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State Level Mental Health Programme for Sensitization of Stakeholders under NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015 on 19th August, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok

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TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR THE TEACHERS AS COUNSELLORS

Under NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally ILL and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015, the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority as per the directions of Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLISA organized a Training Programme for the Teachers identified as Counsellors to address Student's Mental Health Issues and to provide Counselling to the Students and their Parents on 29th July, 2023 at Chintan Bhawan, Gangtok.

During the programme, Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLISA informed the participants that the training programme was a result of a meeting which was conducted with the Psychiatrists and Psychologists of STNM Multispecialty Hospital, Sochakgang to initiate discussions on measures to be adopted on mental health issues to address the alarming rate of suicides in Sikkim, wherein, it was learnt that at present, only few schools are having trained School Counsellors for addressing the mental health issues of students and counselling them along with their guardians.

The topics that the participants were sensitized on were:

Sl. No.	Name of the Resource Person	Topic Discussed
1.	Dr. C.L. Pradhan, Consultant Psychiatrist, Department of Psychiatry, Health & Family Welfare Department	Psychological Problems and Solutions in Adolescents
2.	Ms. Nancy Palmu Chankapa, Senior Clinical Psychologist, Department of Psychiatry, Health & Family Welfare Department	Psychological Counselling and Stress Management

The programme was followed by an interactive session between the participants and the Resource Persons and several queries were raised.

The programme was attended by one male and one female teacher nominated and appointed as Counsellors by the Education Department from 210 Secondary and Senior Secondary Schools in Sikkim.

The welcome address was delivered by Ms. Subarna Rai, Ld. Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA and the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Praveen Pradhan, Deputy Secretary, Sikkim SLSA.



CELEBRATION OF 77TH INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Sikkim State Legal Services Authority celebrated the 77th Independence Day on 15th August, 2023 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 was also attended by 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, Ld. 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, Officers and Staff of High Court of Sikkim and Sikkim SLSA and members of electronic and print media.

The programme was also uploaded in its official YouTube Channel, Facebook page and website of Sikkim SLSA.



MEETING OF THE HIGH - POWERED COMMITTEE

A meeting of the High Powered Committee under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA/Chairman, High Powered Committee was held on 18th August, 2023 via virtual mode.

The meeting was attended by Mr. Sudhakar Rao, IPS, Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department, Government of Sikkim/Member, High Powered Committee, Ms. Subarna Rai, Ld. Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Mr. Sharab Tonyot, Deputy Inspector General of Police (Prison)/Member, High Powered Committee, Mrs. Tshewang Doma, Additional Secretary (Confidential) /Member, High Powered Committee, and Mr. Sonam Wangdi Bhutia, Additional

Superintendent of Police, District Prison, Boomtar, South Sikkim/Member, High Powered Committee.

The following Agenda Items were deliberated during the meeting:

Agenda Item No. 1:	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Meeting of the High Powered Committee which was held on 1st June, 2023.
Agenda Item No. 2:	DECONGESTION OF JAILS.
(a)	To consider Convicts who have undergone their sentence or are entitled to remission/suspension/commutation of sentence under Sections 432 and 432A of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (for short, "Cr.P.C.") and Furlough in terms of the Sikkim Prison Manual;
(b)	To consider UTPs released on Bail by the Court, but unable to furnish sureties;
(c)	To consider release of UTPs booked under compoundable offences;
(d)	To consider release of UTPs covered under Sections 436 and 436A of the Cr.P.C.;
(e)	To consider release of UTPs who may be covered under Section 3 of the Probation of Offenders Act, 1958, namely accused of offence under Sections 379, 380,381,404,420 of the Indian Penal Code or alleged to be an offence not more than 2 years imprisonment;
(f)	To consider UTPs eligible to be released on bail under Section 167 of the Cr.P.C. and under Section 167(2)(a)(i) and (ii) of the Cr.P.C. read with Section 36A of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (where persons accused of Section 19 of Section 24 or Section 27A or for offences involving commercial quantity) where investigation is not completed in 60/90/180 days;
(g)	To consider release of UTPs who are imprisoned for offences which carry a maximum punishment of 2 years;
(h)	To consider release of vulnerable UTPs who are sick or infirm and require specialized medical treatment;
(i)	To consider release of UTPs who are women;
(j)	To consider release of UTPs who are first time offenders between the ages 19 and 21 and in custody for offences punishable with less than 7 years of imprisonment and have suffered at least 1/4th of the maximum sentence prescribed;
(k)	To consider release of UTPs who are of unsound mind;
(l)	To consider UTPs eligible for release under Section 437(6) of the Cr.P.C., wherein in a case triable by a

	Magistrate, the trial of a person accused of any non-bailable offence has not been concluded within a period of 60 days from the first date fixed for taking evidence in the case;
(m)	To consider release of UTPs detained under Sections 107, 108, 109, 151 of the Cr.P.C.
Agenda Item No. 3:	UTPs and Convicts with COVID-19 in the State Central Prison, Rongyek, East Sikkim and District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi, South Sikkim and availability of medical facilities and treatment.
Agenda Item No. 4:	Continuation of sanitization and maintenance of hygiene and cleanliness in the State Central Prison, Rongyek, East Sikkim and District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi South Sikkim.
Agenda Item No. 5:	Number of new UTPs since 01/06/2023 and the latest vaccination position of UTPs, Convicts, Officers and staff at the State Central Prison, Rongyek, East Sikkim and District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi, South Sikkim.
Agenda Item No. 6:	Present mode of production of UTPs before Courts and continuation of Video Conference for remand.
Agenda Item No. 7:	Steps taken for progress of counseling of UTPs and Convicts by Psychologists and Psychiatrists at the State Central Prison, Rongyek, East Sikkim and District Prison, Namchi, Boomtar, South Sikkim. (UTPs, Convicts under SADA and UTPs, convicts with mental illness, other UTPs and convicts in need of counseling).

STATE LEVEL MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMME FOR SENSITIZATION OF STAKEHOLDERS

The Sikkim State Legal Services Authority under the aegis of National Legal Services Authority organized a State Level Mental Health Programme for Sensitization of Stakeholders under NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015 on 19th August, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok.

The programme was presided over by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Biswanath Somadder, Chief Justice, High Court of Sikkim and Patron-in Chief, Sikkim SLSA in the august presence of Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhaskar Raj Pradhan, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Chairman, High Court Legal Services Committee.

The programme was attended by Ld. Judicial Officers, designated Senior Advocates, Members of the Child Welfare Committees and Juvenile Justice

Boards, In-charges and Counsellors of Old Age Homes, Detoxification and Rehabilitation Centres and Child Care Institutions, Officers from the Women & Child Development Department and Social Welfare Department, Medical Officers from Health & Family Welfare Department, Police Officers dealing with children, Principals of all the Schools located at Gangtok, Public Prosecutors, Panel Advocates and Pro-bono Advocates of Sikkim SLSA.

The topics that the participants were sensitized on were:

Sl. No.	Name of the Resource Person	Topic Discussed
1.	Dr. Satyajit Ash, Psychiatrist, Kolkata.	Addiction and Geriatric Psychology
2.	Dr. Jai Ranjan Ram, Psychiatrist, Apollo Gleneagles Hospital, Kolkata	Child and Adolescent Psychology

The programme was followed by a vibrant interactive session between the participants and the Resource Persons and numerous queries raised were addressed by the Resource Persons.

<i>Dr. Satyajit Ash, Psychiatrist, Kolkata addressing the gathering</i>	<i>Dr. Jai Ranjan Ram, Psychiatrist, Apollo Gleneagles Hospital, Kolkata addressing the gathering</i>
<i>State Level Mental Health Programme for Sensitization of Stakeholders under NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015 organized by Sikkim SLSA on 19th August, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok</i>	

CAPACITY BUILDING-CUM-REFRESHER TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR PSYCHIATRISTS, PSYCHOLOGISTS AND COUNSELLORS

The Sikkim State Legal Services Authority under the directions of Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA under the aegis of National Legal Services Authority organized a Capacity Building-cum-Refresher Training Programme for Psychiatrists, Psychologists and Counsellors of Sikkim on 19th August, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok under NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015.

The topics that the participants were sensitized on were:

Sl. No.	Name of the Resource Person	Topic Discussed
1.	Dr. Jai Ranjan Ram, Psychiatrist, Apollo Gleneagles Hospital, Kolkata	Management of Attention-Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and Understanding Depression and Self-Harm in Young People
2.	Dr. Shalini Anant, Therapist and Clinical Psychologist, Rajasthan	Trauma Therapy

The programme was followed by a vibrant interactive session between the participants and the Resource Persons and numerous queries raised were addressed by the Resource Persons.



Dr. Jai Ranjan Ram, Psychiatrist, Apollo Gleneagles Hospital, Kolkata addressing the gathering



Dr. Shalini Anant, Therapist and Clinical Psychologist, Rajasthan addressing the gathering

Capacity Building-cum-Refresher Training Programme for Psychiatrists, Psychologists and Counsellors of Sikkim organized by Sikkim SLSA on 19th August, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok

MEETING WITH REGARD TO DRUG DE-ADDICTION-CUM-REHABILITATION CENTRE AT KITCHUDUMRA, NAMCHI

A meeting under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Biswanath Somadder, Chief Justice, High Court of Sikkim and Patron-in-Chief, Sikkim SLSA was held in the Conference Hall of Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok on 19th August, 2023 to discuss on the modality to run Drug De-Addiction-cum-Rehabilitation Centre at Kitchudumra, Namchi District.

The meeting was attended by the following: -

1.	Mr. V.B. Pathak, IAS, Chief Secretary-cum-Cabinet Secretary/Secretary, Finance Department.
2.	Dr. Satyjit Ash, Psychiatrist, Kolkata.
3.	Dr. Jai Ranjan Ram, Psychiatrist, Apollo Gleneagles, Kolkata.
4.	Mr. Nima Gyalpo Sherpa, Director, Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokethang.
5.	Mr. Prajwal Khatiwada, Registrar General, High Court of Sikkim.
6.	Mr. K.W. Bhutia, Principal District & Sessions Judge, Gangtok.
7.	Mr. Suraj Chettri, Legal Remembrancer-cum-Secretary, Government of Sikkim.
8.	Mrs. Samita Sharma, District & Sessions Judge, Namchi.
9.	Mr. Benoy Sharma, Central Project Co-ordinator, e-Courts Project, High Court of Sikkim.
10.	Ms. Subarna Rai, Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA.
11.	Mr. Tsewang Gyachho, Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department.

12.	Mr. A.B. Karki, Secretary, Social Welfare Department.
13.	Mr. Bharani Kumar, District Collector, Namchi District.
14.	Mr. Kishore Pradhan, Additional Secretary, Social Welfare Department.
15.	Dr. Tshering Namgyal Gyatso, Senior Superintendent of Police, Namchi District.
16.	Mr. Nanda Kumar Karki, Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Namchi District.
17.	Mr. K.C. Nima, President, Freedom Facility, Tathangchen, Gangtok.
18.	Mr. Gadion Tamang, Sikkim Rehabilitation & Detoxification Society, 32 No., Nimitar.
19.	Mr. Ayush Gurung, Sikkim Rehabilitation & Detoxification Society, 32 No., Nimitar.
20.	Mr. Amon Boris Lepcha, Serenity Home, Burtuk.
21.	Mr. Promit Chettri, Serenity Home, Burtuk.
22.	Mr. Lendup Bhutia, Serenity Home, Burtuk.
23.	Mr. Deepen Subba, Serenity Home, Burtuk.

At the outset, Hon'ble the Chief Justice, High Court of Sikkim and Patron-in-Chief, Sikkim SLISA welcomed all participants present in the meeting. His Lordship reiterated that during the inauguration of the Drug De-Addiction-cum-Rehabilitation Centre at Kitchudumra, Namchi District which was held on 12th August, 2022, it was found that the State Government has spent Rs. 17,53,00,000/- (Rupees seventeen crore fifty-three lakhs) only from the State exchequer for the construction of the Centre and the same is lying underutilized till date. Further, he opined that there is a dire need to make it functional.

The following resolutions were passed during the meeting:

1. The Chief Secretary, Government of Sikkim/NGO shall initiate an action for construction of a State Level Trust.
2. The Trust Deed shall be drafted by the Registrar General, High Court of Sikkim/Secretary, Law Department within one month.
3. Trust Deed shall also include SOP for manpower management viz; Doctors/Psychiatrist/Clinical Psychologists etc. for the Centre, monitoring committee at the State Level and District Level.



Hon'ble Mr. Justice Biswanath Somadder, Chief Justice, High Court of Sikkim and Patron-in-Chief, Sikkim SLSA chairing the meeting to discuss the modalities for running Drug De-Addiction-cum-Rehabilitation Centre at Kitchudumra, Namchi District in the Conference Hall of Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok on 19th August, 2023

STAKEHOLDERS MEETING-CUM-AWARENESS ON DRUG ABUSE

A stakeholder meeting-cum-awareness chaired by Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA was held on 25th August, 2023 at the Conference Hall of Sikkim SLSA, Development Area, Gangtok to deliberate on the issue of drug abuse in Sikkim and modalities to curtail the menace.

The meeting was attended by the following: -

1.	Mr. Ravindra Telang, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Education Department.
2.	Mr. A.K. Singh, IPS, Director General of Police, Sikkim Police.
3.	Mr. Suraj Chettri, Legal Remembrancer-cum-Secretary, Law Department.
4.	Ms. Subarna Rai, Ld. Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA.

5.	Mr. A.B. Karki, Secretary, Social Justice & Welfare Department.
6.	Dr. Netra Thapa, Chief Consultant and Head of Department, Department of Psychiatry, STNM Hospital, Sochakgang.
7.	Mr. Tenzing Loden Lepcha, Superintendent of Police, Gangtok.
8.	Dr. Tshering Namgyal Gyatso, Senior Superintendent of Police, Namchi.
9.	Mr. Sonam Detchu, Superintendent of Police, Mangan.
10.	Mr. Nakul Pradhan, Superintendent of Police, Soreng.
11.	Mr. Tekendra Rai, Principal Director, Health & Family Welfare Department.
12.	Mrs. Matilda Isaacs, Consultant, Sikkim SLSA.
13.	Dr. Sonam Ongmu Lassopa, Senior Clinical Psychologist, Department of Psychiatry, New STNM Hospital, Sochakgang, Gangtok.
14.	Principals/Faculty Members from various Universities, Colleges and Schools of Gangtok District.
15.	Counsellors from Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Tathangchen, Serenity Home Rehabilitation Centre, Burtuk, Sikkim Rehabilitation & Detoxification Centre, Nimtar and Sanjeevani Rehabilitation Centre, Namchi.

The programme was divided into two sessions: -

SESSION 1	-	Presentation on Awareness, Prevention and Management of alcohol and narcotic & psychotropic substances by Mr. Tenzing Loden Lepcha, Superintendent of Police, Gangtok District and Dr. Sonam Ongmu Lassopa, Senior Clinical Psychologist, Department of Psychiatry Wing, New STNM Hospital, Sochakgang.
SESSION 2	-	Discussions on practical issues and challenges faced by the stakeholders in curbing substance and alcohol abuse and suggestions followed by discussions on way forward.

Ms. Subarna Rai, Ld. Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA extended the welcome address and also proposed the vote of thanks to the Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA and all the stakeholders present.



TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR PARA-LEGAL VOLUNTEERS, COUNSELLORS, ASHA AND ANGANWADI WORKERS

Under NALSA (Legal Services for Differently Abled Children) Scheme, 2021, a training programme for Para-Legal Volunteers, Counsellors, Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA) and Anganwadi Workers was organized by Sikkim SLSA on 30th August, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang for identification of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other mental illnesses in schools and villages by domain experts.

Ms. Subarna Rai, Ld. Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA in her welcome address informed that children from vulnerable sections of our society and conditions of children with intellectual disabilities is very deplorable. There is an urgent need for identification of such children in the rural areas to help them avail required medical assistance and therapy. It was informed that the programme was organized under the directions of Hon'ble Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA for the Para-Legal Volunteers, Counsellors, Health Educators and ASHA workers deputed by the Health & Family Welfare Department and Anganwadi Workers of all the districts who work at the grassroot level and have accessibility to such children who are denied their basic

rights due to stigmatization and lack of awareness. They were urged to identify and intimate Sikkim SLSA regarding such children so that necessary assistance can be rendered to them.

The Resource Persons for the said programme were Dr. Bibushan Dahal, Senior Consultant Psychiatrist and Ms. Archana Chettri, Clinical Psychologist, Department of Psychiatry, STNM Hospital, Health & Family Welfare Department.

Dr. Bibushan Dahal, Senior Consultant Psychiatrist apprised the gathering on mental health issues. He gave a brief history on mental illness and informed that mental health is a state of well being which enables a person to cope with stress, realize ones abilities, learn and work well and contribute to their community. The cycle of mental health and the determinants of mental health namely biosocial factors, substance abuse, unfavourable circumstances, early childhood migration and traumatic events were also deliberated upon by him.

Ms. Archana Chettri, Clinical Psychologist, explained child and adolescent mental disorders and other form of intellectual disorders as well as the signs and symptoms which can assist the participants to identify children with such disorders. She also apprised on behavioral disorders such as Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Oppositional Defiant Disorder (ODD) and Conduct Disorder (CD) and urged the participants to sent children showing any of the symptoms to the hospital for screening and early detection of the disability so that timely intervention and treatment can be rendered.

The programme was followed by an interactive session between the participants and the Resource Persons and numerous queries raised were addressed by the Resource Persons.

The programme was attended by Officers of the Health & Family Welfare Department, Para-Legal Volunteers of Sikkim SLSA, Counsellors posted in the Primary Health Centres, Health Educators, ASHA and Anganwadi Workers.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Matilda Isaacs, Consultant, Sikkim SLSA.



Training programme for Para-Legal Volunteers, Counsellors, Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA) and Anganwadi Workers was organized by Sikkim SLSA on 30th August, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang for identification of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other mental illnesses in schools and villages by domain experts

TRAINING AND 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 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 **Training of Trainers Programme for Panel Advocates** on **5th September, 2023** at the **Conference Hall of Sikkim SLSA, Development Area, Gangtok** and a **Sensitization Programme for the Internal Complaints Committee and Local Complaints Committee of the Government Departments and Public Sector Undertakings** on **6th September, 2023** at **Chintan Bhawan, Gangtok** on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013.

In her welcome address, Ms. Subarna Rai, Ld. Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA introduced the Resource Persons for the programme viz; Ms. Nitya Sriram Srinivasan and Ms. Varuna Singh from the Martha Farrell Foundation, New Delhi and a brief background on the Foundation and its work on gender justice was delineated.

The Resource Persons outlined the history behind the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013. The working sessions comprised of:-

Working Session – I
Topic
1. Introduction, Context Setting on 2013 Law, Background and Role of Internal Committee – Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal.
2. Experience Sharing, Challenges on IC/LC Experience.
3. Defining Sexual Harassment of Workplace, Case Studies.
Working Session – II
Topic
4. Procedures and Process for Redressal.
5. Case Study Analysis on Processes.

The Training of Trainers Programme for Panel Advocates was held on 5th September, 2023. On 6th September, 2023, the programme saw the participation of Presiding Officers and Members of Internal Complaints Committee of 48 Departments and offices including Registry of the Hon’ble High Court of Sikkim, District Courts, Sikkim SLSA and Pharmaceutical Companies and Local Complaints Committee from all the Districts of Sikkim.



Training of Trainers Programme for Panel Advocates 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 12th May, 2023 passed in Civil Appeal No. 2482 of 2014 titled Aureliano Fernandes v. State of Goa and Ors. organized by Sikkim SLSA on 5th September, 2023 at the Conference Hall of Sikkim SLSA, Development Area, Gangtok



Sensitization Programme for the Internal Complaints Committee and Local Complaints Committee of the Government Departments and Public Sector Undertakings organized by Sikkim SLSA on 6th September, 2023 at Chintan Bhawan, Gangtok

40 HOURS TRAINING PROGRAMME AND 20 HOURS REFRESHER COURSE ON MEDIATION

The Sikkim State Legal Services Authority under the aegis of Mediation and Conciliation Project Committee, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi organized a 40 hours Mediation Training Programme for Judicial Officers and Advocates from 8th to 12th September, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok.

Potential Trainers Ms. Pramila Acharya from Rajasthan and Ms. Rita Das Mozumdar from Assam imparted the 40 hours Mediation Training Programme to 17 participants comprising of 02 Judicial Officers and 15 Advocates. The training was observed by Ms. Nisha Saxena, Senior Judge Trainer from Delhi.

Simultaneously, 20 hours Refresher Course on Mediation for trained Advocate Mediators was held from 9th to 11th September, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok.

Qualified Mediators Mr. Laxmikant Gaur and Mr. Dharmender Rana from Delhi imparted 20 hours Refresher Course on Mediation to 12 trained Advocate Mediators which was observed by Mr. Manmohan Sharma, Senior Judge Trainer from Delhi.

The training included lectures, facilitation, role plays, coaching and intense interaction with the participants on various subjects on mediation such as conflict management, ADR mechanism, relevance of section 89CPC, concept, process and various techniques and benefits of mediation. The curriculum of training programme emphasized the importance of practical experience in becoming an effective mediator. During frequent role plays, each participant actively mediated variety of disputes with expert feedback. The programme was designed to provide individuals with the knowledge and skills necessary to mediate a variety of everyday disputes which come before subordinate Courts.



40 hours Mediation Training Programme for Judicial Officers and Advocates organized by Sikkim SLSA under the aegis of MCPC, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi from 8th to 12th September, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok



20 hours Refresher Course on Mediation for trained Advocate Mediators organized by Sikkim SLISA under the aegis of MCPC, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi from 9th to 11th September, 2023 at Sikkim Judicial Academy, Sokeythang, Gangtok

MISSION MODE CAMPAIGN FOR PREVENTION AND ERADICATION OF TUBERCULOSIS

Sikkim SLISA under the direction of Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLISA and under NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally ILL and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015 organized a Mission Mode Campaign for Prevention & Eradication of Tuberculosis in all Educational Institutions in Sikkim in collaboration with the State Tuberculosis Cell, Health & Family Welfare Department from 14th August, 2019.

The awareness drive aimed at generating awareness on prevention and eradication on Tuberculosis/Multi-drug resistant tuberculosis (MDR/TB)/Extensively drug resistant tuberculosis (XDR-TB) for the students of all the educational institutions in Sikkim.

The Mission Mode Campaign was organized on 15th September, 2023 at ICFAI University, Sichey, Gangtok.

Resource Person, Dr. Rohini Tamang, Medical Officer TB Control, District TB Centre, Gangtok apprised the participants regarding tuberculosis its signs, symptoms and treatment, Drug-Resistant TB, Multi Drug Resistant and Diagnosis of TB.

Resource Person, Mr. Dinesh Shanker, Health Educator emphasized the participants on health, mental wellness, good and poor mental health, various

types of mental disorder, signs of autism, warning signs of suicide and how to prevent it.

During the programme, Active Case Finding was conducted by the Resource Persons. A total of 161 participants (159 students and 02 Faculty Members) participated in the above programme.



Mission Mode Campaign organized by Sikkim SLSA in collaboration with the State Tuberculosis Cell, Health & Family Welfare Department on 15th September, 2023 at ICFAI University, Sichey, Gangtok

MENTAL HEALTH CAMP

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, 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 on 22nd September, 2023 at State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok District and District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi District.

During these camps, the Convicts and Under Trial Prisoners who were undergoing medical treatment for mental health issues were examined and the 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.

The Resource Persons for the mental camps were:

Prison	Resource Persons	Convicts/UTPs examined and provided counselling
State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Bibushan Dahal, Psychiatrist, Multispecialty Hospital, Sochakgang. 2. Dr. Bishnu Sharma, Psychiatrist, Multispecialty Hospital, Sochakgang. 3. Ms. Nancy Palmu Chankapa, Senior Clinical Psychologist, Multispecialty Hospital, Sochakgang. 4. Ms. Archana Chettri, Clinical Psychologist, Multispecialty Hospital, Sochakgang. 	13 Convicts and 06 UTPs undergoing medical treatment for various mental health issues and 119 Convicts and 06 UTPs were examined and provided counselling.
District Prison Boomtar, Namchi District	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Upashna Gurung, Psychiatrist, Multispecialty Hospital, Sochakgang. 2. Ms. Divyaswari Rai, Clinical Psychologist, District Hospital, Namchi. 	78 UTPs were examined and provided counselling.

The camp organized at State Central Prison, Rongyek was attended by Ms. Subarna Rai, Ld. Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Mrs. Matilda Isaacs, Consultant, Sikkim SLSA, Mr. Praveen Pradhan, Deputy Secretary, Sikkim SLSA and Mr. Kunga Nima Barphungpa, Under Secretary, Sikkim SLSA.



Some glimpses of the Mental Health Camp organized by Sikkim SLSA on 22nd September, 2023 at State Central Prison, Rongyek, Gangtok District



Some glimpses of the Mental Health Camp organized by DLSA, South on 22nd September, 2023 at District Prison, Boomtar, Namchi District

OTHER ACTIVITIES

HIGH COURT LOK ADALAT:

S.No.	Date	Presided over by	Cases taken up	Cases Disposed of
1.	07/07/2023	Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs. Basanti Rai and Mrs. Yangchen Ladingpa	06	03
2.	27/07/2023	Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mr. G.P. Pradhan and Mr. Kiran K. Rasaily	05	01
3.	11/08/2023	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
4.	28/08/2023	Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of Sikkim along with Other Persons Mrs. Basanti Rai and Mr. Wangyal T. Bhutia	04	02

NATIONAL LOK ADALAT:

National Lok Adalat was held on **9th September, 2023** wherein out of **74 cases** that were taken up, **43 cases** have been settled and a total amount of **Rs. 35,01,760/- 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	:	30
No. of cases settled	:	28
Amount Awarded	:	Rs. 27,05,260/-

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

No. of cases taken up	:	14
No. of cases settled	:	06
Amount Awarded	:	Rs. 24,000/-

(iii) Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Senior Civil Judge, Gangtok:

No. of cases taken up	:	01
No. of cases settled	:	Nil
Amount Awarded	:	Nil

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

No. of cases taken up	:	04
No. of cases settled	:	Nil
Amount Awarded	:	Nil

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

No. of cases taken up	:	25
No. of cases settled	:	09
Amount Awarded	:	Rs. 7,72,500/-

**REGULAR LOK ADALAT AT THE DISTRICT AND TALUK LEVEL DURING
THE QUARTER JULY TO SEPTEMBER, 2023**

DISTRICT LOK ADALAT (EAST) AT GANGTOK

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
35	13	217	230	219	11

DISTRICT LOK ADALAT (WEST) AT GYALSHING

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
05	01	27	28	23	05

DISTRICT LOK ADALAT (SOUTH) AT NAMCHI

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
06	06	27	33	08	25

TALUK LOK ADALAT (NORTH) AT MANGAN

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

TALUK LOK ADALAT (SOUTH) AT NAMCHI

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
03	Nil	10	10	05	05

TALUK LOK ADALAT (SOUTH) AT JORETHANG

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
11	03	13	16	07	09

TALUK LOK ADALAT (WEST) AT GYALSHING

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
07	Nil	51	51	46	05

TALUK LOK ADALAT (WEST) AT SORENG

No. of Lok Adalat held	Previous Pending	No. of cases received	Total	No. of cases disposed	No. of cases pending
04	Nil	04	04	02	02

LEGAL AID

During the quarter, July to September, 2023, free legal aid as per Section 12 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 was provided to **276** beneficiaries by the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority under various categories:

QUARTER	S.C.	S.T.	WOMEN	CHILD	UNDER TRIAL/DETAINED BY CUSTODY	GENERAL	DISABLED	SENIOR CITIZEN	TOTAL
July to September, 2023	06	25	157	02	46	37	Nil	03	276

STATISTICS OF MEDIATION

JULY - SEPTEMBER, 2023					
MEDIATION CENTRE	NO. OF MEDIATIONS HELD	NO. OF CASES TAKEN UP	NO. OF CASES SETTLED	NO. OF CASES RETURNED	NO. OF CASES PENDING
Gangtok	58	27	04	13	10
Mangan	06	01	Nil	01	Nil
Namchi	41	24	Nil	10	14
Gyalshing	82	41	17	17	07
Total	187	93	21	41	31

STATISTICS OF PRE-LITIGATION MEDIATION AS PER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 12 A OF THE COMMERCIAL COURTS, COMMERCIAL DIVISION AND COMMERCIAL APPELLATE DIVISION OF HIGH COURTS ACT, 2018 READ WITH COMMERCIAL COURTS (PRE-INSTITUTION MEDIATION AND SETTLEMENT RULES), 2018

JULY - SEPTEMBER, 2023						
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	03	13	05	Nil	01	10
Mangan	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Namchi	Nil	06	06	Nil	Nil	Nil
Gyalshing	01	Nil	Nil	Nil	01	Nil
Total	04	19	11	Nil	02	10

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, six 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. The details are as under:-

Sl. No.	Date	Venue	Resource Person	No. of participants comprising of students, teaching/ non-teaching staff
1.	29/07/2023	Government Senior Secondary School, Namcheybong	Mrs. Chezum Lepcha, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Human Trafficking Unit,	85

			Mr. Thinley Hezer Bhutia, Welfare Inspector, Social Welfare Department and Ms. Mingma Lhamu Sherpa, Panel Advocate	
2.	04/08/2023	Sonam Choda Lepcha Secondary School, Dzongu	Mr. Jorgay Namka, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim & Sr. Panel Advocate, Mr. Mani Kumar Tamang, Additional Superintendent of Police, Mangan and Ms. Radhika Chettri, District Level Facilitator, Social Welfare Department, Mangan	53
3.	05/08/2023	Government Secondary School, Dalapchand	Mr. Hem Lall Manger, Panel Advocate, Mr. Thinley Hezer Bhutia, Welfare Inspector, Social Welfare Department and Mr. Tsheda Dorjee Bhutia, Sub-Inspector, Anti Human Trafficking Unit	80
4.	05/08/2023	Government Senior Secondary School, Pachey	Mrs. Chezum Lepcha, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Human Trafficking Unit, Mrs. Zola Megi, Panel Advocate and Mr. Deepen Lamichaney, Welfare Inspector, Social Welfare Department	150

5.	16/09/2023	Government Secondary School, Tarethang	Ms. Priyanka Chettri, Panel Advocate, Mr. Adarsh Shrestha, Welfare Inspector, Social Welfare Department and Mr. Tsheda Dorjee Bhutia, Inspector, Anti Human Trafficking Unit	70
6.	30/09/2023	Ratna Bahadur Gurung, Government Secondary School, Tarpin	Mr. Manish Jain, Panel Advocate and Mr. Thinley Hezer Bhutia, Welfare Inspector, Social Welfare Department	140

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).

A training programme was conducted via virtual mode during the quarter July to September, 2023 which are as follows:

Sl. No.	Date	Topic	Resource Person
1.	01/07/2023	eCourts Services	Mr. K.W. Bhutia, Chairman, DLSA, East at Gangtok
2.	15/07/2023	Role of Retainer Lawyers and Remand Lawyers and their role in pre-arrest stage, arrest stage, remand and custody	Ms. Subarna Rai, Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA
3.	30/08/2023	Civil Procedure Code including the filing of interlocutory applications for stay etc.	Mr. Umesh Ranpal, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA

LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMMES THROUGH DOORDARSHAN AND ALL INDIA RADIO

As a publicity and 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.

The topics discussed during the quarter July to September, 2023 are as follows:

- **Doordarshan (once a month):**

Sl. No.	Month	Topic	Resource Person
1.	July, 2023	Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016	Mr. Jorgay Namka, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim & Panel Advocate Sikkim SLSA
2.	August, 2023	Rights of Consumers	Mr. M.N. Dhungel, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
3.	September, 2023	Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989	Mr. Tshewang Namgyal, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA

- **All India Radio (every Saturday):**

Sl. No.	Date	Topic	Resource Person
1.	01/07/2023	Mental Health Care Act, 2017	Mr. S.S. Hamal, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim & Panel Advocate Sikkim SLSA
2.	08/07/2023	The Maintenance and Welfare of Senior Citizens Act, 2017 and Maintenance u/s125 Cr.PC.	Mr. Pujan Kharka, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
3.	15/07/2023	Human Trafficking	Mr. Tashi Rapten Barfungpa, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA

4.	22/07/2023	Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 as amended in 2019	Mr. J.K.P. Jaiswal, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
5.	29/07/2023	Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013	Ms. Puja Lamichaney, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
6.	05/08/2023	Domestic Violence Act, 2005	Ms. Sabina Gurung, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
7.	12/08/2023	Consumer Protection Act, 2019	Mr. Ramesh Sharma, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
8.	19/08/2023	Penal Provisions under Sikkim Anti-Drugs Act, 2006 and NDPS Act, 1985	Mr. Hem Lall Manger, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
9.	26/08/2023	Offences against Public Tranquility under Chapter - VIII of the IPC, 1860	Mr. Pema Ongchu Bhutia, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
10.	02/09/2023	Maternity Benefits Act, 1961 as amended in 2017 and Maternity Benefits in Sikkim	Ms. Mingma Lhamu Sherpa, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
11.	09/09/2023	Free & Competent Legal Aid & Services	Ms. Tengop Subba, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
12.	16/09/2023	Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012	Ms. Sashi Rai, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA
13.	23/09/2023	Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015	Mr. Deepen Pradhan, Panel Advocate, Sikkim SLSA

ONE-ON-ONE COUNSELLING FOR THE INMATES ARRESTED UNDER SADA, 2006 AND NDPS ACT, 1985

One-on one counseling session 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, Gangtok by the Clinical Psychologists/Psychiatrists from the New S.T.N.M. Multi Specialty Hospital on rotation basis.

Five counselling sessions were provided during the quarter July to September, 2023 as detailed below:

Date	Name of the Clinical Psychologist	Number of inmates who have undergone counselling				
		UTP		Convict		Total
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
04/07/2023	Ms. Sangila Dorjee	Nil	Nil	09	Nil	09
18/08/2023	Ms. Archana Chettri	Nil	04	11	Nil	15
25/08/2023	Ms. Nancy Palmu Chankapa	06	Nil	03	Nil	09
06/09/2023	Dr. Sonam O. Lassopa	01	Nil	06	Nil	07
15/09/2023	Ms. Nancy Palmu Chankapa	03	Nil	03	Nil	06

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

Under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication of the Drug Menace) Scheme, 2015, online 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 from the office of Sikkim SLSA.

Twenty six counselling programmes were conducted via virtual mode during the quarter July to September, 2023 as detailed below:

Sl. No.	Date	Resource Persons	No. of Participants (UTPs)
1.	03/07/2023	Mr. Kalzang Wangdi and Mr. Tenzing Palyon, Counselors, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	13
2.	05/07/2023	Mr. K.C. Nima, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	20
3.	07/07/2023	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	36
4.	10/07/2023	Mr. Kalzang Wangdi and Mr. Darpan Rai, Counselors, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	16
5.	12/07/2023	Mr. K.C. Nima, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	26
6.	14/07/2023	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	31
7.	17/07/2023	Mr. Tenzing O. Lepcha and Mr. Darpan Rai, Counselors, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	17
8.	19/07/2023	Mr. K.C. Nima, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	27
9.	24/07/2023	Mr. Noel Lepcha and Mr. K.W. Lepcha, Counselors, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	13
10.	26/07/2023	Mr. Kalzang Wangdi, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	18
11.	31/07/2023	Mr. Kalzang Wangdi and Mr. Rohit Biswakarma, Counselors, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	11

12.	02/08/2023	Mr. K.C. Nima, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	15
13.	07/08/2023	Mr. Noel Lepcha, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	11
14.	09/08/2023	Mr. K.C. Nima, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	22
15.	4/08/2023	Mr. Noel Lepcha, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	12
16.	18/08/2023	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	26
17.	21/08/2023	Mr. Kalzang Wangdi and Mr. Tashi Wangchuk, Counselors, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	13
18.	23/08/2023	Mr. K.C. Nima, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	19
19.	25/08/2023	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	31
20.	28/08/2023	Mr. Noel Lepcha, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	11
21.	01/09/2023	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr. Deepen Chettri, Counselors, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	14
22.	06/09/2023	Mr. K.C. Nima, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	14
23.	08/09/2023	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia and Mr. Deepen Chettri, Counselors, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	22
24.	15/09/2023	Mr. Karma Jigme Bhutia, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	25

25.	20/09/2023	Mr. Tenzong Lepcha and Mr. Lekli Doke, Counselors, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	13
26	25/09/2023	Mr. Kalzang Wangdi, Counselor, Freedom Facility Rehabilitation Centre, Gangtok	10

**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 20th 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, 2023 are as under:-

Month	No. of Days visited by the recovering substance abusers/rehabilitated drug abusers	No. of visitors
July, 2023	21	28
August, 2023	20	32
September, 2023	15	21

OTHER LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMMES

CONDUCTED BY	DATE	Name of the Programme	VENUE
DLSA & TLSC East at Gangtok and Rangpo	19/07/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015	Office of Block Administrative Centre, Martam

	25/08/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication) Scheme, 2015	Serenity Home, Burtuk
	22/09/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016	Old Age Home, Ranipool
DLSA & TLSC North at Mangan	13/07/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015	Rongong Tumlong, Gram Prasashan Kendra, Mangan.
	16/08/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication) Scheme, 2015	Mangan Nagar Panchayat Hall, Mangan.
	22/09/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016	Ringhim Ward, Mangan.
DLSA & TLSC South at Namchi	27/07/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015	Tamang Community Hall, Kateng.
	25/08/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication) Scheme, 2015	Salghari Gram Panchayat Unit.
	22/09/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016	Government Junior High School, Kewzing Dalep.

DLSA & TLSC Gyalshing and Soreng	23/07/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes) Scheme, 2015	Government Secondary School, Rimbik.
	22/08/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to the Victims of Drug Abuse and Eradication) Scheme, 2015	Paramedical Training Centre, Kyongsa, Gyalshing.
	27/09/2023	Awareness Programme under NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016	Village Administrative Centre, Yangthang GPU, Gyalshing.



Office of Block Administrative Centre, Marta, Gangtok district



Mangan Nagar Panchayat Hall, Mangan district



Salghari Gram Panchayat Unit, Namchi district



Village Administrative Centre, Yangthang GPU, Gyalshing district

MICRO LEGAL LITERACY CAMPS

CONDUCTED BY	DATE	VENUE
DLSA & TLSC East at Gangtok	18/08/2023	Block Administrative Centre, Ranka.
DLSA, & TLSC North at Mangan.	17/08/2023	Government Secondary School, Manul.
DLSA North at Mangan & TLSC (Chungthang)	05/09/2023	Kalow Ward, Mangan.
DLSA & TLSC South at Namchi	15/07/2023	Government Senior Secondary School, Sumbuk.
DLSA South at Namchi & TLSC (Namchi), (Yangang) & (Jorethang)	15/09/2023	Manjushri Public School, Temi.
DLSA West at Gyalshing & TLSC (Soreng)	29/08/2023	Toyang, Gyalshing.
	14/09/2023	St. Mary Senior Secondary School, Gyalshing.



Block Administrative Centre, Ranka, Gangtok district



Kalow Ward, Mangan district



Government Senior Secondary School, Sumbuk, Namchi district



Toyang, Gyalshing district

MGNREGA LEGAL LITERACY CAMPS

CONDUCTED BY	DATE	VENUE
DLSA & TLSC East at Gangtok	11/07/2023	Tashi Namgyal Senior Secondary School, Gangtok.
	16/09/2023	Primary School, Sangkhola.
DLSA North at Mangan & TLSC (Chungthang)	13/07/2023	Swayem
DLSA South at Namchi & TLSC (Namchi), (Yangang) & (Jorethang)	11/08/2023	Sorok Shyampani GPU.
DLSA & TLSC West at Gyalshing	25/07/2023	Singhang, Gyalshing.



Tashi Namgyal Senior Secondary School, Gangtok district



Swayem, Mangan district



Sorok Shyampani GPU, Namchi district



Singhang, Gyalshing district