

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

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

1. International Day of Yoga, 2022:

Department observed the International Day of Yoga (IDY) at its premises in Jaisalmer House, a heritage building. The Department was also in close interaction with the Judiciary for smooth conduct of the International Day of Yoga, 2022. The event was celebrated at an unprecedented scale with the participation of over 30,000 members from the Judiciary including Hon'ble Judges of Supreme Court, Hon'ble Judges of High Courts and Judicial officers of District & Subordinate courts, Court officials & staff and members of the Bar at various court complexes. Supreme Court of India and High Courts located in iconic buildings with unique architecture added to the grandeur of the occasion. Common Yoga Protocol, awareness of benefits of various Yoga Asanas by Expert and Demonstration of Yoga, were some of the activities undertaken at the event.

2. eCourts Mission Mode Project Phase – II:

- **Wide Area Network:** 2970 court complexes out of the 2992 complexes commissioned with 10 Mbps to 100 Mbps bandwidth speed.
- **NJDG:** Through the eCourts services platform litigants can access case status information in respect of over 20.63 crore cases and more than 17.77 crore orders/judgments pertaining to these computerized courts as on 01.06.2022.
- **Virtual Courts:**

- Over 1.59 crore cases have been handled by 20 virtual courts and in more than 25 lakhs cases online fine of more than Rs. 258 (258.28) crore has been realized
- **eTaal:** As per data published on Electronic Transaction Aggregation & Analysis Layer (eTaal) portal, eCourts is one of the leading projects among top 5 Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) in India with total 514 cr e-transactions in last one year.
- **Video Conferencing:** The Supreme Court held 2,61,338 hearings till 13.06.2022 since the beginning of lockdown period.
- **Orissa High Court assesses its own performance:** Orissa High Court has brought a one-of-a-kind annual report of its performance in 2021 which outlines the performance of the High Court and the lower judiciary in the State. The report states that the High Court has provided video conferencing cabins in its own premises and in each of the district courts to participate in the virtual hearings.

3. Tele-Law :Reaching the Unreached:

Till 30th June, 2022, Legal advice was provided to 20,20,931 beneficiaries including 1,09,144.

An MOU was also signed between Department of Justice and National Legal Service Authority (NALSA) on Integrated Delivery of Legal Services(IDLS) for increasing the number of Panel Lawyers on Tele-Law program and developing a robust mechanism to implement Nyaya Bandhu (Pro Bono Legal Services). 4957 people participated in 161 trainings and awareness session/camps organized in 18 States/UTs by VLEs/PLVs, state coordinators and panel lawyers .

4. Nyaya Bandhu (Pro Bono legal Services) Programme:

- a) During the month, 138 new Pro Bono advocates registered through Nyaya Bandhu mobile application/web portal during the month. Total

of 4354 lawyers (M- 3789 F- 563, Transgender- 02) have registered under Nyaya Bandhu.

- b) 27 new advocates enrolled under Nyaya Bandhu Panel at High Courts. Total 818 Pro Bono Lawyers have been enrolled by 19 out of 25 High Courts under Nyaya Bandhu Panel at High Courts so far.
- c) 49 Law Schools have initiated Pro Bono Clubs (PBC) at their respective Law Schools /Colleges under PBC Scheme so far.

5. Legal Literacy Programme:

a) As part of Legal Awareness webinar series, DoJ organized its 9th monthly webinar on 'Human Trafficking in India' on 29th June 2022. Eminent speakers from Police, Anti-Human Trafficking Unit, National Human Rights Commission Sikkim, State Women's Commission and Shakti Vahini shared statutory and pragmatic insights and responded to participant's questions. The webinar reached out to 15,809 participants.

b) The Sikkim State Commission for Women (SSCW) organized a one-day Legal Literacy programme on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act 2013, Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act 2005 and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act. 850 parents, teachers and students of Government Girls Senior Secondary School, Gyalsing, West Sikkim participated.

c) Shadow Advertising, Bhubaneswar, Odisha conducted three street plays 'Right to Free and Compulsory Education of Children' at Kaimati, Similia and Bhagabanpur village of Dhenkanal District of Odisha. 310 villagers attended the Street Play.

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