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एहसास न्याय का सबके लिए, आकाश न्याय का सबके लिए,

उल्लास न्याय का सबके लिए, विश्वास न्याय का सबके लिए,

अपने इस हिन्दुस्तान पर, हक़ हमारा भी तो है,

इंसाफ़ के इस आशियाँ पर, हक़ हमारा भी तो है,

एक मुट्ठी आसमाँ पर, हक़ हमारा भी तो है,

ये न सोचो दर्द हमारा कहीं सुना न जाएगा,

अब न्यायालय खुद चलकर चौपालों तक आएगा,

लाचारों को न्याय मिले गा, दुखियारों को न्याय मिले गा,

कमज़ोरों को न्याय मिले गा, मज़लूमों को न्याय मिले गा,

अपने इस हिंदुस्तान पर, हक़ हमारा भी तो है,

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एक मुट्ठी आसमान पर, हक़ हमारा भी तो है।

गरीब और कमज़ोरों को मुफ्त एवं सक्षम कानूनी सहायता के लिए प्रतिबद्ध,

विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण- NALSA- न्याय सबके लिए।”

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NATIONAL LOK ADALAT

During the quarter October to December, 2024, National Lok Adalat was organized on 14-12-2024 across State of Uttarakhand according to NALSA's Annual Calendar. National Lok Adalat plays a crucial role in bridging the gap between litigants and Justice. It ensures speedy and cost-effective dispute resolution, promotes social harmony and community cohesion, and enhances public trust in the judicial system.

Pre-litigation Cases and Matters: By including pre-litigation cases in the National Lok Adalat framework, potential disputes were resolved at an early stage, preventing them from escalating into formal Court proceedings. This approach promotes quicker and more accessible Justice, reducing the burden on the judicial system. In National Lok Adalat, dated 14-12-2024, total 13927 Pre-Litigation cases were taken-up and out of them **11210** cases were settled amicably and ₹ 23,86,38,995/- was the settlement amount.

In the said National Lok Adalat total 17108 Pending cases were referred and out of them total **17084** cases were settled amicably and a sum of ₹70,65,42,491/- was the settlement amount.

National Lok Adalat was also organized in the Quasi-Judicial Courts such as Consumer Courts and Debt Recovery Tribunals on 14.12.2024. Total 76 cases were referred in such Quasi-Judicial Courts and out of them **54** were settled and ₹1,58,49,855/- was the settlement amount.

National Lok Adalat dated 14.12.2024 at the Hon'ble High Court of Uttarakhand, Nainital.





National Lok Adalat was organized on 14th December, 2024 in District Courts and Outlying Courts across the State.





MEGA/MULTI-PURPOSE LEGAL SERVICES & AWARENESS CAMP:

The primary objective of the New Module Multi-Purpose Legal Services and Awareness Camp is to raise awareness about the welfare schemes and to enhance the access for marginalized communities to schemes implemented by Legal Services Institutions and government departments. This initiative also aims to identify the legal needs of the public and address their legal issues by providing appropriate legal aid and advice. To facilitate this, a free legal aid stall is established alongside stalls from various government welfare departments, creating a comprehensive resource for the general public.

During the quarter October to December 2024, District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs) in the State of Uttarakhand conducted 13 Multi-Purpose Legal Services & Awareness Programmes across the State. 5 Multi-Purpose Legal Services & Awareness Programmes were held organized in the benign presence of the Hon'ble Executive Chairman UKSLSA, Nainital, underscoring a significant push toward legal education and support during this period.

In the Multi-Purpose Legal Services & Awareness Programmes held between October and December 2024 in Uttarakhand, a range of benefits were extended to the eligible person: 11 disabled individuals received wheelchairs, crutches, blankets, and pressure cookers; 207 people benefited from health check-ups; 9 person were provided agricultural equipment and seeds; and 129 persons obtained certificates via e-Services tailored to their needs, including Aadhaar card updates and access to disability, widow, or oldage pension benefits. The general public was sensitized about free legal aid services offered by legal services institutions, along with key helpline numbers, including the NALSA Helpline (15100), Police Helpline (112), and Cyber Helpline (1930) and tollfree no 1800-180-4000 of UKSLSA, Nainital. Stalls of various Government Departments were set-up to provide the said benefits and information to the common mass about different kind of pension and Government Welfare Schemes and to resolve the issues related to their departments.





- On 11th November, 2024 a Multipurpose Camp was organized by the **DLSA Haridwar** at CMD Inter College Chudiyala Mohanpur, Bhagwanpur, in collaboration with 32 departments



of the district and police administrations, as well as various branches of the Health Department, to benefit the residents



of villages Chudiyala, Mohanpur, Sherpur, Khelpur, Tejjupur, Binarsi, Mehrishi, and Bhalaswagaj in Tehsil and Block Bhagwanpur. The camp, aimed at serving the broader community, was presided over by the Secretary of DLSA Haridwar, alongside key officials including the C.M.O Haridwar, ADM Finance Haridwar, Sub-Divisional Magistrate S.D.M Bhagwanpur, C.O. Manglour, B.D.O, Deputy Commandant of the Sainik Kalyan Board, Chairman of CMD Inter College, Principal of B.D. Inter College, and their respective representatives, as well as learned Legal Aid Defense Counsels (LADCs) and other departmental officials.



- On 08.12.2024, a multipurpose legal awareness camp was organized by **DLSA, Nainital** at PNG P.G. College, Ramnagar, centered on the NALSA Legal Services for Children Scheme, 2024. District Judge/Chairman of DLSA Nainital highlighted free legal aid, key NALSA schemes for disabled persons, senior citizens, women, and children, and the role of legal aid



clinics, while also promoting the toll-free number 15100 and the upcoming National Lok Adalat on December 14, 2024. Representatives from the district administration, police, and social welfare departments informed attendees about government schemes and cyber offenses. In collaboration with the health department, the camp offered a blood donation drive and free medical check-ups, distributed wheelchairs and tricycles to those in need, and facilitated on-the-spot

applications for welfare benefits, Adharcards, and free legal aid, providing immediate assistance to participants.

BLOOD DONATION CAMP

A Blood Donation Camp was organized by UKSLSA, Nainital on the occasion of **'Human Rights Day'** on 10th December, 2024 in cooperation B.D. Pandey Hospital, Nainital at the Hon'ble High Court Campus, Nainital and the same was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Manoj Kumar Tiwari, Executive Chairman, UKSLSA, Nainital.

The event was also graced by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Alok Kumar Verma, Judge, High Court of Uttarakhand and His Lordship has also donated blood in the SAID camp. During the camp Ld. Advocates, Bar Association, Hon'ble High Court, Officials of Hon'ble High Court, Uttarakhand SLSA, DLSA Nainital and other individuals voluntarily donate blood to help meet the constant demand for blood in hospitals and medical facilities. The collected blood units have been deposited in the B.D. Pandey Hospital's blood banks. The goal of the aforesaid camp is to collect blood from healthy donors to save lives, support medical treatments, and address emergencies.



VEHICLES FOR DLSAs:

In compliance of the directions of the then Hon'ble Patron-in-Chief & Hon'ble Executive Chairman, Sh. Manoj Kumar Tiwari, government vehicles (Scorpio) were allotted to the Secretaries of 6 DLSAs, **Bageshwar, Chamoli, Dehradun, Pithoragarh, Udham Singh Nagar, and Uttarkashi**, to support various legal services initiatives. On December 20, 2024, a formal flag-off ceremony was held at the Hon'ble High Court premises, where the then Hon'ble Patron-in-Chief & Executive Chairman, Shri Manoj Kumar Tiwari, along with the Hon'ble Judges of the Uttarakhand High Court, flagged off the vehicles and the vehicles were sent to the respective DLSAs, reinforcing the judiciary's commitment to enhancing legal aid accessibility and outreach across the concerned district.



INAUGURATION OF PERMANENT LOK ADALAT AT DISTRICT TEHRI GARHWAL

A Multi-Purpose Legal Services & Awareness Camp was organized by the DLSA Tehri Garhwal in the esteemed presence of the Hon'ble Executive Chairman, Uttarakhand SLA, Nainital. As part of this visit, His Lordship also inaugurated the Permanent Lok Adalat in District Headquarter Tehri Garhwal on 18th November 2024, set up by DLSA Tehri Garhwal, for strengthening access to speedy and effective alternative dispute resolution in District Tehri Garhwal.



CELEBRATION OF IMPORTANT DAYS RELEVANT TO LEGAL SERVICES INSTITUTIONS

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY:

- District Legal Services Authority, Bageshwar organized an awareness camp titled “**Mental Health Day**” on 10.10.24, the event was headed by Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel System Bageshwar. The campaign aimed at raising awareness about the Mental Health Peoples.



- Secretary, DLSA, Dehradun, participated in the conference held at the Mental Hospital, Selaqui, Dehradun on the occasion of World Mental Health Day, where a Tele-Manas Cell was inaugurated and detailed information was given about the Tele-Manas Toll Free Number. Various facilities

related to mental patients will be given on Tele Manas toll free number 14416. At the same time, some programs were presented by mental patients in the conference and information regarding mental health was given by presenting street plays by some NGOs. Various aspects of physical and mental health were discussed in detail by the speakers.



- On October 10, 2024, World Mental Health Day was observed at Care Nursing College, Bahadrabad, Haridwar, where students performed Nukkad Natak, Mono Act, fall painting, and poster making to raise awareness. Deputy LADC, Mr. Raman Kumar Saini, representing the Secretary, DLSA, educated students on the Mental Health Act and provided an introduction to DLSA, emphasizing the importance of mental well-being and legal support.



- District Legal Services Authority, Udham Singh Nagar celebrated the **Mental Health Day**, on 10th October, 2024 in Gram panchayat sisodiy, jaspur, Gram panchayat Saijana, khatima, Gram Panchayat Mudiyakala, Bazpur, District Udham Singh Nagar.



- On **Mental Health Day** i.e. 10.10.2024, Secretary DLSA, Uttarkashi organized a Legal Awareness Camp in Government P.G. College, Uttarkashi. The Secretary DLSA, Uttarkashi also told students on Legal Services Institutions with focus on the role of PLVs and modalities of applying for legal aid.



OBSERVATION OF WORLD POLIO DAY:



- On the occasion of World Polio Day on 24th October 2024, PLVs organized various awareness camps and programs across the District Almora, with a key event held at Arpasant Coaching Centre, Almora. These initiatives aimed to educate and mobilize the community on the importance of polio vaccination, prevention strategies, and public health awareness.

- An awareness camp was organized on 24/10/2024 by PLV, Dehradun at BDPS Shishu Mandir Public Junior High School, Railway Road, Rishikesh on the occasion of World Polio Day, wherein all the girl students were informed that World Polio Day is a day to make every child aware of the importance of polio vaccination to prevent this devastating disease. On the occasion of World Polio Day, an awareness camp was organized in which the students were given detailed information about the symptoms of polio such as fever and the precautions to be taken to prevent polio.



- On October 24, 2024, **World Polio Day** was observed at the District Observation Home, Place of Safety, and Children's Home, Haridwar where children participated in essay and painting competitions on the theme. The event was attended by the Secretary, DLSA, Deputy LADC, DPO, and the Superintendent of the Place of Safety and Observation Home, promoting awareness and engagement among the children.



- DLSA, Udham Singh Nagar, organized **World Polio Day** awareness campaign on 24.10.2024 across multiple locations, including Gram Panchayat Sisodiya (Jaspur), Gram Panchayat Saijana (Khatima), and Gram Panchayat Mudiyakala (Bazpur), amongst others. The initiative aimed to sensitize rural communities about the importance of polio vaccination, eradication efforts, and preventive healthcare.



NATIONAL LEGAL SERVICES DAY ON 09.11.2024:

On November 9, 2024, the District Legal Services Authorities organized a comprehensive celebration of "**National Legal Services Day**", marked by the active participation of judicial officers, advocates, court staff, and Para-Legal Volunteers (PLVs) enrolled with the DLSAs. This occasion, observed annually to promote access to justice and legal awareness, was commemorated through a series of meticulously organized initiatives spanning educational institutions and rural communities across the State. PLVs, duly appointed by the DLSAs, played a pivotal role in extending the reach of this celebration. They conducted outreach programs in schools and colleges as well as in remote rural areas under their respective jurisdictions. In schools and colleges, students actively participated in an essay and drawing competition, organized by the Legal Services Institutions, designed to foster awareness of legal rights and responsibilities while encouraging creative expression on themes aligned with National Legal Services Day. Simultaneously, in rural locales, PLVs disseminated critical legal information, empowering underserved populations with knowledge about their entitlements and the mechanisms available for legal recourse.

ALMORA



BAGESHWAR



CHAMPAWAT



DEHRADUN



HARIDWAR



NAINITAL



RUDRAPRAYAG



TEHRI GARHWAL



UDHAM SINGH NAGAR



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CONSTITUTION DAY

"Constitution Day", (Samvidhan Divas) was celebrated on November 26, 2024 by UKSLSA, Nainital and by all the District Legal Services Authorities and Tehsil Legal Services Committees in different and far-flung areas across the State of Uttarakhand. On the occasion total of 72 Legal Awareness Programmes were organized, complemented by debate, essay writing, slogan writing, and drawing competitions in schools and colleges, engaging students and communities across Uttarakhand's diverse terrain. These events, orchestrated under the SLSA's guidance and possibly tied to the 75th anniversary of the Constitution's adoption, educated participants about the Indian Constitution, focusing on Fundamental Rights and Duties, while fostering civic awareness and creativity among the youth in both urban centers and far-flung regions.

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PAURI GARHWAL



PITHORAGARH



RUDRAPRAYAG



TEHRI GARHWAL



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OBSERVATION OF "WORLD AIDS DAY"

- on December 1, 2024, i.e. **World AIDS Day**, DLSA Chamoli organized a Legal Awareness Programme in Govt. P.G College, Gopeshwar, Chamoli. The event was led by the Secretary of DLSA Chamoli, focusing on raising awareness about legal rights and services.
- PLVs/Adhikar Mitras of DLSA Champawat, conducted an awareness campaign on World AIDS Day, 01.12.2024. They provided information related to HIV/AIDS in their respective rural areas and schools, educating the community about the prevention, treatment, and rights of individuals living with HIV/AIDS. The initiative aimed to raise awareness, reduce stigma, and ensure that individuals were informed about the legal protections and health services available to them.
- In November 2024, the DLSA Haridwar, in collaboration with representatives from the Health Department, organized a health awareness and sensitization program on HIV/AIDS and 'Swachhata – Ek Kadam Paryavaran Sanrakshan Ki Or.'



- DLSA Rudraprayag, in collaboration with Government Degree College Agustmuni, organized an awareness campaign on "World AIDS Day" at Rudraprayag on 01.12.2024. The event was led by the Secretary of DLSA, who served as the main speaker and resource person. The campaign focused on raising awareness about HIV/AIDS and its legal implications under the NALSA Scheme. The event aimed to empower the community with essential information to combat stigma and promote support for affected individuals.



- PLVs organized an awareness camp on the occasion of "World AIDS Day" on 01.12.2024, in Udham Singh Nagar. The event took place at various locations, including A.N.K Inter College Gualrbhoj, Gadarpur, Gram Panchayat Gangapur, Rudrapur, and CHC Center Dineshpur,



Gadarpur, with the aim of raising awareness about HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment, and stigma reduction. Through informative sessions and educational materials, the camp sought to promote a deeper understanding of the disease and encourage healthy practices, helping to create a more informed and supportive community.

- A Legal Awareness Camp at the District Hospital, Uttarkashi, in commemoration of **World AIDS Day** was conducted on December 2, 2024, the Secretary of DLSA, Uttarkashi. The camp aimed to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS, focusing on the legal aspects related to the rights of individuals living with HIV. It provided valuable information on legal protections, healthcare access, and how to combat stigma and discrimination. Through this initiative, the community was empowered with essential knowledge about their legal rights, ensuring better support and care for those affected by HIV/AIDS.



"HUMAN RIGHTS DAY":

- On December 10, 2024, i.e. Human Rights Day, DLSA Almora organized a Legal Literacy and Awareness Camp at the District Jail in Almora. The event aimed to educate prisoners about Human Rights Day, including its history, significance, and relevant Judgments concerning human rights and prisoners' rights. Additionally, a street play was performed by the Jail PLVs and prisoners to raise awareness about human rights and Legal Services Institutions (LSIs). An awareness program was also broadcasted on air via a Radio Program, organized by the Jail PLV, covering topics such as human rights and the National Lok Adalat.



- On 10.12.2024, DLSA Chamoli organized a Legal Awareness Programme at G.I.C. Gonan, Tehsil Chamoli, in celebration of **Human Rights Day**. The event, led by the Secretary of DLSA Chamoli and representatives from the Health Department, aimed to raise awareness about the NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers in the Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015, and promote the NALSA toll-free Helpline No. 15100 as a key resource for legal assistance. The programme focused on empowering workers, particularly those in the unorganized sector, by providing them with crucial information on their legal rights and the support available to address any exploitation or injustices they may face.



- On 10th December 2024, PLVs/AdhikarMitra, DLSA Champawat conducted an awareness campaign on the occasion of **Human Rights Day**. They provided essential information about human rights to the people in their respective rural areas and schools, focusing on educating



individuals about their legal entitlements, protections, and the fundamental rights guaranteed by the Constitution. This initiative aimed to empower the community with knowledge about their rights, promote legal literacy, and ensure that people, particularly in remote areas, understand the importance of human rights and how to seek legal recourse when their rights are violated.

- DLSA Rudraprayag observed Human Rights Day by organizing an awareness campaign to educate the public about their fundamental rights and legal protections on 10.12.2024. The event, aimed at promoting legal literacy and human rights awareness, featured informative sessions and discussions on various human rights issues.



- "Human Rights Day" on 10.12.2024 was observed by DLSA, Udham Singh Nagar, and organized legal awareness camp at various educational institutions, including Govt. Higher Primary School Rudrapur, Govt. Primary School JhadiSitarganj, and Govt. Secondary School BarhainiBazpur. Through informative sessions, the initiative focused on raising awareness about fundamental human rights, empowering individuals with knowledge of their rights.



- To mark Human Rights Day on December 10, 2024, the Secretary of DLSA, Uttarkashi, held a Legal Awareness Camp at Government Intercollege, Gangori, Uttarkashi. The camp focused on educating the participants about their fundamental human rights, legal entitlements, and the means to seek justice. The initiative played a crucial role in enhancing legal awareness within the community, encouraging a deeper understanding of human rights protections.



'SWACHHTA HI SEWA' ABHIYAN/CLEANLINESS DRIVE:

DLSAs in collaboration with TLSCs and PLVs organized Cleanliness Drive under the theme **"Swachhata Hi Seva"**. This drive took place on the occasion of Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti, i.e. 02nd October. The event was scheduled as part of a larger initiative to honor the legacies of these two prominent figures in Indian history, focusing on their commitment to public service and nation-building.

The primary goal of this initiative was to promote cleanliness and environmental awareness across the State of Uttarakhand. The event was not just a physical cleaning activity but also aimed at creating a sense of responsibility within the community about maintaining cleanliness in public spaces, which aligns with the core values that they stood for — service to the nation, simplicity, and responsibility. That encourages citizens to contribute to the nation's cleanliness efforts. It also aims to raise awareness about the importance of hygiene, sanitation, and waste management, which are key to public health and sustainable living. The program took place over two days: October 1 and October 2, 2024.

The Cleanliness Drive under the "Swachhata Hi Seva" initiative held on Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti was a significant step towards instilling a sense of civic duty among the people of the State. It was an effort not only to clean the environment but also to foster a deeper connection to the national ideals of service, responsibility, and collective action.





CAPACITY BUILDING/TRAINING PROGRAMME:

- As per directions of Hon'ble Patron-in-Chief and Hon'ble Executive Chairman, UKSLSA, Nainital the Migration and Asylum Project (MAP) and NGO organized exclusive Orientation Training Programme for the PLVs enrolled with the DLSAs throughout the State of Uttarakhand.
- 3-days training program was organized by MAP for PLVs at the District Court Meeting Hall in Almora in third week of October, 2024. This training aimed to enhance the skills and knowledge of PLVs, enabling them to effectively assist in legal literacy and awareness initiatives.



The event brought together various stakeholders and was designed to equip the participants with practical knowledge to support the community in accessing legal resources and services. It was a significant step in strengthening legal awareness and empowerment at the grassroots level.



- DLSA, Bageshwar, in collaboration with the NGO 'Migration & Asylum Project (M.A.P.), New Delhi', organized a training programme for PLVs on 22.10.2024 at the Block Auditorium, Bageshwar. The event, presided over by the Secretary, DLSA, aimed to enhance the legal knowledge and skills of PLVs, equipping them to assist marginalized communities in accessing justice.



- DLSA, Chamoli held a two-day training program on the 'NALSA (Child-Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024' on December 12-13, 2024, at the district court auditorium in Gopeshwar, focusing on the scheme's provisions.



- DLSA Chamoli organized a Training Programme titled 'NALSA (Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons, Scheme, 2024)' at the auditorium of the district court campus, Gopeshwar on 16th and 17th December 2024. The two-day programme aimed to equip participants with a comprehensive understanding of the provisions



under the NALSA (Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2024. The training

focused on raising awareness and providing essential knowledge regarding legal rights, support mechanisms, and the services available for mentally ill and mentally disabled individuals.



- DLSA Champawat organized a series of training sessions on 12th, 13th, 19th, and 20th December 2024 for Panel Advocates, PLVs/AdhikarMitras of DLSA, Champawat. The training focused on the provisions of two important NALSA schemes: the NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme 2024 and the NALSA (Legal Services for Mentally Ill Persons and Intellectually Disabled Persons) Scheme 2024. The sessions aimed to equip legal professionals and volunteers with the necessary knowledge and tools to effectively support and assist children, mentally ill individuals, and those with intellectual disabilities, ensuring they receive adequate legal protection and services.



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- In alignment with the NALSA (Child-Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024, a Legal Services Unit for Children (LSUC) was established in Dehradun district to enhance child-centric legal support mechanisms. On 4th



December 2024, under the leadership of the Committee Chairperson and Secretary, DLSA Dehradun, an intensive training session was conducted for LSUC members by Legal Aid Defense Counsel Advocates. The session provided in-depth insights into the scheme's framework and key legal provisions, ensuring members were well-equipped to address child

rights and legal aid concerns effectively, in accordance with the NALSA training module.



PREVENTION OF SALES OF EXPIRY ITEMS:

In compliance of the directions issued by the Hon'ble Executive Chairman of UKSLSA, Nainital, Monthly Meetings are being convened by the Secretaries of DLSAs across the State of Uttarakhand. These meetings are being conducted in collaboration with the Food Safety Officer and Drug Inspector of the respective districts, focusing specifically on the prevention of the sale and distribution of expired items, including packaged foods, beverages, and other perishable goods.

In this regard, comprehensive raids and inspections are being carried out across various commercial establishments, including but not limited to malls, retail shops, medical stores, general stores, and marketplaces, to identify and eliminate expired products that may be in circulation.

Furthermore, a dedicated committee has been constituted to oversee and ensure strict adherence to legal standards during the enforcement process. The committee is mandated to take all necessary actions in accordance with applicable laws and regulations should any such violations be identified during these inspections. This initiative seeks to safeguard public health and consumer rights by ensuring that expired or unsafe products are removed from the market, and legal measures are promptly implemented.

This initiative underscores the commitment of the UKSLSA, Nainital and associated authorities to uphold consumer safety and maintain rigorous standards in the market, with the firm objective of eradicating the sale of expired goods across Uttarakhand.

During October to December, 2024, total 29 Meetings with Food Safety Officer and Drug Inspector and Anti-Drug Team Members were convened, 182 surprise inspections/visits to shops, stores, medical stores, malls by the concerned officers. The concerned officers also informed that show cause notices have been issued to different firms as per Rules & Provisions.



LEGAL AID ACTIVITIES INSIDE PRISONS:

On October 21, 2024, Hon'ble the then Acting Chief Justice, Uttarakhand High Court, Shri Manoj Kumar Tiwari, along with senior judicial officers, inspected District Jail, Suddhowala, Dehradun. The visit included a review of barracks, cleanliness, and jail facilities, interaction with inmates, and directives to authorities for improvements. Hon'ble Justice also inspected the Jail Legal Aid Clinic, VC Room, and rehabilitation initiatives like the confectionery, crèche, workshop, and Doon Jail Radio, appreciating the inmates' efforts in skill development.



NOTE: Faces of the Jail Inmates have been made blurr due to privacy reasons

ALMORA

On December 18, 2024, the DLSA Secretary, Almora, held a Legal Literacy Camp at Almora District Jail under Jail Samiksha Diwas. Prisoners were informed about bail, plea bargaining, remission, commutation, compounding of offenses, early justice access, and free legal aid.

On December 25, 2024, the Retainer Lawyer and PLVs conducted an advanced Legal Literacy Camp at Almora District Jail, briefing inmates on early justice access, plea bargaining, remission, commutation, drug impacts, free legal aid, and National Lok Adalat.



In collaboration with ITI Almora, Secretary, DLSA, Almora, organized a 07 day vocational training program on Motor Mechanics and 05 days for making Baddiya& 07 days for Beautician for jail inmates. This initiative aimed to provide skill development and rehabilitation opportunities, enabling inmates to gain technical expertise for future reintegration into society.



BAGESHWAR



CHAMOLI

DLSA, Bageshwar in collaboration with District Jail Almora organized an awareness camp titled "Plea bargaining, probation of offenders, compounding of offences, rights of remission, commutationAwareness" on 05.10.24.

On a visit to Chamoli District Jail, the DLSA Secretary, Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel, and Jail Visiting Lawyer educated prisoners on the Legal Aid Defense Counsel System, engaging with 16 inmates and providing legal advice and assistance to 37.



CHAMPAWAT



On 03.12.2024, Secretary DLSA Champawat conducted an inspection of the Judicial Prison Lohaghat. During this visit, the Secretary engaged directly with the prisoners to assess their living conditions, focusing on critical issues such as access to food, healthcare, and the provision of free legal representation. In addition to addressing these immediate concerns, the Secretary took the opportunity to educate the prisoners on their legal rights, the benefits of education, and the entitlements available under various government schemes.



DEHRADUN

On 23rd December 2024, a joint inspection of District Jail Dehradun was conducted by Honorable District Judge Dehradun, District Magistrate Dehradun, Senior Superintendent of Police Dehradun, Chief Judicial Magistrate Dehradun, and the Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority, Dehradun. The inspection covered both the men's and women's barracks, where officials interacted with prisoners to

address their concerns and provided necessary directives to the jail administration. The team also inspected the newly established Legal Aid Clinic in both barracks, reviewed essential registers, and assessed the progress of the jail's VC room and a new workshop under construction.



On December 19, 2024, the Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority, Dehradun, along with Assistant Legal and Defense Counsel Mr. Amber Kotnala, inspected the District Jail in Dehradun, beginning with an evaluation of the Legal Aid Clinic established within the facility.



Three days training given by Mastizaade Foundation, (NGO) Nawada Dehradun from 21.10.2024 to 23.10.2024 at District Jail, Dehradun in which beautician course for women, LED bulb making training for men are being imparted.



HARIDWAR

On 20.11.2024, the Committee for Inspecting Juveniles at Jail conducted a comprehensive inspection of the District Jail Roshnabad, Haridwar in strict adherence to the provisions outlined in the Juvenile Justice (JJ) Act. The designated team, comprising the Secretary of the DLSA Haridwar, the Principal Magistrate of the JJB, the President of the CWC, and the District Probationary Officer of Haridwar, meticulously evaluated the conditions and welfare measures for juvenile inmates. As part of the inspection, the team engaged in direct interaction with the residents of the Eklavya Barrack, addressing their concerns and ensuring compliance with statutory safeguards for their rights and rehabilitation.



A surprise joint inspection of Sub-Jail Roorkee was conducted during November, 2024 by key Officials, including the District Judge/Chairman DLSA Haridwar, DM Haridwar, SSP Haridwar, and others. The team inspected all barracks, including the kitchen, canteen, and female barracks, while also interacting with inmates. A meeting at the Jailor's office addressed jail administration concerns, with the Secretary DLSA providing directives to strengthen the Prison Legal Aid Clinic (PLAC). Additionally, the quarterly PLAC inspection was conducted.



NAINITAL



A legal awareness camp was organised by DLSA Nainital at District Jail Nainital on 06.11.2024 and 18.11.2024, where the issues raised by prisoners were addressed and they were also made aware about National Lok Adalat, compounding, remission, commutation, e-prison portal, e-true copy, various schemes like support to poor prisoners scheme and various other rights of prisoners. Prisoners were also made aware



about benefits of skill development. Jail PLVs were sensitized regarding NALSA prison legal aid clinic SOP.

In a joint initiative to enhance prisoner welfare, DLSA Nainital, in collaboration with the District Health Department, organized health check-up and medical camps for inmates at District Jail, Nainital, on October 23, 2024, and Sub-Jail, Haldwani, on October 25, 2024. These camps aimed to provide essential medical care, preventive screenings, and health awareness.



PITHORAGARH

In November 2024, the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Pithoragarh, conducted a Jail Samiksha and a legal awareness program on plea bargaining, probation of offenders, and rights of remission. Jail inmates were educated on these legal provisions to enhance their awareness and understanding of their rights."



UDHAM SINGH NAGAR

The DLSA, Udhham Singh Nagar, in collaboration with Sub-Jail Haldwani, Nainital, and Central Jail Sitarganj, U.S. Nagar, organized legal awareness camps during October, 2024 focusing on "Plea Bargaining, Probation of Offenders, Compounding of Offences, and Rights of Remission & Commutation." The initiative aimed to educate prison inmates about their legal rights and available remedies under the criminal justice system.



- The DLSA, Udham Singh Nagar, in collaboration with the Central Jail Authorities of Sitargang and Sub-Jail Haldwani, organized an insightful awareness camp during November, 2024 titled "Plea Bargaining, Probation of Offenders, Compounding of Offences, Rights of Remission, and Commutation Awareness." This initiative aimed to educate individuals about crucial legal provisions and rights related to criminal



justice, providing valuable information on plea bargaining, the probation process, the compounding of offences, and the

rights of offenders concerning remission and commu-

tation. The camp sought to enhance legal literacy and empower participants with knowledge about their legal rights and available remedies.



**“REPORT OF LEGAL LITERACY AND AWARENESS PROGRAMMES AND CAMPS
ORGANIZED THROUGH MOBILE VAN”**

FROM 12th NOVEMBER, 2024 to 10th DECEMBER, 2024



**Mobile Van was flagged off by the Member-Secretary, UKSLSA, Nainital
for the said campaign from Hon'ble High Court Campus, Nainital**

In compliance of the direction of Hon'ble the Executive Chairman, Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority, Nainital, mass legal literacy and awareness programmes/camps were organized in 07 districts of the State of Uttarakhand through Mobile Van of the Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority, Nainital from 12th November, 2024 to 10th December, 2024.

For the purpose, schedule of the Mobile Van Awareness Drive was circulated by the UKSLSA, Nainital to the following districts:-

S. N.	District	Date	Activities
1.	Nainital	12 th and 13 th November, 2024	Legal Literacy and Awareness Programmes /Camps shall be organized through Mobile Van in rural as well as in urban areas of the district as well as in Schools and Colleges.
2.	U.S. Nagar	14 th and 15 th November, 2024	
3.	Champawat	16 th and 17 th November, 2024	
4.	Haridwar	3 rd and 4 th December, 2024	
5.	Dehradun	5 th and 6 th December, 2024	
6.	Tehri Garhwal	7 th and 8 th December, 2024	
7.	Uttarkashi	9 th and 10 th December, 2024	

In order to ensure the effective implementation of the aforesaid Awareness Drive through Mobile Van, following directions were issued to the aforesaid Districts:-

1. Concerned DLSAs are directed to display/broadcast the documentary films and other audio-video informative materials (as prepared by the NALSA, New Delhi and Uttarakhand SLSA, Nainital) to the general public during the mobile van visit.
2. Concerned DLSAs are directed to distribute the SaralKannuniGyan Mala Books and other legal awareness literature to the general public.
3. Necessary applications, forms, etc. for seeking legal aid, advice, and other beneficial schemes of the Central/State Government shall be filled up/prepared by the PLVs on the spot and thereafter the office of DLSA shall coordinate with the concerned departments.
4. Concerned DLSAs are directed to deploy 02 PLVs for each day with the Mobile Van for this purpose.
5. Concerned DLSAs are directed to avail the services of Panel Lawyers for this purpose.
6. Concerned DLSAs are directed to coordinate with the Police, District & School Administration and the concerned Gram Panchayats and Gram Pradhans, etc. for extending their co-operation in this regard.

In compliance of the aforesaid directions, concerned District Legal Services Authorities conducted mass legal literacy and awareness programmes and camps through Mobile Van in rural and urban areas of their districts as well as in schools and Colleges.

On the basis of the statistical information furnished by the aforementioned District Legal Services Authorities relating to the said Mobile Van Drive, a consolidated report has been prepared and the same is hereunder:-

Name of the District	No. of Legal Literacy and Awareness Pro-grammes/Camps organized in Rural and Urban Areas.	No. of persons attended these pro-grammes/camps.	No. of Legal Lit-eracy and Awareness Pro-grammes/Camps organized in Schools and Col-leges.	No. of Students attended these pro-grammes/cam ps.	Total No. of persons benefitted by this Mo-bile Van Awareness Drive.
Nainital	41	6109	05	1445	7554
Udham Singh Nagar	09	950	12	600	1550
Champawat	17	1400	01	250	1400
Haridwar	77	2200	25	1550	65
Dehradun	16	5000	03	850	5000
Tehri Garhwal	20	150	03	1314	2964
Uttarkashi	25	1500	10	450	2000
TOTAL	205	17309	59	6459	20533

It is kindly submitted that as per the District-wise reports mentioned in the above table, it is found that during the aforesaid Mobile Van Awareness Drive, total 264 legal awareness pro-grammes/camps organized in urban and rural areas including schools and colleges wherein around 23768 persons and students attended these legal awareness programmes/ camps. Further, it is kindly submitted that total 20533 (approx.) persons were benefitted by this Mobile Van Awareness Drive.

During the aforesaid Mobile Van Awareness Drive, public made aware about the working and functions of NALSA, SLISA, DLSA, various schemes and policies of NALSA, Victim Compensation Scheme, Anti- Drug Campaign, Human Rights, PoSH Act, Women Rights, Traffic Rule, Road Safety, Cyber Crime and harassment, POCSO Act, Lok Adalat, Mediation and Conciliation, Forest Laws, Central/State Govt. Welfare Schemes, Rules made for the protection of Animals, Welfare schemes for soldiers/ex-servicemen and their families, Child Labour, Legal knowledge about sale and purchase of land in Uttarakhand State, Succession certificate, Juvenile Justice Act, Female

Feticide, NALSA Helpline No. 15100, Commercial Courts, Pre-Institution Mediation & Settlement (PIMS) in commercial disputes, other important Provisions, Laws and Acts, etc. NALSA theme song ("Ek Mutthi Aasman") were played during the Mobile Van Awareness Drive.

NAINITAL

जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण ने चलाया जागरूकता अभियान

११ विरोधियों ने छात्राओं को आपदा प्रबंधन के अंतर्गत कानूनी अधिकार, लोक अदालत और विभिन्न पंजीयन की दी जानकारी

संवाददाता, हल्द्वानी

अमृत विचार : राजकोव महिला डिग्री कॉलेज में बुधवार को जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण ने विधिक सेवा रथ के माध्यम से जागरूकता कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया। विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण व एनएसएस के तत्त्वबोधन में आयोजित कार्यक्रम में विधिक सेवा रथ के माध्यम से छात्राओं को आपदा प्रबंधन, दिव्यांगजन अधिकार अधिनियम 2016 और सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम 2005 के बारे में बताया गया। एनएसएस प्रभारी डॉ. रितुराज पंत ने छात्राओं को आपदा प्रबंधन



जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण के कार्यक्रम में मौजूद छात्रों व अन्य। ● अमृत विचार के अंतर्गत प्रभावित होने पर उनके कानूनी अधिकारों, लोक अदालत और इसमें विभिन्न न्यायिक मामलों के पंजीकरण व उनकी प्रक्रिया के बारे में बताया। राध डी दिव्यांगजन अधिकार अधिनियम के अंतर्गत विभिन्न प्रावधानों के बारे में छात्राओं को जानकारी दी। जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण के विमेश पनेरु ने छात्राओं के प्रश्नों का जवाब देते हुए उनकी

जिज्ञासु शांत की। कॉलेज के प्राचार्य डॉ. एके श्रीवास्तव ने जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण के सदस्यों का अभार व्यक्त किया। कार्यक्रम का संचालन डॉ. फखीर सिंह ने किया। इस मौके पर जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण के कलश जोशी, जगत सिंह रायत, डॉ. प्रभा नार, डॉ. हिमानी, डॉ. रेखा जोशी, डॉ. विद्या कुमारी आदि मौजूद रहे।

विधिक सेवा रथ से होगा ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में विधिक जागरूकता प्रचार प्रसार

□ नैनीताल में रथ को जिला न्यायाधीश सुबीर कुमार ने हरी झंडी दिखाकर किया खाना
□ उत्तराखंड राज्य विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण नैनीताल की विशेष पहल



देवतचौड़, सुशीला तिवारी, हार्दिक, मुखानी, श्रीराम, कोलकोटा चौराहा, लाला चौराहा, सुभम खेड़ा चौराहा तथा डेवा पुल, जवाक, कटपूरिया, फातेहपुर, लाम्गाबाई, बरसुदेव, लॉ कॉलेज, चक्रावाट, कालाहूँ, नगराज, कपिल, धौला, भीलरोड, कोमो चौराहा, रामनगर डिग्री कॉलेज तथा हिमनगर व काशीपुर होते हुए उधम सिंह नगर को रवाना होगी। विधिक जागरूकता अभियान के दौरान ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में विधिक सक्षमता तथा निष्पक्षक अधिकारों परामर्श, स्थाई लोक अदालत, नालसा, जलवायु रक्षण सारकार एवं केंद्र लाहवाटि योजनाओं से संबंधित अवैदम जागरूकता अनुसार नीति पर भर जाएंगे तदुपरांत जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण नैनीताल द्वारा संबंधित विभाग के माध्यम से निष्पादित कराए जाएंगे।

आज समाचार सेवा नैनीताल। उत्तराखंड राज्य विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण नैनीताल के दिशा निदेशानुसार जिला न्यायाधीश, अध्यक्ष जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण सुबीर कुमार के नेतृत्व में पंगलवार को नैनीताल जिले में दो दिवसीय मोबाइल वैन (विधिक सेवा रथ) को हरी झंडी दिखा के खाना किया गया।

कोशों में आम जनमानस को जागरूक किया जाएगा तथा विभिन्न योजनाओं से संबंधित विधिक सक्षमता का प्रचार प्रसार भी किया जाएगा। प्रथम दिवस नैनीताल यादव, जोषिया, भूमिकाधर, सैनिटरीयम, पवाली, कैपी धाय, रातोधा, गरमपानी, छद्दा, जौरी, काकटीपाद, सुखलवाटी, नैनीपुल, जवाक, धुवा, काफू, चौराहा, मंगल पड़ाव, तीनचानी,

UDHAM SINGH NAGAR



CHAMPAWAT



HARIDWAR



DEHRADUN



TEHRI GARHWAL



UTTARKASHI



MISCELLANEOUS PHOTOS AND NEWS PAPER CUTTINGS OF THE PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED DURING OCTOBER TO DECEMBER, 2024

ALMORA

Secretary, DLSA, Almora, organized a sensitization and training programme for Mediators and Counselors on 29.10.2024 at the District Court Campus, Almora on ADR mechanisms, mediation processes, and relevant rules and regulations.



On 17.10.2024 Secretary DLSA, Nainital visited legal aid clinic at Sushila Tiwari Hospital, wherein apprised the general public regarding various NALSA Schemes, NALSA Helpline No. 15100, free legal aid, concept of legal clinics, etc.



BAGESHWAR



On 14 November 2024, PLV, in collaboration with Shishu-Mandir Inter College, Bageshwar, organized an awareness camp on the 'NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015.' The session, led by PLV, aimed to educate participants on the scheme's objectives and legal provisions. A total of 80 students attended, gaining valuable insights into the legal framework and support mechanisms for victims of drug abuse.

CHAMOLI



DLSA Chamoli held an awareness camp on December 19, 2024, at G.I.C Mehlchori, Tehsil Gairsain, Chamoli with 123 attendees. The camp featured a speech by the Secretary of DLSA Chamoli, who discussed key legal insights from the *JitendraYadav v/s Bharat Sangh* case and focused on raising awareness about various legal services, including NALSA schemes for unorganized sector workers, the NALSA Helpline (15100), women's rights, the POSH Act, Domestic Violence Act, cyber crime, drug abuse, and plastic management.





The Secretary of DLSA Chamoli visited the Legal Aid Clinic to review the ongoing work and progress made by the Deputed PLVs in the clinic. During the visit, the Secretary assessed the effectiveness of the services provided and the support extended to individuals seeking legal assistance. The review aimed to ensure that the clinic is functioning smoothly and that the PLVs are efficiently assisting clients with legal matters, providing necessary guidance, and upholding the objectives of legal aid in the community.

On 07.12.2024, Secretary of DLSA Chamoli visited the Legal Aid Clinic at the Government Old Age Home, Chamoli, Gopeshwar. During the visit, the Secretary assessed the services being provided to the residents, ensuring that they received adequate legal assistance and guidance. During visit Secretary emphasized the importance of making legal aid accessible to vulnerable groups, such as senior citizens, and ensured that the clinic was functioning effectively to support them in their legal matters.



CHAMPAWAT



Secretary DLSA, Champawat, organized an advanced legal literacy and awareness initiative on December 20, 2024, at Gauralchaur, Champawat. The program delivered comprehensive insights into critical legal domains, including cybercrime, the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, domestic violence against women, and the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, empowering attendees with nuanced understanding and actionable knowledge.

On 4th December 2024, PLVs of DLSA Champawat conducted a special legal aid and awareness camp at Gram Panchayat Belkhet for workers in the unorganized sector under the NALSA (Legal Services to Workers in Unorganized Sector) Scheme, 2015. The camp aimed to identify the challenges faced by these workers and provide them with valuable legal information.



Participants were informed about their legal rights, the benefits of education, and their constitutional rights as citizens, along with details on various government schemes available to them. The camp also highlighted the fundamental rights of tribal communities and their responsibilities, helping attendees better understand the support systems and resources they are entitled to.

PLVs of DLSA Champawat held a legal aid and awareness camp on December 16, 2024, for unorganized sector workers under the NALSA Scheme, 2015, addressing their issues and providing legal education on constitutional rights, government schemes, tribal rights, and laws like the Right to Information Act, Child Labour Act, Child Marriage Act, and female foeticide.



PLV of DLSA Champawat organized legal awareness at the Legal Aid Clinic One Stop Centre in Champawat. The camp aimed to raise awareness about the legal rights and protections available to workers in the unorganized sector. Participants were informed regarding legal services, workers' rights, and the benefits they are entitled to under various government schemes.



DEHRADUN



A Legal Aid Awareness campaign was conducted through the mobile van on 5/6.12.2024 across various locations in Dehradun district, including remote areas, slums, rural regions, schools, and densely populated areas. The initiative aimed to promote accessible justice by educating the public about their legal rights and various government welfare schemes. On 5th December 2024, at 10:00 AM, the mobile van was flagged off from the newly constructed Court Building in Dehradun by District Judge/Chairman, DLSA Dehradun. The event was attended by judicial officers from Headquarters Dehradun, members of the Defense Counsel System, panel advocates, para-legal volunteers, and court staff.



A free medical health camp was organized on 13.12.2024 by Secretary of the DLSA, Dehradun in the slum area of Mehuwala Mafi. PLVs were also present. During the camp, local residents received medical check-ups from gynecologists, orthopedic doctors, pediatricians, and physicians. The Secretary inspected the healthcare services and took the opportunity to inform the public about the NALSA toll-free helpline (15100) while also spreading awareness about the legal rights of the LGBTQ community.



TLSC Doiwala organized a legal awareness camp at AEONX Digital Institute in Doiwala, Dehradun, on December 7, 2024. The event drew in around 60 participants, including learned advocates and paralegal workers, who gathered to learn about crucial legal topics such as Human Rights Day, Cyber Crime, POCSO Act, and NDPS Act, aiming to educate and empower the community.



On 18.12.2024, TLSC Mussoorie conducted a legal awareness camp at KyarkuliBhatta village, Mussoorie, Dehradun, attended by advocates, the Gram Panchayat head, and 70 members. The TLSC Secretary educated rural women, men, and children on key legal issues, including Cyber Crime, the Domestic Violence Act, and the NDPS Act, fostering legal empowerment in the community.





On 18.12.024, as directed by Secretary DLSA Dehradun, Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel Mr. Chandraveer Singh Negi and Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel Mr. Nitish Bhadula attended a state-level workshop organized by the Uttarakhand Child Rights Protection Commission at the Multipurpose Training Auditorium (IRD), Survey Chowk, Dehradun. The event saw participation from the DLSA, Dehradun, and provided participants with comprehensive insights into the POCSO Act, the Child Protection Act.



On December 18, 2024, PLVs of DLSA Dehradun, organized a medical camp at KhatikKalika Temple, Dangwal Marg, Chukhuwala, Dehradun. The camp offered free health checkups, including blood tests, blood pressure, and hemoglobin checks, with



services provided by experts from Chandan Diagnostic Center and Community Health Center Raipur.



On 16th December 2024, under the leadership of Ms. Nandita Kala, Secretary of the TLSC, Rishikesh, an awareness camp was organized at SaraswatiVidyaMandir, AwasVikas, Veerbhadra Road, Rishikesh. The session covered important topics, including Cyber Crime, the POCSO

Act, Women Empowerment, the NDPS Act, the NALSA Toll-Free Number, and the Motor Vehicle Act.



The Secretary, DLSA, Dehradun, organized a special awareness camp on October 24, 2024, at Chakhu Mohalla, Dehradun, focusing on gender justice, transgender rights, gender equality, full and equal representation, and the empowerment of women and girls. During the event, community head Madam Rajni Rawat highlighted the challenges

faced by the community, which were attentively heard by the Secretary. Additionally, information was provided about the free legal services offered by the DLSA, along with details of the NALSA helpline 15100, ensuring greater accessibility to legal aid and justice for all.





The District Judge/Chairman and Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Dehradun inspected the Child Care Home, ShishuSadan, Bali-kaNiketan and NariNiketan on 25th October 2024 and appropriate directions were issued to the concerned officers.



On 27.11.2024, the Chairman & Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Dehradun alongwith CJM, Dehradun held meetings with representatives of various insurance companies and banks to ensure the successful organization of the National Lok Adalat on 14.12.2024. Discussions focused on maximizing case disposal, and instructions were given to fix cases for resolution in the upcoming Lok Adalat.



HARIDWAR



On 21.11.2024, at 4:00 PM, an exhibition was inaugurated at the Court Campus near the Advocate Entry Gate by the District Judge/Chairman, Haridwar alongside other judicial officers and members of the Bar Association Haridwar, showcasing articles crafted by prisoners and children from the Observation Home. The Chairman, DLSA Haridwar addressed media personnel to promote the upcoming National Lok Adalat scheduled for December 14, 2024. The event was

attended by respected judicial officers of the Haridwar Judgeship, along with court employees, staff, and Bar Association members, all of



exhibition.

whom commended the commendable work of the inmates and children featured in the





A seminar was organized for the women employees of BHEL Haridwar under the aegis of the DLSA Haridwar, during November, 2024 focusing on combating sexual harassment of women at

the workplace, held at the Auditorium of the Human Resource Development Centre, BHEL. The Secretary of DLSA Haridwar provided insights into the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal) Act, emphasizing that this right was established through the Vishakha Guidelines issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, mandating the formation of an Internal Complaint Investigation Committee in every department and organization. Additionally, Dr. Hemant from the Health Department delivered a detailed presentation on HIV and health awareness, enriching the seminar with vital information for the attendees.



In collaboration with the CWC, District Child Protection Officer, SJPU, and under the aegis of the State Child Rights Protection Commission (SCRPC), the DLSA Haridwar organized a legal literacy camp at PG College Dhanauri to commemorate **Children's Day**, focusing on child rights. The main speaker, the Secretary of DLSA Haridwar, along with another resource person, the DPO Haridwar, addressed students from various schools gathered at the PG College meeting hall, shedding light on critical topics such as child abuse, cybercrimes, the hazards of social media, and the POCSO Act. The Secretary elaborately discussed the roles of key institutions, including the JJB, CWC, observation homes, children's homes, places of safety, fit persons, and the SJPU, providing the children with comprehensive insights into their rights and the protective mechanisms available to them.



On Constitution Day, the Secretary, DLSA Haridwar visited the Legal Aid Centre at Quantum University

Haridwar to assess its operations, commending the efforts of the entire committee managing the Legal Aid Clinic. The Secretary particularly praised their awareness programme "CHETNA," recognizing it as a highly appreciable initiative in promoting legal education and support within the community.





On 7.12.2024, Indian Awareness Committee in collaboration with Traffic Police and District Legal Authority, Haridwar organized a legal awareness camp at Angel Academy Senior Secondary School, LaxmiVihar, Bahadarabad Haridwar. School children were made aware about drugs, traffic, cyber law. The school children were aware with various information. Advocate Lalit Miglani gave information to the children about Zero FIR. Secretary, DLSA told the children that action is taken under JJ Act in the crime of children and children are sent to juvenile correction home.

In collaboration with Bhartiya Jagrukta Samiti, ARTO, Traffic Police, and PAC, DLSA Haridwar organized a legal awareness camp at Jamdagni Public School, Laksar. The session covered key legal topics, including drug abuse, the Motor Vehicles Act, new criminal laws, fundamental rights and duties, cybercrime, and the POCSO Act, with insights provided by expert resource persons.



During the meeting of the committee constituted under the directions of UKSLSA, various food establishments were identified for inspection. Subsequent inspections were conducted and proceedings were initiated against erring establishments.



On October 27, 2024, TLSC Nainital organized a legal awareness camp at Dholak Basti, Haldwani, where the Secretary, TLSC, educated the public on the role of the Permanent Lok Adalat, functions of legal services authorities, availability of free legal aid, various NALSA schemes, and the toll-free legal helpline 15100, promoting greater access to justice and legal awareness.



A meet was organized with all the stake holders under the Juvenile Justice Act, wherein Principal Magistrate, JJB, apprised all the participants regarding minute points to be considered while keeping the juvenile in custody, recording of statements, etc. Secretary, DLSA, Nainital apprised the participants regarding concept of free legal aid, provisions to be kept in mind while dealing with children in need of care and protection, registration of children under SARA, CARA, etc.

PAURI GARHWAL



On November 25, 2024, the DLSA, Pauri Garhwal, in collaboration with the Education Department, organized an awareness campaign at Aditi Wedding Point Srinagar and G.I.C. Chaurikhal, Pauri



Garhwal. The program focused on various NALSA schemes, including the NALSA (Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015, legal services for disaster victims, senior citizens, survivors of sexual exploitation, and individuals with mental/physical disabilities, as well as the provisions of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal) Act, 2013 (**PoSH** Act). The event was presided over by the College Director and the Secretary, DLSA Pauri Garhwal.

PITHORAGARH



DLSA, Pithoragarh, organized a three Day Training-cum-Sensitization Session titled 'New PLVs Training' at the Meeting Hall from 18 to 20 November 2024 focusing on enhancing participants' understanding of



DLSA functions, conducting organic awareness initiatives, and delivering legal aid to marginalized communities. A total of 24 participants from various DLSAs actively engaged in the training, reinforcing their capacity to provide effective legal services.

RUDRAPRAYAG

DLSA, Rudraprayag, in collaboration with GITI Rudraprayag, organized an awareness campaign "Legal Awareness Camp on Skill Development Programme/Camp for Youth" on December 21, 2024 at Rudraprayag, aimed at enhancing employment and self-employment opportunities for youth to secure better livelihoods. The event, led by the Secretary of DLSA Rudraprayag, was part of the NALSA initiative and involved coordination with relevant government departments and NGOs to spotlight government skill development training programs, equipping young participants with practical skills and knowledge to improve their career prospects and economic independence.



TEHRI GARHWAL



In cooperation with the District Education Department, the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Tehri Garhwal conducted a series of Legal Awareness and Literacy Camps, led by the Secretary of DLSA Tehri Garhwal, on December 2, 2024, at DIET Baurari Tehri, and on December 17, 2024, at Rainbow Public School Chauras, followed by an additional camp on December 14, 2024, at All Saints Convent School, New Tehri. Aim

of these camps to educate participants about critical issues such as cybercrimes, drug abuse, social welfare schemes, the POCSO Act, the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, the NALSA Portal, E-Court Services, the NALSA (Legal Services to the Workers of Unorganised Sector) Scheme, 2015, and support for victims of trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation, fostering greater legal literacy and awareness among attendees.



UDHAM SINGH NAGAR



PLVs enrolled with DLSA U.S. Nagar organized a Medical and Health Check-up Camps in the remote areas of Udham Singh Nagar on December 10, 2024, and December 27, 2024, targeting Gram Panchayats such as ChakarpurGadarpur, PachpedaKhatima, and BabarkheraJaspur. People at large benefited from essential health screenings, medical consultations, and health awareness

sessions, addressing the critical need for healthcare in underserved areas. These camps not only provided immediate medical support but also promoted long-term health education, effectively bridging gaps in healthcare access and improving overall well-being in these rural communities.

PLVs organized an informative "Skill Development Programme/Camp for Youth," in collaboration



with relevant government departments and NGOs, focusing on government-sponsored skill development training to enhance employment and self-employment opportunities, thereby improving livelihoods. The camps were held on December 13, 2024, and December 24, 2024, at various locations in Udham



Singh Nagar, including Govt. Primary School in Ward No. 9 Kichha, Govt. Primary School in Kachnalganji Kashipur and Govt. Primary School in Masit Gadarpur. These initiatives provided valuable insights into available skill development opportunities, empowering local youth with the necessary tools to secure a brighter future.



DLSA Udham Singh Nagar organized a Monthly Meeting for PLVs and Panel Lawyers, focusing on the provisions of the 'NALSA Scheme,' on 03/05.12.2024, at Udham Singh Na-



gar. The event aimed to provide in-depth training on the NALSA Scheme, which is designed to offer legal aid and assistance to marginalized communities. People at large, including Panel Lawyers and PLVs from DLSAs, attended the event, gaining valuable insights into the scheme's provisions and its role in enhancing legal support for the underserved.

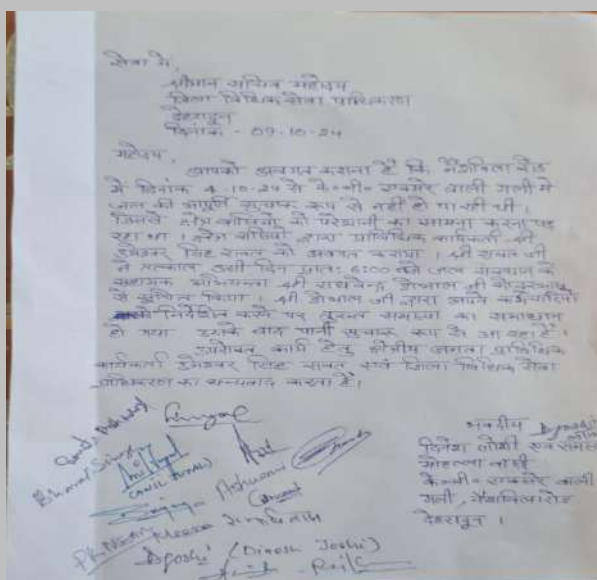
UTTARKASHI



Secretary DLSA, Uttarkashi, organized a Legal Awareness Camp in Village Matli, focusing on Skill Development Training in collaboration with government departments and NGOs on December 4, 2024. The camp aimed to educate the local community about various skill development opportunities available through government initiatives and NGOs, helping individuals enhance their employability and self-employment prospects. By combining legal awareness with skill-building, the event sought to empower participants with knowledge and practical skills to improve their livelihoods and contribute to their community's development.

SUCCESS STORIES

1. Mrs. Bhavana Patni, a widow from Chandni Village, Tehsil PurnagiriTanakpur, District Champawat, lost her husband, Bhaskar Patni, due to a heart attack on December 5, 2024. Left with no agricultural land or livelihood, she struggled to support her three children—Tanuja, Nisha, and Apurva—facing challenges in their education. PLV Deepa Devi from DLSA Champawat, assisted her by filling and submitting forms for securing a widow pension and enrolling her minor children, Nisha and Apurva, in the VatsalyaYojana, which provides Rs 4000 monthly for their education.
2. On October 6, 2024, residents of Neshvilla Road, Dehradun, informed PLV Umeshwar Singh Rawat about a water supply issue at 6:30 AM. He promptly reported the problem to Assistant Engineer, JalSansthan, ShriRaghavendraDobhal, who took immediate action. By evening, the water supply was restored. The residents expressed their gratitude to the Paralegal Volunteer and the Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Dehradun, for their swift response.



3. In Village Chinigoth Talli, Tehsil Tanakpur, a couple experiencing severe matrimonial discord was embroiled in frequent incidents of domestic violence, which were adversely affecting their children's well-being. Concerned about the escalating situation, the ex-Gram Pradhan brought the matter to the attention of Shri Ajay Gururani, a Para-Legal Volunteer (PLV) associated with the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Champawat.

Acting in his capacity as a representative of the Legal Aid Clinic in Tehsil Tanakpur, ShriGururani promptly intervened, engaging with the couple through both joint and individual counseling sessions. He further visited their residence to assess the domestic environment firsthand. Through patient mediation, he sensitized them to the profound impact their persistent conflicts and mutual allegations were having on their children. He also emphasized the potential legal ramifications of continued domestic violence, including police intervention and prolonged court proceedings, which could exacerbate their hardship.

Following repeated counselling sessions, the couple eventually recognized the importance of resolving their differences amicably. Acknowledging their commitment to a harmonious marital life, they provided a written undertaking affirming their decision to coexist peacefully. Encouragingly, they have now been living together amicably for the past five months. They have since conveyed their deep gratitude to DLSA, Champawat, for the invaluable support and intervention rendered through the Legal Aid Clinic.

This case underscores the critical role of legal aid mechanisms in fostering dispute resolution and preserving family unity through non-adversarial means.

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STATUS OF THE FULL TIME SECRETARIES/TLSC/PLVS/PANEL LAWYERS/RETAINER LAWYERS/MEDIATORS/LEGAL AID CLINICS/FRONT OFFICE/MEDIATION CENTERS

As on 31.12.2024

NAME OF DLSA/HCLSC	No. of Full Time Secretary	No. of TLSCs Constituted	No. of Panel Lawyers	No. of Retainer Lawyers	No. of trained PLVs	No. of Legal Aid Clinics	No. of Front Offices	No. of Mediation Centers	No. of Mediators	No. of Pro-Bono Lawyers	No. of Pro-Bono PLVs
ALMORA	01	03	15	01	100	47	01	01	03	07	
BAGESHWAR	01	01	07	01	95	20	01	01	03	02	161
CHAMOLI	01	05	12	01	84	31	01	01	01	10	736
CHAMPAWAT	01	01	11	01	99	21	01	01	03	03	31
DEHRADUN	01	04	49	01	81	62	01	02	25	31	47
HARIDWAR	01	02	34	01	134	34	01	03	22	12	
NAINITAL	01	02	37	01	60	10	01	03	14	04	23
PAURI GARHWAL	01	04	25	01	86	22	01	02	04	04	12
PITHORAGARH	01	04	10	01	96	14	01	01	04	02	21
RUDRAPRAYAG	01	01	06	01	89	43	01	01	01	05	104
TEHRI GARHWAL	01	02	31	01	75	23	01	01	03	04	418
U. S. NAGAR	01	05	64	01	58	24	01	03	11	35	
UTTARKASHI	01	02	17	01	33	19	01	01	08	08	
HCLSC	01	-	25	01	-	-	01	01	25	Nil	
TOTAL	14	36	343	14	1103	383	14	22	127	127	1553

**CONSOLIDATED STATISTICAL DATA OF THE LOK ADALAT/LEGAL AID PROGRAMMES
ORGANIZED IN THE STATE OF UTTARAKHAND**

(OCTOBER-2024 TO DECEMBER-2024)

S.N.	Name of District	Total No. of Lok Adalats Held	Total No. of Cases Taken up	Total No. of Cases Disposed off	Compensation/Settlement Amount (inRs.)	Realized as Fine (inRs.)	Total No. of Persons Benefited in Lok Adalats	No. of Camps/ Sensitization Programmes Organized	Total No. of Persons Benefited in Camps	No. of Persons Benefited Through Legal Aid & Advice	
										Legal Aid	Advice/ Other Services
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
1	ALMORA	01	119	117	61,62,195	-	117	1226	94319	33	688
2	BAGESHWAR	03	189	161	81,85,314	-	161	945	30738	15	385
3	CHAMOLI	04	97	77	1,41,73,586	15,500	77	1422	33941	21	135
4	CHAMPAWAT	04	379	369	75,49,078	72,200	369	1835	72932	38	-
5	DEHRADUN	04	11148	8582	19,49,31,004	23,50,600	8582	556	43370	288	1786
6	HARIDWAR	01	1399	1397	6,67,86,544	-	1397	883	33982	134	1061
7	NAINITAL	04	1853	1820	5,76,47,843	14,100	1820	380	23436	123	1846
8	PAURI GARHWAL	03	647	645	1,68,54,768	27,000	645	422	31954	45	1433
9	PITHORAGARH	04	513	296	1,23,57,489	96,400	296	274	10249	18	34
10	RUDRAPARYAG	01	60	60	37,47,500	-	60	61	7121	24	09
11	TEHRI GARHWAL	02	380	375	2,00,62,071	-	375	1173	36992	63	14
12	U. S. NAGAR	02	5797	5745	26,81,35,821	2,500	5745	435	34015	276	53
13	UTTARKASHI	01	80	80	1,06,21,111	-	80	106	5498	23	-
14	HCLSC, NTL	01	47	45	1,97,68,917	-	-	-	-	222	-
15	UKSLA, NTL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	106
	TOTAL: -	35	22708	19769	70,69,83,241	25,78,300	19724	9718	458547	1323	7550
16	CONSUMER COURTS	-	76	54	1,58,49,855	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, DEHRADUN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL: -	-	76	54	1,58,49,855	-	-	-	-	-	-
	GRAND TOTAL: -	35	22784	19823	72,28,33,096	25,78,300	19724	9718	458547	1323	7550

PROGRAMMES/ACTIVITIES INSIDE JAIL CAMPUS
(OCTOBER-2024 TO DECEMBER-2024)

S.N .	Name of District	Lok Adalats organized in jails		Legal Literacy Camps organized in jails		Legal Aid provided to under trial prisoners	Jail visit
		No. of organize Lok Adalats	No. of cases disposed off	Camps organized	Benefitted persons	Number of Benefitted under trial prisoners	Total Number of Jail visit
1	ALMORA	-	-	07	1317	15	05
2	BAGESHWAR	-	-	03	163	05	10
3	CHAMOLI	-	-	-	-	08	09
4	CHAMPAWAT	02	10	07	281	25	07
5	DEHRADUN	03	70	04	3700	185	10
6	HARIDWAR	03	51	02	1150	85	01
7	NAINITAL	-	-	08	970	66	-
8	PAURI GARHWAL	-	-	09	1423	26	12
9	PITHORAGARH	-	-	36	1175	08	07
10	RUDRAPRAYAG	-	-	10	319	05	-
11	TEHRI GARHWAL	-	-	06	1133	45	-
12	UDHAM SINGH NAGAR	-	-	07	997	211	08
13	UTTARKASHI	-	-	10	639	20	-
14	H.C.L.S.C. NAINITAL	-	-	-	-	122	-
	TOTAL :-	08	131	109	13267	826	69

STATISTICAL INFORMATION IN RESPECT OF PERMANENT LOK ADALATS
(Established U/S 22B of Legal Services Authorities Act 1987)

(OCTOBER-2024 TO DECEMBER-2024)

- (i) No. of PLAs existing :- 07 (Almora, Dehradun, Hardwar, Nainital, Pauri Garhwal, Tehri Garhwal and U. S. Nagar)
(ii) Total No. of PLAs functioning:- 04 (Dehradun, Hardwar, Nainital and Udham Singh Nagar)

S.N.	Permanent Lok Adalats	Number of Sitzings	No. of cases pending as on 31.03.2024	No. of cases received during the Period	No. of cases settled during the Period	Total Value/Amount of Settlement (₹)	No. of cases pending as on 31.03.2024
1	Dehradun	56	299	38	42	67,36,661	295
2	Haridwar	32	134	22	16	43,32,363	140
3	Nainital	32	147	08	33	10,00,000	122
4	Udham Singh Nagar	40	42	128	120	3,01,55,715	50
	Total	160	622	196	211	4,22,24,739	607

STATISTICAL DATA IN RESPECT OF CASES SETTLED THROUGH MEDIATION
(OCTOBER-2024 TO DECEMBER-2024)

(A) Total Number of ADR Centers :	04
(B) Total No of Existing Mediation Centers other than ADR Centers :	18
(C) Number of Mediators (Total of both in ADR Centers and Mediation Centers) :	127

DISPOSAL

S.N.	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
A	No. of cases received during the month	291
B	Cases settled through Mediation	49
C	Cases returned as not settled	195
D	Non-starter cases which were returned as mediation could not commenced	09
E	No. of Connected cases	-
F	No. of Cases pending at the end of the month	241

STATISTICAL INFORMATION IN RESPECT OF VICTIM COMPENSATION SCHEME U/S
357A Cr.P.C.

(OCTOBER-2024 TO DECEMBER-2024)

No. of applications received directly by Legal Services Institutions (A)	No. of applications/orders marked/directed by any Court (B)	Total No. of applications received including Court orders (A+B)	No. of applications decided	No. of applications pending	Total Compensation Amount (₹)
30	24	54	44	231	31,50,000



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