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

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 are being organized in all the 13 districts of the State by all the District Legal Services Authorities.

In the Mega Lok Adalats held between the months of January 2013 to March 2013 in all the 13 districts, the matters relating to MACT cases, Matrimonial cases, Revenue cases, Excise cases and cases relating to N.I. Act etc. were taken up. In these Mega Lok Adalats, a total number of **6636** cases of various nature were decided. A sum of Rs. **1,55,20,458/-** was awarded as compensation to the victims of Motor Accident and fine to the tune of Rs. **46,92,475/-** was realized towards petty offences, wherein a total number of **7006** persons were benefited.

In the Lok Adalats held in the months of January, February and March 2013 in all the 13 districts, a total number of **1675** cases were settled and a sum of Rs. **40,60,187/-** was awarded as compensation and a fine to the tune of Rs. **18,41,480/-** was realized. In the said Lok Adalats, **1820** persons were benefited.

In addition to this, a total number of **60** legal literacy camps were organized in all the 13 Districts of the State during January to March 2013 and **16957** persons were benefited in the said camps. Total **115** persons were provided legal aid and **07** persons were given legal advice. 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, children etc.

Beside this, special seminars were organized for women, children, un-organized workers, health workers, NCC and NSS cadets, persons of transgender community, mentally ill persons and marginalized sections of the society. In these seminars, issues, such as PC&PNDT Act, Juvenile issues, laws relating to unorganized labours, forest laws etc. are discussed.

ACTIVITIES ON LEGAL LITERACY AND AWARENESS PROGRAMMES

On 17.3.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Almora organized a mega legal literacy and sensitization camp at Tehsil Compound-Dwarahat. In the said camp, people were informed about the general laws, legal aid being provided by the legal services authorities in the State as well as laws relating to wild life and matrimonial disputes. People were also made aware about the beneficiary schemes such as MNREGS, Housing Scheme and Self employment. In this camp, income certificate, character certificate and permanent residence certificate were also issued to the public by the concerned authorities. Apart from this, free check up of 175 patients was also done by the Medical Department and free medicines were also distributed.



On 17.2.2013 District Legal Services Authority organized a legal awareness and sensitization camp for army personnel at Army Rest House, Lohaghat. In the said camp, Government Advocates and ex-army personnel were present. People were informed about the objects of legal literacy camps and they were also appealed to come forward for spreading legal awareness among the poor, helpless and illegal persons. Information was also given on several laws, such as MACT Act, Criminal Laws, lodging of F.I.R. etc.

On 20.1.2013 a legal literacy and awareness camp was organized by District Legal Services Authority, Chamoli at Tehsil-Pokhari. Gathering was informed about the objects of legal services programmes, as described under Article 39(A) of the Constitution as well as their legal rights and duties. In order to provide easy and inexpensive justice to the poor and needy people, legal information was given to them on various subjects, such as domestic violence, maintenance, women rights, right to information, right to service, forest and wildlife laws etc. Welfare schemes of the State Government were also told to the general public.

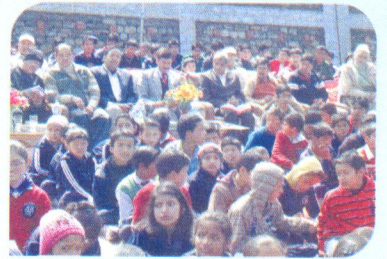
District Legal Services Authority, Champawat organized a training camp on 3.2.2013 at police station-Lohaghat, wherein training was imparted to the police officers and police personnel. Police personnel were told about various laws. Focus was made on fair and impartial justice. They were also informed that during the investigation correct facts must be brought on record and no illegal action be taken. Information on lodging of F.I.R., NDPS Act, Juvenile Justice Act and laws relating to Child Labour was also given in the said training camp. (newspaper cutting & photograph) Similarly, in the legal literacy and awareness camp organized on 10.2.2013 at Police Station-Champawat compound, police personnel were informed about the provisions of Juvenile Justice Act, Cr.P.C. etc.



District Legal Services Authority, Champawat also organized a legal literacy and awareness camp for students at Navodaya Vidyalaya, Champawat on 24.2.2012 wherein students were apprised of the general laws relating to rights of children, anti ragging etc. They were also told to be a good citizen.



A legal literacy and sensitization camp for students was organized on 9.2.2013 at Universal Inter College, Champawat. In the said camp, judicial officers, officers of district administration and students were present. Students apprised of the objects and functioning of legal services authorities and about several laws relating to lodging of F.I.R., consumers, motor accident, right to information, civil matters etc. Legal informative booklets, namely saral kanooni gyan mala were also distributed among the students.



On 21.1.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Champawat organized a legal literacy and awareness camp at Tehsil-Pokhari wherein people were informed about the objects of legal services programmes as enshrined in Article 39(A) of the Constitution. People were also informed about their legal rights and duties and several laws, such as right to service, right to information, wild life act etc. They were also asked to avail the legal aid and services being provided by the Legal Services Authorities.



District Legal Services Authority, Champawat also organized a legal literacy and medical camp on 3.3.2013 at Rausal Rest House. In the said camp, judicial officers, Member of Legislative Assembly, District Social Welfare Officer, Chairman of District Bar Association, Advocates, representatives of Child Development Department and Agriculture Department, medical officers, members of local administration and general public were present.



In the said camp, gathering was informed about the objects of organizing legal awareness and sensitization camps as well as medical camps. Provisions of Consumer Act, M.A.C.T., Civil Laws, Dowry, I.P.C. were also told in simple language. In the said camp, wheel chairs, deaf machines, spectacles were distributed to the needy persons. The medical department made checkups of patients and also issued disability certificates. People were also informed about various welfare schemes run by State Government.

On 17.3.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Chamoli in association with medical department organized a legal literacy and sensitization camp and medical camp at Nauri, Tehsil-Karnaprayag. In the said camp, objects of legal services programmes were discussed. Beside this, people were informed about the

provisions of Domestic Violence, Right to Education, Forest Laws, F.I.R., Women helpline, Police Regulation, Violence against Animals, Dowry, mutation, MNREGS etc. They were also informed about the beneficiary schemes run by Central Government and State Government for minority section, members for SC/ST community and poor persons.

District Legal Services Authority, Dehradun in association with Jagrati Charity Forum organized a mega legal literacy and medical camp on 27.1.2013 at Primary School, Bhagwanpur. In the said camp, judicial officers, advocates, representatives of local bodies, members of Jagrati Charity Forum, medical officers, school children and local residents were present. People were informed about the legal services authorities, their objects and functioning and the free legal aid being provided by the legal services authorities. They were also informed about the important issues relating to consumers, women rights, domestic violence, dowry, right to education, compensation and lok adalat. Focus was also made on the provisions of PC & PNDT Act. Appeal was made to approach the legal services authorities for redressal of their grievances.

In the aforesaid camp, free checkups of 250 patients was made and people were also provided booklets on the general issues relating to various laws.

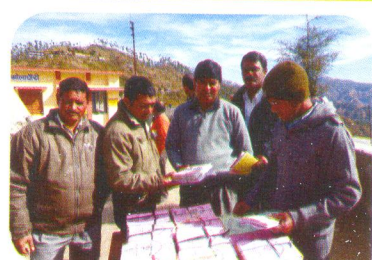
On 8.3.13 District Legal Services Authority, Dehradun organized a legal literacy and sensitization camp at M.K.P (P.G.) College. In the said camp, people were informed about important legal issues relating to lodging of F.I.R., women rights, right to information, domestic violence, consumer rights etc. Free legal informative booklets were also distributed to the people.

District Legal Services Authority, Haridwar organized a legal literacy and sensitization camp on 24.2.2012 at Bal Vidhya Mandir School, Tehsil-Laksar. In the said camp people were informed about legal aid, mediation centre, lok adalat, rights of labours, dowry provisions, rights of children and rights of under trial prisoners. In the said camp, saral kanooni gyan mala booklets and pamphlets were also distributed.

On 24.2.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Haridwar also organized a legal literacy and sensitization camp at Village-Salempur Rajputana, Tehsil-Roorkee. In the said camp, gathering was informed about various subjects of law. 250 persons were benefitted in the said camp.

In the legal awareness and sensitization camp organized by District Legal Services Authority, Haridwar on 3.3.2013 at Government High Court, Village-Bharapur Bhonri, people were made aware of free legal aid, mediation activities, lok adalat and laws relating to consumers, M.A.C.T., women etc. In the said camp, 307 persons were benefitted.

On 27.1.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Pauri Garhwal organized a legal awareness and sensitization-cum-medical camp at Government Inter College, Kholachauri. In the said camps, students, villagers and the local representatives were present. They were informed about their legal rights and the provisions of lodging of F.I.R., Lok Adalat, Legal Services Act, women rights, domestic violence etc. Checkup of 90 persons was done and they were also provided medicines free of cost.



A legal awareness and sensitization-cum-medical camp organized by District Legal Services Authority, Pauri Garhwal on 31.3.2013 at Government Inter College, Lwali, teachers and students were apprised of the laws relating to domestic violence, right to information, F.I.R., Lok Adalat, women rights, Legal Services Act. During the On the occasion, check up of 94 patients was done and medicines were also provided to them free of cost.

A legal literacy class was organized by District Legal Services Authority on 9.2.2013 at Government Girls Inter College, Pithoragarh, wherein 600 students of High School and Intermediate Classes, including Judicial Officers, Advocates, Police Officers were present. Students were apprised of special issues relating to child

rights, women rights, right to information, PNDD, domestic violence, dowry provisions, child marriage, juveniles and compensation. They were also informed in simple language about the legal aid programmes being organized by legal services authorities.

In the mega legal awareness and sensitization camps and medical camp organized on 17.2.2013 at Government Inter College, Madmanle wherein gathering was provided basic legal information on several laws. The Revenue Department, Horticulture Department, Village Development Department and Agriculture Department also installed their stalls and informed the people about the welfare schemes of the State Government. Free check ups were also made of the patients and disability certificates were also issued to them.



On the occasion of 'International Women Day', a seminar was organized on subject "Rights of Women and Protection from Female Violence" at District Court, Pithoragarh compound on 8.3.2013. In the said seminar, judicial officers, advocates, aanganwadi and health workers, social workers and women were present. The Judicial Officers and Advocates informed the gathering about women rights and other important laws relating to women. Representatives of various other women organization also expressed their important views on the upliftment of women. (photo 19)



On 17.3.2013, a mega legal awareness and sensitization camp was organized at Government Inter College, Pankhu (Pithoragarh), wherein District Legal Services Authority and other Government departments, such as, Medical Department, Revenue Department, Horticulture Department, Social Welfare Department, Forest Department, Animal Husbandry Department and the representatives of Chief Development Project participated. In the said camps, information on general legal issues were given to the people. They were also apprised of the several schemes made by the Government for their welfare.

On 13.1.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Rudraprayag organized a legal literacy and awareness camp at Saraswati Shishu Mandir, Punad. In



this camp, objects and functioning of the legal services authorities in the State were informed to the people in simple language. They were also informed about the criteria for availing free legal aid and about various provisions of law pertaining to forest, women rights, dowry, domestic violence, juvenile, police act and F.I.R.

In another camp organized by District Legal Services Authority, Rudraprayag on 3.3.2013 at Government Junior High Court, Bairangana, students were asked to abide by the law and to be aware on legal issues. They were informed about the provisions relating to revenue, juveniles justice act, rape, threat to life etc.



District Legal Services Authority, Tehri Garhwal organized a legal literacy and sensitization camp on the subject "Women Rights" at the office of Thatyud Block on 9.3.2013 wherein judicial officers, advocates, officers of local administration and villagers were present. In the said camp, gathering was made aware about several laws relating to women rights,

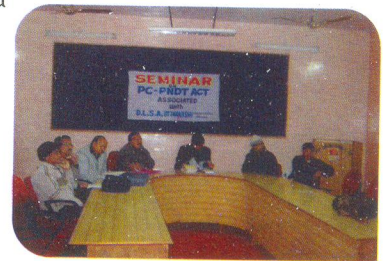
domestic violence, compensation, Revenue matter, criminal matters, free legal aid and MNREGS. Free legal aid was also provided to the people by the judicial officers and advocates. Booklets having basic legal information were also distributed among the people.

On 3.2.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Tehri Garhwal organized a seminar on PC & PNDT Act at District Hospital, Baurari wherein judicial officers, officers of district administration, medical officers, advocates and health workers were present. Medical officers/officials were informed about the provisions of PC & PNDT Act and were also told to strictly comply with the provisions of PC & PNDT Act. Emphasis was made on fair and impartial working to stop the female foeticide. Gathering was informed also informed about the free legal aid and sensitization programmes being conducted by the legal services authorities.

On 20.1.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Udham Singh Nagar conducted a seminar at Vanwasi Girls Hostel with a view to stop the incidents of rape as happened recently in Delhi. The female students were informed about their legal rights and duties and the laws relating to domestic violence, dowry provisions etc. They were also sensitized about the rights as guaranteed by the Constitution of India. On the said occasion, Judicial Officers, Advocates and representative of Women Samiti were also present.

District Legal Services Authority, Uttarkashi organized a legal literacy and sensitization camp on 12.1.2013 at Primary School, Sangrali Patti, Tehsil-Bhatwadi, wherein large number of villagers were present. They were informed about the schemes and free legal aid being provided by the legal services authorities in the State. Information was also given to them on important legal subjects such as lodging of F.I.R., arrest and bail, domestic violence, juvenile act, succession act, consumer protection act, divorce and compensation. Villagers were also informed about various schemes relating to pension for senior citizens and widows, blinds, handicaps etc.

On 16.2.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Uttarkashi also organized a seminar on the subject PC & PNDT on 16.2.2013 at Nagar Palika Parishad, Uttarkashi. In the said seminar, judicial officers, advocates, medicals officers, health workers, members of Local bodies, members of Red Cross Society and general public were present. The gathering was informed about the provisions of PC & PNDT Act. It was also informed that prior determination of sex is an offence under the law and in this regard a complaint be made before the District Magistrate. Concern was also made on the imbalance between the ratio of boys and girls. In the said seminar, a documentary film on female foeticide was also displayed.



On 24.2.2013 District Legal Services Authority, Uttarkashi organized a legal literacy and awareness camp at village-Bhadrkot. In the said camp, people were apprised of important issues relating to consumers, M.A.C.T., right to information, F.I.R. and pensions for handicaps, widows and senior citizens.

In the legal awareness and medical camp organized by District Legal Services Authority, Uttarkashi on 17.3.2013 at Paunibhawan Dhanari, Tehsil-Hunda, people were made aware of various subjects of law relating to M.A.C.T., consumers, MNREGA, compensation, lodging of F.I.R. etc. They were also asked to avail the free legal aid being provided by the legal services authorities and the welfare schemes of the State Government.

Apart from above, special legal literacy and sensitization camps for women, members of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe communities, Juveniles, Workers, NSS and NCC Cadets, Senior Citizens and members of Transgender community are also being organized throughout the State.

LEGAL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN THROUGH MOBILE VAN

During the period from January to March 2013, the legal awareness and sensitization camps were organized through mobile van in 64 villages of the three districts, namely Nainital, Udham Singh Nagar and Dehradun and a total 2368 kilometers of area was covered by the said mobile van. In the said camps documentary films prepared by National





Legal Services Authority and State Legal Services Authority were displayed so as to make the public aware about their legal rights and duties. Also various legal provisions of social importance were also informed to the people. The queries raised by the villagers were also solved in these legal awareness and sensitization camps.

In these camps, a total number of 7080 persons were benefitted. Twenty five applications were also received for legal aid which were either disposed of at the level of State Authority or were sent to the authorities concerned for appropriate and necessary action.

PRE-LITIGATION LOKADALAT

Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority had introduced a concept of pre-litigation lok adalat in view of Section 19(5)(ii) of Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 and as a pilot project the said concept was started in the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Udham Singh Nagar and the Court of Judicial Magistrate, Kashipur.

In the pre-litigation lok adalat held on 20.1.2013 at District Court Compound, Udham Singh Nagar a total number of 6 cases were taken up and 2 cases were decided by way of mutual settlement.

Directions have also been issued to districts Dehradun, Hardwar and Nainital for conducting pre-litigation lok adalat in one of the magisterial court of the concerned district.

COMPLAINT BOXES

Complaint boxes are being installed in the legal aid clinics of Law Colleges. One complaint box is to be installed at the law college and two are to be installed in the villages adjoining law college. Installation of complaint boxes in the aforesaid law colleges will cover a large area of the State.

Necessary directions for setting up of complaint boxes and their utilization have been issued to the law colleges/schools. The Principal or the teacher will take suitable steps on the complaints so received by either directing them to the concerned District Legal Services Authorities or to the State Legal Services Authority as the nature of the complaint may required.

**THE CONSOLIDATED STATISTICAL INFORMATION OF THE LOK ADALAT/LEGAL PROGRAMMES ORGANIZED IN THE STATE OF
UTTARAKHAND FROM JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH, 2013**

S. No.	Name of District	Total No. of Lok Adalats Held	Total No. of Cases Taken up	Total No. of Cases Disposed off	Total Compensation Awarded	Total Amount Realized As Fine (in Rs.)	Total No. of Persons Benefited in Lok Adalats	No. of Camps Organized	Total No. of Persons Benefited in Camps	No. of Persons Benefited Through Legal Aid & Advice	
										Legal Aid	Advice
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
01	ALMORA	02	347	162	11,000.00	3,72,550.00	162	04	1300	04	-
02	BAGESHWER	03	205	95	-	1,45,700.00	95	02	2569	-	-
03	CHAMOLI	01	237	102	-	1,39,400.00	110	04	425	03	-
04	CHAMPAWAT	03	859	147	-	1,11,300.00	147	12	2555	04	-
05	DEHRADUN	01	8770	4131	53,10,300.00	5,71,335.00	4380	06	880	21	-
06	HARDWAR	01	6045	1305	25,20,500.00	8,50,300.00	1435	07	1959	12	-
07	NAINITAL	02	2643	628	23,71,187.00	4,96,600.00	614	01	400	03	-
08	PAURI GARHWAL	03	1261	231	16,81,000.00	1,33,640.00	293	02	900	17	-
09	PITHORAGARH	04	353	235	-	3,20,350.00	293	07	1419	07	-
10	RUDRAPARYAG	02	210	97	45,34,372.00	44,000.00	97	02	700	04	07
11	TEHRI GARHWAL	04	427	69	1,00,000.00	1,09,150.00	83	03	450	01	-
12	U.S. NAGAR	03	5688	967	29,20,000.00	30,94,630.00	970	03	1700	-	-
13	UTTARKASHI	03	276	142	1,32,286.00	1,45,000.00	147	07	1700	04	-
14	H.C.L. S. C. NTL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	U.K. S.L.S.A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	-
	TOTAL :-	32	27321	8311	1,95,80,645.00	65,33,955.00	8826	60	16957	115	07

**STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROGRESS OF MEGA LOK ADALATS AND LOK ADALATS HELD IN THE STATE OF UTTARAKHAND
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY, 2013 TO MARCH, 2013**

S. N.	No. of Lok Adalats Held	No. of Cases Taken up	No. of Cases Disposed off	Compensation Awarded	Amount Realized as Fine (in Rs.)	No. of Persons Benefited in Lok Adalat	
01	ALMORA	02	347	162	11,000.00	3,72,550.00	162
02	BAGESHWER	03	205	95	-	1,45,700.00	95
03	CHAMOLI	01	237	102	-	1,39,400.00	110
04	CHAMPAWAT	03	859	147	-	1,11,300.00	147
05	DEHRADUN	01	8770	4131	53,10,300.00	5,71,335.00	4380
06	HARDWAR	01	6045	1305	25,20,500.00	8,50,300.00	1435
07	NAINITAL	02	2643	628	23,71,187.00	4,96,600.00	614
08	PAURI GARHWAL	03	1261	231	16,81,000.00	1,33,640.00	293
09	PITHORAGARH	04	353	235	-	3,20,350.00	293
10	RUDRAPARYAG	02	210	97	45,34,372.00	44,000.00	97
11	TEHRI GARHWAL	04	427	69	1,00,000.00	1,09,150.00	83
12	U.S. NAGAR	03	5688	967	29,20,000.00	30,94,630.00	970
13	UTTARKASHI	03	276	142	1,32,286.00	1,45,000.00	147
	TOTAL :-	32	27321	8311	1,95,80,645.00	65,33,955.00	8826

**STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROGRESS OF LEGAL AID/ADVICE PROVIDED IN THE STATE OF UTTARAKHAND
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY, 2013 TO MARCH, 2013**

S. N.	Name of DLSA's	No. of Persons Benefited through Legal Aid & Advice	
		Legal Aid	Legal Advice
01	ALMORA	04	-
02	BAGESHWER	-	-
03	CHAMOLI	03	-
04	CHAMPAWAT	04	-
05	DEHRADUN	21	-
06	HARDWAR	12	-
07	NAINITAL	03	-
08	PAURI GARHWAL	17	-
09	PITHORAGARH	07	-
10	RUDRAPARYAG	04	07
11	TEHRI GARHWAL	01	-
12	U.S. NAGAR	-	-
13	UTTARKASHI	04	-
14	H.C.L. S. C. NTL		
15	U.K. S.L.S.A., N.T.L.	35	-
	TOTAL :-	115	07

**STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROGRESS OF CAMPS ORGANIZED IN THE STATE OF UTTARAKHAND
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY, 2013 TO MARCH, 2013**

S. N.	Name of DLSA's	No. of Camps Organized	No. of Persons Benefited in Camps
01	ALMORA	04	1300
02	BAGESHWER	02	2569
03	CHAMOLI	04	425
04	CHAMPAWAT	12	2555
05	DEHRADUN	06	880
06	HARDWAR	07	1959
07	NAINITAL	01	400
08	PAURI GARHWAL	02	900
09	PITHORAGARH	07	1419
10	RUDRAPARYAG	02	700
11	TEHRI GARHWAL	03	450
12	U.S. NAGAR	03	1700
13	UTTARKASHI	07	1700
	TOTAL :-	60	16957



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