

## **National Judicial Academy**

### **Information Required for Implementation of Information and Communication Technology under Resolution 6(iii) of the Chief Justice Conference 2016**

#### **Information from Gauhati High Court:**

##### **I. Establishment of E courts**

Q1. Number of E courts established under your High Court. Elaborate the process and functions of e-courts.

**Ans.** Zero (0), no e-courts have been established under the Gauhati High Court.

##### **II. Updation on National Judicial Data Grid**

Q2. Mention the data and categories that are uploaded in the NJDG. Specify the problems encountered during updation on National Judicial Data Grid for High Court and subordinate courts. The solutions/remedial action if any taken by your Court.

**Ans.**All the data including case status, judgments and all available Civil & Criminal categories of cases from the District Courts are uploaded in the NJDG. Data pertaining to Family Courts are not uploaded in the NJDG.

Connectivity problems hinder the process of Data updation to NJDG. High Court has taken up the issue with BSNL for stable connectivity.

##### **III. Uniform nomenclature**

Q3. Specify the process for adopting, if any, for uniform nomenclature of case type used in your State.

**Ans.**No process has been initiated.

#### **IV. Cadre of Technical Manpower**

Q4. Enumerate the strength of Technical Manpower in the High Court and Subordinate Courts. Specify the procedure for recruitment and training programme, if any, to the new recruits.

**Ans.** Gauhati High Court, Principal Seat is having a cadre of 3 Technical Manpower to look after ICT developments of the Principal Seat. 34 Technical Manpower at the High Court & the District Courts under e-Courts Services is available at present which looks after the ICT developments of the District Courts. The total strength of Technical Manpower under the e-Courts Services is 70 for the State of Assam.

The recruitment and service conditions are governed by the Gauhati High Court and District court, e-court(Recruitment and Promotion) Service Rules,2015.

#### **V. E-Filing and Video Conferencing**

Q5. Mention the procedure for e-filing and the rules governing it. Enumerate the type of activities/process done through video conferencing.

**Ans.** No rules framed for e-Filing.

The equipments for Video Conferencing facility between the Courts and Jails are already installed. Proposal for release of funds for a dedicated connectivity between the courts and jails are sent to the government for administrative approval Administrative meeting involving the District Courts are carried out using video conferencing. Jail Court VC is functional in one district wherein regular production to the Court is done through VC.

The Judicial Academy, Assam is connected with the district courts through Video Conferencing facilities.

#### **VI. Scanning and Digitization**

Q6. Specify the procedure for scanning and digitization at different levels. Also provide the digitization rules and process of verification if any. The different levels may also include:

Scanning for fresh filing, scanning for pending files, scanning for daily disposal of cases and scanning of old cases.

**Ans.** Scanning and Digitization is yet to be started. Digitization rules were framed for preservation of records in the High Court.

Q7. Whether the digital signature is in use by your court? If yes, then specify the process and its utility.

**Ans.** Digital signatures are not used.

Q8. Whether there is any security for preservation of data scanned and uploaded? If yes, then specify the procedure through which it get affected.

**Ans.** Scanning and Digitization not started

Q9. Which Citizen Centric Services have been started by your High Court?

**Ans.**

1. Filing at Judicial Service Center and generation of Receipt containing filing number.
2. Push SMS and E-mail facility on filing, registration, listing and disposal of case.
3. Judgments are to be stored in the Server, which can be accessed by authorised persons from Court or Copying Agency etc.
4. Judgment on Internet Website with search facility.
5. Cause List on Internet
6. Case Status on Internet
7. Orders are to be stored in the Server, which can be accessed by authorised persons from Court or Copying Agency etc.
8. Website for each District Court
9. LAN based Enquiry Kiosks at Court Complexes and web-based Kiosks at other important places in districts/ Talukas.

Q10. Has the SMS Delivery Service been launched? If Yes, since when?

**Ans.** Yes, functional since 14.08.2013

Q11. What are the data presently being uploaded on NJDG Portal? What is the time frame for uploading the material?

**Ans.** All the data including case status, judgments and all available Civil & Criminal categories of cases from the District Courts are uploaded in the NJDG. Data pertaining to only Family Courts are not uploaded in the NJDG.

Data are uploaded regularly after the Court hours.

Q12. Is the District Court Website functional? Specify its utility to the stakeholders.

**Ans.** Yes, all the District Courts' Website is made functional. All court related specific information including case status; judgments, etc are available for the stakeholders.