## Plan of Action for the month of July, 2023

- 1. Special Plantation-cum-Awareness Drive by associating Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs), Self Help Groups, Mahila Mandals, Yuvak Mandals, NGO's etc. during Plantation under the theme "जंगली फल लगाओं फसले बचाओं" and "To Improve the Natural Environment" at all Village Legal Care and Support Centre level and Panchayat level in coordination with Forest Department. Prepare Schedule of Plantation for each DLSA and send the same to this Authority.
- 2. Plantation Drive-cum-Awareness camp in coordination with Forest and Education Department by involving students of class 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> during ongoing monsoon season as per Vidyarthi Van Mittar Yojna.

  During Plantation Drive, the students be sensitized about the importance of Forests as well as Environment issues especially plastic and garbage.

  Coordinate with Forest Department for Schedule of Plantation.
- 3. **Special Legal Awareness Programme** by Secretaries, DLSAs and Chairmen, SDLSCs involving public and stake holders on the following topics through digital modes:
  - (i) The provisions of Chapters XI and XII of the M.V. Amendment Act and M.V. Amendment Rules, 2022
  - (ii) Environmental issues, ground water depletion, Garbage disposal norms etc. as directed by National Green Tribunal.
  - (iii) NALSA Legal Services Mobile App and salient features of application
- 4. Secretaries, District Legal Services Authorities to organize Legal Awareness Programme for Jail Inmates by associating Legal Aid Defense Counsels through virtual mode on the following topics:
  - ➤ 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.
  - > Strengthening of Legal Services in Prisons

Secretary DLSA to interact with Jail Inmates, convicts/under trials and provide them legal Aid/Assistance as may be required for defending the case, filing appeal or seeking bail, pre-mature release, parole, furlough etc.

The Human Rights of prisoners must be taken care of while visiting jail(s). Bail(s) matter of undertrial prisoners should be aggressively pursued by the District Legal Services Authority.

While conducting inspection of jail must see to it that the basic facilities are guaranteed to all the prisoners.

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(Crl.)NO.529/2021 titled **SONADHAR** VS **STATE OF CHATTISGARH** 

- Record of Legal Aid/Assistance provided be maintained.
- 5. Observance of 'World Population Day' on 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2023. Suitable programmes like legal literacy camps for general public to be organized with the help of concerned Department.
- 6. Observance of 'World Day Against Trafficking in Person' on 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2023. Suitable programmes to be organized with the help of concerned Department.
- 7. Sensitization programme on the following NALSA's scheme
  - > NALSA (Victim of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation) Scheme, 2015

Targets be given to PLVs for identifying beneficiaries under the aforesaid scheme for legal aid.

- 8. Interaction with Inmates of Children Home(s) and Observation Home(s) by Secretary, DLSA. Welfare of Children of such Homes to be looked into during these interaction(s) including education and to find out inmates of Juvenile, Children Home(s) and Observation Home(s), who are not pursuing their education and follow-up actions.
- 9. Legal Awareness Programme(s) by Secretaries, DLSAs and Chairmen, SDLSCs involving Police officers, Stakeholders, beneficiaries, Legal Aid Defense Counsels 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.
  - Strengthening of Legal Services in Police Station
  - 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.

Emphasis be made on extending Legal Services at Pre-Arrest stage, Arrest and Remand Stage in coordination with Police.

- 10. To organise **Training Programme for Para Legal Volunteers** as per modules of Training programme for Para Legal Volunteers framed by the NALSA by associating Senior Advocate(s) of their respective District as a Resource person.
- 11. 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. To impress Judicial Officials to refer more and more cases for mediation in order to utilize the services of trained Mediators.

- 12. 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
- 13. 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.

**Domestic Violence Cases.** 

- 14. 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.
- 15. 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.
- 16. 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.
- 17. Review of monthly Impact Assessment of various Legal Services Activities/Camps, suggestions thereof.
- 18. To ensure the timely payment of bills of PLVs, Retainer lawyers and Remand Counsels and honorarium of members of Lok Adalat etc.
- 19. 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.).