

**CHARTER OF DUTIES**  
**FOR**  
**LEGAL SERVICES ADVOCATES AT CWC**

**INTRODUCTION**

Article 39 A of the Constitution laid foundation of State sponsored Free Legal Services to weaker and vulnerable sections of the society. Thereafter, Delhi State Legal Services Authority was constituted under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.

As provided under Section 12 of the Act free and competent legal services are provided to women, children, people in custody, workmen etc.

Also for the welfare and rehabilitation of children in need of care and protection, Child Welfare Committees have been constituted under Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children Act) 2000.

Delhi State Legal Services Authority on its part has opened Legal Services Clinics in all the 8 Child Welfare Committees functional in Delhi. One empanelled Legal Services Advocates has been posted in all the CWCs in order to provide free and competent legal aid, advice, counselling to children and their families. Legal Services Advocate also represent the child before the Committee and render all assistance to the Committee for rehabilitation of the children.

**This charter of duties has been prepared to work as a guideline to the Legal Services Advocates to help them in efficient discharge of their duties.**