

(April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026)

#### INTRODUCTION

The Constitution of India, through its Preamble and Article 39A, guarantees social, economic, and political justice to all citizens, emphasizing equal access to justice irrespective of economic or social disadvantages. However, significant sections of society remain deprived of justice due to lack of awareness about their rights, economic limitations, and adverse circumstances. To address these challenges, this action plan aligns with the objectives of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987, which was enacted to operationalize Article 39A by providing free and competent legal services to weaker sections of society and ensuring that justice is not denied due to economic or other disabilities.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The action plan aims to:

- Provide Legal Aid and Awareness: Under the aegis of National Legal
  Services Authority, Madhya Pradesh State Legal Services Authority
  through this action plan seeks to organize legal aid camps in rural areas,
  slums, labour colonies etc. These camps are aimed to literate marginalized
  communities about their legal rights and provide free legal services through
  legal aid clinics and other mechanisms.
- **Promote Fundamental Duties**: The action plan emphasizes motivating citizens to perform their fundamental duties under Part IVA of the Constitution. This includes fostering respect for the environment, promoting social harmony, and contributing to national development.

- Strengthen Alternate Dispute Resolution Mechanisms: By encouraging arbitration, mediation, conciliation and Settlements through Lok Adalats, the plan aims to resolve disputes quickly and cost-effectively while reducing the burden on the judiciary.
- Empower Marginalized Communities: The plan focuses on empowering Dalits, tribals, women, and other disadvantaged groups by bridging the gap between legally available benefits and entitled beneficiaries. It also seeks to address socio-economic rights such as access to education, health care, housing, and livelihood through strategic legal aid programs.
- Preserve and Promote Environmental Justice: In line with constitutional mandates for environmental protection under Article 48A and fundamental duties under Article 51A(g), the plan incorporates awareness campaigns about environmental laws and encourages community participation in conservation efforts.
- Monitor Effectiveness: To ensure accountability, the action plan includes
  periodic evaluation of legal aid schemes' effectiveness and implementation
  at grassroots levels. This will help refine strategies for delivering justice
  efficiently.

#### STRATEGIC ACTIONS FOR EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION

Legal Services Institutions in India, established under the Legal Services Authorities Act of 1987, play a crucial role in ensuring access to justice, particularly for marginalized and economically disadvantaged groups. Their primary functions include providing free legal aid to eligible individuals, spreading legal awareness through literacy programs and legal aid camps, and organizing Lok Adalats for the amicable settlement of disputes. Additionally, they promote alternative dispute resolution methods such as mediation and arbitration to alleviate the burden on courts. These institutions also assist victims

of crime in accessing government compensation schemes and implement preventive legal aid programs addressing issues like domestic violence and child labour.

In alignment with the aforementioned objectives, the following activities shall be undertaken as part of this action plan, in conjunction with other operational schemes. Additionally, this plan may incorporate relevant schemes, directives, and guidelines issued by the National Legal Services Authority, Madhya Pradesh State Legal Services Authority, and other competent authorities from time to time.

S.No.	Month & Year	Details of activities
1	April 2025	Awareness and Outreach Programme under Victim Compensation Schemes (Throughout the month and thereafter on a quarterly basis)  Organize programs to widely publicize the NALSA (Legal Services for Acid Attack Victims) Scheme, 2016 and Victim Compensation Scheme (including the provisions contained in Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, POCSO Act, 2012 and POCSO Rules, 2020, Madhya Pradesh Victim Compensation Scheme, 2015 and NALSA's Compensation Scheme for Women Victims/Survivors of Sexual Assault/other Crimes - 2018) ensuring greater awareness and accessibility.  Special De-addiction Campaign (April 22–26)  Develop and implement a plan under the NALSA (Legal Services to Drug Victims and Legal Services for Drug Eradication) Scheme, 2015. The campaign will be conducted in collaboration with relevant government departments and non-governmental organizations, targeting the alarming rise in drug trafficking and substance abuse, particularly among youth, adolescents, children, and students.  National Lok Adalat Awareness Campaign (Till May 9, 2025)  Launch a dedicated public awareness campaign in the lead-up to the National

		Lok Adalat on May 10, 2025. This initiative will run alongside other related programs to maximize outreach and participation.
2		Legal Literacy Campaigns (May 1–7) Organize special legal services campaigns to extend the benefits of government schemes related to human trafficking, child labour, bonded labour, and workers' rights. These initiatives will be implemented under the NALSA (Legal Services for Unorganized Sector Workers) Scheme, 2015 and NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015
		International Labour Day (May 1)
	25	Conduct awareness camps focused on the legal rights and empowerment of workers in the unorganized sector, ensuring they are informed about their entitlements and protections.
	203	World No Tobacco Day (May 31)
	May 2025	Host an awareness program highlighting the harmful effects of tobacco use and promoting a tobacco-free lifestyle.
		Anti-Ragging Awareness Campaign (to continue till the admission process in colleges concludes)
		A continuous and comprehensive awareness campaign will be conducted in educational institutions to sensitize students about the harmful effects of ragging and the strict legal provisions against it under the <i>UGC Regulations</i> on <i>Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions</i> , 2009. The initiative will include legal awareness programs to educate students about their rights, complaint mechanisms, and the severe consequences of engaging in ragging. Special emphasis will be given to fostering a culture of respect, inclusion, and a safe learning environment in schools and colleges.
3	June, 25	Environment Promotion and Protection Campaign (June 5) In observance of World Environment Day (June 5), conduct special tree plantation drives (in co-ordination with Forest Department), cleanliness campaigns, and environmental awareness programs under the Panch-J Abhiyan to promote sustainable practices.

#### World Day Against Child Labour (June 12) Organize awareness camps focusing on the educational, health, and legal rights of children, with a special emphasis on child labour laws and related issues. **International Day of Yoga (June 21)** Host yoga camps in alignment with the official theme for International Yoga Day 2025, promoting holistic well-being and the benefits of yoga. International Day against Drug Abuse and Immoral Trafficking (June 26-June 30) Organize Awareness camps under NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015 and NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace), Scheme, 2015. 4 Child Promotion and Protection Campaign (July 2–7) Launch a special campaign under the NALSA ( Child Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024 to ensure every child has access to legal services for their holistic development. The campaign will focus on safeguarding children's physical, mental, moral, and spiritual well-being while promoting their rights and protection. July, 2025 World Population Day Awareness Campaign (July 11) Organize community-focused awareness camps to address population growth, family planning, and sustainable development. The campaign will emphasize family welfare schemes Gender equality, Impact of overpopulation on resources and the environment, Legal rights and policies related to population control. These camps will be conducted in collaboration with local authorities, health professionals, and NGOs to maximize outreach and effectiveness. World Day of International Justice (July 17) Organize awareness camps in schools and colleges on Fundamental Rights and Fundamental Duties. The sessions will be scheduled as per local convenience to ensure maximum participation and engagement.

		National Lok Adalat Awareness Campaign (Ongoing until September 12, 2025)  Conduct a sustained public awareness campaign leading up to the National Lok Adalat on September 13, 2025. This initiative will encourage public participation and promote the benefits of alternative dispute resolution through Lok Adalat.
5	August, 2025	Tribal Promotion Campaign (August 4–9) commemorating World Tribal Day (August 9)  Conduct a special awareness campaign under the NALSA (Legal Services for Protection and Enforcement of the Rights of Tribals) Scheme, 2015, ensuring that people belonging to Scheduled Tribes are informed about their legal rights and can access government welfare schemes. The campaign should aim to educate tribal communities about their rights as guaranteed under various laws, including the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, and the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.
	Aı	World Senior Citizens' Day (August 21) Host special camps under NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016 for senior citizens, particularly those in old age homes and care institutions, providing essential legal awareness and medical examination facilities to support their well-being.
6	September, 2025	Special Identification Campaign (September 1–5)  Conduct an awareness campaign to promote social acceptance and legal empowerment of the transgender community. Coordinate with relevant government departments to ensure transgender individuals receive essential identity documents, including Transgender Cards, Voter IDs, Aadhaar Cards, and Ration Cards, enabling them to access legal rights and government welfare schemes.
	Septe	International Literacy Day (September 8) Organize legal literacy camps to educate individuals about their rights, ensuring greater legal awareness and empowerment.

# September, 2025 7

#### Hindi Day (September 14)

In collaboration with the Education Department, organize:

- Legal awareness programs focusing on fundamental duties under the Indian Constitution.
- Painting, essay, and debate competitions (centred on Indian legends) to promote the use of Hindi in legal and educational discourse.
- Lectures and interactive sessions for students to enhance understanding of legal rights and responsibilities.

#### World Deaf Day (September 28)

On the occasion of World Deaf Day, special awareness and legal aid camps will be organized in schools and institutes for the hearing impaired to educate them about their legal rights, government welfare schemes, and accessibility provisions under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

October, 2025

#### **International Day of Non-Violence** (October 2)

In observance of the International Day of Non-Violence, a Mediation Awareness Program will be organized to educate individuals on peaceful dispute resolution. The initiative will emphasize the principles and ideals of Mahatma Gandhi, encouraging amicable settlements through mediation.

#### World Mental Health Day (October 10)

Awareness programs will be organized under NALSA (Legal Services to Persons with Mental Illness and Persons with Intellectual Disabilities) Scheme, 2024 to promote mental well-being, including workshops, counselling sessions, and legal awareness on mental health rights under the Mental Healthcare Act, 2017. Special outreach initiatives in schools, colleges, and communities will focus on stress management, emotional resilience, and reducing stigma around mental health.

## October, 2025

#### World Food Day (October 16)

On the occasion of World Food Day (October 16), awareness program will be organized in coordination with concerned department to highlight the importance of food security, nutrition, and the right to food. The initiative will focus on educating communities about food wastage prevention, sustainable agriculture, and government welfare schemes related to food distribution.

#### **National Lok Adalat Awareness Campaign**

A special campaign will be launched to promote awareness about the upcoming National Lok Adalat scheduled for December 13, 2025. This initiative will run continuously until the date of the Lok Adalat, aiming to ensure widespread public participation and greater understanding of alternative dispute resolution mechanisms. District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs) are expected to actively engage with Panchayats to trace and identify potential cases at the grassroots level, enabling their resolution through Lok Adalats. This collaborative approach will help in early settlement of disputes and reduce the burden on regular courts.

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# November, 2025

#### Nyayaotsav: Legal Services Week 2025 (9 – 14 November 2025)

Nyayaotsav: Legal Services Week 2025 will be celebrated with an aim to increase legal awareness, promote legal service schemes, and enhance access to justice for marginalized communities. The week-long initiative will commemorate Legal Services Day (9 November) while incorporating World Education Day (11 November) and Children's Day (14 November) to engage students and young individuals in legal awareness activities.

N.B.-The detailed guidelines along with Financial Sanction to be shared in due course.

Date	Activity	Objective
09.11.25	Nyayotsav Bike Rally	Launching Nyayotsav with a mass awareness bike rally with PLVs, legal professionals, and NGOs to promote legal services.
10.11.25	Legal Awareness Camp in Jails	Educating prisoners on their legal rights, rehabilitation, and free legal aid services. The camps in Jail will also focus upon providing latest information of cases to prisoners who has been provided Legal Aid Councils.
11.11.25	World Education Day	Organizing talks in schools and colleges on the Right to Education Act, child rights, POCSO Act, and laws against child labor.
12.11.25	Awareness Camp in Rural Areas	Conducting interactive sessions in rural and labour areas to inform people about legal rights and free legal services.
13.11.25	Child Care Institutions Inspection & Awareness Camp	Conducting inspections in Child Care Institutions, Juvenile Homes etc. and educating children about their rights and protection laws.
14.11.25	Children's Day Celebration & Legal Awareness Camp	Organizing interactive sessions with storytelling, role-plays, and legal awareness activities to educate children about their rights. Hosting essay writing, painting, and quiz competitions to engage students in legal literacy.
14.11.25	Legal Awareness Exhibition & Marathon	Conclusion of Nyayotsav by Engaging the public in an awareness marathon/walkathon and holding an exhibition showcasing legal services, rights, and schemes.

#### **Constitution Day** (November 26)

On the occasion of Constitution Day (November 26), seminars and awareness camps will be organised to educate citizens on the significance of the Indian Constitution, Fundamental Rights, and Duties. A special event will be held to publicly recite the Preamble to the Constitution of India, reaffirming our commitment to constitutional values. Schools, colleges, and community centres will actively participate in discussions, essay competitions, and legal awareness sessions to emphasize the importance of Democracy, Justice, Liberty, and Equality.

#### Awareness Program for AIDS Prevention (December 1) World AIDS Day

On World AIDS Day, an awareness program will be conducted under the *NALSA* (*Legal Services for Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation*) *Scheme*, *2015*, to promote acceptance of AIDS victims, prevent the spread of the disease. The program will also provide information on government welfare schemes available for their support.

#### Legal Services Campaign for Specially-Abled Persons (December 3 to 7)

To mark Specially Abled Day (December 3), a legal services campaign will be conducted under the *NALSA* (*Legal Services to Persons with Mental Illness and Persons with Intellectual Disabilities*) *Scheme*, *2024*. Programs will be held in coordination with relevant departments to ensure that specially-abled individuals are informed about and receive the benefits of various government welfare schemes.

#### **Human Rights Day** (December 10)

On Human Rights Day, seminars and awareness camps will be organized to educate citizens about Fundamental Rights and encourage discussions on human rights issues, ensuring that people are aware of their constitutional protections.

#### **National Consumer Rights Day (December 24)**

On National Consumer Rights Day, an awareness program will be organized with the participation of subject experts and concerned departments to educate the public about their consumer rights and the provisions of the Consumer Protection Act. The event will focus on empowering consumers by informing them about legal remedies and mechanisms available for grievance redressal.

#### **Publicity for Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Lok Adalat)**

Efforts will be made to increase awareness and publicity for Permanent Lok Adalat to encourage the resolution of more cases related to public utility services. Success stories of resolved cases will be shared across the district to build trust and promote wider participation.

#### Special Awareness Camp for National Lok Adalat (December 13, 2025) Special awareness camps will be organized till December 12, 2025, to publicize the upcoming National Lok Adalat through door to door campaigns, radios, banners etc. During the event, success stories from at least five resolved cases related to public utility services will be presented before the general public. 10 **National Youth Day (January 12)** Camps will be organized to inspire nationalism among the youth and encourage them to actively participate in the development of society and the nation. The program will aim to instil a sense of responsibility and awareness about their role in shaping the country's future. **National Girl Child Day (January 24)** A special awareness program will be conducted to highlight critical issues affecting the girl child, including declining sex ratios, the importance of gender equality, and the legal provisions related to the *Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal* **January**, 2026 Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) Act, 1994 to prevent female foeticide. The program will also emphasize the significance of girl child education, ensuring equal access to educational opportunities, and promoting government schemes supporting girls' education. Sessions will focus on raising awareness about sexual offenses, exploitation, and the rights of the girl child, encouraging societal change towards gender justice and empowerment. National Voters' Day (January 25) To mark National Voters' Day, awareness campaigns will be conducted to educate citizens, especially first-time voters, about the importance of voting, electoral rights, and the democratic process. Special sessions will be held in educational institutions to emphasize the significance of active participation in elections. Republic Day (January 26) Awareness camps will be organized in schools and colleges to educate students

about Fundamental Rights and Duties on January 25. Competitions such as essay writing, slogan writing, and discussions on constitutional values will be

conducted to deepen their understanding of democratic principles and responsible citizenship. World Leprosy Day (January 30) January, On the occasion of World Leprosy Day, an awareness program will be organized to educate the public about leprosy, its causes, prevention, and treatment. The campaign will focus on eliminating stigma and discrimination against individuals affected by leprosy and promoting their rights and rehabilitation. Legal awareness regarding government schemes, healthcare facilities, and social inclusion programs for leprosy-affected persons will also be highlighted to ensure their dignity and equal opportunities in society. 11 World Social Justice Day (February 20) An Awareness program will be organized under the NALSA (Legal Services for Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015, to promote awareness about social justice and equality. An action plan will be prepared to ensure the effective implementation of poverty alleviation schemes, focusing on marginalized and economically weaker sections. The initiative will February, 2026 aim to educate people about their legal rights, access to government welfare programs, and avenues for legal assistance to promote inclusivity and justice for all. **Campaign for School Dropouts** (Until School Admissions conclude) A continuous campaign will be conducted in coordination with the education department to identify and reintegrate school dropouts into the education system, extending until the commencement of school admissions. Awareness programs will highlight the importance of education, government schemes for and compulsory education, and scholarship opportunities underprivileged children. The initiative will include community outreach, counselling sessions for parents and children, and legal awareness about the Right to Education Act, 2009, ensuring maximum enrolment and retention of students in schools.

## March, 2026

#### Women's Empowerment Campaign (March 8 to March 12)

A special awareness and legal aid campaign will be organized to educate women about their rights and legal protections against crimes such as acid attacks, domestic violence, and other forms of abuse. The initiative will focus on spreading awareness about laws related to women's safety and empowerment, ensuring access to legal assistance, and promoting gender equality in society.

#### **International Day of Forests (March 21)**

To mark the International Day of Forests, awareness programs in co-ordination with the forest department under *Panch-J Abhiyan* will be organized to highlight the importance of afforestation, biodiversity conservation, and sustainable forest management. Activities such as tree plantation drives and discussions on environmental laws will be conducted to promote ecological balance.

#### World Water Day (March 22)

A public awareness program will be organized to emphasize the significance of water conservation and sustainable water management. The campaign will aim to educate people about the importance of preserving water resources, encourage responsible water usage, and promote community participation in conservation efforts.

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- 1.1 Apart from the above activities, District Legal Services Authorities are expected to organize additional activities as per local needs and priorities to further legal awareness and outreach. These activities should be conducted in coordination with relevant government departments and non-government organizations, utilizing the services of Paralegal Volunteers (PLVs), Panel Lawyers and Legal Aid Defense Counsels as required.
- 1.2 Additionally, the abovementioned activities are to be conducted compulsorily, and any further directions issued by Hon'ble Supreme Court

of India, Hon'ble High Court of Madhya Pradesh, NALSA or MPSLSA from time to time must also be implemented accordingly to ensure effective legal aid and awareness.

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- 2.1 Workshops and awareness programs will be organized on a *quarterly basis* for management, employers, and adolescent groups under *The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013*. The objective of these programs should be to enhance gender sensitivity in the workplace, provide information on legal provisions, clarify the role of the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC), and strengthen the process of preventing and addressing cases of sexual harassment.
- 2.2 These workshops/programmes will involve experts, legal professionals, and social organizations to help management and employers better understand their responsibilities and create safer and more inclusive workplaces.
- 2.3 These workshops/programmes shall be conducted strictly in accordance with the Module for conduct of Legal Awareness Camps and training Workshops prepared by NALSA in compliance of the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Aureliano Fernandes Vs. State of Goa Civil Appeal No* 2482 of 2014.

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- 3.1 All District Legal Services Authorities shall strive to ensure the effective delivery of legal aid to all eligible persons, particularly undertrial and convicted prisoners. Regular jail visits must be conducted to identify inmates who are in need of legal assistance. Upon such identification, appropriate legal actions, including filing of appeals, revisions, or other necessary representations must be taken before the competent legal forums. DLSAs should also coordinate closely with jail authorities to ensure timely intervention and continued follow-up, thereby reinforcing the commitment to access to justice for all, especially for those who are most vulnerable and marginalized.
- 3.2 All District Legal Services Authorities are encouraged to take special initiatives aimed at empowering prisoners through skill development

programs. These initiatives should focus on equipping inmates with essential vocational and life skills that can enable them to lead productive and dignified lives post-release. By facilitating access to training in areas such as tailoring, carpentry, computer literacy, handicrafts, or other locally relevant trades, DLSAs can play a pivotal role in rehabilitation and reintegration, helping inmates build a brighter and self-reliant future. Collaboration with government departments, NGOs, and training institutions should be explored to ensure the effective implementation of these programs.

### PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF SCHEDULED TRIBES

As per Census 2011, the total number of Scheduled Tribes in India was 10,42,81,034, constituting 8.6 percent of the total population. Among these, some tribes have been identified as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) due to their extreme vulnerability, characterized by forest-dependent livelihoods, preagriculture standards of living, declining populations, low literacy rates, and subsistence-based economies. Currently, there are 75 PVTGs in India.

Madhya Pradesh has a Scheduled Tribe population of 153.16 lakh (Census 2011), accounting for 21.10 percent of the state's total population. This makes Madhya Pradesh the state where every fifth person belongs to a Scheduled Tribe. The state is also home to PVTGs that require special attention, particularly the Bhariya, Baiga, and Sahariya tribes, primarily residing in districts such as Mandla, Baihar (Balaghat), Dindori, Pushprajgarh (Anuppur), Shahdol, Umaria, Gwalior, Datia, Sheopur, Bhind, Morena, Shivpuri, Guna, and Ashoknagar. These tribes often remain outside mainstream society, depriving them of their rights.

#### CHALLENGES FACED BY SCHEDULED TRIBES

A significant issue among Scheduled Tribes is a lack of literacy, along with legal challenges, including land disputes, health concerns, and false criminal accusations due to ignorance of the law. They are also often denied their rights by government departments. To address these concerns, efforts will be made to coordinate with various departments, create a panel of para-legal volunteers from the tribal community, and establish legal aid clinics.

In Madhya Pradesh, *The Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers* (*Recognition of Forest Rights*) *Act*, *2006* is in effect to safeguard the rights of Scheduled Tribes. To ensure their inclusion in mainstream society, the Action Plan for 2025-2026 focuses on the promotion and development of Scheduled Tribes through legal awareness and access to justice.

#### SPECIAL PLAN FOR TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT

This plan aims to empower Scheduled Tribes by ensuring legal awareness, protecting their rights, and facilitating their integration into mainstream society while preserving their cultural identity.

To ensure effective implementation of the *NALSA* (*Legal Services for Protection and Enforcement of Rights of Tribals*) *Scheme*, *2015*, District Legal Services Authorities in tribal-dominated areas shall prepare a Special Action Plan, including the following measures:

#### 1. Formation of Legal Aid Clusters:

- During visits to tribal-dominated areas, the Secretary, DLSA, will coordinate with local departments to form clusters based on local conditions.
- ❖ At least one legal aid clinic per cluster will be established to provide legal assistance to Gram Panchayats and villages.

#### 2. Database Creation and Problem Identification:

- The Secretary, DLSA, will prepare a database of legal issues faced by the tribal population through field visits and direct interactions.
- ❖ A structured approach will be taken to address problems through coordination with relevant departments.

#### 3. Legal Awareness and Problem-Solving Sessions:

- Awareness programs and legal aid sessions will be conducted to educate tribal communities on their legal rights and government welfare schemes.
- ❖ These programs will be organized in a time-bound manner, addressing issues specific to the local region.

#### **4.** Involvement of Tribal Community Members:

Scheduled Tribe individuals will be included as panel advocates and para-legal volunteers (PLVs) under the NALSA scheme to promote trust and accessibility.

#### 5. Student Participation in Legal Awareness Programs:

- Law students from universities, colleges, and schools will be encouraged to participate in legal awareness programs to enhance outreach and engagement.
- Law university students can play a pivotal role in educating tribal populations on their legal rights.

### 6. Collaboration with NGOs and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Initiatives:

Programs will be conducted in collaboration with CSR initiatives,
 NGOs, and various government departments to maximize impact.

## TARGET TO BE ACHIEVED UNDER NALSA & MPSLSA SCHEMES FOR THE YEAR 2025-26

The M.P. State Legal Services Authority has set the following targets for District Legal Services Authorities and Tehsil Legal Services Committees for the year 2025-26:-

1) Legal Aid and Legal Advice Scheme: - To ensure maximum outreach and benefit under the Legal Aid and Advice Scheme, the following monthly targets (in terms of no. of beneficiaries) have been set:

S.No.	Name of Scheme	Divisional Headquarters	Other Districts	Taluka Level
1	Legal Aid Scheme	75	40	25
2	Legal Advice Scheme	125	75	50

2) Lok Adalat:- Lok Adalats shall be conducted at the District and Tehsil levels as per the following schedule:-

S. No.	Type of Lok Adalat	Monthly Target at District Level	Monthly Target at Tehsil Level	Period
1	Permanent & Continuous Lok Adalat	1 sitting for each District	One Tehsil - 1	Last Saturday of every month
2	Permanent Lok Adalat for Public Utility Services (Section 22B)	4 sittings for each District		Weekly
3	Lok Adalat under MNREGA		1 sitting for each TLSC	Monthly

	4	Ioil I als Adalas	1 sitting for each		Monthly
	4	Jail Lok Adalat	District		
	5	Mobile Lok Adalat	As per the date	s proposed by th	e DLSA
•	6	National Lok Adalat	As pe	er directions of N	VALSA

#### 3) Target under various Schemes:-

S.No.	Activities/Schemes	Target
1	Litigation Free Village Scheme	At least two villages shall be made litigation-free under this scheme.
2	District Legal Counselling Centre Scheme	5 cases at the district level and at least 2 cases at the tehsil level to be resolved monthly.
3	Family Dispute Resolution Centre Scheme	Annual target of 5 beneficiaries per district and 3 per tehsil from April 2025 to March 2026.
4	Remand Advocate Scheme in Magistrate Courts	Maximum outreach to benefit under trials through widespread awareness and publicity.
5	Legal Aid Clinics	Clinics to be established in government offices, children's homes, Swadhar homes, old age homes, schools, colleges, mental hospitals, Gram Panchayats, jails, and community centers.
6	Crime against labour cell	Monthly review of activities to ensure maximum benefits for workers under the Principal District Judge's supervision.
7	Women and Child Protection Unit	Strengthening awareness programs on legal rights, duties, and responsibilities to benefit more women and children, with monthly progress reviews.
8	Mediation Awareness Program	Monthly mediation awareness programs at district, family court, and tehsil levels, as per the mediation action plan.
9	Legal Literacy Camp Scheme	DLSAs shall organize <b>six camps</b> per month at the District level and <b>four camps</b> per month at the Tehsil level, focusing on NALSA/MPSLSA schemes. These camps will serve as a platform to disseminate information on the beneficial

		schemes of the Central and State Governments and ensure that eligible individuals receive their entitled benefits. Additionally, DLSAs shall identify individuals who have been denied such benefits and coordinate with the relevant government departments to facilitate their rightful access.
10	Wide Publicity	Legal Services, NALSA/SLSA schemes, and
		success stories should be widely publicized via
		print/electronic media, social media, banners,
		pamphlets, street plays, and rallies.
11	Organization of special	Special camps for prosthetic limb
	camps to provide	transplantation & assistive devices to be held at
	prosthetic limb	Indore, Gwalior, and Jabalpur (Divisional
	transplantation and other	Level), with pre-identification of beneficiaries.
	assistive devices for the	Other DLSAs should also conduct such camps
	benefit of Divyangjan	within their jurisdiction.
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#### **GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

#### 1. Monthly Reports:

❖ DLSAs and TLSCs must submit a progress report on the achievement of targets by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month in prescribed formats.

#### 2. Financial Compliance:

- All official expenses and payments related to the implementation of various schemes must be processed regularly on a monthly basis. The utilization of funds should be carefully verified and all financial statements must be submitted within the prescribed timelines.
- All expenditures must be made strictly in accordance with the guidelines issued by NALSA and M.P. State Legal Services Authority, and only after obtaining prior approval from the Chairman, District Legal Services Authority.

#### 3. Public Outreach and Awareness:

- ❖ Each DLSA must create and maintain an online presence through YouTube, Twitter, Facebook, and other platforms.
- Legal awareness through radio broadcasts, short films, and multimedia initiatives should be encouraged.

#### 4. Specialized Legal Aid Camps:

At least one camp every week must be conducted under each NALSA scheme, incorporating one or more schemes in each session.

#### 5. Localized Issue Focus:

- District-level camps should address local legal issues and be widely publicized.
- Panel Advocates, NGOs, Law students and Paralegal Volunteers should actively support these initiatives.

#### **RECOGNITION & INCENTIVE MECHANISM**

To encourage excellence and efficiency in executing the action plan, the "STAR DLSA OF THE MONTH" recognition shall be awarded to the District Legal Services Authority demonstrating the most effective implementation of the schemes.

#### The Criteria includes:

- Achievement of targets in Legal Aid, Lok Adalats, and Legal Awareness and Literacy Programs.
- Innovation in outreach and engagement strategies.

- Impact assessment through success stories and feedback.
- Efficient utilization of resources and collaboration with stakeholders.
- Ensuring that the benefits of government schemes reach the maximum number of eligible individuals.

The best-performing DLSA will receive recognition and commendation from the Madhya Pradesh State Legal Services Authority, Jabalpur.

#### **CONCLUSION**

The Action Plan 2025-26 aims to strengthen Legal Aid, promote Access to Justice, and enhance Legal Awareness across Madhya Pradesh. With effective coordination, proactive implementation, and innovative outreach, this plan will empower marginalized communities and ensure justice reaches the last mile.

DLSAs are expected to adhere strictly to these targets and undertake additional initiatives to expand the reach and impact of NALSA and MPSLSA schemes.

