

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, BUDGAM

Order No: 54/JM/and/2026

Date: 17th Sept, 2026

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Subject: Distribution of Judicial Business and Allocation of Police Stations between the Courts of Judicial Magistrates at Taluka Chadoora (Court at Chadoora).

Reference: Representation submitted by the Taluka Bar Association, Chadoora, dated _____.

In exercise of the administrative powers conferred upon me under Section 15(2) read with Section 14 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 and/or the corresponding provisions of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, including Section 13 thereof, and in order to ensure proper distribution of judicial business between the Courts functioning at Chadoora, I, Mr. Abdul Bari, Chief Judicial Magistrate, Budgam, hereby order the following distribution of judicial business with immediate effect:

1. Allocation of Police Stations & Case Filings

For purposes of filing and institution of matters arising out of the respective Police Stations, the police-station-wise business shall be allocated as follows:

Name of the Court / Designation	Allocated Police Station / Subject Matter	Type of Matters to be Entertained
Court of Civil Judge Senior Division & Judicial Magistrate First Class (Court No. 1)	Police Station Chadoora	All fresh FIRs, Remand applications, Bail applications, Final Reports (Challans), Private Complaints arising from Police Station Chadoora, and applications under Section 156(3) Cr.P.C. / Section 175 BNSS pertaining to the said Police Station.
Court of Civil Judge Junior Division & Judicial Magistrate First Class (Court No. 2)	Police Station Nowgam	All fresh FIRs, Remand applications, Bail applications, Final Reports (Challans), Private Complaints arising from Police Station Nowgam, and applications under Section 156(3) Cr.P.C. / Section 175 BNSS pertaining to the said Police Station.

2. General Criminal Business (Litigant Option / Concurrent Venue)

To optimize access to justice and legal convenience, the following classes of criminal matters shall not be bound by the police station divisions listed above. Instead, they shall be entertained by both courts, to be filed at the direct option of the litigant:

- Section 138 Negotiable Instruments (NI) Act Criminal Complaints
- Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act (DV Petitions)
- Petitions under Section 144 of the BNSS (pertaining to public nuisance/urgent apprehended danger)
- Any other general criminal matter exclusive of the police station-specific business mapped out in Section 1 of this order.

3. Transitional Provisions for Pending Cases

To ensure that this realignment does not disrupt ongoing judicial steps or result in administrative delays, the following transitional protocols shall be strictly executed:

- **Protection against De-Novo Trials:** All regular criminal trials in which charges have already been framed shall remain undisturbed within their current respective courts to completely avoid de-novo trials or redundant proceedings.

Abdul Bari
17/9/26

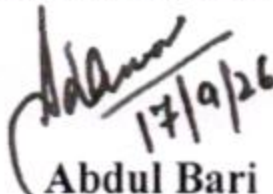
- **Miscellaneous Realignment Transfer:** All pending miscellaneous applications where no effective order has been passed yet, and which stand misaligned with the spatial rules of this new order, shall be systematically transferred to the appropriate court. The respective Chief Clerks are directed to complete this transfer within 7 working days of this notification.

4. Overriding Conditions & Legality

This order supersedes all previous allocations, assignments, and administrative orders issued in connection with the criminal jurisdiction of Taluka Court Chadoora. The mandates herein are strictly subject to any concurrent or subsequent administrative orders, directives, or revisions issued by the Hon'ble High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh or the Court of the Principal District & Sessions Judge, Budgam.

This order shall come into force with immediate effect.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Court.


17/9/26
Abdul Bari
Chief Judicial Magistrate
Budgam

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. The Hon'ble Principal District & Sessions Judge, Budgam, for kind information.
2. The Court of Civil Judge Senior Division & Judicial Magistrate First Class, Chadoora.
3. The Court of Civil Judge Junior Division & Judicial Magistrate First Class, Chadoora.
4. The Superintendent of Police, Budgam, with a request to circulate the order to the SHOs of the concerned Police Stations.
5. The President / Secretary, Taluka Bar Association, Chadoora, for information and display on the Bar notice board.
6. The Office Superintendent / Filing Section, Taluka Court, Chadoora.
7. Guard File.