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Government of India
Ministry of Law & Justice
Department of Justice

**Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of June, 2023 in respect of
Department of Justice**

The following are the important activities of the Department of Justice for the month of June, 2023:

1. International Day of Yoga (IDY) 2023:

The Department observed the International Day of Yoga (IDY) on 21st of June, 2023 at its premises in Jaisalmer House, a heritage building. The address of the Hon'ble Vice President of India was viewed live on the screen, set up in the lawns of Jaisalmer House. Common Yoga Protocol and various yoga asanas under the guidance of the yoga expert from Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY) were practised by all the participants. The Department was also in close interaction with the judiciary for its participation in the International Day of Yoga, 2023. Judges of Supreme Court including the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India wholeheartedly participated in the event held in their premises. Many High Courts too conducted the event in their premises wherein Judges, court officials and staff participated. Members from the District & Subordinate Judiciary, Court officials and staff and members of the Bar at various court complexes also held events in their locations.

2. eCourts Mission Mode Project Phase-II:

- a) **NJDG:** On National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG), as on 01.06.2023, case status information in respect of over 23.11 crore cases and more than 21.92 crore orders / judgments pertaining to the computerized courts can be accessed.
- b) **Virtual Courts:** Over 3.11 crore cases have been handled by 22 virtual courts and in more than 37 lakh cases online fine of more than Rs. 408 crore have been realized till 31.05.2023.

- c) **JustIS app:** Mobile App for Judicial Officers has a total of 18,950 downloads as of 31st May, 2023.
- d) **e-Courts Services Mobile App:** The eCourts Services Mobile App have reached a total of 1.84 crore of downloads as of 31.05.2023.
- e) **Video Conferencing:** Till 31.05.2023, 2.74 crore cases were heard using video conferencing by the District and Subordinate courts (1.96 crore approx..) and around 78.6 lakh cases by High Courts. The Supreme Court held around 4.83 lakh hearings till 31.05.2023.
- f) **e-Sewa Kendras:** As on 31.05.2023, 815 eSewa Kendras have been made functional under 25 High Courts.

3. **Tele-Law: Reaching the Unreached:**

- a) Till 30th June 2023, Legal Advice was provided to 44,66,376 beneficiaries including 3,71,892 in the month of June 2023.
- b) During the month, 7,172 people participated in 262 trainings and awareness sessions/camps organized in 140 districts by Village level Entrepreneurs (VLEs)/Para Legal Volunteers (PLVs), State Coordinators and Panel Lawyers.

4. **Nyaya Bandhu (Pro-Bono Legal Services) Programme:**

During the month, 114 new Pro Bono advocates registered through Nyaya Bandhu mobile application/web portal. A total of 10,231 lawyers (Male-8,585, Female-1,644, Transgender-02) have registered under the Nyaya Bandhu portal till date.

5. **Legal Literacy and Legal Awareness Programme (LLLAP):**

- a) On the occasion of 'World Day Against Child Labour', a national level Webinar on "Child Labour in India" was organized on 12th June 2023 by the Department of Justice as a part of legal Awareness Webinar Series, which was attended by 25,128 participants. Eminent speakers from Ministry of Labour and Employment, Supreme Court of India and Bachpan Bachao Andolan participated in the interactive session.
- b) On 18th June 2023, "Talk Show on understanding Legal Process for Adoption of a Child" was organized by the Sikkim State Commission

for Women, Gangtok, Sikkim. Representatives of Specialized Adoption Agency, Child Welfare Committee and State Resource Adoption Agency explained and interacted on the processes related to adoption. The talk show got 52,000 views.

6. **NALSA:**

19th All India Legal Services Authorities Meet was inaugurated by Dr. D.Y. Chandrachud, Chief Justice of India and Patron-in-Chief, National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) on 30th June, 2023 in Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir. The 02 day event held on 30th June, 2023 and 1st July, 2023 was organised by the Jammu & Kashmir Legal Services Authority under the aegis of National Legal Services Authority. The future course of action for Legal Services Authorities, setting targets, addressing various challenges and implementing steps to strengthen and streamline legal aid programs in the country were discussed during the meet.

7. **Ease of Doing Business:**

The meeting of the Committee for Simplification of Rules and Forms constituted by Department of Justice under the “Ease of Doing Business” initiative was held on 9th June, 2023, chaired by Secretary (Justice). The Committee formulated the draft Commercial Court Rules to complement and strengthen the mandate of Commercial Courts Act, 2015/2018 in aiding the expeditious disposal of commercial disputes in Commercial Courts. The draft Rules were sent to Department of Legal Affairs for taking necessary action for notifying the same.
