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#### **MEETING WITH THE PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS OF NORTH DISTRICT**



Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdi, Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA chairing the meeting

A meeting with the Principals of Schools and PLVs of North District was held on 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 at ADR Centre, Pentok, Mangan. The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA. The mode of setting up of Legal Literacy Clubs under the NALSA (Legal Services Clinics in Universities, Law Colleges and Other Institutions) Scheme, 2013 was discussed during the meeting.

The meeting was also attended by Shri K.W. Bhutia, District & Sessions Judge, Special Division -II/Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Shri N.G. Sherpa, Registrar, High Court of Sikkim, Shri Jagat Rai, District & Sessions Judge, North/Chairman, DLSA (North), Shri Benoy Sharma, Civil Judge-cum-Judicial Magistrate/Secretary, DLSA (North), Mangan, Mrs. Matilda Isaacs, Additional Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Para-Legal Volunteers and Principals of various Schools and students of North District.



PLVs, Principals of various Schools and students of North District

#### **MEETING WITH THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, OFFICIALS OF HEALTH CARE, HS** & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Sikkim State Legal Services Authority convened a meeting with the Principal Secretary and Senior Officers of Health Care, HS & Family Welfare Department on 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 in the chamber of Hon'ble Judge, High Court of Sikkim at Gangtok. The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA and was aimed at adopting remedial measures to curb the alarming rise of suicidal rates and drug abuse in Sikkim.

The meeting was attended by the following officials:

- 1. Dr. Kumar Bhandari, Director General-cum-Secretary, Health Care, H.S. & Family Welfare Department.
- 2. Dr. Vijay Singhi, Principal Director, Health Care, H.S. & Family Welfare Department.

- Dr. Yogesh Verma, Medical Superintendent, Health Care, H.S. & Family Welfare Department.
- 4. Dr. C.S. Sharma, Head of Department (Psychiatric), Health Care, H.S. & Family Welfare Department.
- 5. Shri K.W. Bhutia, Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA.
- 6. Mrs. Matilda Isaacs, Additional Secretary, Sikkim SLSA.

Hon'ble Executive Chairman informed that Sikkim SLSA is conducting "Legal Literacy Classes" in all the Schools and the need for counselling and propagation of issues concerning mental health and drug abuse was felt necessary. It was resolved that a training module would be prepared by the Health Department to address the problem of mental health, suicides and drug abuse. Hon'ble Executive Chairman desired that teachers, NGOs and Panchayats, apart from Medical Officers posted at Primary Health Centres should be imparted training in the field of mental health. They should be sent to all schools, colleges and villages for counselling the needy.

#### EARTH DAY OBSERVED

Sikkim State Legal Services Authority, District Legal Services Authorities and Taluk Legal Services Committees observed the Earth Day on  $22^{nd}$  April, 2014.



Mangan Sr. Sec. School, North Sikkim

District Legal Services Authority and Taluk Legal Services Committee (North) at Mangan observed Earth Day with the students of Class X and XII at Mangan Senior Secondary School.

The students were informed about Environmental Laws

including laws relating to water and air pollution, State

Pollution Control Board and its functions.

District Legal Services Authority and Taluk Legal Services Committee (West) at Gyalshing observed Earth Day at the Court premises of Civil Judge-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Gyalshing on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2014.



Ms. Subarna Rai, Secretary, DLSA, West addressing the gathering

The programme was organized to generate public consciousness about air and water pollution, and the protection of environment.



Shri Nirmal Kumar Bardewa, Panel Advocate addressing the gathering

Earth Day was observed jointly by District Legal Services Authority and Taluk Legal Services Committee (South) at Namchi on 22<sup>nd</sup> of April, 2014 at the ADR Centre, Namchi District Courts Complex, South Sikkim.

Similarly, Earth Day was also observed jointly by District Legal Services Authority and Taluk Legal Services Committee (East) at Gangtok on 29.04.2014 at Paljor

Namgyal Girls Senior Secondary School, Gangtok, East Sikkim.

As a publicity drive, advertisements were published in the local newspapers, telecasted in the local cable network and broadcasted in F.M. radio. Pamphlets were distributed in all the districts of Sikkim to make the public conscious about various enactments with an aim to protect the environment.

#### MEETING WITH PARA-LEGAL VOLUNTEERS, TEACHERS & STUDENTS OF NORTH SIKKIM



Hon'ble Shri Justice A.P. Subba, Judge (Retd.), High Court of Sikkim/former Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA addressing the gathering

A meeting with Para-Legal Volunteers, teachers and students of North district was held on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 in the Conference Hall of the Sub-Divisional Magistrate's Office at Chungthang, North Sikkim. The meeting was co-chaired by Hon'ble Shri Justice Narendra Kumar Jain, Chief Justice, High Court of Sikkim/Patron-in-Chief, Sikkim SLSA and Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim/Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA.

The meeting was organized by Sikkim SLSA in coordination with DLSA and TLSC, North at Mangan.

The programme was also attended by Hon'ble Shri Justice A.P. Subba, Judge (Retd.), High Court of Sikkim and former Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA, Shri K.W. Bhutia, District & Sessions Judge, Special Division-II, Gangtok-cum-Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Shri Jagat Rai, District & Sessions Judge (North)/Chairman, DLSA, North at Mangan and Shri Benoy Sharma, Civil Judge-cum-Judicial Magistrate (North)/Ex-Officio Chairperson, TLSC, North at Mangan.



Interactive session in progress

Para-Legal Volunteers, teachers and students of Chungthang Sub-Division attended the meeting. There was discussion on a variety of legal topics particularly on Lessons in Law, fundamental duties under Article 51A of the Constitution, rampant rise in suicidal deaths and drug abuse etc. The meeting culminated in a vibrant interactive session.

#### LEGAL AWARENESS CAMPS ON "LESSONS IN LAW"

Legal Awareness Camps with regard to book "Lessons in Law" published by Sikkim SLSA was organized by the District Legal Services Authority, East on 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 at Paljor Namgyal Girls Senior Secondary School, Gangtok and on 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 Tashi Namgyal Academy, Gangtok.

Shri Sonam Palden Bhutia and Shri Tashi Rapten Barfungpa, Panel Advocates of Sikkim SLSA were the Resource Persons during the programme. The camp was held to familiarize the students on the various subjects/chapters which has been incorporated in the book.



Shri Tashi Rapten Barfungpa, Panel Advocate of Sikkim SLSA addressing the gathering at Tashi Namgyal Academy, Gangtok

#### STATE MEET OF PARA-LEGAL VOLUNTEERS, DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITIES AND TALUK LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEES



Sitting L-R: Hon'ble Shrt Justice S.P. Wangdi, Hon'ble Shrt Justice N.K. Jain and Hon'ble Shrt Justice A.P. Subba

As per the Calendar of Activities, the State Meet of Para-Legal Volunteers, District Legal Services Authorities and Taluk Legal Services Committees was organized by Sikkim SLSA on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 in the Auditorium of High Court of Sikkim, Gangtok. The meet intended to commemorate outstanding works being performed by Para-Legal Volunteers, DLSAs/TLSCs and also by the Resource Persons.

The Sikkim SLSA had sought for nominations of

best para-legal volunteers of the respective districts of Sikkim from the District Legal Services Authorities and Taluk Legal Services Committees. Mrs. Indira Maya Nepal of Middle Khesay (East District), Mrs. Nirmala Dhakal of Chewribotey (East District) and Ms. Mingma Doma Bhutia of Rang Rang (North District) were selected as the "Best Performing Para-Legal Volunteers". They were awarded with Certificates of Appreciation and Tablet computers by the Hon'ble Patron-



Hon'ble Shri Justice N.K. Jain addressing the gathering

in-Chief, Sikkim SLSA and Hon'ble Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA. Dr. Dilip Pandey, Assistant Professor in Law, Sikkim Government Law College, Burtuk was also presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for conducting the maximum number of training as "Resource Person" for Para-Legal Volunteers.





Hon'ble Patron-in-Chief, Sikkim SLSA presenting Certificate of Appreciation to PLVs Smt. Indra Maya Nepal and Smt. Nirmala Dhakal



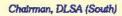
Hon'ble Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA presenting Certificate of Appreciation to Dr. Dilip Pandey, Assit. Prof. in Law, Sikkim Gout. Law College

The Chairpersons and Secretaries of District Legal Services Authorities/Ex-Officio Chairpersons of Taluk Legal Services Committees were presented with Certificates of Appreciation by Hon'ble Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA for their commendable work in holding legal awareness camps in the most inaccessible and remote locations of the State. They were also lauded for effectively implementing the scheme of Sikkim SLSA and NALSA.



Chairperson, DLSA (East)







Chairman, DLSA (North)



Chairperson, DLSA (West)



Ex-officio Chatrperson, TLSC (East)



Ex-officio Chairperson, TLSC (North)

PLVs of all four districts

Ex-Officio Chatrperson, TLSC (South)

Press/Media and Para-Legal Volunteers.

Ex-Officio Chatrperson, TLSC (West)

The meet was also attended by Mrs. K.C. Barphungpa, Registrar General, High Court of Sikkim, Shri N. G. Sherpa, Registrar, High Court of Sikkim, Mr. M.G. Kiran, Secretary, Home Department, Mr. Jasbir Singh, Director General of Police, Shri D.P. Sharma, Secretary, Food & Civil Supplies Department, Senior Advocates, Resource Persons,

Shri Passang Tshering Bhutia, National Awardee, 2013 for best PLV of the North-Eastern region addressed the gathering of PLVs and shared his experience.



PLV Shrt Passang Tshering Bhutla addressing the gathering



Hon'ble Shri Justice A.P. Subba, Judge (Retd.), High Court of Sikkim/former Executive Chairman Sildim SLSA presenting certificates to the PLVs



Interactive session with the Secretary, Social Justice, Empowerment & Welfare Department in progress

### REFRESHER TRAINING COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF NORTH DISTRICT ON "LESSONS IN LAW"

Refresher training course for teachers of North District on "Lessons in Law" was conducted in the following order:

- 29<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 at Mangan Senior Secondary School, Mangan,
- 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2014 at BDO Office, Kabi,
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 at SDM Office, Chungthang, and
- 5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 at BDO Office, Passingdong.

Mr. S.S. Hamal, Mr. Tashi Rapten Barfungpa, Mr. Sonam Palden Bhutia (Panel Advocates of East District), Mr Tshering Wongyal Bhutia and Mr. Sonam Gyamcho Bhutia (Panel Advocates of North District) were deputed as Resource Persons by Sikkim SLSA.

#### **OBSERVANCE OF INTERNATIONAL LABOUR DAY**

As per NALSA's Plan of Action 2014-15 and Sikkim SLSA Calendar of Activities, "International Labour Day" was observed on  $1^*$  May, 2014. A week thereafter was observed as Labour Week.

On the occasion of International Labour Day, legal awareness programmes were organized by District Legal Services Authorities and Taluk Legal Services Committees as under:

- (i) DLSA (South) and TLSC (South) at Namchi.
  - (a) Damthang, South Sikkim on 02.05.2014.
  - (b) Temi Tea Garden, South Sikkim on 03.05.2014.
  - (c) S.E.W. Karfectar, South Sikkim on 05.05.2004.
  - (d) IPCA Company (Medical), Jorethang, South Sikkim on 05.05.2014.

(Resource Persons: Shri Bhupendra Giri, Shri Bhim Shanker Pradhan, Shri Kumar Sharma, Shri Anjan Sharma, Ms. Yangzee Pinasha, Ms. Radhika Gautam and Ms. Mukun D. Tamang, Panel Advocates of Sikkim SLSA).

- (ii) DLSA (West) and TLSC (West) at Gyalshing.
  - (a) Court Premises at Tikjuk, West Sikkim on 01.05.2014.
  - (b) Shiga Energy Private Limited, Kabirthang, West Sikkim on 07.05.2014.
  - (c) Middle Gyalshing, West Sikkim on 08.05.2014.

(Resource Persons: Advocate Shri Bikash Gurung, Shri Pujan Kharka, Shri Man Hang

Subba, Ms. Puja Lamichaney and Shri Prabhat Rai, Panel Advocates of Sikkim SLSA and Ms. Tashi Doma Bhutia, APP, West).

- (iii) DLSA (East) and TLSC (East) at Gangtok.
  - (a) Construction site of the Hospital at Sichey, Gangtok, East Sikkim on 01.05.2014.

(Resource Person: Shri Bijay Rai, Panel Advocate of Sikkim SLSA).

- (iv) DLSA (North) and TLSC (North) at Mangan.
  - (a) Abir Private Limited, Mangan, North Sikkim on 01.05.2014.

(Resource Person: Shri Sonam Gyamtso Bhutia, Panel Advocate of Sikkim SLSA).



IPCA Co. (Medical), Jorethang, South Sikkim



Construction site of Hospital, Sicehy, East Sikkim



Singa Energy Put. Ltd., Kabirthang, West Sikkim



Abir Put. Ltd. Co., Singhik, Mangan, North Sikkim

#### **MEETING OF MEMBER SECRETARIES OF STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITIES**

Shri K.W. Bhutia, District & Sessions Judge, Special Division-II/Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA attended the meeting of Member Secretaries of State Legal Services Authorities of the 9 States and Union Territories comprising of Delhi, Sikkim, Puducherry, Lakswadweep, Daman & Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Goa, Punjab and Andaman & Nicobar Islands on 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 in the office of National Legal Services Authority at New Delhi.

The meeting was attended by the following Member Secretaries:

(i) Mrs. Asha Menon, Member Secretary, NALSA;

- (ii) Mr. Sudip Niyogi, Member Secretary, Andaman & Nicobar Islands;
- (iii) Mr. Lal Chand, Member Secretary, Chandigarh;
- (iv) Mr. R.R. Deshmukh, Member Secretary, Daman & Diu;
- (v) Mr. S.C. Chandak, Member Secretary, Goa;
- (vi) Mr. Dharmesh Sharma, Member Secretary, Delhi;
- (vii) Dr. K. Arul, Member Secretary, Puducherry, and
- (viii) Shri K.W. Bhutia, Member Secretary, Sikkim.

Problems faced in the implementation of the various schemes of NALSA was discussed during the meeting.

#### **MEETING OF "REVIEW COMMITTEE" FOR UPDATING OF "LESSONS IN LAW"**

*"Review Committee"* constituted vide Notification No. 119/SLSA/393 dated 22.04.2014 for updating the book *"Lessons in Law"* published by Sikkim State Legal Services Authority convened its first meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 in the office of Sikkim State Legal Services Authority.



The Review Committee comprises of Hon'ble Shri A.P. Subba, Judge (Retd.), High Court of Sikkim & former Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA as the Chairman of the

Committee, Shri K.W. Bhutia, District & Sessions Judge, Special Division-II/Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Shri N. Rai, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim and Ms. Yangchen D. Gyatso, Advocate as the Members.

#### **OBSERVANCE OF ENVIRONMENT DAY**

Environment Day was observed on 5th June, 2014 by the District Legal Services Authorities



Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdt, Judge, High Court of Sikkim/Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA apprising the gathering

and Taluk Legal Legal Services Committee in coordination with Sikkim SLSA and Department of Forest in their respective Districts/Talukas.

Plantation drive was undertaken by Sikkim SLSA around the office premises Sichey, Gangtok. Saplings provided by the Forest Department were planted by the officers and staff. As a part of 'Environment Day', Sikkim SLSA organized legal awareness camp at Tashi Namgyal Academy, Gangtok on 14.06.2014. Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA, Dr. Gopal Pradhan, Scientific Officer from Department of Forest and Dr. Minla Zangmu Lachungpa, Wildlife Veterinarian addressed the students and teachers highlighting the importance of clean environment. This was followed by cleanliness and plantation drive wherein saplings of trees and flowers were planted by Hon'ble Executive Chairman, students and teachers.



Participants

Plantation drive at Tashi Namgyal Academy, Gangtok

On the occasion of World Environment Day, legal awareness programmes were organized by District Legal Services Authorities and Taluk Legal Services Committees as under:

- (i) DLSA (South) and TLSC (South) at Namchi.
  - (a) Nagdak Gumpa, Namchi, South Sikkim on 05.06.2014.

(Resource Persons: Shri Kumar Sharma and Shri Raj Kumar Chettri, Panel Advocates of Sikkim SLSA).



Plantation drive at Nagdak Gumpa, Namchi, South Sikkim



Plantation drive at Tingchim, Mangan, North Silddm

(ii) DLSA (North) and TLSC (North) at Mangan.

(a) Tingchim Sub-Division, Mangan on 05.06.2014.

(Resource Person: Shri Sonam Gyamtso Bhutia, Panel Advocate).



Shri Yadav Sharma, Panel Advocate of Sildkim SLSA addressing the gathering

(iii) DLSA (East) and TLSC (East) at Gangtok.



Plantation drive at Civil Court premises, Gyalshing, North Sikkim

 (a) District Court Complex at Sichey, East Sikkim on 05.06.2014.

(Resource Person: Shri Yadav Sharma, Panel Advocate)

- (iv) DLSA (West) and TLSC (West) at Gyalshing.
  - (a) Gyalshing, West Sikkim on 05.06.2014.

Pamphlets on World Environment Day published by Sikkim SLSA were distributed to the public through the District Legal Services Authorities and Taluk Legal Services Committees.

#### **SEMINAR ON LEGAL AID AND CONSTITUTION**



Hon'ble Shri Justice V.S. Dave, Judge (Retd.) apprising the gathering

A "Seminar on Legal Aid and Constitution" was held at Chintan Bhawan, Gangtok on 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2014. The seminar was chaired by Hon'ble Shri Justice V.S. Dave, Judge (Retd.), High Court of Rajasthan in the august presence of Hon'ble Shri Justice N.K. Jain, Chief Justice, High Court of Sikkim/Patron-in-Chief, Sikkim SLSA, Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim/Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA, Hon'ble Shri Justice A.P. Subba, former Judge, High Court of

Sikkim/Executive Chairman Sikkim SLSA and Professor (Dr.) T.B. Subba, Vice Chancellor of Sikkim University.

The seminar was attended by Judicial Officers, Ex-Officio Members of Sikkim SLSA and DLSA (East), Principal, Sikkim Government College, Sr. Advocates, Advocates, Panel Advocates of Sikkim SLSA, Principals and students of Tashi Namgyal Academy, Tashi Namgyal Senior Secondary School, Deorali Girls Senior Secondary School, Enchey Senior Secondary School, West Point Senior Secondary School, Tadong Senior



Secondary School, Modern Higher Secondary School, Greendale School, Bahai School, Holy Cross Senior Secondary School, Sikkim University, Sikkim Government Law College and Sikkim Government College and Para-Legal Volunteers of District Legal Services Authority, East at Gangtok.

#### **OBSERVANCE OF WORLD DAY AGAINST CHILD LABOUR**

On the occasion of World Day against Child Labour, legal awareness programmes were organized by District Legal Services Authorities and Taluk Legal Services Committees as under:

- (i) DLSA (West) and TLSC (West) at Gyalshing.
  - (a) District Court premises at Gyalshing, West Sikkim on 19.06.2014.
  - (b) Tikjeck Government Primary School, Gyalshing, West Sikkim on 30.06.2014.

- (ii) DLSA (North) and TLSC (North) at Mangan.
  - (a) Mangan Police Station, Mangan, North Sikkim on 19.06.2014.
- (iii) DLSA (South) and TLSC (South) at Namchi.
  - (a) ADR Centre, District Court Complex, Namchi on 19.06.2014.



District Court premises, Gyalshing, West Sikkim

Mangan Police Station, North Sikkim

ADR Centre, Namchi, South Sikkim

#### SECOND MEETING OF REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Review Committee constituted for the purpose of updating 'Lessons in Law' held its second meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2014 in the office of Sikkim SLSA under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Shri Justice A.P. Subba, Judge (Retd.), High Court of Sikkim/former Executive Chairman Sikkim SLSA.

The meeting was attended by Hon'ble Shri Justice A.P. Subba, Shri K.W. Bhutia, District and Sessions Judge, Special Division-II/Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Shri N.Rai, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim and Ms. Yangchen D. Gyatso, Advocate.

#### THREE DAYS TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR PARA-LEGAL VOLUNTEERS



Lighting of inaugural lamp by Hon'ble Shri Justice N.K. Jain in august presence of Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdi, Mrs. Subadhra Rat and Dr. Bikash Dash

Three days training programme of Para-Legal Volunteers was organized by the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority in coordination with Committee for Legal Aid to Poor (CLAP), Odisha supported by Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India. The training was organized in the Conference Hall of District Administrative Centre, Sichey, East Sikkim from 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2014.

The inaugural session was attended by Hon'ble Shri Justice N.K. Jain, Chief Justice, High Court of Sikkim and Patron-in-Chief, Sikkim SLSA as the Chief Guest along with Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA as the Guest of Honour. Mrs. Subadhra Rai, Chairperson, State Commission for Women, Judicial Officers of East District, Dr. Bikash Dash, Executive President, CLAP, Ms. Rukmani Panda, Programme Manager CLAP, Ms. Bina Mallick, Training Coordinator, CLAP, Senior Advocates and Para-Legal Volunteers attended the inaugural session.



Dr. Bikash Dash, Exe. President, CLAP Imparting training



One of PLVs sharing her experiences during the training

On the third day of the training, the participating PLVs were taken for exposure visit to Mamtalaya, Amdo Golai, Gangtok, Spastic Society, Development Area, Gangtok, Special School for the Deaf and Juvenile Observation Home, Sichey, Gangtok. The object was to give the PLVs first hand experience of these institutions.

42 Para-Legal Volunteers from all the four districts attended the training programme.



Shri K.W. Bhutia, Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA conducting training as a Resource Person



Participants (PLVs) with members of CLAP and Member Secretary & Addl. Secretary, Sikkim SLSA



Exposure visit of PLVs to different Institutions

#### SECOND MEETING WITH THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, OFFICIALS OF HEALTH CARE, HS & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Second Meeting with the Principal Secretary, Officials of Health Care, HS & Family Welfare Department under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Shri Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim/Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA was held in the office of Hon'ble Judge, High Court of Sikkim on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2014 with regard to rise in suicides and rampant drug abuse in Sikkim.

Training module prepared by Dr. C.S. Sharma, Head of Department (Psychiatric), STNM Hospital, Gangtok was presented during the meeting. The training of trainers (Tot) would be commencing from the month of July, 2014 onwards.

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

High Court Lok Adalat was held on 03.05.2014 in the office premises of State Legal Services Authority, Sichey, Gangtok which was presided by Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA along with Shri Norden Tshering Bhutia and Mrs. Pushpa Basnett as the "Other Person". 09 cases were taken up and 01 case was disposed of.

Another High Court Lok Adalat was held on 31.05.2014 in the office premises of State Legal Services Authority, Sichey, Gangtok which was presided by Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim and Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA along with Mrs. Geeta Gurung and Mr. D.K. Gazmer as the "Other Persons" where 04 cases were taken up and the same has been posted for the next Lok Adalat.

Another High Court Lok Adalat was held on 07.06.2014 in the office premises of State Legal Services Authority, Sichey, Gangtok which was presided by Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.P. Wangdi, Judge, High Court of Sikkim/Executive Chairman, Sikkim SLSA/Member, Central Authority, NALSA along with Shri Tempo Gyatso Bhutia and Shri G.P. Pradhan as the "Other Persons". 10 cases were taken up and 01 case was disposed of.



High Court Lok Adalat in progress



#### LOK ADALATS AT THE DISTRICT AND TALUK LEVELS

The District and Sessions Judge, Special Division-II, Gangtok conducted 57 Lok Adalats during the quarter April to June, 2014 where 355 cases were taken up, out of which 176 cases were successfully settled.

Similarly, the District and Sessions Judge, South & West, Namchi conducted 09 Lok Adalats where 24 cases were taken up out of which 12 cases were successfully settled.

The Judicial Magistrate (South) and Ex-Officio Chairperson, Taluk Legal Services Committee (South) at Ravangla held 22 Lok Adalat in the month April to June, 2014. 63 cases were taken up and 43 cases were settled.

13 Lok Adalats were held at Gyalshing, West Sikkim by the Judicial Magistrate (West) in the month April to June, 2014 where 34 cases were taken up and 32 cases were settled.

09 Lok Adalats were conducted by Taluk Legal Services Committee (West) at Soreng in the month April to June, 2014 where 29 cases were taken up and 19 were settled.

02 Lok Adalats were conducted by the Taluk Legal Services Committee (North) in the month April to June, 2014 where 03 cases were taken up and 01 case was settled.

## LEGAL AID UNDER SECTION 12 OF THE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITIES ACT, 1987

Legal aid was provided to 244 beneficiaries by the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority during the months April to June, 2014 under section 12 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.

Months	S.C.	S.T.	Women	Child	Under Trial/ detained by custody	General	Disabled	Total
April - June, 2014	05	12	78	03	114	32	Nil	244

## CASES BEFORE THE MEDIATION CENTRES, EAST DISTRICT AT GANGTOK AND SOUTH DISTRICT AT NAMCHI FROM APRIL TO JUNE, 2014

Centre	No. of mediation held	No. of cases taken up	No. of cases settled	No. of cases returned	No. of cases pending
Mediation Centre (East) at Sikkim SLSA Office, Sichey, Gangtok	12	08	Nil	03	05
Mediation Centre (South) at District Court Complex, Namchi, South Sikkim	11	10	08	Nil	02
Mediation Centre (West) at Civil Court Complex, Gyalshing, West Sikkim	08	02	01	Nil	01

#### Mediation in progress at East District





#### MICRO LEGAL LITERACY CAMPS

CONDUCTED BY	DATES	VENUES
DLSA/TLSC, East at Gangtok	01.05.2014	Lower Sichey, East Sikkim
	24.06.2014	Barpipal Mandir, Barpipal, Sichey, East Sikkim
	26.06.2014	Hebron Pentecostal Church, Arithang, East Sikkim
DLSA/TLSC, North at Mangan	24.05.2014	Saffow, North Sikkim
	29.06.2014	Tibuk Village, North Sikkim
DLSA/TLSC, South at Namchi	03.05.2014	Temi Tea Garden, South Sikkim
	05.05.2014	Damthang, South Sikkim
	05.06.2014	Nagdak Gumpa, Ghurpisey, South Sikkim
	26.06.2014	Sumbuk Gram Vikash Kendra, S. Sikkim
DLSA/TLSC, West at Gyalshing	28.05.2014	Singyang Chombong, West Sikkim & Gyalshing Bazaar, West Sikkim
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#### MGNREGA AWARENESS CAMPS

CONDUCTED BY	DATES	VENUES
Jointly by DLSA/TLSC, East	01.05.2014	Lower Sichey, East Sikkim
at Gangtok	24.06.2014	Barpipal Mandir, Sichey, East Sikkim
	26.06.2014	Hebron Pentecostal Church, Arithang, East Sikkim
Jointly by DLSA/TLSC, North	24.05.2014	Shipgyer, North Sikkim
at Mangan	29.06.2014	Swayem, North Sikkim
Jointly by DLSA/TLSC, South at Namchi	03.05.2014	Temi Tea Garden, South Sikkim & Damthang, South Sikkim
	17.06.2014	Sikkip Gram Vikas Kendra, South Sikkim
	26.06.2014	Sumbuk Gram Vikash Kendra, S. Sikkim
Jointly by DLSA/TLSC, West at Gyalshing	28.05.2014	Singyang Chumbong, West Sikkim & Gyalshing Bazaar, West Sikkim
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#### GLIMPSES OF VARIOUS PROGRAMMES OF SIKKIM SLSA



State Meet of Para-Legal Volunteer and District Legal Services Authorities



Seminar on Legal Aid and Constitution



Plantation and Cleanliness Drive on the occasion of World Environment Day



Training programme for PLVs by CLAP in collaboration with Sikkim SLSA