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No. AN/III/3019/Nodal Offices/PCDA(P)

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| 1. AAO (SC), Ahmedabad | 11. AAO (SC), Jodhpur |
| 2. PCDA (P), Allahabad | 12. AAO (Navy), Kochi |
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| 4. LAO Bhubaneswar | 14. PCDA (CC), Lucknow |
| 5. PCDA (WC), Chandigarh | 15. PCDA (Navy), Mumbai |
| 6. CDA, Chennai | 16. JCDA (AF), Nagpur |
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| 8. CDA, Guwahati | 18. LAO (A), Ranchi |
| 9. CFA (Fys), Jabalpur | 19. CDA, Secunderabad |
| 10. PCDA (SWC), Jaipur | 20. Legal Cell of HQrs Office |
| 21. PCDA (NC), Jammu. | |

Subject :- Defending of cases by DAD at various Armed Forces Tribunals (AFTs)

Recently, the PCDA (P), Allahabad has mooted a proposal for opening of separate Nodal Offices for handling of cases pending before various benches of Armed Forces Tribunals (AFTs).

2. The proposal has been examined in the HQrs Office. As seen from the case records, a total of 20 Offices/Sub-offices (*above mentioned addressees & HQrs office*) of the DAD have so far been nominated as Nodal Offices for handling CAT/Court cases vide HQrs Office circular No. AN/III/3024/CAT dated 04.08.1994 and as amended from time to time.

3. Consequent to the establishment of Armed Forces Tribunals (AFTs) under Armed Forces Tribunal Act 2007 dated 25.12.2007, the issue of handling of AFT cases was also examined in the HQrs Office and it was decided to entrust monitoring work of these AFTs to the already existing Nodal Offices. Accordingly, instructions were issued vide HQrs Office letter No. AN/III/LC/3024/CAT/NODAL/Vol.III dated 03.12.2010.

4. As such, it is reiterated that the Offices/Sub-office designated as Nodal Offices will continue to monitor all the CAT/Court cases (both DAD & Non-DAD), including cases pending before various AFTs. The concerned PCDA/CDA of the Nodal Office may suitably strengthen the Nodal Offices for effective handling of AFT cases. The staff may be managed from within their posted strength. Para 6 of HQrs circular dated 03.12.2010 is also relevant in this regard. A list of Nodal Offices alongwith jurisdictions is annexed to this letter (Annexure-A) for instant reference.

5. However, to facilitate handling of AFT cases by Nodal Offices effectively, the PCDA (P), Allahabad is being instructed to open a dedicated "AFT Cell" in their office/premises to assist the Nodal Offices by furnishing requisite orders/circulars and any other details that may be required by Nodal Offices to defend the AFT cases.

6. Further, in view of the existing High Court in the State of Jammu & Kashmir at Jammu/Srinagar and also in the light of establishment of AFT Bench at Jammu/Srinagar, it has been decided to entrust the work of monitoring court cases at Jammu/Srinagar to the PCDA (NC), Jammu. As such, the PCDA (WC), Chandigarh may transfer relevant portion of monitoring work to the PCDA (NC), Jammu in a mutually convenient manner.

7. All the Nodal Offices are also requested to furnish the names & telephone nos. of Nodal Officers {not below the rank of JCDA and DCDA, where JCDA is not available} and also the contact details of SAO/AO & AAO/Legal Cell, handling CAT/Court cases. The details may be sent to this office through e-mail only (*both LAN & WAN addresses are available on the letter head*).



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Copy to:-

1. PCDA (P), Allahabad - For information & necessary action with reference to Para 5 above. A separate cell for AFT cases may be established in your office for providing necessary assistance to the concerned Nodal Offices, handling AFT cases. The contact details, viz., name of SAO/AO/AAO, telephone/ fax nos., e-mail address etc. may be communicated to all the Nodal Offices.
2. PCDA (WC), Chandigarh - For information and necessary action with reference to Para 6 above.
3. PCDA (NC), Jammu - -do-

4. All the PCsDA/PCA/ CsDA/CFAs - For information please. The contact details of SAO/AO/AAO handling CAT/Court cases may be intimated to this office through CGDA e-mail address (LAN or WAN).



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List of CAT/Court Benches and Nodal Offices of DAD

SI No	CAT Bench	High Court (Based on CAT's Jurisdiction)	AFT Bench	Nodal Office of DAD
1	(PB) New Delhi	Delhi HC	(PB), New Delhi	CGDA
2	Ahmedabad	Gujarat HC		AAO (SC), Ahmedabad
3	Allahabad	Allahabad HC		PCDA (P), Allahabad
4	Lucknow	Allahabad HC (Bench at Lucknow)	Lucknow	PCDA (CC), Lucknow
5	Bangalore	Karnataka HC, Bangalore		PCDA, Bangalore
6	Calcutta	(i) Calcutta HC (ii) Calcutta HC (Bench at Port Blair) (iii) Sikkim HC, Gangtok	Kolkata	PCA (Fys), Kolkata
7	Chandigarh	(i) Pubjab & Haryana HC, Chandigarh (ii) Himachal Pradesh HC, Shimla	Chandigarh Shimla	PCDA (WC), Chandigarh
8	Cuttack	Orissa HC, Cuttack		LAO, Bhubaneswar
9	Ernakulam	Kerala HC, Kochi	Kochi	AAO (Navy), Kochi
10	Guwahati	(i) Guwahati HC, Guwahati (ii) Guwahati HC, Bench at Kohima (iii) Guwahati HC, Itanagar (iv) Guwahati HC, Bench at Aizwal (v) Manipur HC, Imphal (vi) Meghalaya HC, Shillong (vii) Tripura HC, Agartala	Guwahati	CDA, Guwahati
11	Hyderabad	Hyderabad HC, Hyderabad		CDA, Secunderabad
12	Jabalpur	(i) Madhya Pradesh HC, Jabalpur (ii) Chattisgarh HC, Bilaspur	Jabalpur	CFA (Fys), Jabalpur
13	Jodhpur	Rajasthan HC, Jodhpur	Jodhpur	AAO (SC), Jodhpur
14	Jaipur	Rajasthan HC, Bench at Jaipur	Jaipur	PCDA (SWC), Jaipur
15	Chennai	Madras HC, Chennai	Chennai	CDA, Chennai
16	Mumbai	(i) Bombay HC, Mumbai (ii) Bombay HC, Bench at Panaji	Mumbai	PCDA (Navy), Mumbai
17	Patna	Patna HC, Patna		CDA, Patna
18	Nagpur	Bombay HC, Bench at Nagpur		JCDA (AF), Nagpur
19	Ranchi	Jharkhand HC, Ranchi		LAO (A), Ranchi
20	--	Uttara Khand HC, Nainital	Nainital	PCDA (AF), Dehradun
21	--	J & K HC, Srinagar/Jammu	Jammu/ Srinagar	PCDA (NC), Jammu