

## **Invitation for lawyers with 1-2 years of practice for Human Rights Defenders Fellowship for year 2010 - 11**

Human Rights and Law Defenders (HRLD) is the legal wing of the *Sahyog Trust*. It works to address human rights concerns through law. We practice direct intervention in the courts and work to sensitize the justice delivery mechanism

We refer to our practice as “socio-legal lawyering.” Socio-legal lawyers bring the broader significance into their perception of the case and the courtroom as well. We recognize that even small cases can bring the hope of justice to larger groups of people. We take cases on behalf of people with disabilities, people living with HIV/AIDS, the homeless, the poor, those marginalized because of caste or religion, prisoners, sex workers, juveniles, and women; all the groups our society tends to repress or overlook. We see all of society’s problems as interrelated and recognize that we must address them all to have a hope of solving any of them.

After 10 years of practise in this field we wish to broaden our horizons to train a cadre of lawyers who will strengthen the legal aid systems. Hence we have decided to move a step forward by selecting lawyers from different districts to train them with a socio-legal perspective and to build a network of such lawyers.

We request you to inform the lawyers in your district to apply to Sahyog Trust. The application must contain the following details:

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Contact details:**

**Email id:**

**Years in practice:**

**Kinds of cases handled:**

**Other activities you have been involved in:**

**Why do you think you are fit for the fellowship:**

**Are you associated with NGO’s in your District:**

**How are you associated with these NGOs:**

**Area of interest in work:**

Completed form must be sent to us by 25<sup>th</sup> December 2010 by post or courier on the following address:

Sahyog Trust  
Flat no 1, Prathamesh Shri CHS,  
Lane no 5, Prabhat Road, Pune - 411004  
Ph: 020 - 2545 9777

The application will be scrutinised and selected applicants will be interviewed.