

NORTH-EAST, DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY**Karkardooma Court, Delhi****State Plan of Action for the month of AUGUST, 2021**

S. No.	Legal Aid Wing	
1.	Weekly Visits by Secretaries/Panel Lawyers to jails to ascertain Legal aid needs of jail inmates and identification of probable Juveniles besides monitoring of the work of the Jail Visiting Advocates. On visit to Jail ensure functioning of e-kiosk. Meeting with Jail Superintendents and other officials to improve legal aid services in jails.	This Authority is co-coordinating with Superintendents Central Jail No. 11 and 12, Mandoli, on regular basis.
2.	Coordinate with Jail Superintendents for receipt of prescribed lists of jail inmates and thereafter, update the details of Legal Aid Counsels assigned to the inmates or assign Legal Aid Counsels, if not earlier provided.	This Authority is co-ordinating with Superintendents Central Jail No. 11 and 12, Mandoli. They have been asked to prepare and send a list of identified inmates to this Authority quarterly.
3.	It should be ensured that the data of UTRCs is regularly received from the jails and the meetings of the UTRCs are conducted as per the directions given by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.	This Authority is co-ordinating with Superintendents Central Jail No. 11 and 12, Mandoli. They have been asked to prepare and send a list of identified inmates to this Authority quarterly.
4.	In all District Court Complexes Legal Service Clinic is working. In order to make it effective regular visits be made to the Legal Services Clinics to ensure that the facilities are being utilized. Co-ordinate with In-charge of lock-ups to ensure smooth functioning of the said clinics, make it mandatory for the Legal services Lawyers to use these Legal Services Clinics to interact with clients who are in custody.	The Legal Services Clinic in the Lock-up is being on suspension due to the pandemic. However, our LACs are visiting the jail each day to ensure adequate representation to all inmates.
5.	Make efforts for optimum use of video-conferencing facility, particularly for an interaction between jail inmate and Legal Aid Counsel assigned to him.	It is clarified that all the panel advocates particularly on the criminal panel have been repeatedly informed about the facility of video conferencing at the office of DLSA. However, no request was received this Month. Due to suspended functioning of court the video conference facility is being regularly used in the office.
6.	Legal Services Clinics have been set up in Maintenance Tribunals/Appellate Tribunals constituted under Maintenance and Welfare	Clinic already set up in October, 2017 and working satisfactorily. It is clarified that the said clinic is catering to the needs of litigants visiting the Senior

	of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 in most of the Districts, however, where they have not been set up, the same will be set up by the end of October, 2019. Legal Services Clinics wherever not set up be set up in the Consumer Forum as well as in the District Labour Offices.	Citizens Tribunal as well as District Consumer Forum, which are situated within the same premises. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal services clinic has also been set up in District Labour Office. • Similarly, legal aid clinic is also working at Sakhi Centre, Jag Parvesh Chandra Hospital.
7.	Regular Meeting with Jail Visiting Advocates, Civil Side Advocates, Criminal Side Advocates, Sessions Advocates, Remand Advocates to take their feedback, proper monitoring of work being done, orientation, motivation and sensitization.	Meetings are regularly held with the various Panel Advocates in small groups or even individually (through video conferencing) to take their feedback and monitor the work being done by them. They are kept informed about various directions / instructions of this Authority through regular e-mails, SMS etc.
8.	Visits by Secretaries/ Panel Lawyers to Aganwadi to ascertain Legal aid needs of women regular visits shall be made to Aganwadi.	NIL
9.	Visits by Secretaries/ Panel Lawyers to Children and Observation Homes to ascertain Legal aid needs CCL (Children in conflict with Law) and identification of their problems besides monitoring of the work of the visiting Advocates regular visits shall be made to Children and Observation Homes.	No Observation Home has been assigned to this District.
10.	Monthly Orientation and Training programe for empaneled advocates of various panels shall be undertaken. Ld. Secretary shall identify topics on which specialized training for lawyers may be conducted.	1. 05.08.2021, The Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 aims to provide free and competent legal services to the weaker sections of the society to ensure that opportunities for securing justice are not denied to any citizen by reason of economic or other disabilities. Delivering competent legal aid demands constant training and empowering of the Legal Services Counsels. The National Legal Services Authorities (Free and Competent Legal Services) Regulations, 2010 also mandates for organising training programmes for panel lawyers from time to time to enhance their skills. In view of this, DLSA North East jointly with DLSA South, New Delhi, West, South-East and North organized a webinar on “Execution of Decree: Challenges & Solutions” for all panel lawyers. Sh. Vishal

		<p>Gogne, Ld. Additional Sessions Judge, Dwarka Courts & Mrs Charu Asiwai, Ld. MM, Central District, Tis Hazari Courts was the resource persons of the programme and interacted with 250 lawyers on the aforesaid topic.</p> <p><u>2. 27.08.2021,</u> DLSA North East & DLSA Shahdara organized a webinar on “a primer on fee structure: DLSA” for all the LAC’s of North East & Shahdara. Sh. Anubhav Jain, Secretary, DLSA North East and Sh. Aashish Gupta, Secretary, DLSA Shahdara hold the session and interacted with all the participants on the fee schedule of the DLSA.</p>
11	Implement various judicial directions of the Hon’ble Higher Courts relating missing children, victim compensation, victims of sexual offences etc. Monitor working of PLVs to be appointed at Police Stations.	All the judicial directions related to missing children, victim compensation, victims of sexual offences etc., are being followed meticulously.
12	Regular Meetings of Monitoring Committee as per SOP and submission of report to their Chairman.	NIL
13	Regular Meetings of Ombudsman with the Legal Services Advocates and litigants wherever necessary.	Not Applicable (No Ombudsman)
14	Legal Services Clinics be setup at major Railway Stations and Bus Terminals	There is no major Railway Station or Bus Terminal within the jurisdiction of this Authority.
15	Monitor the use of NALSA portal and public grievances should be addressed at the earliest. Monitoring the number of Legal Services cases received every month and to identify bottlenecks in effective legal services to the litigants or identify obstacles in people approaching DLSAs for legal services. Impact assessment of the work of legal services lawyers be got done.	NALSA Portal is being used effectively. No public grievance in respect of this Authority is pending on the portal. Such grievances are addressed immediately by issuing notices and hearing the applicants personally.
16	Identify areas in Communities areas would be identified where there is need for establishment of Legal Services Clinics or sending lawyers once a week or twice a week and doing the needful. Monitor the working of existing legal services clinics and conduct programs to increase the reach	With the help of an NGO working in North East district, two places have been identified to set up Legal Services Clinic. Information in this regard was also sent to Central Office, Delhi State Legal Services Authority, however, direction has been received from Central Office not to go ahead with establishing such clinics at present. Accordingly, the

	of the clinics.	process has been put on hold.
17	Regular meetings with PLVs appointed in Jails and take up regular count of new inmates on monthly basis. Assess the requirement of PLVs in the Jails and inform Central Office.	No PLVs are deputed in Jails for legal aid work. However, custody-PLVs (inmates), if any, working in Jail shall be contacted and requirements, if any, shall be informed.
18	Meeting of LSAs appointed in Tribunals on quarterly basis with Special Secretary to improve the quality of Legal Services.	Not Applicable
19	Assessing the work of different help desks setup in court complexes and ensuring wide publicity for them especially ensuring maximum utilization of help desks setup in judicial Lock-ups. Make regular visits to courts of SEM to monitor and assess the work of remand advocates appointed there. Ensuring that the cases of Victim Compensation are not unnecessarily delayed.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Help Desks are being regularly monitored for optimum utilization. 2. ACP/SEM is regularly contacted for assessing the work of Legal Services Advocates in said court. 3. All compensation cases are taken up on priority basis.
Legal Literacy Wing		
20	Effectively utilize interns in the activities of the DSLSA and ensure that they get an orientation on the work of Legal Services Authorities.	All the interns who are deputed with DLSA North-East are involved in the work of legal aid and awareness so as to make them understand the nature of work of the Authority.
Awareness Programmes in Communities on the topics:-		
21	Awareness Camps on Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 .	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 02.08.2021, The COVID-19 Pandemic has brought about unprecedented fear and uncertainty especially among Senior Citizens & Women. However, as we all know that a society's true development is measured by how well it treats its senior citizens, women and children. Our aim to create awareness about the problems that our elderly are going through and also it talks about their contribution to the development of our society. In view of this, DLSA North East in association with DLSA Shahdara organized Legal Awareness Programme for the PLVs under the Project Vidhik Shakti on the topic "Rights of Women under Law including Domestic Violence". Ms. Mukta Rasmi,

		<p>LLB hold the session and interacted with 30 PLVs on the said topic.</p> <p>2. 07.08.2021, DLSA North East in association with DLSA Shahdara organized Legal Awareness Programme on the topic “DLSA Schemes and Domestic Violence” to spread awareness on Domestic Violence and availability of Free Legal Aid” at E-131, Gali No. 6, Subhash Vihar, Bhajanpura, Delhi. Sh. Manoj Kumar, LAC hold the session and interacted with 25 general public on the said topic.</p> <p>3. 10.08.2021, DLSA North East in association with DLSA Shahdara organized Legal Awareness Programme on the topic “DLSA Schemes and Domestic Violence” to spread awareness on Domestic Violence and availability of Free Legal Aid at C-6/288, Brijpuri, Delhi. Sh. Alok Motan, LAC hold the session and interacted with 30 women on the said topic.</p> <p>4. 16.08.2021, With reference to letter received from Ld. Special Secretary, DSLSA regarding Deputing LSAs at Mahila Sahyata Prakosth (Women Help Desk) for providing legal assistance to vulnerable women and children. In view of this, DLSA North East in association with DLSA Shahdara organized Legal Awareness Programme on Schemes of DSLSA/ DLSA alongwith Domestic Violence at A-35, Gali No. 1, Johripur Extension, Delhi. The aim of this programme is to reach out to the women in community and raise awareness and sensitization on various topic and issues concerning women. Ms. Neelam Rani, LAC hold the session and interacted with 20 general public on the aforesaid topic.</p> <p>5. 17.08.2021, DLSA North East in association with DLSA Shahdara organized Legal Awareness Programme on DLSA Schemes and Domestic Violence to spread awareness on Domestic Violence and availability of Free Legal Aid at A-759, Gali No.11, Part-1, First Pusta, Sonia Vihar, Delhi. Ms. Asha Kumari, LAC hold the session and interacted with inmates on the aforesaid topic.</p> <p>6. 18.08.2021, With reference to letter received from Ld. Special Secretary, DSLSA regarding Deputing LSAs at Mahila Sahyata Prakosth (Women Help Desk) for providing legal</p>
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		Aid at Dayalpur, Delhi. Ms. Geeta Vasudeva, LAC hold the session and interacted with inmates on the aforesaid topic.
22	Awareness Programmes on Benefits to Senior Citizens regarding various schemes for example Pension Scheme and under Senior Citizen Act, 2007.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 21.08.2021, Every Year the World Senior Citizens Day is celebrated on 21st August every year to create awareness about the rights and welfare schemes provided to the Senior Citizens. In view of this, DLSA North East in association with DLSA Shahdara organized a programme for the senior citizens of the society near St. Stephen Hospital Dispensary, Sunder Nagri, Delhi. Sh Parveen, LAC hold the session and interacted with participants about rights and laws relating to Senior Citizens. 29.08.2021, DLSA North East in association with DLSA North and DLSA Shahdara, is going to organise a Legal Awareness Programme under the aegis of NALSA and in order to “Celebration of 75 years of India’s Independence- “Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav” on the topic “Rights of Senior Citizens Program and various benefits provided by DLSA” at Khadi Wala Bank, near Bus Stand 205, Sunder Nagri, Delhi 110093. Ms. Pinki Rani, LAC hold the session and interacted with participants on the aforesaid topic.
Other Awareness Programmes on the topics:-		
23	Legal Literacy Classes for various stakeholders such as Police Officers, Teachers, Students, supporting staffs and even cab operating companies etc., on POCSO Act etc.	<u>11.08.2021</u> DLSA North East in association with DLSA Shahdara organized a Legal Awareness Programme for the children under the Project Nyay Ki Dastak on the topic “POCSO/ Good Touch & Bad Touch” at E-73/A74, Sanjay Colony, Delhi. The aim of this programme is to reach the grassroots of the community, providing legal assistance and raising awareness at the door steps. Ms. Asha Kumari, LAC hold the session and interacted with 30 general public on the said topic.
24	Plantation programmes as a part of the campaign “Clean Earth- Green Earth” initiated by Central Office DSLSA.	<u>04.08.2021 & 05.08.2021</u> Trees are valuable gifts of nature. They are known as the best friends of human beings. They benefit us in various ways. The lives of men and other animals and insects are inconceivable without

		the existence of trees in the world. In view of this, DLSA North East jointly with DLSA Shahdara and in association with NGO Chetanalaya organized Tree Plantation Programme/ Campaign in the areas of North East District. The main purpose of tree plantation is to save the endangered environment and to beautify our life.
ADR Wing		
25	National Lok Adalat is likely to be held in the month of August, 2021 for all Matters.	No Lok Adalat held in the month of August, 2021.
Establishment Wing		
26	Convene meeting of District Committee with all the Judges of concerned District inviting suggestion and overall working of the legal services being rendered.	All offices of the district are in continuous interaction and suggestions are regularly invited for overall working of legal services.
27	Uploading of data in the website.	Updated till date.
28	Prompt clearance of the bills of the Legal Service Advocates.	All the bills of panel advocates received till 31 July, 2021 have been cleared. Work on bills received in August, 2021 is in progress.
29	Completion of digitization and bookmarking of records and scanning of files with new anti-virus supplied.	Work in progress.
30	Uploading of Files on D-Space Server upon establishment of leased line connection.	The work of uploading of files on D-Space Server is complete.
31	Secretaries shall also take measures to streamline the administration in their office on discipline, attendance by staff, uploading of data, and sensitize their staff in their interaction with the litigants.	Staff is regularly sensitized and various measures have been taken to streamline the administration in the office regarding discipline, attendance and uploading of data.
32	Meeting of Secretaries DLSAs with the concerned CMM, ACMM and MMs of the entire District for any trouble shooting/queries regarding legal services being rendered.	All offices of the district are in continuous interaction and suggestions are regularly invited for overall working of legal services.

Others

33	Any other Programme that Secretary desires to hold and/or held keeping in view the specific needs of that District with prior information to the Central Office.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 02.08.2021, Secretary, DLSA North East attended meeting at DC Office Complex regarding Micro and Small Enterprises Facilities Council (MSEFC). 2. 03.08.2021, Secretary, DLSA North East attended interaction-cum-introduction meeting for the LACs for smooth functioning of work of the said districts. 3. 07.08.2021, Secretary, DLSA North East delivered a lecture to newly inducted LACs as a part of Induction Training organized by DSLSA on the topic "Civil Laws- Drafting, Witness Examination & Arguments etc." 4. 14.08.2021, DLSA North East in association with DLSA Shahdra organized an Legal Awareness –cum-Free Eye & Health Check-up Camp at 4/64 Shalimar Park Near East Azad Nagar, Metro Station, Delhi. Sh. Manoj Kumar, LAC was the resource person of the camp . 5. 22.08.2021, Food is the most important thing for a human life & a person works day & night for three times of proper food in a day. In these catastrophic times of COVID-19 where people are unemployed and earning livelihood & bringing food to the table became a challenge. So, to make this difficult time easier for poor sections of society especially women & children, this authority has resolved to provide some food & essentials to them. In pursuance of this & on the occasion of Raksha Bandhan falling on 22.08.2021, DLSA North East jointly with DLSA Shahdara and in association with Guru Sewa Trust distribute Food Packets including Cake, Juice & Biscuits to the needy people at Gurudwara, Bhikam Singh Colony, Vishwas Nagar, Shahdara, Delhi. 6. 18.08.2021, Secretary, DLSA North East attended Statutory meeting of Delhi State Legal Services Authority by virtual mode. 7. 26.08.2021, Secretary, DLSA North East delivered a lecture on Criminal Justice Dispensation: Rights of Arrestee & Rights of Victim as a part of Add-on-Course. 8. 07.08.2021, 13.08.2021, 21.08.2021 & 28.08.2021, DLSA NORTH EAST, through Secretary, convened the weekly meeting of
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(ANUBHAV JAIN)
 Secretary, North-East DLSA
 Karkardooma Courts, Delhi.