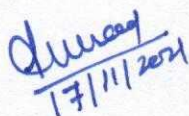


FEE SCHEDULE FOR PANEL OF ADVOCATES/LAW FIRMS (YEAR-2021)**(Annexure-'D' to SoP and Guidelines for empanelment of Advocates/Law Firms)**

A	APPEARANCES	Amount (in Rs.)	Amount (in Rs.)	Amount (in Rs.)
S.N.	Particulars	Advocates (up to 10years)	Advocates (10 yrs. & above)	Law Firms
A1(a)	Before Supreme Court of India			
(i)	For effective hearing	7,500	10,000	10,000
(ii)	For Non-effective hearing	2,000	3,000	3,000
(b)	Before Registrar, Joint Registrar, Dy. Registrar in Supreme Court	3,500	5,000	5,000
A-2 (a)	Before High Courts			
	For effective hearing	5,500	7,500	7,500
	For Non-effective hearing	2,000	2,500	2,500
(b)	Before Registrar, Joint Registrar, Dy. Registrar in High Court	3,000	4,000	4,000
A-3	Before DRAT, DRT, NCLAT, NCLT, CCI, National & State Consumer Dispute Redressal Commission, CAT, Income Tax & Sales Tax & Custom & Excise Tribunal & Appellate Tribunal, BIFR, AAIFR, Other Statutory Authorities/Bodies, or any other state and national level tribunals/ statutory authorities, etc.			
(i)	For effective hearing	4,000	5,500	5,500
(ii)	For Non-effective hearing	1,500	2,000	2,000
A-4	Before Arbitrator(s) appointed by Registrar of Co-operative Society/ICA, High Court/Supreme Court etc. or any other authorities to conduct arbitration in terms of arbitration and Conciliation Act of 1996 @ per hearing irrespective of number of hours on that particular hearing.			
(i)	For effective hearing	5,500	7,500	7,500
(ii)	For Non-effective hearing	2,500	3,500	3,500
A-5	Before Special Courts like CBI, EOW, PC Act Courts, Company Courts, etc.			
(i)	For effective hearing	4,000	5,000	5,000
(ii)	For Non-effective hearing	1,500	2,000	2,000
A-6	Before District Court/City Civil Courts/ CMM/ACMM/CJM/MM /Consumer Forum/Lower Courts (including Civil Suits/ labour and industrial disputes/ complaint u/s138 of NI Act etc.),			
(i)	For effective hearing	2,500	3,500	3,500
(ii)	For Non-effective hearing	1,500	2,000	2,000
B	Drafting and Settling of Pleadings			
S.N.	Particulars			
B-1	Before Supreme Court			
(a)	Special Leave Petitions/Appeals/ Writ Petitions/Replies/Counter Affidavits/Written Statement./Plaints/Suits/ Statement of Claims and Counter Claims	20,000	25,000	25,000
(b)	Rejoinders/Replications/ Interim Application/Misc. Appl./ Misc Civil	5,000	6,500	6,500

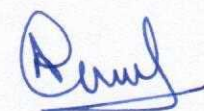





	Petition/Replies thereto			
(c)	Caveat	7,500	7,500	7,500
(d)	Final Written Submissions/Arguments upon conclusion of hearing.	10,000	15,000	15,000
B-2	Before High Courts			
(a)	Appeals, Writ Petitions, Reply/Counter Affidavits/Written Statement, Plaints/Suits/ Statement of Claims and Counter Claims, Execution Petition, etc.	15,000	20,000	20,000
(b)	Rejoinders/Replications/Interim Application/Misc. Appl./ Replies thereto, Affidavit by way of Evidence, etc.	3,000	4,500	4,500
(c)	Caveat	5,500	5,500	5,500
(d)	Final Written Submissions/Arguments upon conclusion of hearing.	5,000	7,500	7,500
B-3	Before DRAT, CCI, NCLT, NCLAT, National Commission, Company Law Board, CAT, Debt Recovery Tribunal, BIFR, AAIFR, Other Statutory Authorities/Bodies. Income Tax & Sales Tax Appellate Tribunal, PF Tribunal / or any other state and national level tribunals/ statutory authorities, etc.			
(a)	Petitions/Appeals/Written Statement/Counter affidavit/Execution Petition, etc.	10,000	15,000	15,000
(b)	Interim Applications/Misc. Applications/ Rejoinders/ Replies thereto, Affidavit by way of Evidence per affidavit	3,000	4,000	4,000
	Caveat	5,000	5,000	5,000
(c)	Final Written Submissions/Arguments upon conclusion of hearing.	5,000	7,500	7,500
B-3(a)	Matters related to Arbitration:			
(i)	Statement of Claim, Counter Claim, Reply /Written Statement to Statement of Claim, etc.	10,000	15,000	15,000
(iii)	Replication/Rejoinder/Misc application, Affidavit by way of Evidence per affidavit etc	3,000	5,000	5,000
(iv)	Final Written Submissions/Arguments upon conclusion of hearing.	8,000	12,000	12,000
B-4	Before District Court/City Civil Courts/ CMM/ACMM/CJM/MM /Consumer Forum/Lower Courts (including Civil Suits/ labour and industrial disputes/ complaint u/s138 of NI Act etc.),			
(a)	Plaint/Petitions/Execution Petition/Recovery Suits/ Complaint/Written Statement/Reply	8,500	12,000	12,000
(b)	Replications/Rejoinders/Interim Applications/Misc. Applications/replies Thereeto, Affidavit by way of Evidence per affidavit	2,500	3,500	3,500
(d)	Caveat	4,000	4,000	4,000
(e)	Final Written Submissions/Arguments	4,000	6,000	6,000
B-5	Before Controlling Authority on Gratuity, Labour court or Commissioner, PF Authority, other statutory authorities, proceeding before MSME courts, Tehsildar/ SDM/ADM Courts, Sub-Registrar courts/office etc	A consolidated professional fee of Rs. 30,000/- per case be given and out of which 50 % be given at the time of assigning of case and rest of the fee at the time of disposal of the case. Expenses shall be payable as per		

		actual.		
C	CONFERENCES, CONSULTATIONS, Briefing to Senior Advocate (per hour basis), Comprehensive and detailed Opinions, drafting legal notice and reply thereto etc. on per hour basis			
(i)	Conference without Written Opinion			
	a. Through Video Conferencing	2,000	3,000	3,000
	b. At Advocate Office	2,500	3,500	3,500
	c. At Nafed's Office	3,000	4,000	4,000
(ii)	Conference including brief Written Opinion			
	a. Through Video Conferencing	3,500	5,000	5,000
	b. At Advocate Office	4,000	5,500	5,500
	c. At Nafed's Office	4,500	6,000	6,000
(iii)	Comprehensive and detailed written Legal Opinion	6,000	8,500	8,500
(iv)	Drafting/settling of Legal Notice/Reply to Legal Notices/vetting	5,000	6,000	6000
(v)	Briefing to Senior Advocates by Panel Advocates	3,000	4,000	4,000
	(i) For matters of High Court /National and State Level Tribunals:			
	(ii) For Supreme Court matter:	4,000	5,000	5,000
(vi)	Preparation of Note for briefing to Senior advocate by the Panel Advocate in case Senior Advocate has been engaged for the particular matter.	2,500	3,500	3,500
D	DRAFTING AND VETTING OF AGREEMENT/MoU/TENDER DOCUMENTS, ETC.			
(i)	For Drafting and vetting both.	8,500	12,000	12,000
(ii)	For only vetting of already drafted documents	5,000	8,500	8,500
E	Professional Fee for conducting inspection before sub-registrar Officer/SDM or concerned Authority and issuing Non-encumbrance Certificate/Legal Search Report (NEC/LSR) thereto in respect of immoveable properties.	8,000 per property inclusive of all expenses and govt. fee.		
F	Out station Compensation for a day. It will be in addition to fee for particular case as per this schedule.	4,000	5,000	5,000
G	Drafting and Vetting of Criminal Complaints (per complaint basis):			
(i)	Complaint for filing before Police:	4,000	5,500	5,000
(ii)	Complaint for filing before special investigative agencies like CBI, EOI, ED, SFIO, NIA, or any other agency where criminal complaint are filed for violation of criminal law of land under specific or general criminal laws..	5,000	7,500	7,500
H	<u>Trademark & Industrial Designs:</u> shall be applied and obtained through Nafed's empanelled such Advocates/Attorneys who are also registered as Attorneys with concerned statutory Trade Mark Registry.			



(i)	Professional fee for filing application to obtain Trademark/Industrial Design and dealing with related objections, if any.	A uniform fee @ Rs. 12,000/- per application +miscellaneous expenses as per actual. However, in case of bulk applications 10 and above, such fee shall be @ Rs. 10,000/- per application. The Govt. fee for such application(s) shall be as per applicable Govt. rates prevalent and applicable from time to time.
(ii)	In the event of any objections to applied Trademark/Industrial Design by Registry or any third party, the fee for handling such objections including filing of reply to such objections and appearing before the Trademark Registrar:	Same shall be dealt as per the fee applicable and payable to Panel Advocates for handling matters at the level of District Court. The Govt. Fee, if any, required to pay for the purpose under this head shall be as per actual.
I.	Publication Charges:	In case wherein order is passed by any court for Summoning of party through publication of summons/notice in any local newspaper or more, the Panel Advocate shall file the processed fee within 7 days of the issuing of the order, obtain copy of the order and after self attestation by the Advocate, submit the same to the Competent Authority of Nafed and charges of publication shall accordingly be paid on actual basis by issuing a requisite demand draft/cheque/RTGS/NEFT in favour of the Publisher/Newspaper/Advocate concerned.
J	Court Fee:	If it is required to pay a court fee for filing a particular case by Panel Advocate, same shall be informed to the Competent Authority of Nafed with details of actual court fee required to be paid and upon verification, the required court fee on actual basis shall be disbursed to the Advocate or directly to concerned authority by way of demand draft/cheque/RTGS/NEFT in favour of court fee issuing authority/Advocate..





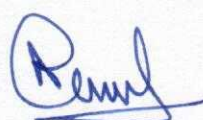
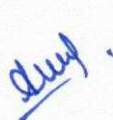

FEE-STRUCTURE FOR ADVOCATE -ON-RECORD

In Supreme Court of India

<u>S.N.</u>	<u>PARTICULARS</u>	<u>AMOUNT (Rs.)</u>
1.	Professional fee for Engagement & filing of vakalatnama before Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. It shall be mandated upon Advocate to attend each and every hearing along with Senior Advocate or Arguing Counsel before Supreme Court of India.	12,000
2.	Fee for drafting of Special Leave Petition, Writ Petition etc./ Counter/rejoinder etc.	As per applicable fee for all Panel Advocates as per A-1 and B-1 of this schedule
3.	Appearance (Per Hearing): In case services of AoR are availed for pursuing and arguing the matter before the Supreme Court. Effective:	
4.	Non-Effective:	
5.	Fee for drafting miscellaneous applications, replies to applications, legal notices affidavits etc.	
6.	Caveat	
7.	Fee for consultation with the Officials of Nafed (per hour)	As per applicable fee for all Panel Advocates as per C of this schedule
8.	Briefing to Senior Counsel	
9.	Typing, dictation, photocopy, court fee etc	
10.	Clerkage	10% of bill amount.

Terms & Conditions

1. Fee structures for Senior Advocates designated by High Courts /Supreme Court are not being stipulated herein as they are engaged in very few important cases only on the recommendation on the NAFED's Panel Advocates & Law Firms and their fees varies from case to case depending upon the importance and question of law etc. involved in the matter. Engagement of such Sr. Advocates and Fees for such engagement may be decided and approved by the Competent Authority of Nafed on the merits of each case.
2. No retainer fee shall be paid to Law Firm/Advocate merely because such Law Firm/Advocate is empanelled with Nafed.
3. In case of payment of consolidated fees in legal cases, 40% of consolidated fee shall be paid on filing of plaint or counter statement on the behalf of Nafed, 40% on conclusion of hearings and balance 20% on pronouncement of judgement.
4. **Cost:** In case, cost is awarded by any Court in favour of Nafed, the cost shall be deposited by Panel Advocate/Law Firm with the Competent Authority of Nafed within a week from the date of receipt.



5. **Clubbed Cases:** Appeals/Revisions or Petitions arising from one common judgment / order will be considered as one case, if issues are same.
6. If empanelled Advocate/Law Firm is required to appear in a court/tribunal which is situated at a place other than the place where he ordinarily practices he shall be entitled to expenses, legal fee, outstation allowances and other expenses as per approved Fee Schedule.
7. Reimbursement of miscellaneous expenses, not specifically covered in fee schedule, shall be permitted on production of original bills/vouchers.
8. When two or more cases together involve substantially identical questions of law and/or fact, one of such cases will be treated as the main case and the others as connected case and the fees in such cases will be regulated as under, provided the cases are heard together: the fee shall be paid as per approved fee schedule.
9. When two or more cases involve substantially identical questions of law and/ or fact, one of such cases will be treated as the main case and the others as connected cases and the fees in such cases will be regulated as under, provided the cases are heard together:
- Full fee would be admissible for appearance in the main case and 25% in each of the connected cases, subject to a maximum of one additional full fee, i.e. not more than twice the amount of full fees in the main case would be admissible irrespective of number of such connected cases.
 - If substantially identical petition/plaint/appeal, replies/counter affidavits, affidavits, written statements, applications and other pleadings are drafted in such connected cases, full drafting fee will be admissible in the main case and only 25% separate drafting fee will be admissible in respect of each connected case.
10. Where a Court/Tribunal etc. appoints any committee or refers the matter to any other authority/mediation centre, the advocate representing Nafed before such committee or authority/mediation centre will be paid at the same rate as is applicable for the advocate/Law Firm for representing Nafed before the Court/ Tribunal etc. that so referred the matter.
11. Clerkage shall be paid at the rate of 10% in addition to fee and same shall not be paid on the charges like misc. expenses, photocopy expenses etc. subject to maximum of Rs. 2000/- per hearing.
12. **Supporting Document:** In respect of the payment of fees, the Advocate/Law Firm will be required to submit a soft/hard copy of the relevant court order for which the fee is claimed.
13. **Final decision on the bills:** In the event of any doubt or difference of opinion regarding the payment of fee payable to panel Advocate/Law Firm, the decision of the Competent Authority of Nafed shall be final and binding.
14. Reimbursement of miscellaneous expenses, not specifically covered in fee schedule, shall be permitted on production of original bills/ vouchers, if such expenditure exceeds as under:
- In case of District Courts, if such expenditure exceeds Rs. 1,500/-
 - In case of State and National level Tribunal, if such expenses exceeds Rs. 2,000/-
 - In case of arbitration matters, High Court and Supreme Court, if such expenses exceeds Rs. 3,000/-
15. **Out-station Compensation:** Apart form out-station compensation as above, the Advocate/Law Firm shall be entitled to claim actual TA/DA. Travel of the Advocate shall be in AC 2 tier or by Economy Class Air Travel.
16. The Conference fee as shown at S. No. 'C' in the fee Schedule will be subject to following:-



- (a) In general, for conferences between the Sr. Adv. and Panel Advocate/Law Firm (wherever nominated specifically for a case) and between the Advocates/Law Firm and the Nafed Officials, such conferences would be limited to a maximum of ten (10) conferences per case.
- (b) However, depending upon the complexities involved in a particular matter and on the recommendations of concerned Officer, the number of conferences may be increased with the approval of Divisional Head of Legal Division.
17. In the event of a case assigned to Panel Advocate/Law Firm only for legal opinion or where Panel Advocate/Law Firm opines that no case is made out, he/she shall be paid a consolidated fee of Rs. 7,500/- only.
18. In cases, where bulk notices or reply to such bulk notices of same nature are required to be issued, the fee as prescribed at S.N. C (iv) above shall be applicable for the first such notice/reply and for rest of the notices/replies shall be the maximum consolidated fees @ Rs. 1,500/- per notice shall be payable.
19. No charges shall be paid to panel Advocate for obtaining oral legal opinion or short opinion over the mail.
20. Legal notice charges shall be inclusive of all expenses like typing, postal expenses and Clerkage.
21. Actual expenses beyond stipulated limit be paid to Advocate upon furnishing the proof of expense.
22. Caveat Charges shall be inclusive of miscellaneous expenses like typing, photocopy and Clerkage.
23. In case of Regular Matters which are listed in the category of final hearing and are listing before the concerned courts on daily/regular basis and Advocates/Law Firms are appearing in such matters on daily basis and are keeping full day watch on such matters, such Advocates/Law Firms shall be entitled for payment as effective hearing applicable for such courts for such appearances and daily watch of matters.
- 24. Disbursal and release of Payments to Advocates/law firms:** If the Bills of Advocates/Law Firm are as per this approved Fee Schedule or as per rate as approved by the Competent Authority for a specific and special case, the disbursal and release of payment shall be as under:
- At HO level, the bills of Advocates/Law Firms duly verified by concerned officer shall be approved by the concerned Divisional Head or Divisional head of Legal Division.
 - At Branch Level, the bills of Advocates/Law Firms duly verified by concerned officer shall be approved by the State Head/Branch Manager concerned.

(Authorised Signatory)
For
Managing Director