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SCHOOL & MASS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 27th September, 2016

No.19686–XIV-SME(LC)-148/2016/SME.— Government in School & Mass Education Department, in consultation with Learned Advocate General, Odisha have been pleased to appoint the following Advocates as Standing Counsels to look after all the Court cases of the School & Mass Education Department in Orissa High Court / Odisha Administrative Tribunal, Bhubaneswar / Cuttack and State Education Tribunal, Bhubaneswar with effect from the date they assume charge of their office subject to the terms and conditions mentioned below : —

Sl. No.	Name of the Advocate
1	Prajna Priyambada
2	Sri Dipti Ranjan Mohapatra
3	Sri Biswajit Mohanty (3)
4	Sri Bibhuti Biswal
5	Sri P.K. Patjoshi
6	Sri Ajit Kumar Mohanty
7	Sri Saroj Kanta Samal
8	Sri Akhaya Kumar Pandey
9	Sri Satya Narayan Mohapatra
10	Sri Nanda Nandan Satpathy
11	Sri Ranjib Das

1. The Standing Counsels will exclusively defend the cases of School & Mass Education Department in different Courts.

2. The period of appointment will be for a period of three years with effect from the date of issue of the notification.

3. The Standing Counsels will get retainer fee and daily fee from the date of joining as admissible to Standing Counsels of Orissa High Court as and when they will appear before the Hon'ble High Court and in the event they will appear before the Hon'ble Odisha Administrative Tribunal, they will be paid the fees as admissible to the Standing Counsel of the Odisha Administrative Tribunal as amended from time to time. The bill of fees and T.A. of the Standing Counsels shall be drawn by the office of the Advocate General. They will be entitled to T.A. and D.A. as admissible to Class-I Officers of the State.

4. The appointment is terminable at any time with one month's notice from either side or on payment of one month retainer fee in lieu thereof. Besides, the appointment can be terminated without any notice in case of gross neglect, misconduct and inefficiency.

5. The assignment of the Standing Counsels shall be decided by the Sr. Standing Counsel in consultation with Learned Advocate General, Odisha.

6. The concerned Standing Counsel shall be held responsible, if any Court goes unrepresented due to non-appearance of the Standing Counsels in the assigned Court. Besides, appropriate action will be taken as per rules in case of non-appearance and in such case(s), the same will be viewed seriously.

7. The Learned Sr. Standing Counsel shall ensure that the Standing Counsels shall attend to all types of legal works for each case such as supplying the copy of the writ petitions/ paper book to Govt./ Field Offices, preparation of Counter, Time Petition etc. and for filing. He shall ensure that the Counter Affidavit / Show Cause Affidavits before their filing in the Courts / Tribunal by the Field Officers are complete in all form and vetted by the Government, if the matter involves Policy decision of the Government.

8. The Sr. Standing Counsel shall submit a monthly report by 5th of the following month to Government in School & Mass Education Department, stating the opening balance at the beginning of the month and cases filed/ Counter filed /disposal of cases (Courtwise) during the month. He will further submit a report on the overall performance of the Standing Counsels.

9. The Sr. Standing Counsel shall ensure that the field functionaries coming to the cell for discussion / finalisation of draft are being duly attended to by the concerned Standing Counsels on the same day. He will also check the Visitors Register of the cell

and ensure proper maintenance of the Register by the Section Officer of the cell. He should maintain cordial relations with the staff of the cell and infuse a sense of administrative responsibility among the staff of the cell and see that the objective of opening a separate cell for S&ME Deptt. is being fulfilled.

10. The Standing Counsels shall function with the aid of their private chamber and library.

This Department Notification No.17438, dated the 29th July, 2013 is hereby superseded. The appointments of the Standing Counsels made therein are hereby terminated with immediate effect.

They are requested to hand over the records / documents, if any, available with them to the Sr. Standing Counsel, Office of the Advocate General, SME. Cell, Cuttack.

This Notification will come into force with immediate effect.

By Order of the Governor

RANJANA CHOPRA

Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary to Government