

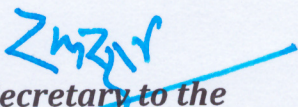
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Law Department

Subject: - Conduct of court cases in various courts.

It has been observed that the various courts are passing adverse orders including imposing costs on the Government for non-filing of replies or appeals etc., in time, in the court matters. This is not only causing unnecessary embarrassment to the State, but also putting burden on the State Exchequer. Therefore, there is a need to ensure that proper replies by incorporating the viewpoint of the Government clearly are filed within the time period allowed by the Court. Further, wherever required, production of relevant record, coordination between the Government Counsel and the respondent department be also ensured. In case, any adverse order is required to be agitated further, the appeals etc. be filed within the limitation period after obtaining the necessary concurrence/approvals as per the provisions of the Rules of Business of the Government of Himachal Pradesh, 1971

In view of the above, it is directed that whenever a notice/order is received from a court of law or the Department has to prefer an appeal etc., an officer in the Administrative Department should be made responsible and entrusted with the entire case not only at the very outset, but during the hearing of the case till the final disposal of the case. In case, the said officer is found lacking in discharge of his aforesaid duties, he should be made personally liable for any lapse committed in this behalf.

The above said instructions be brought to the notice of all the Head of Departments for strict compliance under intimation to the undersigned.


Chief Secretary to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh

**All ACS/Pr. Secy./Secy. to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh**

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