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## **List of Abbreviations**

| NALSA  | National Legal Services Authority              |  |
|--|--|--|
| HALSA  | Haryana State Legal Services Authority         |  |
| DLSA   | District Legal Services Authority              |  |
| SDLSC Sub Division Legal Services Authority  |  |  |
| ADR  | Alternative Dispute Resolution                 |  |
| PLA (PUS)                                    | Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) |  |
| PLV  | Para Legal Volunteers                          |  |
| DDO  | Drawing & Disbursement Officer                 |  |
| ADC  | Additional Deputy Commissioner                 |  |
| HRMS Human Resource Management System        |  |  |
| NFDC National Film Development Corporation L |  |  |
| CHRI   | Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative           |  |
| JJA  | Juvenile Justice Act                           |  |
| NCRB   | National Crime Records Bureau                  |  |
| LLC Legal Literacy Clubs                     |  |  |
| LCSC Legal Care & Support Centre             |  |  |
| SLLM   | Students Legal Literacy Mission                |  |
| HVCS   | The Haryana Victim Compensation Scheme         |  |
| UTRC   | Under Trial Review Committee                   |  |

#### INTRODUCTION

#### Know about HALSA

The concept of seeking justice cannot be equated with the value of dollars. Money plays no role in seeking justice.

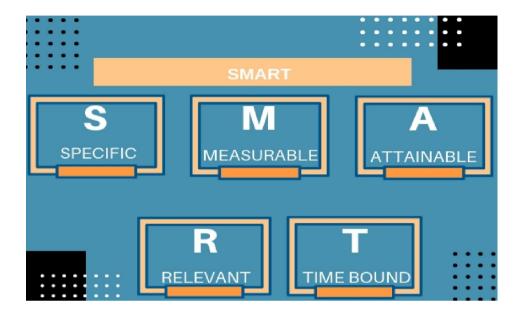
Justice Blackmun in Jackson v Bish

#### What remained our focus?

- To strengthen basic units such as Front Offices, Legal aid helpline numbers, and Legal Services Clinics.
- Capacity building of Panel lawyers and PLVs by organising training on NALSA Modules.
- Capacity building of staff members of DLSAs.
- Improvement in Monitoring mechanisms of court based legal services including Remand stage services.
- Awareness and empowerment with targeted approach.
- Covering rural areas needing intervention.
- Strengthening Lok Adalats and Mediation.

#### **Our Approach**

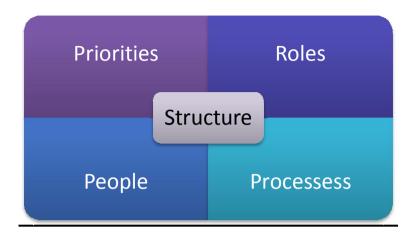
HALSA adopted a SMART approach to implement its policy's and bring about a change in the lives of people.



#### How HALSA set its Goals through a SMART Strategy?



#### Steps taken to Strenathen the organisation



Strengthening the organization is one of the most powerful levers any organization can pull to improve its performance. An action plan and a well – designed strategy is very critical for any organization. The key program objective for organizational strengthening is to consolidate the organization and strengthen its leadership and governance structure. It also aims at ensuring the direct participation of its members, including networks and associates of HALSA in the programme development and its implementation. Thereby the task remained to facilitate and priorities activities and the implementation of a set of programs, as well as to carry out information dissemination work in order to strengthen the set goals.

#### The Key activities under taken during the period were:

- Strengthened the collective leadership and governance structure
- Implementation of staff development plan to upgrade the capacities of the staff
- Implementation of Capacity Building Plan of Panel lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers
- Strengthening co-ordination with District Legal Services Authorities in programme planning, implementation, management, and evaluation
- Facilitating engagement of NGOs in outreach programmes
- Use of technology, primarily use of NALSA Portal

#### Some areas of action during the period









Student Literacy



Use of Media



Strategic Planning Effective

**Impact Assessment of** 



Leveraging Technology





HALSAs Growth with respect to its Goals

Haryana State Legal Services has been doing a tremendous amount of work and has expanded manifold. No organisation works without setting its goals and targets. HALSA too has maintained its long term vision and mission. HALSA was set up with an objective to provide the legal aid to the marginalised section of the society. Creating value for the society and uplifting the ones who are deprived of the basic rights forms the core objective of HALSA as an organisation. So, its growth is linked to the increase in numbers of the overall defined key pillars of the HALSA as an organisation. Therefore, the growth of HALSA's interventions will be determined by how well HALSA performs and aligns itself with the set internal goals.

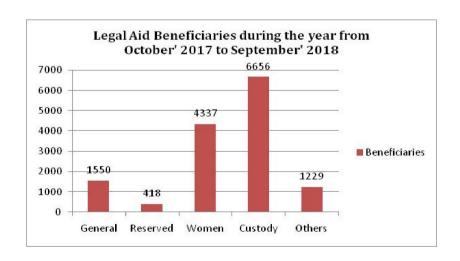
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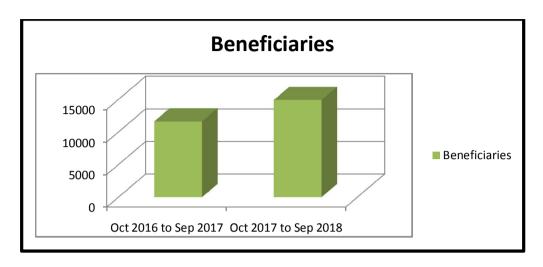
## Strengthening Core Areas of Legal Services and Simultaneously giving expanded vision to Access to Justice

1.1 Ensuring proper legal advice: HALSA presently has a panel of 1527 advocates at Districts and Sub-Divisions who in every manner understand the concept of legal aid as a device to meet the legal needs of those who have been identified as poor, marginalized or discriminated section of the society.



During the period from October' 2017 to September' 2018 with the assistance of the empanelled advocates free legal aid has been provided to nearly **14190** persons including women, children, accused in custody etc. Legal aid has been given to all the classes who are entitled to legal services as per Chapter IV of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.





The graph here shows that there has been 28% overall rise in the legal aid cases in the State of Haryana. It is further pertinent to mention here that there is 20% rise in the legal aid cases to persons in Custody and 25% rise in legal aid provided to women.

- **1.2 Expeditious Processing**: On the instructions of HALSA the applications received for legal aid are scrutinized by the Scrutinizing Committee to evaluate the entitlement of the legal aid seekers. The applications are processed without delay.
- 1.3 Updating record of legal aid cases: For effective monitoring of the legal aid cases HALSA is ensuring proper maintenance of *Legal Aid Monitoring Registers* at all District Legal Services Authorities. Up to date status of the legal aid cases is being entered by the legal Aid Advocates on daily basis with the help of retainer advocates. The registers are regularly checked and verified by the CJMs-cum-Secretaries in the State of Haryana.
- **1.4 Review of progress of cases assigned to legal aid lawyers**: Regular interactions are held at district level by the CJM-cum-Secretaries with the Panel Advocates to whom the legal aid cases are assigned. Additionally, the CJM-cum-Secretaries take feed back from the respective courts about the Panel Lawyers.

To improve the quality of Court based Legal Services and to monitor the working of panel advocates, some instructions have been issued by HALSA to Secretary DLSA's to send the following documents to this Authority;

- Cross-examination of the complainant along-with the other witnesses conducted by Panel Advocates in Session Trials alongwith copy of the final report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. reflecting the factual scenario of the case.
- One copy of the pleadings (plaint or written statement) drafted by the Panel Advocate in Civil Cases.
- One copy of judgment pertaining to Sessions Trial.
- **1.5 Feedback mechanism**: This authority is ensuring that CJM-cum-Secretaries have interaction with the applicants whose cases are entrusted to the Panel Lawyers for getting their feedbacks. In case of deficiency in services being found where applicant is not satisfied with the Panel Advocate assigned to him, appropriate action in the matter is taken immediately.
- 1.6 Grievance Redressal Mechanism: HALSA ensured that complaint Boxes and suggestion Boxes are installed in all the offices of DLSAs in the State of Haryana. The said boxes are opened fortnightly by CJM-cum-Secretaries and prompt action is taken on the complaints etc.
- 1.7 Strategy adopted for legal services rendered at remand stage: As per Section 12(g) of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 (as amended in 1994), any person in custody, including custody in a protective home, juvenile home, psychiatric hospital or nursing home, is entitled to legal services for filing or defending a case. A large number of under-trial prisoners, who are not in a position to engage lawyers for defending them, feel handicapped in their defense and remain incarcerated for long periods. Therefore, the model scheme modulated by National Legal Services Authority has been implemented by Haryana State Legal Services Authority in all the districts and sub-divisions of Haryana, so that nobody remains unrepresented at the time of remand hour. The Advocates empanelled under the 'Legal Aid Counsel' scheme attend the courts during the remand hours for representing under-trial prisoners; for giving legal advise to them and for filing their applications.

Further, to strengthen the legal services rendered by the remand hour advocates this Authority periodically calls for the zimni orders of non working days in the Courts to cross check the work

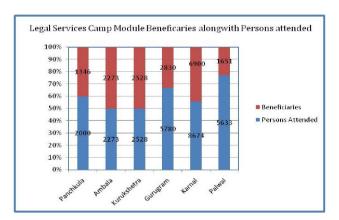
done by the remand hour advocates. Specific instructions have also been issued to the DLSAs to get by name attendance of the Remand Hour Advocates.

#### 1.8 Legal Service Camps with targeted approach:

Legal services camps are being organized by District Legal Services Authorities in the state of Haryana under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority as per new model namely "LEGAL SERVICES CAMP MODULE" launched by National Legal Services Authority, wherein people are made aware about their entitlements and procedural aspects relating to the same. The objective is not only to make them aware about their entitlements and procedural aspects but also connect them to the welfare schemes meant for them.

Thus, HALSA considered it as a "Delivery Based Model" for holding Legal Services Camps and organized Legal Services camps as per "Legal Services Camp Module" as follows:

| S No. | Date       | Venue                                      | Theme  |
|-------|------------|--|--|
| 1     | 20.01.2018 | Barwala, District Panchkula                | Poverty Alleviation & Road Safety  |
| 2     | 27.02.2018 | Naneola, District Ambala                   | Child Friendly Legal Services to<br>Children & their Protection<br>Scheme,2015                                     |
| 3     | 09.03.2018 | Shahabad, District<br>Kurukshetra          | Legal Services to destitute women, children, persons living below poverty line, small farmers and senior citizens. |
| 4     | 06.06.2018 | Tau Devi Lal Stadium, District<br>Gurugram | Beat Plastic   |
| 5     | 06.07.2018 | Gharaunda, District Karnal                 | Enhancing Lives through Legal Services   |
| 6     | 31.08.2018 | Hodal, District Palwal                     | Adhikaron Ka Mela connecting people to government scheme   |
| 7     | 20.09.2018 | Mewat at Nuh                               | Adhikaron Ka Mela  |



The graph depicts the number of beneficiary's along with number of persons who visited the Legal Services Camp at different locations.

Follow up Action of Legal Services Camps: Para Legal Volunteers have been deputed to ensure follow up action of the applications received pertaining to various departments through these camps. At the time of receipt of applications, the applicants are informed to contact Front Office of DLSA in case of any requirement.

## **Glimpses of the Camp**





Panchkula



Ambala



Kurukshetra

Gurugram

1.9 Compliance of Section 41- D and Establishment of Mitrakaksh: To protect the rights of arrested persons HALSA explored the possibility of setting up of legal services clinics in police stations. A meeting in this regard was held by Hon'ble Executive Chairman, HALSA with Home Secretary and Director General of Police, Haryana. It was resolved that appropriate space will be provided to the representatives of Legal Services Authority in the 'Mitra Kaksh' in every Police Station to provide legal aid to the arrested persons.

#### PART-2

#### **Better Management and Utilization of available Infrastructure**

- 2.1 Whole time CJM-cum-Secretaries, DLSA in the State of Haryana: Due to the persistent efforts of HALSA, 22 posts of whole time Secretaries were sanctioned by the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court. All the 22 posts of CJM-cum-Secretaries have been filled up in all 22 Districts of Haryana.
- 2.2 ADR Centres Functional: 17 ADR Centres have already been built up and functional in the State of Haryana. This Authority further took up the matter of with the State government for building of 3 more ADR Centres at Yamunanagar, Faridabad and Rewari. Resultantly, funds amounting to ₹6 Crores were received from the State Government under 14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission.
- 2.3 Permanent Lok Adalats (Public Utility Services) in the State of Haryana: Previously 11 PLA (PUS) were functional. Recently, this authority got sanctioned 4 new PLAs for Kaithal, Kurukshetra, Sonepat and Yamunanagar. At present 15 PLAs are functioning in the State and Camp Courts are held in remaining 6 stations.
- 2.4 Delegation of financial powers to all the CJM-cum-Secretaries in the State of Haryana:

  An important initiative undertaken by HALSA for smooth functioning of the routine business is that
  the Secretaries DLSA's have been authorised to incur expenses upto ₹ 20,000/- and Chairpersons
  DLSAs can incur expenses upto ₹ 30,000/- at their own level. The said initiative of this Authority
  was appreciated by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ranjan Gogoi and all the State Legal Services
  Authorities were asked to follow the suit.

- **2.5 Declaration of all the Secretaries in DLSAs as DDOs** i.e. Drawing and Disbursing Officers: This Authority has declared all the CJM-cum-Secretaries, DLSAs as DDOs so that they may operate as independent entity without any constraints.
- 2.6 Nomination of a Nodal Officer of the rank of ADM or ADC for coordination between District Legal Services Authorities and the District Administration: To synergise the efforts of NALSA and government agencies working for the benefit of poor and marginalised, HALSA ensured the nomination of Additional Deputy Commissioners of each District as Nodal Officers for coordination amongst the DLSA and District Administration.
- **2.7 Conducting Internal Audits:** HALSA ensures that internal Audit of all DLSAs is conducted every year through the office of Accountant General, Haryana so as to keep a check on utilization of funds and ensure proper monitoring of the funds provided to them.

#### 2.8 Digital Signatures and online E-salary & HRMS:

HALSA is making optimum use of technology. The salary of all the officials of this authority and all the DLSAs is generated online. Digital signatures have already been provided to all the Secretaries.

- 2.9 Funds received from the State Government of Haryana for Mediation: This authority took up the issue regarding allocation of funds for mediation with the state government and got sanctioned ₹1.50 Crore.
- **2.10** Approval for appointing Accountant in all the **22** Districts of Haryana: This Authority got sanctioned the posts of accountants for each district from the State government. The Appointment process has been completed.

#### 2.11 Utilization of Funds during the year October, 2017 to September, 2018:

#### a) Quarter starting from October, 2017 to December, 2017

| Sr.No. |       | Funds/Grants allotted                                   | 01.10.2017-31.12.2017  |
|--------|-------|---|--|
| 1.     |       | nts in Aid received from the ernments in the State/UT   |  |
|        | a)    | Amount allotted in the relevant financial year          | Rs 514.89 lacs*  |
|        | b)    | Amount received   | Rs. 226.49 lacs (c/f from last quarter) )+ Rs<br>150.00 lacs (Supplementary budget received)                     |
|        | c)    | Total amount utilized                                   | Rs 168.69 lacs(Rs 151.59 utilized and Rs. 17.10 lacs transferred from VCS head to Motor Vehicle head)            |
|        | d)    | Total amount not utilized                               | Rs 207.80 lacs   |
| 2.     |       | ls received from Finance<br>Imission                    |  |
|        | a)    | Amount allotted in the relevant financial year          | -  |
|        | b)    | Amount received   | -  |
|        | c)    | Total amount unutilized                                 | -  |
|        | d)    | Total amount not utilized                               | -  |
| 3.     | Fund  | ls received from NALSA                                  |  |
|        | a)    | Amount allotted in the relevant financial year          | NA   |
|        | b)    | Amount received   | Rs 242.15 lacs (approx) (c/f from last quarter)+ Rs 200.00 lacs (Rs. 2 crore received from NALSA as fresh grant) |
|        | c)    | Total amount utilized                                   | Rs 253.36 lacs (approx)  |
|        | Total | amount not utilized                                     | Rs 188.79 lacs approx(including interest)  |
| 4.     | Cost  | Fund  |  |
|        | 1.    | Amount received from the Court as part of the Cost Fund | Rs 211.85 lacs (c/f from last quarter) + Rs<br>1,44,500/- (Received as per office record)                        |
|        | 2.    | Total Amount unutilized at the end of the quarter       | Rs 226.75 lacs approx (including interest)   |

<sup>\*</sup>Rs 17.10 lakhs diverted from Victim Compensation Scheme

#### b) Quarter starting from January, 2018 to March, 2018

| Sr.No. |  | Funds/Grants allotted                     | 01.01.2018-31.03.2018 |
|--------|--|---|-----------------------|
| 1.     | Grants in Aid received from the governments in the |   |                       |
|        | State/U  | IT  |                       |
|        | a.   | Amount allotted in the relevant financial | Rs 685.90 lacs*       |
| Ì      | year   |   |                       |

|    | b. Amount received  | Rs. 207.80 lacs (c/f from last quarter) )+ Rs. 20.11 lacs (Revised budget received after deducting budget cut made from VCS head) |
|----|---|---|
|    | c. Total amount utilized                                      | Rs 150.62 lacs  |
|    | d. Total amount not utilized                                  | Rs 77.29 lacs   |
| 2. | Funds received from Finance Commission                        |   |
|    | a. Amount allotted in the relevant financial year             | -   |
|    | b. Amount received  | -   |
|    | c. Total amount unutilized                                    | -   |
|    | d. Total amount not utilized                                  | -   |
| 3. | Funds received from NALSA                                     |   |
|    | a. Amount allotted in the relevant financial year             | NA  |
|    | b. Amount received  | Rs 188.79 lacs (approx) (c/f from last quarter)+ Rs 300.00 lacs (Rs.3 crore received from NALSA as fresh grant)                   |
|    | c. Total amount utilized                                      | Rs 402.95 lacs (approx)   |
|    | d. Total amount not utilized                                  | Rs 86.80 lacs approx(including interest)  |
| 4. | Cost Fund   |   |
|    | a. Amount received from the Court as part of the<br>Cost Fund | Rs 226.31 lacs (c/f from last<br>quarter including interest of Rs. 13<br>lacs) + Rs 3,33,690/- (Received<br>as per office record) |
|    | b. Total Amount unutilized at the end of the quarter          | Rs 249.76 lacs approx (including interest)  |

<sup>\*</sup>Rs 17.10 lakhs diverted from Victim Compensation Scheme and Rs. 7.89 lacs deducted as budget cut made from VCS head during Revised Budget Estimates 2017-18)

#### c. Quarter starting from April, 2018 to June, 2018

| <b>Sr.No.</b> | Funds/Grants allotted Grants in Aid received from the governments in the State/UT | 01.04.2018-30.06.2018 |
|---------------|---|-----------------------|
|               | e) Amount allotted in the relevant financial year                                 | 7.05 crores           |

|    | f)          | Amount received                                       | 7.05 crores   |
|----|-------------|---|---|
|    | g)          | Total amount utilized                                 | 1.21 crores approx.   |
|    | h)          | Total amount not utilized                             | 5.84 crores approx.   |
| 2. | Fund        | ls received from Finance Commission                   |   |
|    | e)<br>finar | Amount allotted in the relevant acial year            | 22.26 crores  |
|    | f)          | Amount received                                       | 22.26 crores  |
|    | g)          | Total amount unutilized                               | 0.07 crores   |
|    | h)          | Total amount not utilized                             | 22.19 crores  |
| 3. | Fund        | Is received from NALSA                                |   |
|    | d)<br>finar | Amount allotted in the relevant ncial year            | Rs 2 crores has been received in this Financial year till date  |
|    | e)          | Amount received                                       | Rs 86.80 lacs (approx) (c/f from last<br>quarter)+ Rs 2 crores (Rs.2 crore received<br>from NALSA as fresh grant) |
|    | f)          | Total amount utilized                                 | Rs 23.02lacs (approx)   |
|    | g)          | Total amount not utilized                             | Rs 2.64 crores approx(including interest)   |
| 4. | Cost        | Fund  |   |
|    |             | mount received from the Court as part of<br>Cost Fund | Rs 249.76 lacs (c/f from last year) + Rs 3,33,690/- (Received as per office record)                               |
|    | b. To       | otal Amount unutilized at the end of the ter          | Rs 213.16 lacs approx (including interest)  |

#### d. Quarter starting from July, 2018 to September 2018

| Sr.No. | Funds/Grants allotted                                       | 01.07.2018-30.09.2018                     |
|--------|---|---|
| 1.     | Grants in Aid received from the governments in the State/UT |   |
|        | a. Amount allotted in the relevant financial year           | 7.05 crores                               |
|        | b. Amount received  | 5,83,77,719/- (c/f from previous quarter) |
|        | c. Total amount utilized                                    | 1,61,90,952/- approx                      |
|        | d. Total amount not utilized                                | 4,21,86,767/- approx                      |

| 2. | Funds received from Finance Commission                        |   |
|----|---|---|
|    | a. Amount allotted in the relevant financial year             | 22.26 crores  |
|    | b. Amount received  | 22.26 crores  |
|    | c. Total amount unutilized                                    | 43,67,637/- approx  |
|    | d. Total amount not utilized                                  | 21,82,32,363/- approx   |
| 3. | Funds received from NALSA                                     |   |
|    | a. Amount allotted in the relevant financial year             | 2 crores has been received in this<br>Financial year till Sept,2018                                   |
|    | b. Amount received  | 2,63,90,231/- (c/f from previous quarter)   |
|    | c. Total amount utilized                                      | 2,25,89,732/- approx  |
|    | d. Total amount not utilized                                  | 38,00,499/- approx(including interest)  |
| 4. | Cost Fund   |   |
|    | a. Amount received from the Court as part of<br>the Cost Fund | 2,13,05,966/- (c/f from previous quarter))<br>+ 9,50,627 /- approx (Received as per<br>office record) |
|    | b. Total Amount unutilized at the end of the quarter          | 2,14,75,204/- approx (including interest)   |

#### PART-3

#### Management and Development of Human Resources

HALSA regularly holds trainings and workshops for the officers, officials, members, panel advocates and para legal volunteers to make sure that the goals of the Authority are achieved.

#### 3.1 <u>Skill Development Programmes for harnessing the internal talent:</u>

#### a) Workshop for Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Secretaries, DLSAs in the State of Haryana.

A Workshop for newly designated Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Whole Time Secretaries,



District Legal Services Authorities of Haryana was held on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 with an objective to sensitize them about various/latest schemes and programmes of Legal Services Authorities and the difficulties in implementation of the same. The

Workshop was presided over by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ajay Kumar Mittal, Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court and Executive Chairman of HALSA.

#### b) 40 hours Mediation Training Programme for Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Secretaries,

District Legal Services Authorities in the State of Haryana.

To strengthen the component in ADR mechanism HALSA conducted a Mediation Training programme for all the Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Secretaries, District Legal Services Authorities in the State of Haryana. The



programme was conducted in two phases. The first session of the Mediation Training Programme was convened from 19<sup>th</sup> February to 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2018 and the second session of Mediation training programme was held from 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 to 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. The training was imparted by Master Trainers, namely Sh. A. J. Jawad, Ms. Uma Ramanathan and Ms. R. Rathna Thara. The first phase of the training held in the month of April was also attended by Ms. Ritu Tagore, Chairperson, DLSA, Panchkula.

#### c) Workshop for Assistants held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2018:



In order to maintain proper accounts of DLSAs/ SDLSC/ PLA (PUS)/ Mediation & Conciliation Centers as well as of ADR Centers, HALSA organizeda workshop held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2018 for the Assistants posted in the DLSAs in the State of Haryana. In the said workshop the Assistants were sensitized

on accounting procedures with regard to maintenance of vouchers, cash books, ledgers, preparation of final statements and the submission of accounts for Audit etc.

# d) 40 hours Mediation Training Programme exclusively for Lady Advocates in the State of Haryana.

HALSA organized 40 hours mediation training programme exclusively for women advocates. The programme was held in two phases i.e. from 22nd August, 2018 to 24th August, 2018 and 22nd September, 2018 to 24th September, 2018. The training



was imparted by two master trainers namely, Dr. Gopal Arora, Id. Additional District & Sessions

Judge-cum-Faculty Member, Judicial Academy, Chandigarh and Ms. Puneeta Sethi, Master Trainer-cum-Advocate, Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana, High Court, Chandigarh.

#### e) Meeting/Workshop for members of Permanent Lok Adalat (PUS):

HALSA conducted a meeting/workshop for all the Members of Permanent Lok Adalats (Public Utility Services) of Haryana on 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2018 in the Administrative building of HALSA to discuss various modalities with regard to effective working of Permanent Lok Adalat (PUS).

#### f) Training Sessions held for advocates and Para Legal Volunteers

To ensure quality legal services, enhancing working skills and for ensuring accountability of Panel Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers towards the projects assigned to them, under the instructions of HALSA **monthly workshops and trainings** are organized by all the District Legal Services Authorities in the State of Haryana.





#### PART-4

#### Ensuring Quality Legal Services with Proper Planning and Implementation of Monitoring Mechanisms

- 4.1 Assessing the Panel: This Authority time-to-time issue instructions to the DLSAs for allocation of work to the Panel Lawyers and PLVs according to their acumen and experience. The respective Secretaries, DLSAs in the State of Haryana, occasionally judge their outputs. Regular feedbacks are taken from the Courts, peer groups, applicants to ensure that the legal aid mechanism is competent enough. The Secretaries hold monthly meetings, with the panel advocates and Para legal volunteers.
- **4.2 Allocation of Cases:** Under the guidance of HALSA all the secretaries are making entrustment of cases to the panel advocates on the basis of their experience and expertise. It is ensured by the CJM-cum-Secretaries that ratio of allotment of the cases is maintained properly. The meeting of Scrutiny Committee is also held regularly.
- **4.3 Daily Cause Lists:** For effective monitoring of the legal aid cases, specific instructions have been issued by this Authority to ensure that the Daily Cause List is maintained by each DLSA of legal aid cases. The cases are uploaded on daily basis on the NALSAs Portal. Further, the legal aid beneficiaries are also updated about their cases. This Authority is also ensuring usage of NALSA portal.
- **4.4 Regular updating of Data on NALSA Portal:** HALSA is ensuring that the DLSAs use the "Online Portal" through NALSA Website. To use the Portal of NALSA effectively all the complaints received at Front Office are processed through the Portal.
- 4.5 Effective use of What's app groups: Specific what's app groups for Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers have been created at DLSA level, wherein, the group administrator being an official of respective DLSA manages the group. The instructions/ messages/communication etc. is done through these groups in order to avoid any unnecessary delay in the processes.

#### PART-5

# Engaging Technology for Better and Effective Delivery of Legal Services

HALSA has conceived different methods for spreading awareness. Some of these are:

5.1 Usage of Community Radios/All India Radio - Regular Radio Programmes are conducted by learned Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretaries, District Legal Services Authorities in the State of Haryana, wherein in the form of talk show activities of Legal Services Institutions are highlighted. During the year from October, 2017 to September, 2018, CJM-cum-Secretaries, DLSAs conducted 27 radio programmes in the State of Haryana.





**5.2 Displaying Documentaries** – This Authority got prepared two short films, one on Fundamental Duties titled as "*Kartavya Nibhana Hai*" and second on "Drug Menace" titled as "*Nayi Raah*" from National Film Development Corporation Limited (NFDC), New Delhi.

These two short films quite effectively spell out the Fundamental Duties envisaged in the Constitution of India and also feature the evil impact of drugs on the society. Copies of DVDs of aforementioned films were sent to the District Legal Services Authorities for playing the same in schools and during awareness camps.

5.3 Electronic & Print Media – Haryana State Legal Service Authority through the District Legal Services Authorities and Sub-Divisional Legal Services Committees distributes books, pamphlets, folders amongst the masses in the camps and displayed flex banners/calendars/canopies on the different conspicuous places so that they may be made aware about their legal rights and availability of free legal services. Wide publicity is also given in the leading newspapers in the State of Haryana and on cable TV and Doordarshan.

The Public Relations and Cultural Affairs Department, Haryana also make publicity regarding Lok Adalats, Legal Aid and Legal Literacy Programmes in the State of Haryana through electronic and print media.

#### **NEWS PAPER CLIPPINGS OF VARIOUS EVENTS**



**5.4 Usage of Website –** The website of HALSA i.e. www.hslsa.gov.in is a very handy and effective tool for general public. The HALSA has designed its website as one stop solution for users. The website provides complete information on all the relevant topics so as to make it accessible to all users.

Our website is an information-centric website which helps to convey specific/helpful information to its user/audience so that the visitor understands the topic better. It is also made mobile compatible and contains well planned information with regard to the Authority and related topics.

This website is regularly updated and it contains all the detail which relates to this Authority viz. Information about the Authority, Projects handled, DLSA Information, upcoming events, list of Panel Advocates and PLVs, latest announcements etc.

That apart, all the publications like Compendiums, Instruction Manual, NALSA/HALSA Schemes, new letter etc. are also available on the website for the users. A regular check is done to keep the website updated with regard to photo gallery, changes in instructions (if happens) etc.

#### PART-6

#### **Documentation and Effective Publicity**

HALSA has taken following steps for wide publicity of the legal services programmes launched by NALSA as well as HALSA:

Printing of Instructions Manual, Compendium I and II for easy accessibility of instructions,
 directions and schemes of NALSA/HALSA

- Printing of publicity materials like posters, pamphlets, booklets and distributing the required quantity of such materials to all District Legal Services Authorities/Sub-Divisional Legal Services Committees in requisite number, advertisements in newspapers and television etc.
- ✓ Other publicity measures like, hoardings, production of short-films; skits in CD form and distribution of copies to all DLSAs and SDLSCs.
- ✓ Quarterly Newsletter
- ✓ Participation in Fairs/Melas at various places, where large number of people visit, to create awareness amongst masses.

Statistics on Booklets and Pamphlets printed & distributed by HALSA during the year from October, 2017 to September, 2018.

| Sr. No. | Name of Booklets         | No. of Booklets |
|---------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 1       | बाल श्रम                 | 35000           |
| 2       | बन्धुआ मजदूरी            | 35000           |
| 3       | घरेलू हिंसा              | 35000           |
| 4       | दहेज और कानून            | 35000           |
| 5       | बाल विवाह                | 35000           |
| 6       | उपभोक्ता संरक्षण अधिनियम | 35000           |
| 7       | ठेका मजदूरी              | 35000           |
| 8       | सूचना का अधिकार          | 35000           |
| 9       | प्रथम सूचना रिपोर्ट      | 35000           |
| 10      | न्यूनतम मजदूरी अधिनियम   | 35000           |
|         | Total                    | 3,50,000        |

#### PAMPHLETS PRINTED BY HARYANA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

| Sr. No. | Pamphlets/Brochure printed by HALSA                          | No. of pamphlets |
|---------|--|------------------|
| 1.      | Entitlement for the free legal services in English and Hindi | 3,00,000         |
| 2.      | e-Awareness of litigants in English and Hindi                | 1,10,000         |
| 3.      | Legal services camps   | 2,00,000         |
| 4.      | Permanent Lok Adalat   | 50,000           |
|         | Total  | 6,60,000         |

#### PART-7

#### **Outreach Activities with Targeted Approach**

#### 7.1 Projects and Camps undertaken by HALSA

a) The Walk": Haryana State Legal Services Authority alongwith UT (Chandigarh) and

Punjab Legal Services Authority organised "The Walk" on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2017, which was flagged off by Hon'ble the Chief Justice-cum-Parton-in-Chief of Punjab, Haryana and UT Chandigarh, Legal Services Authorities. The said Walkathon was flagged from Punjab & Haryana High Court Chandigarh to Sukhna Lake, Chandigarh.



Hon'ble High Court Judges, Panel Advocates, Para Legal Volunteers, Law Students and staff members participated in this event by carrying placards reflecting social evils like demand of dowry, drug abuse, domestic violence etc. This programme was a part of the campaign "Connecting to Serve"



a nation-wide outreach programme launched by NALSA to spread awareness about the availability of legal services.

b) "The Cyclothon": To conclude the campaign "Connecting to Serve" launched by NALSA,

HALSA organized a cyclothon on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2017. The Cyclothon was stretched to 6.7 Kms and was flagged off by Hon'ble Mr. Ajay Kumar Mittal, Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court-cum-Executive Chairman of HALSA. Hon'ble Mr. Justice T.P.S Mann, Hon'ble Mr. Justice



Gurmeet Singh Sandhawalia, Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Jaishree Thakur, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Arun Pali, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Amit Rawal, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Gurvinder Singh Gill, Hon'ble Mr. Justice



Avnish Jhingan, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sudhir Mittal also participated. Ms. Ritu Tagore, Ld. District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, DLSA Panchkula, Judicial Officers of Panchkula Sessions Division, Administrative and Police Officers, Law Officers, Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers also took part in it.

c) "Save Environment Save Life": A campaign namely "Save Environment Save Life: A Clean & Green Campaign" was launched by Hon'ble Executive Chairman of this Authority on 09th August, 2017. The objective of the campaign is:



- ✓ To get people involved in keeping their surroundings clean and green.
- ✓ To plant saplings for making environment green.
- ✓ To change attitude of people towards disposal of garbage.
- To sensitize people about the harmful effects of pollution and the steps which they can take to eliminate addition of harmful pollutants in environment.
- ✓ To sensitize villagers about their fundamental duty to improve and protect environment.
- ✓ Instilling an idea that everyone has a part to play to keep Earth clean, beautiful and green.

In the first phase a week long campaign was undertaken by DLSAs under the aegis of HALSA and as a result 1838 legal awareness camps were conducted & about 2 lakh saplings were planted in different areas of Haryana. Second phase of the campaign was launched in the month of September, 2018.

- d) "One Life": HALSA launched "One Life" a Road Safety Campaign taking note of increasing road causalities with following objectives: To raise public awareness about road safety issues.
- ✓ To raise awareness about road signs.
- ✓ To raise awareness about various provisions of Motor Vehicle Act and the need to obey law.
- ✓ To impart knowledge about the safety tips to children, pedestrians, cyclists etc.

During the first phase, a week long campaign was launched. Cycle rallies, Skits and Nukkar Nataks were performed to spread awareness about the road safety. About 619 awareness camps were held across the State of Haryana. The second phase of the campaign was launched from 23.07.2016 to 29.07.2016 and total 556 camps were held. The number of beneficiaries was more than 55000 during the second phase.

Third Phase of the Campaign was held from 01.08.2018 to 07.08.2018 in the State of Haryana.

#### Glimpses of Third Phase of the Campaign









#### e) "The Living Stars"

HALSA launched a campaign namely "The Living Stars" for differently abled children in the month of October, 2018 with the following objectives:

- ✓ To increase educational and employment accessibility of the children with disabilities by using assistive aids/technologies and comprehensive vocational training
- To promote primary and higher education of the Visually Impaired, Differently abled and Underprivileged people
- To reduce malnutrition related disability through nutritional supplements
- ✓ To promote and spread art, cultural and recreational avenues for children with disabilities
- ✓ To promote eco-friendly living and sustainable waste management practices as an innovative vocational opportunities for the differently abled
- ✓ To encourage sports and games of the children with disabilities especially the Visually Impaired
- ✓ To establish and execute community based rehabilitation centers for special target groups like destitute women and neglected children

#### Few activities undertaken during the campaign:

- Ensuring maximum enrolment of differently abled children in the schools and vocational institutions.
- Ensuring that requisite boards have been displayed outside all Private and Government
   Schools.
- o Ensuring Issuance of Disability Certificates in Schools:

- Ensuring accessible toilet and drinking water facilities in Schools for differently abled children
- o Organising competitions for differently abled children in Schools
- Holding Special Legal Awareness Camps for specially abled children and Camps be linked with NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015.

# f) <u>HALSA is organizing Special Legal Literacy Camp for Officials at Grass Root level</u> regularly.

HALSA prepared an Annual Calendar of activities to be carried out by DLSAs. In compliance of it, special legal literacy camps for officials working at Grass Root Levels are organized by all the DLSAs. These camps are attended by officials working at grass root level from various departments viz. Patwaris, Anaganwadi Workers, Asha Workers, Health Workers, Women Panches etc.

Details of Grass Root level Camps organised by DLSAs under the aegis of HALSA during the period from October 2017 to September, 2018 are as under:

| Serial No. | Date       | DLSA         |
|------------|------------|--------------|
| 1          | 21.10.2017 | Sirsa        |
| 2          | 28.10.2017 | Sonipat      |
| 3          | 18.11.2017 | Yamuna Nagar |
| 4          | 02.12.2017 | Ambala       |
| 5          | 19.01.2018 | Hisar        |
| 6          | 16.02.2018 | Jhajjar      |
| 7          | 23.02.2018 | Faridabad    |
| 8          | 16.03.2018 | Gurugram     |
| 9          | 23.03.2018 | Bhiwani      |
| 10         | 20.04.2018 | Fatehbad     |
| 11         | 27.02.2018 | Jind         |
| 12         | 04.05.2018 | Karnal       |

| 13 | 18.05.2018 | Kurukshetra |
|----|------------|-------------|
| 14 | 15.06.2018 | Kaithal     |
| 15 | 07.07.2018 | Namaul      |
| 16 | 20.07.2018 | Rohtak      |
| 17 | 17.08.2018 | Palwal      |
| 18 | 24.08.2018 | Panipat     |
| 19 | 01.09.2018 | Rewari      |
| 20 | 14.09.2018 | Panchkula   |

#### Glimpses of the Grass Root Camps:





#### 7.2 Initiatives undertaken by DLSAs under the aegis of HALSA:

- a) Bal Veer Thana: On 31.08.2018 Bal Veer Thana was inaugurated in District Palwal, by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ajay Kumar Mittal, Judge Punjab and Haryana High Court-cum-Executive Chairman HALSA. It is the first child friendly police station in the State of Haryana.
- b) Virtual office set up by DLSA Faridabad during Surajkund Mela- Setting up of Grievance Window: A virtual office was set up in the stall set up by District Legal Services Authority, Faridabad during Suraj Kund Mela in February, 2018. A Grievance Window was set up here in the stall



where a panel lawyer alongwith an official of District Legal Services Authority, Faridabad were

deputed to perform duties. The desk was equipped with a desktop with active internet connection, a scanner and a printer. The people who were being referred for filing of applications or lodging of complaints were given the services on the spot. The complaint/application framed by the panel advocate, the was signed by applicant/complainant, scanned and was lodged/filed at the website of NALSA from where it was referred to the concerned District Legal Services Authority. 12 applications/complaints were sent through this window and all of them have been answered and resolved by the concerned authorities.

### c) Pre-Marital Counselling Centre: DLSA, Narnaul opened Pre-Marital Counselling Centre at



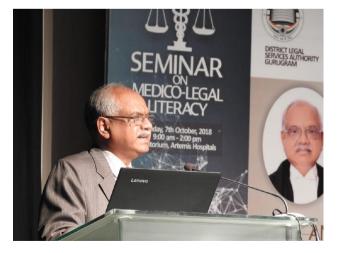
ADR, Narnaul on 11th August, 2017. The first batch of 48 young boys and girls, attended a one day preliminary session of pre-marital counselling course.

Accordingly, on 3rd May, 2018 DLSA Narnaul organised a 2nd batch of pre-marital Counselling course.

# d) Medico Legal Literacy through Doctors -Gurugram: The inter relationship between

medical jurisprudence and legal jurisprudence has been deep-rooted, since time immemorial. The non-recognition of the concerns of either side would result into collapse of this delicate interdependence.

To strengthen this aspect, the DLSA Gurugram under the aegis of HALSA devised a seminar which will help the stakeholders in



highlighting and understanding the perspectives of each other with following objectives:

- Spread Legal awareness amongst doctors about various laws influencing their profession.
- Better Compliance and implementation of laws.



The Seminar was held on 7th October, 2018

at Artemis Hospital, Gurugram under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ajay Kumar Mittal, Judge Punjab and Haryana High Court and Executive Chairman, Haryana State Legal Services Authority, Panchkula.

e) "Educate child for their Better Tomorrow", "Ek Kadam Shiksha ki Aur" and "Har Ghar Shiksha": DLSAs Karnal and Narnaul undertook a detailed and exhaustive project for securing the Right to Education under Article 21-A of the Constitution. "Educate Children for their better Tomorrow" by DLSA Karnal and "Ek Kadam Shiksha ki Aur" – by DLSA Narnaul was successfully launched and implemented with the support of HALSA. As a result thereof, DLSA Karnal identified 217 non-school going/drop out children in the age group of 6-14 years. Out of these children 57 children, who had never gone to school were given fresh admissions and 102 children were found to be drop out. DLSA Narnaul, was successful in getting 69 drop out children readmitted to the school.

Similarly DLSA Nuh carried out an ambitious "**Har Ghar Shiksha**" abhiyan and got enrolled 1362 children in schools during the campaign from 11.04.2018 to 25.05.2018.

## f) Raahgiri Programmes

Special legal awareness camps/stalls were organized by District Legal Service Authority, Ambala, Faridabad and Panchkula at Raahgiri. The residents of these Districts came by and large on the streets to free roads for children, pedestrians and cyclists. NALSA theme songs and

poems on Women Empowerment were recited by the students during the programmes. The study material including pamphlets and booklets published by HALSA were distributed amongst the public to spread awareness. Moreover, public was apprised about the Fundamental Rights and Duties, their legal rights



- "Shaan-E-Tiranga Prgoramme": To inculcate the feeling of respect and honour for our National Flag "Shaan-E-Tiranga Prgoramme" was organised by DLSA Panchkula under the aegis of HALSA wherein 68 legal awareness camps were held in 100 schools and colleges. The students were sensitized about fundamental duties as enshrined in constitution of India and importance of our Flag. They were also apprised about the provisions of Flag Code of India, 2002, the prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971 and the State Emblem of India (Prohibition of improper use) Act, 2005.
- n) "Stop Stubble Burning": To sensitize the farmers, a campaign "Stop Stubble Burning" was organized by DLSA, Ambala and Panchkula in co-ordination with the Agriculture Department and District Development & Panchayat Officer, Ambala. Under this campaign Legal Literacy Camps were held in different villages where the people were apprised about drawbacks of Stubble Burning, its baneful effects on environment.

### i) Stalls set up during Melas and Fairs Exhibitions at Melas/Fairs

HALSA has directed all the District & Sessions Judges-cum-Chairpersons, District Legal Services Authorities of Haryana to install a Booth/Stall in all the exhibitions and in Local Melas/ Fairs of their respective Session division, in which large public participation is expected.

The details of Legal awareness Camps/stalls organized in Fair/Melas of Haryana in the year October2017- September, 2018 is as given under:-

| Sr. No.  | No. of camps | Place   | Beneficiaries |
|----------|--------------|---|---------------|
| 31. 140. | No. or camps | Tidee   | beneficialies |
| 1.       | 4            | Kapalmochan Mela held at Bilaspur   | 4000          |
| 2.       | 13           | Exhibition Stall was set up at Braham Sarovar during<br>Geeta Jayanti Mohatsav from 17.11.2017 to<br>03.12.2017               | 4109          |
| 3.       | 3            | Geeta Jayanti Utsav at Kamal  | 275           |
| 4.       | 2            | Christmas Day at Ambala   | 1000          |
| 5.       | 4            | Lohri Parv, Republic Day, at Ambala   | 867           |
| 6.       | 17           | Special programmes were conducted in 32 <sup>nd</sup> Surajkund International Crafts Mela, 2018 from 02.02.2018 to 18.02.2018 | 725220        |
| 7.       | 8            | Special Legal Literacy Camps on the occasion of 'Basant Mela'   | 835           |
| 8.       | 8            | Navratre Melas at Sheetla Mata Mandir at Gurugram (March, 2018)   | 562           |
| 9.       | 14           | Naratre Melas at Mata Mansa Devi Panchkula and<br>Mata Kali Devi, Kalka (March, 2018)   | 3753          |
| 10.      | 8            | Melas at Mata Bheemeshwari Devi Temple at Beri ,<br>Jhajjar ( March, 2018)  | 493           |
| 11.      | 7            | Saras Mela At Panipat ( March, 2018)  | 250000        |
| 12.      | 1            | Mango Mela at Pinjore, Panchkula (July, 2018)   | 300           |
| Total    | 89           |   | 9,91,414      |

# LEGAL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN AT SURAJKUND INTERNATIONAL CRAFT MELA

The Legal Services Awareness Stall was displayed from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2018in 32<sup>nd</sup> Surajkund International Crafts Mela by Haryana State Legal Services Authority with an aim to create legal awareness amongst the masses and to ensure the access to justice for all. Several problems like



illiteracy, destitution, absence of knowledge of rights and duties and corruption heading the list. Disadvantaged groups remain largely invisible to the formal legal system and therefore, continue to suffer the substantive inequalities. To make the people aware about the above said socio-legal problems, HALSA Stall was decorated with banners, posters, hoardings, flexes and standees exhibiting the aims, objectives, schemes and achievements of HALSA.

# 7.3 <u>Specific day camps organised in the State of Haryana as per the Annual Calendar of activities prepared by HALSA</u>

a) Special Legal Literacy Camps on Republic Day: On the occasion of Republic Day, legal

awareness camps are held across the State of Haryana by the DLSAs under the aegis of HALSA. During the said camps emphasis is laid on performing Fundamental Duties as mentioned in Article 51-A of the Constitution of India. To spread awareness about the functioning and various schemes of NALSA and



HALSA various awareness programmes, skits, public march, tableau etc. are arranged by DLSAs.

b) Legal Literacy Camps on the occasion of "Women's Day": On 8th March, 2018 to

commemorate Women's Day, DLSAs under the aegis of HALSA held Legal Awareness Camps across the State of Haryana to spread awareness about the rights of women under various laws. Important provisions of laws relating to domestic violence, sexual harassment at work place and other relevant laws pertaining to women were discussed in these camps.



c) Special Legal Literacy Camps on the occasion of World No-Tobacco Day: On 31st May, the DLSAs in the State of Haryana under the guidance of HALSA organized various legal

awareness camps, rallies, shows etc. to spread awareness among the general public about the ill-effects of smoking on health. Special emphasis were laid on the topic "smoking in public places constitute an offence and infringes the Right to Health and life of non-smokers". Interactive sessions with the general public on the effect of



tobacco products on minors and adults, hazards of smoking, diseases associated, Anti Narcotics legislations etc. were also held.

d) Legal Literacy Camps and programmes for protection of environment on the occasion of "World Environment Day": On 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2018, special legal awareness camps, rallies, plantation drives etc. were organized in the State of

Haryana by District Legal Services
Authorities on the occasion of World
Environment Day. During these camps
and other awareness programs people
were told to not to cut trees, plant more
trees and save environment. It was also
highlighted that it is our fundamental duty



as per the Constitution of India, to protect and improve the environment. The need for green and healthy environment was also stressed upon during the said camps. In addition various plantation and cleanliness drives were held by District Legal Services Authorities.

# e) Special Legal Literacy Camps for the benefit of children on the occasion of World Day Against Child Labour: The World Day against Child Labour is observed every year across the



world on June 12 with an aim to raise awareness against child labour. The District Legal Services Authorities in the State of Haryana alongwith workers, different organizations and people from different walks of life came together to highlight the plight of child labour and to work together in

developing ideas to create awareness regarding it.

- f) Special Legal Literacy Camps on Girl Child Day: DLSAs in the State of Haryana under the aegis of HALSA organized various camps on Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme to make some positive changes in the society with regard to the status of girl child. The purpose of organizing such camps is to prevent the practice of female foeticide, girl child insecurity, sex discrimination, etc against girl child.
- g) Legal Awareness Camps
  through Mobile Van: Legal
  awareness camps are held
  through legal literacy vehicle in all
  the Districts of Haryana. Details of
  camps organized are as under:



# From 01.10.2017 to 30.09.2018

| Sr. No. | District  | No. of villages covered in Haryana through Publicity Mobile Vans | No. of persons<br>benefitted |
|---------|-----------|--|------------------------------|
| 1       | Ambala    | 44   | 6493                         |
| 2       | Ch. Dadri | 0  | 0                            |
| 3       | Bhiwani   | 25   | 585                          |
| 4       | Fatehabad | 33   | 2035                         |
| 5       | Faridabad | 18   | 7200                         |
| 6       | Gurgaon   | 298  | 14780                        |
| 7       | Hissar    | 25   | 674                          |
| 8       | Jind      | 30   | 1790                         |
| 9       | Jhajjar   | 15   | 341                          |
| 10      | Karnal    | 83   | 7727                         |
| 11      | Kaithal   | 29   | 2605                         |
| 12      | K.kshetra | 19   | 532                          |
| 13      | Mewat     | 54   | 3200                         |
| 14      | Narnaul   | 24   | 632                          |
| 15      | Panchkula | 39   | 934                          |
| 16      | Panipat   | 43   | 7400                         |
| 17      | Palwal    | 40   | 24742                        |
| 18      | Rewari    | 25   | 1941                         |
| 19      | Rohtak    | 25   | 876                          |
| 20      | Sirsa     | 19   | 431                          |
| 21      | Sonepat   | 30   | 2942                         |
| 22      | Y. Nagar  | 9  | 150                          |
|         | Total     | 927  | 88010                        |
|         |           |  |                              |

**7.4 Annual Action Agenda**: Apart from the various activities undertaken by DLSAs under the aegis of HALSA, this Authority has also prepared a minimum action plan to be followed in the State of Haryana so as to ensure that constitutional pledge is fulfilled and equal justice is made available to the downtrodden and weaker sections of the society.

# PART-8

# Impact Assessment for Restructuring of Policies and Programmes

HALSA hold regular meetings with CJM-cum-Secretaries and other stakeholders for review of policies and programmes

- **8.1 Monthly Meetings**: Instructions have been issued to all the DLSAs to hold Monthly Meetings with Officials, Panel Advocates, Para Legal Volunteers, Retainers and Mediators.
- **8.2 Scrutinizing Committee and Monitoring Committee**: HALSA issued directions to hold regular meetings of Scrutinizing Committee and Monitoring Committee to monitor the status of the legal aid cases and the quality of services rendered by the Panel Advocates.
- **8.3 Quarterly Meetings**: In compliance of Section 12(1) of the Haryana Legal Services Authority (Transaction of Business & other Provisions) Regulations, 1998 HALSA has instructed to hold quarterly meetings under the Chairmanship of District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, DLSAs in the State of Haryana alongwith CJMU-cum-Secretaries, District Magistrates, Superintendent of Police, Additional Deputy Commissioner, District Attorney, Chief Medical Officer and District Social Welfare Officers of the respective Districts to discuss the upcoming projects, implementation of the same and problems faced if any.
- **8.4 Meetings of Under Trial Review Committee (UTRC):** UTRCs hold quarterly meetings and regularly visits jails to identify under trial prisoners (UTPs) who are unrepresented and are entitled to the benefit of Section 436-A of Cr. P.C. The Committees ensures and consider the cases of the

UTPs who are entitled to the benefit of Section 436-A, Cr. P.C. The Committees further take up the cases of prisoners who are unable to furnish bail due to poverty or other reasons and are in custody. The Committees further instruct the Panel Lawyers to take immediate steps wherever the offences cannot be compounded, efforts are made to expedite the disposal of cases or atleast have the persons in custody released there from at the earliest. Regular reporting is done to HALSA.

8.5 Haryana Prison Study: Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI): Haryana has 19 jails situated in 21 districts; out of which three are central jails. These jails have a sanctioned capacity to house 18,196 prisoners. However, with a prison population of 20,100, the jails are overcrowded by 10 percent. 63 percent of the prison population i.e. 12,609 inmates are undertrails and 7491 are convicts. Out of the convicts, 3898 are life term convicts and 17 are on death row. The number of female prisoners is 669. There are 435 judicial officers in the Haryana as on April, 2017.

For implementation of the directions given by Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 15.09.2017 passed in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 406 of 2013 titled as "Re-Inhuman Conditions in 1382 Prisons" HALSA has joined hands with CHRI to conduct a study for each of the prison in the State of Haryana on the following parameters:

- a) Personal Information of the prisoners regarding the cases- Access to Information for
   Prisoners and Status of the Case.
- b) Provisions for Vulnerable Categories: Women Prisoner & their Children.
- c) Separation of Juveniles from other prisoners Segregation & Categorisation of prisoners.
- d) Health of the prisoners/hygienic conditions in jails Medical Facilities & Health
- e) Availability of vocational training, semi-skilled or other job oriented opportunities Vocational Training & After Release Care.
- f) Visits of family members of the prisoners Visitation Rights & Facilities.

- g) Services being provided by the Legal Services Institution Access to Legal Aid for Prisoners.
- h) Building and Infrastructure of the Jails
- i) Prison Oversight Internal and External Mechanism
- j) Provision for Vulnerable Categories Foreign National Prisoners, Mentally III Prisoners.
- k) Prison Regimes

The study is almost complete and final shape is being given for presentation.

# 8.6 Empirical studies with regard to the children in conflict with law living in observation homes and special home Legal Services Authorities, in the State of Haryana:

In the State of Haryana, there are four Observation Homes at Ambala, Hissar, Faridabad and Karnal. Apart from that, a Special Home at Sonepat, is also operational. These Homes are meant for rehabilitation and social integration of a child alleged to be in conflict with law as per JJ Act, 2015. Secretaries of DLSAs apart from panel lawyers visit observation homes and special home to cater to the legal needs of children in conflict with law housed there. The objective of the visit is also to ensure fulfillment of rights of children as envisaged under Juvenile Justice Act.

It is further submitted that as per National Legal Services Authority (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015, HALSA has constituted the Observation and Children Home Committees in all the districts of Haryana comprising of Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, DLSA as Chairperson and Probation Officer and Panel Lawyers as Members of the Committee.

As a part of said legal services programme, the empirical study, to understand the various aspects at the ground level including the legal needs of children in conflict with law, of all the Observation Homes and Special Home existing in the State of Haryana will be conducted.

This study is expected to facilitate Legal Services Authorities to tailor their programmes effectively to achieve visible and appreciable results at the grassroots. After the study, legal services programme keeping in view of the findings and recommendations of the study, may be

further devised so that a holistic approach may be adopted in meeting legal needs of children in conflict with law.

#### 8.7 Preparation of one short film on juveniles for spreading awareness:

The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, has been publishing annual crime statistics in India since 1953. Over time, NCRB has widened the scope and coverage of the report and it continues to be the principal reference for crime statistics in the country. The latest report was published in 2017 which is the 64<sup>th</sup> edition of the "Crime in India" report published by NCRB. This report presents crime statistics for the year 2016. The information presented in the report has been obtained from States/UTs Police.

HALSA is getting prepared one educational short Film from NFDC on Juveniles for creating awareness about the Rights of the Children and this provision of Juvenile Justice Act 2015. This film will complete very soon for exhibiting in the Legal Literacy Clubs in the schools, during training programmes of Panel Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers and in the camps organised as per Newly Approved Model by NALSA.

# PART-9

# Strengthening Students Legal Literacy Mission

Realizing the common goal of equal access to justice, we are striving to equip our children with legal literacy and right awareness. To kindle this vision of an empowered future generation, HALSA in collaboration with the Education Department, Haryana, launched Student Legal Literacy Mission (SLLM) in the year 2009.

Under this mission, Legal Literacy Clubs have been opened across the State of Haryana in Schools and Colleges.

| Total Legal Literacy Clubs – 6618                           |      |  |
|---|------|--|
| Government Senior Secondary/ Secondary  and Private Schools | 6426 |  |
| Government and Private Colleges                             | 192  |  |

# Key activities of Legal Literacy Clubs:

- ✓ Discussion on various socio-legal topics such as Child Labour, Child Marriages, Ragging, Female Foeticide, Road Safety etc.
- ✓ Organising debates, literacy and art competitions, to spread Legal Literacy & Awareness among the youth.
- ✓ Events and functions marking special observance days.
- Mobilizing members of these Clubs to proactively report incidents of ragging, bullying or any other kind of injustice or atrocity of any nature with the students/staff of the school.

### Organising Competitions under SLLM:

Various contest viz. Declamation, Poetry Recitation, Debate, Essay Writing, Poster making etc. are organised on the various socio-legal topics at Block, District and State Level. After conclusions of the competitions at different level, an annual function is held every year to commemorate the winners and motivate them about the legal issues.

So far, eight Annual Functions have been held in the State of Haryana and lacs of students have participated in the said functions. The winners are awarded with the price money as below:

- a) **First Position**: Rs. 5,000 and Rs. 11,000/- at Divisional and State Level respectively.
- b) **Second Position**: Rs. 4,000/- and Rs. 8,000/- at Divisional and State Level respectively.
- c) **Third Position**: Rs. 3,000 and Rs. 5,000/- at Divisional and State Level respectively.

Besides this, Gold, Silver and Bronze medals are also awarded to the winners.

Glimpse from the Eighth Annual Function of Student Legal Literacy Mission: Held at Aggarsain School, Kuruksehtra on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2018. The Chief Guest of the function was Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ajay Kumar Mittal, Judge, High Court of Punjab and Haryana, Executive Chairman, Haryana State Legal Services Authority and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Gurmeet Singh Sandhawalia, Judge, High Court of Punjab & Haryana, Administrative Judge, Kurukshetra Sessions Division also graced the occasion with his presence.







# 9.1 Kanooni Dishayein Programmes

Kanooni DishayeinProgrammesare being held by District legal Services Authorities under the



aegis of Haryana State Legal Services
Authority in collaboration with the
Department of Education in the State of
Haryana. The purpose is to sensitize the
teachers about the need and
importance of spreading legal awareness
amongst students.

The Teachers-In-Charge of the Legal Literacy Clubs of all Government Schools

were made aware about the child rights and were asked to teach the students in their schools regarding the child rights and rights available to Juvenile and Child in need, care and protection, the fundamental duties, fundamental rights as provided in the Constitution Law.

- **9.2 Legal Literacy Clubs** As per the NALSA-2018 guidelines, a Module on "Establishment and Functioning of Legal Literacy Clubs in Schools" has been drafted by HALSA. The module deals with:
- a) Structure of Legal Literacy Clubs
- b) Requirements of Legal Literacy Clubs
- c) Maintenance of Legal Literacy Clubs
- d) Functioning of Legal Literacy Clubs.

The module has been shared with all the DLSAs in the State of Haryana and is being implemented by all Legal Literacy Clubs.



# **PART-10**

# Strengthening the basic units such as Front offices and Legal Services Clinics.

## 10.1 Operational Frame Work of Front

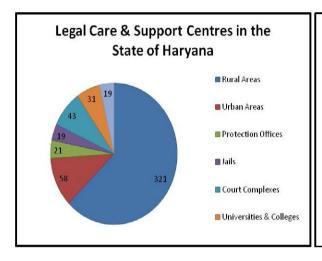
Offices: HALSA has established Front
Offices in all the DLSAs in 22 Districts and
33 Sub Divisional Legal Services
Committees to provide legal services in
an effective and expeditious manner.
The functions performed in Front Offices
include:

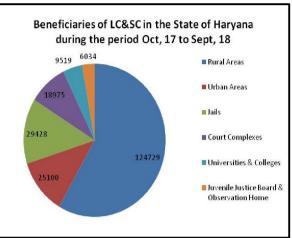


- ✓ Providing Legal Advice
- Drafting applications, petitions, replies etc;
- ✓ Attending Legal and helpline numbers
- ✓ Receiving and maintaining record with regard to legal aid applications;
- ✓ Uploading legal aid applications on Web Portal of NALSA;
- Maintaining up-to-date data of court based matters and maintaining data in prescribed formats of NALSA;
- ✓ Updating legal aid beneficiary about particulars of a panel lawyer marked for his matter and also updating him regularly about the status of his case;

To make the Legal Services available 24X7 to the public, Mobile Phones are being provided to all the DLSAs in the State of Haryana so as to ensure that legal services are even available in odd hours.

10.2 Legal Care and Support Centres: HALSA has established 512 Legal Care & Support Centres in the State of Haryana in different areas of the State, which includes observation homes, gram panchayat, urban areas, law colleges, jails, juvenile justice boards, protection homes etc.





It is pertinent to mention here that during the year from October, 2017 to September, 2018 total 4850 applications (other than legal Aid Applications) were received at various Legal Care & Support Centres and Front Offices in the State of Haryana.

PART-11

# Visits to Children Homes, Shelter Homes & Observation Homes

To ensure proper legal protection children, to specific instructions have been issued by this Authority to learned District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairpersons alongwith Chief Magistrates-cum-Judicial District Legal Secretaries, Services



Authorities in the State of Haryana to conduct regular visits every month to Children Home, Observation Homes, Shelter Homes and Old Age Homes situated in their respective Districts.

During these visits, they interact with the residents and enquire about their well being. Deficiencies, if found any, are taken up with the concerned authorities immediately. It is also ensured during these visits that no children in conflict with law are remained unrepresented or in need of legal aid.

5412 visits were made by the Secretaries, DLSAs and Panel Lawyers in Jail/correctional Homes, Children's Home, Observation Home, Psychiatric Home, Protection Home, Boarding Schools, Old Age Homes and 72170 persons were benefited from October, 2017 to September, 2018





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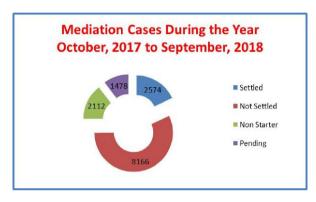
# **ADR Mechanisms**

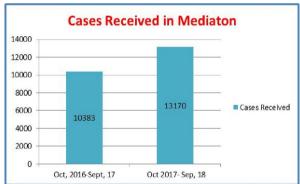
1. The Haryana Victim Compensation Scheme, 2013: Haryana State Legal Services Authority provides assistance to the victims of various crimes for their treatment and rehabilitation, as a step towards effort to reduce the recurrence of crime in the society.

During the year October' 2017 to September' 2018, District Legal Services Authorities in the State of Haryana under the aegis of this Authority has provided compensation in **289** cases.

Compensation amount, amounting to ₹ 5 Crore 80 Lacs (approx) has been awarded in the said cases.

2. Mediation and Conciliation Centres: Haryana State Legal Service Authority has 198 trained mediators who are working tirelessly to extend the opportunity to the people to settle their disputes through mediation. This Authority also holds regular refresher training programmes are for these trained mediators.





The above graph depicts that there is a rise of approximately 27% in the number of cases received in the Mediation Centres in the Haryana State.

- **3. Lok Adalats :** Lok Adalat is system of Alternative Dispute Resolution developed in India. It roughly means "People's Court".
- a) Jail Lok Adalats are being organized on 1st Wednesday of every month in District Jails of Haryana for maximum disposal of cases.

**b)** National Lok Adalat: During the year October, 2017 to September, 2018 National Lok Adalats were held on 09<sup>th</sup> December 2017, 14<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2018 and 08<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

Few initiatives taken by District Legal Services Authorities in the State of Haryana under the aegis of HALSA for the success of the National Lok Adalat:

Widespread publicity of the National Lok Adalat through the



ways of All India Radio, Electronic and Print Media, regular Munadi in the villages, special legal awareness camps etc were adopted by all the DLSAs.

- ✓ Banners and hoardings placed at various public prominent places.
- Regular meetings undertaken by Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Secretaries, District Legal Services Authorities in the State of Haryana with Deputy Commissioners, Superintendent of Police, Lead Bank Managers, Managers of Insurance Companies, Bar Presidents, Advocates and Panel Lawyers of respective Districts for maximum disposal of cases.
- ✓ Special sittings done with the Judicial Officers and Magistrates of respective courts with a request to identify the old matters carefully and dispose of the cases expeditiously.

Figures of the National Lok Adalats held during the period from October, 2017 to September, 2018

| Date       | Cases<br>Taken Up | Cases<br>Settled | Compensation<br>Awarded | Decreetal<br>Amount | Fine             |
|------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 09.12.2017 | 183504            | 74065            | 49,02,28,355/-          | 15,28,10,762/-      | 1,95,09,71,246/- |
| 14.02.2018 | 45770             | 18894            | 11,42,64,000/-          | 6,23,33,508/-       | 6,11,03,568/-    |

| Total      | 357757 | 140278 | 83,79,66,268/- | 41,27,93,120/- | 2,44,66,320,65/- |
|------------|--------|--------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| 08.09.2018 | 44336  | 16432  | 9,19,45,878/-  | 1,56,90,900/-  | 20,56,79,071/-   |
| 14.07.2018 | 41248  | 15080  | 8,47,23,000/-  | 8,09,26,743/-  | 11,42,90,322/-   |
| 22.04.2018 | 42899  | 15807  | 5,68,05,035/-  | 10,10,31,207/- | 11,45,87,858/-   |

| Category wise settlement of Cases |        |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--|--|
| Crl. Cases                        | 17706  |  |  |
| 138, NI Act                       | 8334   |  |  |
| Bank                              | 805    |  |  |
| MACT                              | 2192   |  |  |
| НМ                                | 1372   |  |  |
| Labour                            | 605    |  |  |
| Land                              | 425    |  |  |
| Civil                             | 10195  |  |  |
| Revenue                           | 231    |  |  |
| Others                            | 43934  |  |  |
| Pre-Litigation                    | 54479  |  |  |
| Total                             | 140728 |  |  |

# c) Permanent Lok Adalat:

15 Permanent Lok Adalats (Public Utility Services) are functioning in the State and Camp Courts are held in remaining 6 stations by the Chairpersons and Members of PLAs of adjoining Districts.

Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) October, 2017 to September, 2018.

| No. of Lok Adalat | 2986               |  |
|-------------------|--------------------|--|
| Cases Taken Up    | 186970             |  |
| Cases Settled     | 39085              |  |
| Amount Awarded    | Rs. 42,97,22,006/- |  |

| Category wise settlement of Cases |       |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--|--|
| Transport                         | 12    |  |  |
| Postal/Telephone                  | 3861  |  |  |
| Supply of Power                   | 13035 |  |  |
| Public Conservation               | 123   |  |  |
| Hospital                          | 23    |  |  |
| Insurance                         | 788   |  |  |
| Banking & Finance                 | 20500 |  |  |
| Housing & Estate                  | 743   |  |  |
| Total                             | 39085 |  |  |

4. **Implementation of NALSA Scheme:** With the objective to spread awareness about the various NALSA schemes regular camps are held by DLSAs under the aegis of HALSA.

The details are as under:-

|      | From Oct-2017 to Sep-2018   |  |   |  |  |  |
|------|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| S.No | Names of the Schemes  | Number of Awareness<br>Programmes/Activities<br>undertaken under<br>each of the schemes. | Number of persons<br>assisted in each of<br>the schemes |  |  |  |
| 1    | A scheme for Legal services to Disaster Victims through Legal Services Authorities.       | 1124   | 324811  |  |  |  |
| 2    | NALSA (Victim of Trafficking and<br>Commercial Sexual Exploitation)<br>Scheme, 2015       | 1252   | 331520  |  |  |  |
| 3    | NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganised Sector) Scheme, 2015              | 1347   | 327485  |  |  |  |
| 4    | NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services<br>to Children and their Protection)<br>Scheme, 2015 | 1707   | 398952  |  |  |  |
| 5    | NALSA (Legal Services to the<br>Mentally III and Disabled Persons)                        | 638  | 28718   |  |  |  |

|   | Scheme, 2015  |       |         |
|---|---|-------|---------|
| 6 | NALSA (Effective Implementation of<br>Poverty Alleviation) Scheme, 2015                         | 1538  | 371327  |
| 7 | NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015 | 1226  | 356628  |
| 8 | NALSA (Legal Services to Senior<br>Citizens) Scheme, 2015                                       | 1376  | 337934  |
| 9 | NALSA (Legal Services to Victims of<br>Acid Attack) Scheme, 2016                                | 1210  | 332134  |
|   | Total   | 11418 | 2809509 |

**PART-13** 

# **Internship Programmes**

HALSA is conducting Internship programmes to give law students an insight into the legal aid and services mechanism besides various legal literacy programmes and schemes framed for "Access to Justice for All". It is one of its kind initiative to build the capacity of not only Intern/Students by providing them an opportunity to gain practical experience in the legal services field but also of this Authority through feedback received from law interns. Internship programme is a unique platform for law students to put their legal knowledge, skills and experience into practices and take initiatives to reach out to the weaker sections of the society and see that they are benefited by the legal Services Programmes. Internship programme also helps in bringing directional changes in the implementation of various schemes and Legal Services Programmes. More than 100 law students attended the internship programmes conducted by this Authority during the year October, 2017 to September 2018.



# HALSA



# SUCCESS STORIES





**MAKING AN IMPACT** 

# Success Story 1: DLSA Narnaul

#### Project: Ek Kadam Shiksha Ki Aur – a Campaian

NALSA Scheme: NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and Their Protection) Scheme, 2015

DLSA Narnaul, conducted a special campaign under Education for Children programme from 09.04.2018 to 30.04.2018. The teams carried out widespread awareness camps for raising awareness about the Fundamental Rights of Education and the Fundamental Duties under Article 51A (11) of the parents and guardians to give education to children aged between 6-14 years.

During the campaign the team of DLSA Narnaul, identified 69 non-school going including drop out children. With efforts made by the team all 69 children were admitted to the school.

# Success story 2:DLSA Nuh

#### **Project: Har Ghar Shiksha**

NALSA Scheme: NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and Their Protection) Scheme, 2015

DLSA Nuh carried out an ambitious "Har Ghar Shiksha" abhiyan in order to give effect to NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015. The campaign aimed at getting children, including dropouts, enrolled in schools. The paralegal volunteers were assigned the task of ensuring admissions of children in schools spread over 167 villages over a period of 45 days with effect from 11.4.18 to 25.5.18. As per information submitted by them, the paralegal volunteers enrolled 1362 children in schools during the campaign.

# Success Story:3: DLSA. Ambala

#### Project Paniikaran

### NALSA Scheme: NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015

DLSA, Ambala, launched a campaign titled "Panjikaran" focusing on the requirements of the workers in the unorganized sector. The said campaign was presided over by Sh. Vikram Aggarwal, Hon'ble District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman, District Legal Services Authority, Ambala wherein, the workers, labours etc. were encouraged to get themselves registered with the Labour Department, in order to avail all the financial and other benefits available to the workers in unorganized sector. A registration booth of Labour Department for such registrations was also set up during the camp, wherein 142 workers got themselves registered.

# Success story 4:DLSA Rewari

# NALSA Scheme: NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and Their Protection) Scheme, 2015

A survey was conducted by DLSA Rewari, in the month of May and June, 2018 with the help of PLVs to collect data of the children in the age group of 6 to 14 years who have not been to school or are dropped out from the various schools of District Rewari, Upon the report submitted by the PLVs 334 children were found not to be admitted in the school. DLSA Rewari than coordinated with Block Education Officers and District Education Officer and was successful in getting 83 children admitted to school.

# Success Story 5: District Legal Services Authority, Palwal

## Project: Udaan Let Me Flv (8 Child Marriages were stopped)

NALSA Scheme: NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and Their Protection) Scheme, 2015.

During an interaction in a legal service camp in village Chirawata in a school, a child came forward and disclosed details of a child marriage that was supposed to take place after two days. The CWC Chairperson was also present with team during the camp. DLSA took the matter seriously and took immediate action.

The girl who had disclosed that a child marriage was about to take place was taken into full confidence and was assured that her identity would not be disclosed if she reveals the complete details of family marrying the girl child. After fetching the details, Child Marriage Prohibitions Officer Palwal was called at the spot. Team Udaan then counselled the family of the girl and left no stone unturned to put a stop to that planned child marriage.

Finally after lots of persuasion the family of the girl agreed not to go forward with marriage. To make double sure that the child marriage didn't take place, the team consisting of a Panel Advocate, Para Legal Volunteer and Child Marriage Prohibition Officer remained present in the house on the day when wedding was supposed to take place. Thus, the girl was saved from being victim of such a heinous crime.

# **Success Story 6:**

#### **DLSA Palwal. Project: Prajjawala**

On 05.06.2018 the team of Prajjawala reported that they had come across a case of murder of 4 year old girl in village Asawati. She was brutally raped and murdered. On the basis of the report prompt action was taken by DLSA Palwal. The team visited the family immediately to provide legal aid and assistance and also to inform the family of its rights to Victim Compensation Scheme. The requisite formalities were carried out there and then. Legal Aid was provided to the family within 24 hours. Additionally, application for VCS was moved by the family and due to the efforts compensation was granted.

# **Success Story 7:**

## **DLSA Palwal. Project: Prajjawala**

#### NALSA Scheme: NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015

A 16 year old girl named "P" (name withheld) was received at the Child Welfare Committee on 29.06.2018. She informed that her father wanted her to get married, while she herself was interested to study. She complained that her father mistreated her with cruelty. She even told that she was motherless.

After being consulted by the CWC team and the Prajjawala team, she was sent to the Child Care Institute on 29.06.2018 itself. Then she was put up at an orphanage.

The matter was taken care by the DLSA and it was proposed that if the girl and her family were consulted properly, she could be rehabilitated back to her family. The girl was visited at the orphanage and counselled, upon which she agreed to go back on the assurance that she would not be mistreated by her father in future.

The next day her father and brother were called to DLSA office and counselled by CJM-cum-Secretary, Panel Advocates and PLVS upon which they accepted the girl and assured the team that the girl will not be mistreated by them. The custody of the girl was handed over to the father on 07.07.2018.

## **Success Story 8:**

The 17 year old girl A (name withheld) accompanied with her grandmother was brought to the Woman Police Station, Palwal on 06.06.2018 under the POSCO Act. She was immediately provided counselling by the Panel Advocates from the team Prajjawala. During the counselling both of them were made aware of the Victim Compensation Scheme, for which grandmother flatly refused. They were subsequently, taken to the DLSA office by the team.

Over there, the grandmother was again counselled and this time she agreed to take the benefit of VCS. The team then helped them move the application and after due processes and completing of requisite formalities compensation amount of Rs. 100,000/- was granted.



This report aimed at outlining the details of comprehensive work undertaken by Haryana State Legal Services Authority, Panchkula. The path shown by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ajay Kumar Mittal, Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court & Executive Chairman, HALSA through his able guidance was followed meticulously by all the DLSAs and SDLSCs in the State of Haryana.

Going forward, this Authority aims to encourage all the teams viz. Panel Advocates, PLVs & other stake holders to participate more enthusiastically in all the activities of this Authority in achieving its objectives of spreading legal awareness amongst the common masses in every manner. We further aspire to popularize all the schemes of NALSA/HALSA and focus not only in the implementation of these schemes but also their outcome and impact on the society as a whole.





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