HIGH COURT OF DELHI: NEW DELHI

No. 72 /DHC/Gaz./2018
Dated: 15-10-20/8

ORDER

Hon'ble the Chief Justice vide order dated 10.10.2018 has been pleased to frame a Scheme for Redressal of Grievances of Members of the Bar in the Delhi District Courts and in the High Court.

An effective and responsive justice delivery system is quintessential of a democratic State. In order to make the justice delivery system effective and responsive it is necessary that there must be coordination amongst all its stakeholders. This is possible only if there is a free flow of exchange of views and mutual understanding between the Bar and the Bench on matters relating to the smooth functioning of the judicial system. During the course of functioning of the justice delivery system issues do crop up between the Bar and the Bench which need to be resolved at the earliest in a congenial atmosphere for smooth working of the court system. Thus, is felt the necessity to put in place a mechanism in order to resolve such issues and overcome challenges, to make the justice delivery system more efficient.

After due deliberations, it has been decided to set up a permanent mechanism to provide a platform for resolution of the issues concerning the Bar and the Bench.

The Scheme put into place visualises that the Committee constituted for this purpose at the District level must amicably resolve the matters brought before it at the earliest opportunity. If any issue remains unresolved within the desired time frame, the Committee at the District level must refer the same to the Committee at the High Court for that District. Similarly there is in place a Committee at the level of the High Court for ironing out issues concerning Members of the Delhi High Court Bar Association.

The mechanism so visualised will not only provide a platform for addressing concerns raised by Members of the Bar, but will also serve as a vehicle to achieve the cherished constitutional goal of a robust and speedy justice dispensation system.

Therefore the following Committees are constituted at the levels as indicated below:-

Committee for redressal of concerns of Members of the Bar Association at the District

1.	Chairperson of the Committee	The District & Sessions Judge of the concerned District
2.	Convenor of the Committee	The Administrative Civil Judge of the concerned District
3.	Members of the Committee	 (i) President of the District Bar Association of the concerned District (ii) Secretary of the District Bar Association of the concerned District (iii) Nominee of the Bar Council of Delhi

Committees at the High Court to Monitor redressal of concerns of Members of the Bar Association at the District

1.	Chairperson of the Committee	Chairperson,	BMCC	of	the	concerned
		District Court	Complex			
2.	Convenor of the Committee	Registrar General of the High Court		ırt		

3.	Members of the Committee	(i) Chairman, Bar Council of Delhi
		(ii) President of the concerned District Court
		Bar Association
		(iii)President of the Coordination Committee
		of the District Bar Associations.

The scope of work of the above mentioned Committees for dealing with concerns of Members of the Bar at the District level are as follows:-

- (i) To make recommendations for smooth functioning of the Court(s);
- (ii) To facilitate amicable resolution of the problems faced by the Members of the Bar in respect of functioning of the concerned District Court or its Registry— limited to procedural and logistical matters but excluding complaints about the conduct of any Judge.

Complaints against Judicial Officers shall not be looked into by the above mentioned Committees and the same shall continue to be put up before the Hon'ble Inspection Judges Committee or the Hon'ble Vigilance Committee for members of DHJS and DJS, as the case may be.

- (iii) To facilitate amicable resolution of issues concerning the Police;
- (iv) make appropriate recommendations to the respective BMCC of the High Court of the concerned court complex.

As matters relating to the scope of work of the above mentioned District Level Committees are bound to arise regularly and in order to ensure that the Committee at the High Court is kept informed of the issues at the District level (even if resolved), the Committees mentioned above shall

- The respective Committee(s) may convene meetings on a bi-monthly basis and on the request of the Bar subject however to any administrative exigencies;
- The Committees must ensure that the issue(s) brought before them are resolved, as far as possible, not later than six weeks from the date of presentation;
- Issues pertaining to District Court shall ordinarily be dealt with at the District level. However issue(s) concerning the High Court shall be referred to the respective Committee of the High Court;
- The District Committee shall regularly communicate their proceedings to the respective Committee of the High Court;
- Any issue despite due consideration remaining unresolved by the District Committee shall be referred for resolution to the respective High Court Committee along with the comments of the Chairperson of the concerned District Committee. In the event of the respective High Court Committee also being unable to resolve the issue(s) referred to it within six weeks of its receipt, the matter shall be placed before Hon'ble the Chief Justice for consideration along with comments of the Chairperson of the High Court Committee.

Apex Committee at the High Court for redressal of the concerns of members of the Delhi High Court Bar Association

1.	Chairperson of the Committee	Hon'ble Judge(s) of the High Court nominated by Hon'ble the Chief Justice
2.	Convenor of the Committee	Registrar General of the High Court
3.	Members of the Committee	(i) Chairperson, Bar Council of Delhi (ii) President of the Delhi High Court Bar

	Association (iii) Secretary of the Delhi High Court Bar Association.
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The scope of work of the Apex Committee at the High Court will be:-

- To make recommendations for smooth functioning of the High Court;
- To facilitate amicable resolution of the problems faced by the Members of the Bar in respect of functioning of the High Court or its Registry limited to procedural and logistical matters.
- To facilitate amicable resolution of the issues concerning the Police;
- The Committee may convene meetings on a bi-monthly basis and on the request of the Bar subject however to any administrative exigencies;
- The Committee must ensure that the issue(s) brought before it are resolved, as far as possible, not later than six weeks from the date of presentation;
- The Committee shall regularly communicate their proceedings to Hon'ble the Chief Justice;
- Any issue despite due consideration remaining unresolved by the Apex Committee shall be shall be placed before Hon'ble the Chief Justice for consideration along with comments of the Chairperson of the Apex Committee.

The decision(s) of all the above mentioned Committees shall, however, be subject to the final approval of Hon'ble the Chief Justice.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT

(DINESH KUMAR SHARMA)
REGISTRAR GENERAL

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Dated, the 15-10-248

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- 4. The District & Sessions Judge, South-West, Dwarka Courts Complex, New Delhi.
- 5. The District & Sessions Judge, North, Rohini Courts Complex, New Delhi.
- 6. The District & Sessions Judge, South-East, Saket Courts Complex, New Delhi.
- 7. The District & Sessions Judge, East, Karkardooma Courts Complex, Delhi.
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- 10. The District & Sessions Judge, North-East, Karkardooma Courts Complex, New Delhi.
- 11. The District & Sessions Judge, West, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi.
- 12. The Principal Judge, Family Courts (HQ), Dwarka Courts Complex, Dwarka, New Delhi.
- 13. The Secretary (Law, Justice & Legislative Affairs), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, New Delhi.
- 14. The Commissioner of Police, Police Headquarters, New Delhi.
- 15. The Joint Registrar-cum-Secretary to Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Private Secretary to all hon'ble Judges, Delhi High Court, for information of Hon'ble Judges.
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