

**KERALA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY**  
**Activities- APRIL TO JUNE 2017**

**LEGAL LITERACY PROGRAMMES**

**TELIMA**

**TOTAL ERADICATION OF LEGAL ILLITERACY MISSION FOR ALAPPUZHA**

District Legal Services Authority, Alappuzha launched a total legal literacy programme titled "TELIMA" ,Total Eradication of Legal Illiteracy Mission for Alappuzha" in Alappuzha district in consonance with the nation-wide implementation of NALSA schemes, incorporating the Acts covered by the NALSA schemes and a few other relevant Acts and Laws related with the day to day life of citizens. A Mass Legal Awareness Program (MLAP) was conducted on 27/6/17 in all the wards, 600 schools and a few colleges in the district resulting in 2300 legal awareness classes on a single day benefiting 1.5 lakh citizens

**WORKSHOP FOR ANGANWADI WORKERS**

District Legal Services Authority, Kannur conducted workshop on Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act and POCSO Act, at Thalassery, for Anganawadi workers, and also conducted classes on 'Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act', 'Legal Services Authorities Act' and also Law Generally.

**POCSO 'ALERT'**

District Legal Services Authority, Kozhikode, in association with Child Line, conducted a special project "**ALERT**". The main objective is to make the entire police officials in the district thoroughly aware of the provisions of POCSO Act and its procedure to create a 'Child Friendly Legal System' as envisaged in NALSA Scheme. The project was launched in Kozhikode City Police limits on 19-05-2017 and in Kozhikode Rural Police limits on 20-05-2017 by organising full day workshop for senior police officials above the rank of SHOs. On all Fridays (Parade day for Police) the Secretary of DLSA (Sub Judge) started visiting all Police Circle Officers from 7 am to 10 am to impart training to all the officers within the limits of each circle. This process is still continuing in full swing. Police officers have accepted this

programme as an essential one to improve their professionalism. The next phase will target doctors, teachers, parents and public at large.

### **PARIVAR**

An awareness programme for the parents of mentally retarded children was conducted by DLSA Manjeri in association with "Parivar", an organisation of parents of Mentally retarded children. The DLSA has taken up the issues of mentally retarded children including the feasibility of setting up a school for them with medical and hostel facilities with the support from the District Panchayath

### **'VISMAYAM JEEVITHAM LAHARI VIMUKTHAM' (NALSA SCHEME AGAINST DRUG MENACE)**

District Legal Services Authority, Kozhikode conducted another unique activity on NALSA Scheme against drug menace. On 27-06-2017, in association with Magic Academy Koyilandy launched a campaign against drug abuse in children, through the media of Magic (Vismayam Jeevitham Lahari Vimuktham). This programme is still on, by visiting various schools in the District with the message against Drug Abuse.

### **LEGAL LITERACY PROGRAMMES AT SCHOOL & COLLEGE LEVEL**

An essay writing competition in English and Malayalam on the topic 'Child Labour' was conducted on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017

### **OORUKOOTAM FOR TRIBALS**

On NALSA Scheme for Tribals DLSA, Kozhikode have convened an 'Orrukoottam' in Thamarassery on 29-05-2017 for tribals in various settlements around. Legal awareness was provided and issues were sorted out. Brought the issues to the notice of officials concerned.

### **SHORT FILM ON WOMEN EMPOWERMENT**

The District Legal Services Authority, Kozhikode, in association with the Kerala Women Development Corporation, is producing a short film "Pennoruthi" on women empowerment.

### **SEMINAR ON DRUG MENACE**

The District Legal Services Authority Ernakulam in association with Social Service Society organised a seminar on the NALSA scheme for Anti Drugs was conducted at Jubilee Mission Hall, Fort Kochi on 26.04.2017

## **LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON THE TOPIC AVOCADO AND ORGANIC FARMERS**

DLSA Wayanad conducted a legal awareness programme on the topic Avocado and Organic Farmers on 21.02.2017. The programme was intended to equip the public with a self earning capacity by cultivating avocado fruit which is a fruit having high value both economically and medicinally. By cultivating avocado tree the people can get the avocado fruit and it is a medicinal as well as costly fruit which would help to get good earnings thereby overcome the poverty. So as a part of implementation of the NALSA Scheme 2015 for poverty alleviation this programme has got significance.

## **PROGRAMMES ON LEGAL AWARENESS THROUGH RADIO AND TELEVISION CONTINUES.**

The Taluk Legal Service Committee, Thiruvalla aired the speeches on different topics on Law with the co – operation of RADIO – MACFAST, a community Radio Service every week.

## **SUPPORT FOR TRANSGENDERS**

DLSA Kozhikode has conducted a programme for empowerment of Transgenders. PLVs were selected from among the Transgenders.

## **LEGAL AID**

### **ENROLMENT OF MENTALLY DISABLED PERSONS COVERED BY THE NATIONAL TRUST ACT, 1999 IN NIRAMAYA INSURANCE SCHEME BY DLSA, PATHANAMTHITTA**

The DLSA Pathanamthitta has conducted a programme, with the co-operation of National Trust District Local Level Committee, Pathanamthitta and state co-ordinator National Trust bringing the Insurance Scheme 'Niramaya' introduced by the National Trust to the benefit of persons coming under the National Trust Act,1999. This scheme was introduced by the Social Justice department and the Empowerment Ministry. It came to the notice of the DLSA concerned that till 2016 below 15 persons were enrolled from the district in the Insurance Scheme. As per the scheme the persons enrolled in the scheme will get a Medical Reimbursement up to Rs.1, 00,000/- for one year including Rs.15, 000/- for OP treatment. Through sensitisation of all concerned, 3000 mentally disabled persons from Pathanamthitta district were enrolled in the scheme. The distribution of health insurance cards was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Antony Dominic, Executive Chairman, KeLSA. KeLSA has decided to ensure that the benefit of 'Niramaya' Insurance scheme is made available in all the districts.

## **SPECIALITY CLINIC FOR TRANSGENDERS**

**A SPECIALITY CLINIC** was opened for Transgenders at the Medical College Hospital, Kottayam on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017. This clinic, which is a longstanding demand of the Transgender community and first one of its kind, will be manned by a team consisting of a Urologist, Plastic Surgeon, Dermatologist, Psychiatrist and a Physician/Endocrinologist of the Medical College Hospital to address and improve the health care requirements of this community. The clinic will function on the first Tuesday of every month.

## **BALASURAKSHA YATHRA**

The District Legal Services Authority, Kozhikode conducted 'Bala Suraksha Yathra' in 49 Panchayats to study various problems related to children, prepare reports and present it to the District Collector. Periodical review meeting are convened in the Collector's Chambers. Reports on the action taken are called for from officials on the general and specific issues resulting in resolution of several child related issues.

## **CLEAN DRIVE CAMPAIGN**

All the DLSAs conducted a Clean Drive Campaign in association with the Health service Department on 1st July 2017. A team consisting of the Secretary, DLSA and District Medical Officer other officials of DLSA and Health Services inspected public and private institutions on random basis. The general cleanliness of the institutions and surroundings were inspected. Necessary action was taken wherever necessary.

## **ACCOMODATION FOR HOMELESS FAMILY- PATHANAMTHITTA**

A temporary shed was constructed by DLSA Pathanamthitta in association with Kennedy Charitable Trust for a Homeless Tribal family with 2 children.



## LOK ADALAT

### NOTEWORTHY SETTLEMENT IN LOK ADALAT

Mr.Abraham, Aresseriyil, Ward no.II, Aryad Panchayath, Alappuzha, an Ex-Service man of 51 years, totally paralysed after a road accident had filed OP (MV) 400/2015 before MACT Alappuzha in the year 2015. The vehicle was insured with M/s New India Assurance Co. The case was taken up in National Lok Adalath on 8-7-2017 and settled for an amount of Eighteen Lakh Rupees. The amount of compensation was paid to the claimant on 13.7.2017.

#### Details of legal aid beneficiaries

<b>Category</b>	<b>No. of Legal Aid beneficiaries April-June 2017)</b>
Scheduled Caste	727
Scheduled Tribe	262
Women	8710
Children	170
In custody	5900
General	4796
<b>Total</b>	<b>20565</b>

## LOK ADALAT

The National Lok Adalat on all subjects was conducted on 8.4.2017 throughout the State

#### DETAILS OF CASES DISPOSED IN NATIONAL LOK ADALAT

<b>No. of cases settled [Both pending matters and PLPs]</b>		<b>Amount involved</b>
Pre litigation	2663	Rs.3,27,86,722/-
Pending cases	2531	Rs.41,85,53,189/-
<b>Total</b>	<b>5194</b>	<b>Rs.45,13,39,911/-</b>

In addition to the National Lok Adalat, 417 regular weekly Adalats were also conducted on different topics.

**DETAILS OF CASES DISPOSED IN LOK ADALATS**

No. of cases disposed (both pending matters and PLPs)		Award Amount
Court pending matters	<b>1906</b>	<b>Rs.448991711/-</b>
PLP matters	<b>3620</b>	
Total	<b>5526</b>	

**VIRTUAL/VISUAL LOK ADALAT**

Telecast of televised version of Lok Adalat, 'Kathayillithu Jeevitham" continued in Amrita Television with the support of KeLSA to spread the message of peace and harmony in family through conciliation.

**PERMANENT LOK ADALAT**

**Details of cases disposed of by permanent Lok Adalat at Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam and Kozhikode.**

<b>April to June 2017</b>		
A.	No. of cases pending at the beginning of the quarter	<b>712</b>
B.	No. of cases received during the quarter	<b>136</b>
C.	No. of cases disposed during the period	<b>229</b>
D.	Total Amount	<b>7067465</b>

## **MEDIATION**

Activities of Kerala State Mediation and Conciliation Centre (Mediation Monitoring committee, High court of Kerala) for the period from **April 2017 to June 2017.**

### **STATISTICS OF MEDIATION April to June 2017**

pending at the beginning of the quarter	No. of cases received during the period	settled	Returned as not settled	Non starter cases as mediation could not be commenced	pending
<b>5197</b>	<b>8071</b>	<b>2431</b>	<b>4566</b>	<b>1832</b>	<b>4635</b>

### **TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR LAWYERS AND PARA LEGAL VOLUNTEERS**

The training programme on Module II for panel lawyers on Module-II was completed with the training programme at Kottayam and Pathanamthitta.

7 Trainings were conducted for a total number of 514 PLVs during the quarter.

### **GENERAL ASSISTANCE**

#### **EXTERNAL DEFIBRILATOR AT CIVIL STATION, PATHANAMTHITTA**

Three persons including a doctor died of heart attack at the Civil Station, Pathanamthitta over the last one year. The DLSA, Pathanamthitta thought it fit to take up the matter and with the support from the Believers Church Medical College, Thiruvalla installed an Automated External Defibrillator at the complex that houses various courts and government offices where a large number of people visit everyday. Experts attached to the Medical College provided training to the lawyers and staff to operate this life saving machine.



### **'AWARENESS IN LEARNING DISABILITY**

The DLSA, Kozhikode in association with an NGO 'Our Responsibility to Children' (ORC) launched this project on two NaLSA Schemes ie Scheme on Child Friendly Legal Systems and the Scheme for mentally challenged and mentally disabled. DLSA, Kozhikode has trained 15 volunteers with the help of experts in Composite Regional Centre for Persons with Disabilities and visited all the schools in the Kozhikode District with tips for early detection and intervention in learning disability which is widely occurring in students of primary classes.

### **EMPOWERMENT OF CHILDREN FROM A SLUM**

There is a Colony in Kozhikode District called 'Kalluthan Kadavu' which is a slum where the rehabilitated manual scavengers are residing. Their children were ill motivated. During the period from May 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup> (Summer Vacation) we have undertaken a personality development programme for them. 45 children have attended and have formed a group from them for observing the Day against Drug Abuse by conducting street plays in five busy locations in the City on 26<sup>th</sup> June.

### **SHELTER TO VIJAYALAKSHMI TEACHER [Support from PLV]**

On 23-05-2017 a Para Legal Vounteer of DLSA, Kozhikode namely Sreeja Ayyappan received information that a retired teacher Smt.Vijayalakshmi was totally bedridden without anybody to look after. DLSA concerned intervened and made available a shelter and medical care.

### **DISCHARGE ADALAT IN MENTAL HEALTH CENTRE**

10 such Adalats were conducted by DLSA, Kozhikode during the period and some inmates could be rehabilitated. A special discharge for 'unknown inmates' also was conducted during this period.

### **VECTOR CONTROL AND HEALTH AWARENESS PROGRAMMES**

Several persons in the Kozhikode District were affected with Dengue fever, H1N1, Malaria, and cholera. In this background, from 11-06-2016 onwards DLSA, Kozhikode took initiatives for vector control and public health awareness programmes in association with panchayats and Health Department. In four Panchayats of Kozhikode District, squads were formed with PLVs, Staff of Health Department, Asha Workers and Students for holding home visits.

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