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**SIKKIM STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY**



## CELEBRATION OF 78<sup>TH</sup> INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Sikkim State Legal Services Authority celebrated the 78<sup>th</sup> Independence Day on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 in its office premises at Development Area, Gangtok.

Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA hoisted the National Flag on the occasion, which was followed by the Guard of Honour and rendition of National Anthem by Officers and Staff of Sikkim SLSA.

The function also had the presence of Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Chairperson, Lokayukta Sikkim, Mr. Roger R. Rai, former Managing Director, SIDICO, Ltd. Judicial Officers, Additional Advocate Generals, Government of Sikkim, Other Persons of High Court Lok Adalat, Designated Senior Advocates of High Court of Sikkim, Members of Bar Association of Sikkim (High Court & Subordinate Courts), Retainer Lawyers and Panel Advocates of Sikkim SLSA, Legal Aid Defense Counsels of Gangtok District, Officers and Staff of High Court of Sikkim and Sikkim SLSA and members of electronic and print media.

The programme has been uploaded in the official Facebook page and website of Sikkim SLSA.



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## **SENSITIZATION PROGRAMME ON SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE (PREVENTION, PROHIBITION AND REDRESSAL) ACT, 2013**

In pursuance to the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its Order dated 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 passed in Civil Appeal No. 2482 of 2014 titled Aureliano Fernandes v. State of Goa and Ors. and under the directions of Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLISA, the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority organized a Sensitization Programme on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013 for female employees and Members of Internal Complaints Committee of Sports and Youth Affairs Department, Government of Sikkim on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2024 at the Conference Hall of Sikkim SLISA, Development Area, Gangtok.

Trained Panel Advocates Mr. Sushant Subba, Mr. Hem Lall Manger, Mr. Passang Tshering Bhutia and Mr. Sishir Mothay were the Resource Persons.

The topics discussed/covered were Background and Role of Internal Committee - Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal, Definition of Sexual Harassment, Procedures and Process for Redressal and Case Study Analysis.

During the course of the programme, a short movie titled "Ab Khamosh Kyun" produced by Human Rights Law Network, New Delhi was also screened.

The programme was attended by 22 officers and staff of Sports and Youth Affairs Department.

The welcome address was delivered by Mr. Jagat B. Rai, Ld. Member Secretary, Sikkim SLISA while the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Praveen Pradhan, Deputy Secretary, Sikkim SLISA.





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## **THREE DAYS REFRESHER TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR CONVICT PARA-LEGAL VOLUNTEERS**

Under the directions of Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim State Legal Services Authority and also under NALSA Scheme for Para-Legal Volunteers (revised) & Module for the Orientation-Induction-Refresher Courses for PLV Training, three days refresher training programme for Convict Para-Legal Volunteers was organized by Sikkim SLSA for the convicts lodged at State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2024 at the jail premises of State Central Prison Rongyek.

Mr. Kazi Sangay Thupden, Pro-Bono Lawyer, Sikkim SLSA was the Resource Person for the said programme. The topics that were discussed were as follows:

- **DAY – 1: UNDERSTANDING KEY LEGAL PROVISIONS AND ACTS**
  1. Right to Information Act, 2005.
  2. Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.
  3. Mental Health Act, 1987 and legal assistance under the NALSA scheme Legal Services to the Mentally ILL Persons and Persons with Mental Disabilities) Scheme, 2010.
  4. Right to Education Act, 2009.



- **DAY – 2: SKILLS IN ADR, MEDIATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND WELFARE ACTS**

5. Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007.
6. Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) Techniques (S 89 C.P.C.).
7. Basic Skills in Mediation and Counselling.
8. Lok Adalat, including pre-litigation and its benefits.
9. Plea-Bargaining.
10. Environmental Issues.

- **DAY – 3: RIGHTS OF MARGINALIZED GROUPS, LEGAL PROVISIONS AND POCSO ACT, 2012**

11. Rights of marginalized groups such as those living with HIV/AIDS, Disabled, Transgenders etc.
12. The Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956 and issues relating to sex workers.
13. Disaster Management and Legal Assistance to Victims of Disaster under NALSA Legal Services to Disaster Victims through Legal Services Authorities.
14. Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012.

Two Convict PLVs serving long term sentences viz; Ashim Stanislaus Rai and Kendrap Lepcha were trained during the programme.



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## MENTAL HEALTH CAMP

In compliance to the resolution taken during the 19<sup>th</sup> All India Meet of State Legal Services Authorities held on 30<sup>th</sup> June to 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2023 at Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir and under the NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015, the Sikkim SLSA under the aegis of NALSA and in co-ordination with the Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Sikkim organized Mental Health Camps at State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok District on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.

Similar camp was organized jointly by District Legal Services Authority, Namchi and Taluk Legal Services Committees, Namchi, Jorethang and Yangang in co-ordination with the Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Sikkim at District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi District on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 as per the table below:

Prison	Resource Persons	Convicts/UTPs examined and provided counselling
State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Dr. Netra Thapa, Principal Chief Consultant and Head of Department of Psychiatry, New STNM Multispecialty Hospital, Sochakgang.</li><li>2. Ms. Tsepel Dolkar Yongda, Counsellor, Department of Psychiatry, New STNM Multispecialty Hospital, Sochakgang.</li><li>3. Ms. Dil Kumari Chettri, Psychiatric Nurse (TELEMANS).</li></ol>	31 inmates (08 Convicts including 01 female and 23 UTPs including 05 female) were examined and provided counselling.
District Prison Boomtar, Namchi District	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Dr. Tsepel Eden Bhutia, Psychiatrist, District Hospital, Mangan.</li><li>2. Ms. Divyaswari Rai, Clinical Psychologist, District Hospital, Namchi</li></ol>	81 UTPs were examined and provided counselling.



During these camps, the Convicts and Under Trial Prisoners undergoing medical treatment for mental health issues were examined and other Convicts and Under Trial Prisoners suffering from various mental issues were provided counselling by the Psychiatrists and Clinical Psychologists and medicines were also prescribed to them.



Mental Health Camp at State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok District  
on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2024



Mental Health Camp at District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi District  
on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2024

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

### HIGH COURT LOK ADALAT:

S.No.	Date	Presided over by	Cases taken up	Cases Disposed of
1.	05/07/2024	Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs. Geeta Gurung and Mrs. Yangchen Ladingpa	04	01
2.	12/07/2024	Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs. Basanti Rai and Mr. G.P. Pradhan	03	01
3.	02/08/2024	Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs. Yangchen Ladingpa and Mr. Wangyal T. Bhutia	04	01
4.	09/08/2024	Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs. Geeta Gurung, Mr. G.P. Pradhan and Mrs. Geeta Gurung	02	01

### NATIONAL LOK ADALAT :

National Lok Adalat was held on **14<sup>th</sup> September, 2024** wherein out of **74 cases** that were taken up, **54 cases** have been settled and a total amount of **Rs. 73,42,241/- only** was awarded.

Details of cases taken up and disposed of are as follows:

(i) **Court of District & Sessions Judge, Special Division- II, Gangtok:**

No. of cases taken up	:	26
No. of cases settled	:	17
Amount Awarded (in Rs.)	:	59,45,142/-



- (ii) **Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Civil Judge (Sr. Division), Gangtok:**

<b>No. of cases taken up</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>03</b>
<b>No. of cases settled</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>02</b>
<b>Amount Awarded (in Rs.)</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>1,90,000/-</b>

- (iii) **Court of District & Sessions Judge, Gyalshing:**

<b>No. of cases taken up</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>02</b>
<b>No. of cases settled</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>02</b>
<b>Amount Awarded (in Rs.)</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>57,816/-</b>

- (iv) **Court of Civil Judge-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Rangpo:**

<b>No. of cases taken up</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>08</b>
<b>No. of cases settled</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>04</b>
<b>Amount Awarded (in Rs.)</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>1,00,000/-</b>

- (v) **Court of Civil Judge-cum-Judicial Magistrate (I/C), Namchi:**

<b>No. of cases taken up</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>01</b>
<b>No. of cases settled</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>01</b>
<b>Amount Awarded (in Rs.)</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>500/-</b>

- (vi) **Court of Civil Judge-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Gangtok:**

<b>No. of cases taken up</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>01</b>
<b>No. of cases settled</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>01</b>
<b>Amount Awarded (in Rs.)</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>NIL</b>

- (vii) **Court of Civil Judge-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Yangang:**

<b>No. of cases taken up</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>No. of cases settled</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>0116</b>
<b>Amount Awarded (in Rs.)</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>4,71,816/-</b>

- (viii) **Court of Civil Judge-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Rongli:**

<b>No. of cases taken up</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>No. of cases settled</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>011116</b>
<b>Amount Awarded (in Rs.)</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>5,76,967/-</b>

**REGULAR LOK ADALAT AT THE DISTRICT AND TALUK LEVEL**  
**DURING THE QUARTER JULY TO SEPTEMBER, 2024**

**DISTRICT LOK ADALAT, GANGTOK**

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
06	09	274	283	283	NIL

**DISTRICT LOK ADALAT, GYALSHING**

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
01	NIL	03	03	02	01

**DISTRICT LOK ADALAT, NAMCHI**

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
05	17	55	72	17	55

**TALUK LOK ADALAT, RANGPO**

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
02	NIL	08	08	08	NIL

**TALUK LOK ADALAT, NAMCHI**

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
08	07	04	11	10	01



**TALUK LOK ADALAT, JORETHANG**

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
05	14	20	34	09	25

**TALUK LOK ADALAT, GYALSHING**

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
04	09	26	35	16	19

**TALUK LOK ADALAT, SORENG**

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
NIL	NIL	38	38	NIL	38

**TALUK LOK ADALAT, MANGAN**

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
03	01	NIL	01	01	NIL

**LEGAL AID**

During the quarter, July to September, 2024Legal aid was provided to **286** beneficiaries by the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority as per the category mentioned hereunder:

QUARTER	S.C.	S.T.	WOMEN	CHILD	UNDER TRIAL/DETAINED BY CUSTODY	GENERAL	DISABLED	SENIOR CITIZEN	TOTAL
July to September 2024	03	52	134	11	49	36	01	NIL	286

## STATISTICS OF MEDIATION

JULY - SEPTEMBER, 2024					
MEDIATION CENTRE	NO. OF MEDIATIONS HELD	NO. OF CASES TAKEN UP	NO. OF CASES SETTLED	NO. OF CASES RETURNED	NO. OF CASES PENDING
Gangtok	126	66	05	31	30
Mangan	02	01	NIL	01	NIL
Namchi	42	37	03	16	18
Gyalshing	23	18	08	04	06
Total	193	122	16	52	54

## STATISTICS OF PRE-LITIGATION MEDIATION

JULY - SEPTEMBER, 2024						
District Legal Services Authority	No. of ongoing/pending mediation at the beginning of quarter	No. of applications received for mediation	No. of applications where mediation remains non-starter	No. of applications where parties reached to settlement	No. of applications where parties could not reach to settlement	No. of ongoing/pending mediation at the end of quarter
Gangtok	02	15	09	NIL	NIL	08
Mangan	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Namchi	NIL	01	01	NIL	NIL	NIL
Gyalshing	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Total	02	16	10	NIL	NIL	08


## TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR PANEL ADVOCATES

Under the directions of Hon’ble Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim & Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA, training programmes are being conducted by Sikkim SLSA every month through webinar for the Panel Lawyers (upto 12 years of practice).



Three training programmes was conducted via virtual mode during the quarter July to September, 2024 which are as follows:

Sl. No.	Date	Topic	Resource Person
1.	06/07/2024	Drafting and Pleading	Mr. A. Moulik, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim
2.	03/08/2024	Order Vi, VII & VIII of Code of Civil Procedure	Mr. S. S. Hamal, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim & Sr. Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
3.	07/09/2024	Section 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33, 34, 35, 38 & 40 of POCSO Act, 2012	Mr. N. Rai, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim & Sr. Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA



Training programme conducted via virtual mode on the topic ‘Drafting and Pleading’ by Shri A. Moulik, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim on 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2024.



*Training programme conducted via virtual mode on the topic ‘Order VI, VII, & VIII of Code of Civil Procedure’ by Shri S.S Hamal, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim on 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2024.*



*Training programme conducted via virtual mode on the topic ‘Section 24,25,26,27,28 & 29,30,33,34,35,38 & 40 of POCSO Act,2012’ by Shri N. Rai, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.*

## LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMMES THROUGH DOORDARSHAN AND ALL INDIA RADIO

As a part of its awareness drive, Sikkim State Legal Services Authority has been disseminating information on various legal topics which is telecast in Doordarshan once a month under “Gramin Kariakram” and All India Radio every



Saturday under “Kanuni Kura”. The Resource Persons comprises of Panel Advocates of Sikkim SLSA and the topics disseminated are as follows:

- Doordarshan (once a month):**

Sl. No.	Month	Topic	Resource Person
1.	July, 2024	Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016	Mrs. Zola Megi, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
2.	August, 2024	Rights of Consumers	Mr. M.N. Dhungel, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
3.	September, 2024	Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe (prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989	Mr. Bhusan Nepal, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA

- All India Radio (every Saturday):**

Sl. No.	Date	Topic	Resource Person
1.	06/07/2024	Mental Healthcare Act, 2017	Mr. S.S. Hamal, Sr. Advocate, High Court of Sikkim & Sr. Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
2.	13/07/2024	The Maintenance and Welfare of Senior Citizens Act, 2007 and Maintenance u/s 125 CrPC	Mr. Pujan Chettri Kharga, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
3.	20/07/2024	Human Trafficking	Mr. T.R. Barfungpa, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
4.	27/07/2024	Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 as amended in 2019	Mr. J.K.P. Jaiswal, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
5.	03/08/2024	Sexual Harassment at Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013	Mrs. Puja Lamichaney, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
6.	10/08/2024	Domestic Violence Act, 2005	Mr. Tsewang Namgyal, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
7.	17/08/2024	Consumer Protection Act, 2019	Mr. Ramesh Sharma, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA

8.	24/08/2024	Penal provisions under Sikkim Anti-Drugs Act, 2006 and NDPS Act, 1985	Mr. Hem Lall Manger, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
9.	31/08/2024	Offences against Public Tranquility under Chapter – VIII of the IPC, 1860	Mr. Pema Ongchu Bhutia, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
10.	07/09/2024	Maternity Benefits Act, 1961 as amended in 2017 and maternity benefits in Sikkim	Mr. Sushant Subba, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
11.	14/09/2024	Free & Competent Legal Aid & Services	Ms. Tengop Subba, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
12.	21/09/2024	Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012	Ms. Sashi Rai, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
13.	28/09/2024	Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015	Mr. Deepen Pradhan, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA

### **COUNSELLING FOR THE INMATES ARRESTED UNDER SADA, 2006 AND NDPS ACT, 1985**

Counseling is being provided to the inmates involved in cases under Sikkim Anti Drugs Act, 2006 and Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, Act, 1985 and lodged in State Central Prison, Rongyek, East Sikkim and District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi, South Sikkim by the Counselors from the Rehabilitation Homes (1) Serenity Home, Rehabilitation Centre, Lower Burtuk, Gangtok and (2) Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Tathangchen, Gangtok on rotation basis under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of the Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015 from the office of Sikkim SLSA.

Twenty-nine counselling programmes were conducted by the Counsellors/Volunteers from Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Tathangchen, Gangtok via virtual/physical mode during the quarter July to September, 2024 as detailed below:



Sl. No.	Date	Prison	Name of the Counsellor	No. of Participants (UTPs)
1.	03/07/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Karma Bhutia	11 (physical)
2.	05/07/2024	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia	16 (virtual)
3.	08/07/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Prashant Gautam, Mr. Ashish Prasai and Mr. Nehang Khesong	16 (virtual)
4.	10/07/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Karma Lepcha	15 (physical)
5.	12/07/2024	District Prison, Boomtar	Ms. Sneha Das (Intern), Ms. Naina Chettri (Intern), Mr. Sonam Chopel Lepcha (Sr. Patient) and Mr. Prashant Gautam (Sr. Patient)	19 (virtual)
6.	15/07/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Prashant Gautam and Mr. Suvam Gurung	08 (virtual)
7.	17/07/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Karma Lepcha	11 (physical)
8.	22/07/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Suvam Gurung and Mr. Ashish Prasai	10 (virtual)
9.	24/07/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Karma Lepcha	16 (physical)
10.	26/07/2024	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr. Raju Basnett (Sr. Patient)	10 (virtual)
11.	29/07/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Sochan Chettri (Sr. Patient) and Mr. Prashant Gautam	10 (virtual)
12.	31/07/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Sourab Gurung and Mr. Deepen Gurung	10 (physical)

13.	02/08/2024	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia	19 (virtual)
14.	05/08/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Karma Wangchuk Lepcha and Mr. Arun Kumar Chettri	15 (virtual)
15.	07/08/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. K.C. Nima	11 (physical)
16.	09/08/2024	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr. Sandeep Tamang	15 (virtual)
17.	12/08/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Sandeep Tamang and Mr. Tashi Bhutia	06 (virtual)
18.	19/08/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Sandeep Tamang and Mr. Tashi Bhutia	10 (virtual)
19.	23/08/2024	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr. Sandeep Tamang and Mr. Tashi Bhutia	20 (virtual)
20.	28/08/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. K.C. Nima	12 (physical)
21.	30/08/2024	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr. Saurav Majumdar (Sr. Patient)	18 (virtual)
22.	02/09/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. K.C. Nima	11 (physical)
23.	04/09/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. K.C. Nima	11 (physical)
24.	11/09/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Nikheel Pradhan (Sr. Resident) and Mr. Sandeep Tamang (Service Provider)	10 (physical)
25.	13/09/2024	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr. Rohit Pradhan (Sr. Resident)	21 (virtual)
26.	16/09/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Noel Lepcha (Service Provider) and Mr. Nikheel Pradhan (Sr. Resident)	10 (virtual)



27.	23/09/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. Noel Lepcha (Service Provider) and Mr. Nikheel Pradhan (Sr. Resident)	10 (virtual)
28.	25/09/2024	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr. K.C. Nima	15 (physical)
29.	27/09/2024	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr. Vivek Rai (Sr. Resident)	13 (virtual)

### COUNSELLING FOR RECOVERING SUBSTANCE ABUSERS AND REHABILITATED DRUG ABUSERS

On the request of Sikkim State Legal Services Authority, a room has been allotted at Old STNM Hospital, Gangtok by the Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Sikkim to be used as a “Day Care and Counselling Centre” for recovering substance abusers and rehabilitated drug abusers and is functioning since 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2022.

The Centre is being run by the Counselors of Serenity Home, Lower Burtuk. The number of persons who have visited the Day Care and Counselling Centre for the quarter July to September, 2024 are as under:

Month	No. of Days visited by the recovering substance abusers/rehabilitated drug abusers	No. of visitors
July, 2024	21	38
August, 2024	26	45
September, 2024	22	32

**LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME UNDER NALSA (LEGAL SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING AND COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION) SCHEME INCLUDING PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM SEXUAL OFFENCES (POCSO) ACT, 2012, SIKKIM ANTI- DRUGS ACT (SADA), 2006 AND WELFARE SCHEMES OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND STATE GOVERNMENT FOR STUDENTS OF SECONDARY AND SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN SIKKIM**

During the quarter, two legal awareness programmes were conducted by the team comprising of officers from the Social Welfare Department and Anti-Human Trafficking Unit, Police Department, Government of Sikkim and Panel Advocates of Sikkim SLSA for the students of Secondary Schools of Sikkim, detailed hereunder: -

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Resource Person</b>	<b>No. of participants comprising of students, teaching/non-teaching staff</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>17/08/2024</b>	<b>Government Senior Secondary School, Machong, Pakyong</b>	<b>Mrs. Chezum Lepcha, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Human Trafficking Unit, Mr. Tsewang Tobden, Welfare Inspector, Social Welfare Department, Mr. Anup Gurung, Welfare Inspector, Social Welfare Department and Mr. Hem Lall Manger, Panel Advocate</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>31/08/2024</b>	<b>Government Senior Secondary School, Samdong, Gangtok</b>	<b>Ms. Renuka Chettri, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Human Trafficking Unit, Ms. Roshni Pradhan, Welfare Inspector, Social</b>	<b>198</b>



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3.	21/09/2024	Government Secondary School, Syaplay Sardaray, Gangtok	Mrs. Chezum Lepcha, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Human Trafficking Unit, Mr. Anup Gurung, Welfare Inspector, Social Welfare Department and Mr. Hem Lall Manger, Panel Advocate	80



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## OTHER LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMMES

CONDUCTED BY	DATE	Name of the Programme	VENUE
DLSA & TLSC East at Gangtok,	30/07/2024	Legal Awareness Programme under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015	Government Senior Secondary School, Enchey, Gangtok
	31/08/2024	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victim of Drug Abuse & Eradication of the Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015	Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Tathangchen, Gangtok
	27/09/2024	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016	Lee Aal Sang Destitute Home, Tintek
TLSC at Rongli	10/07/2024	Legal Awareness Programme under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015	Chujachen GPU, Rongli, Pakyong
	05/08/2024	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victim of Drug Abuse & Eradication of the Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015	Government Senior Secondary School, Sudunglakha, Rhenock
DLSA & TLSC North at Mangan	30/07/2024	Legal Awareness Programme under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015	Riinghim Nampatam GPU
	22/08/2024	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victim of Drug Abuse & Eradication of the Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015	Nagar Panchayat, Mangan
	25/09/2024	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016	Singhik Guest House (Temporary shelter provided to victims of Glacial Lake Outburst (GLOF))
			Government Secondary School, Singhik



<b>DLSA &amp; TLSC South at Namchi</b>	<b>05/07/2024</b>	<b>Legal Awareness Programme under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015</b>	<b>Block Administrative Centre, Sikkip, Namchi</b>
	<b>22/08/2024</b>	<b>Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victim of Drug Abuse &amp; Eradication of the Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015</b>	<b>Village Administrative Centre, 10- Tanzi-Bikmat GPU, Namchi</b>
	<b>29/08/2024</b>	<b>Awareness Programme for the ‘Families of the Victim of Drug Abuse’</b>	<b>District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi</b>
	<b>19/09/2024</b>	<b>Awareness Programme on NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016</b>	<b>Melli Dara Paiyong GPU, Namchi</b>
<b>DLSA &amp; TLSC Gyalshing</b>	<b>05/07/2024</b>	<b>Legal Awareness Programme under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015</b>	<b>Gram Prasashan Kendra, Lingchom GPU, Gyalshing</b>
	<b>29/08/2024</b>	<b>Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victim of Drug Abuse &amp; Eradication of the Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015 for the families of victims of drug abuse</b>	<b>Hall of ADR Centre, Gyalshing</b>



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Bikmat GPU, Namchi District*



MGNREGA LEGAL LITERACY CAMPS

CONDUCTED BY	DATE	VENUE
DLSA & TLSC East at Gangtok	31/08/2024	Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Tathangchen, Gangtok
TLSC at Rongli	10/09/2024	Block Development Office, Rongli, Pakyong
DLSA& TLSC North at Mangan	13/08/2024	Singhik Sentam GPU
DLSA & TLSC South at Namchi	11/07/2024	Dethang, 52-Barfung-Jarrong GPU, Ravangla, Namchi
	12/09/2024	Lower Sumbuk, Namchi
DLSA & TLSC West at Gyalshing	22/08/2024	Samaj Ghar, Near Government Primary School, Tikjeck, Gyalshing



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Mangan District



Dethang, 52-Barfung-Jarrong GPU, Ravangla,  
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School, Tikjeck, Gyalshing District



MICRO LEGAL LITERACY CAMPS

CONDUCTED BY	DATE	VENUE
DLSA & TLSC East at Gangtok	30/07/2024	Government Senior Secondary School, Enchey, Gangtok
	27/09/2024	Lee Aal Sang Destitute Home, Tintek
DLSA, & TLSC North at Mangan.	09/09/2024	Government Arts College, Mangshila
DLSA & TLSC West at Gyalshing	26/09/2024	Government Secondary School, Chumbung, Gyalshing
TLSC at Rangpo	31/07/2024	Industrial Training Institute, Rangpo
TLSC at Soreng	18/07/2024	Atish Dipankar Boys Children Home, Soreng



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