

THE BAR COUNCIL OF RAJASTHAN

Old High Court Buildings, Jodhpur.

Ref. No. BCR/Gen. Meet/Min/34/Ju/2024/17562

Dated:- 27/11/2024

MINUTES

An Urgent General Meeting of the Bar Council of Rajasthan was held through Video Conferencing on **26th of October, 2024.**

The following Members joined the Meeting either physically or through Video Conferencing :-

01.	Shri Bhuwadesh Sharma	Chairman
02.	Shri Devendra Singh Rathore	Vice-Chairman
03.	Shri N. S. Choudhary	Co-Chairman
04.	Shri R. S. Rao	Co-Chairman (V.C.)
05.	Shri H. S. Sinsinwar	Co-Chairman
06.	Shri K. P. Mathur	Co-Chairman (V.C.)
07.	Shri J. S. Choudhary, Sr.	Member
08.	Shri S. S. Hasan, Sr.	Member
09.	Dr. Sachin Acharya, Sr.	Member (V.C.)
10.	Shri Rajesh Panwar, Sr.	Member
11.	Shri Ranjeet Joshi	Member
12.	Shri I. R. Choudhary	Member
13.	Shri K. K. Sharma	Member
14.	Shri S. K. Sharma	Member
15.	Shri C. L. Saini	Member (V.C.)
16.	Dr. Mahesh Sharma	Member
17.	Shri R. P. Singaria	Member
18.	Shri Sunil Beniwal	Member
19.	Shri G. D. Bansal	Member (V.C.)
20.	Shri B. S. Sandhu	Member (V.C.)

Shri Bhuwadesh Sharma, Chairman presided over the meeting.

Shri Bhuwadesh Sharma, Chairman expressed that this Urgent General Meeting was called in light of the Order of Hon'ble Division Bench of Supreme Court of India dated 30.07.2024 passed in Writ Petition 352/2023 titled Gaurav Kumar Vs. Union of India & connected matters pertaining to direction to State Bar Councils to charge enrolment fees of Rs.750/- for General candidates and Rs.125/- for SC/ST candidates as per section 24(1)(f) of the Advocates Act, 1961.

He further expressed that that in view of above Order and as per decision taken by the General House in its meeting held on 09/08/2024, the office has charged the enrolment fees of Rs.750/- for General candidates and Rs.125/- for SC/ST candidates as per section 24(1)(f) of the Advocates Act, 1961.

He expressed that keeping in mind certain special circumstances, it has now become necessary that the expenses of the Bar Council be kept economical, until some alternative arrangement is made. We will have to reduce the expenses of the Bar Council and this can be possible only when all the members of the Bar Council cooperate in this regard. In the coming times, the Bar Council may have to face financial crisis and one day such a situation may arise that it will become difficult for us to arrange for the salaries of the employees of the Bar Council, the daily expenses of the Bar Council etc.

He suggested that the present T.A. and D.A. being paid to the Hon'ble Members of the Council on attending meetings of the Bar Council of Rajasthan should be reduced.

He proposed that Two Actual 2nd A.C. Class Train Fares should be paid to the Hon'ble Members of the Bar Council on attending Meeting of the Bar Council and Rs.500/- should be paid as Conveyance Charges to them.

He further proposed that local conveyance charges of Rs.1500/- not to be paid to the Members on attending meetings and all the Meetings of the Disciplinary Committee/(s) should be held as far as possible on second or fourth Saturday of every month at Jodhpur and Jaipur respectively

He requested all the Hon'ble Members to offer their views/suggestions, if any, in this regard one by one.

Shri Devendra Singh Rathore, Vice-Chairman, Bar Council of Rajasthan agreed with the proposal of Shri Bhuvanesh Sharma, Chairman, Bar Council of Rajasthan.

Shri J.S. Choudhary, Member, supported the proposal of Hon'ble Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Bar Council of Rajasthan and was of the view that as per the Order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the enrolment fees have been reduced, therefore, in the interest of the Bar Council, it is necessary to reduce the expenses of the Bar Council, unless alternative arrangements are made by the Bar Council of India or Section 24 of the Advocates Act, 1961 is amended by the Parliament.

Servashri N.S. Choudhary, R.S. Rao, H.S. Sinsinwar, K.P. Mathur, Co-Chairmen, S.S. Hasan, Dr. Sachin Acharya, Rajesh Panwar, K.K. Sharma, S.K. Sharma, C.L. Saini, Dr. Mahesh Sharma, R.P. Singaria, Sunil Beniwal, G.D. Bansal, B.S. Sandhu, Members endorsed the views expressed by Servashri Bhuvanesh Sharma, Chairman and Devendra Singh Rathore, Vice-Chairman, Bar Council of Rajasthan.

After discussion, House passed the following resolution unanimously :-

Res. No. 241 /2024

“RESOLVED that Members of the Bar Council coming from outside Jodhpur/Jaipur to attend the Bar Council Meeting or such other meeting/(s) of Statutory Committee/(s) from their ordinary place of residence to the place where the meeting/(s) are fixed shall be entitled Two Actual Train Fares of 2nd A.C. Class and Conveyance Charges of Rs.500/- only w.e.f. 01.11.2024.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the local conveyance charges of Rs.1,500/- not to be paid to the Members of the Bar Council on attending meeting/(s) w.e.f. 01.11.2024.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Meetings of Disciplinary Committee/(s) will be held, as far as possible, on the Second and Fourth Saturday of every month at Jodhpur and Jaipur respectively.”

The Meeting was then terminated with a vote of thanks of the Chair.



**(R.P. Malik)
Secretary**