

The office of the Advocate General, Bihar
High Court, Patna

Office order

Memo No.-

Patna, dated

March, 2026

Hon'ble Patna High Court, citing the provision contained in Rule 7(1) of the Law officers Engagement Rules, 2023, passed a significant order on 18-2-2026 in Cr. Appeal (DB) No.1142 of 2024 with 1195 of 2024, Pappu Kumar Manjhi Vs. The State of Bihar & Anr. with Arvind Kumar Manjhi Vs. The State of Bihar & Anr stating therein that the said rule does not permit law officer to appear against the State.

In the light of the above judicial order, all Addl. Public Prosecutors being a Law officer as per the Rule 3(1)(f) of the said engagement rule, 2023 are hereby directed to ensure strict observance of the above order accordingly.

2- Under Secretary/Section officer of the Criminal Section is hereby directed to bring into the notice of the undersigned if any non-observance in this regard comes to the knowledge forthwith.

3- This order shall come into effect immediately.

Sd/-

(P.K.Shahi)

Advocate General, Bihar

Patna, dated /6 March, 2026

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- Copy to
1. The Registrar General, Patna High Court, Patna;
 2. The Secretary-cum-LR, Law Deptt., Govt. of Bihar;
 3. Under Secretary/Section officer, The office of the Advocate General, Bihar, High Court, Patna;
 4. All Addl. Public Prosecutors, Patna High Court;
- for information and necessary action.


16.3.26
(Navin Chandra)

Jt. Secretary to Govt.