



National Council for Teacher Education
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The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) a statutory body of Government of India was established in 1995 under the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 (Act 73/1993) with a view to achieve planned and coordinated development, regulation and proper maintenance of norms and standards in the teacher education system throughout country.

2. NCTE intends to engage Standing Counsels and Panel Counsels to defend its legal matters in various courts. The number of standing and panel counsels required to be empanelled are as under: -

S. No.	Name of the Court	Requirement	
		Standing Counsels	Panel Counsels
1.	Supreme Court of India	01 (AOR)	02(AOR)
2.	High Court of Delhi at New Delhi	01	05
3.	High Court of Allahabad at Allahabad.	01	03
	High Court of Prayagraj at Lucknow.	01	03
4.	High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh	01	03
5.	High Court of Uttarakhand at Nainital	01	03
6.	High Court of Himachal Pradesh at Shimla	01	03
7.	High Court of Andhra Pradesh at Amaravati	01	03
8.	High Court of Karnataka at Bengaluru	01	03
	High Court of Karnataka at Dharwad	01	03
	High Court of Karnataka at Kalaburagi	01	03
9.	High Court of Kerala at Ernakulam	01	03
10.	High Court of Madras at Chennai	01	03

	High Court of Madras at Madurai	01	03
11.	High Court of Telangana at Hyderabad	01	03
12.	High Court of Gujarat at Ahmedabad	01	03
13.	High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Indore	01	03
	High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Jabalpur	01	03
	High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Gwalior	01	03
14.	High Court of Bombay at Mumbai	01	03
	High Court of Bombay at Aurangabad	01	03
	High Court of Bombay at Nagpur	01	03
	High Court of Bombay at Panaji	01	03
15.	High Court of Rajasthan at Jodhpur	01	03
	High Court of Rajasthan at Jaipur	01	03
16.	High Court of Chhattisgarh at Bilaspur	01	03
17.	High Court of Jharkhand at Ranchi	01	03
18.	High Court of Calcutta at Kolkata	01	03
19.	High Court of Tripura at Agartala	01	03
20.	High Court of Gauhati at Guwahati	01	03
21.	High Court of Patna	01	03
22.	High Court of Orissa at Cuttack	01	03
23.	High Court of Manipur at Imphal	01	01
24.	High Court of J&K and Ladakh at Srinagar	01	01
	High Court of J&K and Ladakh at Jammu	01	01
25.	High Court of Meghalaya at Shillong	01	01
26.	High Court of Sikkim at Gangtok	01	01
Total		37	100

3. **Qualifications for Standing Counsel:** Eligibility criteria for appointment as Standing Counsel, a person should:

- i. Be enrolled/registered as an advocate with the Supreme Court of India or with the High Court, as the case may be.
- ii. For engagement in Supreme Court the Advocate must be an Advocate on Record.
- iii. Have minimum experience of **ten years** of handling Civil/Criminal/service matter cases. Preference will be given to the counsels who have dealt earlier with matters pertaining to academic/education institutions and statutory bodies.
- iv. Should have at least 50 appearances before the Supreme Court or the respective court for which the advocate is seeking empanelment, in the calendar year preceding the application for empanelment with NCTE e.g. a person must have had 50 appearances in 2025 if he is applying for empanelment in 2026

4. **Qualifications for Panel Counsel:** Eligibility criteria for appointment as Panel Counsel, the person should

- i. Be enrolled/registered as an advocate with the High Court or Supreme Court, as the case may be.
- ii. An appointment as an Amicus Curiae by the Supreme Court or the High Court, shall be given due weightage.
- iii. Have minimum experience of **five years** of handling Civil/Criminal/service matter cases. Preference will be given to the counsels who have dealt earlier with matters pertaining to academic/education institutions and statutory bodies.
- iv. Should have at least 50 appearances before the Supreme Court or the respective court for which the advocate is seeking empanelment, in the calendar year preceding the application for empanelment. e.g. a person must have had 50 appearances in 2024 if he is applying for empanelment in 2025.

5. **Terms for Appointment:**

The terms for appointment of the Counsel would be for a period of one year and extendable on year to year basis from the date of appointment. The appointment of the Counsels may be terminated at any time by the appointing authority, without assigning any reason.

6. **Standing/Panel Counsel shall perform the following duties:-**

- i. Represent NCTE before the Supreme Court and High Court and other judicial bodies.
- ii. Provide legal advice to NCTE on civil, criminal, service, educational, regulating and such other matters arising in the course of administration of NCTE as are referred to him/her including:
 - a. Examination and drafting of legal documents:

- b. Drafting of applications, petitions etc., to be filed in various courts of law and file in the respective Courts after vetting by NCTE(HQ)/Regional Director as the case may be.
- c. Prompt removal/curing of defects in appeals/petitions filed; as may be pointed out by the registry with the approval of NCTE(HQ)/Regional Director
- iii. Apply for the copy of judgment from the court in cases attended by him/her and supply the copy of judicial pronouncements at the earliest but not later than 10 days from the date of order (excluding the time taken by the court in preparation of the copy);
- iv. If required, render all assistance to Special or Senior Counsel engaged in particular cases before the Supreme Court, High Courts and other judicial bodies;
- v. Keep NCTE informed and updated on all important developments in the designated cases, dates of hearing, order of the court on the date of its pronouncement supplying copy of judgment etc;
- vi. Furnish monthly statement about the cases represented by him/her before the Supreme Court, High Court or any other authority and their outcomes.
- vii. Perform such other duties of legal nature which may be assigned to him/her by NCTE.
- viii. When any case attended to by him/her is decided against the NCTE, will give considered opinion regarding the advisability of filing an appeal from such a decision preferably within a week after receiving the uncertified copy of order.

7. **Duties of Standing Counsel.** The Standing Counsel will receive the Court notices/petitions on behalf of NCTE and avoid any ex - parte decision. The notices received by the Standing Counsel will be sent to the respective NCTE (HQ)/Regional Directors as applicable and the assignment of case will be made by the Competent Authority to the Standing/Panel Counsel. A monthly retainer-ship of Rs.5000/- which includes clerkage, office rent and postage and other establishment charges will be paid to the Standing Counsels for the following Courts only:

- (a) Supreme Court of India
- (b) Delhi High Court
- (c) Allahabad High Court
- (d) High Court of Rajasthan, Jaipur
- (e) High Court of Madhya Pradesh, Jabalpur
- (f) High Court of Madras, Chennai
- (g) High Court of Calcutta
- (h) Gauhati High Court, Gauhati including North Eastern States
- (i) High Court of Punjab & Haryana, Chandigarh
- (j) High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Hyderabad
- (k) High Court of Karnataka, Bengaluru

8. **Payment of Legal Fees**. The payment of fees to the Legal Consels of NCTE will be made as under:-

(a) Legal Fees payable to the Panel Counsel of Supreme Court of India.

Sl No	Item of Work	Fees (in Rs)
(i)	Appearance	4500.00
(ii)	Final Appearance	9000.00
(iii)	Preparation and filing of Counter Affidavit rejoinder Draft SLP Misc. applications (including mentioning of the case), Caveat/Clearance/ obtaining the number and taking date for hearing, written/submission, non-effective hearing limited to 5 subject to maximum of 5 hearing in a case	3000.00
(iv)	Conference charges (per conference/day)	2000.00
(v)	Out of Headquarter (daily fee for the days of his/her absence from HO)	9000.00
(vi)	Conveyance charges for performing local journey while outside Headquarter	1500.00
(vii)	All defended admission matter (SLP/TP and writ petitions and other miscellaneous matter for admission) per case per day	4500.00

(b) Legal Fees payable to the Panel Counsel of High Court as well as of CAT:

Sl No	Item of Work	Fees (in Rs)
(i)	Per appearance including interim motions, notices, appeals, Leave Application, Arbitration, Company matters, Criminal Revision and effective hearing per day.	2250.00
(ii)	Final Appearance	3750.00
(iii)	Preparation and filing of Counter Affidavit in High Courts and other Courts	3000.00
(iv)	Preparation and filing of Additional Affidavit, Conference charges non-effective hearing limit to maximum 5 hearings in a case, chamber applications, written opinion and written advice including advice on evidence (including consultation)	1000.00

(c) **Misc. expenditure** : As per actual (Photocopy, typing, Court fee, attestation etc).

(d) **Legal Opinion** : For legal opinion on various issues related to the NCTE an amount of maximum of Rs. 5000.00 will be paid for each of the opinions. In exceptional cases, the fee for legal opinion tendered by a senior advocate will be as mutually agreed upon.

(e) **Connected/tagged cases** : Rs.600/- in the Supreme Court of India and Rs. 400/- in High Courts will be paid.

(f) **Out of Headquarters.** If the Counsel is required to go out of the Headquarters in connection with the Court case, he will be entitled to the TA/DA as admissible.

(g) **Special Assignments.** Advocates engaged on specific cases with the approval of the Competent Authority will be paid legal fee as payable to empaneled Advocates in the respective Courts.

9. **General Points**

(a) No fee will be allowed in cases which were got adjourned by the Counsel without the directions from the NCTE or on his personal grounds.

(b) These rates will also be applicable to the lawyers engaged by Regional Offices of the NCTE. Only one set of fee will be entitled on behalf of all the parties involved from NCTE point of view or UOI if the Counsel asked to appear for the same by UOI, Ministry of Education.

(c) No Conference/Opinion charges will be paid if decision/meeting is held with lawyer in a matter related to on-going case in any of courts in which that lawyer is engaged as Counsel of NCTE. However, if he is called to NCTE Office for discussion/meeting/conference, he will be entitled to claim TA/DA.

(d) A Counsel will have right to private practice, which should not, however, interfere with the efficient discharge of his duties as a Counsel for the NCTE/Government of India.

(e) A Counsel shall not advise any party in or accept any case against the NCTE/Govt. of India in which he has appeared or is likely to be called upon to appear for or advise or which is likely to affect or lead to litigation against the NCTE/Govt. of India

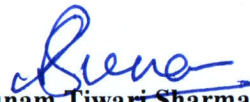
(f) The Advocate shall not advise any party or accept any case against the NCTE in which he/she has appeared or is likely to be called upon to appear for or advise which is likely to affect or lead to litigation against the NCTE. In case any Counsel who had handled the case filed against NCTE may recuse himself/herself from dealing the same case on behalf of NCTE.

(g) If the Advocate happens to be a partner of a firm of lawyers or solicitors, it shall be incumbent upon the firm not to take up any case against the NCTE in any Court of Law/Tribunal/Commission or any case arising out of those cases e.g. appeals and revisions;

(h) In cases where on the request of the Ministry of HRD, interests of UOI have also to be protected, no extra fees shall be paid to the advocate to watch and safeguard the interests of Ministry of Education or UOI.

(i) The Counsel may also resign from the Council by serving one month's notice.

(j) NCTE is free to engage any advocate of its own choice and an empaneled Advocate shall make no claim that he/she alone should be entrusted with NCTE's legal matter(s).


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