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PATRON-IN-CHIEF
Hon'ble Chief Justice
Jharkhand High Court

To,

Executive Chairman
D.N. Patel, Judge,
Jharkhand High Court

MEMBER SECRETARY Sir,
Arun Kumar Ra
(Pr. District Judge)

All the Pr. District Judges-cum-Chairmen
District Legal Services Authorities
State of Jharkhand-including
The Pr. Judicial Commissioner-cum-Chairman
District Legal Services Authority, Ranchi

As your goodself is well aware that the State Legal Services Authority has **limited fund** to ensure **Access to Justice for All**. Over the time, the work profile of the Authority has increased manifolds. Earlier, providing **Court- Based Legal Services** namely: Panel Lawyer and Court fees- was the main work of legal services. Nowadays, the domain of legal services has expanded vertically and horizontally tremendously. Retainer Advocate, Remand Advocate, Para Legal Volunteer, Panel Lawyer, Mediators etc. have become the main workforce. They have come on the pay roll of the Legal Services Authority. **Strategic deployment** of manpower and **optimal utilization methodology** are necessary to achieve the objective with limited resources under NALSA fund.

Therefore, **Hon'ble Executive Chairman, JHALSA** has been pleased to accord His Lordship's approval to **following urgent measures**:

- 1) There should be a panel of Retainer Advocate with clear cut allocation of month-wise duty. In a given month, there should be only one Retainer Advocate, e.g. . A, B, C, D are Panel Lawyers then, 'A' will be Retainer Advocate for January, 'B' will be for February, 'C' will be for March and so on.
- 2) An objective assessment should precede the appointment of Remand Advocate. What is the **bare minimum necessary number** of Remand Advocate should be first **ascertained realistically** by a DLSA. Based on that assessment, the Remand Advocate should be appointed.
- 3) Just like Retainer, there should be a **panel of Remand Advocates** as well. For a particular month, only such number of Remand Advocates should be on DLSA's pay roll that is **bare minimum necessary**.
- 4) The Remand Advocate should also be utilized as Retainer Advocate in the month of their deployment.
- 5) Except Front Office, PLVs' work days should not exceed 8 days a month.

The aforesaid measures come into force immediately.

Therefore, as directed, your goodself is requested to implement the aforesaid measures in letter and spirit.

Thanking you.

Yours Sincerely

28/2/19
(Arun Kumar Rai)