



**JHARKHAND HIGH COURT MIDDLE INCOME GROUP LEGAL AID SOCIETY**

**FAQ**  
**on**  
**Jharkhand High Court**  
**Middle Income Group**  
**Legal Aid Scheme**

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### 1Q. What is Middle Income Group Scheme ?

This scheme provides legal services to the middle income group citizens i.e. citizens whose gross income is not exceeding Rs. 5,00,000/- per annum.

### 2Q. Who are the office bearer of the Jharkhand High Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society ?

Sl. No.	Name of the office bearer	Designation
1	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Virender Singh, Chief Justice, High Court of Jharkhand	Patron-in-Chief
2	Hon'ble Mr. Justice D.N. Patel, Judge, Jharkhand High Court of India	President
3	Sri Binod Poddar, Advocate General, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi	Ex-Officio Vice President
4	Sri Rajiv Ranjan (Sr. Advocate), Chairman, Jharkhand State Bar Council	Honorary Secretary
5	Sri Ajit Kumar, Addl. Advocate General, Jharkhand, Ranchi	Honorary Treasurer

### 3Q. Who are the empanelled advocate of Jharkhand High Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society ?

Sl. No.	Name of the empanelled advocate
1	Sri P.C. Tripathi, Sr. Advocate, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi
2	Ms. M.M. Pal, Sr. Advocate, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi
3	Sri Anoop Kumar Mehta, Advocate, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi
4	Sri Rajiv Sinha, Assistant Solicitor General, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi
5	Dr. S.N.Pathak, Sr. Advocate, Jharkhand High Court , Ranchi
6	Sri R.P. Gupta, Advocate, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi
7	Sri Sudarshan Srivastava, Advocate, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi
8	Ms. Anubha Rawat Choudhary, Advocate, Jharkhand High Court , Ranchi
9	Ms. Rashmi Kumar, Advocate, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi
10	Ms. Vandana Singh, Advocate, Jharkhand High Court, Ranchi

### 4Q. With respect to which Court this scheme is applicable ?

The Scheme will be applicable for cases intending to be filed in High Court of Jharkhand.

**5Q. What is the process for availing benefit ?**

Every person who desires to avail of the services of an Advocate empanelled under the Scheme will have to approach the Secretary of the Scheme by filing an application in the prescribed form annexed hereto along with the relevant documents.

Any intending litigant desirous of availing the benefit of the scheme shall have to fill up the form prescribed and accept all the terms and conditions contained therein. The proforma shall also contain a schedule of fee and expenses as application from time to time. A sum of Rs. 200/- (non-refundable) shall be payable to the **Jharkhand High Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society** (JHCMIGLAS) as **service charges**. The applicant shall have to deposit the fee indicated by the Secretary, which will be in accordance with the schedule attached to the Scheme. It is the Secretary, who will register the case under the **Jharkhand High Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Scheme** and proceed to forward the papers to the Advocate/Senior Advocate on the panel for opinion.

In relation to the approximate expenses for preparation of the Court record, the Secretary will upon a perusal of the papers determine as to what would be the approximate amount necessary for the purpose of such preparation of the Court record, and in accordance with the schedule indicate the same to the applicant.

**6Q. Can choice lawyer's services be available ?**

The applicant may indicate any 3 names both in relation to the Advocate or the arguing Counsel or the Senior Counsel as the case may be in the order of preference from out of the panel maintained by Society. The Society would attempt to honour the choice indicated. However, the final right to assign the papers of the applicant under the Scheme to any Advocate or the arguing Counsel or Senior Counsel will remain with the **Jharkhand High Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society**.

As soon as the papers are received they would be assigned to the Advocate of the choice indicated by an applicant upon his request under the scheme.

### **7Q. What is procedure thereafter ?**

In case the learned Advocate after perusing them opines that this is not a fit case for filing in the Jharkhand High Court, in that view of the matter the applicant will not be entitled to be benefit of the Scheme. Upon such as endorsement being made either upon the case papers or in any accompanying letter, the **Jharkhand High Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society** shall return the papers forthwith to the applicant and deduct a sum of Rs. 400/- only towards service charges. The balance amount of service charges and the amounts which may have been deposited by the applicant with the Committee towards appropriation as fee and all expenses in the conduct of the case will be refunded. If the learned Advocate after examining the matter is satisfied that it is a fit case to be proceeded with, then the **Jharkhand High Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society** will proceed to take the view that an applicant is entitled to legal aid. The view expressed by the Learned Advocate will be final in so far as the eligibility of the applicant for obtaining the benefit of the Scheme is concerned.

### **8Q. What documents are required to be filed by applicant ?**

The applicants are required to submit the applications forms to the MIG Society along with full documentations. For instance, if he / she seeks to file an appeal against any order/judgement, he/ she is required to submit a certified copy of that order/judgement along with other relevant judgement, Petition copy filed by him/her in the High Court, copies of the Lower Court judgment / order and other relevant documents. If these are in a language other than English then the English translation of same may be required.

### **9Q. What is procedure for payment to Advocate ?**

On the assigning of a case to an Advocate under the Scheme the intending litigant will be directed to deposit with the Society the fee and expenses as per schedule as assessed by the Secretary. The payment to the Advocate or the service charges payable to the Scheme as stated in the schedule shall be in cash or bank draft.

The Advocate shall submit his bill on the basis of the amounts prescribed in the schedule with regard to printing, Court fee and his appearance fee alongwith a copy of the filing memo in token of a proof of filing the Petition / Appeal for which the claim is made. The Advocate will inform the Society about the admission of

any matter so that the client can be requested to pay the fee for processing the Appeal, without which information it will not be possible for the Committee to recover the amount from the client and pay to the Advocate on hearing of the case. The fee to the Advocate in regular matter shall be made on receipt of a bill from the Advocate at the time of the conclusion of the final hearing of the matter.

### **10Q. What is the duty and responsibility of Advocate ?**

Once the case is assigned to an Advocate it is the responsibility of the Advocate to deal with the matter as he/she deems fit in the interest of the client and the Advocate is required to communicate directly with the litigant and the Society will not monitor assignment and final disposal of the matter. However, the Society will intercede upon the receipt of a complaint in writing.

### **11Q. What is Complaint Redressal Mechanism ?**

After a complaint is received by the Society from the litigant and/ or the concerned Advocate against the litigant / Advocate then the Committee after enquiry may take such action as is deemed fit and necessary.

If the Advocate who is appointed under the Scheme is found negligent in the conduct of the case entrusted to him, then he will be required to return the brief together with the fee which may have been received by him from the applicant under the Scheme.

Further, the Society would not be responsible for the negligent conduct of the case but the entire responsibility will that be of the Advocate vis-a-vis the client. The name of the Advocate would however, be struck off from the panel prepared under the Scheme.

### **12Q. What is Schedule of Fee for Advocates ?**

#### **A) APPEARING ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER / APPELLANT**

Honorarium for drafting and filing First Appeal, Misc. Appeal, L.P.A., Tax Cases, Criminal Appeal (DB), Criminal Misc., Criminal Revision, Civil Revision, Second Appeal, MJC, Civil Review, Election Petition, CWJC (Civil Writ), Cr. WJC (Criminal Writ), Company Appeal, Comp. Pet/Application, Criminal Appeal (SJ), SLA

(Criminal), Death Reference, Contempt Appeal, Tax Appeal, Writ Petitions, Cr, Writ Petitions, Cross Objections, Cr.M.P., Criminal Contempt, Civil Contempt, C.M.P., Prob. Case, Arbi. Appl., Arbi. Appeal, Civil. Trans., Criminal Trans., Appeal Case (DB), Appeal Case (SB) Acq. Appeal, Tax Application including list of dates and miscellaneous application such as stay exemption, bail, condonation of delay including appearance, conferences with the client & also for drafting rejoinder affidavit and / or contesting matter after notice is issued by the Court and till the disposal of the matter at the notice stage including acting work and adjournment or final disposal at notice stage.

**....Consolidated Rs. 4,000/-**

Honorarium for hearing, after admission, of the matter at final disposal stage inclusive of adjournment, if any, and / or at appeal stage.

**....Rs. 1500/- per day of effective hearing  
upto a maximum of Rs. 4500/-**

Honorarium of drafting and filing regular/anticipatory bail application and hearing till issuance of Notice stage (excluding final disposal).

**....Consolidated Rs. 1000/-**

Honorarium for final hearing/disposal of regular/anticipatory bail application.

**....Consolidated Rs. 1500/-**

## **B) APPEARING ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENT**

Honorarium for drafting counter affidavit/rejoinder/ statement of objection and all other necessary applications including application for vacating stay and appearance inclusive of all conferences, upto admission stage excluding final disposal at notice stage.

**....Consolidated Rs. 3000/-**

Honorarium for hearing of matter, after admission, at final disposal stage including adjournment, if any, and / or at appeal stage.

**....Rs. 1500/- per day of effective hearing upto a maximum of Rs. 4500/-**

### **C) HONORARIUM FOR SENIOR ADVOCATES**

Honorarium for settlement of Writ Petition / Transfer Petition/Counter affidavit/ Rejoinder Affidavit/Statement of objection including conference etc.

**....Consolidated Rs. 2000/-**

Honorarium for appearance at final disposal stage, after admission.

**....Rs. 3000/- per day of effective hearing upto a maximum of Rs. 9,000/-**

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ii) For addl. Pages	Rs. 5/- per page

### **13Q. Where to go or whom to contact for any kind of help ?**

For all kind of help/information please contact the Member Secretary, Jharkhand State Legal Services Authority (08986601912), Dy. Secretary, Jharkhand State Legal Services Authority (09431387340), Secretary, High Court Legal Services Committee (09431100488). Office Address : Jharkhand High Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society Nyaya Sadan, Near A.G. Office, Doranda, Ranchi, **Fax : 0651-2482397, Email : [jhcmiglas@gmail.com](mailto:jhcmiglas@gmail.com)**





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