

THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA: CUTTACK

Advertisement No. 11 of 2024

(Consequent upon cancellation of Advertisement No. 04 of 2024)

DIRECT RECRUITMENT TO THE POSTS IN THE CADRE OF DISTRICT JUDGE FROM THE BAR, 2024

Online Applications are invited from eligible candidates from **10.00 A.M. of 06.11.2024 till 11.59 P.M. of 22.11.2024** for direct recruitment to the posts in the cadre of District Judge from the Bar for the year, 2024. The recruitment shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of O.S.J.S. and O.J.S. Rules, 2007 and subsequent amendments made thereto.

The applications submitted in response to the earlier Advertisement No. 04 dated 31.07.2024 shall not be considered under the current selection process. So, the candidates to be considered for recruitment under the current selection process are to apply afresh against the present Advertisement No. 11 dated 29.10.2024.

2. VACANCY POSITION:- 31 (Thirty One)

The category wise vacancy position along with reservation thereof is given below.

Sl. No.	Category	No. of Posts
1.	Unreserved	16 (Women - 05)
2.	SEBC	03 (Women - 01)
3.	Scheduled Caste	05 (Women - 02)
4.	Scheduled Tribe	07 (Women - 02)
TOTAL		31 (Women -10)

N.B: Out of the above, 2 numbers of post shall be filled up following the principle of horizontal reservation for Persons with benchmark disabilities having physical disability as specified in the Schedule to the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (49 of 2016) excluding cerebral palsy.

(a) In the event of non-availability or availability of insufficient number of eligible women candidates belonging to any particular category, the

vacancies or, as the case may be, the remaining vacancies shall be filled up by eligible male candidates of that category.

- (b) In the case of non-availability or availability of insufficient number of candidates of any reserved category of S.C., S.T. and S.E.B.C., the vacancy shall be filled up by the eligible candidates of the unreserved category.
- (c) The reservation for different categories in the Direct recruitment of District Judges from the BAR shall be in accordance with the provisions made under relevant Acts, Rules, Orders or Instructions issued by the State Government from time to time.

3. SCALE OF PAY:-

₹1,44,840 – ₹1,94,660 with usual D.A. and other allowances as admissible from time to time.

4. ELIGIBILITY:-

A candidate in order to be eligible for direct recruitment to the posts in the cadre of District Judge from the Bar must:-

- a) Be a graduate in Law from a recognized University or an Institution recognized by the Government.
- b) Be having at least 7 (Seven) years of **continuous** practice as an advocate as on **1st of April 2024** and should be in the active practice as on the date of application.
- c) Not below 35 years of age and above 45 years of age as on **1st of April 2024**.

The maximum age limit shall be relaxed by 5 (Five) years in case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe, SEBC and Women and by 10 (Ten) years in case of Persons with Disabilities (PwD).

Provided that, a candidate who comes under more than one category, will be eligible for only one age relaxation benefit, which shall be considered most beneficial to him/her.

5. EXPLANATION:-

(a) **Name and Date of Birth entered in the Matriculation/High School Certificate or equivalent certificate issued by the concerned Board/Council will only be accepted.**

(b) A candidate who claims change in his/her name/ surname after having passed the High School Certificate Examination or equivalent examination, is required to furnish the copy of publication of the changed name in local leading daily newspaper as well as copy of notification in the Odisha Gazette in support of his/her change of name/ surname.

Addition, omission, alteration, replacement of letter(s) and discrepancy in terms of space in the name and/or middle name and/or surname in certificates in comparison to High School Certificate and vice-versa shall be considered as change in name.

(c) **Application having difference/ discrepancy with respect to name/ surname appearing in the certificates furnished by the candidate if not supported by the documents as mentioned under 5 (b) shall be rejected and no correspondence shall be entertained in this regard.**

(d) Government servants are eligible to apply provided that they possess the requisite qualification and are within the prescribed age-limit of the Advertisement. They must inform their respective Heads of Offices in writing regarding submission of their application for this recruitment and should obtain a "No Objection Certificate" from their controlling authority and upload the same with the online application.

(e) In case of non-availability of NOC at the time of submission of online application form, the candidate shall upload an undertaking that he/she shall produce the NOC at the time of document verification prior to Interview.

(f) The SEBC Certificate which is **more than 3 (three) years old** by the closing date of submission of online application form is **liable for rejection.**

(g) Women candidates belonging to S.C./ S.T./ S.E.B.C. categories are required to submit Caste Certificates by birth showing "Daughter of

.....". **Caste Certificate by virtue of marriage (i.e. showing "Wife of") is not acceptable and is liable for rejection.**

- (h) OBC CERTIFICATE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN LIEU OF SEBC CERTIFICATE.
- (i) Certificates of good character which is more than 3 (three) months old by the closing date of submission of online application form is liable for rejection.
- (j) Community (Caste Status) once mentioned by the candidates shall not be changed under any Circumstances.

6. DISQUALIFICATION FOR APPOINTMENT:-

No person shall be eligible for appointment to the service.

- (a) Unless he or she is a citizen of India.
- (b) If he or she is dismissed from service by any High Court, Government or Statutory or Local Authority.
- (c) If he or she has been convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude, or has been permanently debarred or disqualified by any High Court or the Union Public Service Commission or any State Public Service Commission from appearing in any examination or selection conducted by it.
- (d) If he or she directly or indirectly influences the recruiting authority by any means for his or her candidature.
- (e) If he is a man and has more than one wife living, and if a woman has more than one husband living or has married a man who has already another wife living.
- (f) Unless he or she is able to speak, read and write Odia.
- (g) Unless he or she has passed a test in Odia equivalent to Middle School Standard.

7. APPLICATION FEE:-

A candidate is required to pay a non-refundable and non-adjustable fee of **Rs. 750/- (Rupees Seven hundred fifty) only** through online by using Net Banking/ Debit card/ Credit card.

Candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe and Persons with Disabilities are exempted from payment of application fee.

Applicants those who have paid examination fee in response to earlier advertisement no. 04 dated 31.07.2024 need not pay again if applying afresh by logging-in with the same e-mail id and mobile number which they have used earlier. In case of fresh registration they have to pay the examination fee.

8. CERTIFICATES / DOCUMENTS TO BE UPLOADED:-

A candidate must upload **clear and legible** scanned copies of the following original documents.

- (a) Aadhaar card.
- (b) Matriculation/ High School Certificate Examination or equivalent Certificate in support of his / her name and date of birth.
- (c) Bachelor's Degree in Law.
- (d) Certificate from the concerned District Judge / Judicial Officer in charge of the District Judge of the District, showing the period of his/her practice at Bar, issued within a period of **3 (Three) months** prior to the last date of submission of the application.
- (e) Applicants in the cadre of Public Prosecutor or Assistant Public Prosecutor, are to submit the appointment letter.
- (f) Recent passport size colour photograph with proper orientation.
- (g) Full Signature with proper orientation.
- (h) Two certificates of good character each issued from separate gazetted officers, issued within a period of **3 (Three) months** prior to the closing date of submission of application form.
- (i) The candidates belonging to the category of S.C./S.T./S.E.B.C. shall furnish the certificate from the Competent Authority indicating their respective category.
- (j) The candidates with benchmark disabilities having physical disability shall upload medical certificate or disability certificate from the

Competent Medical Board or Authority indicating their benchmark disability.

- (k) Certificate from the competent authority in proof of passing Odia of Middle School Standard.
- (l) Gazette notification in support of his/ her change of name/ surname as explained under 5(b). (Wherever applicable)
- (m) No Objection Certificate or Undertaking to this effect. (Wherever applicable)

9. SCHEME OF EXAMINATION:-

The Examination shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Orissa Superior Judicial Service and Orissa Judicial Service Rules, 2007 and subsequent amendments made thereto.

(A) Written Examination

The Written examination shall be on the following three papers each carrying 100 Marks with a duration of 2 (Two) hours for each paper as follows.

PAPER-1

- (1) The Code of Civil Procedure, 190830 marks
- (2) Personal Laws30 marks
- (3) The Transfer of Property Act,
The Specific Relief Act,
The Limitation Act,
The Law of Contract,
The Odisha Consolidation of Holding and Prevention of
Fragmentation of Land Act,40 marks
The Odisha Estate Abolition Act,
The Odisha Land Reforms Act,
The Law relating to Motor Accident and Claims,
The Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996,
The Commercial Courts Act, 2015

Total : 100 Marks

PAPER-2

- (1) The Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 and The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 202330 marks
- (2) The Indian Penal Code, 1860 and The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 202330 marks
- (3) The Indian Evidence Act, 1872 and The Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam, 202330 marks
- (4) The Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substance Act,
The Food Safety and Standard Act, 2006,10 marks
The Prevention of Corruption Act,
The Essential Commodities Act,
The Environment Protection Act,
The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974,
The Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of
Atrocities) Act, 1989,
The Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005.

Total : 100 Marks

PAPER-3

General English:-

- (1) Translation from Odia to English (ten lines);10 marks
- (2) Re-translation from English to Odia (ten lines);10 marks
- (3) A short Essay of about 150 words;30 marks
- (4) Precis writing consisting of 300 words; and30 marks
- (5) 1 (one) passage of maximum 500 words with 5 questions.20 marks

Total : 100 Marks

(B) Interview: -

- (1) Interview shall carry thirty (30) marks.
- (2) Candidates shall be called for interview in the proportion of 1:10, provided that such candidates have obtained at least forty five (45) percent of marks in each of the written papers and fifty (50) percent of marks in aggregate.

(C) Merit List:-

The final merit list shall be prepared on the basis of marks obtained in the Written Test and Interview:

Provided that a candidate shall not be included in the merit list unless such candidate secures a minimum of forty (40) percent of marks in interview.

10. MEDICAL BOARD:-

The selected candidates must be physically fit and shall be required to appear before the State Medical Board before final appointment.

11. PERIOD OF TRAINING & PROBATION :-

Every candidate recruited to the post in the cadre of District Judge by Direct Recruitment shall undergo a course of training under Rule-30-A and all these appointees shall be on probation as per Rule-33 of O.S.J.S & O.J.S Rules 2007.

12. MISCELLANEOUS:-

- (a) Applicants must go through the details of this Advertisement and "INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES" available in the Court's website before filling up of online application form.
- (b) The candidates are advised to submit the Online Application Form well in advance without waiting for the closing date to avoid last minute rush.
- (c) Applications should be submitted through ONLINE mode only by logging into the website of High Court of Orissa i.e. www.orissahighcourt.nic.in (Recruitment Corner → Examination Portal → **DISTRICT JUDGE RECRUITMENT EXAMINATION, 2024**).
- (d) ***Incomplete / Incorrect online application(s) and applications received through modes other than the prescribed online format will not be entertained and will be summarily rejected without assigning any reason.***

- (e) Admission to any stage of the Recruitment process will be provisional. If on verification at any stage of the Recruitment process, it is found that a candidate does not fulfil the eligibility conditions then his/her candidature will be liable for rejection.
- (f) The facility of Scribe will not be entertained at any stage of Recruitment Process.
- (g) During the document verification prior to the interview, the candidates are required to produce the Original Certificates, Aadhaar Card, Photograph (same as uploaded), self-attested copy of the Online Application form, self-attested copies of certificates uploaded during submission of the Online Application, failing which they shall be debarred from the interview.
- (h) If one candidate furnishes more than one application, only information/data of the latest application having higher Acknowledgement Number will be considered.
- (i) Notice regarding date and time of each stage of examination will be uploaded in the website of the High Court of Orissa.
- (j) If a candidate fails to attend any stage of the examination and/or document verification, his/her candidature shall be rejected.
- (k) No Admission Letter for the recruitment test at any stage shall be sent by post. The candidates are therefore advised to visit the court's website www.orissahighcourt.nic.in regularly for updates regarding the date of examination, downloading of e-Admit Card etc.
- (l) No T.A. /D.A. will be paid for appearing in the Examination.
- (m) List of eligible applicants shall be published in the Court's Website / Notice Board.
- (n) Canvassing in any form will be a disqualification.


13. PENALTY FOR MISCONDUCT IN THE EXAMINATION:-

An applicant, who is or has been declared guilty of impersonation or of submitting fabricated document(s) or documents specified in Clause-8 mentioned above, which has been tampered with or of making statements which are incorrect or false, or of suppressing material information or of using or attempting support for his candidature, may in addition to the

liability for criminal prosecution would also invite such other disciplinary action as deemed proper at the discretion of the Court.

In case of any guidance/information relating to submission of online application, applicants may contact Recruitment Cell of the Court during the period from the date of opening and date of closing of submission of application form over Mobile number- 9437498780 or E-mail at ohcrecruitment1948@gmail.com on working days between 10.30 A.M. to 04.30 P.M.

Date : 29.10.2024


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Place: Cuttack

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- 1) The Notice Board.
- 2) Superintendent, Computer Section to upload the advertisement in the Court's website.


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