ADVOCATES WELFARE FUND TRUST

Minutes of the meeting of Advocates Welfare Fund Trustee Committee held on 09.09.2024 (Monday) at 4.00 P.M. onwards at 1-F, Lawyers Chambers, Delhi High Court, New Delhi.

The following members were present:

- 1. Mr. Chetan Sharma, Sr. Advocate, ASG, Chairperson, AWFTC
- 2. Mr. Surya Prakash Khatri, Chairman, Bar Council of Delhi
- 3. Mr. Ramesh Gupta Sr. Advocate, Member AWFTC/Bar Council of Delhi
- 4. Mr. Rajiv Khosla, Member, AWFTC/Bar Council of Delhi
- 5. Ms. Nandita Rao, ASC (Crl.), GNCTD, Member, AWFTC

Sh. Chetan Sharma, ASG, Chairperson, AWFTC, presided over the meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting dated 29.07.2024 were confirmed.

The following agenda items were taken up:

- 1. The application of Mr. M. Sultan Siddiqui (D/354/2000), who has sought financial assistance on account of having undergone treatment for urethral calculus, has been perused. Applicant is present. He is heard. Record reveals that he was earlier also granted ex-gratia sum of Rs.81,998.00 as well for having been suffered on account of dengue and hernia. Now, he stated to have undergone surgery for urethral calculus and admitted for a day in the hospital. As against the applicant's demand of Rs.38,950/-, the verified amount from the hospital is Rs.30,000/- The Committee deemed it appropriate to sanction an ex-gratia sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees twenty-five thousand). Application is accordingly disposed off.
- 2. The application of **Mr. Parminder Singh Loomba** (D/3089/2011) has been considered. The applicant stated to have undergone treatment for bilateral foot wound debridement due to diabetes. The bills have been verified. Applicant is present. He is heard. The verified amount from the hospital against his treatment is Rs.3,19,600/-. After perusing documents and hearing the applicant, the Committee is of the view that a sum of **Rs.2,75,000/-** (Rupees two lakh seventy-five thousand) as ex-gratia payment be made to the applicant. Application is thus disposed off.
- 3. The application of Mr. Siddharth Goswami, Advocate (D/5552/2018) is considered. The applicant is stated to have undergone treatment for renal biopsy. Applicant is present. He is heard. Applicant stated

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to have admitted in the hospital from 28.09.2022, undergone surgery, and discharged on 07.10.2022. After hearing and the applicant and perusing the medical documents, the Committee deems it appropriate to sanction an exgratia sum of **Rs.1,50,000/-** (Rupees one lakh fifty thousand). The application is, disposed off accordingly.

- 4. The application of Mr. Zuheb Najmi, Advocate (D/868/2015) is considered. The applicant is stated to have undergone treatment after he met with an accident. Application alongwith documents perused. Applicant is present, who is wheelchair bound. Record reveals that he was already paid Rs.30,000/- from the Advocates Welfare Fund Trustee Committee on 30.12.2020 and further a sum of Rs.40,000/- from Indigent & Disabled Lawyers Fund of Bar Council of Delhi. Applicant stated to have met with accident on 17.12.2021 and is not able to walk. Considering overall circumstances, the Committee is of the view that an ex-gratia sum of Rs.1,60,000/- (One lakh sixty thousand) be sanctioned to the applicant. The application is thus disposed off accordingly.
- 5. The application of Mr. Mahendra Singh, Advocate (D/1050/1992) is considered. The applicant is stated to have undergone treatment for incidental carcinoma Gall Bladder Pt. 1BX. The applicant is present. He is heard. The applicant stated to have undergone surgery. The total verified amount from the hospital is Rs.5,60,152/- Considering overall circumstances and nature of the disease, the Committee deemed it appropriate to sanction an ex-gratia sum of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees five lakh) to the applicant. The application is, thus, disposed off accordingly.
- 6. The application of Mr. Sudarshan Singh, Advocate (D/1857/2013) is considered. The applicant is stated to have undergone treatment for diffuse Large B. Cell Lymphoma with CNS involvement. Applicant is present and he is heard. As per the record, the verified amount from the hospital is Rs.19,89,465/- and a sum of Rs.9,69,348/- has been paid by the Insurance Company. After going through the medical documents, hearing the applicant and considering the nature of the disease, the Committee is of the view that ex-gratia sum of Rs.5,00,000/- be sanctioned to the applicant. The application is, thus, disposed off accordingly.

- 7. The application of Mr. Rishabh Singh, Advocate (D/8865/2022), for financial help has been considered. The applicant stated to have undergone treatment of liver abscess. Applicant is present. He is heard. He is enrolled in the year 2022 and has not yet appeared and cleared All India Bar Examination. The consideration of the application is, therefore, **deferred**.
- 8. The application of Mr. Karan Choudhery, Advocate (D/10148/2019) for financial help, has been considered. The applicant is stated to have undergone treatment after met with accident (C4 right lateral mass fracture with neuro-deficit (right>left). Applicant is not present. However, his application and medical documents perused. The verified amount from the hospital is Rs.6,20,617/- as against the applicant's demand of Rs.7 lakh. The Committee is of the considered view that a sum of Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees five lakh) be sanctioned to the applicant. Application is accordingly disposed off.
- 9. The application of Mr. Rakesh Kumar Jain, Advocate (D/551/1988) seeking financial help has been considered. The application stated to have undergone treatment for Pneumonia. Applicant is present. He is heard. The verified amount from the hospital is Rs.69,258/- as against the demand of Rs.8,34,673/-. Record reveals that the applicant is enrolled in the year 1988 and has become member of the Advocates Welfare Fund only on 30.05.2024 i.e. after he had undergone treatment and the bills are for the period from 28.01.2024 to 20.02.2024. The applicant is a member of CM Welfare Scheme as well. The Council is of the view that the consideration of application be deferred.
- 10. The application of Mr. Hiteshu, Advocate (D/2399/2017) for financial help is considered. He stated to have undergone treatment for fracture of right clavicle due to slip of his scooty. The applicant is present. He is heard. He states that he is not a member of CM Welfare Scheme. After perusal of documents related to the treatment of the applicant and hearing him, the Committee is of the considered view that an ex-gratia sum of Rs.1,50,000/- (Rupees One lakh fifty thousand) be sanctioned to the applicant. Application is accordingly disposed off.
- 11. The application of Mr. Subhash Ghander Suri, Advocate (D/171-R/1997) for financial help is considered. The applicant is stated to have undergone treatment of cancer. The applicant is present and he is heard by

the Committee. The verified amount from the hospital is Rs.2,51,729/- as against applicant's demand of Rs. 3 lakh. The applicant is a member of CM Welfare Scheme as well. The Committee is of the view that his application be **kept pending.** In the meantime, the applicant is advised to approach the official concerned in the office of Bar Council of Delhi, for claiming reimbursement under CM Welfare Scheme.

- 12. The application of **Mr. Arvind Kumar Singh**, **Advocate (D/343/1976)** is considered. The applicant is seeking financial help on account of his having operated upon for removal of urinary bladder. The applicant is present. He is heard. The applicant has already been reimbursed Rs.5 lakh by the CM Welfare Scheme and was also sanctioned a sum of Rs.50,000/- from Indigent & Disabled Lawyers Fund of Bar Council of Delhi, as well. Considering overall circumstances, the Committee is of the view that an ex-gratia sum of **Rs.50,000/-** (Rupees fifty thousand) be sanctioned to the applicant. Application is thus, disposed off accordingly.
- 13. The application of Mr. Rajendra Singh, Advocate (D/233-A/1973) seeking financial help is considered. Applicant is stated to have undergone bye pass surgery. The verified amount is Rs.3,60,000/- as against the demand of Rs.3,60,000/-. After perusing the application and the medical documents, the Committee is of the considered view that a sum of Rs.3,50,000/- (Rupees three lakh fifty thousand) be sanctioned to the applicant. The application is accordingly disposed off.
- 14. The application of **Mr. Himanshu Dixit, Advocate (D/8933/2022)** has been considered. He is stated to have undergone treatment for Listhesis L5-S1. The applicant is present. He is heard. He is not a member of CM Welfare Scheme. As against the demand of Rs.2,06,648/- the verified amount from the hospital is Rs.1,93,907/-. The Committee deems it appropriate to sanction an ex-gratia sum of **Rs.1,90,000/-** (Rupees one lakh ninety thousand) to the applicant. The applicant is accordingly disposed off.
- 15. The application of Mr. Amardeep Sharma, Advocate (D/1764/2012) seeking financial help as having undergone treatment for rheumatic heart disease and brain hemorrhage, is taken up. The applicant is present. He is heard. Medical documents perused. The verified amount from the hospital is Rs.1,27,613/-. After perusing the documents and hearing the applicant, the

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Committee is of the view that an ex-gratia sum of **Rs.1,25,000/-** (Rupees one lakh twenty-five thousand) be sanctioned to the applicant. The applicant is thus disposed off.

- 16. The application of Mr. Rashid Husain Khan, Advocate (D/13099/2023) is considered. The applicant is stated to have undergone treatment for heart disease. The applicant is present and is heard. He has not yet appeared and completed All India Bar Examination. The consideration of the application is, therefore, deferred.
- 17. The application of **Mr. Babu Lal, Advocate (D/607/2022)** seeking financial help on account his having undergone treatment for heart related problem, is taken up for consideration. The applicant is present. He is heard. He is enrolled on 07.02.2022. On being asked, he states that he was earlier working as a teacher in Guru Harkishan Public School, Punjabi Bagh, and he is not getting any pension. However, his enrolment record shows that he is involved in some FIRs. The matter is referred to Bar Council of Delhi for consideration as to how he was enrolled while criminal cases having been pending against him. The matter is **deferred**.
- 18. The application of Mr. V.K. Malik, Advocate (D/266/1980) seeking financial help as having undergone treatment for hairline fracture and spondylitis, is taken up. The applicant is not present. However, application and medical documents perused. The Committee is of the considered view that an ex-gratia sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees twenty-five thousand) be sanctioned to the applicant. Applicant is disposed off.
- 19. The application of Mr. Abhishek Tomar, Advocate (D/10100/2022) seeking financial help as having undergone treatment for tuberculosis of intestine, is considered. Applicant is present. Heard. He is not a member of Advocates Welfare Fund. The hospital concerned has verified the amount of treatment at Rs.18,33,026/-. After perusing the medical records of the applicant and hearing him, the Committee is of the considered view that an exgratia sum of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees ten lakh) be sanctioned to the applicant. Application is accordingly disposed off.
 - 20. The application of Mr. Mukesh Pathak Advocate (D/4570/2010) seeking financial help on account of him having undergone treatment as a

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diabetic patient. Applicant is present. He is heard. All the fingers of his left foot stated to have been amputated. Records reveal that he has already been reimbursed a sum of Rs.5 lakh from the CM Welfare Scheme. However, considering overall circumstances and nature of ailment, the Committee is of the considered view that an ex-gratia sum of Rs.5,00,000/- be sanctioned to the applicant. Application is thus disposed off.

Minutes of the supplementary agenda:

The application of Mr. Subhash Chand Gupta (D/346/1981) seeking S1. financial help on account of his having undergone treatment of stomach cancer, is taken up. Applicant is present. Heard. After going through the application, medical documents and hearing the applicant, the Committee is of the view that an ex-gratia sum of Rs.5,00,000/- be sanctioned to the applicant. The application is accordingly disposed off.

Meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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