

## DIRECTORATE OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS:

The Directorate of Public Prosecutions, Odisha, was created in the year 1982 to monitor the performance of the prosecution system. Since it became difficult to improve the performance of the prosecutors appointed on contractual basis, the Government introduced the System of cadre Prosecutors on test basis in the year 2001 along with the contractual appointees. It is found that the performance of Cadre Prosecutors is comparatively better than the prosecutors appointed on contractual basis. A High Level Committee under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary have decided to encadre the entire system of Prosecution, which would help a long way in the administration of criminal justice mechanism. Recruitment of 189 Assistant Public Prosecutors have been taken up through OPSC. To improve the performance of cadre prosecutors and to develop a full proof prosecution system and alternatively to fix up the accountability following steps are taken.

1. Imparting training to the Prosecutors and Review of their performance.
- ii. Guidelines imparted to improve the functioning of day to day prosecution system.
- iii. To provide infrastructure to the prosecutor to improve their performance including computerization of their system..
- iv. To monitor the prosecution of important cases of the state and to co-ordinate with the investigating agencies to remove defects in the investigation and to improve the standard of prosecution.
- v. For prompt submission of proposal for filing appeal/revision.
- vi. Instructions to all prosecutors to prepare plan of prosecution with details of evidence required to be adduced in the court, to rectify the defects in investigation, where it is possible, and to submit a written note of argument in each case.