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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Monthly Summary for the Cabinet for the month of September 2021-reg.

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith a copy of the Monthly Summary of the Department of Justice for the month of September, 2021 for information.

2. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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Government of India Ministry of Law & Justice Department of Justice

Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of September, 2021 in respect of Department of Justice

The following are the important activities of the Department of Justice for the month of September 2021.

1. National Legal Services Authority (NALSA):

On September 17, 2021, the Legal Services Institutions across the country under NALSA organized a pan-India "Special Awareness Campaign for Creating Legal Awareness among Common Citizens" under 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' to take up outreach and legal awareness through mobile vans, legal aid clinics, and organizing legal assistance programmes for common citizens. The highlights of this campaign include deployment of 1335 Mobile Vans in 51852 villages in 273 districts for disseminating awareness about legal aid and guide the Panel Lawyers / PLVs to implement legal aid scheme at the ground level. Further, 8512 Panel Lawyers and PLVs were deployed in Legal Services Clinics who organized 4793 programmes to spread legal awareness amongst the citizens covering 494 districts. Through the above programmes, NALSA was able to disseminate legal information to 25.96 lakh persons in a single day which has been a record feat.

2. Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Infrastructure Development of Judiciary:

A virtual meeting with Registrars General of all High Courts and Law/PWD Secretaries of all State Governments/ UT Administration through Video Conferencing was held from 16-23 September, 2021 to review the progress of the CSS for development of Infrastructure facilities of judiciary. A review meeting was also held on 20.09.2021 with the team of National Remote Sensing Centre, ISRO, for further improvements in Nyaya Vikas 2.0 portal relating to CSS on development of infrastructure facilities for the judiciary. Presently, 6059 Court Halls (completed and under construction) and 5912 Residential Units (completed and under construction) stand geotagged on the portal.

3. Fast Track Special Courts (FTSCs):

• A virtual meeting with the Law Secretaries of the States/UTs and Registrar General of High Courts was held on 01.09.2021 for improvement in the implementation of setting up/operationalization of Fast Track Special Courts (FTSCs). Presently, 674 FTSCs including 367 exclusive POCSO Courts are operational in 27 States/UTs and as per inputs received on dashboard, 56267 cases were disposed of till August 2021.

4. eCourts Mission Mode Project – Broad outcomes:

- National Judicial Data Grid: Litigants can access case status information in respect of over 19.16 crore cases and more than 15.15 crore orders/judgments.
- Virtual Courts: Over 86 lakh cases (86,69,470) have been handled by 12 virtual courts and online fine of more than Rs.175 crore has been realised till 08.09.2021.
- **eCourts Mobile App**: eCourts Mobile App has recorded total downloads of 64.44 lakh downloads till 09.09.2021.
- Video Conferencing in the High Courts and Subordinate Court: Since COVID lockdown started, the District courts heard 89,57,395 cases while the High Courts heard 48,60,500 cases (totaling 1.38 crore) till 31.08.2021 using video conferencing mode.
- WAN: Under WAN project, 2954 sites have been commissioned out of 2992 sites with 10 Mbps to 100 Mbps bandwidth speed (completing 98.7% sites).
- Integration of courts application with land records and registration database: 18 High Courts have given permission to 24 States/UTs for linking of eCourt with land record and registration databases.
- Training of eCourt services: A training on eCourt services for DoJ officials was held on 01.09.2021 in collaboration with the eCommittee of Supreme Court and NIC, Pune.

5. Tele-Law:

- Legal advice was provided to 60,636 persons which included 18,529 Women, 18,394 Scheduled Castes, 12,022 Scheduled Tribes and 20,249 OBC beneficiaries. Total advice enabled for 11,66,903 cases till 30th September, 2021. 'EkPahal' (Login Days) Campaign was launched from 17th September, 2021 covering 34 States/UTs of the country. Tele-Law Banners on ''कानूनी सलाह सहायक केंद्र' were displayed in each CSC.
- 25 trainings were conducted across 10 States/UTs, in which 1582 State Level Coordinators/District Managers/ Village Level Entrepreneurs/ Para Legal Volunteers participated.

6. Nyaya Bandhu:

• 160 new lawyers registered through Nyaya Bandhu mobile application/web portal during the month of September 2021. Total 3341 lawyers (M- 2943, F- 396, Transgender-02) have registered under this programme. First transgender pro bono advocate got registered under the programme from the State of Assam.

• Total 416 Pro Bono Lawyers have been enrolled by 12 High Courts under Nyaya Bandhu Panel so far.

7. Legal Literacy Programme:

- A Webinar on "Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005" was organised on 22nd September 2021 with panellists from M/o Women and Child Development, National Commission of Women, Mandi District Police, Himachal Pradesh and an NGO. The webinar was attended by 30,000 plus field functionaries.
- Jawaharlal Nehru Institute of Medical Sciences, Manipur organized a two-day online Training of Trainers (TOT) programme on issues relating to Child Sexual Abuse.