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- [1] A Sensitization Programme on the subjects "Sikkim Anti Drugs Act, 2006 (as amended), Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and Victim Compensation Scheme (as amended)" for Panel Advocates and Para-Legal Volunteers of the East District, was organized on the directions of Hon'ble Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA, Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai. The programme was held on 31st August, 2019 (*Saturday*) in the Conference Hall of the Sikkim SLSA at Development Area.
- [2] Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA Shri Sonam Palden Bhutia was the Resource Person for today's programme. The Resource Person informed the gathering of the increasing use of controlled substances as defined in the Notification dated 06.06.2007 and 01.06.2015. That, awareness could be the key to prevention of drug use. The entry of brown sugar and other drugs into Sikkim was also discussed and that alertness of society could help early lodging of complaints before the police who for their part are required to conduct investigations by the letter of the statute books to ensure conviction of the defaulters.
- [3] The welcome address was delivered by Shri Bikash Sharma, Deputy Secretary, Sikkim SLSA while the vote of thanks was proposed by Shri Praveen Pradhan, Under Secretary, Sikkim SLSA.