

**NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY DELHI  
PROJECT 39-A  
(FAIR TRIAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME)**

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**REOPENING CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: ‘Legal researcher ’ for ‘Fair Trial Fellowship’**

**Position:** The National Law University, Delhi (“University”) is seeking to engage a researchers on contractual basis (for the below mentioned positions ) for a research study on ‘**Preliminary Assessments by Juvenile Justice Boards under the JJ Act, 2015’ (the Study)** . The Study is being conducted under Project 39A’s Fair Trial Fellowship Programme (Programme), which is supported by a grant from the Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives (APPI).

**About the programme:** The Programme commenced in August 2018 and has established a Fellowship programme to support empanelled legal aid lawyers under the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) framework. Between Nagpur and Pune, the Fellowship currently comprises 2 Legal Strategy Coordinators, 20 Legal Fellows and 10 Social Work Fellows, who provide support to the DLSA in providing legal representation to undertrials in Yerwada Central Prison, Pune and Nagpur Central Prison. The twin goals of the programme are to reduce the undertrial population in prisons in Pune and Nagpur and to work with the legal aid system in Maharashtra. To this end, the programme includes a research as well as a litigation component. The Programme currently has offices in Pune and Nagpur.

**Scope of Study:** The Study aims to analyse all orders passed by the Juvenile Justice Boards after a preliminary assessment was conducted in respect of a Child in Conflict with Law alleged to have committed a ‘heinous’ offence in Maharashtra from the time of coming into force of the JJ Act, 2015 i.e., 15 January 2016 until 30 June 2019. It will also entail qualitative interviews with functionaries, children and their families, and victims in at least 2 districts of each of the states.

**Timeline of the Study:** 6 months

**Designation– Legal Researcher**

1. Number of Position: One position based at Delhi with requirement to travel to Mumbai/Nagpur/Pune as per needs of the study.
2. Service Duration – This is a part full- time paid position initially for 7 months which may be extended as per requirements of Programme.
3. Remuneration will be fixed salary in the range of INR 40,000 - 50,000/- per month commensurate with qualifications and experience.

**Qualifications:**

- A. Graduate with an LL.B. degree;
- B. Proficiency in English and Hindi and/or Marathi is mandatory;
- C. Candidates with an LL.M. degree/ Post graduate degree in subjects related to the Programme will be preferred;

D. Minimum of three years of experience of working in programmes on child rights, criminal justice/ legal aid support will be desirable.

E. Research related skills would be an added advantage

*[The above qualifications may be relaxed in exceptional circumstances]*

**Application Process:** Interested persons may send their resume and a covering letter explaining their interest in working on this programme. The covering letter must not exceed 750 words. Shortlisted candidates will be called for the selection process which may be held in Pune/Nagpur/Mumbai. Intimation regarding dates and venue of selection rounds will be given to the shortlisted candidates by email.

**Email:** Interested persons must send their resume and statement of purpose (SOP) to [p39arecruitment@nludelhi.ac.in](mailto:p39arecruitment@nludelhi.ac.in) and the subject of the e-mail should be '**Application –‘legal researcher - Fair Trial Fellowship Programme’**'.

**Deadline:** The last date for receiving applications is **25<sup>th</sup> December 2019**. Applications received after this deadline will not be considered. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted via e-mail. If you do not hear from us within four weeks after the deadline, please assume that your application has not succeeded. Unfortunately, we cannot reply to individual queries about the status of applications.

**Note:**

1. National Law University, Delhi is an equal opportunity employer.
2. Project 39-A ensures access to legal representation for prisoners regardless of the offence.
3. National Law University, Delhi reserves the right to conduct interviews and not fill the positions.
4. National Law University, Delhi is unable to cover the costs of attending interviews.
5. These positions shall be paid under the grant received under Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives received by Project 39A, National Law University, Delhi.
6. This is not an advertisement for regular government service.
7. Please read this call completely before calling/emailing for further clarification.

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