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Celebration of the 79th Independence Day at the Office Premises of Sikkim State Legal Services Authority, Development Area, Gangtok on 15th August 2025

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CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME ON SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE (PREVENTION, PROHIBITION AND REDRESSAL) ACT, 2013

In compliance with the directions of NALSA and under the guidance of Hon’ble Mrs Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA, the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority organized a Capacity Building Programme on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013. The programme was conducted for the Panel Advocates of Sikkim SLSA on 15th July, 2025 at the Conference Hall of Sikkim SLSA, Development Area, Gangtok.

- Trained Panel Advocates Mr Sushant Subba, Mr Hem Lall Manger and Mr Passang Tshering Bhutia were the Resource Persons.
- The topics discussed were the background and Role of Internal Committees, Local Committees- 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.
- Twenty one Panel Advocates attended the aforesaid programme.
- The Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA delivered the welcome address while the vote of thanks was proposed by the Deputy Secretary, Sikkim SLSA.



Capacity Building Programme for Panel Advocates of the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority on ‘Protection of Women from Sexual Harassment (POSH) Act, 2013’ at Office of Sikkim SLSA at Gangtok District on 15.07.2025

79th INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Sikkim State Legal Services Authority celebrated 79th Independence Day in its office premises at Development Area, Gangtok on August 15th, 2025. The National Flag was hoisted by Hon'ble Mrs Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA followed by National Anthem.

The programme was attended by Mr Roger Rai, former Managing Director, SIDICO, Judicial Officers, Senior Advocates, Panel Advocates, Officers and staff members of the High Court of Sikkim and the Sikkim SLSA.



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

Pursuant to the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its Order dated 12th 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 SLSA; the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority organized a Sensitization Programme on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013. The participants were the employees and the

Members of Internal Complaints Committee, Social Welfare Department, Women, Child, Senior Citizen and Divyanjan Welfare Department including the officers and staff of the High Court of Sikkim, District Judiciary and Sikkim Judicial Academy. The said programme was conducted on 29th August, 2025 at the Conference Hall of Sikkim SLSA, Development Area, Gangtok.

- Trained Panel Advocates Mr Sushant Subba, Mr Hem Lal Manger and Mr Passang Tshering Bhutia were the Resource Persons.
- Topics covered were the Background and Role of Internal Committees, Local Committees-Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal, Definition of Sexual Harassment, Procedures and Process for Redressal followed by case study.
- During the course of the programme, a short movie titled “Ab Khamosh Kyun” produced by Human Rights Law Network, New Delhi was also screened.
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Sensitization Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013 for Employees of Social Welfare Department and Women, Child, Senior Citizen and Divyanjan Welfare Department, Government of Sikkim; The Internal Complaints Committee of the Sikkim High Court, the District Courts and the Sikkim Judicial Academy held at Sikkim SLSA office on 29th August 2025, Gangtok District.

FOUR DAYS TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR PARA-LEGAL VOLUNTEERS

Pursuant to NALSA’s Scheme for Para-Legal Volunteers (revised) & Module for the Orientation-Induction-Refresher Courses for PLV Training and under the directions of Hon’ble Executive Chairperson, Sikkim State Legal Services Authority, four days training programme for students and retired defense personnel as Para-Legal Volunteers was organized by Sikkim SLSA on the following dates:

Name of the programme	Date	Venue	No of participants as PLVs
Four Days Training Programme for Student PLVs of Sikkim Government Law College and ICFAI University	09/09/2025 To 12/09/2025	Moot Court Hall, Sikkim Government Law College, Burtuk	783
Four Days Training Programme for PLVs selected from widows of deceased personnel, ex-servicemen or their dependents residing in civilian areas and spouses or adult children of currently serving defence personnel	17/09/2025 To 20/09/2025	Conference Hall, office of Sikkim SLSA	93

Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Secretary, District Legal Services Authority (East & North) at Gangtok, Senior Panel Advocates, Legal Aid Defense Counsels, Panel Advocates, Principal, Sikkim Government Law College, Officers from the Women, Child, Senior Citizen & Divyanjan Welfare Department, Labour Department and Forest and Environment Department were the Resource Persons for the aforementioned programmes.



Four Days Training Programme for student Para Legal Volunteers of the Sikkim Government Law College, Burtuk and ICFAI University under the NALSA scheme for PLVs (Revised) & Module for the Orientation-Induction Refresher Courses for PLV Training at the Burtuk College, Gangtok from 09th to 12th September 2025, Gangtok District

During the course of the training, many aspects, core purposes and the multifaceted responsibilities of a Para-Legal Volunteer on various legal subjects was explained to the participants at great length providing them with a clear understanding as to how they can effectively assist an individual seeking free legal aid.

The critical aspects of the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015, Schemes of NALSA, Labour laws and free legal aid etc were discussed.



Four Days Training Programme for student Para Legal Volunteers of the Sikkim Government Law College, Burtuk and ICFAI University under the NALSA scheme for PLVs (Revised) & Module for the Orientation-Induction Refresher Courses for PLV Training at the Burtuk College, Gangtok from 09th to 12th September 2025, Gangtok District

Topics deliberated, discussed and educated on were critical aspects of the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015, Schemes of NALSA, property laws, Labour laws, critical aspects of legal framework concerning youth individuals, Equal Remuneration Act, 1976 and free legal aid.



Four-day training programme for para-legal volunteers selected from widows of deceased defence personnel, ex-servicemen or their dependents residing in civilian areas, and spouses or adult children of currently serving defence personnel under the NALSA Scheme for PLVs (Revised), including the module for orientation– induction refresher courses for PLV training at the Office of Sikkim SLA from 17th to 20th September 2025, Gangtok District.

MENTAL HEALTH CAMP

Under the directions and guidance of the Hon’ble Executive Chairperson and in compliance to the resolution taken during the 19th All India Meet of State Legal Services Authorities held on 30th June to 1st July, 2023 at Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir 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 Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Sikkim organized Mental Health Camps at State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok District on 15th September, 2025.

Similar camp was organized jointly by the 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 15th September, 2025.

During these camps, the Convicts and Under Trial Prisoners suffering from mental health issues were examined. The Psychiatrists and Clinical Psychologists and counsellors from the Department of Psychiatry, STNM Hospital provided counseling to them and also to the UTPs and Convicts who required such counseling.

The Resource Persons for the mental camps were: -

Prison	Resource Persons	Convicts/UTPs examined and provided counseling
State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok	Dr Sheetal Chettri, Psychiatrist, STNM Hospital, Sochakgang Ms Samikcha Sapkota, Counselor, STNM Hospital, Sochakgang Dr Tenzing Palmu Subba, Medical Officer, State Central Prison, Rongyek	17 inmates (09 Convicts and 08 UTPs) were examined and provided counseling.
District Prison Boomtar, Namchi District	Ms Diyashri Rai, Psychologist, District Hospital, Namchi	135 UTPs were examined and provided counseling.

SOME GLIMPSES OF THE MENTAL HEALTH CAMP



Mental Health Camp organized by Sikkim State Legal Services Authority under the aegis of National Legal Services Authority in coordination with Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Sikkim at State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok.



SPECIAL MEDIATION CAMPAIGN

The National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) in collaboration with the Mediation and Conciliation Project Committee (MCPC) of the Supreme Court of India had launched a special mediation drive titled ‘Mediation For the Nation’ on 23rd July, 2025. This initiative was launched under the guidance of Hon’ble Mr Justice B R Gavai, the then Chief Justice of India & Patron-in-Chief, NALSA and Hon’ble Mr Justice Surya Kant, Judge, Supreme Court of India & the then Executive Chairman, NALSA and Chairman, MCPC with the aim of promoting mediation as an effective tool for amicable resolution of disputes.

In pursuance to this initiative, the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority, under the aegis of NALSA and MCPC and under the supervision of Hon’ble Mrs Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim & Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLA, organized the ‘Special Mediation Campaign’ by requesting the Ld Trial Courts to forward cases for mediation. The campaign aimed to facilitate the settlement of pending cases before the High Courts, the District Courts and Taluka Courts through mediation.

As per the timeline prescribed by NALSA and MCPC, the Sikkim SLA was required to forward the statistics of cases settled to MCPC on 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th August and 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd September 2025. Accordingly, the details were forwarded to MCPC, every fortnightly.

During the campaign period from the 22nd July, 2025 to 22nd September, 2025, a total of 213 cases were referred to Mediation Centres at Gangtok, Mangan, Namchi and Gyalshing Districts. These cases included bank recovery matters, MACT cases, matrimonial disputes, eviction cases, service matters, land acquisition matters and other civil disputes. 43 cases were successfully settled, while 170 cases remained unsettled and were referred back to the respective referral courts. A total of 41 trained mediators were engaged to conduct the cases referred for mediation.

Message highlighting the campaign was published both in English and vernacular languages of Sikkim in local newspapers. They were also uploaded on the social media handlers namely, Sikkim Chronicle and Voice of Sikkim and on the official website and Facebook page of the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

HIGH COURT LOK ADALAT:

Sl. No.	Date	Presided over by	Cases taken up	Cases Disposed of
1.	11/07/2025	Hon’ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs Geeta Gurung and Mrs Yangchen Ladingpa	05	Nil
2.	02/08/2025	Hon’ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs Geeta Gurung and Mrs Basanti Rai	03	Nil
3.	14/08/2025	Hon’ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mr G P Pradhan and Mr Wangyal T Bhutia	03	Nil
4.	05/09/2025	Hon’ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mr Wangyal T Bhutia and Mrs Yangchen Ladingpa	05	01
5.	13/09/2025	Hon’ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs Geeta Gurung and Mrs Basanti Rai	06	Nil
6.	25/09/2025	Hon’ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs Geeta Gurung and Mr G P Pradhan	04	Nil

NATIONAL LOK ADALAT:

The Sikkim State Legal Services Authority under the aegis and directions of NALSA, duly supervised at the State level by Hon’ble Mrs Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim & Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA, organized National Lok Adalat on 18th September, 2025 in all the districts and taluk Lok Adalat benches within the State of Sikkim.

A total of 54 cases were taken up by the various Lok Adalat Benches which included bank recovery cases, criminal compoundable cases, MACT matters, matrimonial matters, land acquisition matters and other civil matters. 23 cases were disposed as settled, wherein, a sum of ₹82,44,050/- (Rupees eighty-two lakh forty-four thousand fifty) only was awarded to the aggrieved parties by way of settlement during the National Lok Adalat while 31 cases were disposed of as unsettled.

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

No. of cases taken up	:	30
No. of cases settled	:	12
Amount Awarded (in ₹)	:	21,97,250/-

(ii) Court of District & Sessions Judge, Namchi:

No. of cases taken up	:	04
No. of cases settled	:	01
Amount Awarded (in ₹)	:	30,000/-

(iii) Court of District & Sessions Judge, Gyalshing

No. of cases taken up	:	01
No. of cases settled	:	01
Amount Awarded (in ₹)	:	20,000/-

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

No. of cases taken up	:	04
No. of cases settled	:	01
Amount Awarded (in ₹)	:	23,000/-

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

No. of cases taken up	:	01
No. of cases settled	:	Nil
Amount Awarded (in ₹)	:	Nil

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

No. of cases taken up	:	08
No. of cases settled	:	08
Amount Awarded (in ₹)	:	9,73,800/-

(vii) High Court Lok Adalat:

No. of cases taken up	:	06
No. of cases settled	:	06
Amount Awarded (in ₹)	:	Nil

**REGULAR LOK ADALAT AT THE DISTRICT AND TALUK LEVEL
DURING THE QUARTER JULY TO SEPTEMBER, 2025**

DISTRICT LOK ADALAT, GANGTOK

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
04	14	87	101	99	02

DISTRICT LOK ADALAT, GYALSHING

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
02	NIL	05	05	01	04

DISTRICT LOK ADALAT, NAMCHI

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
07	19	12	31	23	08

TALUK LOK ADALAT, RANGPO

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
06	01	04	05	05	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
07	04	19	23	11	12

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	05	05	10	07	09

TALUK LOK ADALAT, GYALSHING

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
05	12	05	17	14	03

TALUK LOK ADALAT, SORENG

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

TALUK LOK ADALAT, MANGAN

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

LEGAL AID

During the quarter July to September, 2025, Legal aid was provided to **346** 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, 2025	10	29	176	16	55	51	03	06	346

STATISTICS OF MEDIATION

JULY - SEPTEMBER, 2025					
MEDIATION CENTRE	NO. OF MEDIATIONS HELD	NO. OF CASES TAKEN UP	NO. OF CASES SETTLED	NO. OF CASES RETURNED	NO. OF CASES PENDING
Gangtok	129	49	07	24	18
Mangan	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Namchi	24	15	01	07	07
Gyalshing	10	17	08	03	06
Total	163	81	16	34	31

STATISTICS OF PRE-LITIGATION MEDIATION

JULY - SEPTEMBER, 2025						
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	11	14	15	NIL	03	07
Mangan	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Namchi	NIL	03	03	NIL	NIL	NIL
Gyalshing	01	03	NIL	02	02	NIL
Total	12	20	18	02	05	07

TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR PANEL ADVOCATES

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

Details of the training programmes conducted via virtual mode during the quarter are as follows:

Sl. No.	Date	Topic	Resource Person
1.	05/07/2025	Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, Part II - Execution	Mr A Moulik, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim
2.	20/09/2025	Latest Developments on Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 vis-à-vis The Central Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989 and The Sikkim Motor Vehicle Rules, 1991	Mr Umesh Ranpal, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLISA



Virtual Training Programme conducted Mr A Moulik, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim on the topic “Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, Part II - Execution” on 5th July 2025



Virtual Training Programme conducted Mr Umesh Ranpal, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLISA on the topic Latest Developments on Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 vis-à-vis The Central Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989 and The Sikkim Motor Vehicle Rules, 1991” on 20th September 2025

LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMMES THROUGH DOORDARSHAN AND ALL INDIA RADIO

As an 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.

Details of the topics discussed during the quarter July to September, 2025 are as follows:

Doordarshan (once a month):

Sl. No.	Month	Topic	Resource Person
1.	July, 2025	NALSA (Legal Services to Disaster Victims through Legal Services Authorities) Scheme, 2010	Mr Jorgay Namka
2.	August, 2025	Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012	Mr N Rai
3.	September, 2025	NALSA (Ensuring Access to Justice for Widows Living in Shelter Homes) Scheme, 2017	Ms Prarthana Ghataney

All India Radio (every Saturday):

Sl. No.	Date	Topic	Resource Person
1.	05/07/2025	NALSA (Legal Services to Disaster Victims through Legal Services Authorities) Scheme, 2010	Mr Jorgay Namka
2.	12/07/2025	Mental Health Care Act, 2017	Ms Sachina Y Rai
3.	19/07/2025	The overview of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023	Mr N Rai
4.	26/07/2025	NALSA (Legal Services to Persons with Mental Health Illness and Persons with Intellectual Disabilities) Scheme, 2024 (LSUM)	Mr Tsewang Namgyal
5.	02/08/2025	The Right to Information Act, 2005	Mr Umesh Ranpal
6.	09/08/2025	NALSA (Legal Services to Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015	Mr Tashi Rapten Barfungpa

7.	16/08/2025	The overview of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023	Mr S S Hamal
8.	23/08/2025	Domestic Violence Act, 2005	Mr Deven Rai
9.	30/08/2025	Fundamental Rights and Duties under the Constitution of India	Dr Doma T Bhutia
10.	06/09/2025	NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015	Ms Kesang D Bhutia
11.	13/09/2025	The Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 and Maintenance under Section 125 CrPC, 1973	Mr Sajal Sharma
12.	20/09/2025	Cyber Crimes with Special Emphasis on Information Technology Act, 2000	Mr Kazi Sangay Thupden
13.	27/09/2025	NALSA (Ensuring Access to Justice for Widows Living in Shelter Homes) Scheme, 2017	Ms Prarthana Ghataney

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

Under the directions of the Hon’ble Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA, counseling is being provided to the inmates involved in cases under Sikkim Anti Drugs Act, 2006 and Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, Act, 1985 lodged in State Central Prison, Rongyek, East Sikkim and District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi, South Sikkim. Such counseling sessions are conducted by the Counselors from the Rehabilitation Homes namely: Serenity Home, Information, Research & Treatment on Chemical Dependency, Bethzada Society, Lower Burtuk, Gangtok and Freedom Facility, Rehabilitation Centre, Tathangchen, Gangtok, on rotation basis, under the NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of the Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015.

Fifteen counseling programmes were conducted by the Counselors from Freedom Facility, Rehabilitation Centre, Tathangchen, Gangtok via hybrid mode during the quarter July to September, 2025 as detailed below:

Sl. No.	Date	Prison	Name of the Counsellor	No. of Participants (UTPs)
1.	02/07/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Will Lepcha	37 <i>(physical)</i>
2.	04/07/2025	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr Rochan Banstola	36 <i>(virtual)</i>

3.	09/07/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Noel Lepcha and Mr Rochen Chettri	39 <i>(physical)</i>
4.	14/07/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Sochan Chettri and Mr Rochan Banstola	29 <i>(virtual)</i>
5.	16/07/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Rochan Banstola and Mr Noel Lepcha	31 <i>(physical)</i>
6.	18/07/2025	District Prison, Boomtar	Mr Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr Rochan Banstola	31 <i>(virtual)</i>
7.	12/08/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Sochan Chettri and Mr Pranesh Rai	32 <i>(virtual)</i>
8.	13/08/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Noel Lepcha and Mr Rochan Banstola	32 <i>(physical)</i>
9.	18/08/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Noel Lepcha and Mr Bikas Balmiki	50 <i>(virtual)</i>
10.	25/08/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Noel Lepcha and Mr Nicolas Bhutia	21 <i>(virtual)</i>
11.	27/08/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr K C Nima	35 <i>(virtual)</i>
12.	01/09/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Sochan Chettri and Mr Rahul Chettri	23 <i>(virtual)</i>
13.	03/09/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr Pravesh Chettri	21 <i>(physical)</i>
14.	08/09/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Sochan Chettri and Mr Sohil Ghatraj	21 <i>(virtual)</i>
15.	15/09/2025	State Central Prison, Rongyek	Mr Sochan Chettri and Mr Kincho Palden Tamang	23 <i>(virtual)</i>

COUNSELLING FOR RECOVERING SUBSTANCE ABUSERS AND
REHABILITATED DRUG ABUSERS

Under the directions of the Hon’ble Executive Chairperson, 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 Counseling Centre” for recovering substance users and rehabilitated drug users. The Day Care and Counseling Centre is functioning since 20th January, 2022.

The Centre is being run by the Counselors of Serenity Home, Lower Burtuk. The number of persons who visited the Day Care and Counseling Centre for the quarter July to September, 2025 are as under:

Month	No. of Days visited by the recovering substance abusers/rehabilitated drug abusers	No. of visitors
July, 2025	18	24
August, 2025	22	16
September, 2025	19	08

OTHER LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMMES

Conducted By	Date	Name of the Programme	Venue
DLSA & TLSC East at Gangtok,	23/07/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Financial Assistance to Drop Out and Disadvantaged Children) Scheme, 2025	Government Secondary School, Nazitam
	07/08/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Persons with Mental Illness and Persons with Intellectual Disabilities) Scheme, 2024	Birspati Parsai Government Senior Secondary School, Marchak, Ranipool
	19/08/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (ASHA – Awareness, Support, Help & Action) SOP Towards Eliminating Child Marriage, 2025	Government Secondary School, Penlong
	18/09/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services) Scheme, 2024	Modern Senior Secondary School, Tathangchen



Awareness programme on Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) and NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024 organised by DLSA Gangtok in co-ordination with Sikkim State Legal Services Authority on 19.09.2025 at Modern Sr. Sec. School, Gangtok District

Conducted By	Date	Name of the Programme	Venue
DLSA & TLSC North at Mangan	19/07/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Financial Assistance to Drop Out and Disadvantaged Children) Scheme, 2025	Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV), Phodong
	18/08/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Persons with Mental Illness and Persons with Intellectual Disabilities) Scheme, 2024	Kalzung Gyatso Government Senior Secondary School, Kabi
	21/08/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (ASHA – Awareness, Support, Help & Action) SOP Towards Eliminating Child Marriage, 2025	Kalzung Gyatso Government Senior Secondary School, Kabi
	17/09/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services for Children), 2024	Government Senior Secondary School, Mangshila

	25/09/2025	Legal Awareness Programme on the occasion of Senior Citizen Day	Swayem
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Awareness programme on NALSA Child Friendly Legal Services for Children and MGNREGA organised by DLSA Mangan under the aegis of Sikkim State Legal Services Authority on 17.09.2025 at Govt SSS Mangshilla, Mangan District

Conducted By	Date	Name of the Programme	Venue
DLSA & TLSC South at Namchi	15/07/2025	Legal awareness programme on Legal Services Unit for Children	Government Senior Secondary School, Temi
		Awareness programme on NALSA (JAGRITI) Justice Awareness for Grassroot Rural Information and Transparency Initiative Scheme, 2025	

	14/08/2025	Awareness programme on NALSA (JAGRITI) Justice Awareness for Grassroot Rural Information and Transparency Initiative Scheme, 2025	Gram Panchayat Unit Singithang, Mikkhola
	21/08/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (ASHA – Awareness, Support, Help & Action) SOP Towards Eliminating Child Marriage, 2025	Government Senior Secondary School, Kitam
		Legal Awareness programme on Legal Services Unit Manonyay	
	08/09/2025	Awareness programme on NALSA (JAGRITI) Justice Awareness for Grassroot Rural Information and Transparency Initiative Scheme, 2025	PM Shri VGCL Government Senior Secondary School, Ravangla



Awareness programme on NALSA (Child-Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024 and Ghar Gharma Nyaiko Jagran under NALSA (JAGRITI- Justice Awareness for Grassroots Rural Information and Transparency Initiative) Scheme, 2025 along with Micro Legal Literacy Camp organised by DLSA Namchi and TLSC Namchi, Jorethang & Yangang in co-ordination with Sikkim SLSA on 08.09.2025 at Ravangla VC Ganju Lama Sr. Sec. School, Namchi District.

Conducted By	Date	Name of the Programme	Venue
DLSA & TLSC, West at Gyalshing	11/07/2025	Awareness programme on NALSA (JAGRITI) Justice Awareness for Grassroot Rural Information and Transparency Initiative Scheme, 2025	Government Senior Secondary School, Khechuperi
		Awareness programme under NALSA (Financial Assistance to Drop Out and Disadvantaged Children) Scheme, 2025	
	15/07/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (SAMVAD – Strengthening Access to Justice for Marginalized, Vulnerable Adivasis and Denotified/Nomadic Tribes) Scheme	Eklavya Model Residential School, Gangyap
	16/07/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (DAWN – Drug Awareness and Wellness Navigation – for a Drug Free India) Scheme, 2025	Government Senior Secondary School, Legship
		Awareness programme under NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024	
	27/08/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Persons with Mental Illness and Persons with Intellectual Disabilities) Scheme, 2024	District Institute of Education and Training (DIET), Kyongsa
		Awareness programme under NALSA (DAWN – Drug Awareness and Wellness Navigation – for a Drug Free India) Scheme, 2025	
	28/08/2025	Awareness programme on NALSA (JAGRITI) Justice Awareness for Grassroot Rural Information and Transparency Initiative Scheme, 2025	Government Senior Secondary School, Uttarey

		Awareness programme under NALSA (SAMVAD – Strengthening Access to Justice for Marginalized, Vulnerable Adivasis and Denotified/Nomadic Tribes) Scheme	
		Awareness programme under NALSA (ASHA – Awareness, Support, Help & Action) SOP Towards Eliminating Child Marriage, 2025	



Awareness Programme under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), SAMVAD Scheme and JAGRITI Scheme organised by DLSA Gyalshing and TLSC Gyalshing in co-ordination with Sikkim State Legal Services Authority on 24.09.2025 at Maneybong GPU, Gyalshing District




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DLSA, Soreng	07/07/2025	Awareness programme on NALSA (JAGRITI) Justice Awareness for Grassroot Rural Information and Transparency Initiative Scheme, 2025	Gram Panchayat Unit, Samdung Sribadam
		Awareness programme under NALSA (Financial Assistance to Drop Out and Disadvantaged Children) Scheme, 2025	
	19/07/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (DAWN – Drug Awareness and Wellness Navigation – for a Drug Free India) Scheme, 2025	Government Secondary School, Dodak

	01/08/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024	Government Secondary School, Pakkigaon
		Awareness programme under NALSA (DAWN – Drug Awareness and Wellness Navigation – for a Drug Free India) Scheme, 2025	
	04/09/2025	Awareness programme on NALSA (JAGRITI) Justice Awareness for Grassroot Rural Information and Transparency Initiative Scheme, 2025	Gram Panchayat Unit, Suldung Kamling
		Awareness programme under NALSA (SAMVAD – Strengthening Access to Justice for Marginalized, Vulnerable Adivasis and Denotified/Nomadic Tribes) Scheme	



Awareness programme on NALSA (Child-Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024 organised by DLSA Soreng and TLSC Soreng in co-ordination with Sikkim SLSA on 01.09.2025 at Govt. Sec. School Pakki Gaon, Soreng District





Awareness programme on NALSA (SAMVAD – Strengthening Access to Justice for Marginalized Vulnerable Adivasis and Denotified/Nomadic Tribes) Scheme, 2025 and NALSA (JAGRITI- Justice Awareness for Grassroots Information and Transparency Initiative) Scheme, 2025 organised by DLSA Soreng and TLSC Soreng in co-ordination with Sikkim SLISA on 04.09.2025 at Suldung Kamling GPU, Soreng District

Conducted By	Date	Name of the Programme	Venue
DLSA, Pakyong	11/07/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024	Government Senior Secondary School, South Regu
	16/07/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Financial Assistance to Drop Out and Disadvantaged Children) Scheme, 2025	Gram Panchayat Unit, Central Pendam
	27/08/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (ASHA – Awareness, Support, Help & Action) SOP Towards Eliminating Child Marriage, 2025	Government Secondary School, Sudunglakha
	30/08/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Persons with Mental Illness and Persons with Intellectual Disabilities) Scheme, 2024	Government Secondary School, Tareythang
	23/09/2025	Legal Aid Awareness programme for Parents and Guardians under NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024	Gram Panchayat Unit, Amba
TLSC, Rongli	23/09/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Child	Premises of Rongli Police Station

		Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024	
TLSC, Rangpo	17/07/2025	Legal Awareness Programme on the occasion of Anti Drugs Day	Mining Senior Secondary School, Rangpo
	25/08/2025	Awareness Programme on Anti Drugs and Mental Illness	Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology, Majhitar
	19/09/2025	Awareness programme under NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024	Government Secondary School, Chanatar



Legal Awareness Programme for Parents and Guardians on How to Safeguard Children's Rights and Access Legal Services under the NALSA (Child-Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024 & MGNREGA under the aegis of Sikkim State Legal Services Authority organised by DLSA Pakyong on 23rd September, 2025 at GPU Amba, Pakyong District

MGNREGA LEGAL LITERACY CAMPS

Conducted By	Date	Venue
DLSA & TLSC East at Gangtok	18/09/2025	Modern Senior Secondary School, Tathangchen
DLSA& TLSC North at Mangan	19/07/2025	Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV), Phodong
	17/09/2025	Government Senior Secondary School, Mangshila
DLSA & TLSC South at Namchi	14/08/2025	Gram Panchayat Unit Singithang, Mikkhola
DLSA, Soreng	07/07/2025	Gram Panchayat Unit, Samdung Sribadam
DLSA, Pakyong	23/09/2025	Gram Panchayat Unit, Amba

MICRO LEGAL LITERACY CAMPS

Conducted By	Date	Venue
DLSA, & TLSC North at Mangan.	18/08/2025	Kalzang Gyatso Government Senior Secondary School, Kabi
DLSA & TLSC South at Namchi	15/07/2025	Government Senior Secondary School, Temi
	08/09/2025	PM Shri VGCL Government Senior Secondary School, Ravangla
DLSA, Soreng	20/02/2025	Dewanitar, Soreng
DLSA, Pakyong	16/07/2025	Gram Panchayat Unit, Central Pendam