

SUBORDINATE DISTRICT COUNCIL COURT

3. **Subordinate District Council Court** – For the trial and cases for the whole of the Khasi Hills Autonomous District not triable by village courts and under its jurisdiction to be presided over by the Judicial Officer designated as Magistrate. In Civil Cases it has got unlimited power and in Criminal Cases it has been invested with the Power of the Magistrate 1st Class with 7(seven) years power of imprisonment. It also hears appeals from the decisions of the Village Court both Civil and Criminal.

In Civil Cases its procedure is guided by the spirit but not bound by the letter of the code of Civil Procedure, 1908 as amended up-to-date. In Criminal Cases, its procedure is guided by the spirit of the code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 as amended up-to-date.

At present, there are three Subordinate District Council courts at Shillong and they are trying a large number of cases both Civil and Criminals arising from different part of the Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council comprising East Khasi hills District, West Khasi Hills District and Ri-Bhoi District and many civil and criminal cases had been disposed of from time to time.