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GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
SECRETARIAT: LAW & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DEPARTMENTNOTIFICATIONImphal, the 24th December, 2019

No. 10/14/2017-FC/L: In exercise of the powers conferred by section 23 of the Family Courts Act, 1984 (No. 66 of 1984) and after consultation with the High Court of Manipur, the Governor of Manipur is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Manipur Family Courts Rules, 1992, namely:-

THE MANIPUR FAMILY COURTS (SECOND AMENDMENT) RULES, 2019

1. **Short title and commencement.**-(1) These rules may be called the Manipur Family Courts (Second Amendment) Rules, 2019.
(2) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2. **Amendment of rule 2.**- In clause (d) of rule 2 of the Manipur Family Courts Rules, 1992 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), for the words "Gauhati High Court", the words "High Court of Manipur" shall be substituted.
3. **Substitution of rule 7.**- For rule 7 of the said Rules of the following shall be substituted namely:-
 - "7. **Qualification for appointment as Counsellor.**-(1) A person for appointment as Counsellor must have attained the age of 40 years on the first day of January of the recruitment year, must possess a Bachelor Degree in Law or Master Degree in Sociology or Diploma in Social Works and must be a person who is or has been married.
(2) A Counsellor on completion of 10 (ten) years of service may be considered for promotion to the post of Senior Counsellor."
4. **Substitution of rule 8.**- For rule 8 of the said rules, the following shall be substituted namely:-
 - "8. **Appointment of Counsellor.**-(1) Subject to the provision of rule 7, there shall be a Counsellor shall be a Counsellor for each Family Court to be appointed by the State Government on regular basis.

Provided that one Member of Selection Committee for appointment of Counsellor shall be a professionally qualified expert in the field of Family and Child Welfare.

(2) The Counsellor shall hold office till he/she attains the age of 60 years."

4. **Substitution of rule 9.**-For rule 9 of the said rules, the following shall be substituted namely:-

"9. **Terms and Conditions of Service of Counsellors.**- The terms and conditions of service of the Counsellors shall be such as may be determined by the State Government from time to time."

NUNGSHITOMBI ATHOKPAM,
Secretary (Law),
Government of Manipur.