

# HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA AT SHILLONG

**Advertisement No. HCM.II/27/2024-Rect/12**

Dated Shillong, 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2025

## **Recruitment to the Post of Grade-III Judicial Officers under the Meghalaya Judicial Service Rules 2006 with Amendments upto 2025**

1. Online applications are invited from eligible candidates for direct recruitment to 11 (eleven) posts of Grade-III Judicial Officers, as per Schedule B of the Meghalaya Judicial Service Rules, 2006 (with amendments up to 2025), in the pay level J-1 (Rs. 77,840/- per month plus allowances):

- (i) **Khasi Jaintia:** 4 posts
- (ii) **Garos:** 4 posts
- (iii) **OST/OSC:** 1 post
- (iv) **Unreserved:** 2 posts

### **2. Eligibility Criteria**

- (i) Must be a citizen of India.
- (ii) **Must have a** degree in Law from a recognized university established by law in India.
- (iii) **Age Limit:**
  - (a) General Category: Not above 35 years as of the last date of application.
  - (b) SC/ST: Not above 38 years as of the last date of application.
- (iv) Must have minimum 3 years of practice as an advocate as on the last date.
- (v) Must have a working knowledge of Khasi, Jaintia, or Garo.

### **3. Reservation**

Reservation follows the Government of Meghalaya policy for SC/ST, PwBD, and other categories.

### **4. Application Fee**

**General:** Rs. 700/-

**SC/ST:** Rs. 350/-

**PwBD:** Exempted (with valid certificate)

### **5. Payment modes:**

- a. SBI e-Challan (for cash at any SBI branch)
- b. Debit/Credit Card or Net Banking (State Bank of India)

Payments made after deadline or through other means will not be accepted and fee is non-refundable.

### **6. Disqualification from Appointment**

A candidate will be disqualified if:

- (a) Not a citizen of India.
- (b) Dismissed or removed from any government/judicial/statutory/local authority.
- (c) Convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude or permanently debarred/disqualified by any recruiting authority.
- (d) Found canvassing or influencing the selection process.
- (e) Productions or submissions of false, incomplete or forged documents, or incorrect information.

- (f) Fails to fulfill prescribed eligibility at any stage as verified by the High Court.

## **7. How to Apply**

- (a) **Apply online only** through the High Court  
website: [www.meghalayahighcourt.nic.in](http://www.meghalayahighcourt.nic.in)
- (b) **One-time registration** is required for first-time applicants.
- (c) **Application Window:**
- (a) Opens: **27<sup>th</sup> October, 2025**
- (b) Closes: **21<sup>st</sup> November, 2025 (up to 5:00 PM)**
- (d) **Required Uploads:**
- (a) Citizenship and age proof
- (b) Law degree and all mark sheets
- (c) Enrollment/practice certificate
- (d) Experience certificate
- (e) Caste/disability certificate (if applicable)
- (f) Two character certificates (not relatives or academic staff)
- (g) One latest passport-size photograph
- (h) **Fees:** Paid via e-challan (cash at SBI) or SBI Net Banking/Debit/Credit Card.

## **8. Selection Process**

(As per *Meghalaya Judicial Service Rules, 2006*, as amended)

The recruitment shall be conducted in **three stages**:

- A. Preliminary Examination (Screening Test)**
- B. Main (Written) Examination**
- C. Viva-Voce / Interview**
- A. Preliminary Examination (Screening Test)**

- (i) The Preliminary Examination shall be an **objective-type (multiple choice)** test for **100 marks** of **two hours' duration**.
- (ii) The examination is **qualifying in nature** and meant to shortlist candidates for the Main Examination.
- (iii) Marks obtained in the Preliminary Examination shall **not be counted** for final merit.
- (iv) The number of candidates shortlisted shall ordinarily be **ten times the number of vacancies**, or as determined by the High Court.
- (v) **There shall be no negative marking.**

### **Subjects for Preliminary Examination**

The question paper shall cover the following areas:

- (I) **General Knowledge and Current Affairs** – Indian polity, history, geography, economy, environment, and current national and international events; awareness of the culture and polity of Meghalaya.
- (II) **English Language** – Vocabulary, grammar, comprehension, précis writing, and usage.
- (III) **Reasoning and Analytical Ability** – Logical reasoning, numerical aptitude, and problem-solving ability.
- (IV) **Law (Fundamental and Procedural Laws)** –
  - Constitution of India
  - Code of Civil Procedure, 1908
  - Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 / Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS)
  - Indian Penal Code, 1860 / Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (BNS)
  - Indian Evidence Act, 1872 / Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023 (BSA)
  - Law of Contracts and Torts

- General Legal Principles and Legal Maxims
- (V) **Local Laws and Customary Practices** – Basic knowledge of customary laws and local governance systems in Meghalaya.

## **B. Main (Written) Examination**

The Main Examination shall consist of **five descriptive papers** as follows:

| <b>Paper Subject</b>                                                                                                                        | <b>Marks</b> |
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| I English (Essay, Precis, Grammar etc)                                                                                                      | 100          |
| II General Knowledge (Objective Type, Aptitude Test)                                                                                        | 100          |
| III Law Paper I – Constitution of India, Civil Procedure Code, Transfer of Property Act, Indian Contract Act                                | 100          |
| IV Law Paper II – Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam (BSA), Law of Torts | 100          |
| V Local Language (Khasi, Jaintia or Garo)                                                                                                   | 150          |

## **C. Viva-Voce / Interview**

- The Viva-Voce shall carry **70 marks**.
- It aims to assess the candidate's personality, communication skills, legal acumen, and suitability for judicial service.

## **Terms and Conditions**

- (i) Applications not submitted online or without correct fee/payment will be rejected.
- (ii) Meeting eligibility does not ensure selection or interview/exam call.
- (iii) No TA/DA for any candidate at any stage.

- (iv) All official communication, admit cards, results, and updates will be posted on the High Court website. Individual correspondence is not guaranteed.
- (v) All rules, conditions, modifications, and decisions by the High Court are final.
- (vi) The Hon'ble the Chief Justice reserves the right to relax any conditions specified in this Advertisement.
- (vii) False information will result in cancellation of the candidature and prosecution as per law.
- (viii) Canvassing in any form will result in immediate disqualification.
- (ix) The High Court reserves the right to cancel/amend/postpone this recruitment at any time without notice.
- (x) For further details, the Registry of the High Court of Meghalaya may be contacted during office hours ([www.meghalayahighcourt.nic.in](http://www.meghalayahighcourt.nic.in)).

  
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**Memo. No. HCM.II/27/2024-Rect/12-A      Dated, Shillong the 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2025**  
Copy to:-

1. The Registrar- cum- Principal Private Secretary to the Hon'ble the Chief Justice, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of His Lordship's kind information.
2. The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.S. Thangkhiew, Judge, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of His Lordship's kind information.
3. The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of His Lordship's kind information.
4. The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. Bhattacharjee, Judge, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of His Lordship's kind information.
5. The Commissioner and Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Law Department, Shillong for information.
6. The Members, Recruitment Committee for recruitment of Judicial Officers, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for information.

7. The District & Sessions Judge, Shillong/ Nongpoh/ Tura/ Jowai/ Nongstoin/ Mawkyrwat/ Williamnagar/ Ampati/ Khliehriat/ Baghmara/ Resubelpara *with a request to affix a copy of this Advertisement in their Notice Board.*
8. The Director of Information & Public Relations, Meghalaya, Shillong *with a request to cause publication of the advertisement in the local dailies i.e., The Shillong Times, U Nongsain Hima and Salantini Janera.*
9. The DDG/SIO, NIC, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information.
10. The Assistant Registrar, i/c Establishment Section, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for information.
11. ✓ The System Analyst, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for uploading the advertisement on the website.
12. Shri. Gulrez Sohliya, Scientist 'D', NIC, Meghalaya, Shillong with a request to reflect the advertisement on the Online Portal.
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