

MEGHALAYA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY: SHILLONG
(Established under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987)

Dated Shillong the 18th November, 2022.

NOTIFICATION

No.MSLSA/JVC/142/2014/5, - In superceeding to the Notification No.MSLSA.154/05/21/08/DSJ/231, dt.14th May, 2014, the Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority is pleased to Re-constitute the Jail Visiting Committees with the following Members in respect of the District Prisons & Correctional Homes at Shillong, Tura, Jowai, Williamnagar and Nongpoh.

DISTRICT PRISONS & CORRECTIONAL HOME, SHILLONG

EAST KHASI HILLS DISTRICT

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| a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong | - | Chairman |
| b. Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong | - | Member Secretary |
| c. Additional District Magistrate, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District) | - | Member |
| d. The Judge, District Council Court, Shillong | - | Member |
| e. Superintendent of Police, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong | - | Member |
| f. One Senior Advocate of the District Court (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| g. Judicial Magistrate First Class, Sohra | - | Member |
| h. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| i. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

WEST KHASI HILLS DISTRICT

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| a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin | - | Chairman |
| b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin | - | Member Secretary |
| c. Additional District Magistrate, West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, West Khasi Hills District) | - | Member |
| d. Superintendent of Police, West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin | - | Member |
| e. One Senior Advocate, (to be nominated by DLSA) | - | Member |
| f. The SDO (c) Mairang, Eastern West Khasi Hills District | - | Member |
| g. Judicial Magistrate First Class, Mairang, Eastern West Khasi Hills District | - | Member |
| h. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| i. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

EASTERN WEST KHASI HILLS DISTRICT (till new DLSA/committee is constituted)

- a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin - Chairman
- b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin - Member Secretary
- c. Additional District Magistrate, Eastern West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, Eastern West Khasi Hills District) - Member
- d. Superintendent of Police, Eastern West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin - Member
- e. One Senior Advocate, (to be nominated by DLSA) - Member
- f. Judicial Magistrate First Class, Mairang, Eastern West Khasi Hills District - Member
- g. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority) - Member
- h. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) - Member

SOUTH WEST KHASI HILLS DISTRICT

- a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, South West Khasi Hills District, Mawkyrwat - Chairman
- b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, South West Khasi Hills District, Mawkyrwat - Member Secretary
- c. Additional District Magistrate, South West Khasi Hills District, Mawkyrwat (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, South West Khasi Hills District) - Member
- d. Superintendent of Police, South West Khasi Hills District, Mawkyrwat - Member
- e. One Senior Advocate (to be nominated by DLSA) - Member
- f. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority) - Member
- i. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) - Member

DISTRICT PRISONS & CORRECTIONAL HOME, JOWAI

WEST JAINTIA HILLS DISTRICT

- a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai - Chairman
- b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai - Member Secretary
- c. Additional District Magistrate, West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, West Jaintia Hills District) - Member
- d. The Judge District Council Court, Jowai - Member

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| e. Superintendent of Police, West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai | - | Member |
| f. One Senior Advocate (to be nominated by DLSA) | - | Member |
| g. Judicial Magistrate First Class, Amlarem Sub Division | - | Member |
| h. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| j. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

EAST JAINTIA HILLS DISTRICT

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| a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, East Jaintia Hills District, Khliehriat | - | Chairman |
| b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, East Jaintia Hills District, Khliehriat | - | Member Secretary |
| c. Additional District Magistrate, East Jaintia Hills District, Khliehriat (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, East Jaintia Hills District) | - | Member |
| d. Superintendent of Police, East Jaintia Hills District, Khliehriat | - | Member |
| e. One Senior Advocate (to be nominated by DLSA) | - | Member |
| f. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson of District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| k. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

DISTRICT PRISONS & CORRECTIONAL HOME, NONGPOH

RI BHOI DISTRICT

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| a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh | - | Chairman |
| b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh | - | Member Secretary |
| c. Additional District Magistrate, Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, Ri Bhoi District) | - | Member |
| d. Superintendent of Police, Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh | - | Member |
| e. One Senior Advocate (to be nominated by DLSA) | - | Member |
| f. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| g. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

DISTRICT PRISONS & CORRECTIONAL HOME, WILLIAMNAGAR

EAST GARO HILLS DISTRICT

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| a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar | - | Chairman |
| b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar | - | Member Secretary |

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| c. Additional District Magistrate, East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, East Garo Hills District) | - | Member |
| d. Superintendent of Police, East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar | - | Member |
| e. One Senior Advocate (to be nominated by DLSA) | - | Member |
| f. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson of District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| h. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

DISTRICT PRISONS & CORRECTIONAL HOME, TURA

WEST GARO HILLS DISTRICT

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| a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, West Garo Hills District, Tura | - | Chairman |
| b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, West Garo Hills District, Tura | - | Member Secretary |
| c. Additional District Magistrate, West Garo Hills District, Baghmara (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, West Garo Hills District) | - | Member |
| d. The Judge, District Council Court, Tura | - | Member |
| e. Superintendent of Police, West Garo Hills District, Tura | - | Member |
| f. One Senior Advocate (to be nominated by DLSA) | - | Member |
| g. Judicial Magistrate First Class, Dadenggre Sub Division | - | Member |
| h. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| i. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

NORTH GARO HILLS DISTRICT

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| a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, North Garo Hills District, Resubelpara | - | Chairman |
| b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, North Garo Hills District, Resubelpara | - | Member Secretary |
| c. Additional District Magistrate, North Garo Hills District, Resubelpara (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner, North Garo Hills District) | - | Member |
| d. Superintendent of Police, North Garo Hills District, Resubelpara | - | Member |
| e. One Senior Advocate (to be nominated by DLSA) | - | Member |
| f. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| j. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

SOUTH GARO HILLS DISTRICT

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| a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson,
District Legal Services Authority, South Garo Hills District,
Baghmara | - | Chairman |
| b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority,
South Garo Hills District, Baghmara | - | Member Secretary |
| c. Additional District Magistrate, South Garo Hills District,
Baghmara (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner,
South Garo Hills District) | - | Member |
| d. Superintendent of Police, South Garo Hills District, Baghmara | - | Member |
| e. One Senior Advocate (to be nominated by DLSA) | - | Member |
| f. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson
District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| k. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by
District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

SOUTH WEST GARO HILLS DISTRICT

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| a. The District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District
Legal Services Authority, South West Garo Hills District,
Ampati | - | Chairman |
| b. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, South
West Garo Hills District, Ampati | - | Member Secretary |
| c. Additional District Magistrate, South West Garo Hills District,
Ampati (to be nominated by the Deputy Commissioner,
South West Garo Hills District) | - | Member |
| d. Superintendent of Police, South West Garo Hills District, Ampati | - | Member |
| e. One Senior Advocate(to be nominated by DLSA) | - | Member |
| f. One Social Worker (to be nominated by the Chairperson
District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |
| g. One Legal Aid Counsel (to be nominated by
District Legal Services Authority) | - | Member |

THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE PRISONS VISITING COMMITTEE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Rights of Child while in prisons with their mothers

(R.D. Upadhyay Vrs State of A.P & Others W.P (c) No.559 of 1994)

- To find out whether there is any such case where the child live inside prisons with this Mother.
- To look into the care, treatment, dietary scale, food, medical care, clothing, education and other recreational facilities of such children.
- To look into the basic minimum facilities for child delivery as well as pre-natal and post natal care for both the mother and the child and other arrangements for medical care of the pregnant woman during her stay in prisons.

2. **Standards Operating Procedures/Guidelines for identifying the juveniles detained in adult jails- High Court of Delhi in WP (c) No.8889/2011 (Court on its own motion Vrs Department of Women and Child Development & Others-W.P. (c) No.8889/2011)**

- (a) To inspect and identify any suspected juveniles living in adult prisons.
- (b) To interact and make enquires in respect of any suspected juveniles.
- (c) To enquire on lodging juveniles along with hardened adult criminals.

3. **Other Human Rights issues**

- (a) To enquire from the Medical Officer and Prisons Superintendent if there is any person suffering from cancer, tuberculosis, HIV-AIDS and other disease which are of serious health threats among inmates.
- (b) To enquire from the Medical Officer and Jail Superintendent if there is any mentally ill and lunatic persons living in the prisons.
- (c) To enquire on the availability of complaint box or Grievances deposit box.
- (d) To enquire on the availability of library books and other reading materials.
- (e) To enquire and interact with the inmates on any complaint or grievances faced by the inmates inside prisons.
- (f) To enquire from the Superintendent of the jail on issues of solitary confinement, handcuffs, fetters, custodial death, in human torture, in human treatment of the inmates etc.
- (g) To make surprise inspection and checking of the supply of food, supply of dietary items, hygienic sanitations, availability of toilets, latrines, availability of washing and bathing rooms/place cooking materials, cooking place, safe drinking water, medical facilities, hospitals, availability of medicines, good quality of food, accommodation, bedding, provisions of blankets, cleanliness of the environment where the inmates live, rehabilitation programmes, recreational activities, educational, vocational training, safety and security among inmates, Government sanctions for ration to prisoners, registers maintain by the jail authorities.
- (h) Other enquiries, inspection as the Committee, deemed necessary.
The above Committees will then send Monthly report to the State Legal Services Authority for any appropriate actions.



(E.Kharumnuid),
Member Secretary,

Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority.


Memo.No.M SLSA/JVC/142/2014/5-A,

Dated Shillong the 18th November, 2022.

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1. The Registrar cum Principal & Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Justice cum Registrar High Court of Meghalaya for kind information of His Lordship.
2. The Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.S. Thangkhiew, High Court of Meghalaya and Executive Chairman, Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority for kind information of His Lordship.

3. The Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Mr. Justice, W. Diengdoh, Judge, High Court of Meghalaya and Chairman, High Court Legal Services Committee for information of His Lordship.
4. The Registrar General, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for information.
5. The Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Law Department, Shillong for information.
6. The District & Sessions Judges, all Districts for information and necessary action.
7. The Director General of Prisons & Correctional Service Meghalaya, Shillong for information.
8. The Deputy Commissioners, all Districts for information.
9. The Judge, District Council Court, Shillong/Jowai/Tura for information.
10. The Additional District Magistrate, all Districts for information.
11. The Chief Judicial Magistrate cum Secretary, DLSA, all Districts for information.
12. The Superintendent of Police, all Districts for information.
13. Shri/Smti C/o _____ Advocate,
for information and necessary action.
14. Shri/Smti C/o _____, for
information and necessary action.
15. The Director of Printing & Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong for publishing the notification in the next issue of the Official Gazette.
16. The State Informatics Officer/ Computer Operator, Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority with a request to upload the same in the Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority website-mslsa.gov.in.


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