

## **9. JHARKHAND**

### **LEGAL AID**

There is a provision of giving legal aid up to Rs. 1000/- to the affected persons under the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

### **TRAVELLING AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES**

There is a provision of giving daily allowance to victims of offences of atrocities or their dependants and witnesses, which is not less than the minimum wages fixed for agricultural labourers. There is also a provision of reimbursement of traveling expenses of witnesses.

### **APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS**

#### **A. NODAL OFFICERS**

The Special Secretary, Home Department is the Nodal Officer to oversee implementation of the Act.

#### **B. SPECIAL PUBLIC PROSECUTORS**

Special Public Prosecutors are functioning in all districts of the State.

### **COMMITTEES**

#### **STATE LEVEL COMMITTEE**

A State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee has been set up under the Chairpersonship of the Chief Minister.

The District level Vigilance and Monitoring Committees are already functioning.

#### **SPECIAL COURTS**

The designated Special Courts in all the Districts of the State take up cases under the Act.

#### **INDENTIFICATION OF ATROCITIES PRONE AREAS**

Hazaribagh District has been identified as the prime atrocity prone area.