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Government of India
Ministry of Law & Justice
Department of Justice

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

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

1. **Chintan Shivir**

'Chintan Shivir' was organised by the Department of Justice on 1st - 2nd, July 2023 at Garvi Gujarat Bhawan, New Delhi in the presence of the Hon'ble Minister of State (IC) for Law and Justice. Chintan was held on 3 issues namely; (i) Challenges of pendency of court cases and strategies to tide over the problem, (ii) Challenges to provide easy access to justice and legal awareness and proposed solutions, and (iii) To use technology as a tool towards efficient, accessible and affordable justice delivery system. The 1st day of the Shivir was held with Secretary (Justice) setting the tone for the program by emphasizing the importance of timely and easy justice and the Department's role in effectively ensuring its availability. The officials from the level of MTS upto Joint Secretary were grouped in three groups and each group assigned one of the above mentioned issues for a thorough deliberation and analysis through a free and frank exchange of views amongst members and then extracting plain and practical recommendations for improvement of the said sub-sector of DoJ. The groups presented their insights on the second day of the Chintan Shivir and there was a candid exchange of views with the Hon'ble Minister of State (IC) for Law and Justice. Speakers from the Brahma Kumari Spiritual Organisation subsequently delivered a motivational speech and presentation on team work, coordination, focused approach and self-analysis required for achieving life's goals and targets. The initiatives of the 3 Groups were acknowledged by the Hon'ble Minister. The recommendations of the Groups have been compiled and circulated to all the concerned Divisions of the DoJ for taking further necessary action in a timely manner.

2. **eCourts Mission Mode Project Phase-II:**

- (a) **NJDG:** On National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG), as on 03.07.2023, case status information in respect of over 23.34 crore cases and more than 22.21 crore orders/judgments pertaining to the computerized courts can be accessed.
- (b) **Virtual Courts:** Over 3.26 crore cases have been handled by 22 virtual courts and in more than 39 lakh cases online fine of more than Rs. 419.89 crore have been realized till 30.06.2023.

- (c) **JustIS app:** Mobile App for Judicial Officers has a total of 19,164 downloads as of 30th June, 2023.
- (d) **e-Courts Services Mobile App:** The eCourts Services Mobile App have reached a total of 1.88 crore of downloads as of 30.06.2023.
- (e) **Video Conferencing:** Till 30.06.2023, 2.77 crore cases were heard using video conferencing by the District and Subordinate courts (1.98 crore approx.), and around 78.69 lakh cases by High Courts.
- (f) **e-Sewa Kendras:** As on 30.06.2023, 819 eSewa Kendras have been made functional under 25 High Courts.

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

- (a) Till 31st July 2023, Legal Advice was provided to 47,52,106 lakhs beneficiaries including 2,85,690 lakhs in the month of July 2023.
- (b) During the month, 4149 people participated in 187 awareness sessions/camps organized in 72 districts in 17 states by VLEs/PLVs, State Coordinators and Panel Lawyers during the month.
- (c) Under the Selfie Drive Campaign of Tele-Law programme for sharing experiences of tele-law field functionaries like VLE, Panel Lawyers, State Coordinators a total of 183 selfie/videos from 36 States & UTs were uploaded as on 31st July, 2023 on Tele Law social media sites (Facebook & Twitter).

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

During the month, 67 new Pro Bono advocates registered through Nyaya Bandhu mobile application/web portal. A Total of 10298 lawyers (Male-8636, Female-1660, Transgender- 02) have been registered under Nyaya Bandhu portal.

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

- (a) As part of Legal Awareness Webinar Series DoJ organized 18th webinar on topic 'Rehabilitation of Acid Attack Survivors' on 18th July 2023 and the Webinar reached out to 15,127 participants. Eminent speakers from Ministry of Home Affairs, National Commission for Women, National Legal Services Authority, The Laxmi Foundation and Brave Souls Foundation conducted their interactive sessions in the webinar.
- (b) National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru, Karnataka organized first Legal Aid Conclave under the 2nd Prof. VS Mallar Memorial Legal Aid Competition, 2023 on July 03, 2023. The Conclave was attended by the members of the 48 Registered teams. NLSIU also organized One-Day Webinar on 'Protecting Citizens Interests in Financial Frauds' on July 14, 2023, for 289 participants and prepared FAQs on the same topic.
- (c) Bihar Institute of Public Administration and Rural Development, Patna organized a orientation programme with eleven resource persons on

13th July 2023. It covered issues on Child Labour, Human Trafficking, Domestic Violence, Dowry System, Child Marriage, Cyber Crime and Addiction.
