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## ESTABLISHMENT OF ADR CENTRE

In order to establish a hub for all legal aid services and activities and also to promote settlement of disputes through mediation, conciliation, arbitration and Lok Adalats, ADR Centres are being established in the State of Uttarakhand. In this drive, foundation stone of ADR Centre at Uttarkashi was laid by the kind hands of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Altamas Kabir, Judge Supreme Court of India & Executive Chairman, National Legal Services Authority in the presence of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Barin Ghosh, Hon'ble the Chief Justice/Patron-In-Chief, Uttarakhand SLSA, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tarun Agarwala, Hon'ble Executive Chairman, Uttarakhand SLSA and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia, Hon'ble Administrative Judge, Uttarkashi.

On the said occasion, a special legal literacy & awareness camp for children, women and members of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribes Community was also organized at Kirti Inter College Uttarkashi by the District Legal Services Authority, Uttarkashi. While addressing the gathering, Hon'ble Executive Chairman, NALSA informed that basic and essential knowledge must be provided to the vulnerable groups so that they can understand the law and know the scope of their rights.

Hon'ble Executive Chairman, NALSA also informed the public that to minimize the litigation and also to save the time and money of the parties involved, Lok Adalats are being conducted by the Legal Services Authorities time to time. People were also asked to avail free legal aid so as to protect their fundamental rights.



## MEGA LOK ADALATS, LOK ADALATS & LEGAL LITERACY/ LEGAL AID CAMPS

Hon'ble the Chief Justice, High Court of Uttarakhand informed that cooperation of people is essential for implementation of justice and also made emphasis on the need of awareness of laws on Child Protection, Woman's Harassment, Dowry Harassment, Domestic Violence, Right to Education, made under the Constitution of India.



Several queries were made by the people and the same were answered by the Hon'ble Executive Chairman, NALSA and other Hon'ble Judges.

In addition to the said event, 13 cases pertaining to MAC petitions, civil disputes, matrimonial disputes and N.I. Act cases were amicably and successfully settled on 5.6.2012 at Mediation Centre, Uttarkashi.



Under the valuable guidance of Hon'ble the Patron-in-Chief and Hon'ble the Executive Chairman, Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority, Mega Lok Adalats as well as monthly Lok Adalats in all the 13 districts of the State, under the aegis of all the District Legal Services Authorities, are being organized.

In the Mega Lok Adalats held between the month of April 2012 and June 2012 in all the 13 districts, the matters relating to MACT cases, Matrimonial cases, Revenue cases, Excise cases, cases relating to N.I. Act etc. were taken up. In these Mega Lok Adalats, a total number of 3014 cases of various nature were decided. A sum of Rs. 1,03,83,004/- was awarded as compensation to the victims of Motor Accident and fine to the tune of Rs. 20,86,000/- was realized towards petty offences, wherein a total number of 3286 persons were benefited.

In the Lok Adalats held in the months of April, May and June 2012 in all the 13 districts, a total number of 3229 cases were settled and a sum of Rs. 37,15,000/- was awarded as compensation and a fine to the tune of Rs. 17,46,215/- was realized. In the said Lok Adalats, 3463 persons were benefited.

In addition to this, a total number of 35 legal literacy camps were organized in all the 13 Districts of the State during April to June 2012 and 11256 persons were benefited in the said camps. In these camps, people were made aware about the aim of legal literacy camps, free legal aid and they were also informed about the general laws such as criminal law, revenue law, right to information act, right to education and law relating to protection of women, domestic violence etc.

## ACTIVITIES ON LEGAL LITERACY AND AWARENESS

On 29.4.2012, a legal literacy camp was organized at Shamshululum High School, Kashipur, by District Legal Services Authority, Udham Singh Nagar. In the said camp, Judicial Officers, Advocates, Medical Officers, general public, as well as students were present. The gathering was told about their legal rights and the free legal aid mechanism available in the Legal Services Authorities. A free eye camp was organized in the District Court Compound at Rudrapur, District-Udham Singh Nagar wherein the District Judge, Udham Singh Nagar stated that much more camps should be organized for the needy persons. In the said camp, free eye check ups were made and medicines were also provided to the public at large.

Apart from this, a legal literacy & medical health camp was also organized by the District Legal Service Authority, Udham Singh Nagar at Roadways Convent School Compound, wherein District Judge, Udham Singh Nagar informed about legal aid activities being conducted by the Legal Aid Authorities and public were made aware about their legal rights. On 20.5.2012 a legal literacy camp was organized at Munakot by the District Legal Services Authority, Pithoragarh. In the said camp, Judicial Officers, Advocates, officers of District Administration and the public at large participated. To get aware about their legal rights and to serve the purpose of organizing the legal literacy camps, people were asked to participate in the said camps. Advocates also informed the gathering about general laws, such as Domestic Violence Act, MACT, Right to Information Act, Consumer Laws etc. Birth Certificate, Death certificate, BPL Certificate etc were also prepared and issued to the eligible persons on the spot. On the occasion of 'Anti Tobacco Day', a legal literacy camp was organized at the District Court Compound, Pithoragarh on 31.5.2012 wherein laborers and general public were made aware about the labour laws as well as of their legal rights and duties.

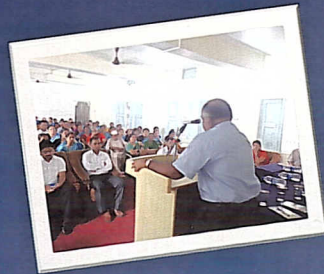
On 3.6.2012 a legal literacy camp was organized specially for the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe community at Nagar Palika Hall, Baurari, District Tehri Garhwal wherein people were made aware about their legal rights and general laws and they were provided informative legal booklets, namely Saral Kanooni Gyan Mala were distributed to the public.

In coordination with the Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority, the District Legal Services Authority, Almora organized a sensitization seminar at Almora on 21.6.2012. Mr. U. Sarathchandran, Member Secretary, National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi was the Chief Guest on the said occasion. Mr. Kwar Sain, District Judge Almora, Mr. Kanwar Amninder Singh, Member Secretary, Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority, Judicial Officers, President, Bar Association, Advocates, Litigants as well as general public also participated in the said seminar. Various legal and social issues were discussed in the said seminar and the gathering was informed about legal aid and awareness activities being conducted by the Legal Aid Authorities.



A legal literacy camp was held at Nagar Palika Parishad Hall, Bageshwar on 22.6.2012. The camp was organized by Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority and District Legal Services Authority Bageshwar and was presided by Mr. U. Sarathchandra, Member Secretary, National Legal Services Authority and was attended by Mr. N.S. Dhanik, District Judge Bageshwar, Member Secretary, Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority, Judicial Officers, Member of Juvenile Justice Board, Advocates, Chief Medical Officer, District Education Officer, District Supply Officer and Zila Panchayat Adhikari. While addressing the gathering, Member Secretary, NALSA pointed out that the people must be aware about their right and legal provisions of law, such as Right to Education, Consumer Forum, Dowry Prohibition Act, Right to Information etc. so that they may be benefitted. He informed about the concept of Para Legal Volunteers and how Para Legal Volunteers will help people in such matters which involve some legal issues. He also informed about the concept of Legal Aid Clinic and objectives of establishing Legal Aid Clinics. Emphasis was also made on the rights of common people, involvement of Social Services Organizations and Senior Press and Media persons in the legal awareness and legal aid activities of the Legal Services Authorities. Judicial Officer and Advocates were also asked to interact with the people living in the far flung areas for redressal of their grievances. Member Secretary, Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority told the gathering about the objectives of Legal Services Authorities. The legal aid programmes/activities/planning of State Legal Services Authority and District Legal Services Authorities were also highlighted. The other speakers also addressed the gathering on various legal and social issues and they were told about general laws, such as women rights, right to education, right to information, social welfare schemes, medical welfare scheme etc. The problems of the people being faced in the far flung areas were also discussed and their solutions were suggested in the camp.

On 23.6.2012, Member Secretary, National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi also participated in a meeting organized by Block Development Committee, Garur. Member Secretary, National Legal Services Authority, Member Secretary, Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority, Judicial Officers, including Members of Local Bodies attended the said meeting. While addressing the gathering, Member Secretary, NALSA highlighted that the Legal Services Authorities are inclined to provide free and inexpensive justice to the public at large and also appealed to the people to approach the Legal Services Authorities, so that they may get benefit. Members of Local Bodies also made queries on several issues and the same were satisfactorily answered.





## STATISTICAL INFORMATION

### STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROGRESS OF MEGA LOK ADALATS AND LOK ADALATS HELD IN THE STATE OF UTTARAKHAND FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL, 2012 TO JUNE, 2012

S. N.		No. of Lok Adalats Held	No. of Cases Taken up	No. of Cases Disposed of	Compensation Awarded	Amount Realized As Fine (in Rs.)	No. of Persons Benefited in Lok Adalat
01	ALMORA	03	425	188	-	3,45,850.00	188
02	BAGESHWER	04	89	42	1,07,154.00	45,650.00	46
03	CHAMOLI	02	343	113	-	91,770.00	113
04	CHAMPAWAT	03	1227	283	-	2,96,300.00	305
05	DEHRADUN	04	8066	1927	15,15,000.00	2,63,750.00	2072
06	HARDWAR	02	7560	1255	43,76,250.00	9,08,050.00	1277
07	NAINITAL	02	1900	312	5,05,000.00	3,20,450.00	260
08	PAURI GARHWAL	03	1657	441	45,74,000.00	1,50,960.00	681
09	PITHORAGARH	04	429	161	-	2,04,925.00	191
10	RUDRAPARYAG	03	270	151	-	33,300.00	151
11	TEHRI GARHWAL	04	393	130	-	36,800.00	190
12	U.S. NAGAR	02	3936	1033	29,26,000.00	9,02,100.00	1036
13	UTTARKASHI	03	602	207	94,600.00	2,32,310.00	239
	<b>TOTAL :-</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>26897</b>	<b>6243</b>	<b>1,40,98,004.00</b>	<b>38,32,215.00</b>	<b>6749</b>

### STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROGRESS OF CAMPS ORGANIZED IN THE STATE OF UTTARAKHAND FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL, 2012 TO JUNE, 2012

S. N.	Name of DLSA's	No. of Camps Organized	No. of Persons Benefited in Camps
01	ALMORA	02	558
02	BAGESHWER	03	670
03	CHAMOLI	-	-
04	CHAMPAWAT	03	340
05	DEHRADUN	05	785
06	HARDWAR	02	198
07	NAINITAL	01	150
08	PAURI GARHWAL	01	300
09	PITHORAGARH	02	400
10	RUDRAPARYAG	01	600
11	TEHRI GARHWAL	03	380
12	U.S. NAGAR	05	5315
13	UTTARKASHI	07	1560
	<b>TOTAL :-</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>11256</b>

### STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROGRESS OF LEGAL AID/ADVICE PROVIDED IN THE STATE OF UT TARA KHAND FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL, 2012 TO JUNE, 2012

S. N.	Name of DLSA's	No. of Persons Benefited through Legal Aid & Advice	
		Legal Aid	Legal Advice
01	ALMORA	05	-
02	BAGESHWER	-	-
03	CHAMOLI	-	-
04	CHAMPAWAT	01	-
05	DEHRADUN	18	01
06	HARDWAR	04	-
07	NAINITAL	10	-
08	PAURI GARHWAL	08	-
09	PITHORAGARH	04	-
10	RUDRAPARYAG	-	-
11	TEHRI GARHWAL	05	-
12	U.S. NAGAR	12	-
13	UTTARKASHI	11	-
14	H.C.L. S. C. NTL	14	-
15	U.K. S.L.S.A	09	-
	<b>TOTAL :-</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>01</b>



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