

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE
BONGAIGAON :::: ASSAM

ORDER DATED: 19-05-2020

Pursuant to Notification No.26, dated 15th May 2020 issued by Hon'ble Gauhati High Court regarding '**Restricted Court Functioning**' with '**Staggered Roster**' during fourth phase of National Lockdown, as well as, in pursuance of the Order passed by Hon'ble the Chief Justice, on 15th day of May 2020, in this regard, following arrangements are hereby made for the functioning of district courts at Bongaigaon and Abhayapuri Sub-Division. This order is subject to any further instruction issued by Hon'ble Gauhati High Court in this regard:-

- 1.The restricted court functioning shall be held entirely through video conferencing only in virtual courts until further orders.
- 2.The concerned Advocate/Party-in-Person shall have to contact the Nodal Officer/ Coordinator and inform as to whether he would connect/link to the Hon'ble Court by video-conferencing through desktop or laptop Computer at his own arrangement or would prefer to appear at the video-conference facility (Virtual Courts) arranged in the district Court premises.
- 3.The Advocates desirous of linking to the Virtual Court by video-conferencing through desktop or laptop Computer at his own arrangement, from their residence/chamber, shall have to take following steps-
 - i. Learned Advocate shall be required to download "**VidyoMobile**" app (for mobile user) from Play Store or App Store or "**VidyoDesktop**" app (for desktop or laptop user) from the URL <http://ecourtvc.nic.in/download.html?l2ng=en> for the purpose of availing the facility of video conferencing.
 - ii. The learned counsel shall be required to give intimation to System Officer of District Court, Bongaigaon at following mobile number 9101016093, Mr. Maniruddin Mansuri, Systems Officer, Bongaigaon, at least three days prior to the proposed date of hearing so that the System Officer could provide necessary User ID and Password to the said Advocate or may send a link through email or Whatsapp for

joining video conferencing facility with date and timing of the hearing as per the '**Special Cause List**' issued in this regard. Regarding other technical issues also the System Officer, Bongaigaon District Courts may be contacted.

4. The Advocates desirous of appearing at the video-conference facility (Virtual Courts) arranged in the district Court premises shall have to take following steps:
 - a) They shall have to appear before the earmarked remote end of Virtual Court established within the court complex, for video conferencing, as per date and time given in the Special Cause List of the respective courts.
 - b) In the Special Cause List, published in this regard, the date and time of hearing of a particular case with identity virtual court shall be mentioned.
 - c) Only three lawyers shall be allowed to enter at the time in the Virtual Courts having video conferencing facilities
 - d) Learned Advocates shall have to strictly follow the social distancing norms inside the video conferencing facility of the virtual court room.
5. Remote end points of virtual court for appearance of lawyers are as follows:-

(A) Virtual Courts at District Headquarter at Bongaigaon:-

- (i) Virtual Court No.1 (Remote Point):- Courtroom of the Court of District and Sessions Judge at Bongaigaon.
- (ii) Virtual Court No.2 (Remote Point):- Courtroom of the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate at Bongaigaon.

(B) Virtual Courts at Abhayapuri:-

- (i) Virtual Court No.1 (Remote Point):- Courtroom of the Court of Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate (M) at Abhayapuri.

6. "**Staggered Roster**" of Presiding Officers of various courts with specific dates and time slots for holding virtual courts shall be published separately for facilitating holding of Virtual Courts.
7. "**Special Cause List**" of various courts for specific dates shall be published at least three days prior to actual date of hearing in the official

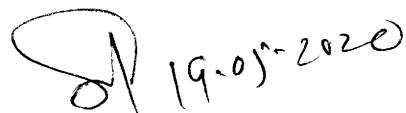
website of Bongaigaon District Judiciary and the other cases already fixed on a particular day shall stand adjourned.

8. List of Nodal officer/coordinator for all virtual courts shall be separately published.
9. In all video conferencing proceedings of the court, the 'Video Conferencing Rules' as promulgated by the Honourable Gauhati High Court vide Notification No 27 dated 18th May 2020, shall be applicable.
10. Every person entering the court complex must wear mask covering the nose and mouth and must wash hands at the wash basin outlet provided at the entrance of the building. Entry of outsiders having no business within the court premises is strictly prohibited.
11. For any enquiries about case status, next date of hearing and other details related to video conferencing etc. the front help desk/e-Seva Kendra may be contacted.

Sd/-
District & Sessions Judge
Bongaigaon::Assam

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Copy to-

- 1) Registrar General, Gauhati High Court
- 2) All Judicial Officer Stationed at Bongaigaon
- 3) All Judicial Officer Stationed at Abhayapuri
- 4) Deputy Commissioner, Bongaigaon
- 5) Superintendent of Police, Bongaigaon
- 6) President/Secretary Bongaigaon Bar Association
- 7) President/ Secretary Abhayapuri Bar Association
- 8) Office file, Office of District & Sessions Judge, Bongaigaon/ CJM, Bongaigaon/ Addl. District & Sessions Judge, Abhayapuri/ SDJM(M), Abhayapuri


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