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I would like to apprise you of the significant events relating to the Department of Justice for the month of June, 2021.

Appointment of Chief Justice in High Court:

Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court was appointed vide notification dated 10.06.2021.

2. Appointment of Acting Chief Justice in High Court:

Two Acting Chief Justices were appointed in the Allahabad High Court and Himachal Pradesh High Court vide notifications dated 22.06.2021 and 28.06.2021 respectively.

Appointment of Permanent Judge in High court:

Six (06) Permanent Judges were appointed in the Madhya Pradesh High Court vide notification dated 18.06.2021.

4. Appointment of Additional Judges in High Courts:

Seven (07) Additional Judges were appointed in the High Courts of Bombay (04), Himachal Pradesh (01), Gauhati High Court (01) and Kerala High Court (01) vide notifications dated 23.06.2021, 25.06.2021, 18.06.2021 and 23.06.2021 respectively.

eCourts Project and Ease of Doing Business:

 Draft Rules formulated on Live-Streaming and recording of Court proceedings have been placed on website (https://www.mygov.in) for seeking views of the general public as a step towards finalizing Model Rules.

- Towards facilitating expeditious enforcement of the contract regime, the Case Information Software for Commercial Courts across the country have now included a new feature whereby judges of Commercial Courts are being alerted about 3 adjournment status through colour indicators: -
 - Green: Indicates that the case is listed on the same stage for less than 3 times.
 - Orange: Indicates that the case is listed on the same stage between 3 to 6 time.
 - > Red: If the case is listed on the same stage for more than 6 times.

This will assist the judges in prioritizing and deciding matters which have crossed the maximum 3 adjournment Rules.

- The iOS version of JustIS Mobile App with 8 Electronic Case Management Tools
 has been launched for Judicial Officers. A step by step Guide on JustIS App
 Installation in iOS & Android versions and a User Guide for Court Management
 through JustIS Mobile App has also been created.
- Accessible Visual and Audio Captcha has now been made available on all High Court Websites to make court websites accessible to persons with disabilities.
- On digitization initiatives, the High Court of Kerala on 20th January 2021 rolled out the e-Filing platform developed by NIC in all the Commercial Courts. A Secure Wi-Fi Project; National Service and Tracking of Electronic Summons Project and integration of CIS Software and Land Records for District Judiciary was inaugurated at the High Court of Madhya Pradesh on 14th June 2021.
- A new Justice Clock has been commissioned in Dharwad bench of Karnataka High Court. Thus, 29 Justice Clocks are installed in Court premises under the jurisdiction of 20 High Courts.

6. Tele Law:

Legal advice was provided to 86,167 persons which included 26,973 Women, 25,650 Scheduled Castes, 17,122 Scheduled Tribes and 24,654 OBC beneficiaries. Advice related to Covid-19 pandemic was rendered to 121 beneficiaries. Total 9,69,347 advice were enabled till 30th June 2021. 74 trainings and follow up sessions were conducted in 95 districts of 16 states in which 3129 State Level Coordinators, Village level Entrepreneurs and Para Legal Volunteers participated.

Nyaya Bandhu (ProBono Legal Services):

197 new lawyers registered themselves through Nyaya Bandhu mobile application / web portal during the month. Total 2936 lawyers have registered under

Nyaya Bandhu. Online training programme conducted for 100 Nyaya Bandhu Panel Lawyers on 25th June 2021.

8. Access to Justice in North East and UT of J&K and Ladakh.

4150 people benefitted through 50 Legal Aid Clinics (LACs) established by Jammu and Kashmir Legal Services Authority (JKLSA) in different districts of J&K. 22 online legal awareness programmes reached out to 1137 persons and Covid-19 relief services rendered to 1859 persons.

9. National Legal Services Authority (NALSA):

- NALSA organized regional consultations with State Legal Services Authorities and High Court Legal Service Committees from 14 - 18 June 2021 through virtual mode headed by the Hon'ble Shri Justice U.U. Lalit, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Executive Chairman, NALSA.
- Jharkhand State Legal Services Authority organized State level programme for rehabilitation of children orphaned due to Covid-19. Children identified under the Shishu Project were given the benefit of a sponsorship scheme and other government schemes.

10. Non-compliance of ACC directions:

NIL

Yours sincerely,

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