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## NOTIFICATION

No. F. 11014/2/96-LAC, the 13th May, 1998. In exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (3) of section 304 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (Act No. 1 of 1974) as applied to Mizoram, read with rule 5 of the Defence Pleaders (Appointment and Fees) Rules, 1976 as framed by the Hou'ble Gauhati High Court under sub-section (2) of section 304 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (Act No. 1 of 1974) under their Notification No. HC. XI-2/74/5109/RC dt. 19th May, 1977, the Governor of Mizoram is pleased to direct that as from the 1st day of June 1998, the provisions of sub-section (1) and (2) of section 304 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (Act No. 1 of 1974) i.e. the provisions of engagement of a defence lawyer, at the expense of the State, for the defence of an accused person who has no sufficient means to engage a lawyer, shall apply in relation to any class of trials before other courts i.e. non-sessions courts in the State, as they apply in relation to trials before courts of sessions i.e. the Courts of Deputy Commissioners/ADMs (Judicial).

The Governor of Mizoram is pleased to further direct that the modes of engagement of defence-lawyers in relation to any trials before such non-sessions or Magisterial Courts, and the rates of fees to be paid by the State Government to the defence-lawyers in such cases, including other matters connected thereto shall be governed by the Defence Pleaders (Appointment and Fees) Rules, 1976 as framed by the Gauhati High Court, the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 (Act No. 39 of 1987) as amended from time to time, the Mizoram State Legal Services Authorities Rules. 1996 and the Mizoram State Legal Services Authority Regulations, 1998, as the case may be.

By order etc.

P. Chakraborty, Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram.