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Government of India
Ministry of Law & Justice
Department of Justice

Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of July, 2022 in respect of Department of Justice

The following are the important activities of the Department of Justice for the month of July, 2022.

1. eCourts Mission Mode Project Phase-II:

- **Wide Area Network:** Till 31.7.2022, WAN commissioned in 2972 court complexes out of the 2992 complexes with 10 Mbps to 100 Mbps bandwidth speed.
- **NJDG:** As on 4.7.2022, NJDG platform can access case status information in respect of over 20.86 crore cases and more than 18.02 crore orders/judgments.
- **Virtual Courts:** Over 1.69 crore cases have been handled by 20 virtual courts and in more than 26 lakh cases, online fine of more than Rs. 271 crore has been realised till 04.07.2022.
- **eTaal:** As per data published on Electronic Transaction Aggregation & Analysis Layer (eTaal) portal of MietY, eCourts is one of the leading projects among top 5 Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) in India based on the e-transaction court.

2. PM's address at the inaugural session of the first All India Meet of District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs) held on 30th and 31st July, 2022 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

NALSA organized its first All India Meet of District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs) on 30th and 31st July 2022 at Vigyan Bhawan. The meet was inaugurated by Hon'ble Prime Minister in presence of Honble Chief Justice & Patron in Chief of NALSA Shri N.V. Ramana, Honble Minister of Law and Justice Shri Kiren Rijju, Judges of Supreme Court of India, Hon'ble Minister of State for Law and Justice Shri S.P. Singh Baghel, Chief Justice of High Courts, Executive Chairpersons of the State Legal Services Authorities (SLSAs) and Chairpersons (District & Sessions Judges) of the District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs).

The Prime Minister in his address in the inaugural session highlighted the significance of the use of technology in assisting the justice delivery system. Prime Minister specifically observed that "I am happy that under the direction of the Supreme Court, the judicial system of the country is moving fast in this direction. Under the e-courts mission, virtual courts are being started in the country, Courts have started functioning round the clock for crimes like traffic violations. Videoconferencing infrastructure is also being expanded in the courts for the convenience of the people."

The Prime Minister also released a commemorative postal stamp on the 'Right to Free Legal Aid'. The meet was attended by 1000+ participants from across 676 DLSAs and 37 SLSAs in the country.

3. Tele-Law :Reaching the Unreached

Till 31st July 2022, Legal advice was provided to 21,30,501 beneficiaries including 1,09,570 in the month of July 2022. 703 Panel Lawyers from NALSA have on boarded the Tele-Law service for providing pre-litigation advice. 2745 people participated in 118 trainings and awareness session/camps organized in 110 Districts by VLEs/PLVs, State coordinators and Panel Lawyers during the month.

4. Nyaya Bandhu (Pro Bono legal Service) Programme

- a) During the month, 100 new Pro Bono advocates registered through Nyaya Bandhu mobile application/web portal. Total of 4454 lawyers (M- 3864 F-588, Transgender- 02) have registered under Nyaya Bandhu.
- b) During the month, 67 new advocates enrolled at High Courts under the Nyaya Bandhu Panel taking the total to 885 Pro Bono Lawyers at High Courts.
- c) 49 Law Schools are running Pro Bono Clubs (PBC) at their respective Law Schools/Colleges under Pro Bono Club Scheme.
- d) During the month, activities like Client Counselling Competition, RTI drafting competition and Legal Aid & Awareness Camps were conducted in villages around campus by Parul Institute of law, Parul University, Vadodara as part of Pro-bono Club scheme. Legal awareness campaign on "Right to Education" was organized by Saveetha School of Law, Chennai & "Rights of Consumers" by Symbiosis Law School Noida.

5. Legal Literacy and Legal Awareness Programme

- a) National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru, Karnataka organized virtual conclave on Prof. V.S. Mallar Memorial Legal Aid Competition, 2022 on 1st July, 2022. The conclave was attended by teams from 45 Legal Aid Clinics of various Law Colleges across the country and included 400 participants.
- b) The Sikkim State Commission for Women (SSCW) organized two Legal Awareness Programmes on Gender and Law issues on 22nd and 25th of July, 2022, for 168 participants at Yangyang, South Sikkim.
- c) Arunachal Pradesh State Legal Services Authority (APSLSA) conducted 'Each One Teach Ten' campaign in three districts in Papum Pare, Upper Siang and West Kameng from 10th to 27th July, 2022 and reached out to 207 villagers.
- d) Centre for Community Economics and Development Consultants Society (CECOEDOCON) organised Legal Awareness programme from 18th to 31st of July, 2022 for 658 participants at Baran, Rajasthan.

6. MOU between National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) and Department of Justice (DOJ)

To provide for an integrated delivery of legal services in the country, DoJ has entered into an MoU with NALSA to ensure pan India quality outreach of Tele-Law and Nyaya Bandhu (Probono) programmes and to ensure a dedicated legal literacy and awareness programme across 112 Aspirational Districts. During the 18th All India Legal Services Meet organized by NALSA at Jaipur on 16th and 17th July 2022, the DoJ and NALSA exchanged Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 'Integrated Delivery of Legal Services' in the presence of Hon'ble Minister of Law and Justice Shri Kiren Rijiju, Hon'ble Chief Justice of India Shri N.V.Ramana and Hon'ble Justice Shri U.U. Lalit, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Executive Chairman, NALSA.
