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Department of Pharmaceutical, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, Government of India
भारतीय संसद के अधिनियम द्वारा स्थापित राष्ट्रीय महत्व का संस्थान
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EOI No: NIPER/EOI/LEGAL/1009-2026

Date: 10.09.2026

Expression of Interest (EOI) for Empanelment of Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates for Providing Professional Legal Services to NIPER Ahmedabad on Case-to-Case Basis.

The National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), Ahmedabad, an Institute of National Importance under the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Government of India, invites Expressions of Interest (EOI) from eligible and experienced Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates for engagement as Legal Counsel on a Monthly Retainership Basis.

Scope of Work (Duties of the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates):

Expression of Interest (EOI) is invited from interested & experienced Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates having the required eligibility and expertise in the relevant field for empanelment with NIPER Ahmedabad for a period of 2 years extendable for 2 more year (1+1) based on performance and requirement basis on case to case basis.

The Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates shall represent and defend the interests of NIPER Ahmedabad before the competent Courts and other judicial/quasi-judicial authorities, as and when required, and shall provide legal advice whenever asked for and assistance to the Institute in matters including, but not limited to, the following:

1. **Service and Disciplinary Matters:** Providing legal opinions and representing the Institute in matters relating to service conditions, disciplinary proceedings, misconduct, appeals, and other service-related issues.
2. **RTI Matters:** Providing legal advice and assistance in matters arising under the Right to Information Act and related proceedings.
3. **Arbitration, Litigation and Dispute Resolution:** Handling and representing the Institute in arbitration proceedings, litigation and other dispute-resolution proceedings, as may be entrusted by the Institute.
4. **Contracts and Agreements:** Providing legal opinions on contractual matters and drafting, reviewing and vetting contracts, agreements, Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs), undertakings and other legal documents.
5. **Corporate and Statutory Matters:** Providing legal advice on matters relating to applicable corporate laws, statutory requirements, Rules and Regulations, and other relevant legal provisions applicable to the Institute.
6. **Legal Notices:** Drafting, reviewing and vetting legal notices, replies, representations, claims, counter-claims and other legal correspondence.
7. **Labour and Employment Matters:** Providing legal advice and assistance in matters relating to labour laws, employment-related disputes and other applicable labour and industrial laws.
8. **Government Rules and Guidelines:** Providing legal opinions and advice on Government of India Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Orders, Circulars and other statutory/procedural provisions applicable to NIPER Ahmedabad as an Autonomous Institute.
9. **Court Matters:** Appearing on behalf of and representing the Institute before the Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat at Ahmedabad, City Civil Session Court and also in the honorable Supreme Court of India, as and when required.
10. **Miscellaneous Legal Matters:** Providing legal advice, opinions and assistance on any other legal or related matter that may be entrusted by the **Director, NIPER Ahmedabad**, from time to time, in the interest of the Institute.



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Instructions to Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates:

1. NIPER Ahmedabad reserves the right to empanel one or more Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates, depending upon the requirements of the Institute. The allocation/assignment of cases, matters or legal work among the empaneled Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates shall be made at the sole discretion of the Director, NIPER Ahmedabad, based on the nature, complexity and requirements of the matter.
2. No Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates shall have any right or claim whatsoever to be empaneled merely by virtue of submitting an application or fulfilling the eligibility criteria.
3. Director, NIPER Ahmedabad reserves the right to replace Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates on a particular case with other empanelled Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates at any time.
4. Empanelment does not confer any right to allocation of work and NIPER reserves the right to engage any empanelled Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates based on the nature and requirements of the particular case.
5. NIPER Ahmedabad may undertake negotiations with the empanelled Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates, wherever considered necessary, in accordance with the applicable rules and procedures.
6. All payments will be made in INR.
7. No interest shall be paid for any delayed payment.
8. NIPER Ahmedabad may seek for clarification for further information to evaluate any application without assigning any reason whatsoever.
9. NIPER Ahmedabad reserves all the right to accept or reject any application without assigning any reasons whatsoever.
10. An undertaking (self-certificate) is to be submitted that the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates has not been blacklisted by any Central/State Government Department /Organization.
11. All the pages of the EOI document should be duly signed with date and seal by the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. The applicant must be a qualified legal practitioner/advocate enrolled with the Bar Council of India/State bar Council.
2. Minimum 7 years of experience as an Advocate in handling service matters, arbitration, contract, and court cases.
3. Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates should have its office in the Ahmedabad/Gandhinagar, Gujarat and functional for the last 02 years as on the last date of submission of the EOI. The Law Firm/Legal Counsel shall submit documentary evidence establishing the location and continuous functioning of the office for the preceding two (02) years, such as valid office registration/establishment documents, rent/lease agreement, municipal/property tax records, GST registration, professional registration or any other relevant document acceptable to NIPER Ahmedabad.
4. Experience of working with Government Department/Autonomous Bodies/PSUs/Academic Institutions shall be preferred. The applicant should have sound knowledge of service law, administrative law, contract law, arbitration, constitutional law, and other relevant laws applicable to Government institutions etc. The



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applicant should not have any conflict of interest with NIPER, Ahmedabad. The applicant must have a good professional standing and reputation.

5. For the individual, age should not exceed 62 years.

Terms and Conditions of Engagement:

The engagement shall be purely on a case to case basis. The initial tenure shall be two (02) year, extendable up to two (2) more years based on performance and requirement.

1. Mere submission of application and fulfilment of eligibility criteria shall not entitle the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates for empanelment.
2. The Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates shall maintain strict confidentiality of all official documents and information.
3. The Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates shall ensure the timely submission of legal opinions and draft documents.
4. No additional remuneration shall be payable.
5. The initial tenure shall be two year, extendable for 2 more year (1+1) based on performance and requirement basis.
6. The Director, NIPER Ahmedabad, reserves the right to cancel or withdraw the EOI at any stage and at any time without assigning any reason thereof.
7. The Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates shall ensure the timely submission of legal opinions and draft documents.
8. The Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates shall not represent any party against NIPER, Ahmedabad during the period of engagement.
9. The engagement may be terminated by either side with one month's notice.
10. The Director, NIPER Ahmedabad shall have the right to discontinue services in the event of unsatisfactory performance or a conflict of interest.
11. The Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates shall be required to be available physically or virtually, as and when required by NIPER Ahmedabad/Court.
12. All applicable statutory deductions (if any) shall be made as per rules.
13. Conflict of Interest Declaration – Require applicants to submit a declaration confirming that they are not representing any party against NIPER Ahmedabad and will immediately disclose any potential conflict arising during the engagement.
14. No Employer–Employee Relationship – Clarify that the engagement is purely professional and does not create an employer–employee relationship or entitle the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates to any service benefits.
15. Jurisdiction – State that any dispute arising from the engagement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the competent courts at Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

Mode to apply and last date to submit application:

Interested and eligible Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates may submit their detailed CV, annexure- “A” with complete information along with relevant credentials/qualification/experience certificate. The duly filled in Application Form along with all supporting documents/information should be send on email id legal@niperahm.res.in and same must be send in a closed envelope super scribing “EOI for Engagement of Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates on Case to Case Basis.” should reach the following address by 09.10.2026



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To,
The Registrar,
National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), Ahmedabad
Opposite Air Force Station,
Palaj, Gandhinagar- 382355, Gujarat, India

EOI received after the prescribed date or without the required supporting documents are liable to be rejected.

Payable Fee to Law Firms/ Legal Counsel:

Professional fees will be paid as per the Govt. of India rates issued by the Ministry of Law and Justice, Department of Legal Affairs, Judicial Section from time to time.

The rates currently applicable are prescribed vide Office Memorandum No. J-12011/6/2025-Judicial/E.158060 dated 05.02.2026, issued by the Ministry of Law and Justice, Department of Legal Affairs, Judicial Section, a copy of which is enclosed with this EOI as Annexure-“B”.

Selection Process:

Shortlisted candidates may be called for an interaction/presentation if found suitable to assess suitability.

Reporting and Monitoring:

The performance of the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates shall be reviewed periodically by the Registrar, NIPER Ahmedabad. Continuation/renewal shall be based on performance, responsiveness, and institutional requirements.

Annexure- “A”

Sr. No.	Description	Particulars
1	Name of the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates	
2	Status (Legal entity)	
3	Constitution	
4	Address with Pin Code	
5	Names of Partners/Associates (if any)	
6	Number of Advocates employed	
7	Date of Birth (in case of Advocate)/Date of incorporation (in case of Law firm)	
8	Contact person (Management)	
9	Contact number	
10	Fax No.	
11	Mobile No.	



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12	Email Id.	
13	Web address	
14	Details of PAN	
15	Details of GST Registration No.	
16	A copy of complete EOI document duly signed and sealed as a token of acceptance of all terms and Conditions.	
17	Period of practice & Areas of Specialization	
18	List of clients e.g. Govt. Departments /PSUs	

19	Whether Counsel/ Pleader of any Govt. Departments /PSUs (indicate period)	Name of Dept./PSU : On Panel: From_____to_____ Avg. No. of matters assigned by Dept./ PSU in a year__																																
20	Details of Experience/practice	S.No.	Courts/ Tribunals/Authorities before which practiced	Period of practice																														
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23	Number of Junior Associates/Associates available for Legal work (with more than five years of experience)	
24	Number of Junior Associates/Associates available for Legal work (with less than five years of experience).	
25	Supporting documents, duly signed and stamped, as per the requirement under eligibility criteria mentioned above	
26	Any other relevant Information.	



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Check List of Documents to be submitted by the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates

Sr. No.	Document required to be submitted	Documents to be submitted as proof	Documents Submitted (YES/NO)	Page No.
01	The applicant must be a qualified legal practitioner/advocate enrolled with the Bar Council of India/State bar Council.	Copy of valid Certificate of Enrolment/Enrolment Certificate issued by the concerned State Bar Council/Bar Council of India. AND copy of valid Bar Council ID/Certificate of Practice, wherever applicable.		
02	Minimum 7 years of experience as an Advocate in handling service matters, arbitration, contract, and court cases.	Experience Certificate(s)/Experience Documents clearly indicating the period of practice and experience in service matters, arbitration, contracts and court cases. For an individual Advocate, self-declaration/affidavit regarding period and nature of legal practice, supported by relevant documentary evidence, may also be obtained. Copy of Vakalatnama/Orders/Judgments/Case List, wherever required to substantiate relevant experience.		
03	Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates should have its office in the Ahmedabad/Gandhinagar, Gujarat and functional for the last 02 years as on the last date of submission of the EOI.	Proof of Office Address in Ahmedabad/Gandhinagar, such as registered office certificate, GST Registration Certificate, Shops & Establishment Registration, professional tax registration, rent/lease agreement, utility bill, etc. AND documentary evidence establishing that the office has been functional for at least 02 years, such as earlier registration documents, lease/rent documents, GST records, professional correspondence, etc.		
04	For the individual, age should not exceed 62 years.	Self-attested copy of Date of Birth proof, such as Matriculation/10th Certificate, Birth Certificate, Passport, or other valid government-issued document showing date of birth.		
05	Applicants to submit a declaration confirming that they are not representing any party against NIPER Ahmedabad and will immediately disclose any potential conflict arising during the engagement.	Signed Declaration/Undertaking regarding Conflict of Interest and Non-representation against NIPER Ahmedabad, as prescribed in the EOI.		
06	An undertaking (self-certificate) is to be submitted that the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates has not been blacklisted by any Central/State Government Department/Organization.	Self-Certification/Undertaking of Non-Blacklisting, duly signed and stamped, declaring that the applicant has not been blacklisted/debarred by any Central/State Government Department/Organization/PSU/Autonomous Body.		



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07	Annexure- A	Duly filled and signed Annexure-A, along with all supporting documents prescribed therein, wherever applicable.		
08	All the pages of the EOI document should be duly signed with date and seal by the Law Firms/Legal Counsel/Advocates.	Complete copy of EOI document duly signed, dated and stamped/sealed on each page by the authorized person/Advocate.		

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Department of Legal Affairs
(Judicial Section)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated the 05th February, 2026

Office Memorandum

Subject - Revision of fee payable to various categories of Central Government Counsel – reg.

In partial modification to this Department's various OMs issued from time to time, the undersigned is directed to convey approval of Competent Authority for the revision of the fee structure applicable to Government counsels of all categories with effect from i.e.01.02.2026 as per the details given below: -

Table 'A'

The fee structure applicable to Group 'A', 'B' and 'C' panel Counsel in Supreme Court

Sl. No.	Item of work	Group 'A' Counsel	Group 'B' & 'C' Counsel
1.	All Regular Appeals and defended Writ Petitions (for final hearing) per case per day	21600/-	14400/-
2.	All defended Admission matters (SLP/TP, writ petitions & other misc. matters for admission) per case per day	14400/-	7200/-
3.	Settling of pleadings (per case)	8400/-	--
4.	Appearance in Miscellaneous Applications (per case)	7200/-	--
5.	Drafting SLP/Counter Affidavit/ Rejoinder etc. (per case)	--	4800/-
6.	Drawing Written Submission (per case)	--	4800/-
7.	Drafting or Appearance in Miscellaneous Applications (including mentioning the case / Caveat / Clearance/ obtaining the number and taking date for the hearing) (per case basis)	--	4800/-
8.	Conference	1440/-	--
9.	Daily fee for services out of Headquarters	21600/-	14400/-
10.	Entitlement for travel / hotel expenses for services availed outside Headquarters	Where a Counsel is required to perform journey outside the	


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		headquarter in the course of his duties (official purpose), he shall be paid or reimbursed travelling and on boarding and lodging as per the level – 12 of 7 th CPC of the Central Government.	
11.	Clerkage	Nil	Nil
12.	Fee in identical/ connected cases: If matter is contested (per case) If matter is disposed of without contest (per case) (in terms of clause 8 (ii) in chapter 1 hereinabove)	If substantially identical SLP/Petitions-- of Appeal/Counter Affidavits including stay applications are drafted in connected cases, only one drafting fee will be payable in the main case and no separate drafting fee will be payable in connected cases	
13.	Out of pocket and Misc. expenses	Not applicable	Not applicable

All other terms and conditions applicable to Group 'A', 'B' and 'C' Panel Counsel in Supreme Court in the pre-revised OM No. 21(04)/1999-Judl. dated 24.09.1999 read with OM No. 21(05)/2011-Judl. dated 01.10.2011 shall continue to remain applicable unless specifically revoked/revised.

Table-B

**All the High Courts and Tribunals
(Except Principal Benches of High Court of Bombay and Calcutta)**

The Fee structure applicable to Deputy Solicitors General of all High Courts and its Benches, Counsels of all the High Courts and Tribunals (except Principal Benches of High Court of Bombay and Calcutta alongwith CAT Mumbai and Kolkata Benches) as per the following rates:

Sl. No.	Item of work	Dy.SG, Sr. CGSC, CGSC, and SPC	CGC, Addl. CGSC & GP
1.	Retainership fee (per month) [admissible to all the Deputy Solicitors General of India; Sr. CGSC and CGSC (DHC)]	14400/-	

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2.	Suits, Writ Petitions, and Appeals, including oral Applications for Leave to Appeal to the Supreme Court in Writ Petitions along-with Criminal Revision Applications, Criminal Reference matters, Contempt Petition (Criminal), Misc. Criminal cases, Bail Applications etc. (per case per day)	(a) 14400/- (b) 2400/-	(a) 3600/- (b) 720/-
	(a) For effective hearing		
	(b) for non-effective hearing (maximum five non-effective hearings in a case or bunch of cases)		
3.	Application for Leave to Appeal to Supreme Court in Writ Petitions (per case)	4800/-	--
4.	Settling pleadings (per case)	4800/-	--
5.	Drafting of pleadings, counter affidavits / returns / answer to writ petitions / grounds of appeal and application for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court except in cases where fee on ad valorem basis has been prescribed (per pleading)	--	2160/-
6.	Drafting of civil miscellaneous applications to petitions under the Indian Succession Act, contempt of court proceedings and other proceedings of an original nature (per petitions)	--	1800/-
7.	Original suits, civil appeals from decrees in suits and proceedings including 2 nd appeal and land acquisition appeal except LPA from petitions under article 226 and 227 of the Constitution i.e. Ad Valorem/regulation fee (It is a lump sum fee per case including drafting fee)	--	As per concerned respective High Court General rules/procedure.
8.	Miscellaneous Application	4800/-	--
9.	Conference fee* (per conference)	1440/- Subject to : (i) for setting pleadings : one conference (ii) In respect of hearing of Writ matters, Suits	720/-

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		appeals and Supreme Courts leave applications etc. - three conferences (maximum)	
10.	Entitlement for travel / hotel for services availed outside Headquarters	Where a Counsel is required to perform journey outside the headquarter in the course of his duties (official purpose), he shall be paid or reimbursed travelling and on boarding and lodging as per the level - 11 of 7 th CPC of the Central Government.	Where a Counsel is required to perform journey outside the headquarter in the course of his duties (official purpose), he shall be paid or reimbursed travelling and on boarding and lodging as per the level - 11 of 7 th CPC of the Central Government.
11.	Clerkage @10% of total fee in a case	---	2880/-
12.	Fee in identical / connected cases: (a) If matter is contested - When the Counsel filed Separate and materially different, affidavits, applications or grounds of appeal etc. in more than one case but the argument is heard in the main case and the other cases are decided accordingly, the Counsel shall be paid the full fee in the main case and Rs.150/-in each of the connected cases. (b) If matter is disposed of without contest - when the main case has been contested as in (a) above, but in the connected cases either affidavits or grounds of an appeal or petition similar to the one in the main case or nothing at all has been drafted by the Counsel, he shall be paid the full fee in the main case and Rs.75/- only in each of the connected case.	(a)1500/- (b)750/- (c)1/3rd fee in main case and Rs.1500/- in each of	(a) 600/- (b)300/- (c)1/3rd fee in main case and Rs. 600/-in

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(c) When substantially different affidavits are drafted in each connected case but all the cases are disposed of without contest, the Counsel shall get 1/3rd fees in the main case and Rs.150/- in each of the connected cases. (d) When the Counsel has drafted the affidavit, petition or ground of appeal in the main case and has not drafted them in the connected cases or the drafts in the connected cases are substantially similar to the one in the main case and the cases are disposed of without contest, the Counsel shall get 1/3rd fees in the main case and Rs.75/- in each of the connected cases	the connected matters. (d) 1/3rd fee in main case and Rs. 750/- in each of the connected matters.	each of the connected matters. (d) 1/3rd fee in main case and Rs. 300/- in each of the connected matters.
13. Out of pocket and Misc. expenses	As per actual and subject to satisfaction of Ministry / Department concerned	

All other terms and conditions applicable to Counsel in various High Courts/CAT Benches (excluding the High Court of Bombay and Calcutta) in to this Department's OM No. 24(02)/99-Judl. OM No. 26(01)/99-Judl., OM No. 25(03)/99-Judl. and OM No. 26(02)/99-Judl. all dated 24.09.1999 read with OM No. 26(01)/2005-Judl. dated 31.01.2008 and OM No. 26(01)/2011-Judl. dated 01.10.2011 shall continue to remain applicable unless specifically revoked/revised.

Table 'C'

High Courts (Principal Benches) as well as CAT & Other Tribunals Benches of Bombay and Calcutta

The Fee structure applicable to Counsels of High Courts (Principal Benches) as well as Central Administrative Tribunal & Other Tribunals Benches in Bombay and Calcutta as per the following rates:

Sl. No.	Item of work	Rates of fee			
		Special Counsel	Senior Counsel Group - I	Senior Counsel Group - II	Jr. Counsel Advocate on record.
1.	Suits, Appeals, Writ/Revision Petitions including Special Civil Application in High Court along-with Criminal Revision Applications, Criminal Reference matters,	14400/-	9600/-	6000/-	2880/-

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	Contempt Petition (Criminal), Misc. Criminal cases, Bail Applications etc.				
	Per conference/ consultation	1440/-	1200/-	960/-	720/-
2.	Application including interim Motions, Notices, Appeals, Leave Application, Arbitration, Company Matter, Criminal revision and other Land Acquisition References (Per day per effective hearing)	4800/-	4800/-	3600/-	2160/-
	Per conference/Consultation	1440/-	1200/-	960/-	720/-
3.	Drafting or Settling Pleadings, and Affidavits (per pleading)	4800/-	2880/-	2400/-	1680/-
	Per conference/Consultation	1440/-	1200/-	960/-	720/-
4	Appearance before Arbitration and Tribunal etc. and Courts other than High Courts (Per day per effective hearing) Per conference/ Consultation	12000/-	9600/-	6000/-	3600/-
	Per conference/Consultation	1440/-	1200/-	960/-	720/-
5	Chamber Application, including Adjournment Application per day inclusive of consultation	-	2400/-	1440/-	960/-
6	Written opinions and written advice including advice on evidence (inclusive of consultation)	6000/-	3600/-	2160/-	1680/-
7	Entitlement for Travel and Hotel expenses for services availed out of headquarter	Where a Counsel is required to perform journey outside the headquarter in the course of his duties (official purpose), he shall be paid or reimbursed travelling and on boarding and lodging as per the level - 12 of 7 th CPC of the Central Government.			Where a Counsel is required to perform journey outside the headquarter in the course of his duties (official purpose), he shall be paid or reimbursed travelling and on boarding and lodging as per the level - 11 of 7 th CPC of the Central Government.

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All other terms and conditions applicable to the Counsels of High Courts as well as CAT Benches of Bombay and Kolkata in the pre-revised OM No. 23(02)/2001-Judl. & OM No. 22(02)/2001- dated 14th July 2001 read with OM No. 23(02)/2011-Judl. dated 1st October 2011 shall continue to remain applicable unless specifically revoked/revised.

Note: There will be no ceiling on the number of conference/consultation in the case of Special Counsel, however in the case of other categories of Counsels, the number of conferences per cases will be limited to four (relaxable to six) at the discretion of the Incharge (Litigation) of Branch Secretariat, Mumbai/Kolkata.

Table – D

All the District & Subordinate Courts throughout the Country

The fee structure applicable to Standing Government Counsel and Additional Standing Government Counsel in all the District & Subordinate Courts throughout the Country as per the following rates:

Sl. No.	Item of work	Rate of fee (all figures are in Indian Rupees)
1.	Retainership fee admissible to 'Standing Government Counsel' only (per month) (except in Delhi)	9600/-
2.	Fee for effective hearing (per case per day)	2880/-
3.	Fee for non-effective hearing (per case per day for maximum five non-effective hearings in a case)	960/-
4.	Fee for drafting Written Statement, Grounds of Appeal, etc. (per pleading)	2400/-
5.	Fee for drafting other pleadings of misc. nature (per pleading)	960/-
6.	Fee per Conference* (Subject to maximum five conferences in a case or group of identical cases)	1440/-
7.	Daily fee for out of Headquarters (per day)	3600/-
8.	Entitlement for travel / hotel expenses for services availed out of Headquarters	Where a Counsel is required to perform journey outside the headquarter in the course of his duties (official purpose), he shall be paid or

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		reimbursed travelling and on boarding and lodging as per the level - 8 of 7 th CPC of the Central Government.
9.	Clerkage 10% of total fee excluding miscellaneous and out of pocket expenses	8400/-
10.	Fee in identical/connected cases	1200/-
11.	Out of pocket and Misc. expenses	As per actual and subject to satisfaction of Ministry / Department concerned

All other terms and conditions applicable to above mentioned Counsels in to this Departments' OM No. 27(11)/1999-Judl dated 24.09.1999 read with OM No. 27 (25)/2011- Judl. dated 01.09.2011, shall continue to remain applicable unless specifically revoked/revised.

Table -E
Panel Counsel for conducting arbitration cases before the arbitrators and arbitration tribunals

The fee structure applicable to counsel for conducting arbitration cases before the arbitrators and arbitration Tribunals as per the following rates:

Sl. No.	Item of work	Rates of fee	
		Senior Arbitration Counsel	Junior Arbitration Counsel
1.	Fee for effective hearing (per appearance)	3600/-	2400/-
2.	Fee for Non-effective hearing (per appearance and for maximum four hearings in a case)	720/-	480/-
3.	For drafting pleadings (per pleading)	2400/-	1200/-
4.	Conference fee (subject to a maximum of three conferences in a case)	720/-	480/-
5.	Daily fee (Out of Headquarters) (per day)	4800/-	360/-
6.	Entitlement for travel / hotel expenses (for services availed out of Headquarters)	Where a Counsel is required to perform journey outside the headquarter in the course of his duties (official purpose), he shall be paid or reimbursed	Where a Counsel is required to perform journey outside the headquarter in the course of his duties (official purpose), he shall be paid or reimbursed

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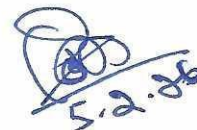
		travelling and on boarding and lodging as per the level - 12 of 7 th CPC of the Central Government.	travelling and on boarding and lodging as per the level - 11 of 7 th CPC of the Central Government.
7.	Clerkage (NEW ITEM)	10% of total fee in a case subject to a maximum of Rs. 2880/-	

All other terms and conditions applicable to OM No. 30(3)/99-Judl. dated 24.09.99 read with OM No. 26(1)/2005/Judl. dated 31.01.2008, shall continue to remain applicable unless specifically revoked/revised.

2. The above revised fee will be effective from 01.02.2026.

3. The counsels will be paid fee at the old rates in respect of their appearance in the Court etc. and other work done by them prior to 01.02.2026 and at the revised rates in respect of the work done by them on/ after 01.02.2026.

4. This issues with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure E.II(B) Branch, ID Note No.9/8/2025-E.II(B) dated 02.03.2015 and 12.01.2026.



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9. All Standing Govt. Counsel and Additional Standing Govt. Counsel before various District and Subordinate Courts as per the list.
10. All Senior/Junior Counsel of the Arbitration Panel.

11. All Special Counsel, Senior Counsel Group-1, Senior Counsel Group-It and Junior Counsel of High Courts as well as CATs Benches of Bombay and Kolkata through the concerned Incharge of Branch Secretariat of Bombay and Kolkata.
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