

## OVERVIEW

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**Client** : Legal Department, Govt. of Gujarat.

**Business Sector** : Legal Administration /  
Government Organization

**Client Profile** : The Legal Department's function is to monitor entire state litigation & to also act as an advisor by way of submitting various, opinions sought by the concerned administrative departments, either as a pre litigation or post litigation matter

**Technology** : Microsoft .NET, Oracle 9i

**Platform** : Windows



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## INTRODUCTION

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The Legal Department as whole is responsible for two main assignments.

- 1 Civil & Criminal litigation entirely against & on behalf of the State.
- 2 Wetting scrutiny & examining of proposed new Acts of the State & rules made there under.

Functions of Legal Department is distributed across Gujarat among 25 districts. Legal Department interacts with its subordinate offices - District Government Pleader Offices, Charity Commissioner, WAKF Board, Inspecting Officers (Court Fees) and Gujarat State Legal Service Authority.

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## INTEGRATED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM (IITS) - LEGAL DEPARTMENT

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# MAIN ACTIVITIES OF LEGAL DEPARTMENT

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- Civil opinion to the state Government departments & various Branch & Corporations .
- Works relating to following matters of entire Gujarat State , Mofussil litigation against Government in court of Civil Judge (SD)
- Appeals in Dist court, High court and Supreme Court.
- Appeals in High Court Supreme court in arbitration award.
- Establishment and Administration of Judiciary.
- Appointment of Law officer like Advocate General, Additional Advocate General, Government solicitors Advocates on record in Supreme Court of India.
- To Issue Instruction to Government solicitors, GP, AG / AAG, for appearance in the High Court in all type of petition directly filed by or against Government in High Court and Supreme Court under the respective Act.
- Opinion in pending Litigation matters in High court & Supreme court.

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**DUE TO DISTRIBUTED WORKING PATTERN, LEGAL DEPARTMENT WAS FACING PROBLEMS RELATED TO TIMELY STATUS OF LEGAL CASE, AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION, AND INCONSISTENCY OF DATA.**

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## THE PROBLEM

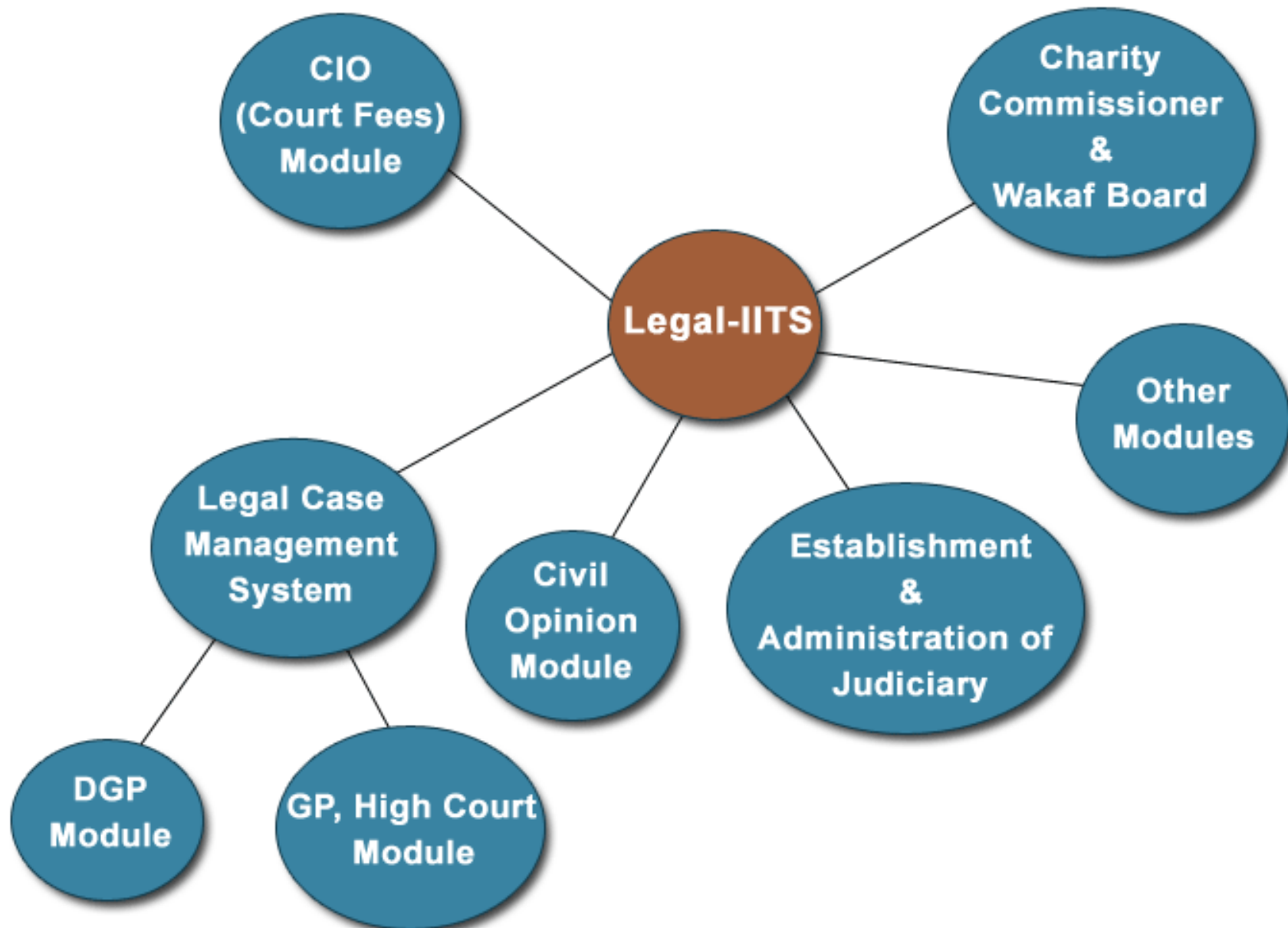
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All legal opinion and litigation are controlled and monitored by Legal Department for entire Gujarat State. All requests for opinion from other departments are routed to Legal Department. All the decision on pre-litigation & post-litigation matters are centrally taken by Legal Department. Successful implementation and roll out of the LEGAL-Integrated Information Technology System (IITS) project involves many challenges. The biggest challenge is creating IT awareness, appreciation for automated systems and removal of fear of computerized system from the users of LEGAL-IITS. LEGAL DEPARTMENT continuously requires information from the HODs operating under it. Interfacing LEGAL-IITS system with Charity Commissioner, DGP Office, Government Pleader Office, Chief Inspecting Officer (Court Fees), who are operating in varied conditions will also be a challenge.

In the manual process it was extremely difficult to manage all these activity due of huge volume of transaction and due to availability of recent information. Due to distributed working pattern, Legal Department was facing problems related to timely status of Legal case, availability of information & inconsistency of data. In addition to this Legal Department has to invest huge time in compilation of Legal case information. Also lots of time and efforts have been given to manage periodical reports and registers.

# SOLUTION

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# BRIEF DETAILS ABOUT THE VARIOUS MODULES OF LEGAL – IITS

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Legal Case Management  
Module

## **1. Legal Case Management Module:**

Legal Department is responsible for Civil & Criminal litigation entirely against & on behalf of the Gujarat State. This module provides facility to store all the information of various cases of Government like Criminal Post Litigation opinion and Criminal Acquittal Appeals, Mofussil litigation against Government in court of Civil Judge (SD), Appeals in District court, High court and Supreme Court.

Civil Opinion Module

Establishment &  
Administration of  
Judiciary

This module also provides facility to issue instruction in suits / appeals filed against State Government to Tribunals, District Courts, High Court & Supreme Court.

Other Modules

DGP Office Module

## **2. Civil Opinion Module:**

Legal Department act as an advisor by way of submitting various, opinions sought by the concerned administrative departments, either as a prelitigation or post litigation matter.

CIOCF – Chief  
Inspecting Officers  
(Court Fees) Module

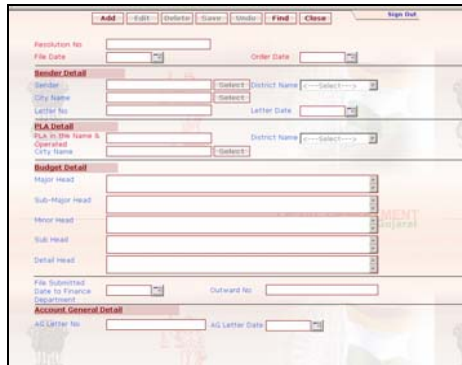
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## **3. Establishment & Administration of Judiciary:**

This module provides the facility to Establishment and Administration of Judiciary in the state. It also provides facility for Appointment & Establishment of P.P., A.P.P, Law Officers & I.O.C.F. It will provide information on no of court establishment in the various Districts of state.

#### 4. Other Modules:

Library: Legal Department is having large knowledgebase of 35,000 books pertaining to various Law subject. Legal IITS will have complete online Library Management module.



The screenshot shows a web application form titled 'Account General Detail'. It includes fields for 'Resolution No', 'File Date', and 'Order Date'. Below these are sections for 'Sender Detail' (Sender, City Name, Letter No, Letter Date), 'PLA Detail' (PLA in the Name of, Operational City Name), and 'Recipient Detail' (Major Head, Sub-Major Head, Minor Head, Sub-Head, Detail Head). There are also fields for 'File Submitted Date to Finance Department' and 'Outward No', and an 'Account General Detail' section with 'AG Letter No' and 'AG Letter Date'.

Liaison Branch: Legal Department is having liaison office at Gujarat High Court. Module will provide facility to feed important proceeding in High Court which will be directly available to Legal Department.

Notary: This module provides facility of Appointment of Notary in Gujarat State.

#### 5. DGP Office Module:

This module will be implemented at all District Govt. Pleader Office of Legal Department across Gujarat State. Legal Department issue Institution to Government solicitors, GP, PP for appearance in the District Court in all type of petition directly filed by or against Government in District Court using Legal Case Management Module. Such instruction will be directly available at DGP office online for necessary action.



The screenshot shows a web application form titled 'Indian Christian Marriage Certificate Detail - In English'. It includes fields for 'Letter No', 'Letter Date', 'File Date', and 'File No'. Below these are fields for 'Notification No' and 'Certificate Issue Date'. The main section contains fields for 'Person Name', 'Address', 'City Name', 'Pin Code', 'Mobile No', and 'Phone No'. There is also a 'Date of Birth' section with fields for 'Date of Birth' and 'Date of Issue'.

#### 6. CIOCF - Chief Inspecting Officers (Court Fees) Module:

Inspecting Officer (Court Fees) (IOCF) supervises case filed and pending in various level courts functioning in Gujarat state for prescribed court fees livable on each case. Chief Inspecting Officer (Court Fees) (CIOCF) is head of all Inspecting Offices and supervises activities of different Inspecting Offices. This module provides facility for maintaining details of Court visits and Inspection of cases. Primary details of CFR filed by IOCF, Disposal of CFR, Updating Court Fees Recovery Details.



# BENEFITS

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With the help of Legal-IITS, Legal Department, Government of Gujarat has been able to achieve following benefits:

- ✓ Bi-lingual interface
- ✓ Web enabled
- ✓ Seamless integration with the HODs and Offices
- ✓ On-line status of Case related to information to Government Department
- ✓ Accuracy of data
- ✓ Availability of historical data for reference
- ✓ Document Scanning & Storage for all the permanent record of Charity Commissioner
- ✓ Complete data integrity has been achieved as Legal-IITS is integrated common solution for all locations and offices including head office which share common data.
- ✓ Integration between various branches and locations with reusability of common data.
- ✓ Sr. management has been able to implement effective management strategies as Legal-IITS provides comprehensive MIS which help in decision making for management.
- ✓ Transparency of information across all offices at various levels.
- ✓ Easiest management by centralized single point application which will allow any client to connect easily with minimum or no installation required at client computer.

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