

H.P. State Legal Services Authority, Shimla-171009

Plan of Action for the month of April, 2023

1.	<p>A virtual meeting at District Legal Services Authority level be initiated by involving members of Panchayati Raj Institutions, Asha/Anganwadi Workers, Mahila Mandal, NGO's, functionaries of the Institutions/Departments etc. regarding identification of cases for upcoming National Lok Adalat on 13.05.2023 and also mobilize general public to bring maximum numbers of cases for upcoming National Lok Adalat.</p> <p>Report be made how many cases identified by such stakeholders/functionaries for upcoming National Lok Adalat</p>
2.	<p>A virtual meeting of Secretaries, District Legal Services Authorities and the Chairmen, Sub Divisional Legal Services Committees with Para Legal Volunteers manning Village Legal Care and Supports for identification of cases for upcoming National Lok Adalat on 13.05.2023.</p> <p>Targets be given to PLVs for identification of cases for National Lok Adalat and also mobilize general public in their respective Panchayat(s) to bring maximum numbers of cases for upcoming National Lok Adalat on 13.05.2023.</p> <p>Report be made how many cases identified by Para Legal Volunteers for upcoming National Lok Adalat on 13.05.2023</p>
3.	<p>➤ Fortnightly Meeting of Chairperson, District Legal Services Authorities with Bar Association, Stakeholders, Financial/Bank Institutions and Insurance Companies, etc. regarding identification of cases for upcoming National Lok Adalat on 13.05.2023.</p> <p>➤ Fortnightly Video Conferencing may be held with all Judicial Officers of the Civil and Sessions Divisions regarding progress in identification of cases for National Lok Adalat</p>
4.	<p>Weekly meeting of Secretaries, District Legal Services Authorities and the Chairmen, Sub Divisional Legal Services Committees with Bar Association, Stakeholders, Financial/Bank Institutions and Insurance Companies, etc. regarding identification of cases for upcoming National Lok Adalat on 13.05.2023</p>
5.	<p>Secretaries, District Legal Services Authorities to organize Legal Awareness Programme for Jail Inmates by associating Legal Aid Defense Counsel through virtual mode on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Right of Prisoners and corresponding duties of the Jail custodians in ensuring the protection of their right.➤ Plea Bargaining➤ Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued by NALSA➤ Pre-mature release of convicts.➤ Parole➤ Furlough, etc. <p>Secretary DLSA to interact with Jail Inmates, convicts/under trials and provide them</p>

	<p>legal Aid/Assistance as may be required for defending the case, filing appeal or seeking bail, pre-mature release, parole, furlough etc.</p> <p>Effective coordination with concerned Courts/ Jail Authority in their respective District to solve grievances of Jail Inmates, convicts/under trials with reference to problem(s) faced by them if any and apprise and assist eligible convicts for pre-mature release as per rules by accessing to the descriptive roll (portal 'Kaara-Correction')/directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court from time to time in the matter of SMWP(CRIMINAL)NO4/2021 titled IN RE POLICY STRATEGY FOR GRANT OF BAIL/SPECIAL LEAVE TO APPEAL(CrI.)NO.529/2021 titled SONADHAR VS STATE OF CHATTISGARH</p> <p>Record of Legal Aid/Assistance provided be maintained.</p>
6.	<p>Observation of “Observation of Intellectual Property Rights Day” on 21st April, 2023. Suitable programmes to be organized with the concerned Department at District and Sub-Division level.</p>
7.	<p>To organise Training Programme for Legal Services Panel Lawyers i.e. Legal Aid Defence Counsels, Remand Counsels, Retainer Lawyers, Panel Lawyers, as per modules of Training programme for Legal Services Panel Lawyers framed by the NALSA by associating Senior Advocate(s) of their respective District as a Resource person through virtual mode.</p>
8.	<p>Visit and interaction with Inmates of Old Age Home(s)/Senior Citizen Home(s) by Secretary, DLSA in compliance of NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016</p>
9.	<p>Legal Awareness Programme(s) by Secretaries, DLSAs and Chairmen, SDLSCs involving Police officers, Stakeholders, beneficiaries and Remand Counsel(s) deputed for providing legal assistance at Pre-Arrest, Arrest and Remand stage on the following topics may be conducted through virtual mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximizing the Early Access to suspects at Pre-Arrest Stage • Early Access to Justice at Pre-Arrest, Arrest and Remand stage • Rights of the arrested persons • Jurisprudence of Section 41 to 41 (D) of Code Of Criminal Procedure • Duties and functions of Legal Aid Counsel under H.P. Legal Aid Counsel Scheme, 2003. <p>Emphasis be made on extending Legal Services at Pre-Arrest stage, Arrest and Remand Stage in coordination with Police.</p>
10	<p>Sensitization programme on the following NALSA's scheme</p> <p>➤ NALSA (Legal Services to Senior Citizens) Scheme, 2016</p> <p>Targets be given to PLVs for identifying beneficiaries under the aforesaid schemes for legal aid through digital modes.</p>
11	<p>To organize Lessons in Law in Schools/Colleges regarding Fundamental Duties, ill effect of social evils, strengthening of moral and social values, Patriotism</p>
12.	<p>Chairman, District Legal Services Authority to take efforts to boost up Mediation activities by holding meeting(s) with Judicial Officers and Trained Advocate Mediators in their jurisdiction to clear the backlog of the pending cases of Mediation.</p>

	To impress Judicial Officials to refer more and more cases for mediation in order to utilize the services of trained Mediators.
13.	To strengthen the Court Annexed Mediation, the Secretary/Co-ordinator to sensitize the general masses/litigants encourage them to refer their cases to enhance the Mediation process. Fortnightly programme be organized for litigant public. Secretary, DLSA to coordinate the activities carried out in Pre-litigation desks/clinics established for Motor Accident and Matrimonial dispute cases and boost up Pre-litigation cases of Motor Accident, Matrimonial dispute Domestic Violence Cases.
14.	Verification of diary of the record of daily legal services activities, of PLVs by Secretary, DLSA at District headquarters and Chairman, Sub- Divisional Legal Services Committee at Sub-Divisional level and coordinating legal services activities in the rural areas/villages through them.
15.	Inspection of Jail by the Chairman, District Legal Services Authority as per Hon'ble Supreme Court Directions in Writ Petition (Civil) No.559/1994 with Writ Petition (Civil) No.133/2002.
16.	Meetings of Chairperson, District Legal Services Authorities with Nodal Officers and with other stakeholders, Members.
17.	Meetings of Monitoring and Mentoring Committees, suggesting effective steps to provide competent legal aid to the beneficiaries.
18.	Maintenance of Record of Legal Aid cases disposed by the Court on daily basis and steps taken to pursue further remedy of filing of appeal and submission of monthly reports to the DLSA. The Secretary, DLSA to submit monthly statement of the entire District in consolidated form.
19.	Submission of Monthly institution and disposal statement of legal aided cases to the DLSA. The Secretary, DLSA to submit Monthly institution and disposal statement of the entire Civil & Sessions Division.
20.	Review of monthly Impact Assessment of various Legal Services Activities/ Camps, suggestions thereof.
21.	To ensure the timely payment of bills of PLVs, Retainer lawyers and Remand Counsels and honorarium of members of Lok Adalat etc.
22.	Reports in all the above activities to be submitted. (Above activities are as a broad line parameters in addition to other routine legal services activities, monthly compliances of guidelines/ instructions issued from time to time etc.).