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(Rajiv Gandhi Advocate's Training Scheme)

Whereas the preamble to the Constitution of India provides to secure justice “*social, economic and political*”;

And Whereas, Article 39A of the Constitution mandates that the State shall provide free legal aid by *suitable legislation or scheme or in any other way* to ensure that opportunities for securing justice are not denied to any citizen *by reason of economic or other disabilities*;

And Whereas, in order to enable the State to provide free legal aid and guarantee speedy trial, a vast number of persons duly trained in legal profession are essential; and

And Whereas, the explosion in population, the vast changes brought about by scientific, technological and other developments, and the all-round enlarged field of human activity reflected in modern society, and the consequent increase in litigation in courts and other fora demand that the service of competent persons with expertise in law is required at various stages and different levels and should be made available;

And Whereas, the Supreme Court in the case of *State of Maharashtra v. Manubhai Pragaji Vashi* (1995) 5 SCC 730, has observed that the need for a *continuing and well-organised legal education* is absolutely essential reckoning the new trends in the world order and to meet the ever-growing challenges; and

And Whereas, it has become necessary to encourage and motivate young and talented and meritorious law graduates at grass roots level to stay and continue in legal profession;

Now therefore, the Ministry of Law and Justice, Department of Legal Affairs, hereby makes Scheme namely, **Rajiv Gandhi Adhivakta Prashikshan Yojna (Rajiv Gandhi Advocate's Training Scheme)** to provide intensive professional training to young advocates to upgrade their professional knowledge and skill.

1. Need of the Scheme

The Constitution of India reflects the quest and aspiration of the mankind for justice. Its preamble speaks of justice in all forms, social, economic and political. Its Article 39A which was inserted by way of 42nd Amendment to the Constitution recognizes equal justice and free legal aid. It imposes a duty on the State to secure that

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