

CENTRE FOR CULTURAL RESOURCES AND TRAINING (CCRT)
(An Autonomous Organization under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India)
Dwarka Sec-7, New Delhi- 110075

No.- 01/2026

Dated- 09.03.2026

NOTICE FOR EMPANELMENT

**Sub:- NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR EMPANELMENT OF PANEL COUNSEL /
STANDING COUNSEL (PAN INDIA)**

1. The Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT), an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, invites applications from eligible, experienced and practicing Advocates for empanelment as **Panel Counsel/Standing Counsel** to represent CCRT before various Courts, Tribunals and other Judicial/Quasi-Judicial Forums across India.
2. CCRT is engaged in activities relating to cultural education, training programmes, academic administration and allied institutional functions, and is required to defend and pursue legal matters arising out of service issues, contractual disputes, civil matters, arbitration, disciplinary proceedings and related litigation. For this purpose, applications are invited from eligible Advocates practicing before High Courts, District and Subordinate Courts, Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) and other statutory authorities.
3. **Eligibility Criteria**
The applicant must:
 - a. Be enrolled with the Bar Council of India/concerned State Bar Council.
 - b. Have a minimum of **03 years of standing at the Bar** (relaxable in exceptional cases).
 - c. Have adequate experience in handling service matters, civil litigation, arbitration and writ matters.
 - d. Possess demonstrable experience of appearance before High Courts/CAT/ AFCAT/Tribunals (wherever applicable).
 - e. He/She Should not have been debarred, blacklisted or removed from any panel of Government Department/PSU/Autonomous Body.
 - f. Have a clean professional record and good standing at the Bar.
4. Preference will be given to Advocates having prior experience of handling matters for Central Government Ministries/ Departments/Autonomous Bodies etc.
5. Applications are invited from Advocates across India (Pan India). The applicant should clearly indicate the jurisdiction(s) where he/she is regularly practicing and willing to represent CCRT.

6. Scope of Engagement

The empanelled Advocates may be required to represent and CCRT in matters pertaining to:

- Service Law matters
 - Civil Suits and Writ Petitions
 - Arbitration matters
 - Contractual disputes
 - Administrative/Disciplinary proceedings
 - Matters before Central Administrative Tribunal/ And other administrative tribunals
 - High Courts
 - District & Subordinate Courts
 - Statutory Authorities/Tribunals
 - Any other Court/Forum as may be assigned from time to time
7. The counsel shall also be required to provide legal opinions, vetting of draft pleadings, agreements, MoUs, contracts and assist in disciplinary/administrative proceedings whenever required.
8. The empanelment shall be purely on professional basis and shall not be construed as employment under CCRT. The engagement shall initially be for a period of one year, extendable based on performance and institutional requirement. The fees and terms of engagement shall be governed by M/o Law & Justice Vide OM No.J-12011/6/2025-Judicial/E.158060 Dated 05.02.2026. Empanelment shall not confer any right to claim assignment of cases and CCRT reserves the right to assign matters at its discretion. The empanelment may be cancelled or stopped by CCRT as per its discretion.
9. Interested Advocates may submit their detailed application along with curriculum vitae, proof of enrollment with the Bar Council, details of experience, list of important cases handled, and other supporting documents. The application must reach CCRT within fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice on the official website of CCRT. Applications received after the prescribed period will not be considered.
10. Applications may be submitted through email at dir.ccrt@nic.in or by post to: Director, CCRT 15-A, Block D, Sector 7 Dwarka, Delhi, 110077.
11. CCRT reserves the right to accept or reject any application without assigning any reason and to withdraw or modify this notice or the terms and conditions of the engagement at any stage.

This notice is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Place- Delhi
Date – 09.03.2026

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Signature