GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM MIZORAM STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

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Introduction

The Mizoram State Legal Services Authority (MSLSA) is a statutory body established under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987, with the primary objective of providing free and competent legal services to the weaker sections of society and ensuring that justice is accessible to all, irrespective of economic or social constraints.

MSLSA was formally constituted in the year 1997 in accordance with the provisions of the Legal Services Authorities Act. Since its inception, the Authority has been dedicated to implementing the mandate of the Act within the state of Mizoram. Over the years, MSLSA has steadily expanded its activities and reach, setting up District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs) across the state to carry out grassroots-level legal aid initiatives.

Through its various programs—including legal aid clinics, Lok Adalats, legal literacy camps, and awareness drives—MSLSA has played a crucial role in promoting legal empowerment, alternative dispute resolution, and the protection of rights for marginalized and disadvantaged communities.

MSLSA functions in coordination with the **National Legal Services Authority (NALSA)**, which lays down policies, principles, and schemes for legal services across India. Under the guidance of NALSA, MSLSA implements a variety of welfare-oriented schemes aimed at different vulnerable sections of society. These include:

- 1. NALSA (Legal Services to Disaster Victims Through Legal Services Authorities) Scheme, 2010
- 2. NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015
- 3. NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015
- 4. NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015
- 5. NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally III and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme 2015
- 6. NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015
- 7. NALSA (Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015
- 8. NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and the Eradication of the Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015
- 9. NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016
- 10. NALSA (Legal Services to Victims of Acid Attack) Scheme, 2016
- 11. NALSA (Legal Services to Persons with Mental Illness and Persons with Intellectual Disabilities) Schemes, 2024
- 12. NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024

- 13. NALSA (JAGRITI- Justice Awareness for Grassroots Information and Transparency Initiative) Scheme, 2025
- 14. NALSA (DAWN- Drug Awareness and Wellness Navigation for a Drug Free INDIA) Scheme, 2025
- 15. NALSA (ASHA-Awareness, Support, Help and Action) Standard Operating Procedure-Towards Eliminating Child Marriage, 2025
- 16. Also implements various directions of the Hon'ble High Court and Supreme Court as well as the Mizoram Victim of Crimes Compensation Scheme 2011.

Today, MSLSA continues to work in close coordination with the judiciary, government agencies, NGOs, and civil society to ensure that the constitutional goal of equal access to justice is realized across Mizoram.

With reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (i) of the RTI Act, 2005

1.1 **Organisational Set Up**

The Mizoram State Legal Services Authority (MSLSA) operates under the framework of the **Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987**, and is part of the nationwide network of legal services authorities coordinated by the **National Legal Services Authority** (**NALSA**). The organisational structure of MSLSA is designed to ensure the effective delivery of free legal services, legal aid, and access to justice at every level of the state including delivery of justice at the doorstep.

1. Patron-in-Chief

The Hon'ble Chief Justice of the Gauhati High Court serves as the **Patron-in-Chief** of MSLSA and provides overall guidance and supervision.

2. Executive Chairman

A sitting Judge of the Gauhati High Court (Aizawl Bench) is appointed as the **Executive Chairman** of MSLSA. The Executive Chairman is responsible for overseeing the implementation of policies, schemes, and legal aid programs across the state.

3. Member Secretary

The **Member Secretary**, generally a senior judicial officer, is the chief executive of the Authority at the state level. The Member Secretary manages the day-to-day administration of MSLSA, coordinates with various District Legal Services Authorities, and ensures the execution of NALSA schemes and legal services initiatives.

4. State Legal Services Authority Office

The MSLSA Secretariat (ADR Centre), located in Aizawl MINECO, serves as the administrative headquarters. It coordinates all legal services programs, awareness campaigns, training sessions, and scheme implementations throughout Mizoram.

District and Sub-District Level Structure

To effectively deliver legal aid and services at the grassroots level, MSLSA functions through a network of legal services institutions:

District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs)

- Headed by the **District & Sessions Judges** as Chairpersons.
- Responsible for implementing legal aid and awareness programs within each district.
- Supervise Legal Aid Clinics, Lok Adalats, and Para-Legal Volunteers (PLVs).

Supporting Units

- **Panel Lawyers**: Empanelled advocates who provide free legal representation and assistance to eligible beneficiaries.
- Para-Legal Volunteers (PLVs): Trained individuals from local communities who assist in spreading legal awareness and facilitating access to justice.
- Legal Aid Clinics: Constituted and located in various institutions, villages, jails and police stations and remote areas to provide legal advice and assistance at the community level as well as to all those in need of legal and societal assistance.
- Legal Aid Defence Counsel (LADC): Advocates of requisite experience appointed to give legal aid to those facing criminal trials in Courts.

1.2 Functions of Mizoram State Legal Services Authority (MSLSA)

• Provide Free Legal Services

Offer free and competent legal aid to eligible persons, especially the poor, marginalized, and disadvantaged sections of society at every legal institutions and often at their doorstep.

• Promote Legal Awareness

Conduct legal literacy and awareness programs to educate citizens about their rights, duties, and the availability of legal aid services.

• Organize Lok Adalats

Hold regular Lok Adalats for the amicable settlement of disputes, including civil, matrimonial, motor accident claims, and compoundable criminal cases.

• Implement NALSA Schemes

Execute welfare-based legal aid schemes developed by the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) targeting vulnerable groups like women, children, senior citizens, persons with disabilities, and others.

• Set Up Legal Aid Clinics

Establish Legal Aid Clinics in rural areas, educational institutions, jails, and vulnerable communities to provide on-the-spot legal advice and assistance.

• Empanel Lawyers and Para-Legal Volunteers (PLVs)

Maintain a panel of qualified lawyers and train PLVs to assist in delivering legal services and spreading awareness at the grassroots level.

• Facilitate Legal Representation

Ensure representation in courts and tribunals for those who cannot afford legal counsel, through appointed legal aid advocates.

• Assist in Victim Compensation

Help eligible victims of crime apply for and receive compensation as per the Mizoram Victims of Crime Compensation Scheme 2011 and provide legal services to the victims of Acid Attack Scheme 2016.

• Promote Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)

Encourage the use of mediation, conciliation, and arbitration for the peaceful and cost-effective resolution of disputes.

• Support Legal Aid to Undertrials and Prisoners

Provide legal assistance and counseling to undertrials and convicts in jails, and monitor legal aid services in correctional institutions.

• Coordinate with Stakeholders

Work in collaboration with the judiciary, police, civil society organizations, and government departments to strengthen legal services delivery.

1.3 Duties of Mizoram State Legal Services Authority (MSLSA)

• Ensure Access to Justice for All

Uphold the constitutional guarantee that no person is denied justice due to economic or other disabilities.

• Provide Legal Aid to Eligible Beneficiaries

Providing legal aid to all persons entitled to free legal aid as per Section 12 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.

• Monitor Legal Aid Delivery

Supervise and ensure the effective functioning of District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs) and Legal Aid Clinics across the state.

• Spread Legal Literacy

Disseminate legal knowledge and promote awareness of legal rights, remedies, and responsibilities among the public, especially in rural and remote areas.

• Organize Capacity-Building Programs

Conduct training and orientation programs for panel lawyers, para-legal volunteers (PLVs), and other stakeholders involved in legal aid services.

Address Grievances Related to Legal Aid

Receive, examine, and resolve complaints or grievances regarding denial or delay of legal aid services.

• Submit Reports to NALSA

Compile and forward periodic reports and data on legal aid activities and scheme implementation to the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA).

• Promote Rights of Vulnerable Groups

Focus on protecting the rights of women, children, Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, senior citizens, persons with disabilities, and other marginalized communities.

• Coordinate with Other Agencies

Liaise with the judiciary, government departments, NGOs, police, prisons, and educational institutions to facilitate holistic legal support.

• Ensure Transparency and Accountability

Maintain proper records of activities, schemes, and funds to ensure transparent and efficient functioning of legal services delivery.

• Promote Amicable Settlement of Dispute

Organize Lok Adalats in the State to secure free and speedy dispute resolution through amicable settlement by organizing regular Lok Adalat in the State, District and Village levels.

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (ii) of the RTI Act, 2005

2. Powers and Duties of its Officers and employees.

The officers and employees of the Mizoram State Legal Services Authority (MSLSA) play a key role in ensuring the effective implementation of legal aid services, awareness programs, and dispute resolution mechanisms. Their powers and duties are guided by the **Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987**, relevant rules and regulations, and directives from the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA).

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (iii) & (iv) of the RTI Act, 2005

3. All decisions are made in the Department through collective endeavours by step by step movement of files duly authenticated finally by the Member Secretary.

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (v) of the RTI Act, 2005

4. All Employees in the discharge of their functions adhere to all Central rules and those emanating from NALSA and well as regulations and instructions as adopted by the Government of Mizoram

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (vi) of the RTI Act, 2005

- 5. MSLSA upholds the principles of transparency and accountability as envisioned in the RTI Act by accessing MSLSA's information about any aspect of the Authority including documents under its control through the following:
 - 1. **Visit the Official Website**: Check MSLSA's official website for RTI disclosures and published documents
 - 2. **Contact the Public Information Officer (PIO)**: Reach out to MSLSA's PIO for detailed information or to file an RTI request.
 - 3. **Consult the Mizoram Information Commission**: The Commission's website provides guidance on RTI procedures and may have additional resources.

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (vii) of the RTI Act, 2005

6. Concerned Department is not akin to other Departments where policy or Implementation thereof is required. Hence, arrangement contemplated under this sub-clause is not in existence.

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (viii) of the RTI Act, 2005

- 7. The Mizoram State Legal Services Authority (MSLSA), established under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987, comprises these bodies to facilitate its functions:
 - **State Legal Services Authority**: The apex body at the state level responsible for implementing legal services programs and policies.

- **District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs)**: Function at the district level to provide legal services and conduct Lok Adalats.
- All these bodies and their minutes of meeting are open and accessible to public.

8. With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (ix) of the RTI Act, 2005

LIST OF OFFICERS AND STAFF UNDER MIZORAM SLSA as on 9.6.2025

Sl. No	Name	Address	Designation	Contact No.
1.	Vincent Lalrokima	Chawnpui	Member Secretary	0389- 2336621 9862929356
2.	Laldingliani	Ramhlun Venglai	Superintendent	9862555291
3.	Zodinpuii Ralte	Ramhlun South	Assistant	8131990077
4.	Lalramsiami	Ramthar	LDC	9862569582
5.	Zothanchami	Republic Vengthlang	LDC	8575171860
6.	L.D Zauva	Ramthar	LDC	9862792398
7.	K. Lalropuia	Laipuitlang	LDC	9862558254
8.	C. Laldinpuii	Khatla	Sweeper	9612178707
9.	Lalrinpuii	New Capital	Peon	9612225970
10.	Lalthankima Ralte	Mission Veng	UDC	8258087991
11.	Lalmuanpuii	Ramhlun North	LDC	9089173125
12.	Mimi H. Rosiamliani	Venghlui	Project Coordinator	9862134131
13.	Lalengvara	Zonuam	Asst. Coordinator	8730864472
14.	Hmangaihfamkima	Mission Veng	DEO	9774708809
15.	Malsawmdawngliana	Ramhlun North	PEON	9862693929
16.	Zonunsanga	College Veng	DRIVER	9862021713
17.	BC Lalduhawma	Saron Veng	DRIVER	9862257972
18.	SH Lalruatfela	Saron Veng	PEON	6009409228
19.	Varthuamluaii	Khatla South	PEON	9862088434
20.	PC. Vantluangpuia	Sihphir	PROCESS SERVER	8974964079
21.	Lalhmingzova	New Capital	PEON	8794754860
22.	B. Lalhluzuali	Electric Veng	PEON	9856568344
23.	Zoramtana	Chanmari West	PEON	8132095648
24.	PC. Lalawmpuia	Ramhlun Vengthar	PLV	8014692853
25.	Lalrinfela	Mission Vengthlang	PLV	8729958235
26.	Carey B. Lawmkima	Tuikual C Mual	PLV	8413842768
27.	Vanlalnunziri	Kulikawn	PLV	8974360098
28.	Benjamin Saizikpuia	Bungkawn Vengthar	PLV	7630875598

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (x) of the RTI Act, 2005

9. Monthly remuneration received by Officers and Employees under Mizoram State Legal Services Authority as on 9.6.2025

Sl.N o.	Name	Designation	Monthly Remuneration/Gross
1.	Vincent Lalrokima	Member Secretary	Rs.3,58,089
2.	Laldingliani	Superintendent	Rs.1,15,746
3.	Zodinpuii Ralte	Assistant	Rs.66,323
4.	Lalramsiami	LDC	Rs.68,409
5.	Zothanchami	LDC	Rs.68,409
6.	L.D Zauva	LDC	Rs.68,409
7.	K. Lalropuia	LDC	Rs.48,890
8.	C. Laldinpuii	Sweeper	Rs.32,888
9.	Lalrinpuii	Peon	Rs.28,626
10.	Lalthankima Ralte	UDC	Rs.21,900
11.	Lalmuanpuii	LDC	Rs.17,100
12.	Mimi H. Rosiamliani	Project Coordinator	Rs.45,000
13.	Lalengvara	Asst. Coordinator	Rs.25,000
14.	Hmangaihfamkima	DEO	Rs.15,000
15.	Malsawmdawngliana	Peon	Rs.14,095
16.	Zonunsanga	Driver	Rs.93,531
17.	BC Lalduhawma	Driver	Rs.45,553
18.	SH Lalruatfela	Peon	Rs.12,600
19.	Varthuamluaii	Peon	Rs.12,600
20.	PC. Vantluangpuia	Peon	Rs.12,600
21.	Lalhmingzova	Peon	Rs.12,600
22.	B. Lalhluzuali	Peon	Rs.12,600
23.	Zoramtana	Peon	Rs.12,600
24.	PC. Lalawmpuia	PLV	Rs.12,500
25.	Lalrinfela	PLV	Rs.12,500
26.	Carey B. Lawmkima	PLV	Rs.12,500
27.	Vanlalnunziri	PLV	Rs.12,500
28.	Benjamin Saizikpuia	PLV	Rs.12,500

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (xi) of the RTI Act, 2005

10. The Budget allocated to Mizoram State Legal Services Authority during 2025-2026 are as below:-

DEMAND NO.4 LAW AND JUDICIAL

Controlling Officer: Member Secretary, Mizoram State Legal Services Authority

REVENUE SECTION

Sector : 'A' General Services

Major Head : 2014 – Administration of Justice

Sub Major Head : 00

	Budget	Budget Estimates 2025-26		
Heads of Account	State	CSS/O thers	Total	
Minor Head : 114-Legal Advisers and Counsels				
Sub Head : (03) - Legal Services Authority				
Detail Head : 00				
Object Head : (01)-Salaries	85.80		85.80	
(02)-Wages	13.71		13.71	
(06)-Medical Treatment	2.40		2.40	
(11)- Domestic Travel Expenses	2.00		2.00	
(13)-Office Expenses	4.00		4.00	
(16)- Printing and Publication	5.00		5.00	
(24)- Fuels and Lubricants	1.50		1.50	
(26)- Advertising and Publicity	0.50		0.50	
(29)- Repair and Maintenance	1.00		1.00	
(49)- Other Revenue Expenditure	5.00		5.00	
(50)- Other Charges				
TOTAL OF 114(03)	120.91		120.91	
Sub-Head : (07)-Alternate Dispute Resolution Cent	re			
Detailed Head : 00				
Object Head : (02)-Wages	26.67		26.67	
TOTAL OF 114(07)	26.67		26.67	
Sub-Head : (08)-Lok Adalat & Legal Aid				
Detailed Head : 00				
Object Head : (02) - Wages	46.43		46.43	
TOTAL OF 114(08)	46.43		46.43	
Sub-Head : (09)-Victims of Crime Compensation S	Scheme			
Detailed Head : 00	100.00		100.00	
Object Head :(49) – Other Revenue Expenditure	100.00		100.00	

(50) – Other Charges		
TOTAL OF 114(09)	100.00	100.00
TOTAL OF REVENUE SECTION (MSLSA)	294.01	294.01

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (xiv) of the RTI Act, 2005

11. Details regarding organisational structures functions & duties, Acts, Rules and other relevant details are uploaded/available in the Departments Official Website viz. https://mizoslsa.mizoram.gov.in/index.php

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (xv) of the RTI Act, 2005

- 12. The following facilities are made available by the Department for obtaining information by the public
 - a. Official Website (mizoslsa.mizoram.gov.in)
 - b. RTI application.

Library for reading purpose only during the office hours.

With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (xvi) of the RTI Act, 2005

13. The names, designations and other particulars of the Public Information Officers are:-

(As on 9th June, 2025)

VINCENT LALROKIMA, Member Secretary -cum- DAA

Mizoram State Legal Services Authority

Telephone No.: 0389-2336620, 9862929356 (M)

LALDINGLIANI

Superintendent -cum- S.P.I.O

Mizoram State Legal Services Authority

Contact No: 9862555291 (M)

ZODINPUII RALTE

Assistant-cum-S.A.P.I.O

Mizoram State Legal Services Authority

Contact No: 8131990077 (M)

N.B: With Reference to Section – 4 (1) (b) (xii & xiii) of the RTI Act, 2005, the same is not applicable for the Department.

VINCENT LALROKIMA

Member Secretary Mizoram State Legal Services Authority

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