

Legal Structure Selector

Nonprofit, NGO & Social Sector

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This guide explains what the tool produces, how to use the output, and what to watch for. The actual output (draft/report) is generated on the tool page.

Background

Helps a founder select an NGO legal structure — comparing trust, society and Section 8 on governance, compliance burden, funding credibility and best-fit — ending in a recommendation with reasoning based on your goals and funding plans. Use this to decide between the three forms. For the full step-by-step use the NGO Registration Guide.

Purpose of this tool & output

Pick trust, society or Section 8

How the output is used

Use the selector to pick trust, society or Section 8 based on your purpose, scale and funding plans.

Who should vet it

A lawyer/CA, to confirm the structure suits your purpose and funding.

Important cautions

AI-generated guidance; confirm with a professional.

Companion documents

- NGO Registration Guide
- Trust Deed Builder
- Society Registration Guide
- Section 8 Company Setup
- Bylaws / Rules Builder
- Mission & Vision Builder

This is AI-assisted guidance. Verify with a qualified professional before any binding decision. Fees, authorities and processes vary by state and change over time — confirm with your state authority.