

**CELEBRATION/OBSERVATION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY
ON 08TH MARCH, 2025**



COMPREHENSIVE REPORT ON CELEBRATION/OBSERVATION OF **"INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY" ORGANIZED ON 08th March, 2025**

On 08th March, 2025 **"International Women's Day was celebrated/Observed** in the periphery of the State of Uttarakhand by all the Legal Services Institutions in cooperation with Schools & Colleges, concerned NGOs, District Administrative and concerned Government Departments.

International Women's Day was never be a battle between groups or organizations declaring what action is best or right. Feminism's eclectic and inclusive nature means that all efforts advancing women's equality are welcome and valid, and should be respected. In the spirit of abundance, there is a place and space for everyone. This is what it means to be truly 'inclusive' as everyone, everywhere can help fight the good fight.

In order to celebrate/observe the International Women's Day, Uttarakhand SLISA, Nainital has organized a Seminar on 08.03.2025 at Conference Hall, ADR Building, High Court Campus, Nainital. The Member Secretary and Officer on Special Duty, UKSLISA, Nainital aware the attended people & Women about legal rights of women alongwith other special rights meant for women empowerment. The said programme was attended by approx 35 people/women.

On the occasion of International Women's Day celebrated on 8th March 2025, District Legal Services Authorities, Tehsil Legal Services Committees, Panel Lawyers, Para-Legal Volunteers (PLVs) organized various Legal Awareness Camps, Seminars, Workshops and Rallies in rural, urban, market & community areas. The event was led by District Judge/Chairman & Secretaries, DLSAs, TLSCs, Chairman & Secretary & PLVs and aimed at raising awareness about the significance of International Women's Day and promoting gender equality. Participants were sensitized on the importance of women's rights, empowerment, and the historical and social relevance of the day.

CONSOLIDATED STATISTICAL REPORT ON CELEBRATION OF
"INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY" ORGANIZED ON 08th March, 2025

S.N.	PARTICULARS	REPORT
1	Total No. of awareness programmes, camps, etc., organized in the District.	619
2	Total No. of persons attended these programmes, camps, etc.	14481
3	Total No. of Awareness Rallies organized in the District.	49
4	Total No. of persons attended Awareness Rally.	4031
5	Brief summary about the awareness campaign.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PoSH (Prevention of Sexual Harassment) workshop was also organized including awareness and training session aimed at educating women, employees and stakeholders about the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013. These workshops were conducted by Legal Services Institutions to foster a safe, respectful, and inclusive work environment. • Rural and urban areas including market places were converged during the campaign. • Different awareness programmes/seminars/rallies were also organized at Tehsil & Community Levels.

To commemorate **International Women's Day**, UKSLSA-Nainital, District Legal Services Authorities & TLSCs organized **619** legal literacy camps throughout the State of Uttarakhand including far-flung and interior areas on March 08, 2025 as part of a special outreach initiative. These camps aimed at spreading legal awareness and empowering marginalized communities, particularly women, through information about their rights and available legal remedies.

During the camps, **14481** participants/women/common mass were sensitized on a wide array of crucial legal and constitutional issues. These included:

- NALSA (Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015
- Women Compensation Scheme, 2020
- Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act (PC and PNDT Act)
- Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act (NDPS Act)
- Child Marriage and the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act
- Cybercrime and Cyber security
- NALSA Helpline Number – 15100
- Rights and Duties of Citizens under the Constitution
- Fundamental Rights and Duties
- Flag Code of India, 2002 (as amended in 2021 & 2022)
- Role of Adhikar Mitra
- LGBTQIA+ Persons' Rights and Challenges
- Objectives and Benefits of Permanent Lok Adalats
- Functions of NALSA, SLSA, DLSA, TLSC, HCLSC, and SCLSC
- Availability of Free Legal Aid
- Women Empowerment and Gender Equality

To reinforce the learning experience, **informative pamphlets and brochures** related to NALSA schemes, free legal aid services, cybercrime prevention, and cyber safety were **distributed among the attendees**.

The event began and concluded with the **NALSA Theme Song – “Ek Mutthi Aasman”**, symbolizing hope, empowerment, and access to justice for all.

Further, on March 8, 2025, the Tehsil Legal Services Committees (TLSCs) under the aegis of the District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs) organized a series of legal awareness camps and outreach programmes titled **"International Women's Day"** across various tehsil-level jurisdictions. These events were spearheaded by the Secretaries of the

TLSCs, in collaboration with Para-Legal Volunteers, Legal Aid Counsels, and other stakeholders.

The overarching aim of the campaign was to enhance public awareness regarding women's rights, gender equality, and the legal frameworks established for the protection and empowerment of women. Special attention was given to educating students and women from rural and underprivileged backgrounds to ensure wider grassroots outreach.

Key Highlights of the Awareness Programs:

- Women, common mass, students from local schools and colleges participated enthusiastically in the Legal Awareness Camps.
- The participants were briefed about women-centric laws including:
 - The Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005
 - The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013
 - The Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961
 - The Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006
 - The Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) Act
 - The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012 (in relation to the rights of girl children)
 - The Criminal Law (Amendment) Acts related to sexual violence
- Participants were also educated about their Constitutional Rights as- Right to Equality (Article 14), Prohibition of Discrimination on the Basis of Sex (Article 15), Right to Life and Dignity (Article 21)
- Directive Principles and Fundamental Duties promoting gender justice

The role and services of NALSA, SLSAs, DLSAs, TLSCs, and the concept of Free Legal Aid were explained in detail.

Awareness was also created about the NALSA Helpline Number – 15100, and how women in distress can access legal aid and counselling services through it.

Informative sessions were conducted on cybercrimes, online harassment, and safety measures for women in the digital age, including the use of cybercrime reporting portals and legal remedies.

The participants were made aware of the role of Adhikar Mitras, Legal Aid Clinics, and the functioning of Permanent Lok Adalats in facilitating women's access to justice.

The importance of women's participation in decision-making processes, education, employment, and local governance was emphasized as a critical tool for empowerment.

Outreach Materials and Cultural Integration:

- Pamphlets, brochures, and booklets on women's rights, free legal aid, cyber safety, and legal remedies were distributed among the attendees.
- The NALSA theme song "Ek Mutthi Aasman" was played at the beginning and conclusion of each event to inspire the participants and reinforce the message of legal empowerment.
- Interactive activities such as quiz sessions, skits, and open discussions were conducted to ensure participant engagement and better retention of legal knowledge.

These awareness camps served as an impactful medium to sensitize the youth and community members about gender justice, legal empowerment, and the need to combat social evils such as domestic violence, child marriage, dowry, and trafficking. The Legal Services Institutions reaffirmed their commitment to promoting inclusive access to justice, with special focus on women's dignity, rights, and safety.

During celebration of International Women's Day **49 Rallies** were also organized and through banners, posters and **4031** persons have attended these rallies and aware the locality about gender inequalities and advocate for women's rights. Also that the day reminds society of the critical role women play in shaping communities and nations, while also emphasizing the

need to accelerate gender parity. Celebrating this day fosters respect, empowerment and inclusion, especially in rural and marginalized areas where awareness is often limited.

ACTIVITY PHOTOGRAPHS

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PAURI GARHWAL



PITHORAGARH



RUDRAPRAYAG



TEHRI GARHWAL



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शाह टाइम्स संवाददाता नैनीताल। उत्तराखंड राज्य विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण नैनीताल के दिशा निर्देशानुसार एवं जिला न्यायाधीश/अध्यक्ष जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण नैनीताल सुबोध कुमार के मार्गदर्शन में सचिव जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण नैनीताल बोनू गुलियानी द्वारा जिला मुख्यालय निकटवर्ती क्षेत्र मंगोली ग्राम में विमर्श संस्था के सहयोग से विधिक साक्षरता एवं जागरूकता शिविर व निःशुल्क चिकित्सा शिविर का आयोजन किया गया। जागरूकता शिविर में यशवंत कुमार द्वारा जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण के क्रियाकलाप तथा निःशुल्क विधिक सहायता के बारे में बताया गया। शिविर में सचिव जिला



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अल्मोड़ा: विधिक जागरूकता शिविर का आयोजन, दी यह जरूरी जानकारी, महिलाओं को किया पुरस्कृत

■ Aarti Bisht March 12, 2025

