

Transfer Policy

1. A Judicial Officer can be transferred to any part of the State of Maharashtra without specifying any reason, in public interest and/or in the interest of Judicial Administration.
2. No Officer of Higher or Lower Judicial Services shall be posted in his/her hometown.
3. The entire State shall be divided into Six Zones, viz. Konkan, Nashik, Pune, Aurangabad, Amravati and Nagpur.
4. The tenure in a zone shall normally be three years and except in administrative exigency, a judicial officer shall not be retained in the same zone for two consecutive tenures.
5. Intra-zone transfers should be limited and need based.
6. Inter-zone transfers should be encouraged for maintaining better administration of Justice.
7. Inter or Intra-zonal transfers should be made to ensure that an Officer who had been posted in a major city or court(s) having heavy pendency may be transferred to a district / court of lower pendency in the administrative interest.
8. Request for particular station may be considered in the case of dire necessity and that too, if the Officer is found to be very good in discharge of his duties.

9. As far as possible efforts should be made to see that the working spouses are posted at the same station or at least in the same district. However, in case both the spouses are Judicial Officers, both the Judicial Officers should not be posted in the same cadre and at the same place. They may be posted in the same district but at different places or in different cadres of the judicial administrative system.
10. The transfers should be finalized and the orders should be circulated preferably on or before 7th April of every year.
11. Representation, if any, made by the Judicial Officer in respect of his / her transfer / posting at a particular place should reach the Registry of the High Court on or before 31st January of each year. The Registry shall place all such representations before the Committee at the earliest.
12. After the order of transfer is issued and the judicial officer is granted posting as per one of his / her choice as made, only in very exceptional circumstances, a judicial officer may file his / her representation against his / her transfer. However, such representations would be entertained and decided only after the Judicial Officer has joined his / her new posting. On receipt of such representations, endeavour would be made to dispose of such representations preferably within a period of 30 days.
13. First promotional posting of the Judicial Officer shall be made beyond his / her own zone (now six zones viz. Konkan, Nashik, Pune, Aurangabad, Amravati and Nagpur).
14. As far as possible, the last posting of the Judicial Officer may be in the zone of his choice, subject to Guideline No. 4 & Guideline No. 2.

15. The competent authority considering the transfers of the Judicial Officers would keep in mind that the children of the Judicial Officers who are studying in 9th / 10th standards and/or 11th / 12th standards are able to complete their education in all these classes from the same institution.

16. Book regarding "Judicial Stations" should be updated by obtaining information from all District Judges and updated copy should be supplied at all stations.