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# EAST ZONE BEST DLSAs

(Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal State Legal Services Authorities)

#### **EAST ZONE BEST DLSAs**

(Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal State Legal Services Authorities)

#### 1. Bihar State Legal Services Authority

**Best DLSA:** Muzaffarpur

#### **Activities**

• National Lok Adalats during the period September, 2016 to August, 2017:

Total cases disposed of:

- Court cases- 6473
- ➤ Pre-litigation cases-9353
- ➤ Amount settled: Rs. 30,59,71,209/-
- Continuous Lok Adalats during the period September, 2016 to August, 2017:
  - ➤ Total cases disposed of : 54
  - ➤ Amount settled : Rs. 1,73,00,000/-
- Total Number of Legal Awareness camps held/organised: 65
- No. of Prisoner and litigants provided legal services: 52
- No. of persons benefitted through legal services: 1976.
- Mediation:
  - No. of cases referred: 89 cases
  - ➤ No. of cases settled: 18 cases were settled.
- Victim Compensation Scheme:
  - ➤ 19 applicants awarded compensation amount of Rs. 24,50,000/-.

#### 2. CHHATTISGARH STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Jhanjgir Champa, DLSA

#### **Activities**

- 1. NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015:
  - a. Teams constituted to spread awareness amongst labourers in organised sector.
  - b. Awareness camps held in 92 Gram Panchayats.
  - c. Awareness also spread at 4 Railway Stations amongst workers coming from other areas.
  - d. District Legal Services Authority, Allahabad(Uttar Pradesh) requested to take action regarding 10 bonded labourers at Allahabad.
  - e. 05 Legal Aid Clinics established in the areas having concentration of labourers.
- 2. NALSA(Legal Services to Mentally III and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015:"
  - a. Awareness spread.
  - b. 08 mentally ill persons were got admitted in the hospital.
- 3. NALSA( Legal Services to the workers in the unorganised sector) Scheme, 2015:
  - a. "Jury" was constituted for executing the Scheme.
  - b. Help Desks were established at the offices.
- 4. NALSA( Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation)Scheme, 2015
  - a. Committee constituted to advise regarding effective implementation of Schemes.
- 5. Awareness programme against Drug Menace- Rallies were carried out for making people aware.
- 6. Awareness regarding Road Accidents was spread.
- 7. Special Awareness camps were organised to spread awareness about the menance of child marriage.
- 8. One Day Work Shop on Child Right was organised on 08.05.2017.

- 9. Workshop held on legal literacy in Schools.
- 10. Wall paintings were done to spread legal awareness.
- 11. Workshop held on 28.08.2017 on The Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) (**PCPNDT Act**).
- 12.100 PLVs were selected and they were given training.
- 13.04 National Lok Adalat were held and in it 903 pending and 593 prelitigation cases were settled.
- 14.Matter taken up with the District Administration for stopping Noise Pollution.
- 15.On Environment Day, Car Free Rally was organised.
- 16.Legal Aid given to following:
  - a. SC:27
  - b. OBC:13
  - c. UTPs:66
  - d. Others:08
- 17. Following legal awareness camps were held at different places:
  - a. In Jails: 21
  - b. In Schools:111
  - c. In Urban Areas:125
  - d. Rural areas:477
- 18. Following awareness programmes were organised:
  - a. Legal Awareness camps at the taluka level on 01.12.2017
  - b. Legal awareness camps on human rights on 10.12.2017 in the University
  - c. Legal awareness camps were organised in melas and schools.
  - d. A programme was organised on the topic of Fundamental Rights and duties at the Shshkiya Navin Kanya Mahavidyalay, Jhanjhgir.
  - e. Yoga Day was organised on 21.06.2017 in coordination with judicial officers and staff.
  - f. Three day stall was set up at Naila Railway Station making people aware about NALSA Schemes, legal services,lok adalats, etc.
  - g. Labour Day was celebrated on 01.05.2017 at the District Court, Jhanjgir.
  - h. International Women's Day was organised on 08.03.2017 and legal literacy camp was organised at taluk level.
- 19.Regular visits were made to jails where UTPs were attended and made aware.

#### 3. JHARKHAND STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Ranchi DLSA

#### **Activities**

Increasing Visibility of Legal Services Institutions and reaching out to remotest door by undertaking third phase of Cycle Yatra and Padyatra since 4.3.2017:

- ✓ Ranchi DLSA undertook the campaign to reach out to each and every village of the Ranchi and adjoining District through Vidhik Jagrukta Cycle Yatra and Padyatra on 4.3.2017, and the same is continuing.
- ✓ DLSA Ranchi organised a total of 225 padyatras and cycle yatras at block, panchayat and villages. About 1500-1600 applications have been received during padyatra and 800-1000 during cycle yatra. Through these Yatra about 1,15,500 persons got benefitted.

# Rehabilitation of Children in Conflict with law as well as Children in need of care and protection by

- (i) Skill Training followed by employment,
- (ii) adoption and
- (iii) Taking care of educational & other needs of child. Establishment & running of Computer/Typing Training Centre, Screen & Offset Printing Centre and Sohrai Painting Training Centre in the Ranchi District Observation Home.

15 children, residing in Observation Home, Dumardagga, Ranchi were imparted training regarding D.T.P. and Screen Printing Training and got employed.

District Legal Services Authority Ranchi started a training programme of Computer, Typing and Sohrai Painting for Children in Conflict with Law" under the Scheme of "Pradhanmantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan" at Observation Home, Ranchi for CICL. All the children staying at observation home Ranchi are the target group of computer training under the Scheme of "Pradhanmantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan". A batch of 10 children who have passed matriculation are being imparted with the computer and typing training. A batch of 10 children learnt the art of Sohrai Painting.

Ranchi DLSA ignited the rehabilitation activities for effective implementation of the Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act-2015, particularly rehabilitation and social reintegration programme.

Ranchi DLSA organised different training programmes under the joint venture of Woman, Child Development & Social Security Department, Govt. of Jharkhand at the Observation Home, Dumardaga, Ranchi.

# Rehabilitation of victims of Naxal Violence, Communal Violence & any other kind of violence

- DLSA distributed Rs. 40 Lakhs (approx.) amongst 69 persons.
- 88 victims were rehabilitated by DLSA, Ranchi under the Jharkhand Victim Welfare Fund Rules 2014 and compensation of Rs. 24,81,208/was given to them.
- 20 victims belonging to SCST community were rehabilitated by compensation under SCST (POA) Act 1989.
- DLSA Ranchi identified many victims and assisted them financially under the Scheme of Compensation to Naxal Violence Victim. Namita Devi is one such victim who is the beneficiary under the scheme. Her husband was killed in Naxal Violence in 2016 and due to the efforts of DLSA, Ranchi she got employed as a Class - III employee in Land Acquisition Office Ranchi. Monetary aid of Rupees One lacs was also given to her from DLSA.

# Establishment and Functioning of Legal Litercy Clubs in all the Kastoorba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas and other schools of Ranchi District.

- Ranchi DLSA in compliance of the NALSA directions, set up a number of Legal Literacy Clubs in various Universities, Colleges and Schools of Ranchi District.
- On 10.12.2016, the then Hon'ble Executive Chairman NALSA inaugurated 500 Legal Literacy Clubs from the Kastoorba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya, Mandar, across the state of Jharkhand out of which 32 Legal Literacy Clubs were opened in the Ranchi district. It was world record which entered in LIMCA BOOK OF RECORDS.
- After inauguration of 32 Legal Literacy Clubs, four more Legal Literacy Clubs were opened in the district of Ranchi by Ranchi DLSA.

 As of Now a total of 36 Legal Literacy Clubs are running under DLSA, Ranchi where 1 Panel Lawyer and 1 PLV have been deputed at each of the Literacy Clubs as a resource person.

# Establishment and Continuous Monitoring of Bal Mitra Thanas in Ranchi District in cooperation with the District Police.

 Ranchi District Legal Services Authority has established 14 Bal Mitra Thanas in Ranchi District in cooperation with the Ranchi District Police for effective legal services to the children.

# Tagging of Legal Services Pamphlets with each & every notice/warrants by the Jharkhand Courts.

• Ranchi DLSA has ensured that Legal Services Pamphlet is tagged with every notice/warrant issued by Ranchi Court.

# Selection of a batch of PLVs comprising of tribals in general & tribal women in particular.

- Ranchi DLSA is developing itself as Nodal Centre for imparting training and as Nodal Centre for other Legal Services activities across the state of Jharkhand.
- In this process DLSA, Ranchi imparted training to Para Legal Volunteers of 5 districts of state of Jharkhand namely Ranchi, Khunti, Gumla, Simdega and Lohardaga held from 1st to 3rd April, 2017.

#### Legal Representation & Legal Awareness Programme.

- Panel Lawyers nominated by DLSA, Ranchi & Persons benefited:
   No. of Panel Lawyers engaged for Providing Legal Aid: 74
   No. of Persons Benefited: 249
- Awareness Programmes under 10 Schemes of NALSA organized by DLSA, Ranchi

Number of awareness programmes from 1st Sept, 16 to Aug, 17: 1010

No. of Persons Benefited: 30,000

• Retainer Lawyers nominated by DLSA, Ranchi & Persons benefited:

No. of Retainer Lawyers: 05 No. of Persons Benefited: 1200

Remand Advocates nominated by DLSA, Ranchi & Persons benefited:
 No. of Remand Advocate engaged for Providing Legal Aid: 10
 No. of Persons Benefited 130

#### Effective Implementation of 10 Schemes of NALSA.

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

- o No. of application received: 20
- o Grievance redressed:02

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

- o No. of application received: 1200
- o Grievance redressed:1008

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

- o No. of application received: 200
- o Grievance redressed:104

NALSA (Legal Services to the mentally ill and mentally disabled persons) Scheme, 2015.

- o No. of application received: 1100
- o Grievance redressed:1034

NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015.

- o No. of application received: 15000
- o Grievance redressed:12224

NALSA (Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015:

o No. of application received: 0

o Grievance redressed:0

NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015.

- o No. of application received: 0
- o Grievance redressed: 0

NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016.

- o No. of application received: 400
- o Grievance redressed:343

NALSA (Legal Services to Victims of Acid Attacks) Scheme, 2016.

- o No. of application received: 05
- o Grievance redressed:01

NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Disasters) Scheme, 2016.

- o No. of application received: 100
- o Grievance redressed:76

Utilization of cost fund for providing immediate financial assistance to the persons under most pathetic condition in NALSA's Lucknow Central Authority Resolutions.

Rehabilitation of Victims from Cost Fund of DLSA: Total 55,000 Rs. Utilized from the Cost Fund for the rehabilitation of victims.

#### **Success Story - 1**

The Murder of one Bhukhli Devi of Itehe Village of Burmu Police Station of Ranchi on the pretext of witchcraft caught the attention of all the major newspapers of Ranchi.

Executive Chairman, JHALSA took serious note of this incident and directed the Principal Judicial Commissioner-cum-Chairman, DLSA, Ranchi to look into the matter and award necessary compensation to the successors of the Victim. Chairman, DLSA viewed the matter seriously and deployed the DLSA, resources to action.

Ranchi DLSA directed the Officer in charge of Burmu Police Station to ensure the presence of the Son of Late Bhukhli Devi at DLSA, Ranchi within 24 hours. The very next day Sri Govind Oraon, Son of Late Bhukhli Devi came to the Office of DLSA, Ranchi. This was perhaps for the first time when the Legal Service Authority reached out to the victim's family within a span of 24 hours from the time of commission of offence. The Secretary, DLSA, Ranchi thereafter awarded an interim compensation of Rs. 25,000/- to the kin of the deceased. This amount was paid from the Cost Fund.

#### **Success Story-2**

# Ad-interim Compensation of Rs. 30,000.00 Provided to the dependants of Late AnjaniTirkey @ JhuniTirkey of Lower KaramToliChowk from the Cost Fund of DLSA, Ranchi

Chandan kachchap killed a tribal women Anjani Tirkey @ Jhunni Tirkey who was a daily wages labourer, by thrasing her head by stone after looting 700 rs. and her ornaments from her when she was alone at her home on the day of incident. Her children had gone to school at that time. Incidentally, the 3 children had already lost their father lala tirkey 10 years back because of tatenus. Following the directions of Executive Chairman, JHALSA, Ranchi DLSA came into action and provided immediate finance assistance under victim compensation schema of the 3 children of diseased Anjani Tirkey @ Jhunni Tirkey. A team of DLSA visited karamtoli basti and organised awareness cum compensation meeting to provide interim compensation to the nearest kin of the Tirkey. A cheque of 30,000/- was handed over to maternal aunt and uncle of the 3 children as immediate financial assistance to be utilised of the welfare for the victims children. The 3 children were produced before the compensation Inquiry committee, and Rs. 2,00,000/- was recommended and further recommendation was regarding admission of 3 children in the residential school.

# Conducting Kanoon Ki Baat on Television & Radio by best resource persons of the field including the Chief Justice of the High Court.

- DLSA, Ranchi has been organizing Awareness Programmes through different mediums such as Television, Radio, Awareness Campaigns at Community Level, Exhibitions etc.
- Judicial Officers & Panel Lawyers of Ranchi have been participating in the weekly programme "Kanoon Ki Baat" which is telecasted on Doordarshan, Ranchi.
- Such Participation is also ensured via Radio broadcast on weekly basis.
- No. of Programmes broadcasted on Doordarshan, Ranchi: 39

• No. of Programmes broadcasted on AIR, Ranchi: 38

# Successful organization of Lok Adalats and running Mediation Centre Outstandingly (during the period September, 2016 to August, 2017)

• Cases disposed and amount settled at National Lok Adalat

■ Total Disposal: 12153

Amount Settled: 214085034.00

Cases disposed and amount settled at Lok Adalat

Total Disposal: 1149

Amount Settled: 23906700.00

Cases disposed and amount settled at Jail Adalat

Total Disposal: 67Amount Settled: 0

• Cases disposed and amount settled at Permanent Lok Adalat

Total Disposal: 767

Amount Settled: 61559399.00

#### Legal Services to deserving persons in need of Legal Services.

Category applicant / beneficiaries	Direct application to DLSA	Court annexed	No. of persons provided exemption from court fee
Under Trial Prisoners	16	130	0
Women	33	45	7
Children	0	1	0
Schedule Tribe	0	1	7
Low Income Group	0	0	1
Schedule Caste	0	0	4
ST Woman	0	0	4
Total	49	177	23

DLSA Ranchi has successfully settled 1328 matters in mediation.

#### 4. ORISSA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

#### **Best DLSA:** Cuttack DLSA

#### **Activities**

#### 1) Action taken on Legal Aid Applications:

During the period from 01.01.2017 to 31.08.2017, the DLSA, Cuttack received 152 no. of applications, out of which 128 applications were disposed of by taking appropriate action, such as engagement of Advocates, amicable settlement of pre-litigation disputes through conciliatory process, moving the concerned public authorities for redressal of grievances etc.

#### 2) Generating and spreading Legal Literacy/Awareness:

DLSA, Cuttack organised 80 legal awareness camps in the shape of meetings, street plays, Rallies, cleanliness drive etc. at different places in the district with special focus on different social welfare enactments and schemes.

#### 3) Settlement of disputes through Lok Adalat:

During the year, 37 Lok Adalats including four National Lok Adalats were organised by the DLSA, Cuttack. In it, 22,048 disputes/cases were disposed of/settled on conciliation basis.

#### 4) Mediation activities:

The Secretary of the DLSA, Cuttack is the Coordinator of the District Mediation Centre, Cuttack. During the year, 97 pending cases were referred to the District Mediation Centre, Cuttack, out of which 17 no. of cases ended with successful mediation.

# 5) Action taken on news paper reports and other remarkable activities:

- (i) Pursuant to the instruction issued by the State Authority, the DLSA, Cuttack, in coordination with the Medical Authority, opened one Legal Aid Clinic for victims of acid attacks on 25.04.2017 in the premises of S.C.B. Medical College and Hospital, Cuttack in order to ensure necessary legal services and facilitate emergency medical assistance to those victims.
- (ii) As per the instruction of the State Authority, Skit competition amongst the members of the Student Legal Literacy Clubs established in High Schools, was organized in the district.
- (iii) On the basis of news article published in odia daily, "The Sambad" dated 27.02.2017 regarding acid attack, DLSA, Cuttack deputed a PLV. Due to timely intervention and prompt action of DLSA, Cuttack, the victims of acid attack got due medical treatment in "Sadguru Medical and Research Centre", Jagatpur, Cuttack.
- (iv) On the basis of news article published in odia daily "The Sambad" dated 28.02.2017 regarding one Babuna Mallik, aged 9 years of village Jaisol of Jagatsinghpur district, a cancer patient, DLSA, Cuttack engaged Para Legal Volunteer Sri Akshaya Kumar Nayak to help the victim in getting due care and medical treatment.
- (v) On the basis of news item published in odia daily "The Dharitri" Dtd.19.06.2017 regarding acid attack on three persons at Lokanathpur village under Kentala Panchayat in the district of Cuttack, the DLSA, Cuttack, engaged a PLV to monitor the health conditions of three victims Padma Charan Behura, Anjana Behura and Rabindra Nayak of Cuttack district.
- (vi) One Sunita Gouda of Mahana Block, Dist. Gajapati met with an electrocution accident which was reported in the daily news paper "The Samaj" dated 15.03.2017. With the intervention of the DLSA, Cuttack, the injured was admitted in SCB Medical College and Hospital, Cuttack and due medical treatment including plastic surgery was provided to the victim. On the approach of the DLSA, financial assistance was also provided by the District Administration to the said victim.
- (vii) A report came through a local vernacular daily "The Samaj" that a child suffering from "Macrocephaly" (large head circumference) was

admitted in the paediatric department of SCB Medical College, Cuttack by the Volunteers of an NGO. The child was abandoned by his parents. Taking note of the news article as well as on the direction of Odisha State Legal Services Authority, the DLSA, Cuttack took prompt steps to facilitate free medical assistance to the child at SCB, Medical, Cuttack and after successful operation on the head, the child regained normalcy.

- (viii) Upon receipt of direction from the State Authority and after going through the news item dated 09.02.2017 in "The Dharitri", the DLSA, Cuttack rendered assistance to a mentally retarded lady, namely Rubi Sahu, for which she was taken care of by the Medical Authorities. After recovering from the mental ailment she returned to her matrimonial home.
- (ix) There was a news item in odia daily news paper "The Samaj" Dtd. 24.04.2017 regarding the hapless condition of a mentally retarded lady namely Swapna Jadav of Ghasipura area in the district of Keonjhar. On the basis of such news article, DLSA, Cuttack took active steps for medical treatment of the poor lady. Due to the timely intervention of DLSA, Cuttack and due to proper medical care the patient Swapna Jadav recovered from her ailment and was able to return back to her parental home.
- (x) There was a news item dated 17.05.2017 in "Dharitri" with regard to two obese children namely, Akash Pradhan and Tulasi Pradhan of Gundichanali, PS. Kamakhyanagar, Dist. Dhenkanal whose parents due to poverty were unable to provide medical treatment. Due to extensive support of Odisha State Legal Services Authority as well as the sincere efforts made by DLSA, Cuttack, both the obese children got advanced medical treatment in the S.C.B. Medical College and Hospital, Cuttack, and necessary financial assistance was also provided by the District Administration.
- (xi) While dealing with the question of compensation to a rape victim who was a minor, the DLSA, Cuttack got the victim admitted in S.C.B. Medical College and Hospital, Cuttack.

#### 5. UTTAR PRADESH STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

#### **Best DLSA:** Pilibhit DLSA

#### **Activities**

#### 1. Lok Adalat Perfomance during the Financial Year 2016-2017:

• Total Number of Lok Adalats held : 20

• Total Number of Matters settled : 11,842

• Total Number of imposed & realized as fine : 3,27,23,514

Actual Percentage (%) of reduction in Pendency on account disposal of cases in the Lok Adalat: 39.73%

# 2. Pre- litigation Lok Adalats (Performance during the financial year 2016-2017):

• Total Number of cases Settled : 2300

• Total Number of Amount Awarded : 14,27,2676

#### 3. Jail Lok Adalats (Performance during the financial year (2016-2017):

• Total Number of Jail Lok Adalats held : **07** 

• Total Number of cases decided in the Jail Lok Adalats : 42

• Number of prisoners, who were provided Legal Aid : 21

• Number of Prisoners, benefited u/s 436A Cr.P.C. : 03

# 4. Total Number of Cases settled through Counselling Centre during year 2016-2017): 167

#### 5. Legal Literacy Camps (Financial Year 2016-2017):

• Total Number of Legal Literacy Camp held : 31

• Total Number of Benificiaries in the Camps : 10754

#### 6. Legal Aid and advice:

• Total Number of Persons, who were given free legal aid/advice during the Year 2016-17): 232

• Legal Aid at 1<sup>st</sup> Remand Stage U/S 167Cr.P.C : **38** 

• Legal Aid during Jail visits : 194

#### 7. Mediation related Information:

- Total Number of Cases referred to the Mediation Centre (2016-2017) : 1195
- Total Number of Cases successfully settled through Mediation (2016-2017): 408

#### 8. Empanelment of Lawyers:

- Total Number of Empanelled Lawyers as on 31st August,2017: **07**
- Total Number of empanelled Retainer Lawyers as on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2017: Nil
- Total Numbers of Cases in which legal Aid/Assistance has been provided by the empanelled Retainer Lawyers (up till 31<sup>st</sup> August ,2017): Nil

#### 9. Para Legal Volunteers:

Total Number of PLVs (up till 31st August, 2017): 22

- DLSA 11
- TLSCs 11
- Jail (wherever applicable): 10
- Deputed in Police Station in compliance of the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Bachpan Bachao Andolan Cases (W.P. No. (c) 75/2012): Yes
- Women PLVs: 03
- Total Number of trained PLVs (up to 31st August ,2017): 22
- Total Number of persons provided assistance by the PLVs: -- Nil
- Total number of legal awareness camps organized by the PLVs: **Nil**

#### 10. Legal Aid Clinics:

- Whether established at the level of DLSA: Yes
- Number of Tehsils where Legal Aid Clinics have been established: 03
- Number of Villages/Cluster of Villages where Legal Aid Clinics have been established: **04**
- Number of Legal Aid Clinics established in the Law Universities /Collages: 03
- Total Number of Jails in the district and whether legal aid clinics have been established in all such jails: **01**
- 11. Whether Regular inspection of Observation Home/Special Homes for juveniles is being carried out: **Yes**

- 12. Whether Regular inspection of Nari Niketan is being carried out: Yes
- 13. Whether Regular inspection of Jails is being carried out: Yes
- 14. Whether Regular inspection of Jails is being carried out: Yes
- 15. Step taken for implementation of 07 new Schemes launched by NALSA (kindly mention the 02 Schemes specially chosen):

Labours and senior citizens

No. of Camps organized : 06
Total No. of beneficiaries : 2200

- Special achievement in the context of Scheme(s) adopted: Nil
- Special experience and achievement(s) if any: Nil
- 16. Steps taken for implementing the 02 focused areas (Save the Girl Child with focus on PCPNDT act & Extension of legal Services and Aid to Prisoners) adopted by UPSLSA 2016-2017.

Total no. of camps organized : NilTotal no. of persons benefited : Nil

- 17. Total no. of under-trial prisoners released through the efforts of DLSA: 03
- 18. Victim Compensation Scheme (u/s 357A Cr.PC.):

• Total no. of application received : 3

• Total no. of victims provided compensation: 2

• Total compensation awarded and disbursed : **Nil** 

#### 6. WEST BENGAL STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Hooghly DLSA

#### **Activities**

#### Disposal in National Lok Adalat held on 09.09.2017:

- Pre-litigation cases taken up:336
- Pre-litigation cases disposed of:297
- Pending cases taken up:898
- Pending cases disposed of:858

#### A Special Drive: Lok Adalat for Mill Workers of Hooghly:-

Hooghly, DLSA is conducting Lok Adalat for the mill workers especially for the jute mill workers. The first of its kind was organized on 11.02.2017 in which the disputed gratuity matters of several mill workers were taken up and out of those some were settled at the spot.

#### Disposal in Mill Lok Adalat:-

Date	No. of cases	No of	Settlement
	Taken up	cases	amount
		settled	
11.02.2017	36	8	10,97,442/-

#### SUCCESS STORY OF MILL LOK ADALAT:-

**Akshay Kumar Goswami Vs M/s RDB Textiles Ltd.:-**In the Lok Adalat of 11th February, 2017 DLSA, Hooghly took up matters of Jute Mill Workers as a special drive. 70 long standing labour disputes regarding payment of gratuity were taken up. Out of these 70 matters, settlement took place in 10 matters.

One such matter was of the Petitioner Akshay Kumar Goswami who was a worker of M/s RDB Textiles Ltd. He worked there till 1-07-2008 and was supposed to get Rs 1,44,768 as gratuity from the company but even after lapse of so many years the company did not disburse any money as gratuity to him.

The Petitioner moved the Controlling Authority and also got an order in his favour but that too was not complied by the Company and the Controlling Authority did not take any action to execute their order. In such a circumstance, the petitioner approached us and his matter was taken up in the National Lok Adalat of 11-02-2017. In that Lok adalat the petitioner as well as the Management agreed to a sum of Rs 95,817.

#### **DISPOSAL IN NATIONAL LOK ADALAT:-**

For the months of November, 2017 to June, 2017

National	No. of	Pre-Liti	Pre-Litigation Cases			ases	
Lok	Lok	Taken	Dis-	Settlement	Taken	Dis-	Settle-
Adalat	Adalat	up	posal	Amt.	up	posal	ment
held on	Benches	_					Amt.
12.11.16	11	360	254	1,92,10,079	149	128	8696,710
10.12.16	04	158	44	1565100	625	621	76840
11.02.17	13	1087	227	6811517	685	576	7279990
08.04.17	13	265	193	4689786	783	702	2717196

#### SUCCESS STORY OF NATIONAL LOK ADALAT:-

#### **B. MACT Case – 22/15**

This case was referred for amicable settlement in the Lok Adalat dated 08.04.2017. This case was filed by Moumita Khan and Becharam Khanin the year 2015 claiming compensation to the tune of Rs.4,42,000/- as their 16years old son namely Samar Khan died on 11.01.2015 due to a motor accident. Samar Khan was going on a motor cycle but unfortunately in front of Jangalparaa telephone office an over loaded lorry came rashly and dashed the motor cycle against him. Samar Khan was severely injured and ultimately succumbed to death. This case was pending in the court of Ld.ADJ 1st court namely Sri Raja Chatterjee since 12.05.2015 and this matter was taken up in National Lok Adalat of 08.04.2017 being referred by the concerned court. The petitioner as well as the insurance company appeared and they amicably agreed to a sum of Rs.2,99,500/- and it was agreed that the National Insurance Company shall pay the amount within two months from the date of order failing which they shall pay interest @6% p.a. till realization of the entire amount.

#### **DISPOSAL IN LOK ADALAT (Excluding National Lok Adalat)**

For the months of November, 2017 to June, 2017

Lok	No. of	Pre-Litig	gation Case	S	Pending	Cases	
Adalat	Lok Adalat	Taken	Disposal	Settlemen	Taken	Dis-	Settlement
during	Benches	up		t Amt.	up	posal	Amt.
month							
Nov'16	01	-	-	-	01	01	3,25,000
Dec'16	08	223	66	444600	06	05	1794000
Jan'17	11	424	105	4815404	28	25	8465000
Feb'17	08	-	-	-	07	06	1760000
Mar'17	13	894	253	5721065	217	210	2330050
April'17	03	-	-	-	04	04	1106000
May'17	05	36	27	701900	02	02	635000
June'17	03	166	63	1013400	-	-	-

#### **FIELD LOK ADALAT:-**

During this period DLSA organized Field Lok Adalat for **UBI**, **Hooghly** Region at its different branches.

#### **DISPOSAL IN FIELD LOK ADALAT:-**

Date	Place	No. of Settled	Amount
		Cases	(in Lac)
31.05.2017	Uttarpara & Dhaniakhali	24	6.45
01.06.2017	Serampore & Kuntighat	15	3.46
02.06.2017	Chandernagar &	28	6.23
	Champadanga		

#### WORK UNDER DIFFERENT NALSA SCHEMES

#### Nalsa (Legal Services to Victims Of Acid Attack) Scheme 2016:

During the period, 13 Acid Attack Victims were recommended for Compensation by the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, Hooghly.

#### NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016:-

**1.** A Camp for identification of problems of the senior citizens – On 21/03/2017, DLSA organized a camp for identification of problems of the senior citizens of Janashiksha Prachar Kendra Oldage Home, Jangipara, and Hooghly. DLSA had an interaction with all the elderly

inmates of the Home. DLSA noted their problems and tried to make them aware about their legal rights and different beneficial schemes. After the camp, DLSA also started special cases to solve the problems of some inmates of that Home.

- **2.** A camp was organised on 26.04.2017 at Satya Bharati Old-Age Home. On this date the Secretary, DLSA along with Senior Advocate took a drive to identify the problems of the inmates.
- 3. A health check up camp "KEMON ACHO MA (HOW ARE YOU MA!)" was organised at Abakash Old-Age Home on 16.05.2017
  In this health check-up camp, blood test ECG and general health check up was done by Senior Doctors of Uttarpara Hospital in presence of the Superintendent of Uttarpara Hospital.

# 4. NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally ill & Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015:-

Under this scheme DLSA restored a mentally ill person namely Supriyo Sadhukhan to his Home at Seoraphully, Hooghly after completion of his treatment at Pavlov Hospital. This matter was referred to DLSA Hooghly by an NGO namely ANJALI. During the public hearing for restoration of Supriyo Sadhukhan, DLSA was able to convince his reluctant family members to take him back with full dignity. DLSA officials also met several times even after his restoration to ensure that he got a comfortable room in his home and regular supply of medicine. As of now Sri Supriyo Sadhukhan is staying at his Home with dignity.

# 5. NALSA(Child Friendly Legal Services to Children & their protection) Scheme, 2015

DLSA visits the Children's Home of the District every month. The Committee calls for a public hearing for restoration and rehabilitation of inmates of different Homes of the District. DLSA found that several inmates who are willing to go to the family but their address is not known or the family members are not willing to take them back and DLSA take up this matters as special cases in those public hearings.

Two mention worthy achievements of the home observation committee of DLSA, Hooghly:-

• <u>CASE OF ALIMA KHATUN:</u> The members of the Children's Home Observation Committee during its visit at Janasikha Prochar Kendra Home in Baganda, Jangipara, Hooghly saw a woman namely Alima Khatun who could not speak. She could only write her name and a

number i.e. Q594. By gestural communication she used to express her strong desire to return to her home and to give clue she used to write that number on a piece of paper and used to make a gesture from which we could understand that she wanted to say about a bridge. DLSA took up the matter in the Public Hearing on 19.01.2017 and requested the O/C of Serampore Women P.S to take a drive to find out the home of this woman being led by her along the Ganges from Howrah bridge and DLSA offered all kinds of assistance for that. The drive was taken on 22.04.2017 by the O/c. The drive was successful and the woman led the entire team to her home at Q 594, Golam Rab Lane, Metiabruj, Kolkata along the Ganges seeing the flood light of Eden Gardens and she was restored to her family who were very happy to see her.

• <u>CASE OF SELIMA KHATUN</u>: - DLSA restored this unfortunate woman to her family in the month of April, 2017.

After completion of all the formalities and obtaining police verification report Selima was made over to her father on 10.04.2017. The Police personnel as well as the case workers of Prabarkak Home escorted her to her family at Kultali, 24 PGS (S). Selima was really happy on returning to her home after long 8 years.

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

- **1. Observation of National Girl Child Day** Under this scheme, DLSA organized several camps at schools and other places to make people aware about trafficking and to make them aware about the menace of child marriage. Out of these programmes one mention worthy is the observation of National Girl Child Day on 24-01-2017 at a girl school in Janai, Hooghly in collaboration with CHILDLINE. About 550 students of that school were made aware of basic human rights, right to life, right to education, menace of child marriage and how to avoid booby trap of trafficking. The speakers were Mr. Sohon Mukhopadhyay, CJ(JD), 2<sup>nd</sup> court, Serampore, Mr. Tarun Mukherjee, Senior Advocate, Serampore and Mr. Sounak Mukherjee, Secretary, DLSA, Hooghly.
- 2. 18.04.2017 A Camp on Child Sexual Abuse & Pocso Act for the Health Workers of Goghat: With the assistance of CHILDLINE, Hooghly on 18.04.2017, at Goghat -1 BDO Office, a legal awareness camp was conducted with the Health Workers of that Block and they

were made aware about different incidents of child abuse, aspect of child psychology and legal remedy under Pocso Act.

# DISSEMINATION OF THE LANDMARK SUPREME COURT JUDGMENT REGARDING THE RIGHTS OF TRANSGENDER IN WRIT PETITION NO. 400 OF 2012 (NALSA VS. UNION OF INDIA):-

On 05.09.2017 at the DLSA, Hooghly organized a meet of Transgender people of Hooghly District with the assistance of NGO "AMITÉ Trust" for dissemination of the rights landmark Supreme Court Judgment regarding the rights of transgender in WP No. 400 of 2012 (NALSA vs. UoI). The programme turned out to be a grand success with the active participation of the transgender friends.

In this event DLSA announced that in upcoming National Lok Adalat of 09.09.2017 one of our transgender social worker friends namely 'Shampa Ghosh' (presently known as Shyam, a female to male transgender activist working on gender rights and HIV issues) has been appointed as a Member Judge in upcoming National Lok Adalat to be held at Serampore, ADR Centre of DLSA, Hooghly. It is the second time in Bengal a transgender person will be sitting as a Member Judge of National Lok Adalat and perhaps for the first time in India a transman (female to male) will be sitting in a Lok Adalat as a Judge.

7. NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015 read with NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015:-

Interactive session with Beedi workers of Hooghly at ADR Center, Serampore In this event several Beedi workers of Hooghly district discussed their problems with DLSA. Most of them said that no identity cards were issued to them and banks refused to open zero balance account for them under 'Jan Dhan Jojana'scheme. Considering their problem on 06.04.2017 DLSA intervened and organized a camp. A total 66 accounts were opened all for women Beedi workers.

Awareness Camp for the unorganized workers in collaboration with Labour Department, Govt. Of West Bengal, Hooghly – This programme was organized in collaboration with the Labour Department at the Chinsurah Municipality Hall and there were about 80 unorganized workers among the participants. The entire programme was moderated by the Assistant Labour Commissioner.

**26.04.2017** – **Awareness Camp for Tribal People :** on 18.05.2017 in a Tribal Village under Polba GP, DLSA organized a legal awareness camp for the tribal people and informed them about free legal aid under NALSA (Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015. DLSA made a young man of that village namely Anup Das a PLV to act as a bridge between that village and the Legal Services Authorities.

#### Statistics of legal aid given, legal beneficiaries, etc.

# statistical data in respect of legal aid beneficiaries for november, 2016 to august, 2017

Month	SC	ST	Women	Child	In	General	Others	Total	No.	No. of
				ren	Cust				of	Benefic
									Cam	iaries
									ps	
Nov'16	-	-	50	04	08	31	01	94	08	24434
Dec'16	04	-	37	02	16	30	27	116	52	5695
Jan'17	-	-	07	05	10	20	16	72	25	5905
Feb'17	02	-	33	03	27	42	-	107	06	317
Mar'17	02	-	39	03	29	29	24	126	08	309
Apl'17	01	-	32	-	23	28	14	98	11	1997
May'17	-	-	31	07	29	29	09	105	07	1164
June'17	01		21	06	23	23	-	74	07	2057
July'17	-	-	20	2	27	19	13	81	05	345
							(1 trans			
							gender)			
Aug'17	-	-	27	3	16	22	18	86	05	591

# NUMBER OF PLVS FUNCTIONING DURING THAT PERIOD IN DIFFERENT SECTORS:-

Total No. of	No. of PLVs deployed					
PLVs trained						
	Police	Front	Jails /	JJBs /Child	Other Legal	Total
	Station	Office	Observation	Welfare	Services	
			Homes	Centres	(Legal Aid	
				(CWCs)	Clinic)	
					BDO Office	
47	15	1	5	1	9	-
Present						
Active-21						

At present DLSA, Hooghly have 29 active PLVs.

#### **SUCCESS STORIES OF PLVS:-**

As of now DLSA, Hooghly with the help of different police stations has stopped many child marriages. During the first quarter of 2017, PLVs of Tarakeswar namely Arkojyoti Bhattacharyya, Dali Barik and Jamiruddin Khalifa got the information that a girl child of 16 years is going to be married on 09.02.2017 and getting the information they with the assistance of the members of CHILDLINE and the local administration reached at the house of the girl and they were successful in stopping the marriage of that child and they also took an undertaking from the parents of the girl that they won't get the daughter married before she attain majority. This incident was reported in Ananda Bazar Patrika.

#### OTHER MISCELLANEOUS EVENTS:-

• Observation of NALSA Day, 2016 (09.11.2016):-In the last year on NALSA Day( Legal Services Day) coincided with the nabami of Jagaddhatri Puja in chandernagar. DLSA, Hooghly observed this very important day by making full use of the open stage of the famous and the oldest puja of Chandernagar namely 'Bagbazar Sarbojonin'. DLSA organized a Legal Awareness Camp propagating the concept of free legal aid and to make people aware against child marriage. DLSA, Hooghly did the campaign in a very interesting way and not just by speeches but through their chief guest Antony, the talking doll. Magician and ventriloquist Bholanath Das was there with the Secretary, DLSA, Hooghly to make people aware about the said subjects in a different and interesting way.

# • Children's Day Celebration with CHILDLINE, 2016 (14.11.2016):-

DLSA, Hooghly observed this day at Konnagar High School where there were about 200 girl students who were made aware about their right and duties, importance of education, right to education and right to life. They were also made aware about the harmful effect of child marriage by showing the documentary movie *Joyee* to them.

# • Events on Human rights in the week subsequent to World Human Rights Day, 2016 (10.12.2016):-

In the week, following the World Human Rights Day DLSA, Hooghly conducted two awareness programmes on the concept of Human rights and right to life as gurranted under the constitution of India. Thereafter on 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2016 DLSA, Hooghly organized another awareness programme for the slum dwellers and mill workers as well as leprosy

patient of Gondalpara at Bhadreswar. The Secretary, DLSA Sounak Mukherjee made people aware about the concept of human rights and the how the people can exercise in daily life

#### Post demonetization help desk at SBI:-

On all the working days of December, 2016 DLSA, Hooghly's help desk functioned at SBI, Serampore branch. The help desk was manned by various PLVs on different date and the public at large was immensely benefited.

#### Door to door legal awareness programme (2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> November'16):-

No of PLVs engaged in	No of households	No of members in
campaign	covered	household
35	2918	12975

No of panel lawyers engaged in campaign	No of persons covered
14	123

Other	Campaign through local cable channel.
initiatives	NALSA theme song played in the cable channel.
taken as part	Talking doll show at Chinsurah, Serampore, Chandernagar &
of campaign	Arambagh Court and also at some places of all these 4 sub
	divisions.
	Wide publicity of programmes through electronic and print
	media.

#### • ACTIVITIES AT CORRECTIONAL HOMES:-

**Legal Awareness Camp at Hooghly District Correctional Home and Arambagh sub-correctional Home** – On 23.02.2017 an informal awareness programme was conducted at the Hooghly District Correctional Home by the Secretary, DLSA, Hooghly and on 28.03.2017 a Legal Awareness Camp was conducted at Arambagh sub-correctional Home.

**Donation to the Correctional Home** – On 17.01.2017, DLSA distributed indoor game items and winter garments for the children in lap of the female UTPs languishing in the Hooghly District Correctional Home. The gifts were distributed by the then District Judge Sri Bibek Chowdhury and other judges.

#### • OPENING OF NEW LEGAL AID CLINICS:-

During the second quarter of 2017, DLSA opened two Legal Aid Clinics at two different Sub-Divisions.

#### • LEGAL LITERACY STALLS AT DIFFERENT FAIRS:-

DLSA Hooghly organised 24 various legal literacy stalls at different fairs. 8733 persons attended the same.

- **OBSERVATION OF WOMEN'S DAY** On 08.03.2017 DLSA, Hooghly observed Women's Day at Rabindrabhaban, Serampore in collaboration with Serampore Women's Police Station where about 202 urban women were present. They were made aware about their right and duties.
- OBSERVATION OF WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY: DLSA observed World Environment Day with the budding flowers of Uttarpara Destitute Home. The girls of this Home were made aware about the environmental issues and they were asked to write an essay on "EKTI GACHH, EKTI PRAN" (A Tree a Life). A drawing competition for the young inmates was also conducted on the same day.
- LEGAL AWARENESS CAMP AT MAHESH RATHAJATRA:- In collaboration with Hooghly Police administration DLSA installed a legal literacy stall at Mahesh during Ratha festival on 25.07.2017. The stall was strategically located just in front of the Chariot.
- CLEAN GANGA MOVEMENT: DLSA started a new project "Clean Ganga Movement" in August,2016 at Gondalpara Jutemill ghat of Chandernagar and it is still going on. This project is being led by PLV Sri Jwala Prasad Mahato. During the year 2016-17, several cleaning drives were taken at the different ghats of Ganges like Champdani, Bhadreswar & Chinsurah.

# AWARENESS PROGRAMME USING CHETANA SATHI VEHICLE:-

DLSA, Hooghly organized many Awareness Programmes using Chetana Sathi vehicle throughout the district of Hooghly. Even DLSA, Hooghly showed the documentary movies and NALSA, theme song on the day of National Lok Adalat.

# North-East Zone Best DLSAs

(Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura State Legal Services Authorities)

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### 1. ARUNACHAL PRADESH STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** West Siang DLSA

#### **Activities**

- 27 Awareness Programme conducted
- 03 Legal Aid Clinic established
- 107 applicants provided Legal Aid with regard to court related matters.
- 06 Lok Adalat conducted
- 05 cases recommended for victim compensation
- 02 Training programmes conducted for Para Legal Volunteers.

#### **Legal Awareness:**

• The West Siang DLSA organized General Legal Awareness campaign programme 27 (twenty seven) times so far at various places within the District. A number of remote areas were explored. In these programmes, the invited resource persons gave lectures on various topics such as Plea Bargaining, Lok Adalat, Consumer Rights, Domestic Violence Act, PLV Scheme, Fundamental Rights and Duties, Victim Compensation Scheme, free legal services, POSCO Act, 2012, Basics of criminal trial, Law of Insurance, etc.

#### **LEGAL AID CLINIC:**

• Three Legal Aid Clinics, two at Aalo and one at Basar are fully functional and have provided Legal Aid to hundreds of legal aid seekers. The UTPs were provided counseling and Legal Aid. People seeking help and assistance visited all the three legal aid clinics regularly ever since the establishment of legal aid clinics. Further, a total of 12 Victim Compensation applications have been received. 4 applications were forwarded for further approval.

#### **LEGAL AID COUNSEL:**

• The names of the empanelled lawyers, their respective contact numbers have been pasted on the walls of all legal aid clinics and in wards of the jail. More than 100 accused persons and including UTP's have been provided free legal aid counsel under Legal Aid Scheme.

#### **LOK ADALAT:**

• Six Lok Adalat were conducted 172. 172 cases were disposed off in the said Lok Adalats.

#### I. TRAINING PROGRAMMES:

- 1. Orientation and Induction Training for Legal Aid Counsels and Para Legal Volunteers (PLV's) at Aalo on 13th May 2017.
- 2. Opening of Legal Aid Clinic, one day training –cum- orientation of panel lawyers and PLVs at ADR building, Basar on 14/05/17.
- 3. Refresher –cum- Training Programme for Para Legal Volunteers (PLV's) at District Court, Aalo on 2nd September 2017.

#### II. <u>LEGAL AID CLINIC:</u>

- 1. Legal Aid Clinic was opened at Judicial Lock-up, Aalo On 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017.
- 2. Legal Aid Clinic was opened at District Court, Aalo On 13th May 2017.

#### III. 25 Legal Awareness Campaigns were held on various topics.

#### IV. <u>LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED:</u>

- **1.** Fire Victims of Police Colony, Aalo on 8th June 2017.
- 2. Fire Victims of Tadin Village, West Siang District on 1st August 2017.

#### 3. ASSAM STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Dibrugarh, DLSA

#### **Activities**

DLSA, Dibrugarh carried out several activities for legal awareness and legal access for the needy people with the help of PLVs. Some of those activities can be mentioned thus.

- Under the project "Reach Out & Respond", with the help of PLVs, DLSA, Dibrugarh helped 10 nos. of villagers in getting free toilet infrastructure from Civil Administration under Govt. programme known as "Swach Bharat Mission".
- In two villages, DLSA, Dibrugarh helped people through PLVs in getting houses under Govt. programme called "Indira Awas Yojna".
- Under the instruction of DLSA, Dibrugarh, PLVs have helped many people in obtaining government certificates such as Birth Certificates, Caste Certificates, PRC, Income Certificates, Ration Cards, etc. from concerned departments.
- With the help of PLVs, DLSA, Dibrugarh organized programme to make people aware in villages for their rights under "Right to Education" Act in obtaining free education in Govt. and other educational institution.
- In Moran and Dhemechi areas, DLSA, Dibrugarh held meetings between office bearers of Agriculture Department and farmers and took steps for free distribution of seeds and pesticides. During that time, the farmers of that area were facing a problem that their paddy cultivation was destroyed by some unknown pests and caterpillar known as *spodopteramauritia*.
- There are many instances in which DLSA, Dibrugarh assisted people in getting widow pension and old age pension.

- During flood, under the instruction of DLSA, Dibrugarh, PLVs took tremendous pain in serving the flood affected people in different ways, such as medical facilities, govt. reliefs, reliefs from other NGOs etc.
- There are many instances where, through PLVs of DLSA, Dibrugarh and staff assisted people in opening bank accounts, getting loans from banks by coordinating with bank officials.
- Under instruction of DLSA, Dibrugarh, one of the PLVs of DLSA, Dibrugarh with the help of Health Department distributed medicated mosquito nets to 192 families in Moran area and also organized awareness programme against malaria.
- In the month of April, 2017 with the assistance of PLVs, Dibrugarh Police Administration as well as Delhi Police and also with the assistance of Judicial Officers of Delhi, DLSA, Dibrugarh rescued a lady (Smti. Reshma Tati) from Delhi, who was kidnapped from Dibrugarh. PLVs also took steps to get criminal case registered in this regard.
- On many occasions, DLSA, Dibrugarh took steps through PLVs in preventing child marriages, domestic violence and matrimonial disputes. In those cases, DLSA, Dibrugarh arranged several village meetings and tried to make them understand about legal as well as social consequences of such issues. Looking into the vulnerable aspects of those issues DLSA, Dibrugarh tried to solve them in a peaceful way.
- In last few months DLSA, Dibrugarh settled several cases of land disputes amicably.
- DLSA, Dibrugarh assisted village women in constituting self-help group.
- As per request of Deputy Commissioner, DLSA, Dibrugarh organized meeting in villages against nuisance caused due to credulous belief of kidnapping of child by Ghost (*Pishal Manuh*).
- 182 persons (in last eight months, i.e., Jan to Aug.) DLSA, Dibrugarh has provided court based legal assistance.

- DLSA, Dibrugarh has constituted a core team to look after the issues relating to mental health of the citizens of Dibrugarh. Because of coordination among the stakeholders (who are members of the core team) DLSA, Dibrugarh could pick up several mentally ill persons loitering here and there in the Dibrugarh Town and sent them to hospital for medical treatment. Out of them one lady namely Lalita Kumari was sent to LGBRIMH, Tezpur, Assam.
- With "Perona", a shelter home for children, DLSA, Dibrugarh took several steps to ensure the legal rights of especially abled persons particularly in employment and education area. Under the programme, DLSA, Dibrugarh is planning to convert the Legal Aid Cell of Kanoi College, especially for providing service to such persons. The staff of the employment exchange were made aware about law that they are required to keep the names of registered especially abled persons in proper format and send the names to the concerned department for employment.
- As a part of awareness programme, DLSA, Dibrugarh took part in talk shows by **All India Radio** and **Doordarshan.** Such programmes are broadcasted several times to make people aware of their rights and role of DLSAs in providing legal access. The phones in programmes of these media houses have left an effective result in making people aware about DLSA. After the programmes, many people rushed to the DLSA office to ascertain their rights and entitlements.
- Recently two awareness programmes were held to make students and their parents aware against "Blue Whale", a cyber-game.
- Apart from above, recently with the help of Civil Administration and Social Welfare Department, DLSA, Dibrugarh successfully organized a camp under the Reach Out & Respond Programme for providing prosthetic limbs and assistive devices to the specially abled persons. In that programme, DLSA provided prosthetic limbs to 251 persons and assistive devices were given to 2193 persons.
- During demonetization by Govt. of India, the PLVs of DLSA, Dibrugarh were instructed to help illiterate persons in filling up necessary

documents / forms etc. and accordingly the PLVs carried out their duties in local branches of various banks.

- Every month, the DLSA, Dibrugarh takes atleast one door to door campaign to make people aware about the activities of DLSAs through the PLVs.
- The DLSA, Dibrugarh has organized training programme of PLVs of Zone-1 districts of Assam (Zone-1: Tinsukia, Dibrugarh, Sivasagar, Jorhat & Golaghat) and commendation programme for the Best PLV of Assam successfully. In the programme, Civil as well as Police Administration of the district took part and requested the DLSA, Dibrugarh to be a part of their social activities.
- DLSA, Dibrugarh launched three important projects.

#### <u>Project –I</u> (Grow Savantly)

DLSA, Dibrugarh has shortlisted some schools to request their authority to invite DLSA, Dibrugarh in the "Parents Meet". The DLSA, Dibrugarh would request the parents that after successful completion of final examination of their wards to deposit the books in the school. These books will be collected by DLSA, Dibrugarh and distributed to the poor and needy students, so that they can read and continue their studies without spending money in purchasing those books. DLSA, Dibrugarh has already taken preliminary steps in this regard.

#### Project -II

DLSA, Dibrugarh has requested the inhabitants of Dibrugarh District that instead of selling the old newspapers, they may deposit it in the office of DLSA, Dibrugarh as it has planned to impart training to the jail inmates on making paper bags.

In this regard, the DLSA, Dibrugarh has contacted an NGO for taking care of the training and the district administration would help in selling these bags to various shops and stores. By this way, the jail inmates will earn some money and secondly, it would a step towards pollution free

Dibrugarh. Further, the skill will help the jail inmates to make a living even after their release from jail.

#### Project -III

DLSA, Dibrugarh has requested the PWD of Dibrugarh to go with a plan for water supply plant inside the jail. In this regard, preliminary talks had taken place with the engineers. They are instructed to make a plan and submit an estimate.

- In addition to the above, DLSA, Dibrugarh has given Victim Compensation in 28 nos. of cases with an amount of Rs. 9 Lakhs 18 Thousand.
- It is worth mentioning that DLSA, Dibrugarh has provided legal aid to 246 nos. of applicants.
- DLSA, Dibrugarh has settled 09 cases through mediation, wherein the Secretary, DLSA, Dibrugarh worked as Coordinator of the District Mediation Centre. DLSA, Dibrugarh had organized all the national Lok Adalats as scheduled by NALSA and successfully disposed 3800 nos. of pending cases and 1987 pre-litigation cases.
- In the State Lok Adalat also DLSA, Dibrugarh successfully disposed 3102 pending cases.
- DLSA, Dibrugarh has been regularly conducting the Permanent Lok Adalat also.

#### 4. MANIPUR STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

#### **Best DLSA: Imphal West DLSA**

#### **Activities**

Number of Legal Awareness programmes on NALSA Schemes organized by Imphal West DLSA during the period from August, 2016 to August, 2017:-

Sl. No.	NALSA Scheme	No. of programmes	
1.	NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial	8	
	Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015	0	
2.	NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the	13	
	Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015.	13	
3.	NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to	18	
	Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015	10	
4.	NALSA (Legal Services to mentally ill and	6	
	Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015	Ü	
5.	NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty	17	
	Alleviation) Schemes, 2015		
6.	NALSA (Protection and Enforcement of Tribal	4	
	Rights) Scheme, 2015	4	
7.	NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug		
	Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace Scheme),	16	
	2015		
8.	NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens)	6	
	Scheme, 2016	<b>U</b>	
	Total	88	

- 2. **5** (**five**) **new Legal Aid Clinics** have been opened in Imphal West District since August, 2016 till date. At present there are 11 (Eleven) Legal Aid Clinics under Imphal West District which deals with various types of matters such as crime against women, child rights, child labour, senior citizens, SC/ST & other marginalized sections of the society. Process for opening of 6 more Legal Aid Clinics is under active process.
- 3. DLSA Imphal West provided legal aid by appointing Panel Advocates to 11 (eleven) child victims. With the assistance of the Panel Advocates, the victim

girls/parents have received their interim victim compensation.

- 4. Under the direction of Chairman & Secretary, DLSA, Imphal West, the PLVs of Legal Aid Clinic, Cheirap Court complex assisted in providing shelter to many homeless women by guiding them to proper Shelter Home.
- 5. Under the direction of Chairman & Secretary, DLSA, Imphal West, the PLVs of Legal Aid Clinic, RIMS Hospital assisted a number of patients in getting the benefit/ financial assistance under Manipur State Illness Assistance Fund.
- 6. Under the direction of Chairman & Secretary, Imphal West DLSA, the PLVs of Legal Aid Clinic, Manipur Central Jail, Imphal in association with Jail Authorities organized Legal Awareness cum Counseling Programme for Jail Inmates on monthly basis. One Psychologist from Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Imphal is engaged for giving counseling to the inmates.
- 7. Under the direction of Secretary DLSA, the PLVs of Legal Aid Clinic, Manipur Central Jail, Imphal also assisted in Registration of birth of a child born by one of the female inmate lodged at the jail.
- 8. Under the guidance of Secretary, Imphal West DLSA, one PLV of Legal Aid Clinic, Malom prevented timely the marriage of a minor girl by filing a case in the concerned court under the prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 which was the first registered case of its kind in the state of Manipur for restraining the child marriage.
- 9. Based on the report submitted by PLVs of Legal Aid Clinic, Central Jail, the Secretary, Imphal West DLSA sent PLVs to the home of UTPs to discuss the matter with their relatives for releasing them on bail. With the assistance of PLVs & Panel Advocates, a number of inmates have been released on bail.

#### 5. MEGHALAYA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Nil

SLSA has informed that

due to lack of full time officers and staff the performance of all the DLSAs in the State are average and most of the legal services activities were carried out by SLSA directly.

#### 6. MIZORAM STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Lunglei, DLSA

#### **Activities**

The performance of the DLSA on various parameters during the year till date is as follows:

#### **Activities of Lunglei DLSA in 2017:**

S1.		Performance
N	Activities	of Lunglei
0.		DLSA
1	Number of Legal Awareness Campaigns	65
2	Number of Lawyers' / PLV Training Programmes	4
3	Persons Provided with Legal Aid Counsels	535
4	Number of Legal Aid Clinics Maintained	11
5	Number of Cases Disposed in Lok Adalats	152

#### 7. NAGALAND STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Tuensang, DLSA

#### **Activities**

- 1. The DLSA could render maximum Legal Services under NALSA Schemes particularly to the Marginalized and the farthest villages bordering Myanmar (Burma). Tuensang DLSA reported the highest number of success stories and service delivery to the weaker sections in the State, rendered through its trained PLVs and Panel lawyers.
- 2. Trainings and workshops were conducted for village Customary Courts more so the Daobashi's & the Gaon Burah's so as to equip them of the procedure of Justice Dispensation System and the principles of Natural Justice.
- 3. 11 Legal Literature Booklets/Phamplets/leaflets viz. Legal Aid & Legal Services, Consumer Protection Act, Child Welfare Committee, Protection of Women from Domestic Violence, Fundamental Rights & Duties, Preamble of India, Juvenile Justice Act, Lok Adalat, Village Council Acts were translated into the four major dialects (Yimchunger, Chang, Sangtam & Khiamnuigan).
- 4. During 3 days Door-to-Door Campaign on Sept'2017, 63 villages, 7,245 Household & 32,070 Beneficiaries could be reached with the message of various constitutional rights & privileges, Government Welfare Schemes so as to render effective Legal Services to the Rural poor.
- 5. 26 Legal Services Clinic manned by 46 PLVs spread across the District. They are effectively monitored by the three empaneled Lawyers and thereby the highest Legal Literacy campaigns targeting Rural Areas organized by a DLSA in Nagaland.
- 6. The Panel Lawyers & PLV also act as resource Persons and trainers to other Departments and NGOs (Police Deptt./District Administration/Village Councils/Apex Tribal Organization/Student & Youth Organizations).
- 7. Effective Working relationship with Media, stakeholders of Child helpline, Women Helpline, District Administration, Police, NGOs etc.
- 8. Commendable work in court based cases/Lok Adalats/UTRC reports.

#### 8. SIKKIM STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: South Sikkim at Namchi DLSA

#### **Activities**

- 1. DLSA (South) conducts two Micro and two MGNREGA Legal Literacy Awareness Programmes every month in different villages of South Sikkim. 40 Awareness Programmes have been conducted under Micro and MGNREGA w.e.f. 08.10.2016 to 31.08.2017.
- 2. DLSA (South) has successfully trained the PLVs on all the 9 (Nine) Schemes of NALSA. The Resource Persons for the training were Panel Advocates of South District.
- 3. DLSA (South) has also been actively monitoring awareness programmes being conducted on NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015, Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 and other related matters in schools of South District.
- 4. DLSA (South) has constituted 04 (teams) comprising of Panel Advocates and PLVs for decimating awareness for proper implementation of NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation) Scheme, 2015.
- 5. DLSA (South) visits schools of South District in order to encourage the students to be active members of the Legal Literacy Club and also to encourage them to pay attention to "Lessons in Law" as it contains important laws.
- 6. DLSA (South) assisted a victim in J.J.B. Case No. 7 of 2016 (State vs. Bipen Rai) to procure compensation under the Sikkim Compensation to Victims of his Dependants Scheme, 2011. As per the recommendation made by the Chairman, DLSA (South), the victim was granted a compensation of Rs. 2,00,000/- only.

- 7. On receipt of information from Ms. Laxmi Tamang, PLV (South), DLSA (South) took the initiative in registration of a case being Jorethang P.S. case No. 40/2017 dated 26.07.2017 under POCSO Act, 2012 at Jorethang P.S. The child was molested by a co-villager but the matter had been settled at the village level itself since the parents of the accused as well as the panchayat of the village were of the view that the offence committed was not serious in nature.
- 8. DLSA (South) helped a child by the name of Rohit Darjee to be handed over to his rightful guardian i.e., his parents when they failed to take the child from the Juvenile Observation Home, Namchi after he was acquitted on inquiry. DLSA (South) took the assistance of Mr. Passang Tshering Bhutia, PLV (South) to take the child home.
- 9. DLSA (South) has constituted a committee to verify the applications for legal aid. After due verification, the applications are then forwarded to the office of Sikkim SLSA. This initiative has been taken to help the beneficiaries at the district level itself. So far, 83 applications for Legal Aid have been verified by DLSA (South).

#### 8. TRIPURA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

#### Best DLSA: Unakoti, Kailashahar DLSA

#### **Activities**

- 1. The achievements of the DLSA in different areas of Legal aid and Legal Services are as follows:
- a) **Discipline in maintaining records**: The performance of the DLSA, Unakoti maintained record of its activities. It implemented the plan of action of NALSA and that of the State Legal Services Authority.

It has constituted Scrutiny and Evaluation committee in terms of Regulation 7 and monitoring committee in terms of Regulation 10 of the NALSA (free and competent legal services) Regulations 2010 at the District and Subdivisional level and such committees are submitting their reports regularly to SLSA. The DLSA has also constituted front offices at the District and Sub-divisional levels.

# • Performance of the DLSA, Unaktoi District, Kailashahar during the period w.e.f 01.01.2017 to 31.08.2017 is enumerated bellow:

Sl.No	Name of the Schemes	Number of Awareness	Number of
		Programmes /Activities	persons attended
		undertaken under each of	each of the
		the schemes.	programmes
1	A scheme for Legal Services to Disaster Victims through Legal Services Authorities	02	177
2	NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015	07	695
3	NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015	05	617

4	NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their	02	188
	Protection) Scheme, 2015		
5	NALSA (Legal Services to the	20	2212
	Mentally Ill and Disabled Persons)		
	Scheme, 2015		
6	NALSA (Effective Implementation	11	1502
	of Poverty Alleviation) Scheme,		
	2015		
7	NALSA (Protection and	02	90
	Enforcement of Tribal Rights)		
	Scheme, 2015		
8	NALSA (Legal Services to the	01	70
	Victims of Drug Abuse and		
	Eradication of Drug Menace)		
	Scheme, 2015		
9	NALSA (Legal Services to Senior	45	4150
	Citizens) Scheme, 2016		
10	NALSA (Legal Services to Victims	04	385
	of Acid Attacks) Scheme, 2016		

# Activities done by the Unakoti DLSA, Kailashahar during the period w.e.f 01.01.2017 to 31.08.2017 :

- Total No. of Legal awareness Camps conducted by DLSA, Unakoti: 96 Nos.
- Total No. of awareness Camps organized in the Jail through legal aid Clinic: 09 Nos.
- Total No. of Village Legal Care and Support centers established: 26 Nos.
- Total No. of Legal aid Cases provided to Panel Lawyers: 551 Nos.
- Total No. of Legal advice provided through the Front offices & Legal Aid Clinics: 656 Nos.
- Total Nos. of legal services provided through counseling in front offices and Legal aid Clinics : 6000 Nos.
- Other activities including Street Drama and Nukkad show: 04 Nos.
- Total No. of Seminar / Workshop / Training conducted during the period : 06 Nos.
- Total No. of LA. Camps conducted on Juvenile Justice Issues : 16 Nos.

# • Regarding Lok Adalat:

During the period, w.e.f 01.01.2017 to 31.08.2017, Unakoti DLSA, Kailashahar conducted the following Special Lok Adalats besides the National Lok Adalat, the details of which are given below:

Date	Place	Cases	Disposed	Settlement
		Taken up	of	Amount
12.03.2017	Unakoti District	60 Nos.	04 Nos.	Rs. 10,25,000/-
Special Lok Adalat	Kailashahar			
On MACT Cases				
26.03.2017	SDLSC, Kamalpur	29 Nos.	12 Nos.	Rs. 8,17,500/-
Traditional Lok	Under DLSA,			
Adalat	Unakoti			

# Some more detailed activities during the period w.e.f 01.01.2017 to 31.08.2017 are as follows:

- 1. The DLSA, Unakoti had arranged for relief to victims of earthquake at the time of Earthquake at Kanchanbari and Sangrur cherra ADC village of Kailasahar on 07.01.2017 & 08.01.2017 with the assistance of 02(two) Panel Lawyers and 02(two) PLVs who visited the spot and consulted with the victims, filed prayers before the S.D.M., D.M. & Collector, Unakoti in favour of victims for getting financial benefits for reconstructing their houses. Ultimately almost 40 (forty) families were benefited and financial assistance was given to them. These benefits were given as per the NALSA Scheme for Legal Services to Disaster Victims through DLSA.
- 2. Took active role to open Legal Services Clinic in Disability Board, District Hospital for the victims of acid attack, office of Drug Inspector for helping victims of drug abuse & for de-addiction. They also took active part for setting up Clinic in Labour Office, Kailashahar for the assistance of unorganized workers as per NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015.
- **3.** The DLSA, Unakoti District also extended all support to the PLVs for searching the missing child namely Sri Sushanta Das (16) of Dhanbilash of Kailashahar who was ultimately rescued from a circus party with the help of Kailashahar Police Station and Child Line.
- **4.** The DLSA, Unakoti District taken active role to stop selling of country made liquor and gambling at Jamtailbari ADC village by informing Kailashahar Police Station and by taking assistance of the local PLVs.
- **5.** The DLSA, Unakoti District also constituted a Clinic at the Consumer Forum at District & Sessions Judge Court Complex, Kailashahar and a

- Legal Aid Clinic was also setup to the Juvenile Justice Board nearby the C.J.M's Court Complex, Kailashahar.
- **6.** The DLSA, Unakoti District appointed Retainer Lawyers for connecting with the Child Line and C.W.C. (Child Welfare Committee) for the benefit of children in distress as per direction of NALSA.
- 7. The DLSA, Unakoti District also organized several Awareness Camps specially on S.C. and S.T. (Prevention Of Atrocities) Act, PC & PNDT Act, Rights of women, Juveniles, Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act 2007 etc.
- **8.** The DLSA, Unakoti District also started giving advertisement in local T.V. Channel spreading awareness in connection with benefits of Lok Adalat and amicable settlement. We also extended thousands of free Legal Aid to the indigent persons, women, S.C., S.T. people for filling their case.
- 9. The DLSA, Unakoti District established more than 75 (seventy five) Nos. of Village Legal Care & Support Centres in almost all the G.P & A.D.C Villages within the jurisdiction of DLSA, Unakoti. they started initiative to setup Legal Aid Clinics in the Kailashahar Municipal Area. They have also setup Legal Aid Clinics in different Government offices such as Labour Office, Hospital, Disability Board, SDM's Office, D.M. Office, C.M.O. Office etc.
- **10.** Victim Compensation was given in short time after inquiry to several persons under Tripura Victim Compensation Scheme, 2012.
- 11. The DLSA, Unakoti intervened through its PLVs for release of various benefits including the Disability and Unemployment allowance for the Physically Challenged persons and 01 (one) PLV namely Sri Mohitosh Chakraborty, who is also a physically challenged, is deputed in the DDRC Office at Kailashahar on all working days for assisting the Physically Handicapped and Visually Handicapped persons under the supervision of Panel lawyer Sri Nirmal Kanti Deb.
- **12.** Conducted Seminar at S.P. Office, Kailashahar to sensitize the police on 05/02/2017 on JJ Act including SJPUs, Child welfare Police officers of Unakoti District.
- **13.** Organized two days PLV Training session (06-Sessions) on 7th and 8th March 2017, where as many as 17 resource persons delivered lecture on different topics as well as Role of PLVs for rendering justice to common people.

- **14.**On the last part of previous year, the DLSA, Unakoti District organized a Workshop on Good Samaritan case at Kailashahar Town Hall.
- **15.**Two big Hoardings were hanged displayed with the topic-"Who Can Get Free Legal Aid"- one at District & Sessions Judge Court, Kailashahar and another at C.J.M's Court Complex, Kailashahar by the DLSA, Unakoti District
- **16.** Also Took initiative and instructed office to engage Panel lawyers and PLVs for the observance of Earmarked Days (like 8th March, 1st May, 5th June, 1st Oct, 14th Nov., etc.).
- **17.** Legal Literacy Clubs were established in maximum Schools and Colleges under the jurisdiction of DLSA, Unakoti District and up to the month of August 2017, the number went up to 45 nos.
- **18.**Panel Lawyers were asked to visit Police Stations in their convenient time to ensure proper filing of FIR.
- **19.**Took initiative to depute the PLVs in Children Home, Kumarghat to teach the orphan Children.
- **20.** The DLSA, Unakoti took initiative to prevent child marriage in different remote villages under its jurisdiction by taking timely intervention.
- **21.**DLSA, Unakoti has taken initiative for helping the poor persons in the villages to get the residential accommodation in the subsidized rate under the 'IAY' Scheme, where the poor persons are the victims of political colour under the respective Gaon Panchayat and A.D.C. Villages.
- **22.** Also organized Street Drama, Street Play & Puppet show on the theme Dowry, Domestic Violence, Child Marriage, Superstition etc.
- **23.** Through the Clinic inside the Jail, Awareness camps were held by the Jail PLVs to sensitize inmates about the rights of prisoners and also on matter of Plea Bargaining.
- **24.**DLSA, Unakoti has appointed 04 (four) Remand Advocates at Kailashahar Courts with the permission of TSLSA, Agartala. The names of four Remand Advocates are as follows—(i) Sri Supriya Debroy at Sessions Court, Kailashahar, (ii) Sri Sayan Chakraborty at C.J.M. Court, Kailashahar. (iii) Sri Sunirmal Deb, J.M. 1st Class, Kailashahar, (iv) Sri Kankan Debatrata, J.M. 2nd Class, Kailashahar.
- **25.**PLVs were appointed in each Police Station for ensuring benefits to the injured person of his/her legal heir/representative of Road Traffic Accident where insurance benefit can be given
- **26.** Also organized various Awareness Camp against the use of Plastic Carry Bags connected with environmental pollution.

- **27.** Also took proactive step for conducting Rally by PLV with Banners, Play Cards, Hoardings etc. to aware people on burning topics.
- **28.** Also used rented Mobile Van in spreading/announcing different Schemes of NALSA. (Distribution of Pamphlets and Leaflets in some village markets.
- **29.** The DLSA, Unakoti District also projected different Documentary Films in different villages and in the village Legal Care and Supports Centers during LA Camps and also projected NALSA theme song.
- 30. The DLSA, Unakoti District also organized one day Training Programme of Panel Lawyers at Kamalpur SDLSC, where the Secretary of DLSA, Unakoti delivered lecture on the matter of duties of Panel Lawyers in connection with Legal Services Activities including Legal Aid Clinics. The other topics were also discussed in connection with duties of PLVs and relation with them where Panel Lawyers are mentor of the said clinics.
- **31.**Took initiative to revive Old Age Home at Paiturbazar, Kailashahar namely "Ashray".
- **32.** Also successfully organized Sensitization Programme in collaboration with TSLSA, where Hon'ble Justice Mr. S.C. Das, the Executive Chairman & Member Secretary, TSLSA, were present for giving training to the Panel Lawyers and PLVs on 19.02.2017.
- **33.**Blood Donation Camp was organized by one PLV on the last part of previous year with the assistance of S.H.G. namely ANKUR, Kailashahar. DLSA, Unakoti mentally supported the PLV for the noble work. In the said camp, as many as 25 persons donated their blood.
- **34.**Special drive was taken by the DLSA, Unakoti District for providing treatment to mal-nourished children by giving free treatment & free medicine with collaboration of Health Dept. & Women & Child Welfare Dept., Kumarghat.
- **35.** Also deputed two PLVs to assist as teacher in a destitute/orphan Children Home at Kumarghat, Unakoti Tripura.
- **36.** The DLSA, Unakoti District conducted awareness camp at Children's Home, Kumarghat in c/w Juvenile Justice Act 2015, rights of children under different laws.
- **37.**Conducted Street Play, Street Drama and Puppet Show at Kailashahar and Kumarghat town with help of Panel Lawyers & PLVs, Kailashahar in the matter of Dowry, Domestic Violence, Child Marriage, Superstition etc.

- **38.**Helped many persons through PLVs to get their Aadhar Card, BPL Card, Survival Certificate, Birth Certificate, Ration Card, PAN Card, Marriage Registration, IAY, Gas Connection, electric connection etc. They also instructed the PLVs to write many FIRs and Complaints in favour of poor/illiterate persons.
- **39.**The DLSA, Unakoti District also have been set up Clinics on Senior Citizen at Appellate Tribunal in the D.M's Office, Unakoti, Kailashahar as well as in the Tribunal i.e in the S.D.M's Office, Kailashahar.
- **40.** An Orientation Training Programme of PLVs was conducted on last 07.03.2017 & 08.03.2017 on which 17 resource persons/Panel lawyers and two Senior PLVs delivered lectures.
- **41.**The DLSA, Unakoti District also periodically monitored the activities 45 nos. of Legal Literacy Clubs in several schools & colleges within their jurisdiction.
- **42.**Instructed the PLVs to visit the several P.S. to help the victims of Road Traffic Accident.
- **43.** Also helped the victim shop keepers whose shop at Kailashahar were burnt on 17/03/2017. They sent PLVs to meet with S.D.M., Kailashahar, Municipality, D.M. & Collector and Insurance Companies to help the ill fated shopkeepers. Accordingly they got some monetary help as a solace.
- **44.**Extended help to the customers in Bank at the time of Demonetization through PLVs.
- **45.** The DLSA, Unakoti District have been successful to re-start the Old Age Home at Kailashahar (namely "Ashray") by consulting different stakeholders. Initiated to plant trees in that place with the help of Forest Department, Kailashahar.
- **46.** The DLSA, Unakoti District also arranged a free Medical Checkup camp at Kumarghat Children's Home for the benefit of the health of poor/orphan Children.
- **47.** The DLSA, Unakoti District arranged for donation of some School Bags to the poor children at Kumarghat Children's Home where some Panel Lawyers & PLVs contributed the fund.
- **48.**Training programme of Panel Lawyers, Remand Advocate, Retainer Lawyers was held on 26th & 27th July, 2017 in the conference hall of Kailashahar Bar Building. The DLSA, Unakoti District conducted training sessions for 73 PLVs and 39 Panel Lawyers from time to time to enlighten them about their duties and responsibilities.

- **49.**The DLSA, Unakoti District have organized special Awareness Camp and Rally in the ear marked day like 1st May-International Labour Day/May Day, 31st May –World No Tobacco Day; 5th June-World Environmental Day as well as 'Swaccha Bharat Abhiyan' for cleaning and sensitization about Environmental Pollution.
- **50.** The DLSA, Unakoti District have organized some special camps and awareness programmes on the burning topics like PC & PNDT Act. And SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities Act.) as well as programmes on Senior Citizens. As many as 20 programmes were organized in different locations on the above topics.
- **51.**The DLSA, Unakoti Districts had given victim compensation to several victims and it will be as many as 50 cases where they got monetary compensation from the I.G. Prisons, Tripura, Agartala after thier recommendation on completion of inquiry u/s-357 of Cr.Pc. read with Tripura Victim Compensation Scheme, 2012.
- 52. The DLSA, Unakoti District also started survey to collect the names and address of Transgender in implementing the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court Of India in National Legal Services Authority VS Union of India and others {Writ petition (Civil) No. 400 of 2012 (NALSA)} to ensure their rights through Panel Lawyers and PLVs. Organized two Legal Awareness Camp at Kailashahar, Motorstand area and Kumarghat Rail Station area for spreading awareness among the general masses about the rights of Transgenders.
- 53. The DLSA, Unakoti District has also displayed in the notice boards, both in Bengali and English language regarding the list of Panel Lawyers who can assist the injured or relatives of deceased or injured in connection with Railway accident giving due information to the Station Master and the Railway Claims Tribunal, Guwahati. In this connection two awareness camps were organized in the nearby Railway Stations from DLSA office to sensitize the passengers in connection with getting compensation when Railway accident occurs.

#### Some Success Stories of DLSA, Unakoti :

1. DLSA, Unakoti, Kailashahar rendered assistance to a 100% physically handicapped disabled minor boy of 16 years of age, namely, Mata Ranjan Tripura who was a patient of Cerebral Palsy. The said boy was looked after by his grandfather Brinda Mohammad Tripura who was

unable to take care of his grandson due to financial inability at his old days. The matter came to the knowledge of DLSA, Unakoti, Kailashahar through the PLV and at the instance of the Secretary, DLSA, Unakoti the said boy was placed in a Children Home for his need, care and protection and at present the said boy is staying in the said Children Home.

2. In another matter the DLSA, Unakoti also assisted a minor child namely, Reshab Deb who was physically handicapped and was suffering from various diseases since long days and his mother was engaged as a maid servant in the house of one Smti. Bela Deb, Kailashahar who on behalf of that lady approached the DLSA, Unakoti for providing shelter to the said child in a shelter home and according the DLSA, Unakoti took proactive step and arrange to place the child in a Children Home for his need, care and protection.

# North Zone Best DLSAs

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#### 1. HARYANA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Narnaul DLSA

#### **Activities**

#### I. INTRODUCTION

DLSA initiated several projects in the district to achieve the objective of 'Access to Justice for All' in strategic manner by focusing on the ground realities and providing immediate legal solutions and adopting innovative methods to redress the ills. Several weak links acting as barriers to equal access to justice were identified and measures were undertaken to overcome them. Measures did not only focus on redressal of grievances but also focused on ensuring long term sustainability of the steps and address the causative factors of the problems under view. The strategies kept under view the peculiarity of the problems in the area and the impact of all the extraneous variables on it.

Year 2017 marked a paradigm shifts in dealing with the barriers to Access to Justice, owing to the project execution and implementation. Keeping in view the regulations and the schemes of NALSA and HALSA, various monitoring mechanisms were implemented to ensure that quality legal services are provided to the downtrodden and marginalized sections of society.

#### II. PROJECT OVERVIEW

District Legal Services Authority; Narnaul identified the various problems and issues affecting the lives of people. Projects were accordingly framed to tackle the existing problems so that the poor and downtrodden are connected to various welfare schemes, and in appropriate cases, are given quality Legal Services.

Several policies of the government aim at welfare of the poor and marginalized and are designed to ensure maximum benefit through effective and efficient implementation. However, lack of awareness acts as a major roadblock in its delivery to the real beneficiaries. DLSA, through its several efforts worked towards ensuring legal empowerment, mobilizing several stakeholders, collaborating with regional/local associations, involving youth, extending and informing about free legal services to eligible citizens through Legal Care and Support Centers and organize Legal Literacy Camps and Lok Adalat etc.

The District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul also adopted various preventive strategies, focusing on the long term sustainability of the measures and ensuring that such barriers do not arise in future again. With a holistic approach, the projects were systematically put into operation at the field level so that a visible change is brought to the lives of people. Various policies and programs were devised keeping in view the ambit of the various schemes of NALSA and HALSA along with the objectives and provisions enshrined in Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.

#### **Details of area of implementation- District Mahendragarh (Narnaul)**

Following are the heads under which action taken by DLSA has been encapsulated-.

- a. Child Marriage
- b. Child Education
- c. Legal awareness of single parent children and women
- d. For workers in unorganized sector
- e. You are not alone for the elderly
- f. Awareness for Water Conservation
- g. Save Environment Save Life-: A Clean and Green Campaign
- h. Anti Drug Campaign.
- i. For Acid Attack Victims
- j. Transferring of knowledge and skills
- k. Empowering Farmers
- 1. Campaign for Dairy Farmers
- m. Road Safety awareness campaign
- n. Healthy Development of Children
- o. Pre-marital Counseling Centre
- p. Rights of the mentally challenged
- q. Campaign against manual scavenging
- r. We are one -a campaign
- s. Campaign for awareness on Fundamental Duties

- t. Campaign against secondary victimization
- u. Web Portal of DLSA, Narnaul

The report further encapsulates DLSA's interventions and successive results obtained in respect of areas as mentioned above. The approach has been largely action oriented and is focused on extending justice to the aggrieved party by ensuring legal empowerment and ensuring awareness. Further, the projects also provide a list of case studies, wherein DLSA's interventions lead to amicable resolution of cases. Success Stories provide a glimpse into DLSA's approach towards equal of access to justice.

#### III. PROJECT WISE ANALYSIS

The projects identified that every place has specific issues/problems which are intrinsically linked to the socio-economic setting of the area. Keeping this under purview, the District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul identified several issues of urgent public concern in the district of Mahendragarh, and acted accordingly to both provide resolution of the grievances and to also create adequate legal awareness among the people.

Several projects were undertaken in the designated area with focussed efforts to alleviate the various problems identified. The following sections enable a detailed analysis of the action oriented approach of the project with the defined parameters, along with tangible results indicated through statistical representation of the activities of DLSA and direct benefits accrued.

## 3.1 Combating Child Marriage - "Bal Vivah-Ek Abhishap"

Addressing the dire situation of child marriages, "Bal Vivah-Ek Abhishap" was conceptualized keeping under view the prevalence of the menace in district Mahendragarh (Narnaul). The district had the worst sex ratio and figured under the gender critical districts under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme. With this background, activities were undertaken focusing on target groups and opinion leaders in the village/district level.

The project was articulated in the light of various objectives spelt out in NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015. As per the scheme, four core teams were constituted. Among other functionaries, the teams also consisted of District Child Protection Officer and Protection Officer-cum-Child Marriage Prohibition Officer. The areas which required intensive awareness and work with regard to prohibition

of child marriages were identified. At the village level, with the co-operation of the concerned Panchayats and villagers, Anti Child Marriage Committees were also constituted.

# Following are activities undertaken as part of the project with regard to Child Marriage-

- Awareness camps were organized across the districts. Special focus was laid on areas of maximum prevalence of the practice of child marriage.
- Anti-Child Marriage Committee were formed at village level. For this, due collaboration of Sarpanch and villagers was achieved.
- The Authority also carried out a 'Signature Campaign' to raise awareness about the issue relating to child marriages.
- Focusing on the power of youth as influencers and shapers, events were organized to spread awareness amongst students by holding various competitions i.e. essay writing, slogan, declamation etc.
- Identifying the worth and power of several opinion leaders in a society such as religious heads, eminent persons, workshops were conducted to generate awareness amongst them. Members of the Village Level Anti Child Marriage Committee were also mobilized and informed to ensure effective working and action at their level.
- Pro-active approach was adopted and interventions were carried out in specific cases on the basis of information received.
- The authority also ensured effective co-ordination with Child Marriage Prohibition Officer for taking timely and effective action.

DLSA conducted a Special Campaign from 05.04.2017 to 27.07.2017 as a remedy tomenace of child marriage in the district. Following table provides details regarding the number of specific activities:

Action Taken by DLSA		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness Camp	98
2.	Person made aware	66486
3.	Village level Anti child marriage Committee constituted.	58
4.	Signature obtained under signature campaign in support of	56858
	ending child marriage	
5.	Child marriage prohibited under the campaign	12
6.	Essay writing and slogan etc. competitions.	42

Due to the timely intervention and co-ordination with Child Marriage Prohibition Officer, <u>twelve child marriages</u> were stopped.

# 3.2. Child Education: "Aao Bacche Padhaye Bhavishya Banaye"

DLSA, Narnaul, implemented this project with an aim to ensure that the children aged 6-14 years do not remain deprived of their fundamental right. To identify such children, teams consisting of Para Legal Volunteers and Panel Advocates were constituted. The team conducted door to door surveys, particularly, in the colonies of migrant labourers. Following were the activities undertaken by the team in pursuance of the goals set by the authority:

- To begin with, the team identified non-school going children in the age bracket of 6 to 14 years, both the drop outs and the never enrolled.
- After identifying the target group, the team conducted counselling session
  with the parents of such children to impress upon them the importance of
  education.
- The team further ensured that such children were secured admission in schools.
- This was achieved in co-ordination with education department.
- With a special focus on children of migrant workers, special classes were held near their settlements/colonies.

Along with the specific targets, DLSA also conducted a special campaign under Education for Children program from 15.03.2017 to 31.05.2017. The following table gives a glimpse of the activities undertaken the resultant success achieved post the endeavor.

Action Taken by DLSA- Child Education			
S. No	Total No.		
1	Awareness camps	91	
2	Children/Persons made aware	5863	
3	Non-going school including drop out Children identified	100	
4	Students admitted in various schools	100	

#### A New Lease of Life for Children of Migrant Labourers

A colony of migrant labourers near Samvedna Hospital, Narnaul presented a perfect opportunity for the DLSA team to understand the ground realities hampering children's right to education and take remedial actions. Children of the migrant labourers were not able to attend school owing to absence of any parent/guardian/adult to manage their logistics to and from the school. The reason behind this peculiar reason was that all adults in the area were absorbed as daily wage labourers whose work hours mandated them to leave home early in the morning. The matter was taken up with the officers of education department and they were impressed upon to provide educational facilities near the particular colony of migrant labourers so that their children were not deprived of their right to education. DLSA, Narnaul in co-ordination with the District Child Development Department identified the venue which was adjoining the colony and made arrangements for holding regular classes for such children. At present, 37 children are studying in the makeshift arrangement.

#### 3.3 Empowerment –Single Women and Single Parent Children

Notwithstanding the insurmountable challenges facing poor single parents, the struggle is even greater for mother-only families. Considering the socio-economic dynamics of our society, single female headed families are more likely to be poor because of their lower earnings, inadequate public assistance and child care subsidies, and lack of child support from nonresidential fathers. The project delineates with the issue of access to justice for such families. Single women or children of single parents suffer on account of acute financial challenges. There can be several reasons be it that the bread earner has died, is confined in jail or has just absolved himself of marital responsibilities. Although, there are welfare schemes targeting such women and children, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul formed a team to identify those who were not connected to such schemes. Hence effort was made to systematically identify such children and women and bring them under their ambit.

# Following are the list of activities undertaken to bring all the intended beneficiaries under the umbrella of the schemes:

- Addressing the concern in a methodical way, the team worked to identify the following target groups-
  - Firstly, children of prisoners were identified as one of the target groups for the team's programs.

- Secondly, children of all single parents were identified and listed
- Finally, single women were also identified as yet another vulnerable group.
- Following the identification of target groups, the team undertook efforts to connect them with the welfare schemes.
- Alongside, efforts were also undertaken to spread legal awareness among them. People were made aware of various rights of single parent children and single women. They were also briefed about several welfare schemes and programs available for them.
- The target groups were also made aware on how to exercise their rights and claim the benefits under the Government Welfare Schemes.

A Special campaign was also held under the said program from 17.04.2017 to 29.06.2017. Following table helps in analysis of the activities undertaken by the DLSA for improving access to Justice for Single parent families especially women and children.

	Action Taken by DLSA- Single Parent Families			
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.		
1.	Awareness Camp	30		
2.	Person made aware	3855		
3.	Forms relating to Single Parents children and submitted to concerned department	669		
4.	Pension under the foster care scheme relating to single parents children made from the concerned department	61		
5.	Widow pension of single women made from the concerned department	3		

## 3.4 Saksham- Project to Empower Workers in Unorganized Sector

In Haryana, Building and other Construction Workers Welfare Board is implementing 23 schemes for the unorganized sector workers working as laborers in construction works including construction of buildings. It came to the notice

of DLSA, Narnaul that such workers at Narnaul were neither aware of such schemes nor were connected with the schemes which were meant for their welfare. In this regard, extensive campaign was carried out by DLSA, Narnaul. Two teams were constituted for the task of conducting campaigns and programs for achievement of the objective. The teams were composed of

Panel Advocates, Para Legal Volunteers and Officials from Industries, Safety and Health Department.

#### Following activities were undertaken by the teams constituted:

- Target Laborers were identified to design awareness campaigns and workshops.
- Camps were organized by the teams to spread awareness among the workers of the unorganized sector regarding their rights.
- Taking practical steps, the teams aided the target groups in paper works to connect them to the welfare schemes. They helped the workers in filling up the forms and submitting them to concerned office for registration and thereby initiating the process of connecting them to the 23 welfare schemes.
- Ensuring success of their initiative and welfare of the beneficiaries, the teams also conducted follow ups with the concerned department and distributed registration cards amongst the laborers.

Special campaign under the project was conducted from 08.04.2017 to 25.06.2017. Following Table illustrates the details of work done for ensuring that construction workers are brought under ambit of several welfare schemes existing for them:

	Action Taken by DLSA- Welfare of Construction Laborers			
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.		
1.	Awareness Camp held	51		
2.	Person/children made aware	2829		
3.	Unorganised workers forms filled	855		
4.	Unorganised workers registered with the concerned	108		
	department and copies of registration distributed			
5.	Unorganised workers account opened in bank	35		

#### Helping poor to get their Due

After spreading awareness about the Rights of Laborers and various welfare schemes, a group of 22 unorganized workers came to the office of DLSA, Narnaul and registered their grievance. They informed that they were working in brick-kiln and their employer was not paying them the daily wages despite repeated requests. The employer did not even pay heed to the fact that they had small children to fend for. By not releasing their payment, the employer restrained them from going to their native place. DLSA, Narnaul took up the matter with the concerned authorities and an application was uploaded on CM Window. As a result, a team was constituted consisting of Tehsildar and other officials which duly submitted a report. The due payment of wages to the labourers was paid eventually. During interaction with the said group of unorganized sector workers, it also emerged that the children of those labourers were not going to school, and hence the matter was taken up for their education with the education department. Nine children were admitted in the school, and are now getting education.

## 3.5 You are not Alone- Project for welfare of the Senior Citizen

Considering the dire need to protect and extend the deserved care for our elders, the DLSA, Narnaul under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority, launched a project across the District Mahendragarh (Narnaul) with the following objectives:

- To apprise senior citizens about the welfare laws, welfare schemes and their entitlements.
- To identify senior citizens who are destitute and indigent.
- To take effective steps for connecting senior citizens with the welfare schemes.
- To enhance the skills of senior citizens in co-ordination with the concerned departments and NGOs.
- To help senior citizens in self-employment schemes in co-ordination with the relevant banks and departments.
- To sensitize younger generation about the need and importance of respecting elderly.

Following activities were undertaken in furtherance of the aforementioned objectives.

- The teams conducted awareness programs in Senior Citizens Clubs and at appropriate places to raise awareness about welfare laws (including Action Plan for Senior Citizens in Haryana), welfare schemes and rights of senior citizens.
- The elderly were also aided in filling up of forms and completion of necessary formalities for connecting eligible senior citizens to the various welfare schemes.
- Further, rallies, seminar, camps etc. were held to make younger generation aware about the need to respect the elderly. They were inspired and mobilized to ensure that the dignity of the elderly be kept intact and must refrain from indulging in any sort of abuse.
- Considering their right to participate in income generation activities, this authority conducted skill enhancement camps for senior citizens in coordination with the concerned departments and NGOs.
- Steps were taken in coordination with the relevant experts to enhance the technical knowledge of senior citizens particularly with regard to emails, Internet, online booking of railway tickets etc.
- Spreading awareness amongst the senior citizens about do's and don'ts regarding their safety.
- Concerning adequate awareness on health care facilities for senior citizens, this authority ensured that while the elderly were made aware of several welfare schemes in this regard, even the hospitals were adequately mobilized. In association with Health Department this authority worked to ensure that all the hospitals have separate queues for senior citizens.
- DLSA Narnaul also enrolled several experts to organize financial literacy lessons for elderly.

A Special campaign was held from 27.02.2017 to 30.03.2017 and 15.04.2017 to 24.04.2017. Following table illustrates actions taken and consequent results achieved by the DLSA in pursuit of its objective of empowering the senior citizens.

	Action Taken by DLSA-Welfare of Senior Citizen		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total	
		No.	
1.	Panel Lawyers designated as Legal Services Officers	6	
2.	Awareness programmes	113	

3.	Medial Health check up camps	2
4.	Rally	1
5.	Person made aware under the scheme	16823
6.	Senior Citizen benefitted	15280

## Identifying and rectifying structural inadequacies

The Haryana State Government has promulgated the Action Plan for the protection of life and property of Senior Citizens of Haryana vide notification dated 26.05.2015. Under this plan certain activities are to be carried out mandatorily by the police official to ensure security of the Senior Citizens within their area. District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul found the police was neither aware of the Action Plan, and nor were taking mandatory steps. They were not maintaining the record regarding the senior citizens living within their area. The District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul in coordination with the police organized a week long special drive for registration of Senior Citizens with the concerned police stations of district Mahendragarh to ensure compliance with the action plan.

Due to the initiative of the DLSAS, Narnaul, they started maintaining the record and doing things which are required to be done under the action plan for the welfare of senior citizens. More importantly, the Superintendent of Police of District Mahendragarh appointed nodal officers in each of the police stations at District Mahendragarh to implement and oversee the implementation of the action plan, and to carry out the activities within the ambit of action plan.

## Core strategies adopted to mobilize the society on geriatric issues

Four core teams were constituted for the purpose and they undertook following steps to ensure awareness regarding several issues associated with geriatric care and welfare.

- Rally for making younger generation aware about the need to respect elderly and refrain from abusing and hurting elderly.
- Sensitization/Workshop of Senior Citizens to enhance the skill of senior citizens.
- Financial literacy lesson for elderly was held with the help of experts i.e. DGM and ASDM about savings and income tax exemptions for senior citizens, reverse mortgage loan, Atal Pension Yojna, Digi Dhan and Bheem App etc.

- During the awareness camps, senior citizens were also made aware about do's and don'ts about their safety
- Sensitization programme/workshop of senior citizens with regard to operating of e-mail, internet, and online submissions of application forms relating to welfare schemes of senior citizens and online booking of railway ticket etc.
- Two Free Medical Health and Eye check-up camp-cum-Seminar were organized and 1452 senior citizens free health and eye check up were done and requisite medicines and blood, sugar, BP, Urine, ECG, BMD and Eye tests of senior citizens were also done free of costs. That's apart 69 spectacles were also distributed among the senior citizens who are belonging to weaker sections.

#### **Legal Recourse for the Rights of the Elderly**

One senior citizen namely Matadeen gifted his property to his daughter in law. It was gifted on the condition and an intrinsic expectation that his son and daughter-in-law would take care of him in his old age. However, after transferring the property, his son and daughter in law started misbehaving and maltreating him. DLSA, Narnaul took up the case of Matadeen and filed a petition under Maintenance & Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizen Act, 2007 at the Tribunal, Narnaul. The Tribunal awarded the maintenance allowance Rs. 1000/- per month to the senior citizen and daughter- in-law was directed to take proper care of Matadeen in future.

#### 3.6 Conserve Water & Protect Water Resources- "Jal Hai Tao Kal Hai"

The district Mahendragarh(Narnaul) had also figured in nine most water scarce districts of Haryana. Acute scarcity was noticed along with drying up of seasonal rivers in summer season, adding up to the water woes. The gravity of water problem has assumed serious proportions in District Mahendragarh. Along with the persistent shortage of drinking water, available water is also not potable. District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul, felt that there was a need to sensitize people about the importance of conserving water. People need to be made aware about the need to keep the available water resources clean, ensuring that even the surroundings of the available water resources are kept clean and that the deposit of harmful substances in the surroundings are also avoided.

A core team consisting of the Panel Advocates, Para Legal Volunteers, Officials of Public Health Engineering Department and Saksham Yuva was constituted. The team undertook several tasks to ensure that people are informed about the need and ways to conserve water. Following are broad activities undertaken by the team-

- Door to door survey was conducted for identifying the wastage of water due to broken pipes, taps etc.
- Awareness camps were held to sensitize people about the importance of conserving water
- Special camps for farmers were held to sensitize them about the need for adopting techniques which use less water effectively for irrigation purpose. They were sensitizing to use more effective and water conserving techniques like drip irrigation.
- Village water and Sanitation Committees were constituted in coordination with Public Health Engineering Department to work constantly for the conservation of water and identifying the areas where wastage of water is rampant.
- Pamphlets spelling out the techniques to conserve water were distributed. The pamphlets also spelt out that in day to day use of water how small steps can help in avoiding daily wastage of water.

Action Taken by DLSA-Awareness generation on water conservation			
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.	
1.	Awareness camps held	29	
2.	Persons made aware	4297	
3.	Persons benefitted	3144	
	(Water connection/Tap installed/repair of water pipeline leakage, etc.)		
	pipernic reakage, etc.)		
4.	Village Water and Sanitation Committee constituted	29	

#### 3.7 "Save Environment Save Life"-A clean and green environment

With increasing global warming, environmental protection has come to occupy a central theme in national and international discourse. DLSA assessed the need to create awareness on this burning issue of public importance, with a dual focus on environmental protection and maintenance of cleanliness in the district under focus. Several activities were undertaken in coordination with

state authorities to ensure that people are effectively mobilized to take proactive steps towards protection of the environment. Steps were taken to inculcate a culture of cleanliness and maintenance of surroundings amongst the people. The authority held several camps on very specific issues concerning day to day lives of the people. The details of which are provided in following sections.

#### Broad outline of activities were undertaken in furtherance of the objectives.

- Plantation of saplings in district Mahendergarh
- Awareness camps on methods to keep clean environment
- Spreading awareness on several related aspects
- Motivating local bodies to ensure that dustbins are placed at proper places, and emptying of dustbins is done quite frequently for maintaining proper hygiene and cleanliness.
- Cleanliness drive at identified places.

# Following awareness camps were conducted under the campaign:

- i. Not littering as well as discouraging others from littering, turning off electronic appliances when not in use (such as TV, computer etc.).
- ii. Encouraging people to use car pool to save fuel and use public conveyance, wherever possible to help curb vehicular congestion.
- iii. Awareness on the difference between biodegradable garbage and non-biodegradable garbage and how it should be disposed off
- iv. Awareness amongst community members that they should keep the disposal of domestic waste on the top of their collective agenda.
- v. People were inspired to keep their surroundings in public places clean. They were taught that when visiting parks, they must take back everything they bring in and leave the places unpolluted. Instead of buying many small water bottles, fill their reusable bottles while going out.
- vi. Camps were held to inspire people to carry their own reusable cloth bag for carrying purchases, and trying to buy items with minimal packaging and/or made with recycled content. Other such day to day activities such as avoiding use of paper towels and using cloth rags instead while cooking in the kitchen or cleaning.
- vii. In respect of office work, people were advised to reduce the amount of papers in printing and use every side of a notebook.

- viii. Avoiding plastic cups, bottles and bags. Using old clothes for cleaning around the house, instead of paper towels and cloth napkins and hand towels in kitchen. Basic mannerisms such as carry a cloth handkerchief or napkin for everything from blowing your nose to drying your hands
- ix. Need to stop ground water depletion. People were made aware about the causes and effects of groundwater depletion.

The special campaign under this project was conducted from 30.06.2017 to 20.08.2017. The following table illustrates actions taken for spreading awareness on environmental issues.

Action Taken by DLSA-Awareness generation on environmental protection				
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.		
1.	Awareness camps held	294		
2.	Special Drive for making the place clean	4		
3.	Saplings planted	38378		
4.	Persons made aware	57117		

### Sensitizing youth for environmental protection

Students Legal Literacy Clubs were involved, particularly with regard to the plantation of saplings and after care to ensure that planted saplings do not get damaged etc. To sensitize students about their Fundamental Duty to protect and improve environment, competition essay writing, slogan and declamation etc. were conducted. In the cleanliness drive Municipal Council, Narnaul was also involved. Saplings were planted in co-ordination with the Forest Department and Education Department.

# 3.8 'Say no to drug, Say yes to life'

Sharing border with Punjab, a state struggling with the drug menace, a recent report suggests even Haryana is catching up with the infamy of the neighbor. As per the data released by State Drug Dependence Treatment Centre (SDDTC), Rohtak, the state has witnessed alarming increase in the number of drug addicts in the past seven years. There has been a steep rise in number of addicts of opioids. The number of such addicts has increased seven times from 144 in 2010 to 921 in 2016.

Considering the bleak scenario, DLSA, Narnaul launched this project to sensitize people, particularly younger generation about the menace of drug abuse. Pursuant to the objective, two Core teams consisting of Panel Advocates, Para Legal Volunteers and Doctors from Drug-D-addiction-cum-Rehabilitation Centre were constituted to carry out focused action on the issue. Following activities were undertaken by the team.

- Awareness camps were held in colleges, schools, jail etc. Camps were also held especially for workers in unorganized sector etc. Signature campaign was also conducted to sensitize the public about the menace of drug abuse.
- Special workshop for chemist was organized to sensitize them about the importance of selling medicines strictly on medical prescriptions.
- Anti-Drug Clubs were set up at school and college level.
- Teachers and students were made members and counselors of the said anti-drug clubs.
- Regular visits were made to Drug-D-Addiction-cum-Rehabilitation Centre, Narnaul to know about any legal requirements of the victims of drug abuse
- Three rallies were held in Narnaul.
- To generate effective sensitization about the menace of drugs, essay writing, slogan, on the spot paintings competitions were held amongst students.

Special campaign under this program was conducted from 07.07.2017 to 20.07.2017. Following table details the activities undertaken-

Action Taken by DLSA-Drug-De-addiction				
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.		
1.	Awareness camps held	39		
2.	Anti Drug Clubs Constituted	34		
3.	Person/children made aware	18523		
4.	Signatures obtained under the signature campaign	14207		
	against drug abuse			
5.	Rally against drug abuse	03		
6.	Drawing, Essay writing and slogan etc. competition	55		

#### 3.9 'Awareness regarding Acid Attacks' "Haoslon ki Udan"

Although no incident of Acid attack has taken place at District Mahendragarh (Narnaul), but still as a measure of preventive strategy, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul devised the project "Haoslon ki Udan" to create awareness on legal provisions for acid attack victims. People were made aware about the provisions under the Indian Penal Code for punishment relating to the offence of Acid Attack. Guidelines issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Laxmi vs. Union of India with respect to the maintenance of record by the Acid Vendors, were also explained in the camps.

It was found that the acid vendors were not aware about the said guidelines, and were not following the mandatory requirements. Thus, acid vendors were identified, and a workshop was conducted for them, in coordination with the concerned department such as Health Department and Drug Control office. In the workshop itself, the mandatory forms for issuance of Licensees for sale of Acid were filled and the officers of the concerned department processed the same then and there. The acid vendors also started maintaining registers on the details of customers to whom acid is sold along with the stated purpose for which the acid was purchased by the said person. Acid vendors have also started maintaining the stock registers; they also started maintaining the record of photocopies of the identity card of vendees

DLSA, Narnaul designated two panel lawyers as Legal Services Officers for giving legal guidance and for ensuring co-ordination with the concerned officers that vendors sell acid with responsibility and maintain full record. DLSDA, Narnaul also constituted two core teams of Panel Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers for spreading awareness through camps.

Special campaign from 27.02.2017 to 30.03.2017 and 11.07.2017 to 19.07.2017 was held under the program. Further, awareness camps were also held to make public aware about the availability of legal services to the victims of acid attack, and the provisions contained in law regarding free first aid and medical treatment of the victims and compensation under Haryana Victim Compensation Scheme, 2013. Following table provides details regarding the actions taken under the said program.

Action Taken by DLSA-legal awareness on acid attack case				
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.		
1.	Panel lawyers designated as legal services officers	02		
2.	Awareness camps	25		
3.	Persons/children made aware	1872		
4.	Acid vendors identified and license got made at the	07		
	initiative of DLSA, Narnaul			

#### 3.10 Transferring of knowledge and skills:-

The objective of poverty alleviation cannot be successfully achieved unless end and till the weaker and poor sections of society are imparted necessary skills to start their work/business. Equipping the population with necessary skills is crucial for achieving a sustainable solution to poverty alleviation. Skill development is an essential requirement for social and economic empowerment of the youth.

DLSA devised this project on skill development with an aim to empower women of weaker section through skill development. The project had a dual objective of conducting skill development programs and also to impart to the selective weaker sections the knowledge about the various welfare schemes including the availability of free legal services to women.

Skill development exercises were devised and conducted with the Lead Bank and NABARD bank under their relevant schemes. Some of the schemes of the banks included provision of finance facility after the successful completion of the skill development training. In the first batch 33 persons were identified. The program evoked considerable enthusiastic response from the public.

Under the program, teams were constituted which included the Financial Literacy Counselor and Representative of NABARD Bank, Panel Lawyer and Para Legal Volunteers. The Special campaign was held from 17.07.2017 to 11.08.2017.

Action Taken by DLSA-Skill development for the weaker sections				
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.		
1.	Awareness camps	16		
2.	Persons/children made aware	2042		
3.	Application for PNB Rural Self Employment Training	33		
	received and sent to Director, PNB Rural Self Employment			
	Training Institute, Narnaul			

## **Empowering through Skill Development**

- Menaka widow of one Surat Singh and mother of two approached the office of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul seeking help, as she was the only one to fend for them after the demise of even her Father and Mother-in-Law. Her Application was written by the Panel Lawyer/Retainer for connecting her with the skill development porgramme so that she could live a life of dignity with self-reliance. Now the concerned bank is imparting her skill development training in tailoring.
- Three women namely Banarshi Devi, Anita and Manisha underwent skill development relating to food processing at Horticulture Training Institute, Karnal due to the efforts of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul.

#### 3.11 Empowering our farmers: "Saksham Kisan"

The government has introduced several social security measures to improve agricultural productivity besides securing rural livelihood. The prime focus has been on 'Sustainable Rural development' and 'empowerment'. Several schemes/innovations such as Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY), Soil health cards, e-NAM, Neem Coated Urea etc. have been put in place to extend maximum benfit to the farmers.

District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul however noticed that the farmers were not connected to the various welfare and security schemes meant for them. They were also not aware about the crop insurance and did not know the procedure to get crop insurance. They were also not aware of the modern techniques of doing farming/agriculture. Keeping in view the said scenario, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul started the project "Saksham Kisan".

To achieve the objective of generating adequate awareness among the farmers regarding the availability of such facilities and their accessibility, DLSA constituted teams for the purpose. Teams consisting of Panel Advocates, Para Legal Volunteers, Representatives of Agriculture Department, Horticulture Department, Soil Conservation Department, and Representatives of Animal Husbandry Department were put on mission mode. The said team

conducted awareness camps for the farmers; they were also imparted relevant training regarding the use of several scheme and also several other technological innovations available at the policy level. Following are the activities undertaken.

- Farmers were informed about several schemes such as Pardhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojna, NHM Scheme, RKVY Scheme, SCSF Scheme, Water shed management and Registration of farmers on the web portal of agriculture department. The farmers were also made aware about the soil health card.
- Awareness was also spread about the availability of free legal services.
- Soil samples were collected by experts from the agriculture department.
- Farmers interested in organic farming and Horticulture farming were identified and imparted training in modern scientific methods of farming.
- Under the program, teams were constituted which included the Financial Literacy Counselor and Representative of NABARD Bank, Panel Lawyer and Para Legal Volunteers. The Special campaign was held from 17.07.2017 to 11.08.2017.

The farmers were acquainted with the welfare measures available with the motive to bring them under the ambit of several schemes available for them. It is hoped that the present project will contribute in taking out the farmers from the grip of poverty, and hence will go a long way in curbing the unfortunate farmer suicides. Special campaign was conducted from 15.07.2017 to 28.08.2017. Following table provides statistical details of the initiative.

Action Taken by DLSA-Awareness among farmers		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps	08
2.	Persons/children made aware	1120
3.	Farmers identified and underwent training in modern	30
	scientific methods of training	
4.	Soil samples collected for making soil health card	196

## 3.12 'Empowering Farmers in Dairy Sector'- "Unnat Pashupalan"

For the farmers involving in dairy farming, special project in coordination with Animal husbandry department "Unnat Pashupalan" was launched. The aim of this project was to work for the upliftment of small and marginal farmers who are involved in dairy farming. A team was constituted. The said team consisted of Panel Advocates, Para Legal Volunteers and Doctors from Animal Husbandry Departments. Following activities were undertaken in furtherance of the objective-

- Awareness was spread about Mini Dairy Scheme, Go Sanvardhan Scheme, Intensive Murra Development Scheme, Risk Management Scheme and free legal services available to them.
- Vaccination drive of HF and FMDV of animal in co-ordination with the Animal Husbandry Department was carried out
- Small and marginalized farmers were also made aware of the availability of free legal services and they were also apprised of the mediation and other functions of District Legal Services Authority.

Special campaign under this program was conducted from 17.07.2017 to 05.08.2017. Following table details the activities undertaken-

Action Taken by DLSA-Empowering Dairy Farmers		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps	22
2.	Persons/children made aware	2316
3.	Animal Vaccinated	1258

## 3.13 'One Life' – Road Safety awareness campaign

Since the introduction of the automobile as a regular form of mass transportation, governments across the globe have been taking steps to establish basic norms to ensure road safety, especially creating a stable and predictable driving environment and ethics thereby reducing the number of avoidable or preventable accidents.

The project was undertaken with an intention to raise public awareness regarding road safety issues and about the penal provisions under the Motor Vehicle Act. Camps were also held to inculcate safe driving behavior among the people.

## Co-ordinated steps were taken with the following objectives at hand-

To raise public awareness about road safety issues.

- To raise awareness about road signs.
- To raise awareness about various need to obey law.
- To impart knowledge about the safety tips to children, pedestrians, cyclists.
- To raise awareness about safe driving.
- To raise awareness about the need to save lives by rushing victims of road mishaps for medical care.
- To raise awareness about the legal protection to Bystander/Good Samaritans.

#### 1. Awareness on road signs

- i. Mandatory road signs
- ii. Cautionary road signs
- iii. Informatory road signs
- iv. Road markings
- v. Provisions in Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 regarding road signs

#### 4. Awareness on adhering to safety regulations

- i. Proper lane etiquette
- ii. Use of cell phones during driving
- iii. Caution at night
- iv. Retro reflective/reflective tape at the back of vehicles
- v. Narrow/rural roads merging with highways
- vi. Overloading
- vii. Precautions to be taken on Unmanned Railway Crossing
- viii. Safe cycling tips
  - ix. Safety tips for Pedestrians
  - x. Safety tips for school children

## 3. Awareness about offences and punishments under Motor Vehicle Act.

## 4. Safe driving behaviours

- Awareness camps for the employees working in organizations including call centers, for enhancing safe driving behaviors.
- Awareness camps for drivers of public transport and auto drivers

which will include sensitization on:-

- i. Proper lane driving
- ii. Offences and penalties under Motor Vehicles Act
- iii. Aggressive driving
- iv. Distracted driving
- v. Overloading
- vi. Proper parking

## 5. Awareness about legal protection to Bystander/Good Samaritans was also spread as part of the project.

Special campaign under this program was conducted from 21.07.2017 to 27.07.2017. Following table details the activities undertaken-

Action Taken by DLSA-Road Safety Regulations		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps	22
2.	Persons made aware	2316
3.	Retro reflective/reflective tapes affixed	1258
4.	Road Safety Rally	01

#### 3.14 Health of Children "Swasth Bacche Swasth Rashtra"

Children represent the future, and ensuring their healthy growth and development ought to be a prime concern of all societies.

Health of children is directly linked to their right to life. Healthy children denote a healthy future of the nation. Access to justice also has a direct bearing on ensuring healthy development of children. DLSA,Narnaul noticed that children particularly in the Government Schools situated in rural areas were not even aware of the basic hygiene and related issues. In order to take concrete steps to address the grave situation, DLSA conceived and implemented this project in co-ordination with Health Department.

In furtherance of the objective, twenty schools were identified, and teams consisting of Panel Lawyer, Para Legal Volunteers and Doctors were constituted. The teams visited the said schools and spread awareness among children regarding basic hygiene, methods and precautions to be taken to remain away from diseases.

Awareness was created amongst the students about the importance of remaining healthy as healthy citizens can make a healthy nation. Students were made aware about the importance of cleanliness of the place where they leave and surrounding areas. Special campaign under this program was conducted from 25.08.2017 to 01.09.2017. Following table details the activities undertaken-

Action Taken by DLSA-Health awareness among children		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps	20
2.	Children made aware	2018

#### 3.15 Pre-marital Counseling Centre

Family is the basic unit of society. With changing dynamics of the society, marital discords among newlyweds have become rampant. As a byproduct of staggering familial bonds, matrimonial offences are also on the rise. Such a scenario underscores the dire need for open pre-marital counseling centers to sensitize and instill a sense of responsibility in the matrimonial obligations.

Premarital counseling is a type of therapy that helps couples prepare for marriage. Premarital counseling can also help one identify weaknesses that could become problems during marriage. The young boys and girls who are going to be married if imparted the pre-marital course can aid them in dealing with challenges inherent to the institution of marriage. This can go a long way in saving family, the basic unit of society.

With this in view, DLSA, Narnaul has opened pre-marital counseling center at ADR Centre, Narnaul. It was inaugurated on 11.08.2017. The first batch of 48 young boys and girls, have undergone one-day preliminary session of pre-marital counseling course. Following table provides glimpse into the statistical details of the work undertaken by the pre-marital counselling center.

Action Taken by DLSA-Pre-marital counseling		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps	08
2.	Children made aware	1698
3.	Students identified for pre-marital counselling course	61
4.	Students participated and successfully completed pre-	48

	marital counseling course	
5.	Certificate distributed to the counsellors and participant	51
	of pre-marital couseling course	

## **Helpline for Prompt Access & Resolution**

District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul has also started the Marital Counseling through Legal Aid Helpline. To begin with, it has been made operational on once a week basis i.e. every Wednesday. On each Wednesday, legal aid helpline is converted to marital counseling helpline from 3.00 PM to 4.00 PM. Trained mediator conversant with counseling relating to marital disputes are deputed to attend the calls during that duration.

#### 3.16 Empowering the Mentally Challenged – "Swabhiman"

DLSA Narnaul noticed that mentally ill and mentally challenged children were not connected to the various schemes meant for their welfare. Their parents or guardians were also not aware of the said schemes. Hence, the present project was devised to connect the mentally ill and mentally challenged children, keeping in view of NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015.

To address the awareness regarding this crises, a core committee consisting of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers, representative of concerned department such as District Social Welfare Department, District Council for Child Welfare, District Red Cross Society and Santosh Memorial & Rehabilitation Centre was constituted. The said core committee was made aware of the various welfare schemes meant for mentally ill and mentally challenged persons. Following steps were undertaken-

- Mentally ill and mentally challenged children were identified and necessary formalities were completed to connect the said children to the welfare schemes including various health insurance schemes.
- During the campaign 344 Mentally ill and Mentally challenged Persons were identified. Out of the identified people, pension of 68 persons was released from the District Social Welfare Department.
- Unique identity card of 29 Mentally ill and Mentally challenged Persons were made from DSWD, 55 Mentally ill and Mentally challenged Persons were connected with Swawlamban and Niramaya Health Insurance Scheme 2 Mentally ill and Mentally challenged Children were registered with Santosh Memorial and Rehabilitation

Centre, Nasibpur for special children.

The Special campaign under this program was held from 04.08.2017 to 25.08.2017. For a statistical overview of the program refer the table below.

Action Taken by DLSA-Empowering the mental challenged		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps/seminar held	18
2.	Persons/Children made aware	3485
3.	Mentally ill and mentally challenged persons identified	344
4.	Mentally ill and mentally challenged persons benefitted	154

#### 3.17 The Real Heroes of Clean India - Campaign against manual scavenging

Manual Scavenging is extremely derogatory and dehumanizing practice which involves manually cleaning, carrying, disposing or handling in any manner, human excreta from dry latrines and sewers.

In 1993, India banned the employment of people as manual scavengers. The Indian Parliament has also passed "The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013" which seeks to reinforce this ban by prohibiting manual scavenging in all forms and ensures the rehabilitation of manual scavengers to be identified through a mandatory survey.

It came to the notice of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul that the scavengers were neither aware of the legislation nor were being provided the requisite protection owing to the hazardous nature of the job. They were also not being provided with the required equipment /machines for cleaning sewerages. To address the situation, a sensitization program was conducted for the sweepers; sewer men and all those connected with the task.

Through the workshop, the participants were made aware of the fact that the manual scavenging is prohibited under the "The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013". The rehabilitation provisions in the Act were also explained. This workshop helped the community to voice their concerns. They were provided a forum to put across their problems, grievances and difficulties. A Special campaign was held from 13.09.2017 to 18.09.2017. Following table provides details regarding the work done under the project.

Action Taken by DLSA-Anti Manual Scavengin		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps held	20
2.	Sensitization programme for manual scavengers	01
	and officers/officials of concerned department.	
3.	Persons made aware	2244

#### 3.18 We are One – a campaign against discrimination & untouchability

It's been more than six decades since untouchability was legally abolished in India. Founding fathers of our constitution recognized the need to end this derogatory practice and established virtues of equality through the Constitution of India which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, caste, place of birth. However, despite parallel modernization and rapid development, the system is still practiced at several levels and ways. Many are denied equality in the face of regressive practices and beliefs, belying the vision of new and transformed india for many.

With this objective in view, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul devised the project "We are One" to sensitize people about the importance of putting an end to derogatory practice of untouchability discrimination and also to make them aware about their fundamental duty work for the unity of this country.

#### Following activities were undertaken as part of the initiative

- Awareness camps for target groups.
- Conducting Rallies to ensure mass participation and mobilization.
- Essay writing, Slogan and declamation competition were also conducted
- Students Legal Literacy Clubs were involved in this endeavor to prohibit discrimination on the ground of race, caste, place of birth and untouchability. Targeting the youth would ensure that the future is free from such regressive practices.
- Students were also sensitized regarding the illogical and inhuman practice of discrimination/untouchability. They were made aware of the obligation under the constitution to protect the unity of the nation.

A Special campaign was held from 09.09.2017 to 20.09.2017.

Following Table provides details regarding the work done under the project.

	Action Taken by DLSA		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.	
1.	Awareness camps held	33	
2.	Persons/Children made aware	8362	
3.	Essay writing, slogan, drawing and painting	50	
	competition		
4.	Rally	02	

## 3.19 Awareness regarding Fundamental Duties - "Kartavya Nibhana Hai"

It is largely noticed, people tend to pay less attention to article 51A of the constitution which spells out eleven fundamental duties. Fundamental Duties constitute one of the important parts of the Constitution of India. While they are not enforceable in the courts, we owe a responsibility towards the nation and judiciously adhere to the principles enshrined there in.

Keeping in view the same, DLSA, Narnaul devised the project "Kartavya Nibhana Hai" with an aim to ensure that students and other people of district Mahendergarh are made aware all the fundamental duties enshrined in the Constitution of India.

Following activities were undertaken as part of the project:

- Awareness camps were held
- Student Legal Literacy Clubs were given the activity under this project to spread awareness amongst students.
- Video film prepared by Haryana State Legal Services Authority was extensively shown.

A Special campaign was held from 09.09.2017 to 20.09.2017.

Following Table provides details regarding the work done under the project.

Action Taken by DLSA-Awareness on fundamental duties		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps held	30
2.	Persons/Children made aware	5382
3.	Essay writing, slogan, drawing and painting competition	50

#### 3.20 We are for You - a campaign against secondary victimization

It is important to instill people's faith in the Laws of the Land including the criminal justice system. For the society governed by rule of Law, it is important that people have confidence in the authorities involved in maintenance of law and order and for securing justice. However, it is generally noticed that people are reluctant to report the crimes or become witnesses. This inhibition arises because of the impression that they would go through the tedious processes of criminal justice delivery system.

This erosion of faith in the law machinery weakens the edifice of rule of law. It is hence required that the loopholes are identified and plugged to restore people's faith in the criminal law justice system. For this purpose, Haryana State Legal Services Authority is implementing Haryana Victim Compensation Scheme, 2013. For taking proactive steps in the direction, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul devised the project "We are for You". Under this project various activities were conducted to make people aware about the Victim Compensation Scheme and to apprise them of the functioning of the various authorities associated with the criminal justice system. The concept of Free Legal Aid was also explained to people.

Following are highlights of the activities conducted under the program

- Awareness camps were held
- Workshop for policeman was held to sensitise them to be more responsive towards problems of people
- Sensitisation programs for panel lawyers and PLVs were held to sensitise them about secondary victimisation

A special campaign was held from 13.09.2017 to 20.09.2017. Following table provides details regarding the work done under the project.

Action Taken by DLSA-Addressing Secondary Victimization		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps held	20
2.	Persons made aware	1294
3.	Workshop of policemen held	01
4.	Sensitization program for Panel lawyer and PLV held	01
5.	Applications/references received under VCS	07
6.	Compensation awarded and distributed	11,45,000/-

## 3.21 Web Portal of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul - Legal Recourse for Prisoners and their Families

There is a need to ensure that prisoners are made adequately aware of their case status and other legal rights. The DLSA, Narnaul noticed that the prisoners lodged in District Jail, Narnaul were not aware about the requisite details of the respective cases such as next date of hearing, purpose of case, status of the appeal and bail applications and contact number and name of advocate. District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul also noticed that the children of the prisoners are also not getting benefit of the foster care scheme of Government of Haryana. Under the foster care scheme, the children whose one or both parents are in jail shall get pension of Rs. 2000/- per month from the District Child Development Department.

Hence, DLSA, Narnaul has devised web portal of DLSA, Narnaul for Jail inmates which contains the entire requisite details of the cases of prisoners and their family as well. Due to the web portal of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul 58 children of prisoners were identified for connecting them to the foster care scheme and free and compulsory education, and DLSA has already started process with the concerned departments for connecting these children with the foster care scheme and free and compulsory education. Also with the help of this portal, the prisoners are, now, aware about the requisite details of their cases.

#### Work done under NALSA Schemes of legal services for identified groups

## 4.1 Scheme for Legal Services to Disaster Victims through SLSAs

Under the program, core group has been constituted and disaster management training conducted for Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers. Following activities were undertaken by the teams constituted-

- Efforts were undertaken to spread awareness about availability of legal services to victims of disaster.
- Spread awareness about the proper treatment including first aid, after care and rehabilitation of the disaster victims.
- Spread awareness about the Victim Compensation Scheme and the entitlement under the same and various laws and government schemes.
- Workshops were also held on the arrangements for victims of disaster, their treatment and rehabilitation.
- Organized demo of first aid and rescue activities of the victims of disaster during the course of the camps.
- First Aid Post and Brigade Division consisting of Para Legal Volunteers established at ADR Centre, Narnaul. The Members (Para

Legal Volunteers) were imparted requisite First Aid training from Red Cross Society, Narnaul.

Action Taken by DLSA-Awareness on Disaster Management		
S.No.	Action Taken	Total No.
1.	Awareness camps held	15
2.	Demo of First Aid, Fire Extinguisher and	12
	Resque Activities	
3.	Persons made aware	4891

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

Under the program initiated by DLSA, awareness was spread regarding welfare schemes of the government relating to the Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation. Light was also shed on the issues relating to children belonging to such victims and people were made aware of several legal aspects. Teams of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were formed.

### DLSA took the following steps in furtherance of the objectives

- Areas were identified where the problems coming within the ambit of schemes were prevailing.
- The concerned departments were identified and meeting with their officers/officials were held. A strategy was formulated.
- Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were sensitized and made aware of the welfare schemes of the concerned department coming within the ambit of scheme.
- Camps were organized and persons entitled to get benefits under the schemes were identified.
- Rosters were framed for the identified areas, and identified persons, who were further connected with the welfare schemes.

Following Table provides details regarding the activities undertaken-

Action Taken by DLSA- For victims of Trafficking		
S.	Action Taken	Total No.
No		
1	Awareness camps held	55
2	Persons/children made aware	8376
3	Village Level Child Protection Committee Constituted	30
	Essay writing, Slogan & Declamation etc. Competitions	32
	organized	

#### 4.3 NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016

Under the scheme, teams of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were formed and areas were identified with problems coming within the ambit of schemes were prevailing. The concerned departments were identified and meeting with their officers/officials were held. A Strategy was formulated. Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were sensitized. They were made aware of the welfare schemes of the concerned department coming within the ambit of scheme.

In furtherance of the objectives, camps were organized. People entitled to get benefits under the scheme were identified. Rosters were framed for the identified areas. Identified persons and identified areas were eventually connected with the welfare schemes.

Under this scheme a project namely "You are not Alone" was also devised and implemented.

### 4.4 NALSA (Legal Services to Victims of Acid Attacks) Scheme, 2016

Under the scheme, teams of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were formed. Areas with prevalence of the said problem were identified. Further, concerned departments were also identified and meeting with their officers/officials were held. A Strategy was formulated. Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were sensitized. They were made aware of the welfare schemes of the concerned department coming within the ambit of scheme.

As part of the campaign under the scheme, camps were organized. Entitled people were identified and rosters were framed for the identified areas. Identified persons and identified areas were connected with the welfare schemes.

Under this scheme a project named, हौंसलोंसेउड़ान was devised and implemented.

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

Under the scheme, teams of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were formed and areas were identified with problems coming within the ambit of schemes were prevailing. The concerned departments were identified and meeting with their officers/officials were held. A Strategy was formulated. Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were sensitized. They were made aware of the welfare schemes of the concerned department coming within the ambit of scheme.

In furtherance of the objectives, camps were organized. People entitled to get benefits under the scheme were identified. Rosters were framed for the identified areas. Identified persons and identified areas were eventually connected with the welfare schemes.

Under this scheme a project namely "Saksham" – To make aware and ensure the benefits of welfare schemes to the workers in unorganized sector through unstrained and easy way, was also devised and implemented.

## 4.6 NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015

Under the scheme, teams of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were formed and areas were identified with problems coming within the ambit of schemes were prevailing. The concerned departments were identified and meeting with their officers/officials were held. A Strategy was formulated. Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were sensitized. They were made aware of the welfare schemes of the concerned department coming within the ambit of scheme.

In furtherance of the objectives, camps were organized. People entitled to get benefits under the scheme were identified. Rosters were framed for the identified areas. Identified persons and identified areas were eventually connected with the welfare schemes.

Under this scheme following projects were devised and implemented-

- "बाल विवाह एक अभिशाप"
- "आओ बच्चे पढायें भविष्य बनाये"
- Empowerment Single Women and Single Parent Children

## 4.7 NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally III and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015

- Under the scheme, teams of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were formed and areas were identified with problems coming within the ambit of schemes were prevailing. The concerned departments were identified and meeting with their officers/officials were held. A Strategy was formulated. Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were sensitized. They were made aware of the welfare schemes of the concerned department coming within the ambit of scheme.
- In furtherance of the objectives, camps were organized. People entitled to get benefits under the scheme were identified. Rosters were framed for the identified areas. Identified persons and identified areas were eventually connected with the welfare schemes.
- Under this scheme a project namely "Swabhiman" was also devised and implemented.

## **4.8** NALSA (Effective implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015

Under the scheme, teams of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were formed and areas were identified with problems coming within the ambit of schemes were prevailing. The concerned departments were identified and meeting with their officers/officials were held. A Strategy was formulated. Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were sensitized. They were made aware of the welfare schemes of the concerned department coming within the ambit of scheme.

In furtherance of the objectives, camps were organized. People entitled to get benefits under the scheme were identified. Rosters were framed for the identified areas. Identified persons and identified areas were eventually connected with the welfare schemes.

Under this scheme following projects were devised and implemented.

- प्रयास Transferring of knowledge and skills
- सक्षम किसान
- उन्नत पशुपालन

## 4.9 NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015

Under the scheme, teams of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were formed and areas were identified with problems coming within the ambit of schemes were prevailing. The concerned departments were identified and meeting with their officers/officials were held. A Strategy was formulated. Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were sensitized. They were made aware of the welfare schemes of the concerned department coming within the ambit of scheme.

In furtherance of the objectives, camps were organized. People entitled to get benefits under the scheme were identified. Rosters were framed for the identified areas. Identified persons and identified areas were eventually connected with the welfare schemes.

Under this scheme a project namely नई राह - Say no to drug, Say yes to life was devised and implemented. Information regarding the above said scheme as well as project is mentioned under the relevant head in Part – III of this report.

#### 4.10 Scheme for enforcement of Single Women's Rights (HALSA)

Under the scheme, teams of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were formed and areas were identified with problems coming within the ambit of schemes were prevailing. The concerned departments were identified and meeting with their officers/officials were held. A Strategy was formulated. Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were sensitized. They were made aware of the welfare schemes of the concerned department coming within the ambit of scheme.

In furtherance of the objectives, camps were organized. People entitled to get benefits under the scheme were identified. Rosters were framed for the identified areas. Identified persons and identified areas were eventually connected with the welfare schemes.

Under this scheme a project namely **Empowerment – Single Women** and **Single Parent Children**, was devised and implemented.

#### PROVISIONS IMPROVING ACCESS TO JUSTICE

There are several provisions to ensure access to justice is ensured to every person. Several means such as alternate dispute resolutions methods, spreading adequate awareness etc have been employed by the Legal Services Authority in furtherance of its objective. Following is detailed analysis of the activities undertaken.

#### 5.1 Lok Adalat Regulations, 2009

#### **National Lok Adalat**

The District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul held bi-monthly National Lok Adalat in accordance with the schedule of the National Legal Services Authority. To have a successful National Lok Adalat, the District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul took the following steps:

- Identification of the suitable cases for disposal in National Lok Adalat.
- Careful selection of old matters.
- Special sitting with the Magistrates.
- MACT benched to include doctors.
- Pre- Lok Adalat conciliation sittings and discussions.
- Adequate publicity through print and electronic media.
- Discussion with the lawyers and the Bar.
- Meeting with the local administration.
- Preparation of cause list, bench constitution and notification.
- Setting up of help desks.

During the month of January 2017, 19402 cases of all nature were pending in the judicial courts of Sessions Division, Narnaul. This shows that few cases are pending in the Sessions Division, Narnaul, which are suitable cases for being put up before National Lok Adalats are pending in Sessions Division, Narnaul.

Following Table provides details regarding the National Lok Adalats:

Details of National Lok Adalats		
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.
1	Bi-monthly National Lok Adalat held	4
2	Cases taken up	5307
3	Cases settled	1162
4	Settlement Amount (In Rs.)	2,61,60,357/-

#### **Daily Lok Adalat**

	Details of Daily Lok Adalats		
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.	
1	Cases taken up	5293	
2	Cases settled	2255	
3	Settlement Amount (In Rs.)	2,18,94,626/-	

#### Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services)

Camp court of Permanent Lok Adalat (PUS) is functioning at ADR Centre, Judicial Complex, Narnaul on every Thursday and Friday. Following table provides details regarding the Permanent Lok Adalat (PUS) and the cases taken up.

Details of Permanent Lok Adalat (PUS)		
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.
1	Cases taken up	3482
2	Cases settled	237
3	Settlement Amount	49,98,250/-

#### Jail Lok Adalat

District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul organized Jail Lok Adalats for jail inmates on every first Wednesday in District Prison, Narnaul. Following table provides details regarding the Jail Lok Adalat and the cases taken up.

Details of Jail Lok Adalat		
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.
1	Cases taken up	40
2	Cases settled	1

## 5.2 Free and Competent Legal Services Regulations, 2010

### (a) Legal News Board in ADR Centre, Narnaul

To create awareness among the Panel Lawyers, Para Legal Volunteers and public about the latest judgments/orders of Hon'ble Apex Court and Hon'ble High Courts, and others latest news published in newspapers, a legal news board is established in ADR Centre, Judicial Complex, Narnaul.

## (b) Five Days Mass Door to Door Campaign

To ensure extensive reach of the programs of legal services institutions to every nook and corner, with the objective of reaching the last person in the queue and enabling access to justice to all, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul organized five-day Mass Door to Door Campaign in District Mahendergarh. It was organized with the objective of creating awareness regarding legal Institutions, availability of Legal Services, Legal Services that can be availed and how legal services can facilitate the people

to get their entitlements under various laws and schemes of the government. Following Table provides details regarding the door-to-door campaign conducted:

Details of Door to Door campaigns		
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.
1	Number of Para Legal Volunteers engaged in campaign	23
2	Number of household covered	5192
3	Number of members of households	21791

#### (c) Meeting of Panel Lawyers

A Total of 19 meeting of empanelled advocates were held on the following topics:

- Functioning of Village Legal Care & Support Centre
- Timely submission of monthly reports etc.
- Discussion on various activities and schemes being undertaken by District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul and the related matters.
- Use of Aadhaar in implementation of government schemes.
- Display of DVD NALSA, Sanklap Geet, Documentary film and short stories, HALSA Activities and short movies i.e. Nai Raah, Kartvya Nibhana Hai etc.
- Regarding amendment in Rule 19 of the Haryana State Legal Services Rules, 1996 under section 12 (H) of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987

### (d) Training/Sensitization program/workshop for panel lawyers

Total numbers of 42 Training/Sensitization program/Workshop were held for the panel lawyers on the following topics:

- Plea Bargaining
- ADR mechanism of Mediation, Conciliation and Judicial Settlement
- Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005
- Guardianship of person and property
- Execution
- 138 NI Act
- PC &PNDT Act

- POCSO Act
- Issues related to juveniles and their age verification
- Issues relating to children in need of care and protection
- Use of internet, scanner, Smartphone and e-mail id etc.
- Filing of online application regarding government welfare schemes and online payment of fees
- Various welfare schemes relating to District Social Welfare Department
- Approach to be adopted while dealing with litigant and jail inmates etc.
- Various schemes of NALSA and HALSA
- Haryana Victim Compensation (Amendment) Scheme, 2016
- Project concerning Legal Aid Programs etc.

#### (e) Front office

DLSA, Narnaul established Front Office at ADR Centre, Narnaul. The District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul intervened and operationalized the front office as One Stop Centre (OSC) for facilitating visitors of Front Office. The following register/records are maintained in Front Office, ADR Centre, Narnaul.

#### 1. Front Office Register for visitors

Data of each of the visitors entered in this register including particulars of his/her problems. Advice given by the Retainer Advocate is also entered in this register.

#### 2. Legal Services Monitoring Card Register

In this register, data regarding court based legal services is entered on daily basis by the panel lawyers with the help of retainer advocate. The panel lawyers are required to update the proceeding of cases allotted to them under Free and Competent Legal Services.

### 3. Legal Aid Monitoring Register

In this register, necessary entries relating to court based legal services are made by the panel lawyers on daily basis.

### 4. Legal Services Helpline Register

To provide legal assistance to the public telephonically, a Legal Services Helpline has been established in ADR Centre, Judicial Complex, Narnaul, to maintain the details of the calls, a register namely Legal Helpline Register is being maintained by Retainer Lawyers in Front Office, Narnaul.

#### 5. Register of Reporting of Remand Advocates

Legal Aid Counsel Scheme for remand hours has been introduced to represent the indigent accused during remand hours in Courts. In this register, necessary entries are made by the panel lawyers deputed as remand advocates in various courts.

#### 6. Marital Counseling Register

To provide marital counseling through Legal Services Helpline, and to maintain the details of the calls, a register namely Marital Counseling Register is being maintained by Mediators in Front Office, Narnaul.

#### 7. Monitoring Register for court referred mediation cases

In this register data regarding court referred mediation cases is entered on a daily basis by the mediators. The mediators are required to update the proceeding of cases allotted to them for mediation.

#### 8. Monitoring Register for Pre-litigation mediation

In this register data with regard to mediation of pre-litigation cases before pre-litigation desk entered on daily basis by the mediators. The mediators are required to update the proceeding of cases allotted to them for mediation at pre-litigation stage.

### 9. Compendium of Welfare Schemes

District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul maintains compendium of welfare schemes of Government of India and Government of the State of Haryana as well to facilitate the visitors in the front office.

#### 10. Citizens Handbook

The District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul also maintains citizen's handbook containing important addresses, mail id and phone numbers of the District Administrative authorities etc.

#### 11. Suggestion Box

The District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul has installed a suggestion box outside the front office for the visitors to put their suggestions, if any, for proper and effective functioning of the District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul.

#### 12. Complaint Box

The District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul also installed a complaint box outside the front office for the visitors to put their complaints if any.

The DLSA, Narnaul also made available in the front office to facilitate the visitors and functioning of the front office as OSC

- a. Compendium of the Legal Services Authority Act, Rules, Regulation and Notification, schemes and projects of NALSA/HALSA/DLSA, Narnaul.
- b. Details of the Legal Care & Support Centers established in District Mahendergarh (Narnaul).
- c. List of Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers and duty roster of the panel advocates and Para legal volunteers.

#### (f) Legal Aid provided to eligible person

DLSA, Narnaul had provided court based legal services to 100 persons.

#### (g) Legal Services Helpline

To provide telephonic legal assistance to the public, a Legal Services Helpline has been established in ADR Centre, Judicial Complex, Narnaul. District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul provided legal services to 344 persons through legal services helpline during the period under report.

#### (h) Monitoring Committee

Bi- monthly meeting of the Monitoring Committee are held on regular basis. During the meeting, status of the court based legal services are analyzed and reviewed in order to ensure quality and effective legal services. A separate register also maintained in front office for proper monitoring of court based legal services.

#### (i) Scrutinizing committee

Meetings of scrutinizing committee are held on regular basis for appointment of Legal Aid Counsel in court based legal services. Total number of 100 **applications** for free legal aid counsel were put up before the committee and were approved after due consideration.

### 5.3 Legal Aid Clinics Regulations, 2011

Following tables provide details regarding the legal and support centres.

<b>Details of Legal Support Centers</b>		
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.
1	Number of Legal Care & Support Centres	25
2	Number of Persons Visited	3687
3	Beneficiaries	3687

### 5.4 Para Legal Volunteer Scheme

The table below provides details regarding Para Legal Volunteers-

Details of Para Legal Volunteers		
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.
1	Para Legal Volunteers (DLSA, Narnaul)	36
2	Para Legal Volunteers (SDLSC, Mahendergarh)	22
3	Para Legal Volunteers (SDLSC, Kanina)	13

#### Capacity building program for Para Legal Volunteers

Total number of 18 meeting of Para Legal Volunteers were:

Training/Sensitization program/workshop for Para Legal Volunteers

#### SUCCESS STORIES OF DLSA INTERVENTION

#### 1. Rehabilitation of victim of child marriage and trafficking

Victim-A (name withheld to protect the identity) came to the front office of ADR Centre, Narnaul. She informed that her mother has given her off in marriage by taking money from a person living at District Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan. She was beaten and abused by her so called husband who allegedly had plans to sell her off in Mumbai. Upon getting this complaint, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul contacted the authorities and the child was handed over to Child Welfare Committee. A panel lawyer was made available to help her at every stage. Now, she has been sent to children's home and is currently receiving counseling. This prompt action on the part of District Legal Services Authorities, Narnaul rescued a girl from lifetime of torture and disgrace and put in safety of Children Home.

#### 2. Helping a victim of Child marriage

Victim B (name withheld to protect the identity) was married off at a tender age. A bright student in her adolescence was brutally ignored.

Traumatic life began when she lost her father, and then later, due to marital discord, she returned to her maternal village. The case came into limelight when she visited her school. Revealing the domestic plight where her widowed mother was struggling hard to make both ends meet. District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul intervened and helped the completing the formalities to connect the child, her widowed mother and her sibling to various government schemes. Now, her mother is getting widow pension of Rs. 1600/per month and both the children are receiving Rs. 2000/- per month each. A petition for annulment of child marriage has also been filed by providing her free legal aid.

#### 3. Timely intervention stops child marriage

In yet another matter that DLSA intervened, not only helped save minor girls from lifelong injustice and misery, but also successfully secured their father's agreement. DLSA, Narnaul received tip from a Para Legal Volunteer that three child marriages are likely to be solemnized on 10.05.2017 at Mohalla Nalapur, Village Nangal Chaudhary. The incident was such that at the wedding ceremony of the elder sibling, three minor sisters were also to tie a knot. Post verifying authenticity of the information, DLSA constituted a team of officials for looking into the matter.

The team consisting of a Child Marriage Prohibition Officer, Police (including lady constable), reached the venue of marriage ceremony and sprang into action. The age proofs of the girls were checked and verified which confirmed that three out of the five girls were minors as they belonged to the age group of 11 to 14 years. DLSA adopted a corrective approach towards the issue and conducted counseling sessions with the parents of the minor girl children. They were made aware about the Child Marriage Restrain Act and the ill effect of early marriage on the lives of children.

As a result of counseling and awareness generation, the father gave a statement under oath that he shall not solemnize marriages of his minor daughters until they attain the age of 18 years. Timely intervention of DLSA, Narnaul helped save two budding lives. Today both sisters are receiving education and living a happy life with hope restored back into their lives.

#### 4. Another child marriage stopped!

DLSA's approach towards resolving child marriage issues, once again reinstated the importance of immediacy and sustainable, long term solutions to social problems. In a similar incident, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul's proactive approach helped stop a gross violation of a child's life. DLSA received a tip off from an NGO that marriage ceremony of two minor girls was alleged to be held on 05.06.2017 at village Buchawas, District Mahendergarh. After verifying the genuineness of the complaint, DLSA constituted a team consisting of a Child Marriage Prohibition Officer and Police. The team reached the spot and stopped the ceremony. The age of the girls was verified and it was affirmed that the two girls were still minors and had not attained the legal age of marriage. To ensure that the parents don't force their girls into marriage again, they were counseled and informed about the legal provisions such as Child Marriage Restrain Act and also about the social and medical impact cast on the lives of such children.

It was because of such educative sessions, the father stated under oath that he shall not force his daughters into marriage before attaining majority. Today, the girls are leading a normal life a child is entitled to, all because of timely intervention by DLSA.

#### 5. Rights of Prisoners

DLSA's monthly visit to the District Jail, Narnaul, revealed a case wherein convict's belongings like his gold ring, mobile phone and other articles were confiscated during the *Jamatalashi* process. However, while on parole, he could not get access to his belongings. The said convict had filed an application in the court for return of his *Jamatalashi*. The court ordered the return but despite court orders, no articles were returned by the police. On completion of his Parole period, he returned to jail but could not contact the police officials who failed to return his articles. District Legal Services Authorities, Narnaul intervened and the matter was reported to the Superintendent of Police, Narnaul. As a result, all the articles of Jamatalashi were released to the convict Vikash.

#### 6. Helping a woman in land demarcation

A widow named Bimla, wanted to get her land demarcated by revenue officials. She approached the Tehsildar, Narnaul, to initiate the demarcation process and duly submitted an application to that effect. Tehsildar, Narnaul forwarded the said application to Halka Girdawar for completing the task.

Later, despite her frequent visits, Halka Girdawar lingered on the matter on one pretext or the other and did not conduct the demarcation. Bimla, approached the office of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul. The matter was taken up with the higher authorities and ultimately the demarcation of the said land was carried out.

#### 7. Rehabilitation of a special child of incarcerated mother

DALSA's involvement led a life to a beautiful turn. During Jail visits, a peculiar case was brought in focus. Anju Devi, a convict, serving her sentence along with her 5-year-old child with special needs. Addressing the sensitivity of the case, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul took up the matter with the Jail Authorities and the authorities concerned with the school of special children. Resultantly, the jail authorities started taking the child to the school. Simultaneously, his medical treatment was also initiated. Today, there is 30 % improvement in his health, and both mother and child are living their life under a ray of hope.

#### 8. Extending rightful benefits to a BPL person

Bhoop Singh, belonging to BPL category, sought benefits under government's scheme for home construction. In this regard, an application was duly submitted. However, the concerned department lingered his matter for long. Rendered helpless, he approached the District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul through Village Legal Care & Support Centre. The Para Legal Volunteers were deputed at the said center, who took up his matter with the concerned department. Due to persistent efforts of Para Legal Volunteers, he was connected to the said scheme and thus successfully completed construction of his house.

### 9. Maintenance of data on prisoners' children

DALSA's approach to its cases not only benefits the immediate subject but also the loved ones. District Legal Services Authorities, Narnaul started maintaining data regarding prisoners. The data collection is done in such a manner that it highlights the details of their children as well. This helps in identifying the children who are not connected with the welfare schemes and respective steps can be taken to bring them under the ambit. In Haryana, 'The foster care' scheme dictates that if one of the parents of child is in jail then

that child is considered to be the child of a single parent, and hence, in such a scenario, the said child is entitled to get Rs. 2000/- per month. District Legal Services Authorities, Narnaul while maintaining the data came across 58 number of children who were not connected with the foster care scheme. Steps were taken to complete the formalities and ensure that those children could avail the benefits. Uptill now, formalities have been completed for 35 children of convicts and 23 children of Under Trial Prisoners.

#### 10. Senior Citizen rescued from abusive children

Active involvement of DLSA helped give voice to a helpless aged citizen. Reshmi Devi, was abused and maltreated by her adopted son and daughter in law. She was beaten up and confined in one place. When the matter was brought to the knowledge of the panel lawyer, the police was involved. Initially, the police did not extend much cooperation, but with panel lawyer informing about her organizational link with the DLSA, the required cooperation was secured. The Sarpanch of the concerned village and the son & daughter-in-law were summoned. The duo not only accepted their mistake but gave an undertaking that they would not misbehave with Reshmi Devi and would take care of her properly. Rashmi Devi, lives happily today due to the intervention of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul. Her son and daughter in law have been warned that in case they misbehave or abuse the senior citizen again then District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul will take appropriate steps accordingly within the confines of law.

#### 11. Justice for Nitesh

In yet another case, the plight of a father struggling against the education system was addressed. Sitaram approached District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul and shared his grievance. He presented his case where his son's school, namely, Shiksha Bharti withheld former's mark sheet on the pretext of unpaid fee amount of Rs. 76000. This action on school's behalf made it difficult for his son to secure further admission in colleges. District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul intervened, and the matter was reported to the Sub Divisional Magistrate. A written application was also submitted on behalf of Sitaram. Sub Divisional Magistrate summoned the concerned Block Education Officer, the principal and the director of the said school. The matter was resolved and the school subsequently returned the marksheet of Nitesh,

the son of Sitaram. With marksheet in his hand, Nitesh could get admission in the college for higher studies.

#### 12. Resolving marital discord

The role and vitality of Para Legal Volunteers comes to forefront with cases like the mentioned. Chiranjilal with his daughter visited the Village Legal Care & Support Centre at village Sehlang. Para legal Volunteers deputed there was informed that due to marital dispute his daughter was being maltreated. He informed that a complaint was filed at the women cell but there was no action taken. The PLV called both the parties and tried to resolve the dispute. After about 3 to 4 meetings and much persuasion and efforts of Para Legal Volunteer, Vijay Singh, the matter was settled. Both the parties agreed to a compromise and their differences were resolved. Chiranjilal's daughter now lives happily in her matrimonial house.

#### 13. Securing rights of prisoner Mahender

Convict Mahender, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in case bearing FIR No. 369 dated 30.10.1994 u/s 302 IPC PS, Mahendergarh was confined in District Jail, Narnaul. He presented application to the Jail Lok Adalat, and he submitted that his remaining sentence had been remitted and intimation to this effect was also given to him and his family by the Jail Authorities. However, despite furnishing of the bonds for keeping peace and good behavior etc. in compliance of his release order before District Magistrate, his release has not been received in the District Prison, Narnaul. Delayed procedure and anticipation were a cause of immense mental pressure for the subject. District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul had taken up the matter with the District Magistrate, Narnaul on the same day i.e. 03.05.2017. Due to the intervention of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul, the release orders of convict Mahender were issued on 05.05.2017 from the office of District Magistrate, Narnaul ensuring smooth release.

## **6.1 Success stories for National Lok Adalat**

1) This case is in respect of civil suit and criminal complaint titled as Kamlesh Devi vs. Prem Devi settled in National Lok Adalat dated 08.07.2017. Smt. Kamlesh Devi filed a suit against seven defendants for declaration of ownership of 6 Kanal land of village Aghiyar, Tehsil & District Mahendergarh

claiming herself purchaser of the same vide sale deed No. 1650 dated 01.2.2010.

In the said matter, she purchased the land from one Rajbir and Ashok who had purchased it from original owners, Prem Devi and Kiran Devi in year 2006 but the mutation of sale deed of the plaintiff could not be entered. Meanwhile Prem Devi and Kiran Devi gave a specific power of attorney to Ramesh Devi, who sold their land along with land of other co-sharers to one Sumitra Devi. This also included the land already sold by Prem Devi and Kiran Devi to defendants no. 3 & 4 and by them to the present plaintiff.

In this regard, the plaintiff had also filed a criminal complaint against Ramesh Devi, Prem Devi and Kiran Devi i.e. power of attorney holder and original owners for cheating with the complainant and all three were facing trial under Section 420 IPC.

Due to pursuance of the bench and active part played by the Advocates, a compromise was effected between the parties in which the original owners agreed to compensate the subsequent buyer, Sumitra Devi, by paying a sum of Rs. 1,25,000/- for said 6 Kanal land and also agreed to get the sale deed of year 2012, set aside to the extent of 6 Kanal land purchased by the plaintiff. Similarly, consequent to terms in civil matter the criminal proceedings were also put in National Lok Adalat and complainant was allowed to compound the charge under Section 420 IPC. Thus the litigation between the parties pending since year 2013 came to an end and was settled amicably.

2) Case titled 'Dr. Devraj Taneja vs. Ranjeet Singh', being a Suit for Injunction preferred by Plaintiff against Defendant, with respect to alleged interference being made by him in relation to suit plot. This suit was withdrawn by Plaintiff in National Lok Adalat on 9.9.2017.

The suit mentioned about business/financial relations of Plaintiff with father of Defendant, being one *Jogender Singh*, having purchased suit plot in his name, which was constructed into his house/clinic, in which, Defendant started interfering due to strained relations between the parties. This promulgated other connected litigations being criminal prosecution against Plaintiff being lodged by Defendant, being '*State Vs. Dr. Devraj Taneja*' decided on 5.3.2014, rendering in acquittal, arising from FIR No. 331 dated 28.8.2011 under Sections 148, 149, 323, 427, 447, 307 and 506 IPC, at PS City Narnaul. Besides, there were certain other Complaints under Section

138 of Negotiable Instruments Act, preferred by Defendant, by allegedly misusing cheques issued by Plaintiff to Defendant in good faith, which were also stated to be settled.

By effort in Lok Adalat, parties agreed to settle their dispute in National Lok Adalat for withdrawing the same and expressed their gratitude to the bench, for helping them settle their dispute.

The execution petition titled as "Manohar Lal Vs. Lekhram" was **3**) filed by Lekhram thereby seeking execution of judgment and decree dated 06.08.2015. The case was put up before National Lok Adalat for settlement. Plaintiff namely Manohar Lal had initially filed a civil suit seeking relief of permanent injunction against the defendants. Said suit of the plaintiff was dismissed vide judgment and decree dated 28.07.2017. Thereafter, an appeal against judgment and decree dated 28.7.2017, was preferred before the Learned Appellate Court. Sh. Arun Singal, District Judge, Narnaul vide judgment and decree dated 06.08.2015 had dismissed the appeal of the plaintiff/appellant and the fee of the learned counsel was assessed as Rs.2100/-. Thereafter, defendant Lekhram filed an execution petition seeking the cost of the suit assessed by Ld. Appellate Court vide judgment and decree dated 6.8.2015. Both the parties appeared before the court and it was put forth by Learned counsel for the parties that plaintiff Manohar Lal and defendant Lekhram are real brothers. The dispute was pertaining to land measuring 0 Kanal 3 Marla. The matter was amicably settled between the parties in National Lok Adalat.

#### 6.2 Mediation

DLSA, Narnaul, realized that people are not aware of Mediation as one of the modes of alternative dispute resolution. Particularly, in rural areas, people are ignorant about the said process. Keeping this in view, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul conducted awareness programs.

In the said programs, people were made aware about the process of mediation, and its effectiveness in resolving disputes. Meeting with judicial officer were held and they were requested and sensitized to refer appropriate and suitable number of cases to the Mediation Centre, Narnaul. Panel Advocates and Para Legal Volunteers were also sensitized about the importance of mediation, and impressed upon to spread awareness amongst

villagers. They were also impressed upon to make visitors to Village Legal Care & Support Centres aware about the said mode of settlement of disputes.

DLSA, Narnaul conducted Awareness and 20 hours Refresher programs for mediators by the trained mediators, and mediators were sensitize about causes management and resolution, ADR mechanism u/s 89, Civil Procedure code – Advantage, Role of Mediators, Mediation process, basic elements of communication and its process, communication skills, bargaining, Negotiation, Impassee: understanding and management, role of advocate, role of parties, ethical principles & Code of conduct for mediators and apology etc.

Following table provide detail regarding the activities under areas:-

	Details of Mediation programs		
S. No	Action Taken	Total	
		No.	
1	Awareness camps held	10	
2	Number of people made aware	606	
3	Cases referred to Mediation & Conciliation Centre	168	
4	Case Settled through mediation	37	
5	Pre-litigation Cases referred to Pre-litigation desk	56	
6	Pre-litigation Cases settled through Pre-litigation desk	10	

#### **6.3** Victim Compensation Scheme

Details of Victim Compensation Scheme		
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.
1	Applications/References	7
2	Compensation awarded and disbursed	11,45,000/-

#### **6.4** Model Prosecution Scheme

DLSA, Narnaul under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority is implementing the model scheme for Legal Aid Prosecution Counsel for victims of rape and other crime against women and children in district, Mahendragarh. Female Advocates have been appointed in all the police stations falling under the jurisdiction of concerned courts allotted to them under the scheme. They gave legal assistance to the victims of rape and other crimes

against women and children. District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul provided legal assistance to 60 victims under the scheme during the period under report.

#### 6.5 Student Legal Literacy Mission

Under the Student Legal Literacy Mission, Legal Literacy Clubs in all Government Sr. Secondary Schools and Government High Schools were established. During the period under report, for proper and effective functioning of Legal Literacy Clubs, the District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul had taken up the following steps:

- Re-constitution of the Legal Literacy Club if any Student Member / Incharge Teacher leave/transferred from school.
- To conduct awareness camps, workshops, competition and other requisite legal activities on each second and fourth Wednesday.
- The activities of Legal Literacy Clubs are mandatorily entered in the register maintained.
- Regular visits of Legal Literacy Clubs.
- Legal Awareness Materials also made available to the Legal Literacy Clubs.
- District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul also ensure the active participation of the Legal Literacy Clubs under the various projects of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul mentioned in Part – II of this report.

Following table provides details regarding the activities undertaken:-

	Details of Legal Literacy Mission		
S.	Action Taken	Total No.	
No			
1	Number of Legal Literacy Clubs constituted	358	
2	Awareness programs held	333	
3	Students made aware	45600	
4	Essay Writing, Slogan, poster making, declamation	739	
	competition etc.		

#### Accounts

#### **NALSA**

Funds received - 2678503.42/-

Funds Utilized - 2035002.00/-

**VCS** 

Funds received - 1195722.00/-Funds Utilized - 1145000.00/-

#### **Prisoners (Under Trial Review Committee)**

Meetings - 3 Prisoners Identified for release - 6

#### **Other Activities**

#### 1. Visit to Blind School and Disabled Child Rehabilitation Home

Amongst, children in Children Homes, Blind Schools and Disabled Child Rehabilitation Homes, form the most vulnerable section, who apart from legal protection also require the motivation to live happily and fearlessly. To ensure proper legal protection to this vulnerable section, the District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman and Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, DLSA, Narnaul have made regular visits every month to Blind School and Disabled Child Rehabilitation Home under the instructions and guidance of the Haryana SLSA.

Number of Visits made - 12

## 2. Activities under Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015

The DLSA, Narnaul organized workshops on Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 for Child Welfare Committee, District Child Protection Unit, District Child Welfare Office, Juvenile Welfare Officers, Panel Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers.

#### Number of workshops held - 2

# 3. Activities under Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012

The DLSA, Narnaul organized workshop on Protection of Children form Sexual Offences Act, 2012 for Child Welfare Committee, District Child Protection Unit, District Child Welfare Office, Juvenile Welfare Officers, Panel Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers.

#### Number of workshop held - 1

#### 4. Special Legal Literacy Camps for Officials at Grass Root Level

Special Legal Literacy camp for officials at Grass Root Level was organized under the auspices of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul. Child Marriage Prohibition Officer, District Child Protection Unit, Principal/Teacher Incharge of Student Legal Literacy Clubs, ASHA Workers, Anganwadi Workers and Gram Sakhi had attended the camp. They were made aware about the provisions of Child Marriage Restraint Act, DV Act, Various aspects of Legal Instruments enacted for upliftment of women, children, poor and the weaker sections of the society, availability of legal services and schemes of NALSA/HALSA/DLSA etc. They were also made aware about the Legal Services Helpline Number of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul.

#### 5. Short Messaging Services of DLSA, Narnaul

DLSA, Narnaul has started short messaging services for facilitation of the persons who are getting free court based legal services. The status of the application for free legal aid and the name and contact number of panel advocate allocated to represent the applicant are informed to the persons through SMS. Apart that, the panel advocates and Para legal volunteers are given information regarding meetings, workshops, awareness camps etc. through SMS.

#### 6. Distribution of Legal Awareness Material

Various books received from Haryana SLSA were distributed during the camps organized at various places of this district under various schemes. Legal Awareness Material also handed over to various Para Legal Volunteers deputed for Village Legal Care & Support Centre and Legal Awareness Material also made available at Front Office, Legal Care & Support Center and Student Legal Literacy Clubs. Apart that, short note on various law were also distributed during the workshop/training/sensitization programme for legal awareness.

## 7. Awareness Camps through Legal Services Vehicle

Camps through legal services vans were organized in remote rural areas of District Mahendergarh. The villagers were made aware of the several important laws. They were also introduced to the concept of legal services. They were made aware about the various functions of District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul and were also made aware of the free legal aid helpline number

Details of camps by Mobile Legal Services Van		
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.
1	Awareness camps	24
2	Persons made aware	563

# 8. Implementation of "Online Application/Grievance Redressal web portal of NALSA

Digitizing service delivery, The District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul has started using the "Online Application/Grievance Redressal Portal" through NALSA website. To ensure effective use of the "Online application/Grievance Redressal Portal", an official, appointed by the DLSA, is assigned the task of handling complaints via the online portal.

#### 9. Awareness on Section 158(6) of Motor Vehicle Act, 1986

The following support materials were distributed amongst the participants-

- a. Form P-54 relating to Accident Information Report.
- b. Copies of the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana, Chandigarh passed in case titled as Jai Parkash Vs. M/s National Insurance Company and others in SLP (Civil) Nos. 11801-11804 of 2005 pending before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and FAO No. 6258 of 2013 Sandeep vs. Narender Kumar and others, pending before the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana, Chandigarh.
- **c.** Copy of The Claims Tribunal Agreed Procedure & the Haryana Motor Vehicle (amendment) rules, 2013.

## 10. Legal Literacy Seminar on the Concept of Plea Bargaining in District Jail, Narnaul

The under-trials were apprised that they may make use of the provisions of plea bargaining which in terms of plea bargaining.

Details of Legal Literacy Camps for Under trials on Plea Bargaining				
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.		
1	Awareness camps	16		
2	Persons made aware	403		

## 11. Legal Literacy camps in remote rural areas on Sunday/Holiday

Details of Legal Literacy Camps for remote rural/urban slum areas				
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.		
1	Awareness camps	214		
2	Persons made aware	17077		

### 12. Legal Literacy Classes for Women

The DLSA, Narnaul organized legal literacy classes for women in collaboration with Social Welfare Department and The Department of Women and Child Development.

Details of Legal Literacy Classes for Women				
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.		
1	Awareness camps	6		
2	Persons made aware	370		

## **Celebration of Important Days**

## Women's Day:

Details of camps on Women's Day				
S. No	Action Taken	Total No.		
1	Awareness camps	3		
2	Persons made aware	460		

## World AIDS Day:

	Details of camps on World AIDS Day					
S. No	S. No Action Taken Total No.					
1	Awareness camps	2				
2	Persons made aware	62				

## **Human Rights Day**

	Details of camps on Human Rights Day				
S. No	Action Taken Total No.				
1	Awareness camps	2			
2	Persons made aware	185			

## **World Disabled Day**

	Details of camps on World Disabled Day				
S. No	S. No Action Taken Total No.				
1	Awareness camps	2			
2	Persons made aware	74			

## Republic Day:

	Details of camps on Republic Day				
S. No	S. No Action Taken Total No.				
1	Awareness camps	3			
2	Persons made aware	542			

## **International Labour Day**

	Details of camps on International Labor Day				
S. No	No Action Taken Total No.				
1	Awareness camps	3			
2	Persons made aware	96			

## World No Tobacco Day

	Details of camps on World Tobacco Day					
S. No	No Action Taken Total No.					
1	Awareness camps	2				
2	Persons made aware	70				

## **Independence Day**

	Details of camps on Independence Day				
S. No	No Action Taken Total No.				
1	Awareness camps	5			
2	Persons made aware	1550			

## **World Environment Day**

Details of camps on world Environment Day					
S. No	Action Taken Total No.				
1	Awareness camps	3			
2	Persons made aware	451			

## World Day against Child Labour

Details of camps on World Day Against Child Labour						
S. No	. No Action Taken Total No.					
1	Awareness camps	2				
2	Persons made aware	96				

# Legal Services and Awareness camps in view of demonetization of currency of Rs. 500/- and Rs. 1000/-

During the period of demonitisation, DLSA, Narnaul under the aegis of Haryana SLSA held awareness camps to make public aware of the Benami Property Transaction Act, 1988 (Benami Act), particularly the amendment made by the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Amendment Act, 2016. Public must also be made aware of Money Laundering Act, 2002. Apart that other relevant instruction, which can be known from Bank Managers regarding exchange of demonetized currency, be also explained to the masses in the awareness camps.

Para Legal Volunteers (PLVs) were also deputed by DLSA, Narnaul to assist the common public in filling up forms for exchange of notes and making them aware of their rights and formalities that are required and also cautioning the public against doing transactions on behalf of others.

Details of camps on Demonetization							
No. of PLVs	No. of PLVs No. of help desks No. of persons provided Awareness						
deployed	set up	assistance	programmes				
11	6	875	11				

#### 2. HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY.

**Best DLSA:** Shimla, DLSA

## **Activities**

Major activities of DLSA, Shimla during Sept, 2016 to Aug, 2017 are:

- ❖ 83.54 % Settlement Rate in Lok Adalats.
- ❖ 3 Legal Aid Clinics/ Help Desks set up in three state level hospitals of Himachal Pradesh viz. IGMC Shimla, DDU Shimla and KNH Shimla, benefitting over 2697 persons.
- ❖ A special initiative programme on cleanliness of water resources (bawadis).
- ❖ A Mahila Jan Sunwai Adalat, in which 36 cases were settled amicably.
- ❖ Display of stickers in HRTC buses of local route displaying information related to Free Legal Assistance.
- ❖ A Pre-Litigation Mediation —cum- Legal Awareness Programme for the victims of Bus Accident at Gumma of Chopal.
- ❖ 27,244 saplings were planted during various afforestation drives organized by DLSA Shimla.
- ❖ 24 Bhang Ukhado Abhiyans, in which 5660 cannabis plants were uprooted.

St	Statistical Information of Legal Awareness Camps held by DLSA					
	Shimla( Sept, 2016 to Aug, 2017)					
Sr.	Legal Awareness	Number of Legal	Number of			
No.	Camps	Awareness Camps	Participants			
		held				
1	In Melas/ Fairs	3	500			
2	In Jails	45	8341			
3	In Juvenile Homes	25	892			
4	In Bus Stands	3	221			
5	In Schools and	153	21756			
	Colleges					
6	In Hospitals	4	281			
7	In Villages	78	5379			

	Number of Legal Aid Beneficiaries (Sept, 2016 to Aug, 2017)						
SC	Wom	Childr	In	Persons	Persons General(Persons Other To		Tota
	en	en	Custo	with	whose annual	S	1
			dy	Disabilit	income does not		
				у	exceed the		
					prescribed limit)		
10	94	4	56	2	18	3	187

1. Lok Adalats During this period, District Legal Services Authority Shimla, organized 182 Lok Adalats in which out of 36,273 cases 30,304 cases were settled amicably.

## 2. Legal Aid Clinics in Hospitals

District Legal Services Authority Shimla has set up 3 legal aid clinic/ help desks at IGMC Shimla, Kamla Nehru Hospital Shimla and Deen Dayal Upadhyay Shimla, during the month of Feb, 2017. Three PLVs in each clinic have been deputed by DLSA Shimla for rendering free Legal Assistance to the patients. Moreover, awareness about various medical schemes launched by Himachal Pradesh Government is also being done through these legal aid clinics.

During this period, **2697** persons were benefitted from these Legal Aid Clinics/ Help Desks.

#### 3. Cleanliness of Water Resources

A special initiative of cleanliness of water resources (Bawadis) has been undertaken by District Legal Service Authority, Shimla. A special campaign for cleanness of Bawadis situated at Tara Devi Shoghi Road side, near SDM residence Chopal and in Sub Division Theog were conducted by deputing PLVs of this authority. One container was also placed near Bawadi situated at Tara Devi Shoghi, with a sign board saying "Please put Pooja Samagri, Holy Statues of god, photos etc" in this container.

#### 4. Mahila Jan Sunwai Adalat

A Mahila Jan Sunwai was organized by this Authority on 16.12.2017 and 17.12.2017 at Bachat Bhawan DC Office Shimla as per the directions received from the Member Secretary, National Commission for Women Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India. During the said Mahjila Jan Sunwai, 3 Panel Lawyers and 4 Judicial Officers were deputed for legal assistance to the

parties present during Jan Mahila Jan Sunwai. **36** cases were settled amicably in the said sunwai.

## 5. Display of Free Legal Assistance Stickers in HRTC Buses

This authority has affixed **Legal Aid stickers** displaying the notice regarding providing of Free Legal Assistance to the general public and telephone numbers of office of Chairman DLSA Shimla and SDLSCs of Shimla in HRTC buses of local route of Shimla.

# 6. Pre-Litigation Mediation-cum-Legal Awareness Programme for the victims of Bus Accident at Gumma of Chopal:

DLSA Shimla organized pre-litigation mediation-cum legal literacy camp in the campus of Government Degree College, Nerwa on 28.05.2017 for the victims of bus accidents which took place at Gumma of Chopal Sub Division on 19.04. 2017. The camp was attended by **175** relatives/legal heirs of the **45** passengers of the bus who lost their lives in the said accident on 19.04.2017.

The participants were informed about the documents which are required for the purpose of filing of claim petition before MACT. The documents brought by the participants were also examined by the learned mediators.

## 7. Legal Awareness/ Literacy Camps

During this period, District Legal Services Authority Shimla organized **318** legal literacy camps viz. in jails, juvenile homes, hospitals, schools, villages and bus-stands.

## 7.1 Legal Awareness Camps in Jails

In order to sensitize prisoners about their legal rights, **45** Legal Awareness Camps were organized in the Jails viz. Model Central Jail Kanda and Sub-Jail Kaithu by Judicial Officers. In total, **8,341** prisoners were apprised about their legal rights/ free legal services available to them.

## 7.2 Legal Awareness Camps in Juvenile Homes:

The Chairman and Secretary District Legal Services Authority Shimla organized Awareness Camps in Juvenile Homes during this period and sensitized the inmates about their rights. During this period, **28** camps were organized and **892** persons were benefited from such camps.

## 7.3 Legal Awareness Camps in Hospitals:

A special endeavour has been made to organized Legal Awareness Camps in hospitals to apprise the attendants of the patients of the various beneficial Schemes of the Government. 4 camps were organized in hospitals during this period.

## 7.4 Legal Awareness Camps in Old Age Homes

During this period, 5 legal awareness camps were organized in old age homes.

## 7.5 Legal Awareness Camps at Bus Stands

During this period, District Legal Servcies Authority Shimla organized 3 Legal Awareness Camps at Bus Stands during which approx 221 persons were sensitized about various NALSA schemes, Motor Vehicle Act and welfare schemes of State government to the taxi operators, bus operators, drivers and other participants.

## 7.6 Legal Awareness Camps in Schools and Colleges

During this period, **153** legal awareness camps were organized in various schools by District Legal Services Authority Shimla, in which 21,756 students benefitted.

## 7.7 Legal Literacy Camps in Villages:

During this period, **78** legal literacy camps were organized in various villages, in which **5379** persons participated.

## 8. Legal Awareness Camps in Melas/ Fairs:

DLSA Shimla set up a stall during 'Summer Festival, at The Ridge Shimla w.e.f. 01.06.2017 to 05.06.2017 by deputing Panel Lawyer and Para Legal Volunteer to spread general legal awareness and information about the ten schemes of NALSA among the general public visiting the fair.

The Panel Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers so deputed by this authority provided valuable legal advice to **226** needy persons who visited the stall. Pamphlets/ booklets on 'Rights of Citizens' and various schemes of NALSA were also distributed to the general public.

## 9. MNREGAs Camps:

Village Legal Care and Support Centres have been established in villages where PLVs and Retainer Lawyers render legal assistance. In order to sensitize people about MNREG Scheme, DLSA Shimla has trained PLVs to impart knowledge about the Scheme. During this period, **67** MNREGs camps were held.

# 10. Legal Awareness Camp at Children with Special ability Centre Dhalli Shimla

A special legal awareness camp was organized by DLSA Shimla in Institute for children with special ability Centre Dhalli Shimla. The programme was presided over by Hon'ble Mr. Justice A. K. Sikri, Judge Supreme Court of India, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjay Karol, Acting Chief Justice of High Court of HP and Executive Chairman HPSLSA and other Hon'ble Judges of High Court of HP.

# 11. Training Programmes for Retainer Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers:

During this period, 4 training programmes were conducted for Retainer Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers. One training programme was organized on 24.11.2016 on Schemes NALSA (Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015 and NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015. Another training programme was organized on 17.06.2017 and 18.06.2017 under Regulation 1996 and Legal Aid Counsel Scheme, 2003 & NALSA(Free and Competent Legal Services) Regulation, 2010. Two more training programmes were conducted to Retainer Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers of Sub Divisional Legal Services Committee on NALSA(Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights )Scheme, 2015 and NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication fo Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015.

A district meet for Para Legal Volunteers of SDLSCs was organized by DLSA Shimla on 19.09.2016 at New Judicial Court Complex Chakkar Shimla, in which 38 PLVs participated. They were imparted training by the Judicial Officers and Advocates on 'Role of Legal Services Institutions and Role of Para Legal Volunteers' and various Schemes of NALSA.

The performance of Para Legal Volunteers was assessed on the basis of work done by them w.e.f. 01.09.2015 to 31.08.2016 and five best PLVs were selected in the meet.

#### 12. Activities of Mediation:

Mediation awareness programmes are being organized in every court for the Advocates and litigants whose cases are likely to come on board during next three months. During this period. **84** cases were referred by the different court for Mediation throughout District & Sessions Court Shimla, out of which **10** cases were settled.

# 13. National Legal Services Authority (Free and Competent Legal Services) Regulations, 2010:

During this period, **35** applications were dealt by Retainer Lawyers while **26** applications were dealt by Para Legal Volunteers.

## 14. Village Legal Care and Support Centers

At present, **63** Village Legal Care and Support Centers and 1 PLV in each center are functional under District Legal Services Authority, Shimla. **2555** persons were provided legal aid/ advice during this period through these centers.

## 15. Progress made in NALSA Schemes:

During this period, **924** programmes were organized by District Legal Services Authority, Shimla in which **73,688** perosns were sensitized about ten schemes of NALSA.

## 16. Assistance to Public during Demonetization

District Legal Service Authority Shimla set up help desks in various branches of nationalized banks of Shimla Division. Para Legal Volunteers of all the SDLSCs of this authority were also appointed in these branches to assist the public in filling up of forms for exchange of 500 and 1000 rupees notes. The activities under taken by help desks included making the visitors aware of their rights and cautioning the public about the consequences of doing transactions on behalf of others.

## 17. Radio Programmes on All India Radio

During this period, two radio programmes were done. One was done by ADJ(II) Shimla on Law against Smoking in Public Places on 26.04.2017 and another radio programme was done by Sh Virender Singh, Chairman DLSA Shimla.

## 18. Bhang Ukhado Abhiyan

The Para Legal Volunteers of this authority were associated in large number of bhang ukhado programmes during this period. **24** such programmes were organized during this period, in which approx. **5660** cannabis plants were uprotted.

## 19. Jail Inspections

Regular inspections of two jails viz. Central Jail Kanda and Kaithu Jail Kanda are being conducted every month by Chairman, District Legal Services Authority Shimla as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court's direction in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 559/1994 with Writ Petition (Civil) No. 133/2002 and the reports are being submitted to the Ld. Member Secretary State Legal Services Authority. During this period, approx. **201** female inmates were sensitized about their legal rights.

#### 20. Afforestation Drive

Afforestation programmes were organized in Schools and Collegs by District Legal Services Authority, Shimla in collaboration with the Forest and Education Department. During these drives, students were also sensitized about Environment and Fundamental Duties. **27,244 samplings** were planted during this period and 24,558 students from 395 schools participated in afforestation programmes organized by this authority.

Sr. No.	Name of Sub Division Committee	Number of Schools	Number of Students	Number of Plants planted
1	Chairman DLSA Shimla	35	2295	2295
2	SDLSC Shimla	153	7246	7337
3	SDLSC Theog	52	4603	4603
4	SDLSC Rohru	107	6936	9855
5	SDLSC Jubbal	29	1097	773
6	SDLSC Chopal	19	2381	2381
	Total	395	24558	27244

**Table:Statistics of Afforestation Programme.** 

During this period, three afforestation programmes were organized by DLSA Shimla at forest area under GP Tara Pur (Mashobra Block), Totu (Mashobra Block)

and near Judicial Court Complex Chakker. Approximately, 250 samplings were planted during these three drives.

## 21. Legal Services Clinics in Jails

Legal Services Clinics in two jails have been established. These clinics are manned by the PLVs (Long Term Prisoners) and Retainer Lawyers. **362** persons were benefitted during this period from these clinics.

# 22. Awareness Programme on Legal Services to workers in unorganized sector

During this period, 102 awareness programmes for the workers of unorganized sector were organized at various places by District Legal Services Authority Shimla. 5665 persons were benefitted from these awareness programmes.

## 23. Visits by DLSA

In order to ensure better living conditions to the inmates of Bal/ Balika Ashrams, Old Age Homes and Observation Homes, periodical inspections of these homes are conducted by the Chariman DLSA Shimla and other Judicial Officers of Civil and Sessions Division Shimla. Aprrox. 3, 048 persons were benefitted during such visits in the Bal/ Balika Ashrams, Old Age Homes and Observation Homes.

# 24. W.P.(C) No. 559/1994 titled as R.D. Upadhyay versus State of AP & others

As per the Writ Petition (C) No. 559/1994 titled R.D. Upadhyay versus State of AP & others, three mentally challenged persons were provided assistance during this period.

• During the month of October, 2016 local advocate Sh Narinder Singh from Theog had brought to the notice of Chairman DLSA Shimla that one mentally challenged person was roaming in Theog area and that he was incapable of taking care of himself. On this, necessary directions were issued to the Sub-Divisonal Magistrate and Police Station Theog to look into the matter taking it to be responsibility for his care, protection or maintenance. The said mentally challenged

- person has been sent by the Sub Divisional Magistrate to HOD Psychiatric Department Shimla.
- Another mentally challenged person living near Ghandal in open area was brought to the notice of this authority. The said person was also not in a position to walk properly. He was stated to be residing there for last 2-3 years. The person has been sent to Old Age Home Basantpur, Shimla.
- A letter was received from the Councillor Ward No. 6 MC Shimla about a mentally challenged person who was roaming near Totu area. On the receipt of said report necessary directions were issued to Police Station Boileuganj. The said person has been sent to Mental Rehabilitation Centre Boileuganj.

## 25. Legal Aid Gallery

DLSA has established a Legal Aid Gallery at the entrance of Court Complex Chakkar Shimla displaying the boards, photo gallery, kiosk and LED screen showing the various schemes of NALSA, SALSA and Himachal Pradesh Government by playing video clippings spreading knowledge to the masses on LED screen.

The said gallery was also visited by Judicial Officers of all the Civil and Sessions Divisions, HP during the year 2016-17 and hence this authority has made sincere efforts to impart awareness about the benefits of various schemes of NALSA, SALSA and HP government among the general public who visits the Court for attending their cases and to appear as witness and other works.

## **26.** Observation of Important Days:

Sr. No.	Month	Programme	No. of Programmes organized	No. of Participants
1	September, 2016	National Legal Services	4	172
2	October, 2016	Day World Mental Health Day	1	51
		Mediation Awareness Programme	2	70
3	November, 2016	National Law Day	2	63
4	December, 2016	World Aids Day	5	190
		Disability Day	6	55
		Human Rights Day	5	160
5	January, 2017	Republic Day	2	69
6	February, 2017	World Day of Social Justice	2	82
7	March, 2017	International Women Day	10	680
8	May, 2017	Labour Day	9	206
		Anti Tobacco Day	10	1877

9	June, 2017	World Environment Day	5	363
		World Day against Drug	5	322
		Abuse		
		World Day against Child	10	282
		Labour		
10	July, 2017	World Day against	4	125
		trafficking in persons		
11	August, 2017	Celebration of	4	369
		Independence Day		
		Total	86	5136

**Table: Observation of Important Days.** 

#### 27. Other Activities:

- 1. Meeting of Para Legal Volunteers and Retainer Lawyers of Sub-Divisional Legal Services Committees of this authority are being regularly held every month. During the said meetings, approx, 20-25 PLVs and Retainer Lawyers/Panel Lawyers participated every month.
- 2. Meeting of Monitoring Committee of Legal Aided Matters under Clause 10 of National Legal Services Authority (Free and Competent Legal Services Regulations, 2010) have been conducted every month by DLSA including Sub Divisional Legal Services Committees. In the said meetings, the performances of the Legal Aided Matter assigned to the Panel Lawyers are assessed.

## 3. JAMMU & KASHMIR STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Jammu

#### **Activities**

- 1. The DLSA Jammu organized 34 Awareness Camps to apprise general masses, marginalised sections of the society i.e. SCs, STs, Old aged, handicapped, children, women, unorganised workers, labours about their rights and privileges and also about different social welfare schemes that are in vogue for these marginalized sections of the society and how to reap the benefits under these schemes. The topics in the awareness camps also included awareness about the consumer protection law, save girl child, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, PNDT Act, Labour Laws, Domestic Violence, Anti-Tobacco Campaign and Anti Ragging Campaign.
- **2.** DLSA Jammu organised National and Regular LokAdalats in which 12949 cases of different nature were settled and amount of Rs. **91,49,93,607** crores was recovered as settlement amount in these Lok Adalts.
- **3.** Two days PLV Training programme was organized by DLSA Jammu. Training was imparted to 150 PLVs of Jammu province as per the Training Schedule formulated by NALSA and adopted by J&K SLSA.
- **4.** 181 beneficiaries were provided Legal Aid, these included individuals belonging to marginalised sections of the society.
- 5. 09 cases were decided through mediation organised by DLSA Jammu.
- **6.** 02 Retainer Lawyers Training Programmes were also organized by DLSA Jammu as per the training schedule formulated by NALSA and adopted by J&K SLSA.
- 7. DLSA Jammu in its endeavour for "Access to Justice for all" reached out to masses through various programmes, by establishing a network of Legal Aid Clinics in community centres, rural areas of the district and 10 thousand persons were benefitted through these clinics as they approached these clinics and subsequently their grievances were redressed by taking up their matters with different agencies and district administration.

#### 4. PUNJAB STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Jalandhar, DLSA

## **Activities**

## 1. Free Legal Aid to eligible Litigants:-

During the last year i.e. September 2016 to September 2017, Legal Services have been provided to 1950 **persons** 

Category	No. of persons provided legal services
Persons in custody	1027
Women	463
SC/STs	162
Indigent	298

Total 1950

Legal Services Day was observed at 21 schools of Jalandhar in which the teams of DLSA organized Seminars from 07.011.2016 to 09.11.2016 and pamphlets were distributed. With the wide publicity of the said schemes, the numbers of applications for providing legal services are increasing every month and the people are showing full faith for availing legal services. Last year the numbers were 1674 and this year the figure is 1950.

## Sensitization programme for advocates on the Panel for Legal Aid:

The DLSA, Jalandhar conducted training-cum- sensitization programme for Advocates on Panel for Providing Legal Aid every month and the advocates were made aware to provide free and competent legal Services to the needy Litigants as per the spirit of the Scheme

# Sensitization programme for Readers/Naib Courts of all the courts for Legal Aid:

The DLSA, Jalandhar conducted training-cum- sensitization programme for all the Readerts/Naib Courts of Jalandhar Sessions Division who are important link between the Courts and Police Administration regarding conducting of criminal proceedings as per Cr.P.C. As they have to deal with public at large, they were

trained regarding the scheme of Free and Competent Legal Services to the needy litigants.

## 2. Anti Drugs Drive: "Say No to Drugs"

## A. Seminars on Anti-Drug Awareness:

The DLSA, Jalandhar organized at least 141 Anti Drug seminars in the villages and schools/Colleges, slums, 11 BDPOs Blocks to aware the masses regarding the drugs menace. To make aware about the bad effects of drugs on health, plays/skits were also performed by the artists and PLV's on the theme "Say No to Drugs'. Two Rallies were also organized in this regard.

## B. Regular Visits to Rehabilitation/Drug de-addiction Center:

The Secretary, DLSA has also visited the Rehabilitation Center/ Drug Deaddiction centers and One Stop Crisis Centre to hear the grievances of the patients and CMO was directed to resolve the same. With the intevention of the DLSA, Jalandhar Permanent staff and infrastructure was also provided to the One Stop Crisis Centre, Jalandhar.

## C. Drugs Awareness Campaign in Jail:

The DLSA has also conducted 147 visits(15 by Secretary and 132 by Advocates) and conducted more than 200 seminars in the Jail premises to sensitize the inmate/prisoners regarding legal aid, plea bargaining and the menace of drug addiction and also to motivate them to shun this evil which is eating the roots of our society.

## 3. Legal Services Provided to Mentally Challenged Persons.

The Provision of Mental Health Act and facilities available to the mentally challenged persons under the Act are highlighted to public at large. Regular Visits to witness the basic facilities are made at Prayas School of Mentally Challenged Children and Guru Nanak Apahaj Ashram, Budiana. The Secretary, DLSA, Jalandhar made a visit to Guru Nanak Anath Ashram, Jalandhar and found that there are more than 100 people living there which include Mentally Challenged Persons who were kept there without any reception order. The said Asharam had no authority to keep such type of people. The DLSA Jalandhar wrote letters to Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar in this regard and the Worthy Deputy Comissioner of Jalandhar took initiative to work proper as per law and the paitents have been shifted to appropriate homes.

**CHANGE HERALDED:** The DLSA, Jalandhar took initiative for passing reception orders. The doctors of Civil Surgeon, identified 21 such mentally challenged person. The Secretary prepared the petitions of these people and filed in the court of Learned CJM, Jalandhar. The said court passed the necessary reception order under Mental Health Act for sending them to Mental Hospital. Thus 21 mentally challenged persons were shifted to Mental Hospital Amritsar where they are getting proper treatment.

## 4. Shifting of Children to Children Home for Girls:

Guru Nanak Ananth Ashram was registered as CCI but no amenties were available for the children as per J.J.Act. The officers of District Child Protection Unit was impressed by the District Legal Services Authority, Jalandhar and the children were shifted to Children Home for Girls and other Child Care Institutions.

## 5. Rescue and Restoration of two Women:

One woman who was suffering from various diseases was found sitting in court complex. The then Secretary, DLSA directed on PLV to rescue this patient and to get him admitted in the hospital. Sh. Jagjit Singh immediately called the Ambulance and lifted that patient and got him admitted in the One Stop Crisis Centre, Jalandhar, Civil Hospital, Jalandhar for further treatment.

In a similar case, a lady who was mentally challenged and who was being harassed by the people as reported by the shopkeeoers and the Secretary, DLSA, Sh. Gurmeet Tiwana deputed Sh. Jagjit Singh PLV to rescue the said lady. Mentally ill lady was rescued from that particular area of Jalandhar. Matter was referred to One Stop Crisis Centre, Jalandhar, Civil Hospital, Jalandhar and the lady was rehabilitated.

## 6. Access to Children Living in Slums:

The DLSA, Jalandhar team visited the slums area of Kang Saboo, Awana, Kaki Pind, Chogitti where the indigent people are residing who have migrated from other States like Maharashtra, Bihar, Madhya Pardesh, Chattisgarh etc. Legal Awareness camps were organized for providing education to the children. They were made aware regarding different schemes of education department and children were got registered in the government schools. The children residing there in large were provided books, note books etc. on the eve of Republic Day i.e. 26.1.2017 and Independence Day 15.8.2017.

# Opening of Beauty Parlour Centre for the Girls of Children Home and Children Home for Girls at Gandhi Vanita Ashram, Jalandhar.

The DLSA, Jalandhar sponsored One month Beauti Parlour Centre for 50 girls of Children Home and Children Home for Girls, Gandhi Vanita Ashram Jalandhar and opened a Beauti Parlour Centre there. The trained teachers of NGO ROODSET were got deputed for imparting training to the inmate girls residing there. Apart from this the DLSA with the assistance of NGO provided stitching Machines to girl inmates in these homes and also arranged counseling of the inmates through trained counselors on regular basis. After one month training the 50 girls were given certificates by the DLSA, Jalandhar and NGO ROODSET and these girls now have better future as and when they will go to their homes, they can earn money by opening Beauty Parlours.

# 9. Skill Development Centre (Beautician Course) Free of Cost for Abandoned Women at State Protective Home

The DLSA, Jalandhar had established a Skill Development Center Jalandhar in collaboration with RITU COLONTINES organization at State Women Protective Home, Basti Gujan, Jalandhar and is still providing free course of beautician there. This will help the women in future. About 40 inmates girls residing at State Women Protective Home, Basti Gujan are got training of beautician course.

## 10. Legal services to the tribals and people living in slums:

The DLSA, Jalandhar has worked for upliftment education, personnel hygiene and health for the persons living in slums areas. The activities are as under.

Date	Programme held
9.11.2016	Regarding registration them in the field of workers working in the unorganized sector and Regarding their problem like residence, Electricity and Water
26.1.2017	Regarding their Education and For providing Hygiene
26.1.2017	Republic Day was celebrated on 26.1.2017 in which about 500 persons including male and female of hutments and children took part in the said celebration. The function was also attended by CJM-cum-Secretary, DLSA. They were also provided fruits, biscuits, note books and basic hygiene kits

## 11. Legal services to the labourers working in the unorganized sectors:

In Jalandhar total 2703 persons have been registered as workers in the unorganized sector who are paid compensation, pension and stipend by the Assistant Labour Commissioner, Jalandhar Total 87 awareness camps were organized for upliftment of these workers in PWD(B&R), Labour Chowks, Jalandhar Improvement Office, Corporation Office as per details given below:

The DLSA, Jalandhar organized about 87 Seminar at slums and in villages of Jalandhar. 2703 workers have been registered during the period who are working in unorganized sector. The workers were distributed the Cycles also. Smart Card of Bhagat Puran Singh Beema Yojna were also distributed.

## 12. Students Legal Literacy Club:-

Under the said scheme 138 Students Legal Literacy Club in Government Senior Secondary Schools, 136 in Government High Schools and 11 in colleges have been set up which are being regulated/headed by the teachers of respective schools/colleges. 3 Clinics have been set up in law Colleges and one Legal Literacy Club has been set up for North East Student in DAV University. A Legal Literacy Club at HMV College has been constituted by DLSA, Jalandhar on 12.9.2016 and a function and interaction sessions was also held. Four seminars were held on the the topics The concept of legal services, Children Rights, Women Rights, Schemes for workers working in the unorganized sector.

# 13. Jail Camp Court and Jail Seminars and improvement in Conditions of inmates:

The DLSA, Jalandhar is holding camp court and organizing seminars in Modern Jail, Jalandhar at Kapurthala four times in a month. The inmates were informed about the legal services under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 and the prospects of plea-bargaining. Free Legal Services forms were also got filled. 82 cases were settled in camp courts by holding 12 camp courts in the jail premises presided over by Sh. Gurmeet Tiwana CJM-cum-Secretary, DLSA, Jalandhar.

CHANGE OF JAIL MENU AFTER INTERVENTION OF DLSA: After intervention of the DLSA, Jalandhar, green vegetables are being provided to the inmates regularly twice in a week.

## 14. Victim compensation scheme u/s 357-A of cr.p.c.

Under the scheme and the guidelines of the Legal Services Authority, proper attention is given to pass the awards of compensation to the victims as per the Victim Compensation scheme. Activities done in this regard is as under:

No. of applications Action taken

received

29 disposed off

Compensation awarded 2640000/-

Total 29 applications have been received which includes victim of murder, acid attack and rape etc. and all the applications have been disposed off and award of an amount of Rs. 2640000/- is passed in favour of the victims.

In 230 Hospitals i.e. Government and Private, the Sign Boards showing the information of Victim Compensation Scheme have been installed. The doctors were also sensitized to provide proper treatment to the victims of acid attack and rape victims as and when required by the victim as per the scheme. These boards are affixed in each and every hospital in Jalandhar district and in all its Tehsils and Sub Tehsils.

# <u>Implementation of orders dated 24.4.2015 passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in case Luxmi Vs. UOI</u>

In order to implement the orders dated 24.4.2015 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in case Luxmi Vs. UOI, the DLSA, Jalandhar installed 230 venyle boards featuring information highlighting the provision of section 357-A and 357-C of Cr.P.C regarding compensation to rape and acid attack victims and their cost free treatment. These Hospitals are randomly checked by the Secretary DLSA, Jalandhar.

#### 15. Work in the field of Environment:

Apart from the above, the DLSA Jalandhar has organized seminars/ functions in different areas on theme 'SAVE-ENVIRONMENT' as per the directions of the Punjab Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh. About 500 plants were planted in the various schools, court premises and villages. Trees were also planted by District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman, DLSA and Judicial Officers of Jalandhar Sessions Division.

# 16. Inter department coordination for synergising various poverty alleviation schemes:

A Compendium of various poverty alleviation and Social Schemes was complied and distributed to all concerned departments as well as to the panel of advocates for providing legal services for making the general public aware in the seminars.

This Compendium was also sent to all the Government High Schools and Government Senior Secondary Schools for the purpose that maximum people may come to know about the various poverty alleviation schemes through school children and teachers of the schools.

#### 17. Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens

To implement the Law under "Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizen Act', the DLSA, Jalandhar organized Seminars in shelter homes/old age homes with the help of NGOs like Apahaj Ashram, Senior Citizen Home, PAHAL, The senior citizen/parents were informed about their legal rights of maintenance/ property. In the Senior Citizen Home at Red Cross, Jalandhar proper food was not provided to the inmates.

**CHANGE USHERED:** The DLSA team heard the grievances of the residents of Sr. Citizen Home to find that proper food was not served and there was no provision for any medical aid. In this regard letter was written to THE Civil Surgeon Jalandhar and the Secretary, Red Cross. The Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar constituted a team of doctors who visits the said Home once in a week to check up the Senior Citizen and provides medicines free of cost. Proper food is also providing after the visits to the Senior Citizen Home.

#### 8. Meditation Centre:

Mediation Centre has also been established at Jalandhar, in which 10 Mediators are working. Around 15-20 cases are being settled by way of Mediation and Conciliation every month. From September 2016 to September, 2017, total **150** cases have been settled in the Mediation Center, Jalandhar. Sh. G.K. Agnihotri, Advocate/Mediator has also been trained as Master Trainer of Legal Aid.

All the panel lawyers and members of the Bar Association were also sensitized about the concept of Mediation and Conciliation.

# 19. Implementation of orders dated 30.3.2015 passed by Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court in case titled as Court its own motion Vs. State of Punjab

There is a State Protective Home and Observation Home and Children Home for destitute girls and for the girls who got married against the wishes of their parents. Such girls are being sent to these homes by the orders of various courts, Child Welfare Committees and by the Administration. Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court passed an order dated 30.3.2015 to release these girls who are major and to hand over to their parents and their In-laws. To implement the said order in its

Letter & spirit, from 1.9.2016 to 30.9.2017, total 126 girls of Children Homes. Children Home for Girls and Observation Home and 42 girls of State Protective Home have gone to their parents homes & In- laws house.

The DLSA, Jalandhar is making utmost efforts to rehabilitate these girls. The DLSA Jalandhar has also organized a traditional function of Punjab i.e. Lohri on 13.01.2017 at Observation Home. Skits to save girl child were also performed. As per the customs, the Lohri -fire was lightened and Gur, Rewari, Ground Nuts were also distributed to the girls.

## 20. Grievances of General public:

The District Legal Services Authority, Jalandhar is receiving approx. 15 applications from general people every month pertaining to their grievances in other departments like police, labour and district administration. The application of grievances of general public are immediately referred to the concerned authorities with regular follow up is done by DLSA. The total 47 applications about domestic problems of various applicants were received and were sent to the concerned departments for their redressal. The applicants are showing faith to resolve their grievances at the ADR Center. The department of Police like Commissioner of Police and SSP(Rural),

Jalandhar have also been requested to send the matrimonial and other cases which are received by them in the various police stations especially in Mahila Police Stations and the results are positive.

#### 21. T.V./Radio Talks:

13 TV talks and Seven All India radio and 4 Cumminty Radio talks on the Topics Rights of Women & children, Victim compensation schemes, lok adalats, Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizen, Legal Services and Juvenile Justice Act, IT Act, NRI Issues were conducted by the CJM-cum-Secretary, DLSA and the panel lawyers. Information was also given by the under signed to the NRIs about their legal rights and about establishment of NRI courts.

## 22. Juvenile Justice Training Programme:

Two Juvenile Justice Training programme were conducted for the SHOs and for Protection Officers working under SSP(Rural) and Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar in which SHOs and protection officers participated . The SHOs and Protection Officers were also briefed about the IPC, POCSO Act, PNDT, Victim

Compensation Scheme, DV Act, arrest etc. Printed material was also distributed among the participants.

## 23. Checking of Rane Baseras/Night Shelter Homes:

The Secretary DLSA Jalandhar visited all the Rane Baseras in Jalandhar district and found that all the Rane Baseras are functioning and open for the general public. The learned Secretary visited Rane Baseras/ shelter homes available to the needy people. These Rane Basera are available for the general public and working properly.

## 24. Visit of Guru Nanak Apahaj Anath Ashram Budiana, Jalandhar:

The Secretary DLSA, Jalandhar visited the Guru Nanak Anath Ashram, Budiana thrice and found multifold irregularities. 20 inmates had been transferred to Mental Hospital Amritsar who were detained in Guru Nanak Anath Ashram wrongly by violating the Mental Health Act by putting petitions in the Hon'ble court of CJM, Jalandhar.

#### 25. Female Foeticide

To implement the PNDT Act, seminars were organized at regular intervals to save the girl child ratio. The main objectives of the PNDT Act were discussed. A message of Beti Bachao Beti Parao was elaborated.

#### 26. Stickers on Auto Rickshaw/Buses Etc:

The DLSA, Jalandhar got prepared the STICKERS to be affixed on the Auto Rickshaws, Private/Government buses and school buses highlighting information in respect to legal services and other schemes and depicting **Toll Free number 1968** with logo of NALSA with email ID of DLSA, Jalandhar, so that maximum number of people are benefitted under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987. About **700** stickers were got affixed on the Auto Rickshaws and buses of schools by the undersigned and the team of DLSA, Jalandhar.

# 27. Flex Boards of Schemes of Legal Aid, Lok Adalats, Permanant Lok Adalat (PUS), Victim Compensation Scheme and Mediation:

The DLSA Jalandhar got prepared Flex Boars having the information of Legal Aid, Lok Adalats, Permanent Lok Adalats (PUS), Mediation, Victim Compensation Schemes etc. The Secretary DLSA, Jalandhar and the teams of Advocates visiting the Schools and Panchayats affixed these Flex Boards in the Schools and Colleges

and Government offices. These flex boards have already been affixed in all the Government Senior Secondary Schools, High Schools and all the Private Senior Secondary Schools, High Schools and colleges, so that maximum people and students may come to know the concept of these schemes and to take benefit of these schemes.

# 28. Awareness campaign in Two Days Mela Sidh Baba Sodal Mandir Shakti Peeth, Jalandhar:

The DLSA, Jalandhar constituted a team of Five Advocates and Two PLVs to create awareness among the followers of Sidh Baba Sodal Shakti Peeth, Jalandhar on 4.9.2017 and 5.9.2017. During this two days Mela, the pamphlets were distributed and face to face awareness campaign was launched among two to three lac people visited to pay obeisance in said holy place. About 10000 pamphlets distributed there about the various legal services schemes. Advice was given the people.

## 29. Lok Adalats:

As per the directions of National Legal Services Authority and Punjab Legal Services Authority, National Lok Adalats are being organized at regular intervals and Regular Lok Adalats are being organized on Saturday of every month. Total 21 National Lok Adalats were held and 38560 cases were disposed off and an amount of Rs. 544143700/- has been paid/awarded as compensation. Apart from this in 5 monthly Lok adalats 100 cases were settled and an amount of Rs. 4600327/- has been paid/awarded.

## 30. Permanent Lok Adalat (PUS):

The Permanant Lok Adalat is working at Jalandhar and cases pertaining to electricity, sanitation, cell companies, finance companies, banking, transport, environmental are being taken up on regular basis and total number of 1595 cases have been settled in the Permanent Lok Adalat from September 2016 to September 2017.

## 31. Para Legal Volunteer Scheme:

As per Para Legal Volunteer scheme, 30 PLV'S have been trained and were deputed to hold Seminars at various educational institutions, organizations and Police Stations, CWC, Observation Home, Children Home, Old Age Home for the redressal of grievances of children in conformity with directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in "Bachpan Bachao Andolan" scheme.

## 32. Legal Aid Clinics Scheme:

Under this scheme 44 Legal Aid Clinics have been established in villages, towns and jails in which the advocates and PLVs are deputed for providing Legal Aid and Advice to the needy litigants. The legal advice have been provided to 1122 persons through these clinics.

## 33. Publicity/ Holding of Seminars:

As per the instruction of the Punjab Legal Services Authority, the DLSA, Jalandhar is organizing at least 60 seminars every month to create legal awareness among the general public. In total **858** seminars/ awareness camps have been conducted during this period in schools, colleges, localities, observation homes, protective homes, Nari Niketan, Gurdwaras, Masjids, Temples, factories, police stations, SDM offices, Hospitals, Guru Nanak Anath Ashram, Senior citizen home, Jail, Bus stand, Railway stations, Grain markets, Sabji mandi etc. About 25000 pamphlets were also distributed among the people/ students etc. highlighting the activities of legal services, Lok Adalats, victim compensation scheme, Permanent Lok Adalat (PUS) etc. About 6500000 people were covered through the said seminars.

## 34. Awareness campaign in three Days Mela at Baba Lal Badshah Ji Nakodar

The DLSA, Jalandhar constituted a team of Advocates and PLVs to create awareness among the followers at Dera Lal Badshah during two days Mela held at Nakodar where the pamphlets were distributed and face to face awareness campaign was launched among two lac people visited to pay obeisance in said holy place. About 7000 pamphlets distributed there about the various legal services schemes.

## 35. Awareness campaign in three Days Mela at Baba Murad Sah Ji Nakodar

The DLSA, Jalandhar constituted a team of Advocates and PLVs to create awareness among the followers at Dera Baba Murad Shah during three days Mela held at Nakodar where the pamphlets were distributed and face to face awareness campaign was launched among three to two lac people visited to pay obeisance in said holy place. About 5000 pamphlets distributed there about the various legal services schemes.

# 36. Regarding constitution of Family Welfare Committee by the Hon'ble Supreme court of India in Criminal Appeal No. 1265 of 2017.

The DLSA, Jalandhar has constituted a Committee as directed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Criminal Appeal No. 1265 of 2017 for listning the cases under section 498A of IPC.

# 37. Sensitization programme for all the employees of sessions division, Jalandhar.

The DLSA, Jalandhar conducted training-cum- sensitization programme for the employees of this sessions division during the perio in which all the employees like readers, ahlmads, naazir, process servers, translators etc were made aware about the concept of legal Services and Lok Adalats and for uploading data of National Lok Adalats on National Judicial Data Grid

## 38. Work Done with Regard to Seven New Schemes

Sr. No.	Name of the Scheme	Work done/Seminars held	Remarks
1	NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Sexual Exploitation), Scheme, 2015	7 Seminars organized for Anganwadi Workers	
2	NALSA(Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme	203 Seminars included door to door awareness held	
3	NALSA(Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015	173 Seminars organized	
4	NALSA(Legal Services to the Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015	24 Seminars organized	One TV talk

5	NALSA (Effective		
	Implementation of Poverty		
	Alleviation Schemes) Scheme,		
	2015		
6	NIAI CA Ductaction and		

173 Seminars organized

6 NALSA Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015

- 1. Medical Camp
- 2. Legal awareness seminars(5)

(Mingrant people from Maharashtra and Madhyapardesh settled in shenties)

- NALSA(Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015
- 173 Seminars organized and four rallies conducted

One TV talk

## 5. UTTARAKHAND STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

## Best DLSA: Pauri Garhwal.

## 1- Lok Adalat: Regular/National/Mobile Lok Adalat

Adalats	Cases disposed off	Compensation awarded	released as fine	persons benefited in
held <b>07</b>	556	1,76,18,342	4,21,650	Lok Adalats 578

## 2- Legal Literacy and Sensitization Camps:

No. of	Observance of	Special Camps	Subject of Camps	Total
Legal	Days/Events			No. of
Awaren				Persons
ess				benefitt
Camps				ed
T	1.International Literacy Day	16	Legal Services to the	
353	2.Hindi Day		Workers in the	59775
333	3. World Mental Health Day	Mentally Ill and	Unorganized Sector,	37113
	4. National Legal Services	Mentally Disabled	Women Rights, Child	
	Day	Persons & Issues of	Rights, JJB Act,	
	5. World HIV/AIDS	Missing Women	RTE, Drug Abuse,	
	6. International Day for	and Children,	Child Labour, Child	
	Human Rights	Govt.	Marriage, Projection	
	7. World Disability Day	Compensation	of Water Resources,	
	8. International Women's	Scheme to Victims	Rights to Under Trail	
	Day	of Acid Attack,	Prisoners, Effective	
	9. Water Day	HAMDARD	Implementation of	
	10. Labour Day	Campaign-	Poverty Alleviation,	
	11. Anti Tobacco Day	General Health	Protection and	
	12. World Health Day	Check-up for Senior		
	13.World Environment Day	Citizens, Police	Tribal Rights,	
	14. World Day Against	Verification of	HIV/AIDS, NDPS	
	Child Labour	Servants & Tenants	Act, Domestic	
		for Security of	Violence, Rights of	
		Senior Citizens	SC/ST, Social	
			Welfare Schemes as	
			run by the State	
			Govt., Dowry Act,	
			Displaying of DVD	
			received from	

	NALSA, Legal	
	Rights of Senior	
	Citizens & Women,	
	Sexual Harassment,	
	POSCO Act,	
	Painting/Poster	
	Competition	

- 3- In addition to above DLSA Pauri Garhwal has helped in getting compensation to the Disaster affected families and provided total `20,03,300/- in district Pauri Garhwal.
- 4- During the aforesaid period a total number 08 applications/Victims were provided compensation of **Rs. 50,20,000/-** under Uttarakhand Victims Compensation Scheme.
- 5- DLSA Pauri Garhwal has processed total 59 applications received in the office of DLSA and provided them panel lawyers to defend their case.
- 6- A total number of **497 applications** were received during the legal literacy/awareness campaign relating to different Govt. Departments in the State of Uttarakhand. The said applications were related to Aadhar Card, Family Register Copy, Income Certificate, Health Card, to get compensation under the different Govt. Welfare Schemes, Social Welfare Department, and Widow/Old Age Pension etc.
- 7-During the aforesaid period DLSA Pauri Garhwal has helped in number of **545** Aadhar/PAN/BPL/Votar getting/preparing a total /Health/Vaccination /Rashan Cards and Income/Domicile/Death/Birth/Caste/Hill /SC/ST/OBC Area Certificates/Family Copy Widow/Old Register and Age/Abandoned/Disability Pensions. Common mass were also helped in getting compensations under different State/Central Govt. Schemes.
- 8- DLSA Pauri Garhwal is complying with the directions of the NALSA and UKSLSA, Nainital with the help of Panel Lawyers and PLVs.
- 9- During the said period total 13 legal awareness camps were organized in district jail Pauri. Total **12 visits** were also conducted in the district jail Pauri and inspected the kitchen, medical facilities, cleanliness and register maintaining in the legal aid clinic at district jail Pauri Garhwal. **Seven (07)** visits of Children/Observation/Juveniles Homes were also conducted.

- 10- Conducted **12 Meetings** with the Panel Lawyers and PLVs to take feedback of the works and issued directions to perform their duties in an effective manner to bridge the gap between the common mass and legal services intuitions.
- 11- During the said DLSA Pauri Garhwal conducted 01 Refresher and 02 Inductions Trainings for newly elected PLVs were conducted. Sensitization Training Programmes for Panchayat Members, Panel Lawyers and Law Students were also conducted.

# South Zone Best DLSAs

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## **South Zone Best DLSAs**

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#### 1. ANDHRA PRADESH STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Prakasam DLSA

## **Activities**

- 569 number of Lok Adalats organised by DLSA Prakasam during the period from November, 2016 to August, 2017
- 5077 pre-litigation cases settled by DLSA Prakasam during the period from November, 2016 to August, 2017
- 10821 pending cases settled by DLSA Prakasam during the period from November, 2016 to August, 2017
- 30 cases settled by DLSA Prakasam through mediation during the period from November, 2016 to August, 2017
- 881 legal literacy camps organised by DLSA Prakasam during the period from November, 2016 to August, 2017
- 435 persons were provided free legal aid by the DLSA Prakasam during the period from November, 2016 to August, 2017
- 41 legal aid clinics established by DLSA Prakasam during the period from November, 2016 to August, 2017
- 109 PLVs trained by DLSA Prakasam during the period from November, 2016 to August, 2017
- 173 Panel lawyers trained by DLSA Prakasam during the period from November, 2016 to August, 2017

## 2. KARNATAKA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Belagavi, DLSA

## **Activities**

The DLSA, Belagavi undertook various legal Service related activities apart from organizing legal literacy camps, lok adalaths. It has also undertaken other service oriented programmes.

## 1. Performance in Lok Adalat:

## a. Regular Lok Adalat.

Month	PLC	Court cases	Total	Amount
Jan-2017	22	1314	1336	8,15,000.00
Feb-2017	174	7895	8,069	47,06,000.00
Mar-2017	151	1697	2196	58,87,000.00
Apr-2017	253	1508	1761	22,25,000.00
May-2017	8	1057	1065	2,60,000.00
Jun-2017	218	1160	378	4,93,000.00
Jul-2017	153	1917	2070	30,90,000.00
Aug-2017	44	1790	1834	22,08,000.00
Sep-2017	46	182	1528	44,24,000.00

## b. National Lok Adalat.

Month	PLC	Court Cases	Total	Amount
Feb-2017	26074	8775	34849	15,96,43,049.00
Apr-2017	352	302	654	48,06,791.00
Jul-2017	135	605	740	1,49,45,927.00
Sep-2017	70	384	454	1,89,77,264.00

c. Bi-monthly Lok Adalat.

Month	PLC	Court Cases	Total	Amount
Jan-2017	40	1369	1409	98,45,647.00
Mar-2017	583	346	929	1,37,13,481.00
Jun-2017	250	774	1024	1,21,95,342.00
Aug-2017	227	649	876	1,49,70,722.00

1. DLSA organised 240 legal awareness programmes on various topics such as D V Act, Right To property, Hindu Succession Act, Mal nutrition, National Nutrition, Week Laws related to Women, Prevention of Suicide and role of Nurses and student, Legal Service Institutions, their objects, Trafficking of woman and children, Role of Anganwadi Workers in prevention thereof, Sexual atrocities on minor children, Establishment of Police Complaint Authority and Victim Compensation Scheme during the period from January, 2017 to September, 2017 at different places wherein benefitting about 43176 persons.

Number of application received under Victim Compensation Scheme and number of such applications disposed.

Year	Registered	Disposed	Allowed	Dismissed/rejec ted		Amount awarded in lakhs
2016	63	36	8	28	27	22.25
2017	45	10	3	7	35	5.00

5. Number of cases disposed through Mediation.

Month	Reference	Disposal
Jan-2017	18	12
Feb-2017	10	4
Mar-2017	19	10
Apr-2017	19	13
May-2017	5	3

Jun-2017	26	18
Jul-2017	14	8
Aug-2017	19	8
Sep-2017	25	16

## **Some of the Important Programmes**

- One day programme on Grievance Redressal on 23.04.2017 at Sampagaon Village of Bailhongal Taluk of Belagavi District, in connection with Poverty Alleviation Programme under the caption "Grievance Redressal Programme" for the redressal of all grievances under one roof. Medical check up (Heart, ENT, General, Cataract, Orthopedic, diabetes) for 790 people, Ration Card, Adhar Card, Driving License, Old age/widow/handicap pension, legal advice, free legal assistance. Totally, 900 people attended the programme.
- Legal Literacy Programme on 21-6-2017 in connection with Police Complaint Authority
- Workshop for District Level Officers including Judicial Officers was organised on POCSO and JJ Act on 05.02.2017.
- o Road Show was organised on 05-06-2017 in connection with World Environment Day
- Workshop for Anganwadi Workers, Teachers on Child Marriage on 06-03-2017at Maheshwari Blind School, Belagavi
- Workshop for ITBP officials on 22-4-2017 in connection with World Earth Day and Motor Accident claims, Right of private defence and role of Police Officers in prevention of Cyber Crimes.
- One day workshop for District Level Officers on 25-07-2017 in connection with Protection of Children from Trafficking and Legal Assistance at Maheshwari Blind School, Belagavi.
- Mediation Training Programme for Mediators on 28-07-2017 to 30-07-2017.
- Mediation Training Programme for Judicial Officers of Belagavi, on 28-07-2017. The Master Trainer conducted the refresher course.
- Mediation Awareness Programme was organised for Advocates on 28-07-2017.
- Two Days training programme for the Panel Advocates was organised on 16.09.2017 and 17.09.2017

#### 3. KERALA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Kozhikode, DLSA

## **Activities**

DLSA, Kozhikode conducted several programmes regarding NALSA Schemes and other areas. Court annexed legal services were rendered to so many beneficiaries by appointing panel lawyers. Several legal literacy programmes were conducted. Lok Adalats and mediations were conducted. Panel Lawyers were deputed to Jails. 69 interns were enrolled during the period from various Law Colleges. Trainings were conducted for Panel Lawyers, mediators and Para Legal Volunteers.

#### SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

# Aadhar enrolment for unknown and abandoned inmates of Mental Health Centre.

In coordination with all the Akshaya Project Office, District Legal Services Authority, Kozhikode conducted a one day camp for Aadhar enrolment of the unknown and abandoned inmates of Govt. Mental Health Centre, Kozhikode. Enrolment of 263 inmates completed. This has helped the Mental Health Centre to open Bank Accounts for some cured inmates who are making small earnings from some occupations arranged in the Centre as part of rehabilitation activities. This has also helped to identify whereabouts of some inmates who have already done the enrolment from some other places.

#### **POCSO 'Alert'**

The objective of this project is to make the entire police officials in the district thoroughly aware of the provisions of POCSO Act and its procedure. The project was launched in Kozhikode City Police limits on 19-05-2017 and in Kozhikode Rural Police limits on 20-05-2017. On these days full day workshops were conducted for senior police officials of and above the rank of SHOs. On all Fridays (Parade day for Police) the Secretary of DLSA (Sub Judge) started visiting all Police Circle Officers from 7 am to 10 am to impart training to all the officers within the limits of each circle.

Due to this sustained and persistent effort, Kozhikode district is declared as a "Total POCSO Literate Police District".

In the next phases DLSA will extend the project to doctors, teachers, parents and public. The project for teachers is already prepared and submitted to Kerala SLSA, aiming to reach out about 13,000 teachers of the District.

### 'Vismayam Jeevitham Lahari Vimuktham'

On 27.06.2017, DLSA Kozhikode in association with Magic Academy Koyilandy launched a campaign against drug abuse in children, through the media of Magic (Vismayam Jeevitham Lahari Vimuktham).

### **Awareness in Learning Disability**

DLSA Kozhikode, in association with an NGO 'Our Responsibility to Children' (ORC) launched this project on two NALSA Schemes i.e. Scheme on Child Friendly Legal Systems and the Scheme for mentally challenged and mentally disabled. DLSA trained 15 volunteers with the help of experts in Composite Regional Centre for Persons with Disabilities.

### **Short Film on women Empowerment**

DLSA, Kozhikode in association with Kerala Women Development Corporation is producing a short film "Pennoruthi" on women empowerment. DLSA started the project on 21-06-2017. The shooting has been completed, and the editing works are in progress.

### Balasuraksha Yathra

DLSA launched project 'Bala Suraksha Yathra' in various Panchayats. It covered 56 Panchayats out of the 70 panchayats. In this process DLSA used to meet the respective Panchayat Presidents, members, representatives of parents, representatives of teachers, local officials including Police, Doctors, Excise Officers etc. and to study various problems related to children within the limits of that Panchayat. DLSA prepare reports and present it to District Collector. Periodical review meeting are convened in Collector's Chambers and action taken reports are called for from officials in the general and specific issues noted. Through this project DLSA was able to resolve so many issues related to children.

### **Empowerment of Children from a slum**

During the period from May 1st to May 31st (Summer Vacation) DLSA carried out a personality development programme for them. 45 children attended it. At the end of the programme, their attitude towards life changed a lot and DLSA formed a group from them for observing the Day against Drug Abuse by conducting

street plays in five busy locations in the City. They have actively participated in that programme on 26th June and made it a grand success.

### Oorukootam for tribals

On NALSA Scheme for Tribals, DLSA convened an 'Orrukoottam' in Thamarassery on 29-05-2017 for tribals in various settlements around. Legal awareness was provided and issues were sorted out. DLSA brought the issues to the notice of officials concerned.

### **Programme for transgender**

On 27.05.2017 a programme was conducted in Court for empowerment of transgender. DLSA selected PLVs from that group. Through that PLV, DLSA collected details of all the problems faced by this community.

### Shelter to Vijayalakshmi Teacher

On 23-05-2017, PLV, Sreeja Ayyappan received information that a retired teacher Smt. Vijayalakshmi was totally bedridden without anybody to look after. DLSA intervened and made a shelter and medical care available to her.

### **Discharge Adalats in Mental Health Centre**

20 such adalats were conducted during this period and some inmates could be rehabilitated. A special discharge for 'unknown inmates' was also conducted during this period.

### **Environment day**

This day observation on 5-6-2017 was done by DLSA in four venues including Court. In the Court and in One School (Parappil LP School), DLSA observed it by organizing Magic Shows on the theme. Saplings were supplied to students and planted with them in the other two venues.

### **Vector Control and health awareness programmes**

So many persons in the District were affected with Dengue fever, H1N1, Malaria, and cholera. In this background, from 11-06-2016 onwards DLSA took initiatives for vector control and public health awareness programmes in association with panchayats and Health Department. In four Panchayats DLSA have formed squads with PLVs, Staff of Health Department, Asha Workers and Students for holding home visits.

### Complaint boxes in all jails in the District

DLSA has installed complaint boxes in District Jail, Kozhikode and Sub Jails at Kozhikode, Koyilandy and Vatakara. Panel Lawyers and PLVs are deputed to jails. Awareness programmes were also conducted.

### **Other Programmes**

DLSA conducted anti ragging campaigns, awareness programmes for students, women, senior citizens, doctors, teachers, parents etc during the reporting period .

### **STATISTICS**

### **Legal literacy programmes**

Mode/place of programmes	Number of programmes	Number of persons benefitted
Schools/ colleges	83	10040
Villages/community centres	76	6387
Jail	6	407
Police officers	17	860
Street play	6	1000
Doctors	4	150
Slums/colonies	2	150
Others	6	300

### **Legal Aid Beneficiaries**

Category	Number of beneficiaries
SC	33
ST	1
Women	409
Custody	662
Industrial workers	6
General	192
Disabled	3
Total	1306

### Cases settled in Lok Adalats other than National Adalat

Category	Considered	Settled	Amount in Rs.
Crl.	61	22	-
Compoundable			
N.I Act cases	9	2	23000
Bank Recovery	96	58	4577031
MACT	97	92	11543500
Matrimonial	13	6	157500
Labour	1	1	30000
Other civil	191	56	23154668
Others	425	381	3976848
Total	893	618	43462547

### Cases settled in National Lok Adalat

Category	Considered	Settled	Amount in Rs.
Crl.	329	233	1584919
Compoundable			
N.I Act cases	68	20	486000
Bank Recovery	1027	684	69705058
MACT	797	617	75267000
Electricity Bills	41	37	158846
Water Bills	54	41	780437
Matrimonial	29	4	2250
Land Acquisition	100	66	68695454
Other Civil	201	85	9742977
Traffic Challan	1225	1061	1336450
Total	3871	2848	227759391

### Details of Some of the programmes are given below:

- Internship (69 interns from various law schools were enrolled in DLSA, Kozhikode this year till date.
- Early detection and early intervention in Learning Disability (Planning to reach all the primary schools in the District. Now covered about 50)
- Aadhar enrolment of 263 unknown and abandoned inmates of Govt.Mental Health Centre, Kozhikode
- Installed Complaint boxes in all Jails in the District

### Various day observations as per NALSA and KELSA Calender

- International Women's Day (Programme on 03-03-2017)
- Mediators meet in every month preceded by the meetings of
- Core Committee and referral Judges
- Training of PLVs of Koyilandy Taluk (16-03-2017 to 20-03-2017)
- Training of PLVs on NALSA Website
- Training of PLVs of District Legal Services Authority (10.08.2017 & 11.08.2017)
- Awareness programme through street play during the tour of Mobile Adalat van
- Mediation sensitization programme for Public on 25-03-2017
- Activities for improving menu in Govt Mental Health Centre, with public support

## Success stories of rehabilitation of inmates from shelter homes and Govt. MHC

1. DLSA Kozhikode is taking active initiative in conducting 'discharge adalats' in Govt Mental Health Centre, Kozhikode and other shelter homes in the District. DLSA used to co-ordinate activities with the District Administration, Social Justice Department, Police and other departments for tracing the whereabouts of 'unknown persons' who are not claimed by their relatives for the past so many years. DLSA was able to rehabilitate several such inmates through active interventions. Number of inmates in Govt. Mental health Centre is reduced from 600 to 420 due to such initiatives.

DLSA has taken initiative in developing a Master Plan for Govt Mental Health Centre, Kozhikode (Secretary holding discussions with Health Minister in the presence of District Panchayat President, Mayor, Collector, Director of Health Services etc on the Master Plan)

### 4. TAMIL NADU STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Tirunelveli DLSA

### **Activities**

### PROMOTED THE CAUSE OF UNORGANISED LABOUR

• Under NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganised Sector) Scheme, 2015, Tirunelveli DLSA had co-ordinated with the Labour Officer, Social Security Schemes, Tirunelveli and conducted 48 camps exclusively for Un-organised Workers. One special programme for Registration and Renewal of Unorganized workers at ADR Centre, Combined Court Campus, Tirunelveli on 22.06.2017. In the above said camp, 200 Unorganised Workers had registered their names as a member of various Welfare Board on the spot. 27 unorganized workers had renewed their membership registration.

The DLSA, Tirunelveli had conducted skits/dramas, street-play, etc. with the help of MSW Students for the unorganised workers, enlightening them the benefits in registering their names in the concerned Welfare Boards.

In the above said fact 23,695 numbers of unorganized workers got benefitted as detailed hereunder:-

- i) 3966 Un-organised Workers had registered their names in the various Welfare Boards constituted by Tamil Nadu State Government.
- ii) 10537 Registered Unorganized Workers had renewed their registrations.
- iii) 9192 Claim petitions of the Registered Un-organised Workers in various Welfare Boards had been settled to the tune of Rs. 5,77,67,150/-.

### PROMOTED THE CAUSE OF TRANSGENDER PEOPLE (Third Gender)

Under NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation)
 Scheme, 2015 and NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation)
 Scheme, 2015, a Legal Services Clinic had been opened exclusively for
 Transgender people (Third Gender) on 30.05.2017 at Peace Trust, Tirunelveli.
 25 Transgender people approached the Legal Aid Clinic and explained their
 every day challenges.

Further, Tirunelveli DLSA had issued the identity card for 19 Transgender people in co-ordination with the Social Welfare Department, Tirunelveli on 19.06.2017.

Further, Tirunelveli DLSA conducted Tailor Training Programmes exclusively for Transgender people (from 03.07.2017 to 18.07.2017) in coordination with Indian Overseas Bank Rural Self Employment Training Institute (IOBRSETI), Tirunelveli at IOB, Maharajanagar Branch, Palayamkottai.

Thus, 60 Transgender people had got benefited.

Sl. No.	Particulars	No. Transgender People	of
1.	Issued Identity Card	19	
2.	Given Skill Development Training and Issued Course Certificate	16	
3.	Exclusive Legal Aid Clinic to address their every day challenges	25	

### PROMOTED THE CAUSE OF GYPSY PEOPLE (Narikuravargal)

• As per NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation) Scheme, 2015 and NALSA (Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015, the "Narikuravar" (GYPSY) is an indigenous community. The main occupation of this people is hunting, since they migrate from one place to another place accompanied by their Children wherever they go their children are not attending school. The major issues which confront Narikuravas are poverty, illiteracy, diseases, discrimination and Child Marriage among them.

Tirunelveli DLSA, in co-ordination with District Administration, National Child Labour Project and SCAD a N.G.O, Palayamkottai conducted a special camp on 18.08.2017 for welfare of the Gypsy people at Narikkuravar Colony, Pettai.

The District Administration issued various welfare schemes as follows:-

Sl. No.	Nature of Welfare Scheme	No of Gypsy People
1.	Aadhaar Card	47
2.	Disability Identity Card	16
3.	Ration Card (Smart Card)	55

4.	Social Security Scheme	37
	(Old age Pension – 19	
	Widow Pension – 07	
	Deserted Widow Pension - 04	
	Disability Pension – 07	
5.	Welfare Scheme Membership Card	27
6.	Driving License	60
7.	Voter ID	51
8.	Medical Card	52
9.	Police ID Card (Sales)	171
10.	Eye Check up	67
11.	Medical Check up	163
12.	Educational Scholarship	10
13.	Free House Patta	111
	TOTAL	867

### **Evening School for GYPSY Children:**

Tirunelveli DLSA had opened an evening School for GYPSY Children in the Narikuravar Colony, South Vagaikulam in co-ordination with District Child Protection Unit, Tirunelveli and R-SOYA Trust NGO. **About 27 GYPSY Children admitted in the school.** 

894 GYPSY People got benefited from Government welfare Schemes.

### PROMOTED THE CAUSE OF HIV/AIDS PATIENTS:

• Under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation) Scheme, 2015, Tirunelveli DLSA had in association with a NGO, namely Aarudhal Trust in Tirunelveli supplied free packets of Nutritious Multi Grain Mix/flour to HIV Positive patients. 1,116 packets of Nutritious Multigrain Mix/Flour weighing 500 grams each have been supplied at free of cost to HIV Positive Patients with CD4 Count below 600 belonging to low income group. The above flour contains 15% of Protein, 9% of Fat, 69% of Carbohydrates, 426 Kilo Calories of Energy, etc. The intake of the said flour had resulted in the increase of CD4 Count, weight and general health of the above patients.

### 1,116 HIV+ve persons got benefited.

### **GRANTED VICTIM COMPENSATION TO VICTIMS OF CRIME:**

Under NALSA (Legal Services to Victims of Acid Attacks) Scheme, 2013 and various Victim Compensation Schemes, Tirunelveli DLSA produced a short film on "Victim Compensation Scheme" in the year 2016 and also conducted a rally on Victim Compensation Scheme on 28.01.2017. The Mobile Van proceeded from the ADR Centre, Tirunelveli with Panel Advocate and PLVs to important places in the cities and distributed pamphlets prepared by Tirunelveli DLSA and created awareness among the public about the said scheme.

Tirunelveli DLSA awarded a sum of **Rs.7,50,000/-** as Victim Compensation under the Victim Compensation Scheme, 2013 as mentioned below:

- Victim of Acid Attack (One Case)
- Victim of Murder Cases (Two Cases)
- Victim of Sexual Assault (One Case)

Further Tirunelveli DLSA had rehabilitated whole family of victim of a murder case.

### PROMOTED THE CAUSE OF CHILD WELFARE:

Under NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015, legal assistance were rendered to Children in need of care and protection:

Tirunelveli DLSA had in association with the Child Welfare Committee, Tirunelveli provided legal services to the children in need of the care and protection. Tirunelveli DLSA is nominating a Senior Panel Advocate to the Child Welfare Committee, Tirunelveli thrice a week i.e. on the dates of Sittings of Child Welfare Committee to provide legal assistance to the children who are in conflict with law.

The detail of beneficiaries are as follows: -

Sl.	Nature of Children provided with Legal	No. of
No.	Assistance	Children
1.	Rescued runaway Children	70
2.	Rescued children from Child Labour	40
3.	Stopped Child Marriage	18
4.	Cases Register under POCSO Act	31
5.	Rescued children from sexual abuse	03
6.	Rescued and provided shelter/help for children	20
	victim of drug/ substance abuse	

7.	Arranged for reunion with parents/guardian	253
8.	Rescued children from begging	09
9.	Provided shelter to children in need of care and	95
	protection	
Total		539

### Initiated steps for Registration, Renewal and closure of Children Homes:-

Tirunelveli DLSA had also conducted several Awareness Classes in association with District Child Protection Unit for the Persons in charge of the Children Homes and enlightened them about the mandatory requirement and importance of registration of their Homes.

Tirunelveli DLSA had conducted many Orientation Programmes in coordination with District Child Protection Unit, Tirunelveli for the management people of the Children Home in this District for the Protection of the Children under the NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015.

As a result

- a) 69 Children Homes were registered under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act.
- b) 14 Children Homes are closed due to non-compliance of provisions of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act and other reasons.

Tirunelveli DLSA had initiated steps for bringing the children of Children Homes under Child Tracking System and as a result, 1186 children in Children Homes have been brought under the Child Tracking System.

### Water Supply to the Children Home:

TRUST Children Home at Venkatram Patti with 35 female child had been fighting for drinking water connection from Panchayat Union for about 2 years. They approached Tirunelveli DLSA; Tirunelveli DLSA took the matter before District Administration (District Collector). Now the problem was solved and water connection was given to the Home.

# CREATING AWARENESS ABOUT NALSA SCHEME BY CONDUCTING MASS PROGRAMMES:

# i. Opened Special Legal Aid Clinic and put up Photo Exhibition near Main Falls at Courtallam

DLSA opened a Special Legal Aid Clinic and Photo Exhibition near Main Falls at Courtallam, one of the world famous tourist centre (Falls), on 25.06.2017. The Special Legal Aid Clinic and Photo Exhibition was opened from 25.06.2017 to 22.08.2017. Pamphlets about NALSA Schemes were printed by Tirunelveli DLSA and distributed to the public who visits the exhibition. More than 10 Lakhs people such as Tourist, Public, Students, and Government Department Officials visited the Photo Exhibition and came to know about various NALSA Schemes of National Legal Services Authority and the activities of DLSA, Tirunelveli.

# ii. Opened Special Legal Aid Clinic and put up Photo Exhibition in the roadway of Tiruchendur National High way near Combined Court Campus, Tirunelveli

Tirunelveli DLSA had opened a Special Legal Aid Clinic and organised Photo Exhibition from 06.02.2017 to 12.02.2017 on the road side of Tirunelveli – Tiruchendur National Highways at Palayamkottai on the eve of Thaipusam Festival at Murugan Temple, Thiruchendur.

The pamphlets about NALSA Schemes were printed and distributed to the visitors. More than 3 Lakhs people viz. Public, Devotees, Students and Litigants had visited the Photo Exhibition and came to know about the NALSA Schemes and activities of DLSA.

# iii. Special Legal Awareness Camp on the eve of "Mahasivarathiri" at Nellappar Temple, Tirunelveli

Tirunelveli DLSA had organised a Special Legal Awareness Camp on the eve of "Mahasivarathiri" at Swami Nellayappar Temple, Tirunelveli on 24.02.2017. Pamphlets containing various Schemes of NALSA were printed and distributed to the devotees by the Panel Advocates and Others. More than 20 Thousands people viz. Public, Devotees and Students came to know about the NALSA Schemes and activities of DLSA.

### iv. Two days Mass Door to Door Campaign:-

Tirunelveli DLSA had organised "Two Days mass Door to Door Campaign" on 01.11.2016 and 02.11.2016. The Secretary, Panel Lawyers, PLVs of this DLSA gone to Door to Door in Palayamkottai and Tirunelveli Taluks, met the people at their door steps and explained the services of Legal Services Institutions and also distributed various pamphlets to the people. The details of the Campaigners engaged the total number of persons approached and number

of persons who came to know about the Schemes of NALSA and the activities of DLSA as follows:-

S1. No.	Campaigner	Total No. of persons engaged in the Campaign	Total No. of households approached	Total No. of persons got benefited	
1.	Panel Lawyers	32	2,805	10,916	
2.	PLVs	27	4,780	15,234	
3.	Others	35	3,910	10,459	
Total		94	11,495	36,609	

### v. Conducted 2 rally programme on abolition of Child Labour System:

Observance of "Children's Day": DLSA had organised rally programme in which 400 girl students of the "Kallanai Municipal Corporation School for girls" had participated. The rally started from the School and proceeded via South Cross Street and South Mount Road and reached back the School created awareness on abolition on Child Labour System.

### **DISPOSAL OF CASES/DISPUTES THROUGH ADR MECHANISM:**

Tirunelveli DLSA had conducted 36 Numbers of Lok Adalats including National Lok Adalat besides Mediation Sittings on daily basis and counselling sittings on alternate days and disposed of cases as follows:

- a) 21,245 Court Pending cases had been settled and award amount passed to the tune of Rs. 36,84,82,401/-.
- b) 2138 Pre-Litigation matters had been settled and award amount passed to the tune of Rs. 17,38,44,433/-.
- c) 18 cases were settled in Medication Centre.

Thus the parties involved in 23,401cases had been benefited by way of conducting Lok Adalats including National Lok Adalat, Mediation and Counselling.

### ASSISTED IN THE RELEASE OF PRISONERS

- Tirunelveli DLSA had conducted Prison Adalat every month.79 Prisoners had been released from Jail.
- Tirunelveli DLSA had conducted **442 Awareness Programmes**, co-ordinated with other stakeholders and as a result, 26,351 people got benefitted through DLSA, 14,503 people got benefited indirectly and more than 15 Lakhs people came to know about various Schemes of NALSA and the activities of Tirunelveli DLSA.

### 5. TELANGANA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Ranga Reddy, DLSA

### **Activities**

- Within the jurisdiction of Ranga Reddy District DLSA. In total 785 Lok Adalats were conducted, in which 1875 Pre-Litigation cases were settled and 18883 pending cases were settled.
- o The District Legal Services Authority settled 249 cases through Mediation.
- The District Legal Services Authority provided legal aid in 441 cases. The District Legal Services Authority also established Village Legal Care and Support Centres (Legal Aid Clinics) at the nook and corner of villages to create awareness and to give legal support to the weaker sections of the society.
- The DLSA gave training to 43 Panel Lawyers periodically during the period.
   The District Legal Services Authority conducted 64 Legal Literacy Camps exclusively on 7 NALSA Schemes apart from organizing 166 Legal Literacy Camps on other subjects.

# Small States/UTs Zone Best DLSAs

(Andaman & Nicobar Islands, UT of Chandigarh, UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, Delhi, Goa, Lakshadweep and Puducherry State Legal Services Authorities)

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### 1. ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** South Andaman

Details of Activities of Best DLSA not sent by SLSA

### 2. UT OF CHANDIGARH LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Chandigarh, DLSA

### **Activities**

### **Monthly National Lok Adalats:**

- a. National Lok Adalat dated 12.11.2016:- 4411 cases were disposed of.
- b. National Lok Adalat dated 11.02.2017:- 1671 cases were disposed of.
- c. National Lok Adalat dated 08.04.2017:- 1456 cases were disposed of
- d. National Lok Adalat dated 08.07.2017:- 1659 cases were disposed of.
- e. National Lok Adalat dated 08.07.2016:- 1731 cases were disposed of.

### 1. Opening of Various Legal Literacy Clubs:

A Legal Literacy Club was opened in Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 20-D, Chandigarh for legal awareness amongst the youth. 100 NSS Volunteers participated and in awareness programme, they were made aware of drug abuse, sexual harassment and women empowerment.

### 2. Golden Jubilee Celebration in District Courts, Chandigarh:

As part of Golden Jubilee Celebrations in District Courts, Chandigarh, the District Legal Services Authority, involved Para Legal Volunteers and other

stakeholders and planned for a mass campaign on 2nd and 3rd of November, 2016 to make people aware about the Legal Services Institution and availability of Legal Services. As part of this Mass Awareness Campaign, the General Public was informed about the various schemes of NALSA, which are being implemented by the State and District Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh and about the various Legal Aid clinics established in Union Territory, Chandigarh and their functions. Moreover, the programme was organized on 04.11.2016 which marked the inauguration of "On the spot Drawing Competition and Painting Exhibition" The DLSA organized various inter-school drawing competition of various themes and the winners of the said participating schools, thereupon, participated in the final "On the spot Drawing Competition" which was conducted in the permises of the District Courts on 04.11.2016 and the winners were thereupon rewarded on 05.11.2016. Furthermore, the students of University Institutes of Law as well as students of Snehalaya performed various skits, Nukar Natak and other activities pertaining to social topics so that the general public visiting the District Court Complex, Chandigarh could be sensitized and message of Legal awareness could be spread in an effective manner. A stall was also put up in the District Court Complex, Chandigarh. A presentation was shown and publicity material was distributed to the various visitors visiting the District Court Complex, Chandigarh.

# 3. Inauguration of Alternative Dispute Redressal Centre, Chandigarh on 05.11.2016

As part of Golden Jubilee Celebration in District Courts, Chandigarh, the Alternative Dispute Redressal Centre, Chandigarh, was inaugurated on 05.11.2016.

# 4. Seminar on Mediation Challenges and Way Ahead Art of Making Referrals to Mediation:

DLSA organized a Seminar on 'Mediation Challenges and Way Ahead and Art of Making Referrals to Mediation' on 05.11.2016 at Chandigarh Judicial Academy, Sector 43, Chandigarh.

### 5. Children Day Celebration in Juvenile Home, Sector 25, Chandigarh:

DLSA in association with the *Chandigarh Commission for Protection of Child Rights*, celebrated the Children's Day on 15.11.2016 in the Juvenile Home, Sector 25, Chandigarh. The Juvenile inmates performed various kits, welcome

song, Bhagra item and other cultural activities and message was delivered for Child Rights.

### 6. Cultural Programme at Juvenile Home, Sector 25, Chandigarh

The DLSA, Chandigarh, in association with the Chandigarh Commission for Protection of Child Rights, celebrated the Children's Day on 15.11.2016 at 03:30 PM in the Juvenile Home, Sector 25, Chandigarh.

### 7. Seminar of Domestic Child Labour on 17.11.2016

DLSA, Chandigarh in collaboration with Chandigarh Commission for Protection of Child Rights organized a workshop cum seminar of domestic child labour on 17.11.2016.

### 8. Visit to Old Age Home as per scheme of NALSA:

A Visit to Old Age Home by the students of University Institution of Law Students, Panjab University on 25.11.2016 as per NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016 was conducted by DLSA.

### 9. A Camp on Demonetization.

A demonetization Camp was organized in the Indira colony.

### 10.Survey:

DLSA in collaboration with the students of NSS, Govt. Model Sr. Sec. School, Sec-19, Chandigarh conducted survey to make aware the Society on cashless methods after demonitization on 19.12.2016.

### 11. Opening of Anti Drug Club at Ramdarbar, GMSSS, Karsan.

DLSA, in association with the State Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh, opened an Anti Drug Club at GMSSS, Ramdarbar, Karsan.

**12.Opening of Anti Drug Club at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 33, Chandigarh.** The District Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh, in association with the State Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh, opened an Anti Drug Club at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 33, Chandigarh.

### 13. Refresher/Training Programmes For The Panel Lawyers

DLSA Chandigarh is regularly conducting monthly Orientation Courses for the Lawyers/Para Legal Volunteers/Mediators in Chandigarh Judicial Academy as recommended by National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi. A total of 12 monthly programmes were conducted on various topics.

### 14. World Aids Day.

DLSA, Chandigarh, in collaboration with Society for Social Health(SDFDSH), Chandigarh, organized the World Aids Day Programme at Ramdarbar, Chandigarh and the theme of the awareness camp was (An Aids Free generation). The State Aids Control Society, U.T., Chandigarh, also collaborated on this important thing and Puppet show was also organized pertaining to this theme of social awareness. The effort was made to identify the prevailing sex workers in the said locality and the NGO concerned distributed awareness material, etc., to aware the general public regarding this disease.

### 15. Awareness Rally on the World Aids Day.

DLSA, Chandigarh in collaboration by Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 20-D, Chandigarh organized an awareness rally on the World Aids Day.

### 16. Seminar at Institute for Blind, Sector 26, Chandigarh.

An awareness seminar was organized at the Institute for Blind, Sector 26, Chandigarh, and the PWD Act, 1995, the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995, was discussed with the young students.

### 17. Opening of Anti Drug Club.

Anti Drug Club was established at GMSSS, Sector 56, Chandigarh.

# 18. Seminar at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 56, Chandigarh on 20.12.2016

A Morning Assembly Session was conducted by District Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh, wherein legal awareness was generated amongst the entire attending School Students of all classes up to class 12th.

### 19. Digital Dhan Mela held on 10.01.2017

A "Digital-Dhan Mela" was organized on 10.01.2017 in the Parade Ground, Sector 17, Chandigarh, which was presided over by the Union Minister, Government of India. The District Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh, with coordination of the executive implementing agencies arranged for a stall at the "Digital-Dhan Mela" and the publicity material was distributed to various persons who visited the stall.

# 20. "Save Girl Child Campaign" held on 28.01.2017 at Government High School, Hallomajra

The "Save Girl Child Campaign" was organized by District Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh, in association with Bringing Hope Welfare Society on 28.01.2017 at Government High School, Hallomajra, U.T., Chandigarh. This campaign celebrated the power of girl child and it was highlighted that it is the need of the hour that the girls get equal opportunities and are respected in the society.

### 21. "Project Child Friendly Chandigarh" on 03.02.2017

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in association with State Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh and Chandigarh Commission for Protection of Child Rights organized a 'Capacity Building Workshop' for launching of 'Child Friendly Chandigarh' Campaign at Chandigarh Judicial Academy, Sector-43, Chandigarh.

22. A logo of Child Friendly Chandigarh city was also released on this occasion by the Hon'ble Chief Guest and Guest of Honour, which was designed by famous artist and cartoonist Mr. Sandeep Joshi of the Tribune Group signifying the hope that the voices of children are heard freely and they are treated as equal participants in development and growth of the city beautiful.

### 23. Work Shop on Pre Marital Counselling on 14.02.2017:

As part of 360 degree integrated approach to improve monitorable indicators like MMR, TFR, IMR and Female Sex Ratio at Birth, "*Pre Marital Counseling*" is a new initiative by District Family Welfare Bureau, Department of Health and Family Welfare as a follow up action of the existing good practice of Mission Converges, BCC and Social Networking. The District Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh, participated in the said workshop in association with the Government Hospital, Sector 32, Chandigarh. Through this initiative, it was resolved that the couples getting married shall be sensitized regarding safe pregnancy, safe abortion, family planning services, pre natal/neonatal screening as well as the declining female sex ratio before and after birth.

# 24. Legal Literacy Camp organized at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Khuda Laura on 15.02.2017

A Legal Literacy Camp-cum-Awareness Camp, was organized at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Khuda Laura on 15.02.2017. The topic of the camp was female foeticide and awareness of cyber crimes.

### 25. Rose Festival 2017 from 17th to 19th February, 2017:

45th Edition of Rose Festival in Chandigarh started from 17th to 19th February, 2017. The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, under the guidance of SLSA, U. T., Chandigarh, obtained the stall in the said events. The stall was dedicated to various schemes of Legal Services Authority as well as generating awareness. A vast number of people visited the stall of Legal Services Authority and the relevant information was shared and spread by raising awareness.

# 26. Seminar in Government Model Senior Secondary School, Dhanas, U.T., Chandigarh, on 20.02.2017

An elaborative seminar was organized in Government Model Senior School, Dhanas, U.T., Chandigarh on 20.02.2017, on the topic of Criminal Justice System by District Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh. The seminar proved very eventful as all students of the school of classes 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th assembled together along with the Principal, Vice Principal and other teachers in the assembly hall and thereafter the detailed seminar was conducted.

# 27. Inauguration of Legal Literacy Club at College of Engineering, Sector 26, Chandigarh on 02.03.2017

The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in coordination with the SLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, inaugurated a new Legal Literacy Club at the College of Engineering, Sector 26, Chandigarh.

# 28. Celebration of Women's Day at L.S. Technology, Sector 31, Chandigarh and GMSSS, Sector 37, Chandigarh on 08.03.2017

The DLSA, Chandigarh, conducted various programmes on the occasion in International Women's Day. The Para Legal Volunteers as well as the empaneled Advocates conducted programmes at various venues including the area having been exclusively nominated to the Para Legal Volunteers by the State Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh.

### 29. Celebration of World Down Syndrome Society dated 21.03.2017

The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in coordination with the State Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh, and the Chandigarh Down Syndrome Society, organized seminar on the occasion of "World Down Syndrome" on 21.03.2017. Down Syndrome(DS) is the most common chromosomal disorder causing mental retardation. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Surya Kant, Judge, Punjab & Haryana

High Court, Chandigarh, was the Chief Guest for the occasion. A detailed presentation was made highlighting the brief report of panel discussion. The presentation of support required from Chandigarh Administration, was also made. It was pledged to make Chandigarh a Down Syndrome free city.

### 30. Parents Mela at Kaimbwala Chandigarh on 08.04.2017

An NGO 'Hamari Kaksha' and, State Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh and Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Kaimbwala, Chandigarh organized a 'Parent Awareness Mela' as part of the project 'Sakshar Balak Balika and Saksham Maa' on **08.04.2017**, in Government Sr. Sec. School, Kaimbwala, Chandigarh.

Different stalls to sensitize the general public and extending helping hand to solve their problems and also to apprize them of various welfare schemes floated by the Government were set up by Social Welfare Department, Narcotics Control Bureau, AIDS Control Society, State Legal Services Authority etc. in the school. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Surya Kant and Hon'ble Mr.Justice Ajay Tiwari visited all the stalls and interacted with the officials of the Government and the general public regarding the effectiveness of different schemes of Chandigarh Administration.

### 31. Mobile Awareness Camp in Burail Sector 45, Chandigarh on 12.04.2017

i. A mobile awareness camp was organized by DLSA on 12.04.2017 in Burail Sector 45, Chandigarh

# 32.Seminar on Child Labour(Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986 dated 19.04.2017

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, organized a seminar of Child Labour(Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986, in association with the Chandigarh Police on 19.04.2017, whereby, the provisions of the Act were discussed at length and this Act was told to the students to be coming into force to prohibit the engagement of children in certain employments.

# 33. Seminar on entitlement to Legal Services held on 21.04.2017 at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 37, Chandigarh

DLSA U.T., Chandigarh is implementing and executing the NALSA(Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015. In the said process, a seminar was organized at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 37, Chandigarh and it was informed to the students that the

children are the beneficiaries of the Legal Services under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.

### 34. Celebration of Earth Day on 22.04.2017

Earth day was celebrated in Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 15, Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector-56 and DAV - 8 Chandigarh. On this occasion a poster making completion was organized in DAV -8 and Rangoli making competition was organized in Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector-15, Chandigarh.

### 35. Celebration of May Day on 01.05.2017

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, organized various functions on the occasion of May Day/Labour Day with association of the Para Legal Volunteers of the Authority. Information pertaining to the celebration of May Day, the rights of labourers as well as information pertaining to the problem of child labour in India was elaborated in detail. Further various projects undertaken by the District Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh, were also highlighted. The publicity material and other literature was also distributed.

### 36. Seminar on Child Labour 02.05.2017

The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in association with the Labour Department conducted a seminar to eliminate the menace of child labour and to bring into effect the mandate of the constitution.

- **37.**Meeting on 04.05.2017 pertaining to the responsibility of the Police in pursuance of NALSA(Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015
- **38.** Seminar on Plea Bargaining and proposal to open an Anti Drug Club at Burail Jail, Chandigarh
- **39.** Awareness camp in Government Senior School ,Sector -8 Chandigarh on 04.05.2017
- **40.** Opening of Anti Drug Club at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 38, Chandigarh on 09.05.2017
- **41.** Workshop on Anti Tobacoo Day in 31.05.2017
- **42.** Seminar on provisions of POCSO Act at Government Model High School, Maloya, Chandigarh
- **43.**Campaign against Child Labour on 02.06.2017: A campaign to Say No To Child Labour and to make Chandigarh child labour free city was initiated by

District Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh, in association with CCPCR as well as the Chandigarh Traders Associations at all levels. A seminar in this regard was organized in the premises of the CCPCR and members from all levels and representatives from different departments associated and joint hands to make Chandigarh Child Labour Free.

# 44. Celebrated of 4th June, 2017 as International day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggravation

The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, celebrated the International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggravation on 04.06.2017 by visiting the premises of Snehalaya and interacted with the inmates.

### 45. Celebration World on Environment Day on 05.06.2017

The World Environment Day, which is celebrated on 05th June, every year was celebrated by the District Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh, by planting various trees at various places including schools and college campaigns in Chandigarh.

# 46. Meeting pertaining to the Regional Conference in association with CCPCR on 06.06.2017

The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh Commission for Protection of Child rights is in process to organize a Regional Conference on the issue of Child Labour and to device effective mechanism to make Chandigarh a Child Labour Free City.

### 47. Campaign of Child Labour on 06.06.2017

The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in association with the Chandigarh Commission for Child Rights organized a campaign of child labour in furtherance of the Child Friendly Chandigarh Campaign. The members from various market committee associations took part in this campaign and the traders and market association pledged to take all adequate steps to make their respective markets completely child labour free.

### 48. "You Are Not Alone" campaign on 07.06.2017

A campaign for senior citizens "You Are Not Alone" was launched in Chandigarh on 7th June 2017, in association with DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh. The objective of the said campaign is to help the senior citizens by way of associating with them through this special campaign. The senior citizens were told about the rights and para legal volunteers and panel lawyers have been associated in carrying out the said campaign to every nook and corner of the city. The Secretary, DLSAvisited the Old Age Home, Sector 15, Chandigarh and met the residents and discussed their problems and sensitised them about

this campaign. DLSA has also deputed it's para legal volunteer and panel lawyer to visit the old-age home every week and meet the residents and solve their problems (if any ).

### 49. Celebration of International Day against Child Labour on 12.06.2017

DLSA organized an awareness rally in Colony No. 4 on International Day against Child Labour on 12.06.2017. The participants were made aware of ill effects of child labour and motivated them to curb this menace.

### 50. Awareness Rally on Swachh Bharat Abhyaan on 13.06.2017

The Awareness Rally was organized by DLSA on 13.06.2017 in Indira Colony and Colony No. 4 with the help of interns and Para Legal Volunteer. The people of the Colony were made aware about the Swachh Bharat abhyaian and issue of Child Labour.

### 51. Celebration of Elder Abuse Awareness Day on 15.06.2017

The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, celebrated the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on 15.06.2017 at Old Age Home, Sector 43, Chandigarh. As part of "You Are Not Alone Campaign", various effective efforts were made throughout the city beautiful to make the people aware of the Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

# 52. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on 15<sup>th</sup> June in Senior Citizen. Home, Sector 43 Chandigarh.

DLSA celebrated the World Elder Abuse Awareness day on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 in Senior Citizen Home Sector 43, Chandigarh.

### 53. International Yoga day on 21.06.2017

DLSA Celebrated Yoga Day in Old Age Home Sector -15 Chandigarh.

### 54. Drug Awareness Rally

DLSA organized a Drug Awareness rally on **28.06.2017**. The people were told about ill effect of Drugs through placards and later on a Nukkad Natak was presented in Plaza, Sector 17, Chandigarh where participants were honored.

# 55. Capacity Building Training Programme of Police Personnel on the Provisions of J.J. Act and POCSO Act on 24.06.2017

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in association with the Chandigarh Commission for Protection of Child Rights, organized Capacity Building Training Programme of Police Personnel.

### 56. Join Hands to Drag Down Drug on 26.06.2017

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in association with the CCPCR organized a rally at Sukhna Lake, Chandigarh on 26.06.2017 at 05:00 P.M., and children from Snehalaya enacted street play "Nadan Parindey Ghar Aja" and also organized children chain with posters and pledge.

# 57. Celebration of International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, 2017 on 28.06.2017

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in association with the Narcotic Crime Bureau organized a rally on the topic of Chandigarh a complete drug free city.

### 58. Beti Bachao Beti Padao Abhiyan on 10.07.2017

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in association with Chandigarh Traders Association, organized a meeting to promote and work for the Beti Bachao Beti Padao Abhiyan.

### 59. Celebration of World Population day on 11.07.2017

The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, conducted programme at various schools, colleges and other public places on the occasion of World Population Day.

# 60. Training on sensitization of Advocates on issues affecting TG/Hijra regarding HIV and Human Rights on 22.07.2017

DLSA in association with VHS, MSA, DIVA Project format organized a Sensitization Programme of Advocates on the issues affecting TG/Hijra regarding HIV and Human Rights.

### 61. Project Morning Assembly:-

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, has initiated a unique project to reach out to maximum number of young students and talk to them regarding various topics of key importance such as POCSO Act, Provisions of I.T. Act, etc.

### 62. Punjab Marathon, 2017

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, in association of State Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh and other organizers such as Chandigarh Police, Narcotics Control Bureau and National Level NGO Thrill Zone, organized **Punjab Half Marathon**, 2017. 2000 people from different walks of life took part in this Marathon which was organized for the cause of "Say No To Drug".

### 63. Project Awake and Transform into Cyber Czars

DLSA initiated this project to transform the regular cyber user to persons who know about the basics of cyber crimes and cyber laws. In this regard book titled Awake And Transform Into Cyber Czars" was launched in the Regional

Conference of SLSAs held on 01.10.2017. It was written by DLSA Secretary, Chandigarh.

### **64.Interaction with Judicial Officers**

The Legal aid aims and objectives can be effectively met only when all the stakeholders are effectively involved in the process of transformation. It was felt with involvement of all other Judicial Officers(who are also holding regular Courts) in the projects of Legal Services was extremely important. Therefore, various seminars were organized with the Judicial Officers on topics of the key relevance including topics such as the CARA guidelines, etc., so that a broad based is created and the Judicial Officers can also be asked to be effectively involved in the projects of District Legal Services Authority, U.T., Chandigarh.

### **65.Interaction with Police**

DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, made it a special point to have detailed interaction with the Chandigarh Police, as Chandigarh Police in general is also spreading awareness on key concepts such as Women Rights, Child Rights, Trafficking issues etc. Therefore, Chandigarh Police and Legal Services Authority have interacted on various platforms as joint organizers on key topics of missing children, child labour, trafficking issues, traffic awareness, women rights, violence against women etc. The out reach of Legal Services was enhanced tremendously because of hand in hand joint movement by the police and Legal Services Authority.

### 66. Interaction with Administration

The DLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, made it a point that the out reach of Legal Services can only be enhanced once all the stakeholders are jointly involved in the process of spreading awareness.

### 67. Project to create more awareness for One Stop Centre, U.T., Chandigarh

The Secretary, DLSA conducted a various visits at the One Stop Centre situated in Sector-26, Chandigarh to monitor the functioning of the Legal Aid Facilities, so provided at the One Stop Centre. Advocates have been deputed at the One Stop Centre so as to provide legal aid and counseling to the victims, who face any kind of violence and the legal aid is provided through empanelled lawyers. the major objective of setting up of One Stop Centre is to provide integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence, both in private and public spaces under one roof and to facilitate immediate, emergency and non-emergency access to arrange services including medical, legal, psychological

and counseling support under one roof to fight against any forms of violence against women. It was always emphasized the immediate need to create awareness of existence of this Centre so that the persons in need can immediately approach the "One Stop Centre" for the requisite integrated support and assistance.

### **68.** Traffic Rules and Regulations

DLSA, Chandigarh, made awareness about the Traffic Rules and Regulations and organized various awareness camps by way of associating PLVs and panel Advocates.

	Year wise figure of Legal Aid Beneficiaries								
Year	Sc St Obc Women H/cap. Children Custody Gen. Total								Total
2016 111 0 34 425 24 89 247 163 1120							1120		
Aug-17 78 0 24 307 1 101 229 166 906							906		
Total	89	0	58	732	25	190	476	329	2026

Figure of National Lok Adalats which is detailed as below:-

	Monthly Lok Adalat (Intermittent in Nature) at District Court, Chandigarh									
Year	Year Lok Taken Total Settled MA Compensation Summar Fine									
	Adalat Up Settled CT Awarded y Cases Recovered									
2016	9	42563	29087	3147	17	1277769264	25923	1429700		
Sep-17	4	21285	7848	4978	63	897656672	2807	918690		
Total	22	92973	51465	11482	109	2,46,75,26,101	39874	45,17,090		

YEAR WISE TATEMENT OF LEGAL AWARENESS	
SEMINARS/CAMPS	
YEAR	NO. OF SEMINARS/CAMPS
2016	454
Aug 2017	363
Total	817

# 3. UT OF DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Nil

The name of best DLSA not recommended by Dadra and Nagar Haveli State Legal Services Authority for the Commendation Ceremony to be held 09<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

### 4. DAMAN & DIU LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Nil

The name of best DLSA not recommended for the Daman & Diu State Legal Services Authority for the Commendation Ceremony to be held 09th November 2017.

### 5. DELHI STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Shahdara, DLSA

### **Activities**

### Cases of missing children dealt

As per the directions of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P. (Crl.) 249/2009 titled "Court on its own Motion Vs. State", advocates/counsellors are deputed to provide all possible help to the poor parents of missing children and counselling is provided to rescued/ traced missing children in Delhi. DLSA also co-ordinates with Delhi Police to identify, if any, organized gang involved in it. Till 31.08.2017, DLSA had deputed advocates/ counsellors in a total of **193 cases** of missing children.

# <u>Compensation awarded under Delhi Victim Compensation Scheme (both interim as well as final)</u>

During the period from 01.09.2016 to 31.08.2017, DLSA, Shahdara disbursed compensation to the tune of **Rs.2,12,55,000/-** to **164 victims** under Delhi Victims Compensation Scheme 2011 and Delhi Victims Compensation Scheme 2015.

DLSA further awarded compensation to two victims of acid attack namely Yaqub and Dilshad during the aforesaid period through Criminal Injuries Compensation Board.

### Resolving matters through counselling at pre-litigative stage.

Besides assigning legal aid counsel to people approaching front office desk of DLSA Shahdara, DLSA also ensured pre-litigative counselling of parties for amicable resolution of their disputes with the help of trained and experienced counsellors to avoid needless litigation and consequent wastage of time and resources. During the period from 01.09.2016 to 31.08.2017, in **84 cases** both the parties reached amicable resolution of their disputes through counselling at pre-litigative stage.

In one of the cases, one lady namely Soni came to front office desk of DLSA Shahdara with the complaint that she had been married for about

16 years and her husband frequently abused her and also demanded dowry. She further complained that while she was sick and hospitalized, her husband failed to look after her and even threatened to divorce her. DLSA Shahdara arranged several counselling sessions for Soni and her husband Chand Babu and it was noticed by the counsellor that the bone of contention between both the parties was that the husband of the complainant failed to bear adequate monthly expenses of household owing to which there was constant bickering and quarrel between the complainant and her husband. After four successful counselling sessions with the trained counsellor of this Authority, both the parties peacefully resolved their differences and appreciated the timely intervention by the DLSA.

### Lok Adalat

DLSA, Shahdara conducted **8 National Lok Adalats** during 01.09.2016 to 31.08.2017, wherein 1582 cases were disposed of by amicable settlement between the parties including matrimonial cases, civil cases, criminal compoundable cases, 138 NI Act cases, Bank Recovery cases, Plea Bargaining cases etc.

### Legal Services to Children: Awareness, Protection and Rehabilitation

- 32 legal awareness camps with emphasis on POCSO Act were conducted at various schools, residential societies, rural and remote areas of Shahdara District to create awareness about the Act, apprise every stakeholder about their duties and responsibilities under the Act and to ensure legal representation to children in need of care and protection and children in conflict with law.
- 14 special legal awareness camps were conducted with the help of PLVs in vulnerable areas of Shahdara District on Article 21A of Constitution stressing need for mandatory education for every child in the age group 06 to 14 years. As a result of successful organization of these camps, DLSA Shahdara managed to get approximately 20 children from various down trodden and marginalized sections of society admitted in schools
- 35 Legal Literacy Programmes on topics like Fundamental Rights, Fundamental Duties, Civic Sense, Road Safety with Emphasis on Traffic Laws, Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 and

- Juvenile Justice Act, 2015 were conducted at regular intervals at various government and private schools of Shahdara District.
- In view of several unfortunate incidents of stalking, eve-teasing, molestation, and sexual assault of women and girls, self-defence classes were conducted for girl students at various schools and colleges within Shahdara District to teach them skills which could help them to defend themselves.
- Mass Legal Literacy Campaign was carried out in 66 schools (both govt. and private) of Shahdara District under the aegis of DSLSA in the month of October. 2016 in which 3300 students and teachers were sensitized on various issues.
- Successfully conducted Mass Legal Literacy Campaign in 65 schools (both govt. and private) of Shahdara District under the aegis of DSLSA in the month of May 2017 covering a range of topics. In these programmes more than 3200 students and teachers actively participated and resources persons included judicial officers, lawyers and experts in different fields.
- Secretary DLSA Shahdara conducted 21 visits to Observation Home for Boys (OHB-II), Sewa Kutir, Kingsway Camp, Delhi and Place of Safety, Majnu Ka Tilla, Delhi. During these visits, Secretary interacted with more than 750 children lodged in these homes. The Secretary further gave time to time suggestions to Superintendents of the concerned homes to maintain proper hygiene, safety, security and well-being of children lodged in these homes. The issues raised by the children were also taken up with the concerned authorities.

Pursuant to the desire expressed by the children to learn music, Secretary DLSA Shahdara facilitated purchase of various musical instruments like guitar, bongo, tabla, drum set, flute, casio etc. for children lodged in OHB-II and arranged a Music teacher for them so that the children during their stay at the Home could learn to play musical instruments and music. Studies have shown that learning music helps children to develop sensitivity and creativity besides boosting their self confidence.

In the Home, a separate dance teacher for children was arranged to help children learn, express and hone their dancing skills.

To create opportunities of employment with objective of rehabilitation of children post-release, Secretary DLSA Shahdara played a pivotal role in introducing hair styling classes and tailoring classes at OHB-II which really helped children in utilizing their spare time in right direction besides acquiring handy vocational skills. An independent hair stylist has been appointed by DSLSA who regularly visits the Home and helps children in learning the skills. Both these training exercises have received much appreciation and positive response from the children.

DLSA facilitated inauguration of Music Room "Tarana", and Bakery Unit at Observation Home-II, Kingsway Camp, on 27.01.2017, followed by a cultural programme where children of OHB-II and SPYM actively participated. Besides learning to play musical instruments at aforesaid Music Room, children are encouraged to join baking classes at the newly built Bakery unit and children are making the best utilization of the skills being imparted at the said unit.

### **Children's Day Celebration**

• To mark Children's Day on 14.11.2016, DLSA Shahdara organized a Sports Week namely, "SRIJAN 3" in association with Department of Women and Child Development, GNCTD at Observation Home for Boys-II. Children lodged at Observation Home, Sewa Kutir, Place of Safety (Majnu ka Tila) and SPYM (Drug De-Addiction Centre, Sewa Kutir) actively participated in variety of sports and cultural activities during the Sports Week including 100m, 200m and 400m running, long jump, high jump, short put, badminton, volley ball, kabaddi, cricket, painting, craft making, singing, dancing etc.. The aforesaid activities in Sports Week spanned over three days where approximately 250 children from the aforesaid Homes took part with great zeal and enthusiasm. All the participant students were given track suits by DLSA to cheer their spirits.

On the concluding day of Sports Week, i.e. 18.11.2016 nearly 75 students were awarded prizes and appreciation certificates for performing exceptionally in different disciplines by Hon'ble Ms. Justice Anu Malhotra, Judge Delhi High Court, in presence of Principal Secretary and Director of Department of Women and Child Development along with other esteemed dignitaries.

• DLSA Shahdara further organised a cultural programme "Mere Sapne" to motivate, inspire and instil self confidence amongst children lodged

- in Observation Home, Sewa Kutir, Place of Safety (Majnu ka Tila) and SPYM (Drug De-Addiction Centre, Sewa Kutir) on 14.01.2017.
- Approximately 16 visits were made by children of different schools of Shahdara District to the Karkardooma Court complex during the relevant period.

# <u>Legal Services to Victims of Drug Abuse and measures taken for eradication of drug menace.</u>

- To curb rise in drug trafficking and drug abuse amongst youth, children and adolescents, 26 legal awareness camps were conducted at various schools, colleges and community areas informing participants about the harmful and ill effects of drug addiction and the penal provisions under NDPS Act.
- During the aforesaid camps several cases of children being addicted to drugs were reported. With the help of PLVs, DLSA Shahdara counselled 25-30 such children along with their parents and convinced them to send the children for treatment at Nasha Mukti Kendra and SPYM. They and their parents (as some of them were also addicted to drugs) were taken to Centre for treatment and did regular follow up qua status of their treatment.
- Organized a Legal Awareness Programme on topic "Manifestation of Drug Abuse and Dependence" at Ideal Institute of Management and Technology and School of Law, Delhi on 20.04.2017.

### **Legal Services to Senior Citizens**

- One Legal Services Clinic has been set up at Community Hall, Kasturba Nagar, Delhi under the name of "Swabhiman Parisar". The same would primarily cater to people from SC and ST community and other Senior Citizens who live in the surrounding areas.
- A campaign was initiated called Senior Citizen and Rights, Respect and Care in association with Indian Medical Association, East Delhi Branch vide which 21 free Health check up cum Legal Awareness camps would be organized in Shahdara District where special emphasis would be given on rights and remedies available to senior citizens under Senior Citizens Act, 2007. Till 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017, 4 camps had already

- been conducted successfully and remaining camps are due to be organized within next two months.
- Organized a Legal Awareness/ Sensitization Programme for Panel Advocates of Shahdara District on the topic "Building Intergenerational Bonding for Ageing with dignity with special emphasis on Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007"at Conference Hall, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi in association with Anugraha, NGO.
- In observance of **Senior Citizens Day** on 1.10.2016, DLSA Shahdara organized 4 legal literacy camps at various Old Age Homes and community areas of Shahdara District to spread awareness about rights and entitlements of senior citizens under various government schemes and legislations, particularly Senior Citizens Act, 2007.
- On 02.05.2017 DLSA Shahdara organised a legal awareness camp on the topic "Senior Citizens Act, 2007" at Maharaja Agrasen College, Vasundhara Enclave, New Ashok Nagar, Delhi in association with Delhi Police Eastern Range and Confederation of Senior Citizens Association of Delhi where approximately 460 senior citizens were made aware about the basic provisions, aims and objectives of Senior Citizens Act, 2007. The participants were further informed about existence of institutions such as Tribunals and Appellate Tribunals under the aforesaid Act.

### **Legal Services to Workers in Unorganized Sector**

- Conducted 01 awareness and sensitization programme on the topic
   "Organized and Unorganized workers, their rights and entitlements
   under various beneficial schemes" at Dishad Garden Metro Station
   where approximately 65 labourers (unorganized sector) working at
   nearby construction sites were given legal aid pamphlets and were also
   informed about their entitlements under existing legislations and
   schemes of government.
- Conducted 01 awareness and sensitization programme on the topic
   "Organized and Unorganized workers, their rights and entitlements
   under various beneficial schemes" at Patparganj Industrial Area where
   approximately 240 workers/labourers working in various services centres
   of motor vehicles were informed about the activities carried out by District
   Legal Services Authority.

• Conducted **01** awareness and sensitization programme on the topic "Organized and Unorganized workers, their rights and entitlements under various beneficial schemes" at B-43, Opposite Water Treatment Plant, Jhilmil Industrial area, Delhi where approximately **165** workers/labourers from unorganized sector were benefited. They were also informed about their entitlements under existing legislations and schemes of government.

# Special Awareness programmes for Persons with Disability/ Children with Special Needs

- Organised an awareness programme on the topic "Functioning of Police Systems and set up of Judicial System with Special Emphasis on Rights and Entitlements available to Persons with Disability under various Government Schemes" on 26.07.2017 at Amar Jyoti Charitable Trust, Karkardooma, Delhi which caters to more than 600 children with special needs. The participants were also apprised about various activities and functions carried out by DLSA.
- To mark **World Disability Day**, a legal awareness programme was organised on the topic "**Rights and Entitlements available to Persons with Disability under various Government Schemes**" at Amar Jyoti Charitable Trust, Karkardooma, Delhi. The same was attended by about 150 children with special needs alongwith about 50 faculty members working in the said institute on 07.12.2016. The participants were further informed about entitlement of disabled to free legal aid.

### **Legal Services to Mentally Ill and Mentally Disable Persons**

- Conducted 18 awareness programmes at various community, rural and remote areas of Shahdara District to educate people that mental illness is curable and there is no stigma attached to mental illness or mental disabilities and about rights of persons with mental disability.
- Conducted Training programmes for panel lawyers as well as police officers to sensitize them about legal rights and other provisions of law relating to mentally ill and mentally disabled persons.
- In **one of the follow up cases** where the patient was mentally ill and ordered by the court to remain in Institute of Human Behaviour and Allied Sciences (IHBAS), DLSA Shahdara assisted the patient in

protecting her rights of inheritence in a joint immovable property which was allegedly being usurped by other share holders.

### **Celebrated New Year at Night Shelter**

Secretary DLSA Shahdara celebrated New Year with poor and homeless persons at night shelter of Delhi Aashraya Sudhar Board, Seelampur. The Secretary further informed the participants about free legal aid and various activities carried out by DLSA besides informing them about their rights and entitlements under various government schemes.

### <u>Legal Awareness Camps on Protection of Women from Domestic Violence</u> <u>Act</u>

65 legal awareness camps were conducted at various slums and community areas of Shahdara District in order to create gender sensitization and apprise masses especially women about provisions and their entitlement under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act. The women were further informed that they are entitled to free legal aid in terms of Legal Services Authority Act, 1987.

### Organized mass rally in observance of International Women's Day:

In observance of International Women's Day on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2017, Ms. Kalpana, PLV under the aegis of DLSA Shahdara organized a mass rally at Sunder Nagari for sensitizing masses on gender discrimination and remedies available to women who are victims of violence under various statutes. The rally was attended by approximately 500 people of the said locality and was a great success.

Organised a programme "Mahila Jan Sunwai", in association with Crime against Women Cell at its Head Quarters Nanak Pura, Delhi on 19.09.2016 and 20.09.2016.

### **Rescued Rape Survivor**

On 18.02.2017, DLSA Shahdara conducted a Legal Awareness Programme on women related laws in JJ Cluster of Anand Vihar and sent a team of PLVs for same. There, the PLVs came across **a rape survivor** with multiple injuries who had just come to the said locality from Anand Vihar Railway Station. The PLVs gave first aid to the victim and arranged food and water for her. After comforting her, PLVs tried to gather information from her regarding alleged offence committed against

her. The victim mustered courage and stated that she came from UP and that her brother had raped her repeatedly. Consequently, she took the first train from her locality in UP and fled for her safety and reached Anand Vihar Railway Station.

On receiving this information, the PLVs immediately rushed the victim to nearest police station where the police officials turned them out saying they had no territorial jurisdiction in the matter as the offence had allegedly taken place in UP. The PLVs were in constant touch with the front office Advocate of DLSA Shahdara and took the victim to the office of DCW and later to PS IP Extension and managed to get **zero FIR registered** in this case. The PLVs remained in the police station with the victim till 02:00 am to give moral support to her. Presently, the victim is safely stationed at Apno Ghar, a shelter for women and her case is pending before the court concerned.

#### **Legal Literacy Camps on PC & PNDT Act**

- In order to sensitize masses and general public on offences against women and female foeticide, **15 Special Legal Literacy Camps** were organized in different slums, community, rural and remote areas of Shahdara District on the topic of "**Pre-conception and Pre-natal Diagnostic Techniques** (**Prohibition of Selection**) **Act-1994**" wherein the public was informed about the skewed sex ratio in the country especially northern parts of the country, aims and objective of the Act, basic legal provisions contained in the Act besides punishments for offences as given in the Statute to deter commission of any such offences.
- DLSA Shahdara organized awareness programme on **PC&PNDT** Act at **GTB Hospital** on 05.12.2016 and 16.12.2016 in separate district level workshop organized by CDMO and District Magistrate of Shahdara as well as North East District.

## **Awareness through Community Radio**

DLSA Shahdara also made effective use of Community Radio to disseminate information on various legal topics including POCSO Act, Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, Victim Compensation Scheme, PC & PNDT Act, Right to Education Act etc. to increase its outreach to general public.

72 Special Legal Awareness Camps were conducted on different dates at various educational institutions, government offices, hospitals, community centres,

factories, construction sites, slums and other remote areas of Shahdara District on various topics with the help of PLVs and LACs.

#### **Legal Awareness programmes in active participation of RWAs**

• Conducted **20 programmes in association with various RWAs** of District Shahdara on various topics during the relevant period.

#### **Environment and Law**

- Under the aegis of DSLSA, this authority conducted "Greening Delhi Literacy Campaign" from 18.07.2017 to 31.07.2017 under the project "Our Earth and Us" and Judicial Officers of Karkardooma Courts as well as Panel Lawyers participated in the campaign by visiting 40 schools (both govt. and private) as resource persons to educate the students on the importance of preserving the environment and nurturing trees.
- Conducted 04 legal awareness programmes to mark 'World Environment Day' at Sunder Nagari, Yamuna Vihar, Mansarovar Park and IMA EDB, 35-X, Institutional Area, Opposite Karkardooma Courts, Delhi.
- In association with Indian Medical Association, East Delhi Branch organized a **Green Walk** to mark "**World Environment Day**" at Karkardooma Institutional Area on 05.06.2017.
- In observance of **World Environment Day** conducted various awareness programmes in rural and community areas of Shahdara District highlighting the importance of hygiene and cleanliness.
- Participated in Tree Plantation Programme to celebrate "World Environment Day" on 05.06.2017 at Herbal Garden, Karkardooma Court Complex, Delhi.
- A Tree Plantation Programme was organised at Smriti Van, Mayur Vihar-III, Delhi, under the aegis of DSLSA under the project "Our Earth and Us" on 28.07.2017.

## Significant and Noteworthy achievements during the relevant period

• Conducted 12 orientation cum sensitization programmes for PLVs and trained them in various aspects of law so that they may suitably and effectively make people aware of their rights and duties guaranteed under Constitution. Further, conducted 260 programmes with active

- participation of PLVs in slums and other vulnerable areas of Shahdara District vide which approximately 7800 people were benefitted.
- On visits to Observation Home, Sewa Kutir and during personal interaction with the children staying there, Secretary, DLSA Shahdara was informed that many children lodged in the said Home did not have proper IDs due to which they were unable to avail many benefits otherwise available to them under various government schemes. Consequently, DLSA Shahdara with active support from Principal Magistrate, JJB-I organized a Camp for preparation of Adhaar Cards at Observation Home, Sewa Kutir (Mukherji Nagar) on 25.03.2017 for children lodged there. In the camp around 20 children got their Adhaar Cards prepared.
- In observance of World AIDS Day on 01.12.2016, organized an awareness programme on topic "Protection, Prevention and Care from HIV/AIDS" at Shalimar Park, Bholanath Nagar, Delhi.
- In the wake of demonetization drive and consequent cash crunch, this authority arranged mobile ATM of Punjab National Bank at Karkardooma Court Complex for Court Staff and Panel Advocates on 09.12.2016.
- On the occasion of **Human Rights Day on 10.12.2016**, organized a painting competition, Essay Competition and debate on issue of Human Rights for the inmates of Mandoli Jail.
- Successfully conducted two days **Mass Door to Door Campaign** under the aegis of DSLSA and covered approx. **2500** number of households.
- Organized a "Global Road Safety Week" on 08.05.2017 to 14.05.2017 on "Traffic Laws" in association with Delhi Traffic Police at following traffic intersection/points.
- In observance of World No Tobacco Day on 28.05.2017, organized 03 awareness programmes in Government hospitals and offices i.e. Dr. Hegewar Arogya Sansthan Hospital, near Karkardooma Courts, Directorate Health Administration, Department of Health and East Delhi Municipal Corporation, Delhi. The programmes were attended by huge number of people including government employees and general public visiting these institutions and offices and were appreciated by all concerned.
- In view of recent rise in number of cases being reported under POCSO Act and wide spread ignorance of general public, particularly the children about safe and unsafe touch, this authority had initiated a legal awareness campaign on POCSO Act in all the government schools and willing public schools falling within the jurisdiction of this Authority under the name and style

"*Sparsh*". Vide said campaign a puppet show shall be performed by a team of expert artists in each school followed by a small workshop on POCSO Act for children studying in class 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> alongwith teaching staff of the respective schools to make them conversant with various socio-legal aspects, particularly offences against the children.

#### **Training Programme for Police Officers**

- 15 Legal Literacy Programmes were conducted on POCSO Act at various police stations of Shahdara District.
- A Legal Literacy Programme on Human Rights was conducted for Police Officials of Shahdara and North-East District on 23.12.2016 at Karkardooma Court.
- Organized a Legal Awareness/ Sensitization Programme for Police Officers of Shahdara District on the topic "Building Intergenerational Bonding for Ageing with dignity with special emphasis on Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007" on 28.04.2017 at Karkardooma Courts, Delhi.
- Organized a Legal Awareness/ Sensitization Programme for Police Officers and APPs of Shahdara District on the topic "Missing Children and Victims of rape: Guidelines and Judicial Directions" on 29.05.2017 at Karkardooma Courts, Delhi

#### **Training Programme for Panel Lawyers**

- With an objective to enhance skills of panel lawyers to ensure quality legal services being rendered to weaker and marginalized sections of society **15** training cum capacity building programmes were conducted by this authority where both sitting as well as retired Judicial Officers alongwith experts in other fields participated and shared their experiences and best practices with the panel lawyers.
- Successfully conducted two days Induction cum Training programme for newly empanelled LACs of Shahdara, North-East, North and North-West DLSA in pursuance of NALSA Training module.

- Attended Workshop on Care, Welfare and Rehabilitation of Children in Need of Care and Protection in Saket Court on 28.01.2017.
- Attended workshop on Muslim Personal Law, presided over by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Najmi Waziri at Tis Hazari Courts on 04.02.2017.
- Participated in the **15**<sup>th</sup> **All India Meet of State Legal Services Authorities** on 18.03.2017 and 19.03.2017 at Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra, Rizal Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi.

#### **Field Visits**

- In compliance of the directions of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in W.P. (C) No.7927/2012 titled as 'Court on its own Motion v. Union of India & Anr.' conducted inspection of malkhanas of police stations of Sultan Puri and K.N. Kartju Marg on 22.09.2016.
- Visited **One Stop Centre**, Tier-1 situated at GTB Hospital for inspection on 21.12.2016.

#### **Miscellaneous Activities**

- Organised a workshop on Cashless Transactions in coordination with Punjab National Bank at Karkardooma Court Complex for Panel Advocates and Court Staff on 22.12.2016.
  - The Panel Lawyers who were trained vide aforesaid workshop were then deputed at help desks set up at eight bank branches in Shahdara District in the month of January 2017 to assist general public for following services:
  - i) filling up forms for opening bank accounts;
  - ii) filling up form of Aadhaar Card;
  - iii) filling up forms of Voter ID Card;
  - iv) filling up forms for PAN Card; &.
  - v) filling up forms for exchanging notes.
- Organised four Legal Aid Programmes for indigent people staying in shelter homes at Anand Vihar, Division-II on 21.01.2017, 28.01.2017, 04.02.2017 and 11.02.2017.
- Organised legal awareness programmes on "Legal Metrology Act" with emphasis on packaged commodities for shopkeepers /traders at various market complexes of Shahdara District.

- In compliance of the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Writ Petition (Civil) Nos.55 of 2003 and 572 of 2003, LACs of DLSA (Shahdara) & PLVs were deputed to inspect eight Night Shelters on 28.02.2017.
- On the occasion of **International Women's Day on 08.03.2017**, organised 5 Legal Awareness Programmes in slums and community areas of Shahdara District.
- In compliance of directions of DSLSA, this authority carried out mobilization drive in District Court Complex on 12.04.2017 in association with NSDC working under the guidance of MSDE to capture maximum candidates to undergo skill development training under PMKVY 2016-2020.
- Organized two Legal Awareness Rallies related to women issues in association with DLSA North-East on 07.07.2017 and 26.08.2017.
- Delivered a **lecture at Faculty of Law** on 15.11.2016 on the topic "Overview of Criminal Procedure, Bail and Victim Compensation".
- Delivered a **lecture at Ideal College**, **GGSIPU** on 19.11.2016 on the topic "Basic principles of criminal law, trial procedure and victim compensation".
- Delivered a **lecture at PGDAV College**, Lajpat Nagar, on the topic, "Eve **Teasing**" on 18.04.2017.
- Conducted Empanelment Process from 17.07.2017 to 27.07.2017 and selected 61 Legal Aid Advocates for different panels of Shahdara District.
- Under the aegis of DSLSA organised a Training Programme for PLVs for persons from community including those from amongst transgenders and commercial sex workers on 28.06.2017 and 29.06.2017.

## Free Legal Aid

During the period upto 31.08.2017, **1347** beneficiaries from JC were given free legal services by DLSA to pursue their respective cases. Moreover, **about 816** persons, who visited front office desk of DLSA Shahdara regarding various legal issues, were assigned Legal Aid Counsels to assist them in seeking appropriate redressal of their legal grievances.

Regular meetings of Under Trial Review Committee, District Victim Compensation Committee, Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, Scrutiny and Evaluation Committee and Monitoring Committee at stipulated intervals were convened and every effort was made to dispose of cases put before these committees.

#### **Success Stories of Shahdara District**

## 1. Facilitated admission of children from vulnerable families in Schools.

DLSA Shahdara conducted **Education Awareness Camps** for school dropout and non-enrolled children from vulnerable families on 15.05.2017 & 16.05.2017 on the topic "**Right to Education Under Article 21(A) of the Constitution**" at JJ Clusters areas.

It was reported that majority of inhabitants of these colonies are daily wage labourers, sex workers, beggars, rag pickers and persons belonging to scheduled caste. They informed the PLVs and LACs / Resource Persons sent by DLSA/Shahdara that their children were not going to school as they were not being admitted to nearby schools owing to social stigma. As such, these children were forced to beg for living. The participants of these awareness camps were informed by the resource person that Article 21A of Constitution provides for free and compulsory education for all children in the age group of 06 to 14 years.

A list of drop out and non-enrolled children from marginalized and down trodden families from aforesaid areas was prepared by the PLVs of Shahdara District and approximately 20 children were admitted to nearby schools pursuant to timely intervention by Secretary DLSA and District Magistrate of Shahdara District. The campaign to admit dropout and non-enrolled children from vulnerable families is presently continuing in various slums areas of Shahdara District with active participation of PLVs.

# 2. Registration of FIR in POCSO Case and Subsequent Grant of Compensation to 13 Year Old Victim.

During the Mass Legal Literacy Campaign (from 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2017) in one of the Government Schools i.e. SKV School, Nand Nagri near D.C. Office, Delhi, one of the girl students aged about 13 years disclosed to the Resource Person of DLSA Shahdara about frequent commission of rape upon her by her brother-in-law at her home. The said matter was reported by the Resource Person to the Secretary DLSA Shahdara who brought the matter to the notice of concerned SHO PS. The victim/ girl student was counselled by the LAC of DLSA Shahdara and the police authorities swung into action & examined the girl, FIR got registered under POCSO Act. Statement of victim was also recorded u/s 164 Cr.P.C. before the Court. LAC had also been appointed for the victim to move an appropriate application for interim compensation under Rule 7 POCSO Act r/w Victim Compensation Scheme, 2015.

As per record, amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- (One Lac) as interim Compensation had been awarded to victim vide order dated 03.07.2017 by the POCSO court of Shahdara District.

#### 3. Benefits to Family of convict Noor Mohd.

An order dated 27.03.2017 was passed by Hon'ble Division bench of Delhi High Court in Crl. Appeal No.102/2014, titled "Noor Mohammad vs. State" vide which DLSA Shahdra was directed to provide assistance to the family of convict Noor Mohammad in order to avail the benefits of various schemes being run by the GNCT of Delhi. Accordingly, Legal Aid Counsel was appointed to assist the family of convict Noor Mohammad. Secretary DLSA Shahdara personally met both convict as well as his wife twice to counsel them and advise them about the options available before them to secure future of their children.

Legal Aid Counsel was appointed on behalf of family of convict Noor Mohd. Various departments of government including concerned District Magistrate office, Department of Women and Child Development were approached the family of convict was informed about the possibility of putting their 3 children (one boy aged about 13 & two girls aged about 8 and 6) at Sanskar Ashram for girls and Sanskar Ashram for boys. However, both the convict Noor Mohd. and his wife were not willing to put their children in the aforesaid homes.

A letter was issued to the District Officer, District North-East, Delhi with the request to ensure grant of benefit of "Scheme of Financial Assistance to Destitute Women to the family of convict Noor Mohd. Thereafter, a letter was received from District office, North East, that the case of Smt. Afsana is sanctioned and forwarded to Dy. Director (FAS), Department of Women and Child Development for further orders and now pension would be credited to her by the Public Financial Management System before end of September.

#### 4. DLSA Shahdara comes to rescue of 70 Year Old Man

District Legal Service Authority provided legal aid to senior citizen namely, Sh. Mangu Dutt Parashar aged 70 years as he had lost his 33 KisaanVikasPatra amounting to Rs. 300000/-. The Post Office was not releasing the same to him and was demanding Govt. Security as a mandatory condition. Sh. Mangu Dutt ran pillar to post and finally approached DLSA Shahdara and legal aid was provided to him by appointing LAC to file appropriate case in the concerned court. Accordingly,

civil suit for mandatory injunction was filed in the Court of Ld. Senior Civil Judge, District Shahdara by concerned.

It was due to since efforts made by the counsel provided by DLSA, that, it was found on the service manual that even an individual could also stand surety and there was no such mandatory requirement of a Govt. Servant as surety. Considering the same, Hon'ble Court ordered release of KisaanVikas Patras to legal aid beneficiary Sh. ManguDutt Parashar. Applicant was very happy on successful completion of his case and also wrote letter of thanks to LAC concerned.

# 5. <u>Secured maintenance to widow from her children who failed to maintain her.</u>

There was an incident that came to light of DLSA Shahdara when a senior citizen, also widow, aged 62 years approached DLSA Shahdara for legal aid. The lady was reportedly harassed by her 3 children who were not maintaining her and used to often beat her. She was constrained to take alms from neighbourhood and relatives for her livelihood. She was brought to the office of DLSA by PLVs of Shahdara District and the office immediately provided her Legal Aid Counsel to file petition for maintenance u/s 125 Cr.P.C from her children. With the sincere efforts made by LAC concerned, the Hon'ble Court passed an order directing children of the said lady to pay a sum of Rs. 3000/- each per month to the victim for her maintenance & basic needs. After that execution petition was also filed to execute the order of Hon'ble Court and the old lady successfully started receiving maintenance amount from her children.

#### **Best DLSA:** South DLSA

#### **Activities**

#### LEGAL AID - ADVICE AT FRONT DESK - COUNSELLING

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soutl	south district legal services authority (September 2016 to august 2017)								
S. No.	Categories	Providing	Panel	Advice	/Counselli	ng	Total		
		Advocate							
1	Scheduled Caste	43		Front	Office -	- 29	72		
				Couns	elling - N	il			
2	Scheduled Tribe	1		Front	Office -	Nil	1		
				Couns	elling - N	il			

3	Women	872	Front Office - 594 Counselling - 35 No. of Victims of Rape/Sexual Assault Counselled - 17	
4	Children	9	No. of Traced Missing Children counselled - 02 No. of Victims of Rape/Sexual assault counselled – Nil	11
5	In Custody	706		706
6	Persons with disability	7	Front Office – 04	11
7	Industrial Workmen	-		
8	Transgender	-		
9	Victims of Trafficking in Human beings or beggar	-		
10	Victims of Mass Disaster, Violence, Flood, Draught, Earthquake and Industrial Disaster	-		
11	General (Persons whose annual income does not exceed the prescribed limit)	334	Front Office - 213 Counselling - 05	552
12	Others	52		52
	Total	2024	Front Office 840 Counselling - 59	2923

## **Spreading Legal Awareness through Para Legal Volunteers**

- (1) Orientation of Para Legal Volunteers for two day door to door campaign on 25.10.2016.
- (2) 11 PLVs deployed in 30 schools in Mass Legal Literacy Programmes in October, 2016.
- (3) 04 PLVs deployed for Legal Awareness Programmes at Community Level in November, 2016.

- (4) 41 PLVs deployed for two days door to door campaign in November, 2016.
- (5) 174 PLVs deployed in National Lok Adalat held on 12.11.2016.
- (6) Interns under NALSA Internship Programme attached with DLSA (South) from 16.12.2016 to 06.01.2017.
- (7) Lecture delivered on "Overview of Criminal Justice System and Courts, Basic Principles of Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Bail, Victim Compensation at the Para Legal Volunteers Training at CLC, Delhi University on 01.12.2016 which was attended by approximately 250-300 students/PLVs.
- (8) 02 PLVs deployed for 05 legal awareness programmes in schools and community level in December, 2016.
- (9) 03 PLVs deployed for awareness programme on "E-payment for cashless transactions" on 03.01.2017.
- (10) 30 PLVs deployed in respect of National Lok Adalat held on 11.02.2017.
- (11) Training Programme for PLVs on "Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) act, 2015 on 28.03.2017, attended by 16 PLVs.
- (12) 01 PLV deployed to visit 15 Shelter Homes in the month of March, 2017.
- (13) 98 PLVs deployed for participation in a sensitization camp on Women Issues (Celebrating Womanhood at DLF Select City Walk Mall on 08.03.2017.
- (14) 02 PLVs deployed on each day for Legal Services Clinic/Help Desk established at Chhattarpur Temple from 30.03.2017 to 05.04.2017.
- (15) 10 PLVs deployed for the legal awareness programme at police stations from 29.03.2017 to 31.03.2017.
- (16) Orientation programme for PLVs on 07.04.2017 in respect of National Lok Adalat held on 08.04.2017 and 25 PLVs were deployed for the same.
- (17) Orientation Programme for PLVs on "Pardhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana" on 10.04.2017 and deployed 02 PLVs at help desks on 12.04.2017.
- (18) Training Programme for PLVs on "Child Sexual Abuse and the POCSO Act + Child Marriages" on 17.04.2017 attended by 51 PLVs.
- (19) 02 PLVs deployed for observance of International Labour Day on 01.05.2017 in the area of Malviya Nagar.
- (20) Orientation and Sensitization Programme for PLVs of South District for providing legal services at Traffic Courts on 14.07.2017, which was attended by 22 PLVs.
- (21) Orientation Programme for PLVs of South District was conducted in respect of Legal Literacy in schools on "Greening Delhi" on 17.07.2017, which was attended by 39 PLVs.

- (22) 05 PLVs deployed for Legal Aid Camp established at DIPSAR, M.B. Road, Pushp Vihar, New Delhi on 16.07.2017.
- (23) 32 PLVs deployed for organizing Legal Literacy Classes on "Environment: Protection, Preservation, Conservation & Maintenance" towards greening Delhi under the project "Our Earth & Us" for improvement of ecology in Delhi in all Government and Private Schools from 19.07.2017 to 31.07.2017.
- (24) 11 PLVs deployed for duty in the help desk at Traffic Courts of South District for providing legal services at Traffic Courts in the month of July, 2017.
- (25) Orientation programme for PLVs on 07.07.2017 in respect of National Lok Adalat held on 08.07.2017 and 19 PLVs were deployed for the same.
- (26) 07 PLVs deployed for Legal Awareness Programme on Community Level conducted in association with the NGOs in the month of August, 2017.
- (27) 24 PLVs deployed for duty in the help desk at Traffic Courts of South District for providing legal services at Traffic Courts in the month of July, 2017.

#### **Panel Lawyers Training/Orientation**

The legal aid advocates of South DLSA were imparted training as per the NALSA Training Nodule for lawyers. The details of the same are as under:

- (1) Training on "Domestic Violence" on 08.10.2016 and 22.10.2016.
- (2) Orientation for two day door to door campaign on 25.10.2016.
- (3) Interaction with all empanelled advocates on 28.11.2016 on "Functions as Legal Services Advocates".
- (4) Workshop on "Schemes for Financial Sustenance, Education & Welfare of Children of incarcerated parents, 2014" on 16.02.2017.
- (5) Training Programme for empanelled advocates on "Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015 on 28.03.2017, attended by 54 empanelled advocates.
- (6) Training Programme for empanelled advocates on "Child Sexual Abuse and the POCSO Act + Child Marriages" on 17.04.2017 attended by 41 PLVs.
- (7) Orientation Programme for empanelled advocates, Public Prosecutors, Mediators and Assistant/Associate Professors of various Law Colleges on 01.05.2017 about their duties in Mass Legal Literacy Programme held from 01.05.2017 to 08.05.2017.

- (8) Orientation Programme for empanelled advocates on 10.07.2017 on "Functioning of Police Stations and set up of Judicial System".
- (9) Orientation and Sensitization Programme for empanelled advocates of DLSA (South) for providing legal services at Traffic Courts on 14.07.2017, which was attended by 18 LACs.
- (10) Orientation Programme for empanelled advocates of DLSA (South) was conducted in respect of Legal Literacy in schools on "Greening Delhi" on 17.07.2017, attended by 31 advocates.
- (11) Orientation/Sensitization Programme for nominated empanelled advocates and Assistant/Additional Public Prosecutors of South District on "Implementation of Delhi Victim Compensation Scheme, 2015 on 28.08.2017.

# <u>Legal aid and awareness programme for under trial prisoners (utps) of south</u> district and lodged at Tihar jail no. 4 and 6 assigned to DLSA south

The South DLSA provided legal aid to 706 under trial prisoners and also ensured their due interaction with legal aid advocates by sending advocates to jail apart from the routine jail visiting advocates of the Authority. Interaction is also ensured through video conferencing.

Further, the under trial review committee meeting was convened every month and each UTP covered in any of the following was considered and efforts were made to provide them legal aid so as to ensure their release etc.

#### The details are as under:

S.No.	Date of	Total no. of	Total No. of	No. of UTPs
	Meetings	cases taken	cases	released
		up	recommended	
1	29.09.2016	60	24	15
2	25.10.2016	47	43	08
3	22.11.2016	36	36	03
4	16.12.2016	52	52	05
5	16.01.2017	51	51	16
6	27.02.2017	52	52	05
7	31.03.2017	49	49	07
8	03.05.2017	51	51	10
9	02.06.2017	35	35	05
10	09.08.2017	32	32	07

- 147 Legal Awareness Programmes were held at Jail Number 4 of Tihar Jail on various legal topics such as Bail, Plea Bargaining, Right to Bail.
- 33 Legal Awareness Programmes were held at Jail No.6 of Tihar Jail. Apart from that Daily Jail Visits and One to One Interaction were also done various legal topics.
- Total 86 Legal Aid Clinics and Camps were organized in the area of South District on various legal topics.
- 17 legal awareness programmes were conducted in colleges/institutions
- Observed Women's Day On 08.03.2017 at Tihar Jail Number 6 in which Cultural Competition & Awareness Programme were organized.
- Observed of human rights day at Tihar jail no. 4 by DLSA (south) under the aegis of DSLSA on 10.12.2016
- Total 133 programme were conducted under NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016.
- Total 139 programmes were conducted under NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015
- Total 61 programmes were conducted under NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015
- Total 111 programmes were conducted under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015
- 56 legal literacy classes were conducted for police officers in which 1900 people participated.

## **Legal Literacy Classes in Schools**

The South DLSA ensured that the legal literacy classes are taken after due orientation of empanelled advocates and follow up thereupon as to any grievance or aid demanded during the class is taken. The DLSA recorded huge success in mass legal literacy campaign and also in greening Delhi project. The classes were undertaken in all government and private school of south district.

Total 920 programmes were conducted in which 62120 students sensitized on various topics such as Protection of Water Resources, Right to Education & Traffic/Road Discipline, Human Rights and Access to Justice, Menace of Drug Adictioin, Cyber Crime, Human Trafficking, senior citizens, Environment Protection and conservation, etc.

Greening Delhi Initiative & Preparation Of Module On Environment: Protection, Conservation, Preservation And Maintenance For Legal Literacy Classes For Students Of Delhi & Part Of Eco Club Under The Project *GREENING DELHI* "Our earth and us":

- 1. Module was prepared
- 2. Orientation of judicial officers, panel advocates and PLVs were undertaken briefing them the methodology to be followed under the module.
- 3. Under the guidance of Special Secretary, DSLSA orientation of all secretaries of DSLSA was undertaken briefing them the methodology to be followed under the module.

#### **Legal Literacy Talks on Radio**

- (a) On Pre-conception and Pre-natal Diagnostic Act at Apna Radio, IIMC on 30.09.2016.
- (b) On Rights of Differently Abled Persons at Apna Radio, IIMC on 20.09.2016.
- (c) On Human Rights at Apna Radio, IIMC on 09.12.2016.

#### Lok Adalat

During the period from 10.09.2016 to 08.07.2017, total 7 Lok Adalats were organized in which 2280 pending cases and 24177 pre-litigation cases were disposed of.

## **Prompt Clearance of Bills**

During the period from September, 2016 to August, 2017, total 1163 bills were cleared.

## Events of DSLSA convened by DLSA (South) at Saket Court Complex

- (1) Special workshop on "Muslim Personal Laws" on 21.01.2017 which was attended by approximately 150 empanelled advocates.
- (2) Workshop on "Care, Welfare and Rehabilitation of Children in Need of Care and Protection" was held on 28.01.2017 which was attended by approximately 150 empanelled advocates.
- (3) PLVs Training Programme for the victims of Drug Abuse on 23.05.2017 and 24.05.2017.
- (4) A project "Our Earth & Us" in collaboration with Department of Forest and Wildlife as well as Department of Education, Government of NCT of Delhi to drive a series of tree plantation all over Delhi was conducted on 12.07.2017 at I.I.T Delhi which was attended by approximately 600 students.

- (5) Tree Plantation Programme on 15.07.2017 along with 50 students of Suraj Bhan DAV Public School, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi.
- (6) Orientation & Training Programme for the Probation Officers and Child Welfare Officers working under DWCD batch wise was organized by DSLSA on 23.08.2017 and 24.08.2017.

#### **OTHERS**

- **1.** PREPARATION OF MODULE ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE "Child abuse & Violence- Interpersonal & Digital World" (age group 14 to 18 years) which is pending approval of Hon'ble Executive Chairperson of DSLSA.
- **2.** Secretary, DLSA (South) visited One Stop Centre of AIIMS Hospital on 24.01.2017 for its inspection and submitted the report to the Central Office DSLSA.
- **3.** Secretary, DLSA (South) visited One Stop Centre of Safdarjung Hospital on 24.01.2017 for its inspection and submitted the report to the Central Office, DSLSA.
- **4.** Grant of victim compensation in 40 cases of an amount of Rs.56,73,000/- of DLSA (South) disbursed by DSLSA.
- **5.** Secretary, DLSA (South) delivered duty of emcee and stage management at 15<sup>th</sup> All India Meet of State Legal Services Authorities.
- **6.** Secretary, DLSA (South) delivered duty of emcee and stage management at National Meet of Para Legal Volunteers.
- 7. On 18.07.2017, help desks for providing legal services at Traffic Courts at South District was inaugurated by Hon'ble Ms. Justice Gita Mittal, High Court of Delhi & Executive Chairperson, DSLSA. Ld. Special Secretary convened orientation programme of PLVs & LACs for duty at help desk along with Traffic MMs on 14.07.2017.

No. of cases dealt at help desk traffic courts for the month of July & August,						
2017						
S.NO.	MONTH	CASES				
1	JULY	83				
2	AUGUST	89				
TOTAL						

- **8.** Observance of World Population Day at CSKM School by DLSA (South) by organizing Debate & Poster Making Competition on 11.07.2017
- **9.** Legal Aid Help Desk was set up at Chhattarpur Temple from 30.03.2017 to 05.04.2017

#### 5. GOA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: North Goa, DLSA

#### **Activities**

DLSA North Goa conducted training programme for PLV and trained 21 Para Legal Volunteers which includes Social Workers, Government Servants, Teachers, Students, Anganwadi Workers, NGOs and Convict Prisoners. Regular Refresher training programmes were also conducted on the basic law points on common subject.

Legal awareness programmes conducted on NALSA(Legal Services to the Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015, Legal Services to the Victim of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menance, Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their protection, Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights. Awareness programmes are also conducted on the topics of Road Safety, Equal opportunities to be given to ladies, Drug abuse/victim of Drug Abuse, Consumer Protection Act, Prohibition of Child Marriage, Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao, Activities of Legal Aid and Cyber Laws, etc. International Women's Day, International Day against Drug Abuse at Central Jail, International Labour Day were celebrated.

DLSA North Goa conducted 15 Lok Adalats in which 13,423 cases were placed out of which 2138 cases were settled and Compensation/Settlement amount was Rs.5,82,97,003/-. So also 7 National Lok Adalats were conducted in which 821 cases were placed out of which 48 cases were settled and the compensation/settlement amount was Rs.94,714/-.

#### 6. LAKSHADWEEP LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

There is no DLSA.

#### 7. PUDUCHERRY LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Nil.

# West Zone Best DLSAs

(Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Rajasthan State Legal Services Authorities)

#### **West Zone Best DLSAs**

(Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan State Legal Services Authorities)

#### 1. GUJARAT STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Kachchh, DLSA

#### **Activities**

- Salt worker labours are living in the desert area and that too in huts at salt plots without facility of basic necessity like electricity, medical, school or any recreation resource etc. After the State Level Legal Awareness Programme organized on the subject of NALSA (Legal Services to the Unorganized sector Labours) Scheme 2015, and initiative by DLSA, Kachchh, salt workers came to know about their rights, benefits available to them and that has changed their standard of living and now they are getting basic facilities like medical First Aid, Education to their children etc.
- DLSA Kachchh, through the District Labour Officer, provided salt labourers gum shoes, caps, cycles, sun glasses, proper shelter to live in desert, hospital and doctor facility on requirement, school facility to the children of salt worker (agariya), compensation from government scheme released in case of accidental death of these kind of labours, as per State and Central Government Schemes. Compensation of Rs. 985 thousand was speedily sanctioned, due to pro-active role by District Legal Services Authority, Bhuj-Kachchh (Gujarat) during Year 2017.
- PLVs, Legal Aid Panel Lawyers and Legal Aid functionaries are holding awareness camps on various law subjects i.e. rights of HIV Aids patients, Women Rights, Child's Right, Registration of Death and Birth Act, Availability of Free & Competent Legal Services, on the subject of various NALSA Schemes launched in Year-2015-16. Legal Services Programmes have been held and arranged in the largest Kachchh District during year 2017.
- The people of the society who are attending public fairs are acquainted with their legal rights and a Right of Free Competent Legal Service, they are also acquainted with the benefit of Lok-Adalat, Mediation Centre, Legal Assistance

Centre established in Court Campus, Approximately more than 1,00,000 brochures and leaflets were distributed by the PLVs of DLSA, Kachchh-Bhuj.

- Mentally disabled nomadic (Divyang) persons having no guardians to look after are taken to the hospital for their medical treatment, after obtaining necessary permission from the Court. The search for their relatives is also carried out so that they may meet their family members and such persons are sent at their native places. PLVs are performing active role for rendering proper services to such persons, as early as possible.
- Under the scheme of NALSA (Legal Services to the Senior Citizen) Scheme −2016 PLVs of DLSA, Kachchh have been deployed for the task of providing all services under the scheme. Further, PLVs are helping Senior Citizens by assisting them about their legal rights and also assist NGO who provides cooked food and other amenities to the helpless and lonely old aged persons unable to go out of their home. 80 such senior citizens are being supplied Tiffin Services alongwith other necessary items through such NGOs under the assistance of PLVs.
- Para Legal Volunteers of Kachchh District have performed various Legal Services/Services during year-2017 as under:
  - a) 3 newly born abandoned infants were found, out of them 2 were saved.
  - b) 24 missing children were found, who were rejoined with their family with due care.
  - c) 60 handicap persons have been given tricyles.
  - d) 34 window women have been given sewing machines.
  - e) 18 old ages persons have been sent to their houses after search, with due care.
  - f) 76 wandering and mentally lunatics and handicap persons have been sent to their homes with proper care.
  - g) 28 females have been saved and sent back to their homes.
  - h) Para Legal Volunteers are arranging Tiffin services for 60 mentally ill and handicap persons, 100 aged and support less persons through NGOs.
  - i) 150 children sent to school who were doing child labour.
  - j) Shoes and Chapals are given to the children wandering on road without food wear with the help of NGOs.
  - k) More than 500 trees plantations are done by the PLVs.

- DLSA, Kachchh, with the help of PLV, distributed high Diet, Books, Pens and Cloths to approximately 137 H.I.V. prone children, with the collaboration of NGO. Awareness Camps are being conducted with coordination of GNP+NP+NGOs, by legal aid clinic, from time to time for helping the people suffering from H.I.V. Various Medical awareness seminar were held in the city by coordination with Civil Hospital, Bhuj.
- DLSA, Bhuj Kachchh has taken steps to stop Child Labour by creating awareness regarding rights of Child, "Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan", Compulsory primary education etc. Information regarding their rights was given to the concern children by pro-active role of DLSA, Kachchh Bhuj. The DLSA, Kachchh, with the help of PLVs identify Child Labour and Child beggars and their parents were persuaded for their education, and thereby make such child free from bonded labour. DLSA, Kachchh made 450 Child Labours free from the labour and such children were admitted in school.

#### • The Work related to search and finding of missing children:-

- Work of missing children is carried out by the District Legal Services Authority, Bhuj-Kachchh in co-ordination with Police Department and Para Legal Volunteers and it is continue process. The Para Legal Volunteers have been assigned duties to file complaints in police stations of the District pertaining to the missing children and to look for the speedy action by the police in that regard.
- DLSA, Kachchh also works to search for the lost children and re-unite the said children with his/her family members. The services of missing child cell of the police department are also taken for search of the missing children. One PLV of DLSA, Kachchh is permanently appointed as member of missing child cell, for giving Legal Service.
- The search of missing old aged persons including women as well as young man and woman is carried out and after searching them, the said persons are sent to their native place. This work is done with the co-operation of Police Agencies. 146 children have been found and about 686 missing old aged persons/women and youths have been searched and they were sent to their places of abode. Till today, 144 women due to domestic issues at their home, were brought at Protection Centre and were given protection and shelter in Bhuj. After resolving domestic

issues, DLSA, Kachchh-Bhuj sent them back to their home. The Para Legal Volunteers have been assigned duties to file complaints in police stations of the District pertaining to the missing children and see that speedy action is taken by the police.

#### • <u>Jail Visits</u>:

- Special District Jail is located at Village: Palara, Bhuj Taluka and Gadpadar Jail at Gandhidham Kachchh. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Bhuj-Kachchh is visiting Special District Jail fortnightly. During Jail visit, The Secretary, DLSA, Bhuj meets all prisoners invariably and personally, and their Legal Services requirements are verified. The hygienic condition of the kitchen of the jail is also checked, along with the quality of food served to the prisoners. During one visit some medicines were found of expiry date and the same were disbursed and concerned doctor was given proper instruction to be more careful next time.
- During the Jail visit, some of prisoners met the Secretary, DLSA, Bhuj-kachchh, who were college students and were having exam. The DLSA, through panel advocate filed their temporary bail applications.
- All the Jail inmates are having their Aadhar Cards. Process to get the Aadhar Card available to them was undertaken through the District Legal Services Authority, Bhuj-Kachchh by performing pro-active role.

## Government benefits given to public at large through DLSA:-

- More than 800 Widow Women got sanctioned their Pension through District Legal Services Authority, Bhuj-Kachchh. DLSA, Bhuj has taken concrete steps to remove hurdles from sanctioning of the applications in this regard.
- Around 250 Applications of Labours, affected individuals, widows who were eligible to get the bank loans and subsidies as per norms were helped by the DLSA, Bhuj-Kachchh by performing pro-active role to resolve their issues.
- The DLSA, Kachchh has taken many initiatives for providing legal awareness and resolving minor issues of many citizen residing in interior and isolated area of the Largest District-Kachchh. The DLSA, Kachchh, with co-ordination of

DDO, Kachchh, has established legal awareness committee constituted of Talati, Aganvadi workers of village and PLV in 160 villages of the District and in near future, it will cover more than 1000 villages of the District. The committee spreads legal awareness, legal guidance and resolves administrative side issues of village level, of the villages and therefore the citizens of the small, interior and isolated villages need not require to visit taluka place for minor administrative side issues.

- The DLSA, Kachchh, has constituted a Committee of Deputy DDO, Deputy Collector and Deputy Superintendent of Police, for resolving administrative side issues, which were not resolved by the Legal Awareness Committee of the village and referred to DLSA, Kachchh.
- The DLSA, Kachchh, with the co-ordination of Vice Chancellor, Kachchh University, has established Legal Awareness committee in 29 colleges of the District out of total 43 colleges. The committee is constituted of 2 Professors and 3 Students of the college and PLV is visiting 2 times in a week.
- The DLSA, Kachchh, with the co-ordination of District Education Officer, has established Legal Awareness Committee in 68 Schools. The Committee is constituted of 1 Teacher and 2 Students of the School and PLV is visiting 2 times in a week.
- DLSA, Kachchh is making all efforts for promoting Legal services to the needy people.

#### 2. MADHYA PRADESH STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Best DLSA: Khandwa, DLSA

#### **Activities**

- **1. Legal Aid Scheme:** DLSA Khandwa provided legal aid in 237 cases to the eligible persons from 01.04.2016 to 30.08.2017 under the legal aid scheme being run the MP SLSA
- **2. Legal Advice Scheme:** DLSA provided legal advice to 1390 persons and prisoners from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017.
  - (a) DLSA installed legal aid and advice centre in the Mela on the occasion of Gurupurnima and provided free legal advice to about 75000 person on 18 and 19.07.2017. During the Mela, pamphlets and handbills were distributed though PLVs, panel lawyers and legal aid functionaries.
  - (b) During the Jal Mahotasava at Hanuvantiya Island organized by MP Tourism Department, DLSA established 27 days permanent Legal & Advise Centre to provide Legal Advice to the general public from 20.12.2016 to 15.01.2017. About 10,000 persons availed the benefit of free Legal Aid & Advice. In the said centre, pamphlets, handbills and booklets were distributed.

#### 3. Legal Aid Clinics Scheme

Under the aforesaid scheme, DLSA has been providing benefit to the persons as per the directions of the MP SLSA.

#### 4. Legal Awareness Camps Scheme

The Legal Awareness Camps are being organized by the MP SLSA, the objective is to make the people, both literate and illiterate, aware about their rights and duties. During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, 146 Legal Awareness Camps were organized by the DLSA. The results of the Legal Awareness Camps organized in tribal areas of Khalwa, Aumkareshwar, Hanumantiya, Railway Goods Godown, Anaaz Mandi were remarkable.

#### 5. Micro Legal Awareness Camps

Khandwa DLSA oragnised Micro Legal Awareness Camps also. During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, about 2,000 persons were benefitted every month through the Micro Legal Awareness Camps.

#### 6. MGNREGA Legal Awareness Camps

During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, Legal Awareness Camps for MGNREGA were organized and about 700 people were benefitted.

#### 7. Legal Aid Counsel Scheme in Magisterial Courts

DLSA provided Legal Aid to the under trial prisoners and in the remand matters in Magisterial Courts. During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, 14 UTPs were provided free Legal Aid during remand hours.

#### 8. Family Counselling and Conciliation Centre Scheme

Under this Scheme, the DLSA has settled many family disputes through front office and Legal Aid Clinics. Under the Scheme, DLSA has been providing services of PLVs and Panel Lawyers to the parties of family disputes.

#### 9. District Advice Centre Scheme

Under the Scheme, the DLSA has got settled many disputes like suitable advice through the front office and Legal Aid Clinics in its office.

#### 10. Crime against Labour Cell

Under the Scheme, DLSA has been providing assistance to the labourers regarding their grievances of wages.

#### 11. Women and Child Protection Unit

Under the Scheme, DLSA, in co-ordination with one stop centre established by the District Administration, has been doing counselling through the retainer lawyers and PLVs.

#### 12. Scheme for Legal Services to Disasters Victims

Under the Scheme, free Legal Services provided to the victims of disaster viz. flood, earthquake etc. In the Legal Awareness Camps organized from time to time such people are advised to take advantages through Legal Service.

#### 13. Scheme for Legal Services to Mentally Retarded Persons

DLSA provides free Legal Aid and advice to the mentally retarded persons as per rules.

#### 14. Scheme for Unorganized workers

For the purpose of security of workers, ensuring payment of their wages, prevention of discrimination against women workers and prevention of their sexual exploitation and prevention of child labour and with the purpose that benefits of govt. schemes reach to the organized workers, DLSA has organized mega Legal Awareness Camps under the Legal Services to workers of organized sector scheme 2015.

- (A) It was informed by the PLV that the workers working in Railways Goods Godown were not being paid reasonable wages. Accordingly, the workers were identified and got registered in the Legal Awareness Camps organized from 22.04.2017 to 25.04.2017.
- (B) In the Legal Awareness Camps from 22.04.2017 to 25.04.2017, Registration Cards were distributed to the workers entitled under Madhya Pradesh Workers Welfare Scheme.
- (C) On the occasion of International Labour Day, a mega Legal Awareness Camp was organized on 30.06.2017 in the premises of Anaz Mandi in which registration cards were distributed to the labourers.

#### 15. Work done for missing children

Under the direction of MP SLSA, Legal Awareness Camps were organized from 21.04.2017 to 25.04.2017. The DLSA made sudden inspection for search of missing children viz. at Bus Stand, Railway Station and Mela etc. and such children were produced before Child Welfare Committee. During the Legal Awareness Camps, general people were appealed to call toll free no. 1098 if any missing child is found.

#### 16. Mediation

Disputes were settled through mediation data from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017 is detailed as under:-

No. of	Total no.		No of	No. of	No.of	Not of
previously	of cases	Total	successful	unsuccessful	non	pending
pending	received		cases	cases	starter	cases
cases					cases	
0	1550	1550	790	741	5	8

#### 17. Permanent and Continuous Lok Adalat Scheme

As per directions of MP SLSA, Permanent and Continuous Lok Adalat is organized on last Saturday of every month. Accordingly, 2 benches at DLSA level and 1 bench at Tehsil level have been constituted. During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, the matters were settled in the Permanent and Continuous Lok Adalat as under:-

No. of constituted	No. of cases taken	No. of disposed		
bench	up	cases		
44	994	265		

#### 18. Permanent Lok Adalat for Public Utilities Services

During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, the Permanent Lok Adalat for Public Utilities Services has settled matters as under:-

No. of constituted	No. of cases taken	No. of disposed
bench	up	cases
15	13	10

#### 19. National Lok Adalat

During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, matters have been settled in National Lok Adalats as under:-

National	P	re-Litigat	ion Case		Pendin	g Case	Total Case		
Lok Adalat	Taken up	Dispos	Amount	Taken	Dispo	Amount	Taken	Disposed	Amount
held on		ed		up	sed		up		
25.06.2016	0	0	0	34	28	6731522	34	28	6731522
30.07.2016	1729	283	1944197	145	39	389554	789	170	1915554
27.08.2016	2189	1168	8656315	85	17	2771092	2274	118	1427407
								5	
24.09.2016	2	2	0	558	41	0	560	43	0
22.10.2016	297	297	1360438	47	47	19450	344	344	1379888

12.11.2016	9315	2517	10277808	10581	7133	67984128	19896	965	78261936
								0	
11.02.2017	7298	469	7551159	3291	213	13103336	10589	682	20654495
23.04.2017	5	1	0	1331	787	311999	1336	788	311999
08.04.2017	3336	257	3138549	2185	182	9379651	5521	439	12518200
08.07.2017	6178	350	8318070	2828	298	9560403	9006	648	17878473

#### 20. NALSA Legal Aid Clinics Schemes

In Khandwa district, 29 Legal Aid Clinics have been set up. The Para Legal Volunteers visit once in a week in these Clinics and provide free Legal Advice to the weaker section of the society. During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, 22 persons were provided Legal Advice in these Clinics.

#### 21. Para Legal Volunteers Scheme

At present there are 100 Para Legal Volunteers.

#### 22. Victim Compensation Scheme, 2015

Under the Victim Compensation Scheme, 2015, 3 applications were received from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017 in which appropriate action was taken by the DLSA.

#### 23. Retainers Advocates Scheme

Under the NALSA (Free and Competent Legal Services) Regulations 2010, 2 Retainers Lawyers have been appointed in the front office of the DLSA. During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, 150 persons were provided free Legal Advice by the Retainers Lawyers.

# 24. NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Trafficking & Commercials Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015

Under the Scheme, Legal Awareness Camps were organized and general public was appealed that if they find such victims, they may send to them to the DLSA for appropriate action.

# 25. NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015

Under the Scheme and as per the directions of MP SLSA, Special Legal Awareness Camps were organized from 21.04.2017 to 25.04.2017 and from 21.07.2017 to 25.07.2017. During the period from 21.04.2017 to 25.04.2017, inspection was carried out at Khandwa, Burhanpur, Chanera and Mathela

Stations along with Special Railway Magistrate and Child Welfare Committee and children were searched who were alone on the Railway Stations. Such drive was also carried out from 21.07.2017 to 25.07.2017.

### 26. NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015

Under the Scheme, 2 Legal Awareness Camps were organized wherein rights of Mentally ill persons were described and people were made aware about availability of free Legal Services.

# 27. NALSA (Effective implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015

Under the Scheme, DLSA has organized 2 Legal Awareness Programmes and people were made aware about the scheme and informed that eligible persons will be provided free Legal Services.

#### 28. NALSA (Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015

Tehsil Khalwa in Khandwa district is a tribal area in which Korkoo tribes reside. DLSA organized a mega Legal Awareness Camp on 30.11.2016 to stop malpractices. In the camp, the tribal were told to get their children married at the appropriate age. In the Legal Awareness Camp, Nukkad Natak was also organized.

# 29. NALSA (National Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015

Under the Scheme, DLSA organized 2 Legal Awareness Camps during the from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017. During the Camps, information of the scheme was provided and people were told to inform the victims about DLSA so that they could be provided appropriate Legal Aid and Advice.

#### 30. NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016

Under the Scheme, DLSA organized Legal Awareness Camps during the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017. In such camps, shelter homes were visited and Senior Citizens were made aware about Legal Aid.

#### 31. NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Acid Attacks) Scheme, 2016

Under the Scheme, 2 Legal Awareness Camps were organized.

#### **32.** Other Activities

- 1. Inspection of Children's Home: During the period from 01.04.2016 to 31.08.2017, inspection of Children's Home was carried out.
- 2. Legal Awareness Camps for Transgender Community: Time to time Legal Awareness Camps were organized for transgender community. They were informed about schemes run by the govt. for their welfare. They were also informed about exemption of fees by IGNOU, New Delhi.
- 3. Legal Awareness for Prevention of Female foeticide: In compliance of the directions of Hon'ble MP High Court, Legal Awareness Camp was organized for the prevention of female foeticide.

#### 3. MAHARASHTRA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Pune, DLSA

#### **Activities**

- ➤ Implemented all the programs as per Common Minimum Programme given by Maharashtra State Legal Services Authority, Mumbai & followed all guidelines from time to time received from Government of Maharashtra and National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi
- Organized street plays on the following topics
  - ❖ District Legal Aid Services Authority over view
  - ❖ Domestic Violence Act and its Impact on Society
  - Child labour An Obstacle to Right to Education
  - Role of Para Legal Volunteers
  - Role of Lok Adalat and Mediation
  - ❖ Cyber Crime A Growing Menace
  - Stop Female Foeticide Save Girl Child
  - ❖ Social Boycott Human Rights Violation
- Organized North Eastern conference in collaboration with the Association of Manipuri Diaspora.
- Arranged awareness programmes on various topics such as Crime Against Women, Rights of Prisoners and Undertrials, International Women day, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, World Mental health Day, Rights of Children, World Environment day, World Anti-Tobacco day etc.
- > On International Yoga day, Pune DLSA organized a camp for School Kids.
- ➤ Help Desk was set up during National Lok Adalat by DLSA Pune in collaboration with Symbiosis law School, Pune. It helped people with the functioning and working of Lok Adalat.
- Legal Aid Clinics established for free advice & guidance. Local people are taking advantage of their clinics.

- ➤ Other Achievements are Permanent Disability workshop, Inter Collegiate Pathnatya (Role-play) Mega Competition, Preventive Measure for child Abuse, implementation of Schemes of National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi
- ➤ 1,03,842 cases (Pending and Pri-litigation cases) were disposed off in the Lok Adalats from the period of April 2016 to till dat submission of report.
- ➤ 100% resolution of applications received for Free Legal Aid. All application disposed of successfully.

#### 4. RAJASTHAN STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

**Best DLSA:** Tonk DLSA

#### **Activities**

#### 1. UNIQUE INITIATIVE OF DLSA TONK

#### A. Legal Literacy & Awareness among the masses

i. Special campaign to build legal awareness amongst the common people living in the remote areas:-

#### 'WALL PAINTINGS & HOARDINGS - 101 MOST BACKWARD VILLAGES'

DLSA, Tonk has undertaken an initiative to build legal awareness about the legal services rendered by the NALSA, RSLSA, DLSAs and TLSAs. DLSA Tonk identified the most backward areas of Tonk District with the help of its PLVs and other organisations who has been working for the social cause at Tonk.

- 101 villages of the Tonk District were identified for this purpose where wall paintings depicting the precise information about the major helps i.e. free legal aid, lok adalats, mediation etc, were painted at public places, government buildings etc.
- Hoardings were also placed at Bus stand, Collectorate, Court Premises.
- A special route chart for the mobile van was chalked out and mobile van was sent to these remote areas to spread legal awareness.
- Legal literacy camps were organised in these areas with help of PLVs, Panel Lawyers and other organisations.
- Pamphlets and posters were prepared and distributed among the masses.

# ii. Legal Literacy Campaign through Community Radio 'Vanasthali and Eminent':-

#### 'COMMUNITY RADIO USED - AS A TOOL TO REACH MASSES'

• DLSA, Tonk used the services of the community Radio **Vanasthali** and **Eminent** not only as a tool to spread legal awareness among the people who are living in the rural areas where even basic amenities are not available but

- also for **broadcasting bulletin of each and every programme of DLSA Tonk in advance** which were going to be organised.
- Time to time messages on burning legal issues of Swach Bharat, Women Empowerment, Road Safety, Female Feticide and Child Marriage Restraint Campaign, Rajasthan Victim Compensation Scheme 2011, Lok Adalats, Legal Aid, Anti Polythene, Environment Conservation, etc and the activities of the DLSA, Tonk were broadcasted to reach masses.

#### iii. Special Legal Literacy Campaign in Schools:-

Safe & Healthy School Environment' Education on GOOD TOUCH & BAD TOUCH'

- DLSA Tonk covered more than 100 schools and organised legal literacy camps in them on rights relating to children, environment conservation, prohibition of child marriage, right to education, etc.
- A booklet titled 'सुरक्षा पुस्तिका' was printed, published and distributed among students in schools in order to make them aware about 'Good Touch and Bad Touch' so as to prevent Sexual Harassment.

#### **B.** Women Empowerment and Child Protection

Special Campaign for Protection of Girl Child:-

#### **VOICE OF UNBORN GIRL CHILD – REINFORCE PCPNDT ACT**

- The object of the scheme is to address the issue of decline in child sex ratio (CSR) through a mass campaign and also targets at changing social mind set by creating awareness about this critical issue.
- A workshop with Govt. P.G. College Students was organised on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016 for the Protection of girl child.
- DLSA, Tonk organised a special workshop on PCPNDT ACT on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at ADR Centre Tonk with the all Judicial officers, Administration, Police personals and PCPNDT Team of the Tonk District for the effective implementation of the said act.
- Mega Camp with the children of the more than 30 schools was organised at District Head quarter, Tonk on 24 January 2017 to enligten the children as to how they could protect girl child.

- On International Woman Day, legal literacy camp to combat the menace female foeticide was conducted in collaboration with local administration.
- A Legal Aid Clinic "Mahila Vidhik Sahayat Kendra" was established at the ADR Centre and 1 Panel Lawyer and 1 PLV were deputed for counselling and rendering legal services to the women.
- Rallies, Legal Literacy Camps and Street Plays with the help of students of Vanasthali Vidhyapeeth were organised at various places in the District.
- As visual effect leaves a deep impact on the mind of a person therefor Phamplets and Posters were prepared and distributed.

## i. Special Campaign in Banasthali Vidhyapeeth:'SAY YES TO – GIRL EDUCATION'

- Banasthali Vidhyapeeth, is one of the best and biggest institution for girls in Rajasthan as well as in India where more than 13000 girl students from various part of the nation are studying in various streams.
- Every month one of the judicial officers of Tonk Judgeship is visiting the above institution and interacting with the students on various topics to build legal awareness amongst the girl students.

#### ii. Special Campaign Against Child Marriage:-

# 'STOPPED 50 CHILD MARRIAGES FROM BEING SOLOMANIZED'

- In Rajasthan, child marriages are solemnized at mass level on the occasion of Akha Teez and Peepal Purnima.
- At the initiative of DLSA Tonk more than 50 child marriages were prevented from being solemnized. In sixteen cases parties were forbided by the court for conducting such marriages.
- Biggest Camp was organized at Nagar Parishad Hall, Tonk with more than 1000 audiences.
- DLSA Tonk under the directions of Rajasthan State Legal Services Authority carried out ten months campaign regarding restraint of child marriage from August, 2016 to May, 2017 in the district which is the longest campaign in Rajasthan.

- During Child Marriage Restraint Campaign 'Kishori Melas' at Taluk level Uniyara and Toda Raisingh were organised where hundreds of girls participated by sharing their views and making protest against child marriage.
- 'Kala Jatha' (an Artistic Play) was organised in which dramatic and folk artists conducted a play on menace of Child Marriage and thus created awareness among public to restrain from child marriage.
- Legal Awareness Activities were carried by organising camps in girls schools and colleges, rallies, mass swearing, artistic plays, street plays, etc on Prohibition of Child Marriage.
- Editorials were published in daily local news paper thereby carrying a message about adverse effect of Child Marriages.
- Mobile Van is sent to interior villages of Rajasthan manned by Panel Advocate & PLV who spread legal awareness.
- Resolution/Oath forms published and over thousands of people signed taking a vow against child marriage and female foeticide.
- Posters on the issue of Child Marriage and female foeticide were printed and published.
- Signature Campaign for supporting Child Marriage Restraint Campaign was carried out throughout the districts.

#### iii. Supporting Rehabilitation af Manual Scavengers:-

#### 'HELPING IN ACCESSING GOVERNMENT SCHEMES'

- In Tonk district the persons (safai karmachari) who earlier were engaged in manual scavenging are provided vocational trainings for rehabilitation by Nai Disha.
- DLSA, Tonk extended its helping hand through Panel Lawyers and PLVs and regularly organised legal awareness programs and helped them in getting benefits under various Govt., NALSA and RSLSA schemes.

#### iv. Uniforms to the School Students:-

- DLSA, Tonk undertook an initiative to provide school uniforms to the students who could not buy. DLSA Tonk identified such students in more than 25 schools in the district and with the financial support of Rotary Club and Social group distributed school uniforms to such students.
- 110 students were provided school uniforms.

## C. Use of Technolgy

- To ensure environment friendly efforts in order to reduce paper work thereby preventing cutting of more trees, 'Whatsapp group' of PLVs and Panel Lawyers under the name of 'Legal Aid Tonk' was created.
- Orders and directions are communicated through e-mail and messaging app.
   (Whatsapp)
- An E-book titled 'बाल विवाह प्रतिषेध अधिनियम' (The Prohibition of Child Marriage Act ) was created and a soft copy of it was provided to PLVs and Panel Lawyers so that any person who wanted to see or wanted to read the material contained in this book may get it downloaded from them.

## D. Special Campaign on Environment Protection

i. Special Campaign on Water Conservation:-

#### 'SAVE WATER – SAVE FUTURE'

- DLSA Tonk organised number of camps at school, colleges, public places for the conservation of water.
- DLSA Tonk issued pamphlets and posters for this purpose.
- Oaths for conservation of water were sermonized in schools.
- Messages for Water conversation were broadcast on Community Radio.

# ii. Special Campaign on Anti Polythene:- 'SAY NO TO PLASTIC'

- In Rajasthan, the state government has completely banned the use of plastic bags from 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2010. DLSA Tonk has undertook the responsibility of spreading the Mass Awareness.
- Legal Awareness Camps for banning the use of Polythene were organised.

- Meeting with the office bearers were organised as well as a directive letter for banning the use of polythene were issued as a result of it the local administration placed hoarding at various public places.
- A message on community radio, Vanasthali was broadcast time to time.
- Phamplet was prepared and distributed.

### iii. Plantation:-

• To create awareness among people for protection and conservation of Environment, messages were circulated among general public and plantation was done.

# E. Camp at Jail to issue Aadhar Cards & Opening of Saving Account

- After visit of District Jail, Tonk by Member Secretary, RSLSA Sh. S.K. Jain it came to the notice that most of the Jail inmates are not having their Aadhar Cards and Bank Accounts and they were paid wages under Jail Seva in cash.
- DLSA Tonk took initiative and organised a Camp at Jail itself for creating the Aadhar Card and opening the saving account of prisoners and on this initiative Aadhar Cards were issued and Zero Balance savings Bank Accounts were opened with the help of Bank of Baroda of all the prisoners.

# F. Free Eye Test Camp

• A Free Eye Test Camp was organised on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at Govt. Sadat Hospital for women on International women day where 35 women were provided free medicines and 6 were selected for lens transplant.

## **G. Public Hearing Programme**

• Mahila Aayog conducted Public Hearing on Women issue in Tonk on 1 December 2016. DLSA Tonk coordinated with the members of the Aayog and constituted a special bench of PLV and Panel Lawyers and deputed them at the place of hearing in order to provide advice on legal issues and to make available legal aid and assistance to the women appearing before the Aayog.

# H. Six days Mass Door to Door Campaing

- In DLSA Tonk teams of PLVs were formed at district headquarter as well as taluk level. Areas were identified where downtrodden and socially, educationally and economically backward people resided. PLVs were directed to visit the identified areas.
- 20 PLVs in the district were assigned to the work in the campaign where they visited 1000s of houses and contacted peoples living there and made them aware about legal services institutions and services provided by them and distributed them applications and pamphlets.

## I. Help Desk during Demonetization Scheme

- During Demonetization of currency notes of Rs. 500 and 1000 DLSA Tonk setup Help Desk for 7 days outside the banks from 18.11.2016 to 24.11.2016.
- Total 25 Help Desks were setup outside the banks and PLVs were deputed on them who helped people filling up forms for exchanging currency notes.
- Total 2167 persons were benefitted.

## J. Legal Services Week

- Legal Services programmes were organised during the whole week. Legal
  Awareness Camps on NALSA and RSLSA Schemes, Rallies, Mobile Vans
  were used as a medium to create awareness among people about legal
  services institutions and services provided by them in which Judicial
  Officers, PLVs, District Administrations, Police Administrations, Panel
  Lawyers, NGOs, Students participated.
- DLSA Tonk prepared a booklet 'Vidhik Seva Diwas' and pamphlets on various schemes of NALSA and RSLSA which were released on the day of inauguration of weekly programme.
- A 'Friendship band' to extend a hand of friendship to all persons in need and enable to access to justice was fastened to every person, who approached DLSA Tonk.

## K. Essay Writing, Debate, Poster, Painting & Sports Competition

 To create legal awareness among school children Rajasthan State Legal Services Authority organizes competition on Essay writing, debate, poster & painting on legal topics and issues and in order to create awareness about health among children also organizes games such as kho-kho, race, football,

- volleyball etc each year. During the above period 252293 children participated throughout the state in these competitions.
- DLSA Tonk organized these competitions at School, Taluk and District level on Essay writing, debate, poster & painting on legal topics and issues and in order to create awareness about health among children also organized games such as kho-kho, race, football, volleyball.
- Total 3795 children participated in Tonk District in these competitions.

#### L. Other Work

- In order to prevent occurrence of road accidents due to roaming of stray animals on roads, Permanent Lok Adalat ordered Nagar Parishad Tonk to take action on it.
- Permanent Lok Adalat Tonk took Cognizance of lighting and cleaning issue in the city and requested the dept. for proper cleanliness and road lights.

## M. Legal Aid Clinic/Center

- In the aforesaid DLSA, total 269 Legal Aid Clinics are functioning in which 68 PLVs have been deputed.
- Aforesaid DLSA has established 22 Legal Aid Clinics at district headquarter Tonk, in Jails, Police Stations, Nagar Nigam, Jila Parishad, Hospitals, Railway Stations, JJB, Women Legal Aid Clinic and Revenue Board.
- 3 Legal Awareness Teams attend Legal Aid Clinics at Headquarter and create awareness about various NALSA & RSLSA Schemes.
- 247 Legal Aid Clinics are setup at 06 Taluks, where 2 Legal Awareness Teams continuously work at each Taluk.
- PLVs have been appointed in 22 Police Stations of Tonk District who are regularly visiting them.
- DLSA has established legal aid clinic in District Jail and Sub Jail Malpura.
- PLVs & Panel Advocates regularly visit both male and female Cells in Jails.
- Legal Aid Centres are also established in public places in each taluk mainly at Panchayat Bhawan
- Front Office In each Taluk i.e. Todaraising, Malpura, Uniyara, Deoli, Niwai are established to provide legal assistance to public.

• Mahila Vidhik Sahayata Clinic has been established to provide, legal advice, assistance and aid to women.

## N. Constitution and Efficient Working of Maximum Number of Legal Awareness Teams

- The legal awareness team constituted in the State of Rajasthan comprises of 2 PLVs and 2 Panel Advocates appointed for spreading legal awareness and conducting legal aid camps.
- The aforesaid DLSA has constituted total 31 Legal Awareness Teams. 9 Legal Awareness Teams have been constituted for Headquarter Tonk and 22 Legal Awareness Teams have been constituted for each 5 Taluks i.e. Todaraising, Uniyara, Malpura, Niwai, Deoli which have successfully and effectively organised Legal Awareness Camps.

#### 2. NALSA SCHEMES

# A. NALSA (Victims Of Trafficking And Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015

- Printed and published Posters for above scheme.
- No. of Camps organized 23
- No. of Benefitted 3340

# **B.** NALSA (Legal Services To The Workers In The Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015

- The Legal Awareness teams visit the mining areas and neighbouring villages to make labours aware of their rights and to assist the labours suffering from occupational disease like Silicosis, Asbestoses, and Tuberculoses etc. to get benefit of compensation and the facility of treatment through Rajasthan Environment Health Board.
- Organised legal awareness among Beedi Workers and made them aware about various govt. welfare schemes.
- A Camp was organised and E- Mitra Kiosk were setup to issue labour Card
  on the eve of Labour day on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2017 and Labour Cards of the
  Laborers were prepared and issued.
- Printed and published poster on the above scheme.
- No. of Camps organized 21
- No. of Benefited 1511

# C. NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services To Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015

- One Day Divisional Level Orientation Workshop for Stakeholders under Juvenile Justice Act, 2015 was conducted under the direction of RSLSA with cooperation of UNICEF in Rajasthan.
- A Child Secretariat for the assistance of Juvenile Justice Committees to the Rajasthan High Court was set up both at Jodhpur & Jaipur.
- Provided school uniforms to the students with the financial support of Rotary Club and Social group.
- Published and printed Posters/Pamphlets.
- No. of Camps organized 28
- No. of Benefitted 2939

# D. NALSA (Legal Services To The Mentally III And Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015

- Organised legal awareness camps throughout the district on World Mental Health Day.
- FTS, Tonk regularly made a visit of home for differently abled persons and gave directions regarding special provisions relating to such persons under the scheme.
- No. of Camps organized 20
- No. of Benefitted 1212

# E. NALSA (Effective Implementation Of Poverty Alleviation) Scheme, 2015

- Legal Literacy Camps were organised to create awareness among people about various govt. welfare schemes.
- Published and printed Posters/Pamphlets.
- No. of Camps organized 19
- No. of Benefitted 1745

# F. NALSA (Protection And Enforcement Of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015

- Regular Visits by Awareness Teams in Tribal Areas for Legal Awareness amongst Tribals of their rights and privileged under different laws and to make Tribals available legal aid, advice to get the benefits of various welfare schemes made for them.
- Published and printed Posters/Pamphlets.
- No. of Camps organized 20
- No. of Benefitted 2230

# G. NALSA (Legal Services To The Victims Of Drug Abuse and Eradication Of Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015

- DLSA Tonk has organised a combined meeting of Police Officers and Administrative Officers to rescue children from Drug Abuse and Drug Menace.
- Legal Awareness camp on World Anti Tobacoo Day to combat prevalent tobacoo practices was organised by the aforesaid DLSA.
- Published and printed Posters/Pamphlets.
- No. of Camps organized 19
- No. of Benefitted 1169

## H. NALSA (Legal Services For Senior Citizen) Scheme, 2016

- Legal Awareness Teams regularly visit the old age homes, villages, Night Shelters (Rain Basera) etc. to make senior citizens aware of their rights.
- If they intend to initiate legal action against their successors, free legal aid is provided to them.
- Assistance to the senior citizens the fruits of various welfare schemes launched for them. Object is to ensure that no senior citizen is left without free legal aid and advice, which he deserves and needs.
- Dialogue with Senior Citizens 'Kuch unke Sunee Kuch Apne Kahee'
   A Dialogue in the name of 'Kuch unke Sunee Kuch Apne Kahee' was organised on 9<sup>th</sup> Sepetember 2016 at Rotary Senior Citizens Rest House, Saadat Hospital, Tonk and they were made aware about rights of senior citizens.
- Published and printed Posters/Pamphlets.
- No. of Camps organized 17
- No. of Benefited 1310

## I. NALSA (Legal Services To Victims Of Acid Attacks) Scheme, 2016

- Organised seminar and issued booklet for creating awareness about the scheme.
- No. of Camps organized 17
- No. of Benefited 965

### 3. RAJASTHAN STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY SCHEME

### A. Legal Services to Jail Inmates & Children in Conflict with Law

- On stipulated days, legal awareness teams visit jails, observation homes and special homes to ensure that no inmate or child in conflicts with laws is deprived of legal aid and advice.
- It is being ensured through these visits that no under-trial remains in Jail any more against the provisions of Sections 436-ACr.P.C.
- At each Juvenile Justice Board, the services of Panel Lawyers are available ensure legal aid and advice to all the children in conflict with law.
- The service of Panel Lawyers are also made available to Child Victims to ensure child friendly judicial system.
- Religious Book and Carom Boards was provided to Jail Inmates on 1st October 2016 on the eve of Bandi Diwas during the camp organised at District Jail, Tonk.
- Aadhar Cards were issued and Zero Balance savings Bank Accounts were opened with the help of Bank of Baroda of all the prisoners.
- No. of Camps organized 38
- No. of Benefited 6314

## 4. BAIL/REMAND (LEGAL AID COUNSEL) SCHEME

- The DLSA has appointed Bail/Remand Advocates wherever required.
- The efficient working of Bail/Remand Advocate is explicit from the amount of honorarium i.e. Rs. 1,12,000/- awarded in the district to the Bail/Remand Advocates.

## 5. RAJASTHAN VICTIM COMPENSATION SCHEME,2011

- Total 25 applications were decided during the period thereby benefitting persons.
- Total compensation amount awarded was Rs. 88,55,000/-

### 6. LOK ADALAT

- 11,299 Post litigation cases and 982 Pre litigation cases were decided in the National Lok Adalat by aforesaid DLSA.
- Permanent Lok Adalat Permanent Lok Adalat for Public Utility Services is working in Tonk. Conventional Lok Adalat This Lok Adalat is working in all courts as per direction of NALSA and RSLSA. Disposal of the cases in this Lok Adalat is done through compromise.
- During Lok Adalat Spouses litigating from years were re-united after 9 years.
- A 27 years old case relating to land disputes among family members was settled in National Lok Adalat through Compromise.

#### 7. MEGA LEGAL AWARENESS AND PUBLIC WELFARE CAMPS

- DLSA Tonk organized four Mega Legal Awareness and Public welfare Camp at Gram Panchayat Morbhatiyan Tehsil Todaraisingh on 25-09-2016, at Sonwa Tehsil Tonk on 19-02-2017, at Lawa Tehsil Malpura Dist. Tonk on 04-06-2017 and at Rajwas, Tonk on 17.9.2017. Total 42170 persons were benefitted during the above camps and following activities were conducted:
  - a) Pamphlates were distributed to publicize about the organisation of camps.
  - b) Officers of the Govt. departments from agriculture, health, labour, revenue, education, women and child, food supply, etc participated in the above camps.
  - c) Thousands of persons were benefitted and were provided legal aid under various Government Schemes i.e. Mutation, Partition u/s 153, u/s.136, sanctions of toilet, Marriage Registration certificate, Death Certificate, Birth Certificate, Ration Card, Aadhar Card, Sahyog Yojna, Differently abled persons scholarship, Vishwas Yojna, Jan-Dhan Khata Yojna, BPL Medical Card, Bhama Shah Yojna, Aid for Widows Daughters Marriage, Intercaste Marriage.
  - d) Tri-cycles were distributed to the differently abled persons, Senior citizens were awarded benefit of pension under the Government Pension Scheme, children were benefitted under various Government Schemes, workers and their dependents were registered and issued

Idendity Cards under the NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme,2015.

# A. Camp At Gram Panchayat Morbhatiyan, Tehsil Todaraisingh

On 25.09.2016 Mega Legal Awareness and Public Welfare Camps was organised at Morbhatiyan and following benefits under various govt. schemes were provided:-

S. N.	Name of Schemes	No. of Beneficiaries
1	Shubhlaxmi Yojna	122
2	Rajeev Gandhi Krishak Sathi Yojna	7
3	Pension	428
4	Toilet construction	1031
5	Hearing aid device	5
6	Tri-cycle	20
7	Krishak Passbook	4
8	Labour registration	430
9	Soil Health Card	5
10	Ekal Vidhwa Avas	18
11	Apna Khet Apna Kaam Uojna (MNREGA)	389
12	Palanhaar	2
13	Wheelchair	2
14	Clutches	10
15	Cattle health camp	156
16	Pashu palan swasthya card	45
17	Farm Pond	28
18	Scholarship	2050
19	Sahyog Yojna	2
20	Sukhad Jivan Yojna	2
21	Bhamashah Card	1141
22	Balika Cycle Vitaran	5
23	KGB	95
24	Differently abled	27
25	Bahamashah Swasthya Beema Yojna	33
26	Janni Shishu Suraksha Yojna	489
27	Deendayal Upadhyaya Vidhyut Connection	50
28	Revenue record division	4
29	Pass Book (Land)	4
30	Mukhyamantri Sahayata Yojna	4
31	Other Schemes	2795
	Total	9403

## **B. CAMP AT SONVA**

On 19.02.2017 at Govt. School Sonva following Legal Services activities were conducted under the Schemes of NALSA & RSLSA:-

S. N.	Name of Schemes	No. of
		Beneficiaries
1.	Distribution of Bhamashah Card Vitaran	24
2.	Distribution of Soil Health Card Vitaran	5
3.	Svikrat Rashi Adesh	14
4.	Rajeev Gandhi Krishak Sathi Yojna	8
5.	Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Shramik Yojna	6
6.	Distribution of Krashi Jot Passbook	22
7.	Pension Vitaran	36
8.	Distribution of Check for Toilet construction	31
9.	Distribution of Tri Cycles	24
10.	Distribution of Clutches	2
11.	Distribution of hearing aid device	14
12.	Distribution of Poshak	63
	Total	249

# C. CAMP AT LAWA, MALPURA

On 4.06.2017 at Govt. School Lawa following Legal Services activities were conducted under the Schemes of NALSA & RSLSA:-

S. N.	Name of Schemes	No. of
		Beneficiaries
1	Rajeev Gandhi Krishak Sathi Yojna	6
2	Shramik Kalyan Yojna	3
3	Pension	441
4	Bhamashah Card	3547
5	Tri-cycle	23
6	Astha Card	1
7	Sahyog avam Uphaar Yojna	7
8	Krishak Passbook	10
9	Revenue record division	150
10	Labour registration	1862
11	Pradhan Mantri Avas Yojna	1736
12	Ujjwla Yojna	3
13	Abadi Bhumi Patta	1748

14	Toilet construction	6940
15	Soil Health Card	1948
16	Farm Pond	289
17	Sichai Pipe Line	96
18	Cattle health camp	391
19	Dairy health card	189
20	Bhamashah Pashu Yojna	36
21	Scholarship	1237
22	Apki Beti Yojna	9
23	Priyadarshini Puraskar Yojna	5
24	Gargi Puraskar Yojna	144
25	Laptop Vitaran Yojna	151
26	Cycle Vitaran Yojna	1225
27	Shubhlaxmi Yojna	716
28	Bhamashah Swasthya Beema Yojna	1321
29	Janni Sishu Suraksha Yojna	1246
30	DeenDayal Upadhyay Gram Jyoti	52
	Vidhutikaran Yojna	
31	Other Schemes	138
	Total	25670

## D. CAMP AT RAJWAS

On 17.9.2017 at Govt. Se. Sec. School, Rajwas following Legal Services activities were conducted under the Schemes of NALSA & RSLSA:-

S. N.	Name of Schemes	No. of
		Beneficiaries
1	Rajeev Gandhi Krishak Sathi Yojna	4
2	Shramik Kalyan Yojna	3
3	Pension	530
4	Bhamashah Card	4061
5	Wheel Chair	02
6	Tri-cycle	25
7	Sahyog avam Uphaar Yojna	5
8	Labour registration	1114
9	Pradhan Mantri Avas Yojna	481
10	Apna Khet Apna Kaam Yojna	5033
11	Ujjwla Yojna	
12	Abadi Bhumi Patta	2185
13	Toilet construction	2264

14	Soil Health Card	8014
15	Farm Pond	29
16	Sichai Pipe Line	58
17	Cattle health camp	270
18	Dairy health card	200
19	Bhamashah Pashu Yojna	330
20	Scholarship	2559
21	Apki Beti Yojna	10
22	Priyadarshini Puraskar Yojna	2
23	Gargi Puraskar Yojna	245
24	Laptop Vitaran Yojna	1612
25	Cycle Vitaran Yojna	1392
26	Shubhlaxmi Yojna	1120
27	Bhamashah Swasthya Beema Yojna	378
28	Janni Sishu Suraksha Yojna	1468
29	DeenDayal Upadhyay Gram Jyoti Vidhutikaran	816
	Yojna	
30	Khadya Suraksha	1529
31	Naveen Jobcard	1216
32	Poshak Vitaran	30
	Total	36985

#### 8. MOBILE VAN

- 8 Mobile Vans are functioning in 7 divisional headquarters
- Total 243 camps in Tonk District were organised through Mobile Vans and 94735 persons were benefitted through these camps.
- Mobile van is operated during the period under direction of RSLSA in the entire Tonk district to spread legal awareness among the remote area of districts and also in religious programmes and fairs.
- Child Marriage Restraint Campaign was conducted by via mobile van in the villages to make the villagers aware about the after effects of child marriages.
- The audio and video CD shown in Mobile Van for spreading legal awareness.

### 9. NALSA PARA LEGAL VOLUNTEER SCHEME (REVISED)

- The 68 of PLVs deputed in the DLSA Tonk and out of which 22 PLVs are deputed in Police Stations.
- Orientation-induction-refresher courses for PLV were organised by aforesaid DLSA on 9th January 2017 to 13th January 2017. After completion of six

months, a refresher training programme was organised from 9th January 2017 to 13th January 2017 and 23rd September 2017.

#### 10.UNDER TRIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

• The aforesaid DLSA has recommended cases for release of Under Trial Prisoners.

### 11.MANAGING NIGHT SHELTERS ;रैन बसेराद्ध

• The aforesaid DLSA inspected Shelter homes and reviewed the living conditions of persons staying there.

### 12.LEGAL AID

- 210 applications were received by the DLSA out of which on 182 applications free legal aid was provided.
- Out of 182 applications to whom free legal aid was provided 85 applications were of women, 6 applications were of children and 159 applications were of prisoners.

#### 13.EVENTS ON SPECIAL DAYS

For observance of National and International Days, DLSA Tonk organised various Legal Literacy Camps, workshops, seminars, campaign, rallies, plantation and conservation programmes according to the Action Plan of NALSA & RSLSA and also printed and published posters/banners/pamphlets. Programmes were organised for observance of the various days:- World Mental Health Day ,Legal Services Day,World Aids Day ,Human Rights Day,Balika Divas ,International Women Day,,Earth Day,,Labour Day,World Anti Tobacco Day,World Environment Day,World Yoga Day,National Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking ,World Population Day.

#### 14.MEDIATION

• In Tonk District total 256 Cases referred for mediation and total 34 cases settled through mediation.

#### 15.BUDGET

- Total amount of budget allocated to the DLSAs under head state, NALSA 4C and Victim Compensation Scheme is Rs. 44,20,17,070. Out of which 40,38,99,262 is utilised.
- The budget allocated to the DLSA Tonk is 1,22,58,091 out of which it has expeditiously disposed of Rs. 1,12,87,608.

### 16.AUDIO & VIDEO CD

• DLSA has made three Audio and 14 Video CDs for building awareness about the DLSA activities such as National Lok Adalat, Lok Adalat, Rajasthan Victim Compensation Scheme, 2011 and Para Legal Volunteers.

### 17.PUBLICATIONS

• DLSA, Tonk complied the schmes of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment in simple language in the form of pamphlet in order to help a layman to know about these schemes.