

ALTERNATIVE LAW FORUM

# DONATE TO SUPPORT LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Learn about the legal assistance provided by ALF for marginalised communities and donate to help sustain this work.

# ABOUT ALF

We, at Alternative Law Forum, are a collective of lawyers committed to responding to issues of social and economic justice. We work to make the law and legal institutions accessible to marginalized communities and citizens. We do so by integrating critical research with pedagogical interventions and legal support.

## WHY DONATE?

We have a team of 5 litigators who lead legal interventions and provide effective legal representation to marginalised communities. With over 200 ongoing cases in trial courts and in the Karnataka High Court, ALF continues to represent individuals and communities in various cases in family law, constitutional law and criminal law.

However, it has become difficult to sustain work due to a paucity of funds today. From printing costs to travel expenditure, we need your help to sustain this work for the long term.

# AFFORDABLE LEGAL ASSISTANCE

We offer affordable legal assistance to members of marginalised communities who are in need. Some of the areas where we offer legal assistance are:

- 1. Caste Atrocities & Discrimination
- 2. Domestic Violence
- 3. Land Rights
- 4. Gender Discrimination
- 5. Matrimonial Disputes
- 6. Labour Law and Industrial Disputes
- 7. Criminal Law
- 8. Constitutional Law

We only represent the individual that is at the disadvantage of a power structure. For example, in cases of domestic violence, our policy is to only represent women and queer people. This affordable legal assistance is also provided free of cost, subject to the nature of intervention and needs of the individual.

Our alternative practice of law is rooted in upholding human rights that are enshrined in the values of our Constitution. Legal interventions are only one aspect of the various kinds of support that we offer to organisations and communities.

### WHAT YOUR DONATION CAN HELP SUPPORT

Your donation can directly contribute to supporting our advocates in assisting the marginalised who are in need of effective legal representation. It will also help us intervene at times of crises, and assist victims and survivors access their fundamental right to a speedy trial. Our estimated projections this year are:

Support for lawyering costs

Printing

Court fees

Research costs

Travel expenses

Stationery and photocopy

**Projections for the year 2022-23: Rs. 6,00,000** 

Our litigation work has previously not been funded by any institutional donor. For over two decades, ALF has sustained these efforts with the support of donations and minimal fees collected from clients. To strengthen our rights-based practice, we strive to continue offering affordable legal assistance and working on our endeavour to integrate legal interventions with research and advocacy. We hope to build a network of citizens who want to invest in our work and participate in a collective effort to uphold the Constitution.

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If you are interested to know more about our work before donating, please send an email to: <a href="mailto:communications@altlawforum.org">communications@altlawforum.org</a>.

Your contribution to ALF will help sustain our efforts to realise the imagination of a society based on the tenets of the Constitution.

Thank you for your support.