

GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM MIZORAM STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

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To,

The Member Secretary
National Legal Services Authority
Jaisalmer House, 26, Man Sigh Road
New Delhi – 110001

Subj: Activity Report for the month of January, 2025

Sir,

I have the honour to send herewith activities report for the month of January, 2025 for favour of your kind information.

Thanking you.

Enclo: As stated above

Yours faithfully,

(VINCENT LALROKIMA), MJS

Member Secretary

Mizoram State Legal Services Authority

Activities carried out by SLSA

1. Report on Special Campaign to Old Prisoners & Terminally Ill Prisoners and Skill Development:

Special Campaign to Old Prisoners & Terminally III Prisoners and Skill Development was conducted at District Jail, Lawngtlai on 11th January, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

In this programme Mr. Lalramzauva, DIG of Prisoner Department was the chairperson for the programme. After felicitating the dignitaries, Mr. Cheemala Siva Gopal Reddy, Deputy Commissioner, Lawngtlai District delivered welcome address to the gathering. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Michael Zothankhuma, Judge, Gauhati High Court & Executive Chairman, Mizoram SLSA delivered address. In his speech the Hon'ble Executive Chairman highlighted the objective of imparting Skill Enhancement & Development Programme for the prisoners.

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Vijay Bishnoi, the Chief Justice, Gauhati High Court & Patron-in-Chief, Mizoram SLSA delivered keynote address. In his speech, the Hon'ble Patron-in Chief stressed that SLSA initiates programmes to assess the health conditions of the prisoners and also urged the Health Department to coordinate with Legal Services so that prisoners can avail medical facility when in need. He also hope that Skill Development programme imparted inside the jail to be source of income to the prisoners after released from prisons.

For winding up the programme Mr. Vincent Lalrokima, Member Secretary, Mizoram SLSA proposed vote of thanks.







2. NAIONAL VOTER'S DAY:

The Mizoram State Legal Services Authority observed National Voter's Day on 27.01.2025 (Monday) at the Conference Hall, Govt. Aizawl North College in collaboration with Department of Pol. Science and Legal & Counselling Cell, Govt. Aizawl North College

This function was chaired by Mrs. C. Lalnunpuii, Associate Professor.

Mr. S. Suankhanlal Mate, Principal, Govt. Aizawl North College delivered a welcome speech to all the participants.

After that, the Member Secretary Mr. Vincent Lalrokima, MJS delivered a short speech regarding the Legal Services Authority Act, 1987 and the functioning of the Legal services Authority. He said that the Authority can provide free legal aid to those who cannot hire

lawyers due to difficulties. He also mentioned the functioning of Lok Adalat and gave awareness of legal services for the public to know the Law.

Afterwards, the Resource Person Mr. T. Lalnunsiama, Advocate delivered a speech from the selected topic *'Legal obligation towards the Nation'*.

The programme was followed by interactive session where the participants ask several questions. Mr. H. Laldinmawia, Associate Professor concluded the programme with a vote of thanks. About 358 students attended the programme.







CHAMPHAI DLSA

1. ESSAY COMPETITION ON WASTE MANAGEMENT (SPECIAL CAMPAIGN ON PUBLIC EDUCATION ON ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION & CONSERVATION LAWS & CLIMATE CRISIS AND SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES:

Essay Writing Competition On Waste Management (Special Campaign On Public Education On Environment Protection & Conservation laws & Climate Crisis And Sustainable Practices) was held on 23rd January,2025 at Govt. Champhai College. This competition was held in collaboration with Dept. of English students and 32 of them participated at this Competition.In this competition the participated students were provided pen and papers.





2. AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON NALSA (CHILD-FRIENDLY LEGAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN) SCHEME,2024 AT PRESBYTERIAN ENGLISH SCHOOL, VENGTHLANG, CHAMPHAI:

Awareness Campaign on NALSA (Child-Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme,2024 at was held on 24th January,2025 at Presbyterian English School,Vengthlang,Champhai . This programme was chaired by Smt. VL.Hlimpuii, Staff, DLSA and Resource Person was Sh. Vanlalruata, JMFC. In this programme, resource person give a brief presentation to the gathering students, giving speech regarding POCSO Act and talked about bullying which often occurs in Schools informing them to report to their teachers as soon as possible if this kind of harassment happens. At the same, resource person introduced legal services and their works to the students and ensuring them that legal services are always available for a helping hand for the one's in need. It was a resourceful programme indeed.





3. REDUCE PLASTIC USE STREET CAMPAIGN (SPECIAL CAMPAIGN ON PUBLIC EDUCATION ON ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION & CONSERVATION LAWS & CLIMATE CRISIS AND SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES:

Reduce Plastic use Street Campaign (Special Campaign on Public Education on Environment Protection & Conservation laws& Climate Crisis and Sustainable Practices) was held on 28th January,2025 in collaboration with Eco-Club, Govt. Champhai College. Students were divided into two groups and picked up street garbages following two different routes and met up at one destination , gloves

,garbage bags and mineral waters are provided to them. Sh. V.Vanlalhriata, CJM joined this street Campaign , it was a resourceful programme.





4. DRAWING COMPETITION ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AT HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL (SPECIAL CAMPAIGN ON PUBLIC EDUCATION ON ENVIRENMENT PROTECTION & CONSERVATION LAWS & CLIMATE CRISIS AND SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES:

Drawing Competition on Solid Waste Management at High School and Middle School Level(Special Campaign On Public Education On Environment Protection & Conservation laws & Climate Crisis And Sustainable Practices) was held on 30th January,2025 at different Schools in Champhai Districts in collaboratin with District Education Officer, Champhai District . In this competition, 10(ten) schools had participated and necessary

stationaries (chart papers, pencils, sharpeners, scales and colours) are provided to the participating students.





KOLASIB DLSA

1. Drawing & Essay Writing Competition:

As per direction of Member Secretary, MSLSA, Aizawl, 'On the Spot Drawing & Essay Writing Competition' was organised by DLSA, Kolasib at 4 nos. of Middle School section and Govt. Kolasib College, Kolasib, on the topic of 'The most practical and Sustainable system for my village'. In the Middle School section, around 130

students were participate and Essay Writing competition, 70 students were participate on this competition. Most of the students had progress and gratitude from this competition.





LAWNGTLAI DLSA

1. Observance of National Voters Day and Plastic Free awareness:

On 25th January, 2025 National Voters Day was observed at DC Conference Hall, Lawngtlai along with District Election Branch Lawngtlai. The programme was attended by approximately 80 people including first time voters and other officials. The main aim of this programme was to educate the importance of voters and how single use plastic had effected the environment.

Mr. Cheemala Siva Gopal Reddy, District Commissioner, Lawngtlai chaired the programme and greeted all the attendees and mentioned that it is an important day for Indian citizen especially for 'first time voters' and ask them to carry out their duties as an good citizen.

Mr.Colin Hlychho, District Election Officer had a speech on Voters rights, how the constitution of India had grants the rights to vote for every Indian citizen above the age of 18 years and stated that India as a Democratic Country is not merely a Political system, it represents the values and principles that guides its development as a nation so he also invites all the attendees and first time voters to perform their duties by electing a good leader.

A.Lalthianghlima, Advocate also shared a speech on the ongoing special campaign on the topic of 'Plastic free awareness', he elaborated the negative effects of plastic on the environment, health and society and motivates them to use a reusable bags, bottles etc to protect the environment and winded the programme with vote of thanks.



2. <u>Awareness on NALSA Scheme and special campaign on 'Public Education on Environment Protection & Conservation laws, Climate Crisis & Sustainable Practices':</u>

On 29th January, 2025 an awareness programme was held at District Court Lawngtlai, the Campaign was an ongoing special campaign on the topic of 'Public Education on Environment Protection & Conservation laws, Climate Crisis & Sustainable Practices' and an awareness on three NALSA Schemes i)National Legal Services Authority (Lok Adalats) Regulations, 2009, ii)National Legal Services Authority (Free and Competent legal Services) Regulation, 2010 and iii)National Legal Services Authority (Legal Aid Clinic) Regulation, 2011. The programme was attended by Remand advocates, jail visiting Lawyers, Conciliator, PLVs, LADCS and District court staffs.

Mr.C.Lalrinfela Deputy Chief, LADSC, Lawngtlai chaired the programme and greeted all the attendees with a warm welcoming speech. The resource person C.Lalremsanga, Judicial Magistrate First Class had delivered a speech on the special campaign by mentioning the importance of having a sustainable practices in our everyday lives, he all added that single use-plastic and disposable items are harmful for the environment and our health and how to reduce the use of it in our everyday lives. He also further elaborates the three NALSA scheme on how they function and winded the programme with vote of thanks from DLSA staff.





3. Jail Visit/Legal Aid Clinic at District Jail, Lawngtlai on 30th January,2025.

Resource Person-Shri.C.Lalremsanga, Judicial Magistrate First Class, Lawngtlai District, Lawngtlai.

This Authority conducted Jail visit on 30th January, 2025. At the time of visit, there are 9 nos. of UTPs and 19 nos. of convicts. The visiting Officer/Resource Person conducted interaction with the under trial prisoners and discuss the matters relating to rights of the UTPs with the inmates. After interaction, the inmates posed many questions and were answered by the Resource Person.



LUNGLEI DLSA

1. LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME AT TLABUNG HELD ON 17^{TH} JANUARY, 2025 :

The District Legal Services Authority, Lunglei organised Legal Awareness Programme at Tlabung, Lunglei District on 17th January,2025. The programme was also graced by Pu Vanlalenmawia District & Sessions Judge, Lunglei, Pu. Birthoilal Sakachep Civil Judge (Senior Division) & Pu. C. Lalbiakmuana, Judicial Magistrate First Class. And then they provided insightful demonstration on the topic of POCSO Act, ND& PS Act, Civil laws & Judicial and Executive Magistrate functions and duties including the domestic Violence Act,2005.

Pu. Vanlalenmawia, District & Sessions Judge, Lunglei further elaborate on POCSO Act, the rights of Children, the severity of the crime, and penalties imposed on offenders. He also acknowledged that children are the future leaders of the community and reminds the elders

and leaders that they had a crucial role in guiding and nurturing the younger generations. Also, he urged the community people to prioritize the well-being and development of children by recognizing their potential and responsibilities.

Following this, Pu Birthoilal Sakachep introduced about the Civil laws & the Magistrate functions and duties and again followed Pu. C.Lalbiakmuana emphasized about the Domestic Violence Act 2005 and its penalties. The DLSA staffs were distributed leaflets and booklets to residents(door-to-door) within the community. A total of 250 people attended this programme.





2. OUTREACH LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME AT DARZO VILLAGE HELD ON 30TH JANUARY,2025 :

On 30th January,2025, the District Legal Services Authority, Lunglei conducted an outreach legal awareness programme at Darzo Village, Hnahthial District. This awareness programme covered NALSA Schemes on the topic of Compensation Schemes for Women Victims/survivors of sexual assault/ other crimes including the topic of NALSA Schemes for Legal services to senior citizens. The programme aimed to educate the community about their legal rights and how to access legal assistance.

The programme was started at 7:00pm at Darzo YMA Run. The two resource persons for the programme were Pi Lalthansiami Hnamte Chief Judicial Magistrate cum secretary DLSA & Pu. B. Laldinpuia, Advocate. The DLSA staffs were distributed leaflets and booklets to each residents within the community. Around 98 community people attended the programme.





3. LEGAL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN AT LAWITLANG ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL ON 29TH JANUARY,2025 :

DLSA, Lunglei organised Legal Awareness Campaign at Lawitlang English Medium School on 29th January,2025 at 1:30pm. The resource person Pu.B. Laldinpuia talked about the relevant topic of Information Technology Act (IT Act,2000) and Motor Vehicle Act. A total of 150 students and teachers attended this programme.



MAMIT DLSA

1. Legal Awareness Campaign on Disaster Management :

On 20.01.2025, the Legal Awareness Programme on Disaster Management was conducted. The Secretary, Mamit DLSA was the Resource Person and about 100 people attended the programme.



2. Legal Awareness Campaign:

On this day, Shri H. Vanlallawmzuala, Advocate was a resource person, and gave lecture on the topic of **Mental Health.** During interaction session, 6 women questioned on their uncertainly and doubts regarding the law.





3. MENTAL HEALTH CAMP:

Recognizing the possibility of some degree of psychological distress among the inmates in Mamit District Jail, Mamit DLSA has decided to consider ways to help inmates with their mental health problems. On 30th January, 2025 the Mamit District Legal services authority organized Mental health Camp for Prisoners at Mamit District Jail.

Dr. Lalrinfela H, Medical Superintendent, Mamit District, Dr. Lalrintluangi, ART Medical Officer, Smt. Vanlalzari Zadeng, Clinical Phycologist, were invited to this camp, conversing one-on-one with inmates to learn about their problems.

Twenty-Five prisoners sought advice from the professionals, and they were provided free medications and as much assistance as possible in solving their difficulties. The camp lasted for 3 hrs and ended at 4:00 pm. The prisoners conveyed their profound thanks to DLSA, stating that they had benefited greatly from the camp. The Secretary, Mamit DLSA was also present in this camp.





SERCHHIP DLSA

1. NALSA Special campaign at Mizo Upa Pawl (MUP):

An awareness program was conducted among the members of Mizo Upa Pawl, New Serchhip South Branch on 21st January, 2025 with a focus on Environmental Protection and Conservation Laws. The session was led by Mr. Lalrinhlua, Legal Aid Counsel, who served as the resource person for the event.

During the Session, Mr. Lalrinhlua highlighted that the awareness program was part of the NALSA Special Campaign on 'Public Education on Environment Protection and Conservation Laws, Climate Crisis and Sustainable Practices'. He provided valuable insight into the legal framework surrounding environmental protection, emphasizing the importance of public participation in sustainable practices. The resource person emphasized the urgent need for active citizen engagement in addressing environmental challenges and encouraged members to adopt sustainable practices in their daily lives.

The awareness program successfully achieved its objectives of educating members on crucial environmental laws and their role in environmental conservation. Mizo Upa Pawl (MUP) extends gratitude to DLSA, Serchhip and committed to spreading awareness within their communities.





2. LEGAL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN AT REHABILITAION CENTER:

As part of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) special campaign on 'Public Education on Environment Protection and Conservation Laws, Climate Crisis and Sustainable Practices', a visit was conducted to the Beiseina In (Old Age Home), New Serchhip, Family for Christ Rehabilitation Center, Kikawn New Serchhip and Adult Rehabilitation Center, Chhiahtlang with the aim of spreading awareness about environmental preservation and sustainability.

We engaged in an open discussion with the staff and inmates to understand their current practices related to environmental protection. They share their methods of waste disposal and discuss the challenges they face in managing household and medical waste.

Informative pamphlets on environmental conservation and waste management were distributed. We advise the inmates and staff to minimize the use of single use plastic and adopt eco-friendly alternatives.

The visit was successful in raising awareness and encouraging positive behavioral changes toward environmental conservation.



