It is the spirit and not the form of law that keeps justice alive.

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MESSAGE

It is a matter of immense pleasure that Punjab State Legal Services Authority is going to publish the News Letter “Saarthi” reflecting the activities undertaken during the period July-December, 2017.

The necessity of creating legal awareness amongst the masses of their legal rights and providing Legal Aid to the marginalized sections of society cannot be over-emphasised. In fact, the lack of legal awareness as well as resources to avail the legal remedy would make the provisions of the Constitution of India and other laws conferring the rights nugatory. I commend the efforts made by the Punjab State Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh to reach the marginalized sections of society, senior citizens, women, specially abled persons, jail inmates and children to apprise them of their legal rights and providing Free Legal aid to them. Besides this, the PLSA has performed exceptionally well in the field of organizing Lok Adalats and Mediation for amicable settlement of the disputes.

The News Letter “Saarthi” will prove very useful for all the Legal Aid workers to make them aware of various activities and schemes of PLSA.

I extend my best wishes to the Punjab State Legal Services Authority for its significant role in providing Legal Aid and services to the people of the State of Punjab.

(Krishna Murari)
MESSAGE

The initiatives taken up by the Punjab State Legal Services Authority are laudable and exemplary. Visibly it reflects the optimum execution of the schemes ingrained with the ideas of public utility services. Comprehendingly, the efforts to meet the object of providing legal aid & allied services to the persons belonging to the downtrodden, underprivileged and disadvantageous groups, are there for everyone to notice. Notwithstanding the unclear perception of these people about the beneficial provisions of the Legal Services Authorities Act and the Rules made thereunder, it can surely and positively be concluded that the acclamation and publicity given to the schemes and benefits available to these people under the statutes, have nearly achieved the goal attached therewith.

The missionary fervour on the part of the Punjab State Legal Services Authority, has generated a great response from the general public particularly from those, who have hitherto remained unaware of their right(s), be it Fundamental, Legal or Statutory. From the exaggerated electricity bill to the queuing up in the lines for issuance of the Aadhar Card, Voter Card, Passport or availing of any other public utility related services, the general public of the remote and far-flung areas in the State had been made aware of the redressal mechanism through easily accessible modes. The people with special abilities were exposed to their rights and benefits arising out of various beneficial legislations. The recognition so granted to them by way of organization of various camps, had thus, turned their plaintive tone into a throaty voice. One can, as a consequence, see the change in their approach to move ahead in life with an approvingly willing zeal.

Under the resourceful leadership of Ms. Harpreet Kaur Jeewan, Member Secretary and Mr. A.S. Shergill, Additional Member Secretary, Punjab State Legal Services Authority, Punjab, various schemes have been launched and programmes organized at various stations in the State of Punjab. Such programmes are Project “JAAGO: From Ignorance to Legal Empowerment”; Opening of ‘OOAT Clinic’ in Central Jail, Amritsar; Unearthing Inter State child sale racket in Punjab; Creating awareness on Plea Bargaining: A State Level Campaign; Pro-bono Services of lawyers;
Creating awareness about rights of Samaritan: to save accident injured; HIV – AIDS Virus Affected Patients being empanelled as Para Legal Volunteers; Transgender being joined in National Lok Adalat benches as Members; setting up of Legal Aid Clinics in Saanjh Kendra to help out the people who visit these Community Policing Centres (CPCs); Establishment of Legal Aid Clinics in Ambedkar Bawans - a step towards reaching the door step to remove oppression; Income ceiling limit for availing legal aid having been raised from Rs.1,50,000/- to Rs.3,00,000/--; Five days’ Induction training of Secretaries, DLSAs; Mediation Training Programmes-A step for amicable settlement of disputes and not mere disposal of cases and presence of legal aid advocate in Jail during remand proceeding through video conferencing.

Since September, 2017 when I took over as Executive Chairman of the Punjab State Legal Services Authority, intensive efforts have been made to collate and concise the data as regards the most vulnerable issues and accordingly, swiftly put into place the redressal mechanisms besides regular interactions with the Secretaries, District Legal Services Authorities, held from time to time. In this way, various issues ranging from the on field difficulties to timely and effective implementation of the schemes, were deliberated and emphasis laid on a calibrated approach at all levels.

On the occasion of the World Health Day, a Legal Aid Clinic was inaugurated on 10.10.2017 at Government De-addiction and Rehabilitation Centre, Mohali. While taking further the initiative of ‘Connecting to Serve’ programme, on 18.11.2017, a personal visit was made to various areas i.e. Deaf and Dumb institutions, Centre for Mentally Retarded and Blind, Orphanages, Slum Areas etc. The Government officers/officials present during these visits were directed to look into the public grievances in more empathetic way. Legal Services Camp was held at village Valtoha, Tarn Taran on 29.1.2018, with a view to making people aware about their entitlements and procedural aspects under various enactments, welfare schemes and programmes and strengthening their
access to the same. Around 1,45,500 people belonging to 25 villages were
covered during said campaign. On the same very day, a Legal Aid Clinic at
the Indo-Pak border i.e. village Asal Uttar, was also inaugurated, besides
setting up a Legal Literacy Club at Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Goidwal,
Sahib. On 26.2.2018, a Legal Services Camp was held at village Saroya,
SBS Nagar, wherein around 1,50,000 people from 32 villages were covered.
On 26.2.2018 itself, another Legal Aid Clinic was inaugurated at village
Kajla.

On 6.3.2018, a legal literacy club was set up at Government Senior
Secondary School, Sohana, SAS Nagar. On 11.3.2018, a Legal Services
Camp was held at Village Kohala. Block Chogawan, District Amritsar.
Inauguration of a Legal Aid Clinic was also done at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar
Bhawan, Amritsar. A similar clinic was also inaugurated at the Institute of
Mental Health (Government Mental Hospital) Amritsar.

On 5.5.2018, a “Talk on Disability-Prevention or/and the Way
Ahead” was organized at Chandigarh Judicial Academy, Chandigarh. In this
initiative, NGO-SIOLI was also associated. The Programme was attended by
Specially Abled Children, their parents, NGOs working for the needs of such
children, Secretaries of the District Legal Services Authority of the State of
Punjab and the Para Legal Volunteers from those districts.

A campaign for enhancing Legal Services to Women inmates and their
accompanying children in Prison was also organized in the State of Punjab
for the period of 10 days commencing from 17th May, 2018. During such
drive, interactions were held with total 1147 women inmates. Their
grievances were heard and as far as possible and practicable, redressal
mechanism was put into place.

From 4th to 6th June, 2018, Induction Training of Secretaries, DLSAs,
was conducted, followed by Mediation Training Programme from 6th to 8th

On 21.7.2018, Legal Services Camp was held at Countryside Resort,
Dhananoni Village, Derabassi, District SAS Nagar. Apart from that a Legal
Aid Clinic was inaugurated at BDPO Office, Derabassi.
The total number of legal aid beneficiaries from September, 2017 to June, 2018 has touched the figure of 27,077. During the said very period 911 Lok Adalats were held, wherein 16,148 cases had been disposed of and settlement of Rs.1,89,91,27,270/- had been made. During the National Lok Adalats held from September, 2017 to June, 2018, 1,45,764 cases were disposed of covering the settlement amount of Rs.14,69,99,18,559/-, whereas the Permanent Lok Adalats had disposed of 16,027 cases. As many as 15,984 legal seminars had been organized from September, 2017 to June, 2018.

With the resoluteness and commitment on its part, the Punjab State Legal Services Authority, is well on its path of achieving the feats of success. I feel it as my proud privilege to congratulate the Member Secretary, Additional Member Secretary and all the officials and staff of the Authority, for their untiring efforts. The efforts put in by the Chairmen and Members of the Permanent Lok Adalats and Lok Adalats, are also praiseworthy. A big salute to the para legal volunteers as well, without whose contribution, the Authority would not have achieved much success.

(Justice T.P.S. Mann)
Executive Chairman,
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SAS Nagar (Mohali)
12/11/2018
TO BE WITH THOSE WHO NEED US...........

Harpreet Kaur Jeewan
Member Secretary,
Punjab State Legal Services Authority

A four years old boy, unaware of the world around him was celebrating his birthday in a prison cell, holding the middle finger of his mother who was there in a “Special Wing for Women with Children” in one of the central Jail in Punjab. Thanks to NALSA for launching a “campaign for enhancing Legal Services to women inmates and their accompanying children in prisons” and to the Prison department for these facilities for woman and children.

A new born baby being sold at midnight of ice cold night of December, 2015 but trapped by police. Now living in a Juvenile Home was smiling and playing when Hon'ble Executive Chairman had shaken hand with him during a visit to the Home.

For sexually abusing 11 years old girl student of 6th class by her step father, an FIR was lodged in Punjab in August, 2018. The step parents were reported to be permitting others to sexually abuse the child.

A 12 and ½ years old girl delivered a baby and FIR was lodged at the instance of her mother in District Ludhiana complained sexual abuse of the girl child by her neighborer who was a migrant from Bihar.

The Principal of a school in Punjab reported that a student of 8th class and her 9 year old sister were being sexually abused by their father and FIR was lodged.

To help such children to forget the trauma; and that they may not have a permanent scare on their psyche of these unfortunate events is the responsibility of the State. The Legal Services Authorities are also playing a very vital role in sharing this responsibility.

Visiting Mental Hospitals one comes across people who are cured but their relatives are not ready to take them Home.

Visiting Senior Citizen Homes, Children Home, Prisons, Mental Hospitals, children living in slums would shakes the conscious of anyone!!!!!!

Hearing complaints on Legal Services Help Line 1968 brings you close to the problem of people and in understand the change in social matrix.
After visiting these places one goes in night mares and in sleepless nights. Whether law needs to be more stringent? Whether there is change in the family values, social values and moral values to such an extent .......?

Practically experiencing all this, one understands how important the role of legal services is.

**Holding the Hand!!!**

**Connecting with Justice!!!**

**Reaching them who cannot reach us!!!**

Under the missionary vision and magnanimous guidance of Hon'ble Mr. Justice, T.P.S Mann, Judge, High Court Executive Chairman of Punjab State Legal Service Authority, the team of legal services in the State of Punjab was able to reach to every nook and corner in the State including the people living adjoining the Indo-Pak Border.

Legal services camps brought us at grass root and close to the real issues. A smile on the face of an old person with old age pension card in his hands in the camp, a specially abled child getting wheel chair and countless satisfying experiences during these camps took the journey of legal services a decade ahead.

The efforts of District Legal Services Authority, Bathinda are applauded, who with the help of a medical team and para legal volunteer assisted two sisters who had confined themselves in their house due to mental sickness. The electricity and sewerage supply was cut off in the house. The ladies were rescued, hospitalized and provided food and other assistance. Similarly the efforts of DLSA, Ludhiana in rescuing a mentally challenged women with her 7 year old son who have locked themselves in a house and rescuing the senior citizen who locked in the house need special mention. DLSA, Amritsar assisted the inmates of Pingalwara for getting disability certificates and disability pension.

An Acid Attack victim who was in the depression and was in a threatened emotional state of mind was counseled. She worked hard gathered courage and now successfully working as Para Legal Volunteer in one of the Front Offices of the Legal Services Authority.

Lok Adalats bring smiles on the faces of many.

Mediation solves many disputes amicably.

These months were with satisfying experience. Lot of dedicated team work needs to done by all of us... advocates associated with Legal Aid work...Para Legal Volunteers.....civil society.......students......NGOs. Patience to understand issues of marginalized segment and Apathy for people in need of help would take us close to achieving Access to Justice for all.
Legal Assistance Establishment (LAE) is to serve as *multiple services single point establishment* for legal aid seekers to provide facilities under one roof and at a single location: A gleaming testament of the functional insight carried by National Legal Services Authority. It is an innovative endeavour to provide ready and comprehensive information to the legal aid beneficiaries relating to case status pending in any district and on allied aspects.

Hon’ble Mr. Justice Dipak Misra, the then Judge, Supreme Court of India and the Executive Chairman of NALSA inaugurated the *Legal Assistance Establishment "KANOONI SAARTHI"* in a newly constructed building of Punjab State Legal Services Authority at Sector 69, Mohali, on 09.07.2017. *Legal Assistance Establishment* provides facilities of 24x7 Help Line Number 1968, dedicated landline telephone, mobile and e-mail, Video Conferencing, services of Legal Aid Lawyers, PLVs to assist the Litigants. A glimpse of the Event:-
INAUGURATION OF
STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY BUILDING

Needless to say, existence of a spacious and well equipped building with state of art facilities, covering primary as well as secondary dimensions of the activities of an institution to enhance the efficacy of the stakeholders in the same. Validating the reproduced line of thought, an independent building of PULSA with state of the art facilities located in pristine environs was inaugurated on 09.07.2017 by Hon’ble Mr. Justice Dipak Misra, the then Judge, Supreme Court of India and the Executive Chairman of NALSA.
NATIONWIDE CAMPAIGN 'CONNECTING TO SERVE'

“Connecting to Serve”, an innovative and novel concept initiated by the National Legal Services Authority triggered a wave of enthusiasm in the legal services community in the State of Punjab to hear the difficulties of the marginalized segment by reaching them to serve better.

Not only that District Legal Services Authorities were engaged in Door to Door survey, Walkathon, Cycle and Motorbike Rallies, Essay Writing, on the spot Painting, Skits, Playing of NALSA Documentaries and Awareness Camps but Hon’ble Mr. Justice Shivaax Jal Vazifdar, the then Chief Justice & Patron-in-Chief of the State legal Services Authority, also captained “a Walk” to disseminate the message of the National Legal Services Authority to the public that “We Are With You”.

The Hon’ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann, Executive Chairman of the Punjab State Legal Services Authority took the initiative to personally visit the marginalized segments of the society and to approach those who are in actual need.

During the days of the campaign, all were enthusiastic and motivated and the participation by the Judicial Officers, Administration, Police authorities, Advocates, Students, NGOs was with full zeal to connect with the needy. A meticulously planned and sustained campaign was carried out in the State. A sample questionnaire to collect information during Door to Door Campaign was drafted at State Level. The Campaign is a huge success in the State. During Door to Door campaign, 364 teams of Para Legal Volunteers and Advocates visited in 1390 villages in groups and contacted 3,18,646 needy persons. Besides this, 176 help desks were established. The Print and Electronic Media gave wide publicity to each event. Apart from this, 56 walkathon, cycle rallies/Motor Cycle rallies were also organized by covering appx. 614.5 K.M. About 24,800 persons participated in such rallies. As many as, 444 Essay Writing Competitions, Poster Painting Competitions and Declamation Contests were organized in which 9170 students participated. Pamphlets, Stickers and Banners on legal services were displayed on State Transport Buses. NALSA Documentaries were also got played during the campaign and 748 Awareness camps were organized by 1178 PLVs and Advocates in which 92,625 persons got benefitted. 53 Awareness Camps were also organized in the Prisons and 8,902 prisoners got benefitted from these camps. Hoardings were also put on Public Places. Crusaders of Legal services could reach villages touching Indo Pak Boarder and even villages beyond the barbed wire on the border; schools working in huts; villages where we can reach only by boats; Children living in Juvenile institution waiting for adoption and for foster care; inmates of Prisons; and so on.

The success of the crusade can be gauged at the first blush from the following figures and photographs:
"THE WALK" CAPTAINED BY HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

To celebrate Legal Services Day, the Legal Services Authorities of Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh organized a walkathon from High Court (Capitol Complex) to Sukhna Lake on 11.11.2017.

A sterling display of a mix of innovation and enthusiasm exhibited by the entire hierarchy of State Judiciary in conjunction with other stakeholders in the justice dispensation system to highlight the objectives of Legal Services authorities, was witnessed in the Walkathon carried on 11.11.2017 at Sukhna Lake Chandigarh. Hon’ble Mr. Justice Shiavax Jal Vazifdar, the then Chief Justice, Punjab and Haryana High Court and Patron-in-Chief of Punjab State Legal Services Authority, Hon’ble Mr. Justice Ajay Kumar Mittal, Judge Punjab and Haryana High Court and Executive Chairman of Haryana State Legal Services Authority, Hon’ble Mr. Justice Surya Kant, the then Executive Chairman Chandigarh U.T. Legal Services Authority and Hon’ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann, Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court and Executive Chairman, Punjab State Legal Services Authority as well as Judicial Officers from districts participated in the walkathon:
REACHING THOSE WHO CANNOT REACH US: HON'BLE EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN WITH DEAF AND DUMB CHILDREN

Hon'ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann, Executive Chairman, Punjab State Legal Services Authority, Member Secretary, SLSA and Chairman, District Legal Services Authority, Rupnagar and Officers of the District Administration visited Parkash Memorial Deaf and Dumb Society, Rupnagar on 18.11.2017. The Hon'ble Executive Chairman interacted with the specially abled children, delivered a motivational address and also distributed notebooks and stationery to the children of the labourers who assembled in the said school for this event. Tree plantation was carried out and in order to remove the difficulties faced by Deaf and Dumb children while travelling in the buses and in their future settlement in life, the District Administration was asked to cooperate for organizing a Redressal Camp on 2nd December, 2017.

HON'BLE EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN SHOWERING AFFECTION TO BLIND AND MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN

On 18.11.2017, The Hon'ble Executive Chairman with the team also visited Community Center for Mentally Retarded and Blind, Jamalpur, Ludhiana. The Hon'ble Executive Chairman interacted with the specially abled students of the M.R. School and Community Centre, appreciated the skill of the students and asked the district administration to provide the requisite infrastructure as soon as possible. The record of Community centre was also inspected by the Hon'ble Executive Chairman.
On 18.11.2017, during the Nationwide Campaign “Connect to Serve”, the Hon’ble Executive Chairman, Member Secretary, Additional Member Secretary of Punjab State Legal Services Authority alongwith the officers of DLSA, Ludhiana, District Administration, Police Authorities,
Officers of Health and Family Welfare Department, NGOs, Legal Aid Advocates and PLVs visited the slum area at Hambran road, Ludhiana which is having population of almost 1000 slums people including 300 children (approx.). They also visited a school run in a makeshift shack for the children of labourers living in that slum area. Children from two other slum schools assembled there. Hon’ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann carried out an interactive session with the children and residents of slum area. S. Gurbir Singh District & Sessions Judge, Ludhiana apprised the gathering about the activities of DLSA, its working and special schemes for children as well as down trodden. People were made aware about the major schemes of NALSA. Hon’ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann heard their grievances and personally coordinated at the spot with the Officers of the District Administration and Civil Surgeon for taking appropriate steps. School uniforms and refreshments were distributed to the children.
HON'BLE EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN SHARING CONCERN FOR ABANDONED AND ORPHAN CHILDREN.

On 18.11.2017 the Hon'ble Executive Chairman along with the team also visited a Bal Ghar run by Swami Ganga Nand Bhuri Wale Trust, Mullanpur, Ludhiana. Hon'ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann met the children who are abandoned, orphans, waiting adoption and held a detailed discussion with the organizers of the trust for the redressal of difficulties being faced by them in running a home for such children.

Justice Mann spent time with children who are looking towards the society, Government and all of us to find parents for them, who can love them and provide protection. Hon'ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann also distributed refreshments to them.
RALLIES & WALKATHON
REDRESSAL CAMPS

PATHANKOT

MOGA

PATIALA

FATEHGRAH SAHIB

SRI MUKTSAR SAHIB

SBS NAGAR
DOOR TO DOOR
ESSAY COMPETITION AND DECLAMATION CONTESTS

SANGRUR

SBS NAGAR

FEROZEPUR
On 05.08.2017, Centre for Advanced Studies in Criminal Law (CASCL), Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab in association with Punjab State Legal Services Authority organized National Seminar on "Access to Justice: Right to Legal Aid and Legal Services in India". Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.S. Saron, the then Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court and Hon'ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann, Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court presided over the inaugural session. Justice S.S. Saron, in his keynote address, emphasized the importance of providing legal services to the accused. He also focused on the role of NALSA, which has expanded the ambit of legal services. NALSA has shifted from conventional legal assistance in the courts to assistance to access to justice to the underprivileged. "Legal Services Authority enters into unchartered terrains by pro-actively reaching every strata of Society", he said.
WORKSHOP ON "BRIDGING THE GAP IN ACCESS TO JUSTICE: ROLE OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS AND LAW STUDENTS"

Judicial Officers are first point, where a justice seeker approaches. Similarly, Law Students are embedded in the Society and their quest for justice coupled with high energy levels, makes them a good resource for connecting justice seekers to Legal Services Authorities. An eventful seminar on "Bridging the Gap in Access to Justice; Role of Judicial Officers and Law Students" was organized in Chandigarh Judicial Academy on 02.09.2017. While motivating the law students during the said workshop, Hon’ble Mr. Justice S.S. Saron, the then Judge, High Court of Punjab & Haryana and Executive Chairman, Punjab State Legal Services Authority advised the students that “a Student who does not help a poor or an uneducated person, has incomplete education. He may acquire a degree but his education remains incomplete”.

On the event, His Lordship also released a book published by Punjab State Legal Services Authority on “Court Room Language and Common Man” written by Dr. Rajneesh, Additional District & Sessions Judge, Patiala.
A MEET OF ALL STAKEHOLDERS ON THE WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

A state level discourse on the different dimensions, including legal, social and medical, germane to Mental Health was convened by the Punjab State Legal Services Authority on 10/10/2017 in NIPER, SAS Nagar on the eve of World Mental Health Day. The stature of the Event was exalted with the participation of humble and towering personality, Hon’ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann, Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court. Many prolific speakers from different strains of studies enlightened the audience comprising Judicial, Executive and Police Officers of the district alongwith Law Students from different Colleges. Salient features of the recent Law i.e. Mental Health Care Act, 2017 and the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, were discussed with the audience.

LEGAL AID CLINIC OPENING IN DE-ADDICTION AND REHABILITATION CENTRE SAS NAGAR

On the World Mental Health Day, 10.10.2017, Hon’ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann, Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court and Executive Chairman, Punjab State Legal Services Authority inaugurated a Legal Aid Clinic in Government De-addiction and Rehabilitation Centre S.A.S Nagar, Mohali. The Clinic would provide legal assistance to Mentally Ill/Mentally Disabled Persons and their family members at door steps. The Panel Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers would provide assistance to the needy in the Clinic.
VISIT TO PARAPLEGIC REHABILITATION CENTRE PHASE 6 MOHALI

The Army personnel are protecting the boundaries of our Country and most of the time they are deprived of from the company of their family members. While serving, sometimes they suffer such injuries which make them paraplegic. Showing a special concern for such persons and to motivate them, Hon’ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann, Judge Punjab and Haryana High Court and Executive Chairman, along with the Member Secretary, Punjab State Legal Services Authority, Chairman and Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Mohali, visited Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centre, S.A.S. Nagar, Mohali. There are only two such centers in the country. The legal needs of the Paraplegic Inmates of the said Centre are being addressed from time to time by PULSA.

INAUGURATION OF ADR CENTER AT S.A.S. NAGAR (MOHALI)

On 25.11.2017, ADR Centre was inaugurated by Hon’ble Mr. Justice T.P.S. Mann, Judge Punjab & Haryana High Court and Executive Chairman, Punjab State Legal Services Authority, at S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).
MEDIATION PROGRAMMES

Being alive to the surpassing significance of Mediation as a potent tool in Alternate Dispute Resolution Mechanisms, PULSA had ensured that best of training is received by the Mediators Judges/ Advocates as well as Referral Judges so as to secure optimum output. 40 Hrs. Mediation Training Programme and Training Programmes for Referral Judges in State were organized through MCPC Trained Trainers.
NATIONAL LOK ADALAT

National Lok Adalats continually to be another sterling feature in the Alternate Dispute Resolution Mechanisms. Efforts are made for selection of right cases, result oriented pre sittings are held, parties are communicated through SMS to appear in person in the Lok Adalats. The results are overwhelming.
TRAINING PROGRAMME

Grilling and polishing of skills and abilities, is consistently required to attain success for which nothing can be better than a designed and customized training. Training of Panel Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers, therefore, has been a regular feature in District Legal Services Authorities throughout the state under the guidance of PULSA.

TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR LEGAL AID LAWYERS
TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR PARA LEGAL VOLUNTEERS

LUDHIANA

BARNALA

Mansa

Fazilka

TRAINING TO POLICE OFFICERS

Sangrur

Barnala
LEGAL AWARENESS CAMPS

Perhaps the most efficient tool in effective propagation of awareness of various welfare and beneficial schemes, fundamental features and objectives of Legal Services Authorities amongst the ignorant and deprived segments of the Society is, Legal Awareness Camp. It gives an opportunity for direct and primary contact as well as interaction with the targeted section of the society and each District Legal Services Authority in the state under the patronage of PULSA has been giving befitting emphasis on Legal Awareness Camps. These camps are held in remote peripheral areas as well as in the mainlands of the district.

LEGAL AID CLINICS, VILLAGE LEGAL CARE AND SUPPORT CENTRES

An effort through establishment of Legal Aid Clinics, Village Legal Care and Support Centres in outlying areas and villages, has been made to establish a miniature front office of DLSA in such centres where any grievance voiced by any legal aid seeker can be processed and taken to a logical conclusion.
LEGAL LITERACY CLUBS

Legal Literacy Clubs are an innovative medium to involve students in the Drives, Campaigns of Legal Services Authorities, to educate them informally. These Clubs have been established in a wide range of Educational Institutes, public as well as private, and the Students being the members of these Clubs participate in various projects and competitions associated with the legal aspect of the Society.

TREE PLANTATIONS

Cognizant of the disquieting environmental scenario, Tree Plantation Drives are regularly undertaken by the District Legal Services Authorities in every district.
NUKKAD NATAK AND CELEBRATIONS

To entertain and educate at the same time about the legal rights, duties, various welfare schemes, Nukkad Nataks are always handy.
MOBILE HELP

To reach the fringe areas of each district, Legal Literacy Vehicles have been instrumental. These vehicles are fully equipped with informative mechanisms such as display screen, speakers and are periodically provided to each district. On the availability of the same, special teams to hold seminars, are constituted and the vehicles are put to optimum usage.
MEETINGS BY LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITIES

To keep a watch on the implementation of schemes, to evaluate shortcomings and for their redressal, meetings are regularly convened by the Legal Services Authorities with various stakeholders in the Justice Dispensation System as well in the Grievance Redressal System.
JAIL VISITS AND CAMP COURTS

A resolute endeavour to watch the rights of undertrial prisoners/convicts, to redeem these rights when under peril has been undertaken by the authorities, Legal aid clinics/help desks are functional in every detention centre/jail. Camp courts are regularly held in every jail where trials in petty offences are taken up and disposed of with a considerate perspective by the Secretaries of District Legal Services Authorities. During jail visits, the facilities in the jail are closely evaluated and interactive sessions are convened with under trials and convicts with the Chairmen as well as the Secretaries of DLSAs.
VISIT TO OBSERVATION AND CHILDREN HOMES

Chairpersons cum District and Sessions Judges as well as Secretaries Distt. of each district visit Children Homes, Shelter Homes and Observation Homes as per NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to Children and their Protection) Scheme, 2015 and assess their living conditions, holding interactive sessions with them. Any deficiency so noticed is redressed.
VISIT TO HOMES AND SCHOOLS FOR
SPECIALLY ABLED ON WORLD DISABILITY DAY
AWARENESS PROGRAMMES ON PLEA BARGAINING

To aware the Prisoners about the concept of **Plea Bargaining**, Awareness Programmes have been conducted in the different Jails in the State of Punjab under the directions of Punjab State Legal Services Authority.
PUNJAB STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY
Macro Action Plan from April, 2018 to March, 2019

NALSA Schemes
1. Activities and taking steps for implementation of the five NALSA schemes each month.
2. Developing and Maintaining Management Information System (MIS) for recording, follow up and assessment of activities under NALSA Schemes.

Strengthening of Legal Aid System
3. Training of Panel Lawyers, Retainer Lawyers, Remand Hour Advocates.
4. Sitting/meeting of Monitoring Committee to ensure good quality work by Panel Lawyers, Retainer Lawyers and Remand Hour Advocates

Legal Aid and Grievance Redressal System
5. Disposal of online/offline Legal Aid Applications.
6. Hearing the public grievance with regard to legal aid.

Para Legal Volunteers
7. Depute PLVS for the activities as per the "Revised Para Legal Volunteer Scheme".
8. Meetings with the PLVs and monitoring the working of PLVs.
9. Training of PLVs.

Activities In Jails
10. Holding effective Lok Adalats in Jails.
11. To ensure that no inmate of the jails is in custody in violation of the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the case W.P. (C) No. 406/2013 RE-INHUMAN CONDITIONS IN 1382 PRISONS.
12. Creating awareness about Plea Bargaining to the jail inmates.
13. Activities/steps for uplifting and monitoring the conditions of under trial prison and prisoners in the jails.
14. Monitoring the working of the Legal Aid Clinics set up in the Jail.
15. Ensuring that all the convicts has been offered free legal services to file appeal in the Hon'ble High Court/Hon'ble Supreme Court.
16. A register for this purpose to be maintained in the Legal Aid Clinic and countersigned by the Secretary, District Legal Services Authority during every visit.
17. Special attention and protection of the rights of senior citizens, women and children lodged in the jails.
18. Activity/efforts to ensure proper medical aid/assistance is available in the jails.
19. Ensuring a mechanism for sending the complete paper book including the English translation of the paper book to the Hon'ble Legal Services Committee, High Court/Hon'ble Legal Servies Committee, Supreme Court wherever the appeal/revision/application by the convict is to be filed.
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Legal Aid Clinics
20. Monitoring the working of Legal Aid Clinics and Village Care and Supports Centres by personal visit and by inspecting the record maintained in the clinics.
21. Creating awareness regarding existence of Legal Aid Clinics established in jails by putting hoardings and otherwise.

Legal Literacy Clubs
22. Monitoring and coordinating for the effective working of Legal Literacy Clubs. Some Legal Literacy Clubs may be visited in person by the Secretary, DLSA during the legal literacy activities.

Victim Compensation Scheme
23. Sitting of Victim Compensation Board (intimation with explanation for pending matters for more than 3 months under Victim Compensation Scheme be sent to State Legal Service Authority).

Rehabilitation Process
24. To coordinate with the government departments for rehabilitation of victims.
25. As per various NALSA Schemes and government schemes, to coordinate with the government department for rehabilitation of children in need of care and protection and children in conflict with law, specially able persons, women, senior citizens in need of care and assistance of law and others.
26. Visiting the Juvenile Justice Board, CWC’s, Old Age Homes etc. and ensuring that rights of inmates are protected.

Project Jaago
27. Effective activities with personal involvement of Secretary, District Legal Services Authority under Project Jaago in selected villages.

Awareness Programme
28. Conducting awareness programme and doing follow up of the matters/applications received during awareness programmes. At least one district level awareness programme per week be organized personally by the Secretary, District Legal Services Authority.
29. Creating awareness through electronics and print media.

Legal Literacy Camp
30. Organizing Legal Services Camp as per ”Legal Services Camp Module” in coordination with the SLSA.
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Mediation
31. Mediation training as per the schedule of SLSA/MCPC
32. Personally conducting mediation (by those Secretary, District Legal Services Authority who are trained mediators) and coordination with the other mediators in the district.
33. Organizing awareness programmes in coordination of SLSA and trainers for mediation.

Lok Adalat
34. Identification of suitable cases to be taken up in the Lok Adalats
35. Coordination with the various departments/sending information to all the parties through notices, e-mail, SMS to ensure presence of the parties.
36. Creating awareness about Lok Adalats.
37. Planning and organizing pre sittings for Lok Adalats.
38. Identifying success stories of the cases disposed of in Lok Adalats to generate the confidence of the general people in the institution.

Reports
39. Identification of the success stories during the activities of the legal services.
40. The statistical reports be uploaded on the web portal of NALSA before 10th of each month and the monthly synopsis of the activities including 10 to 15 selected photographs should be forwarded to the SLSA before 12th of each month.

SLSA shall organize an induction training programme for the newly posted Secretaries, DLSAs and a refresher programme for all the Secretaries.
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### TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR PANEL LAWYERS PARA LEGAL VOLUNTEERS (PLVS) AND OTHERS

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| **No. of Legal Aid Clinics established** | 481 |
| **No. of Legal Literacy Clubs established in School and Colleges** | 2260 |
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