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### **1. Short title and application.**

(1)These rules may be called the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj (Entrustment of legal work by Gram Panchayats/Mandal Parishads/ Zilla Parishads) Rules, 2000.(2)These rules shall apply to the appeals filed by the Gram Panchayats or Mandal Parishads or Zilla Parishads.

### **2. Definition.**

- In these rules unless the context otherwise requires, - "Act" means the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994.

### **3. Prosecution of offences.**

- In cases of prosecutions filed by a Gram Panchayat in respect of the following offences, namely:
  - (i)Violating powers and function as specified in Schedules I and II of the Act.(ii)Offences specified under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (Central Act 37 of 1954).(iii)Offences specified under the Prevention Health Act, or any other Law for the time being in force in the State.

### **4. Engagement of an Advocate and Payment of fees.**

- (1)If it become necessary to engage an advocate, in Subordinate Courts in both Civil and Criminal cases, the Gram Panchayat or Mandal Parishad or Zilla Parishad, as the case may be, shall engage an advocate in good standing of its choice.(2)Payment of fee to such advocate shall be regulated in terms of standing orders governing the terms and conditions of services in appointing the Government Pleaders and other law officers of the State Government.

### **5. Engagement of Standing Counsel by the Zilla Parishad.**

- The Zilla Parishad may engage the services of a Standing Counsel on such honorarium as may be fixed with prior permission of Government and subject to such terms and conditions of appointment as prescribed therein.

### **6. Appearance of Government Pleader at District or State headquarters and fees.**

- (1)Where the local authority as well as Government are parties to a suit, the Government Pleader at District or State headquarters shall appear on behalf of Government and the local authorities. The Government shall fix the proportion in which the costs should be shared by these authorities.(2)Where payment of fees is made except wherein specific orders are issued by Government, and such Gram Panchayat or Mandal Parishad or Zilla Parishad shall obtain a certificate of reasonableness from the District Collector. This however, shall not apply to those cases wherein a single case the payment made does not exceed Rupees one hundred and fifty only.