

LEGAL LITERACY & LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAM



Department of Justice Ministry of Law and Justice Government of India

DISHA's LegalScape 2021-2025

UNIVERSALISING ACCESS TO JUSTICE



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ARTICLE 39A

of Constitution of India Ensuring Equal justice and free legal aid for all

SDG -16

Ensuring Access to justice for all and building effective, accountable & inclusive institutions at all levels

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE'S DECADE OF JOURNEY

towards Legal Empowerment

In 2009 - 2012 A2J-UNDP PROJECT

In Collaboration with United Nations Development Programme Access to Justice for Marginalized People

Geographical Coverage

Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh

In 2012 - 2017 A2J-NEJK Project

- Enhance Awareness among the poor and marginalized including Undertrials
- Provide Legal aid through Law colleges/LSAs in setting up village based Legal Clinics
- Promoting Community Partnerships

Geographical Coverage

Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland, Tripura, Sikkim and in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh

First Phase Achievements

20,672+

PRIs Officials trained & sensitized 1,400
Gaon Buras & Burhis sensitised to maintain synergy with formal justice structure

Collaborating with SIRDs in Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura & Meghalaya 15500 +
Legal Awareness
drive & Sensitization
campaigns

conducted

Second Phase Achievements

7.33 + lakh
Beneficiaries
covered and
resource person
trained

4390
Legal Literacy/
Legal Awareness
campaigns
conducted

8.3 lakh IEC materials on 69 laws in 26 languages 158 Legal Aid Clinics setup at community level In 2021, DISHA scheme was formulated for pan India under which 16 Agencies have been onboarded during 2021-2024 to broaden the horizons of legal literacy and legal awareness on pan-India level.



GOVERNMENT/AUTONOMOUS/RESEARCH BODIES

AGLC, Pondicherry

Project: 'NYAYA OLI Project-Spreading Legal Awareness Among Youth'

Key Initiatives:

- Organise interactive workshops in schools and colleges
- Develop age-appropriate educational materials including infographics
 and videos.

Outreach so far: 1,56,270 Website: www.pondiuni.edu.in

IGNOU, New Delhi

Project: 'Strengthening Paralegal Prectice in India'.
Capacity Building of Paralegal Volunteer

Key Initiatives:

• Develop a cadre of Paralegal practitioners in India

Outreach so far: 3,193
Website: www.ignou.ac.in

Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority, Shilong, Meghalaya

Project: 'Increasing Access to Justice through Community Mediation'

Key Initiatives:

 Training of 800 Headmen/Nokmas/Syiems in two districts i.e. Ri-bhoi and West Garo Hills covering 11C & RD blocks with 1933 villages

Outreach so far: 3,814
Website: www.mslsa.gov.in

Arunachal Pradesh State Legal Services Authority

Project: 'Synergy between Customary Practices of the Traditional Village Council System and Formal Laws of India'

Key Initiatives:

• 1367 Gaon Burahs & Gaon Burhis sensitized

• E1T10 Campaign: Each trained one to train 10 more

Outreach so far: 6,666
Website: www.nalsa.gov.in

Sikkim State Commission for Women

Project: 'Laws made for Protection of Women' Key Initiatives:

- Talk Shows on pertinent socio-legal issues.
- Legal Awareness of stakeholders on laws related to women

Outreach so far: 12,63,107

Website: www.sikkim.gov.in







Jawaharlal Nehru Institute of Medical Sciences, Manipur

Project: 'Training and Sensitization of Stakeholders against Child Sexual

Key Initiatives:

· Sensitization workshops & training modules

· Capacity building Measures for trainers

· Psychosocial support to victims & their families





Project: 'Documentation of Customary Practices of North Eastern States'

Key Initiatives:

 Documentation of vibrant culture, ethnography and unique features of customary laws of indigenous tribes of North Eastern states Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Sikkim, Nagaland, Manipur and Tripura



Outreach so far: 399

Website: www.ghconline.gov.in

CIVIL SOCIETIES ORGANISATIONS/PRIVATE BODIES

Centre for Community Economics and Development Consultants Society (CECOEDECON), Jaipur, Rajasthan

Project: 'Promoting legal awareness to ensure dignity of women, children and elders

Key Initiatives:

Forging partnerships with sectoral experts

· Capacity building of frontline volunteers in aspirational districts Baran, Jaisalmer, Sirohi, Dholpur and Karauli



Outreach so far: 58,990 Website: www.cecoedecon.org.in

Shadow Advertising and Communications

Bhubaneswar

Project: 'Promoting legal awareness to ensure dignity of women, children and elders'

Key Initiatives:

• Raise awareness through Social Media Platforms, Street Plays

Capacity Building Programs

Outreach so far: **3,98,832** Website: www.shadowadd.com SHADOW

NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITIES

NLSIU, Bengaluru

Project: 'Digital Legal Literacy - Dissemination and Assessment'

Key Initiatives:

• Ensure digital outreach of legal literacy & Dedicated YouTube channel i.e., EERA-NLISU-DoJ

• Organize Training programme and Awareness at the Grassroot level

Outreach so far: 19,71,934

Website: www.nls.ac.in

NLU, New Delhi

Project: 'Adhikaron Ka Gyan Unnati Ki Pahchaan'

Key Initiatives:

· Raise awareness regarding legal redressal mechanism in cases of violence against women

• Create Hyper-local grassroot model of community participation

Outreach so far: 3.226 Website: www.nludelhi.ac.in NLIU. Bhopal

Project: 'National level Digital Legal Literacy - Design, Development, Management and Testing - eNyayaganga'

Key Initiatives:

• Develop & Manage digital IEC material on Digital Legal Literacy called "The Digital Legal Literacy Library"

• 8 MOU s signed with various National & Private Law Colleges to facilitate the creation of digital content

Outreach so far: 6.173 Website: www.nliu.ac.in



STATE INSTITUTES OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SIRD, Pune, Maharashtra

Project: 'Promotion of VIDHI Doots in Maharashtra in 100 Gram Panchayats of four aspirational in four districts'

Key Initiatives:

• Identify & Capacity Building of 700 VIDHIDOOTS at village level

Legal Literacy content and tools for training programs of YASHDA

· Aspirational districts Washim, Nandurbar, Gadchiroil and Osmanahad of Maharashtra

Outreach so far: 21,782 Website: www.yashada.org



Bihar Institute of Public Administration and Rural Development (BIPARD), Patna

Project: 'Promoting 700 VIDHI Mitras in Gram Panchavats of Bihar in seven districts'

Key Initiatives:

• Capacity Building of 700 VIDHI MITRAS

Develop IEC Material & Facilitators Training Kit

· Aurangabad, Saharsa, Madhepura, Muzaffarpur, Sitamadhi, Araria,

Outreach so far: 11.926

Website: www.bipard.bihar.gov.in



Abdul Nazir Sab State Institute of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Mysuru, Karnataka

Project: 'Right to Free Legal Aid'

Key Initiatives:

• Training of PRIs Functionaries through SATCOM of Karnataka

• Ensure video/ print documentation of the training sessions

• Develop IEC Kit and Training Manual

Outreach so far: 1.10.439

Website: www.sirdmysuru.karnataka.gov.in



Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi

Project: 'Monitoring and Evaluation of Legal Literacy and **Legal Awareness Projects'**

Key Initiatives:

• Develop digital repository of data bank

• Develop Dashboard for outputs & outcomes of Legal Literacy

Outreach so far: 18

Website: www.iipa.org.in



GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE





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