



DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, CHENGALPATTU

D. No.890/2024

Dated: 09.09.2024

Ref: TNSLSA No.3910/S3/ 2022, Dated: 20.08.2024.

NOTIFICATION NO. 01 OF 2024

Applications are invited from eligible persons to work full time on contract basis for a period of **Two Years** in “**LEGAL AID DEFENSE COUNSEL SYSTEM**” dealing exclusively with Legal Aided matter in Criminal Cases, proposed to be established in the District Legal Services Authority, Chengalpattu. Details of the name of the Post and number of requirement are given below;

| S.No. | Name of the Post | No. of Post |
|--------------|--|--------------------|
| 1 | Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel | 2 |
| 2 | Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel | 4 |
| 3 | Office Assistant / Clerks | 2 |
| 4 | Office Peon (Masalchi/Attendant) | 2 |

Important Dates:

- **Date of Notification: 09.09.2024**
- **Last date for submission of Application: 30.09.2024**

Explanation:

Legal Aid Defense Counsel System (LADCS) is established for providing Legal aid, assistance and representation in criminal matters in line with “Public Defender System” and also for providing legal services from the early stages of criminal justice till appellate stage, which include visits to jails from catering to the Legal needs of unrepresented inmates. And it is an end to end legal services and it shall be provided the following services;

- Legal Advice and assistance to all individuals visiting the office,
- Representation/Conducting trial and appeals including all miscellaneous work in all sessions, Special and Magistrate Courts including executive Courts,

- Handling remand and Bail work,
- Providing legal assistance at pre-arrest stage as per NALSA's scheme for providing such assistance,
- Any other legal aided work related to District Courts or as assigned by the secretary DLSA,
- Periodic visit of Prisons of the district under the guidance of the Secretary, DLSA

ELIGIBILITY & QUALIFICATION:

The persons applying for the posts in Legal Aid Defense Counsel System (LADCS), He / She;

1. Must be a citizen of India.
2. Should not be less than 21 years as on the date of Notification and others eligibility and education qualifications as follows;

Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel:

He / She must have;

- Practice in Criminal law for at least 7 years,
- Excellent understanding of criminal law,
- Excellent oral and written communication skills,
- Skill in legal research,
Through understanding of ethical duties of defense counsel,
Ability at work effectively and efficiently with others,
Must have handle at least 20 criminal trials in Sessions Court,
- IT Knowledge with proficiency in work.

Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel:

He / She must have;

- Practice in criminal law from 1 to 3 years,
- Good oral and written communication skills,
- Thorough understanding of ethical duties of defense counsel,
- Ability to work effectively and efficiently with others,
- Excellent writing and research skills,
- IT knowledge with proficiency in work.

Office Assistant/ Clerks:

He / She must have;

- Graduation of Any degree,
- Basic word processing skills and the ability to operate computer,
- Typing speed of 40 WPM,
- Ability to take dictation and entering data,
- File maintenance and processing knowledge

Office Peon (Masalchi / Attendant):

He /She must have;

- Pass 8th Standard
- Ability in cleaning and to do hospitality related works

PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION:

Legal Aid Defense Counsels and other posts shall be engaged;

1. On contract basis in district initially for a period of two years with a stipulation of extension on yearly basis on satisfactory performance.
2. Selection of Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel, Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel, and Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel will be based on merit, taking into account of the years of practice, Handling of criminal cases in sessions courts, Legal knowledge, writing skills of candidates.
3. The selection of Receptionist Cum Data Entry Operator, Office Assistant and Office Peon will be based on merit, taking into account the educational Qualification, Computer knowledge, skills and experience of candidates.
4. The selection shall be carried out by selection committee under the Chairmanship of the Principal District & Sessions Judge (Chairman, DLSA) as envisaged in NALSA (free and competent Legal Services) Regulations 2010, subject to final approval by the Executive Chairman, TNSLSA.

WORK PROFILES:

Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel

- Conducting trials/ appeals/ Remand work/ Bail applications as assigned by Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel.
- Filling and arguing appeals and bail applications in Courts.
- Maintaining complete case files.
- Doing legal research in legal aided cases and guiding Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel and law students attached with the office in legal research.
- Proper client interviews at various stages for quality research work and representation at remand trial and appellate stage.
- Any work/duty assigned by Legal Services Authority.

Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel

- Conducting legal research in legal aided cases.
- Visits to Jail Clinics twice in a week.
- Providing assistance at pre-arrest stage to suspects.
- Assisting Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel and deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsel in conduct of legal aided cases.
- Assisting in developing a Defense strategy after sifting through all of the evidence collected by the prosecution and after hearing the accused's version of what happened during the alleged crime in question.
- Visiting location/area of alleged crime, having discussions with family members etc, for effective and meaningful input for Defense strategy.
- Handling queries of legal aid seekers.
- Updating legal aid seekers about the progress of their cases.
- Assisting in maintaining complete files of legal aided cases.
- Handling legal queries relating to criminal matters on telephone.
- Any other work related to legal aid assigned by Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel.
- Any work/Duty assigned by Legal Services Authority.

Office Assistant / Clerk

- Keeping updated record of legal aided cases
- Uploading the updated record/progress of the legal aid cases on NALSA portal.
- Maintaining complete files of legal aided cases and keeping files with proper index in a systematic manner.
- Typing bail applications, petitions, etc.
- Doing ministerial work related to cases such as filling applications for copies of orders, judgment etc,
- Any other task assigned by the Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel.
- Any work/duty assigned by Legal Services Authority.

Office Peon (Masalchi/Attendant)

- Cleaning the office before the commencement of office hours.
- Ensuring that all places in the office are kept clean.
- Brining and serving water, beverages to the visitors in the Office.
- Carrying dak etc.
- Any other work assigned by Legal Services Authority.

TERMINATION OF SERVICES

Services of any human resource / staff including Legal aid Defense counsel engaged in the office of Legal Aid Defense Counsel can be terminated at any time, without any prior notice in the following cases:

- i. He/she substantially breaches any duty or service required in the office.
- ii. Seeks or accepts any pecuniary gains from the legal aid seekers or beneficiary or his friend or relative.
- iii. Charged or Convicted for any offence.
- iv. Indulges in any type of political activities.
- v. Found incapable of rendering professional services of the required standards.
- vi. Failure to attend training programmes without any sufficient cause.
- vii. Indulges in activities prejudicial to the working of legal aid Defense counsel office.
- viii. Using his/her position in legal aid Defense counsel office to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for him/herself or others.
- ix. Acts in breach of code of ethics.
- x. Remains absent without leave for more than two weeks.

CODE OF ETHICS:

Personnel engaged in the office of Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall observe the following code of ethics:

- No personnel shall act in any matter in which he/she has a direct or indirect personal or financial interest.
- No personnel shall willfully disclose or use, whether or not for the purpose of pecuniary gain, any information that he/she obtained, received or acquired during the fulfillment of his/her official duties and which is not available to members of the general public.
- No personnel within the office of Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall make use of his/her office or employment for the purpose of promoting or advertising any outside activity.
- No personnel within the office of Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall engage in any outside activity or act as an independent practitioner.
- No personnel within the office of Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall solicit, agree to accept or accept, whether directly or indirectly, any gift, favour, service or other thing of value under circumstances from which it might be reasonably inferred that such gift, service, or other thing of value was given or offered for the purpose of influencing him/her in, or rewarding him/her for, the discharge of his/her official duties.
- Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall devote his/her full time to his/her duties for the office of Legal Aid Defense Counsel and shall not engage in private practice of law during the term of employment.
- Every Personnel of the office of Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall strive to preserve the public's confidence in the office's fair and impartial execution of its duties and responsibilities.
- Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall also follow the code of ethics prescribed by Bar Council of India for lawyers.

SALARY:

| S.No. | Name of the Post | Salary per Month |
|-------|--|------------------|
| 1 | Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel | Rs.40,000/- |
| 2 | Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel | Rs.25,000/- |
| 3 | Office Assistants / Clerks | Rs.15,000/- |
| 4 | Office Peon (Masalchi/Attendant) | Rs.12,000/- |

HOW TO APPLY:

The standard form of application is available in the Chengalpattu e-court website <https://chengalpattu.dcourts.gov.in> shall be used for applying the post along with two number of passport photographs and the applicants shall enclose self-attested photocopies of educational qualification along with experience certificate.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION:

The duly filled application in the prescribed format along with self-attested copy of certificates and all other supportive documents should be submitted in person (or) by post on or before 30.09.2024, @ 05.00 P.M. to the following address:

**CHAIRMAN/PRINCIPAL DISTRICT JUDGE,
District Legal Services Authority, ADR Building,
Chengalpattu, Pin – 603 001**

Note: Super scribe the envelope as Application for the post of.....in Legal Aid Defense Counsel System (LADCS) in DLSA, Chengalpattu

The applicant should submit the mobile / contact number in their applications for further required communication, if any.

Incomplete application will be rejected without assigning any reasons. No application will be entertained after the last date fixed.

-Sd/--

**Tmt.J.Mavis Deepika Sundaravadhana M.A.,M.L.,
Chairman/Principal District Judge,
District Legal Services Authority,
Chengalpattu.**

Date: 09.09.2024

Place: Chengalpattu

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ms Secretary/ Addl.Sub Judge,
DLSA(FAC),Chengalpattu

Copy to:

1. Notice Board of Principal District and Sessions Court, Chengalpattu
- 2. Notice Board of Principal District and Sessions Court, Kancheepuram
3. Notice Board of Chief Judicial Magistrate, District Court, Chengalpattu
- 4. Notice Board of Chief Judicial Magistrate, District Court, Kancheepuram
5. System Analyst, District Court for publish in District Court, Chengalpattu Website
- 6. System Analyst, District Court for publish in District Court, Kancheepuram Website
7. Notice board of District Legal Services Authority, Chengalpattu
8. The President / Secretary, Bar Association, Chengalpattu
9. The President / Secretary, Advocate Association, Chengalpattu
10. The Chairman, Taluk Legal Services Committee, Kancheepuram, Madurantakam, Alandur, Tambaram, Thirukazhukundram, Uthiramerur, Sriperumbudur .
11. File

APPLICATION FORM
DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY,
CHENGALPATTU

NAME OF THE POST APPLIED: Please mark in appropriate post

1) Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense
Counsel.

2) Assistant Legal Aid Defense
Counsel

(Use separate application for each post)

Self Attested

Passport Size

Photo of the

Applicant

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| 1. | Name of the applicant (in English) as per the certificate. | : | | | |
| 2. | Father / Husband Name | : | | | |
| 3. | Date of Birth | : | DD | MM | YYYY |
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| 4. | Sex | : | | | |
| 5. | Bar Council Enrollment No | : | | | |
| 6. | Bar Council Enrollment Date and Year | : | | | |
| 7. | 1.Educational Qualification (copy of mark sheets, certificates, Bar certificates and any other related self attested certificates to be enclosed) | : | | | |

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| 8. | 2.Any other Addl. Qualification and experience certificates with self attested to be enclosed. | : | | | | | | |
| 9. | Community(tick relevant community) (copy of certificate to be enclosed) | : | OC | BC | MB C | SC | ST | others |
| 10. | Caste(with sub caste) | : | | | | | | |
| 11. | Nationality/Religion | : | | | | | | |
| 12. | Native Place | : | | | | | | |
| 13. | Whether the applicant married | : | Yes | | | No | | |
| 14. | Permanent Address | : | | | | | | |
| 15. | Experience, certificates to be attached | : | | | | | | |
| 16. | No. of Sessions Cases conducted in Session Courts(give details of Cases) | : | | | | | | |
| 17. | Do you claim priority? If yes, relevant certificates to be attached. | : | | | | | | |
| | 1.Destitute widow | : | Yes | | | No | | |
| | 2.Physically challenged person | : | Yes | | | No | | |
| | 3.Ex-service man or dependent ex-service man | : | Yes | | | No | | |

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| | 4. Intercaste marriage | : | Yes | No |
| | 5. Others. | : | Yes | No |
| 18. | Is the applicant punished in any criminal case? If so give details. | : | Yes | No |
| 19. | Is there any civil/criminal case pending against the applicant. If yes state the application. | : | Yes | No |
| 20. | Is there any spouse / relative working in this Judicial Department, Legal Services Authority, if it is so furnish the details. | : | | |
| 21. | No. of enclosures | : | | |

I declare that all the details furnished above are true to the best of my Knowledge.

Place:

Signature of the applicant

Date:



APPLICATION FOR LEGAL AID DEFENCE COUNSEL SYSTEM
DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, CHENGALPATTU

NAME OF THE POST APPLIED: Please mark in appropriate post

1) Office Assistant

2) Office Peon (Masalchi / Attendant)

(Use separate application for each post)

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| 1 | Name in Block Letters With initial at the end | | | | | | | | | PHOTO | |
| 2 | Address for Communication | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | Gender | MALE / FEMALE / TRANSGENDER | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Date of Birth | D | D | M | M | Y | Y | Y | Y | Age (as on 01.09.2024) | |
| | | | | | | | | | | Years | Months |
| 5 | Marital Status | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Father/Husband Name | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | Nationality | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Community | OC | BC | MBC | SC | ST | | | | | |
| 9 | Physically challenged | YES / NO. If yes, state the nature. | | | | | | | | | |

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| 10 | Permanent Address | | | | | | |
| 11 | Phone & Mobile Number | | | | | | |
| 12 | E-mail address (valid & functional) | | | | | | |
| 13 | Aadhaar Number | | | | | | |
| 14 | Educational Qualifications (Please list in chronological order from SSLC onwards) | | | | | | |
| | Certificates/ Degree | Specialization/ Branch | School/ College | Board/ University | Date of passing | Percentage / Grade | Class obtained |
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| 15 | Additional Information | | | | | | |
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