial cases or guardianship matter**, in addition to appellate judgments recording her/his arguments.

d. In addition to the above, any applicant with not less than **07 (seven years) of practice must submit IT Return of three years immediately preceding the current year.**

e. In order to qualify in **Group B** of the panel, an applicant's average **annual income calculated on the basis of her/his 03(three) IT Returns must not be less than Rs. 5,00,000/. In case of empanelment in Group A, the average annual income must not be less than Rs. 8,50,000/.**

f. After scrutiny of the submitted applications by the Monitoring and Mentoring Committee, the final selection shall be made by the Chairman in the light of any relevant input that may be called for and provided by the Government Pleader and/or any serving judicial officer of the concerned district/sub-division regarding the professional conduct of the provisionally chosen candidate. Corroborated adverse reports in this regard shall be considered as a disentitling feature even in the case of an otherwise suitable candidate.

g. For the purpose of reviewing and updating the existing panels of legal-aid advocates. the Legal Services Institutions are advised to immediately seek, the materials as detailed in Clauses (b), (c) and (d) from the empanelled advocates.

h. As per direction of State Legal Services Authority, West Bengal, bulk applications will not be considered.

Accordingly, willing legal practitioners are hereby requested to submit all the necessary papers /documents as mentioned above and as applicable to the undersigned by 05.08.2025.

Sd/-

(Sunanda De Sarkar)
Secretary (In-Charge)
District Legal Services Authority, Alipurduar

Letter No. 864/DLSA Dated. 4.7.25

Secretary I/C
District Legal Services Authority
Alipurduar

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1) The Ld. Secretary, Bar Association, Alipurduar.
2) The System Assistant, District Judges' Court, Alipurduar for publishing a copy in the District Court website.

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