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THE LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM, (LTTE), will have its own courthouses in Jaffna Peninsula from next month, reports from Jaffna said.

The LTTE has announced in Jaffna that their courthouses would be functioning in the areas under their control and that they would be known as district courts.

According to LTTE reports the courthouses will hear

all types of cases by Judges who will be appointed by the LTTE Supremo V. Prabhakaran.

Professional lawyers will be permitted to appear before the LTTE courts once they take an oath of loyalty

to the LTTE, reports said.

A new legal book is also being printed in order to give guidelines for the people to follow and stating the procedures of the LTTE's legal system, according to

reports.

Meanwhile, around eight courthouses including the High Court of Jaffna, have been destroyed, and many case records are lost, reports said.

The LTTE is operating its own police force with around thousand cadres handling petty disputes.