



NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FASHION TECHNOLOGY (NIFT), Bengaluru
(An Institute of National Importance under the Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India)

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

Engagement of Legal Counsel on Monthly Retainership Basis

National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), Bengaluru, invites **Expressions of Interest (EOI)** from eligible and experienced **Legal Practitioners/Advocates** for engagement as **Legal Counsel on a monthly retainership basis**.

Scope of Work:

The selected Legal Counsel shall:

- Provide legal opinions on service matters, contracts, disputes, and institutional issues.
- Vet draft replies to grievances, complaints, representations, RTIs, and court cases.
- Assist in drafting legal notices, affidavits, agreements, MoUs, etc.
- Coordinate with standing counsels/advocates handling cases before courts/tribunals.
- Attend meetings for legal consultation, as required.
- Provide urgent legal advice on priority matters within stipulated timelines.

Retainership Fee:

- Fixed monthly retainership fee of **Rs. 25,000/-** (Rupees Twenty-Five Thousand only).
- Applicable statutory deductions (including TDS) will be made as per rules.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Qualified legal practitioner/advocate enrolled with the Bar Council of India/State Bar Council.
- Minimum **5–7 years of experience** in handling service matters, arbitration, contracts, and court cases.
- Experience with Government Departments/Autonomous Bodies/PSUs/Academic Institutions preferred.
- Sound knowledge of service law, contract law, and administrative law.
- Good professional standing and reputation.
- No conflict of interest with NIFT.
- Age should not exceed **62 years** (for individuals).

Terms of Engagement:

- Engagement will be purely on a **retainership basis** (not regular employment).
- Initial tenure: **One year**, extendable based on performance and requirement.
- No additional remuneration except retainership fee, unless specifically approved.
- The engagement may be terminated by either side with **one month's notice** or payment in lieu thereof.

Selection Process:

- Applications/EOIs will be scrutinized by a Selection Committee.
- Shortlisted candidates may be called for interaction/interview.
- Final selection shall be subject to approval by the Competent Authority.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates may submit their **Expression of Interest (EOI)** along with detailed profile, experience, and supporting documents to the concerned NIFT Campus within the prescribed timeline.

Last Date for Submission: 15.06.2026

For further details, please visit the NIFT, Bengaluru Campus.
