

HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH: BILASPUR

DISTRICT JUDGE (ENTRY LEVEL) EXAMINATION 2023 DIRECT RECRUITMENT FROM ADVOCATES (BAR)

Adv. No.02/S & A Cell/ 2024 Date :05/08/2024	Last date & time for receipt of application in the Registry	Date & day of Written Examination
	Date: 31/08/2024 Time: 5:00 P.M.	10/11/2024 (Sunday)

One- Vacancy and Pay Scale :-

Applications are invited for the post of District Judge (Entry Level) in Chhattisgarh Higher Judicial Service in the revised pay scale Rs. 144840-194660 under Level J-5 of new pay matrix in the cadre of Higher Judicial Service by direct recruitment from Advocates (Bar). Recruitment to these posts and conditions of service shall be governed by the Chhattisgarh Higher Judicial Service (Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules 2006, as on the last date of submission of application forms.

	Particulars	No. of Vacant Posts		Total	Reserved for women Year 2023
		Year 2023	Carried Forward (re-advertisement for the year 2022)		
(a)	Unreserved	30	-	30	09
(b)	Scheduled Castes	02	-	02	-
(c)	Scheduled Tribes	02	-	02	-
(d)	Other Backward Classes	02	01	03	-
	TOTAL	36	01	37	09

Note- Number of vacancies may vary.

Two- Eligibility :-

- (a) **No person shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment unless, he or she –**
- is a citizen of India,
 - has attained the age of 35 years and has not attained the age of 45 years on the first day of January in the year in which applications for appointment are invited i.e. **01/01/2024**.
Provided that where a candidate who was eligible in age to apply for appointment in the year 2023 i.e. as on 01/01/2023, shall also be eligible to apply against the advertisement in terms of the proviso to the Rule 7 (1) of Chhattisgarh Higher Judicial Service (Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules 2006.
Provided further that upper age limit shall be relaxed upto a maximum limit of 3 years for the candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes.

- (iii) Possess a degree in law of a university established or incorporated by or under a central Act or a State Act or an institution recognized by the U.G.C. or any other equivalent qualification.
- (iv) has for at least seven years been an advocate as on **01/01/2024** In other words, the applicant must be practicing as on **01/01/2024** as an Advocate and must have so practiced for a period of not less than seven year as on such date.
- (v) has good character and is of sound mind and body and free from any bodily and mental disability which renders him unfit for such appointment.

(b) **A person shall be disqualified for appointment by direct recruitment, if, he or she -**

- (i) has more than one spouse living,
- (ii) has been dismissed or removed from service by any High Court, Government, Statutory Authority, Local Authority or any other Authority.
- (iii) has been convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude or has been permanently debarred or disqualified by any High Court or Union Public Service Commission or any State Public Service Commission or any Service Selection Board or Staff Selection Commission constituted under statutory provisions by the Government;
- (iv) has been found guilty of professional misconduct under the provisions of the Advocates Act, 1961 or any other law for the time being in force.

NOTE:-

- (i) The post reserved for **Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes are reserved only for SC, ST and OBC who are the bonafide residents of Chhattisgarh State.**
The applicants, who are bonafide residents of other states and recognized as Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes in their own states will be considered only against the unreserved posts.
- (ii) The candidates belonging to OBC category must not come under creamy layer.
- (iii) In view of Hon'ble Supreme Court judgment dated 06/04/2017, 18/08/2017 and 04/07/2019 in the matter of Civil Appeal No.3609 of 2017 (Deepa E.V. Vs. Union of India & Ors.), Civil Appeal No.8351 of 2017 (Gaurav Pradhan & Ors. Vs. State of Rajasthan & Ors.) and Civil Appeal No.5185 of 2019 (Niravkumar Dilipbhai Makwana Vs. Gujrat Public Service Commission & Ors.) respectively, only such SC/ST/OBC candidates who are selected on the same standards as applied to general candidates shall not be adjusted against reserved vacancies.

Three - Application form & testimonials :

- (a) Interested candidates must submit their applications in the format available on the website i.e. <https://highcourt.cg.gov.in> along with duly attested certificates / testimonials relating to their date of birth, castes, qualification, domicile, experience of practice etc. as required.
- (b) All the Prosecuting Officers / Law Officers who are being treated as Advocates as per the judgment of the Supreme Court (in Civil Appeal No. 561 of 2013 – Deepak Agarwal Vs Keshav Kaushik and Others) shall have to produce **No Objection Certificate** of the Competent Authority as and when called for.
- (c) The applicant shall furnish a certificate from the Secretary General of the Supreme Court of India/ Registrar General / Registrar of the High Courts / Principal District & Sessions Judge concerned, bearing legible seal with date, month & year of its issuance regarding his / her practice as an Advocate as per format annexed.

Four - Examination Fees (Non Refundable)

- (a) Rs. 1000/- for all the candidates belonging to Unreserved Category and for all the candidates who are not the residents of Chhattisgarh state irrespective of their categories.
- (b) Rs. 700/- for the candidates who are bonafide residents of Chhattisgarh state belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes as notified for the State of Chhattisgarh (Relevant certificate must be enclosed).

Examination Fee is to be deposited only in the form of Challan with SBI branches through Core Banking Network all over India. Therefore, original copy of Challan must be attached to application form. Challan form is available along with application form on our website i.e. <https://highcourt.cg.gov.in>

Most important-

- (i) Fee in the form of Cash, Money Order, Bank Draft or Cheque shall not be accepted in any case and such applications shall be rejected for want of adequate fee.
- (ii) Before sending the *challan*, the candidates must ensure and be satisfied that there is no default. In case the *challan* is found defective or incomplete, the application shall be treated as rejected.
- (iii) Fee shall not be refunded in any case.
- (iv) In case of receipt of application after expiry of the last date or in case of rejection of the application the fee shall not be refunded.

Five – Instructions / Information for filling the application form.

- (a) Application must be submitted only in the proforma available on the website of Chhattisgarh High Court i.e. <https://highcourt.cg.gov.in>. The application form must be computer-printed or downloaded in A4 size paper.
- (b) The bonafide residents of Chhattisgarh belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes should specify their category in the application form.
- (c) The application duly filled in and signed along with Identity-Sheet & **four (04) identical and recent passport size self attested photographs** with name and address of the applicant on the back of the photographs affixing one photograph on application form, one photograph on Identity-Sheet and two photographs to be stapled at the space provided in the application form and **Two self addressed envelope (11" x 5")** stamped with postal stamps of Rs.25/- each addressed to the **Registrar General, High Court of Chhattisgarh, Bodri, Bilaspur (C.G.) Pin - 495220**, must reach the Registry of this High Court on or **before 31/08/2024 till 5:00 P.M.** The words **"Application for District Judge (Entry Level) Examination 2023 by direct recruitment from Advocate (BAR) and the Advt. No.02/ S & A Cell/2024"** must be written on the top of the envelope (14"x10") containing the application form.
- (d) Last date for submission of duly filled in and signed application is **31/08/2024 till 5:00 P.M.** It is the responsibility of the applicants that their applications must reach the Registry by 5:00 p.m. of the last date. The applications may also be submitted by dropping them in the **"Box"** kept therefor in the Registry office during the office hours i.e. from 10.15 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on every working day till the last date. The applications received in the Registry office by post till 5:00 p.m. on the last date shall only be entertained. **Registry will not be responsible for any postal delay.**
- (e) Candidates must ensure that they fulfill all the terms and conditions as per the advertisement and other applicable rules pertaining to recruitment for the said post.

Address for sending the application :-

**The Registrar General
High Court of Chhattisgarh
Bodri, BILASPUR (C.G.),
Pin Code - 495220**

Six - Summarily rejection of Application :

- (a) The applications received after stipulated date and time shall not be entertained.

- (b) The candidates must ensure that the application is complete in all respect enclosing all the necessary documents and original copy of challan. Documents received after the last date shall not be entertained.
- (c) Incomplete / unsigned application shall be rejected summarily and no communication shall be entertained in this regard.

Seven - Examination :-

- (a) Eligible candidates shall be required to appear in written examination at the exam-centre and for viva-voce at their own expenses before the High Court of Chhattisgarh, Bilaspur or at such other places as may be specified by the High Court.
- (b) The candidates will be called for viva-voce in the ratio of 1:3 in order of merit on the basis of their performance in the written examination, provided that a candidate appearing in the written examination for selection by direct recruitment from amongst the eligible candidates must secure 60% marks in case of Unreserved Category and 50% marks in case of Reserved Category who are the bonafide residents of Chhattisgarh State to qualify for viva-voce.
- (c) The Candidates belonging to unreserved category shall have to secure minimum 33% marks and those belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes shall have to secure minimum 25% marks in the viva-voce.
- (d) Appendix 'A' for scheme of Examination and syllabus shall be applicable.
- (e) Candidates shall be selected in order of merit on the basis of aggregate marks obtained by them in the written examination and viva-voce.
- (f) The selected candidates, before their appointment, shall be required to undergo medical examination by a Medical Board at their own expenses.

Eight- Admit-card :-

Admit cards will only be made available on the website of our High court i.e. <https://highcourt.cg.gov.in> preferably before 15 days prior to the date of written examination. The candidates are required to download and get the printout of the admit cards from our website.

Nine - Incomplete or false information :-

- (a) Candidates must ensure that they fulfill the eligibility criteria / requirements as stipulated in the Advertisement. Permission to appear in District Judge (Entry Level) Examination does not indicate that the data provided by the candidate in application with respect to eligibility criteria have been verified and finally accepted by this Hon'ble High Court as the detailed scrutiny of applications for eligibility and other aspects for the written examination will not be undertaken at this stage and therefore, the candidature will be treated

as provisional. Merely possessing the prescribed qualifications and requisite experience would not entitle a candidate to be called for the written test / viva voce. Therefore, the candidates must ensure that they fulfill all eligibility criteria in all respects. If it is found at any stage of selection and appointment process that they do not fulfill the stipulated criteria, their candidature will be cancelled and no fee will be refunded.

- (b)** If any of the particulars furnished in application and enclosures thereto are found to be false/frivolous/incorrect or if the candidate is found to have suppressed any material fact, their candidature shall be liable to be cancelled at any stage of the selection process and, if selected / appointed, their services shall be liable to be terminated and the applicant may also liable to be prosecuted on that count.

Note- The candidates remaining absent in the viva-voce shall be disqualified for the selection.

- Ten-**
- (a)** The applications under Right to Information Act for certified copy / inspection of answer sheet of written examination may not be entertained after 6 months from the date of declaration of final result as the concerned records are liable to be eliminated.
- (b)** The Prosecuting Officers / Law Officers will be treated to be an Advocate as per the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court in Civil Appeal No. 561 of 2013 – Deepak Agarwal Vs Keshav Kaushik and Others.
- (c)** No correspondence with regard to the examination will be entertained at any stage of the examination.

Registrar General

Appendix 'A'

DISTRICT JUDGE (ENTRY LEVEL) EXAMINATION SCHEME - 2023

The Competitive Examination of 2 papers of 3 hours each for Recruitment of District Judge (Entry Level) by Direct Recruitment from Advocate (Bar) shall consist of :-

Written Examination:-

I- Paper-I Law (Maximum marks 100)

- (A) The Code of Civil Procedure, 1908
The Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023 (No.47 of 2023)
The Limitation Act, 1963
The Chhattisgarh Rent Control Act, 2011 (No. 12 of 2012)
(Maximum marks – 25)
- (B) The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (No.46 of 2023)
The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (No.45 of 2023)
The Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988
The Chhattisgarh Excise Act, 1915
The Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes
(Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989
The Narcotic Drugs And Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985
(Maximum marks – 25)
- (C) The Transfer of Property Act, 1882
The Indian Contract Act, 1872
The Specific Relief Act, 1963
The Indian Forest Act, 1927
The Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972
The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986
(Maximum marks – 25)
- (D) Principles of Pleading
Conveyance
The Constitution of India
(Maximum marks – 25)

II- Paper-II Law (Maximum marks 100)

- (A) Framing of Issues and writing of Judgment in Civil Cases.
(Maximum marks 40)
- (B) Framing of charges and writing of Judgment in Criminal Cases.
(Maximum marks 40)
- (C) Translation- (Maximum marks 20)
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| (a) | English to Hindi | - | 10 marks |
| (b) | Hindi to English | - | 10 marks |

III-Viva Voce 20 marks