

JUSTICE CHANDRACHUD IS NEW HEAD OF NALSA

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Justice D.Y. Chandrachud

President Droupadi Murmu has appointed Justice D.Y. Chandrachud as the Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) on Friday, the Union Law Ministry said in a notification.

Justice Chandrachud takes up the position that became vacant after Justice U.U. Lalit was elevated as the 49th Chief Justice of India (CJI).

The NALSA has been constituted under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 to provide free legal services to the weaker sections of society.

While the CJI is the Patron-in-Chief, the second senior-most judge of the Supreme Court of India is the Executive Chairperson of the authority.

Before being elevated as a judge of the Supreme Court, Justice Chandrachud served as the Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court and prior to that a judge of the Bombay High Court.

He was made a senior advocate in the Bombay High Court in June 1998. That year, he was appointed an Additional Solicitor General of India, a role he held until his appointment as a judge.

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