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(District & Sessions Judge)



**UTTARAKHAND STATE LEGAL
SERVICES AUTHORITY**
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Nainital-263001

To,

**The District Judges/Chairmen,
District Legal Services Authority,
Dehradun, Haridwar, Nainital and Udham Singh Nagar,**

No. 1081 /III-C-2017/SLSA,

Dated: 07 November, 2017

Subject: **PRE-LITIGATION MATTERS BEFORE THE PERMANENT LOK ADALAT.**

Sir/Madam,

On the subject noted above, as you are aware that recently four Permanent Lok Adalats have been made functional in the State. In this regard, it is to inform you that as per Section 22C of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 (herein referred as Act) any party to a dispute may, before the dispute is brought before any court, make an application to the Permanent Lok Adalat for the settlement of dispute.

It is also informed that as per Section 22A of the Act, the public utility services includes; *Transport service for the carriage of passengers or goods by air, road or water, Postal services, Telegraph services, Telephone services, Power & Electricity services, Water services, Hospital or dispensary services, public conservancy or sanitation services, Insurance services, Education or Educational Institutions services and Housing and Real Estate services.* This list at present does not include the Banking services.

Further, it has been found that many matters pertaining to the public utility services as mentioned in Section 22A of the Act are brought before the National Lok Adalats and Lok Adalats at pre-litigation stage. Now, I am directed to inform you that these matters/services are to be dealt by the Permanent Lok Adalats as per Section 22A read with Section 22C of the Act.

You are, therefore, informed accordingly and requested to kindly direct the parties in dispute at pre-litigation stage for subjects covered under Section 22A of the Act to approach the office of Permanent Lok Adalat of your district having jurisdiction for the redressal of these disputes. Further, you are also requested to transfer such types of pre-litigation matters, if any, which are covered under Section 22A of the Act to the Permanent Lok Adalat established in your district.

With regards.

Yours sincerely,



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Copy to the following for information:

1. The District Judge/Chairman, District Legal Services Authority, Champawat (Jurisdiction of District Champawat has been covered by the Permanent Lok Adalat established at District Nainital).
2. The Chairmen, Permanent Lok Adalats, Dehradun, Haridwar, Nainital & Udham Singh Nagar.


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