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Haryana State Legal Services Authority
1. Background

In the year 2005, National Legal Literacy Mission was launched. Its motto is “From Ignorance to Legal Empowerment”. The primary objective of the mission is to lift the veil of ignorance through knowledge and to spread awareness amongst people about their rights. The masses should be aware of the laws of the land. It is all the more important that the youth are educated about the laws so that they grow up to be law abiding citizens. Students can prove to be an extremely valuable asset in the dissemination of information with regard to the laws. Hence, under this mission, Haryana State Legal Services Authority (HALSA) has adopted the project of Students Legal Literacy Mission (SLLM) along with various other projects.

Under this project, Haryana State Legal Services Authority (HALSA) in collaboration with Haryana Education Department has opened Legal Literacy Clubs (LLC) in schools and colleges in the State of Haryana.

This project aims to create a generation for future which is well aware of its constitutional & statutory rights and duties. It also aims to make them aware about issues of socio-legal relevance so as to help in promoting rule of law and social justice in the country.

2. Constitution of Legal Literacy Clubs:

In the first phase, Legal Literacy clubs in 1544 government Senior Secondary Schools and 171 in government and government aided colleges were opened by Haryana State Legal Services Authority in collaboration with Education Department of Haryana, covering about one third students’ community.

In the second phase, HALSA is taking steps to open such Legal Literacy Clubs in all the private senior secondary school/secondary schools/colleges and other educational institutions of Haryana so as to cover remaining 2/3rd students community 1045 more legal literacy clubs in private schools/colleges/private educational institutions have been opened thereby raising the total number of such clubs to 3837.

The Students Legal Literacy Clubs run under the guidance of the “Teacher-in-Charge” and under the overall supervision of the Headmaster/Principal of the respective High School/College.

3. Types of Competitions organized under the Students Legal Literacy mission.

- Declamation contest
- Poetry recitation
- Debate
- Essay writing
- On the spot painting
- Slogan writing
4. Topics covered under these competitions

During the year 2014-15, competitions were organized on the following 17 topics in the Colleges and Schools:-

Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005
Dowry prohibition
Human Rights
Fundamental Duties
Rights of disabled persons
Right of Destitute Women and Children
Drug De-addiction
Female Foeticide
Sexual Harassment
Child Marriage,
Right to Education
Right to Information,
Constitution Values
Ragging
Rights of Senior Citizens

Prizes given to the students

Divisional Level
First position Rs 5,000/-
Second position Rs. 4,000/-
Third position Rs. 3,000/-

State Level
First position Rs. 11,000/-
Second position Rs. 8,000/-
Third position Rs. 5,000/-

In addition to the prize money, Gold, Silver and Bronze medals were also given to the winning students.

5. Participation of the Students in the year 2014-2015

More than 2,20,000 students participated in the various competitions at various levels up to the State Level Competition in the year 2014-2015.

The State level competitions were held on 12.04.2015 for colleges and on 08.05.2015 for Schools at Rohtak.

6. Sixth State Level Annual Function held in the Tagore Auditorium of M.D. University, Rohtak on 23.05.2015

The State Level Annual Function was held in the Tagore Auditorium of Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak on 23.05.2015. Hon'ble Mr. Manohar Lal, Chief Minister of Haryana, was the Chief Guest. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Shivaax Jal Vazifdar, Acting Chief Justice, High Court of Punjab & Haryana & Patron-in-Chief, Haryana State Legal Services Authority (HALSAA) presided over the function.

The function was also graced by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.K.Mittal, Executive Chairman of Haryana State Legal Services Authority; Hon'ble Mr. Justice K.Kannan, Administrative Judge, Rohtak Sessions Division who was also the Guest of Honour; Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal; Hon'ble Mr. Justice R.S.Malik and Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. B. Parsoon, Judges of High Court of Punjab & Haryana, Chandigarh and Hon'ble Mr. Ram Bilas Sharma, Education Minister, Haryana.

Mr. Vijai Vardhan, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Higher Education; Sh. T.C.Gupta, Principal Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Haryana; Sh. Sudhir Rajpal, Acting Vice Chancellor, Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak and many other dignitaries were present on the said
occasion.

The dignitaries also visited the exhibition displayed by the students and appreciated the paintings and slogans made by students of schools and colleges on various socio-legal topics.

The school students made rangoli which was appreciated by the dignitaries.

The programme started with the auspicious lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries which was followed by Saraswati Vandana.

Mr. Vijai Vardhan, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Higher Education welcomed the audience. A key note address was delivered by Hon’ble Mr. Justice S.K. Mittal, Executive Chairman of Haryana State Legal Services Authority. Hon’ble Mr. Justice K.Kannan, Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court & Administrative Judge, Rohtak Sessions Division in his speech appreciated the efforts made by HALSA in collaboration with the Education Department, Haryana.

Hon’ble Mr. Justice S.K. Mittal, Executive Chairman, HALSA explained, in his address, the aims & objectives of Students Legal Literacy Mission. His Lordship, inter alia, said that Haryana State Legal Services Authority is committed to make people aware of their rights. His Lordship further stated that poverty and legal illiteracy are the major challenges. His Lordship also apprised the audience about the schemes and the efforts being made by the Haryana State Legal Services Authority in providing free legal services to weaker and marginalized section of society. Hon’ble Mr. Ram Bilas Sharma, Education Minister, Haryana also addressed the gathering.

Mr. Justice Shiavax Jal Vazifdar, Acting Chief Justice, High Court of Punjab & Haryana
& Patron-in-Chief, Haryana State Legal Services Authority (HALSA) appreciated the efforts made by HALSA in collaboration with Education Department Haryana. His Lordship emphasized that Legal Literacy is must, and people should be made aware of their rights. His lordship also sought the cooperation of the students to eradicate legal illiteracy, and said that students can play a major role in making people aware about the laws.

Hon’ble Shri Manohar Lal, Chief Minister, Haryana, the Chief Guest of the function, appreciated the efforts made by Haryana State Legal Services Authority, in eradicating legal illiteracy. He also motivated the students and appreciated their work in the field of Legal Literacy Mission.

The state level winners awarded with certificates, cash prizes and medals.

Documentary, prepared by HALSA, was shown to the audience. Documentary showed the activities being done by the Haryana State Legal Services Authority like providing of free legal aid to weaker and marginalized section of society, spreading of legal awareness amongst masses, payment of compensation to the victims of crime, organizing Lok Adalats, working for unorganized labour etc.

The annual day showcased the artistic talents of the students. An array of scintillating performances by the students on various socio-legal topics mesmerized every one present. Educative presentations made by the students reflected the socio-legal problems which the society is facing today, and the need to tackle the said problems. The performance by deaf and dumb students was quite moving. A thundering applause followed the said splendid performance.

Mr. Sushil Kumar Gupta, District & Sessions Judge, Rohtak extended a vote of thanks. The programme ended with the rendition of the National Anthem.
GLIMPSES OF ANNUAL FUNCTION
On 1.5.2015, Labour day was celebrated. The legal awareness camps were organized across the State of Haryana for labourers by the District Legal Services Authorities under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority. An effort was made, in these camps, to make labourers aware of the various beneficial enactments and schemes meant for their upliftment and welfare.
INeGIURATiON OF LEGAL SERVICES CLINIC IN LAW FACULTY
AT SRM UNIVERSITY, SONEPAT, HARYANA

A legal services clinic aims at two objects. One is to improve the clinical legal skills of the students and the second is to inculcate an attitude amongst the students to provide effective legal services to the poor and marginalized people. The Haryana State Legal Services Authority (HALSA), in collaboration with SRM University, opened another Legal Services Clinic on Saturday, April 25, 2015 at Law Faculty, SRM University, Sonepat, Haryana.

It was inaugurated by Hon’ble Mr. Justice Satish Kumar Mittal, Executive Chairman of HALSA. Hon’ble Mr. Justice Rajan Gupta and Hon’ble Mr. Justice Augustine George Masih, Judges of the High Court of Punjab & Haryana, also graced the occasion.

The inaugural programme was also attended by the judicial officers, members of the district administration, representatives of local village bodies and students. The inauguration was followed by a cultural programme and screening of a documentary on “Access to legal aid”. Hon’ble Mr. Justice S.K Mittal explained the objectives of National Legal Services Authority (Legal Services Clinics in Universities, Law Colleges and other Institutions) Scheme, 2013. His Lordship also said that the principle of rule of law and the philosophy of the Indian constitution mandates that every citizen should have reasonable access to justice. His Lordship also emphasized that the entire legal aid movement is aimed at removing the barriers to access to justice so that the rule of law is maintained.
On 27.04.2015, District Legal Services Authority, Ambala organised an awareness programme on 'Female Foeticide' at Government Senior Secondary School (Girls), Shehzadpur, District Ambala. The programme was attended by 250 students. The important aspects of Law relating to Female Foeticide were explained in comprehensible language to the students.

**WORKSHOP ON UNORGANIZED SECTOR**

The workshop was conducted for Advocates, PLVs, Government School Teachers and Social Workers with the purpose to sensitize them about the problems of the workers in unorganized sector. The problems faced by the workers in unorganized sector and various welfare schemes promulgated for their benefit were discussed in detail by Sh. Hardeep Singh, Assistant Director, Labour Department, Ambala through a power point presentation. All the participants were requested to create maximum awareness about the schemes framed for labour in unorganized sector so that labourers get their entitlements under the law.
PRINCIPALS OF PRIVATE SCHOOLS SENSITIZED ABOUT THE LEGAL LITERACY CLUBS

A meeting with the Principals of Private Schools of District Jhajjar, D.E.O. and Block Education Officers was convened by the CJM-cum-Secretary DLSA, Jhajjar. Principals of around 100 private schools participated in the said meeting. They all were impressed upon to open the Legal Literacy Clubs in their schools. They were apprised of the relevance of having Legal Literacy Clubs in schools. They were also told about the importance of legal awareness. It was emphasized that education and knowledge about the issues of social relevance can change the overall outlook and personality of students. They were impressed upon to organize competitions in their schools i.e. declamation, speech, poem recitation etc. on some selected topics of social relevance and having legal implications. District Education Officer and Block Education Officers were impressed upon to guide the private schools in opening of Legal Literacy Clubs.

SPECIAL LEGAL LITERACY CAMP FOR OFFICIALS AT GRASS ROOT LEVEL

Under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority, DLSA Jhajjar organized a special legal literacy camp for officials at grass root level on 30.04.2015 at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Jhajjar. Programme Officer, CDPO, Supervisors, Anganwadi workers etc. attended the said legal awareness programme. Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, DLSA, Jhajjar addressed the audience on the objectives of NALSA/HALSA, relevant provisions of Legal Services Authority Act, 1987 and various schemes of NALSA/HALSA. They were made to understand the importance of their role in bridging the gap between weaker and marginalized section of the community and justice delivery system. Panel advocate also addressed the audience and made them aware about the different aspects of legal aid schemes promulgated by NALSA/HALSA.
In order to spread legal awareness, a programme of six days was held from 4.5.2015 to 9.5.2015 at Bal Bhawan, NIT, Faridabad in collaboration with the various government and government aided schools by DLSA Faridabad. The name of the programme was given as “Navchetna”. Six days schedule was prepared for active participation of school students. Competitions in the form of rangoli, skit, nukkud natak, group dance and painting were organized on daily basis. The topics identified for the programme included stop drug abuse, right to education, fundamental rights and duties, stop female foeticide etc.

In the Navchetna programme, more than 4000 students of 240 different Govt. and Private schools participated in various activities such as painting competition, skits, nukkud natak, rangoli competition, poster making competition.

On 04.05.2015, Navchetna function was inaugurated at Bal Bhawan, NIT, Faridabad by Sh. Inderjeet Mehta, Ld. District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman, DLSA, Faridabad.

Every day some socio legal issues were selected, and different competitions were held on those topics. On the first day, after the formal inauguration, group dance competition was organized. Twenty five schools participated in this competition. Students performed group dances through which the message of “Beti Bachao Beti Padhao” and “stop female foeticide” was spread. As many as 300
students participated in the competition and 450 students witnessed the function.

On second and third day, painting competition was organized as per schedule. The topics of drawing competition were stop child labour, save environment, right to education, stop drug abuse and save water. 750 cheerful students from 160 schools participated in the competition.

30 school students participated and performed meaningful nukud nataks and small skits through which the rights of Senior Citizens, stop child labour, right to education and right of transgender and domestic violence act were projected in front of the gathering for awareness of the masses. As many as 550 students participated in nukud natak and skit competition. On sixth day i.e. the final day of scheduled programme, a rangoli competition was organized. The topics for rangoli competition were female foeticide, save water and save earth. 450 students of 40 schools participated in the rangoli competition to create legal awareness.

As hundreds of school students participated and attended the programme, lectures on the topics of legal significance were delivered on each day to the students by panel advocates of DLSA Faridabad. Panel advocates educated the participants about different schemes of NALSA and HSLSA, right to education, rights of transgender, save water, save environment, stop drug abuse, stop female foeticide apart from other legal issues.

The response of the school children was overwhelming. The idea behind this project was to teach topics of legal significance to the students by getting them involved in extracurricular activities.
On 16.05.2015 and 17.05.2015, Awareness Referral Coaching and Mentoring (ARCM) Programme was organized by Haryana State Legal Services Authority in collaboration with the Mediation and Conciliation Project Committee (MCPC), Supreme Court of India. Sh. Harish Bhardwaj and Ms. Rashmi Bhushan conducted the ARCM Programme. On the first day, in first three sessions, Master Trainers from MCPC and Mediators from District Mediation Centre at Karnal conducted live mediation in which the litigants also participated actively to demonstrate their enthusiasm towards ADR mechanism. Sixty six cases were taken up for mediation, out of those 10 cases were settled. Master Trainers observed and guided the mediators throughout the session and kept on mentoring them. Thereafter, ARCM programme for lawyers was conducted by the Master Trainers. Para Legal Volunteers, teachers, Anganwari workers and journalists also participated in this programme. The concept of mediation was explained in comprehensible language to the audience. On the next day i.e. on 17.5.2015, as per the schedule, two simultaneous sessions were conducted. A critiquing programme was conducted with the mediators of District Mediation Centre, Karnal, and they were trained on the basis of previous days experiences by the Master Trainer. In another Session, awareness-cum-referral programme was conducted for referral Judges. They were told about role of referral Judges in the mediation process. They were impressed upon to take advantage of various alternate remedies available under Section 89 CPC and were also apprised of several aspects of mediation process.
INAUGURATION OF LEGAL CARE AND SUPPORT CENTRE AT VILLAGE BHANGERA YAMUNANAGAR

A Legal Care and Support Centre in Village Bhangera, District Yamuna Nagar was inaugurated by Hon’ble Mr. Justice S.K. Mittal, Executive Chairman of Haryana State Legal Services Authority on 30.05.2015 in the esteemed presence of Ms. Sarita Gupta, Learned District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, Yamuna Nagar at Jagadhri; Sh. Vikram Aggarwal, Learned District & Sessions Judge-cum-Member Secretary, Haryana State Legal Services Authority; Dr. S.S. Phulia, Deputy Commissioner, Yamuna Nagar; Sh. Arun Singh, Superintendent of Police, Yamuna Nagar and other officers of the District.

The function started with the auspicious lighting of the lamp with Saraswati Vandana in the background. Apart from being welcomed by the villagers, a special welcome address was delivered by Dr. S.S. Phulia, Deputy Commissioner, Yamuna Nagar. Hon’ble Justice S.K. Mittal, Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh-cum-Executive Chairman of Haryana State Legal Services Authority in his speech apprised the villagers of the activities which are being performed by District Legal Services Authority and the purpose of opening Legal Care and Support Centre in their village. His lordship exhorted the villagers to avail the services of District Legal Services Authority and drive the maximum benefits of the schemes of the Government through the Panel Advocate and the Para Legal Volunteer appointed in the Legal Care and Support Centre by the District Legal Services Authority.

Ms. Sarita Gupta, Learned District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairperson, District Legal Services Authority, Yamuna Nagar at Jagadhri extended the vote of thanks. The function was attended by more than 200 villagers.

Booklets published by the HALSA were also distributed amongst the villagers.
In 2013, the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 for prevention of sexual harassment against women at the workplaces was enacted. The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Rules, 2013 were also made. It is extremely important to spread awareness of the said important enactment. A special legal literacy seminar on the topic “Sexual Harassment against Women at Work Place” was conducted in the seminar room of Government College, Ambala Cantt by DLSA, Ambala. Various provisions of the aforesaid enactment were discussed in detail by way of power point presentation. Relevant sections of Indian Penal Code like 292, 354, 354 (A) to 354 (D) and 509 of IPC were also explained. The seminar was attended by principal, professors, lecturers and students. An interactive session was also held in which the queries raised by the participants were answered.

A training programme was organized on 28.5.2015 for panel advocates, mediators and female advocates appointed under the Model Prosecution Counsel Scheme in association with Lawyers Collective by DLSA, Gurgaon. Dr. Vageshwari Deswal, Professor, Delhi University was the key speaker of the training programme. Ms. Kiran Sharma, Ms. Gaytri and Ms. Asha Singh, Advocates from Lawyers Collective, were the other speakers in the program.

Power point presentation was given by Dr. Vageshwari Deswal regarding the law on crime against women for understanding the amendments made in the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973. The various forms of rape i.e. custodial rape, marital rape and gang rape were also elaborated along with the provisions of POCSO Act. Victim Compensation Scheme was also discussed in this regard along with the judgment given in the case titled as Laxmi Vs. Union of India. The work
which has been done by District Legal Services Authority Gurgaon under the Victim Compensation Scheme was also brought to the notice of participants. The panel advocates were sensitized about the scheme, and they were told to take appropriate steps for protection of the victim as per the scheme and as per the provisions of IPC, POCSO Act. The female advocates under the Model Prosecution Counsel Scheme were told to sensitize the victim regarding the aforementioned scheme so that the benefits of this scheme reach the victims who require rehabilitation.

**AWARENESS THROUGH COMMUNITY RADIO**

Haryana State Legal Services Authority is spreading legal awareness through community radio. In the months of April and May, 2015 various legal awareness programmes were conducted through community radio stations at Ambala, Faridabad, Palwal and Sirsa. In the said programmes various legal topics were covered such as Protection of women for domestic violence act, law on bail, free legal aid, victim compensation scheme etc.
SPECIAL LEGAL AWARENESS CAMP ON “WORKERS IN UNORGANIZED SECTOR”

On 24.4.2015, a Special Legal Awareness Camp was organized on the topic “Workers in unorganized sector” by DLSA, Gurgaon. Sh. Harnam Singh Thakur, Ld. District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman, District Legal Services Authority Gurgaon was present along with Sh. Yashwinder Paul Singh, Additional District & Sessions Judge Gurgaon and the Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, DLSA, Gurgaon. Sh. R.C. Mishra, Director General of Police Vigilance Gurgaon and Sh. Vatsal Vashist SDM Gurgaon were also present on the said occasion. Advocates practicing in the labour courts and Members of Industrial Associations were also present. Sh. Harnam Singh Thakur, Ld. District & Sessions Judge highlighted the plight of the workers in the unorganized sector which forms major part of the work force of our country. He emphasized that all of us should join hands so that the workers in unorganized sector get benefits of the relevant law and schemes.

Sh. Yashwinder Paul Singh, Additional District & Sessions Judge Gurgaon, also threw light on the kind of workers which are working in such sectors, and the purpose behind the enactment of special legislation and schemes. Sh. R.C. Mishra, Director General of Police Vigilance Gurgaon also highlighted the role which can be played by all the persons in the implementation of the welfare Acts and Schemes. Sh. Vatsal Vashist, SDM Gurgaon also sensitized the gathering about the Act and the plight of the labourers. The panel advocates practicing in the field of labour law also highlighted the difficulties which workers face.
CHILDREN HOMES, SHELTER HOMES, OBSERVATION HOMES

To ensure proper legal protection to the vulnerable and marginalized section, the Chairmen cum District and Sessions Judges alongside Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Secretaries have been making visits regularly every month to Children Homes, Shelter Homes, Observation Homes and Old age homes across the State of Haryana under the instructions and guidance of the Haryana Legal Services Authority. Deficiencies are taken up with the concerned authorities. Legal aid is also provided in appropriate cases.
SPECIAL LEGAL LITERACY PROGRAMME IN SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB
SITUATED AT YAMUNANAGAR AT JAGADHRI

On 21.04.2015, a legal awareness programme for the senior citizens was organized at the Senior Citizens Club at Jagadhri by DLSA, Yamunanagar. About fifty senior citizens attended the said legal awareness programme. The important provisions of The Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007 were explained in comprehensible language through a power point presentation to the participants by the Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, District Legal Services Authority.

LEGAL AWARENESS CAMP FOR OFFICIALS AT GRASS ROOT LEVEL

On 16.5.2015, a legal awareness camp for the officials working at Grass Root Level was organized by the District Legal Services Authority, Kurukshetra. It was attended by the Anganwari workers, Health workers, Patwaris, Women Panchayat Members and Principals. The participants were explained about the concept of “Free Legal Aid”. Various schemes and functions of the Legal Services Authority were explained to them.
LEGAL AWARENESS CAMP AT GIRLS SR. SEC. SCHOOL

On 26.5.2015, a legal awareness camp was organized by the District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul. The students were made aware of the law relating to children. The functions of the Legal Services Authority were also explained to the students. The importance of fulfilling the Fundamental Duties as envisaged in the Constitution of India was also explained eloquently by the Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Narnaul.

LEGAL AWARENESS WORKSHOPS FOR TEACHERS

The District Legal Services Authority, Panchkula organized the legal awareness workshops for the teachers. On 19.5.2015, a workshop was organized at Army Public School, Chandimandir. It was attended by about one hundred teachers of Army Public School. Sh. Manbir Singh Rathi, Panel Advocate, explained the important provisions of POCSO Act and the Rights of Children. Law relating to women and Senior Citizen was also explained to the participants. On 22.5.2015, such workshop was organized for the teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas. The said workshop was attended by about fifty teachers.
MARG DARSHAK : ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR INVESTIGATING OFFICERS

The District Legal Services Authority, Panchkula continued its orientation programme namely MARG DARSHAK in the month of April, 2015. Under this programme, on 25.4.2015, a special lecture on the medico legal cases was organized for the investigating officers and station house officers of Panchkula. Sh. Sunil Gambhir, HCMS, Doctor of General Hospital Sector 6, Panchkula, who has vast experience in medico legal cases, addressed the gathering of investigating officers and station house officers. He elaborated and explained the important aspects of medico legal examination of the victim and the accused. He also dealt with the precautions to be taken while sending the samples to forensic laboratory for examination. Sh. Hem Raj Mittal, CJM-cum-Secretary, Panchkula also held interactive session on the subject, and answered the various queries of the participants. Sh. Manvir Rathee, Panel Advocate, also apprised the participants of the latest judgments given by the Hon'ble Supreme Court on the subject.

SENSITIZATION PROGRAMME FOR POLICE OFFICIALS

On 18.4.2015, a sensitization programme was held by the District Legal Services Authority, Panipat for the police officials at Panipat. Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, DLSA, Panipat explained in detail the law on identification. The police officials were also apprised of the scientific methods which can be used as per law for doing investigation effectively. Interactive session was done with the police officials. The important aspects to be kept in view while doing investigation were also discussed in the said sensitization programme.
LEGAL AWARENESS CAMPS THROUGH BOLERO VAN

Legal awareness camps through Bolero Van from 16.6.2015 to 30.5.2015 were organized in the villages by the District Legal Services Authority, Bhiwani. In the said camps, villagers were apprised of the various laws such as PC&PNDT Act, Bonded labour (Abolition Act, 1976). Laws relating to women and children were also explained to the villagers in comprehensible language. Lectures on the Fundamental Duties, contained in Para IV(A) of the Constitution, were also given to the villagers and they were sensitized about the need to discharge the Fundamental Duties.

LEGAL LITERACY CAMP FOR OFFICIALS AT GRASS ROOT LEVEL

On 2.5.2015, as per the instructions of Haryana State Legal Services Authority, a legal awareness camp for officials working at grass root level was organized by District Legal Services Authority, Kaithal. In the said camp, the participants were also made aware of the disaster management and the law relating to the same. It was also attended by about 50 panel advocates and para legal volunteers. The Research Officer, Haryana Institute of Public Administration delivered lecture on Disaster Management and also explained the subject through Power Point Presentation.

LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME FOR SPREADING AWARENESS ABOUT RIGHTS OF WOMEN

On 7.5.2015, District Legal Services Authority, Bhiwani organized a Legal Literacy Camp on the Rights of Women at Govt. Girls Senior Secondary School, Bhiwani. Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, DLSA, Bhiwani eloquently explained to the students various statutes enacted with the purpose to safeguard rights of women. All the girl students alongwith teachers took pledge to live their life with dignity.
WORKSHOPS FOR PANEL ADVOCATES AND PARA-LEGAL VOLUNTEERS

Under the instructions of Haryana State Legal Services Authority, workshops are organized by District Legal Services Authorities across Haryana for panel advocates and para-legal volunteers. In these workshops panel lawyers are updated about the various new amendments and judgments of Hon’ble Supreme Court and Hon’ble High Courts. Para-legal volunteers are also sensitized to work in effective and meaningful manner for the weaker and marginalized section of society.
SPREADING AWARENESS ABOUT FUNDAMENTAL DUTIES

Under the aegis of the Haryana State Legal Services Authority, awareness camps are being organized across Haryana to sensitize citizens about the fundamental duties mentioned in Article 51A of the Constitution of India, and the need to perform diligently the fundamental duties for the growth and development of our country.

MEGA HEALTH CHECK-UP CAMP AT CENTRAL JAIL, AMBALA

Right to health is integral to right to life. On 20.05.2015, a Special Medical Check Up Camp for the inmates of Central Jail, Ambala was organized by District Legal Services Authority, Ambala in association with Maharishi Markandeshwar Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, Mullana. A team comprising of ten doctors checked the inmates. A Mobile Dental Van was also brought to the Central Jail, Ambala. Free Medicines were distributed to the needy. The said camp was inaugurated by Sh. Deepak Gupta, learned District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman, District Legal Services Authority, Ambala.
AWARENESS ON EARTH DAY

On 22.4.2015, District Legal Services Authorities of Faridabad and Ambala organized awareness camps on environmental awareness. Competitions were also organized amongst the students with an idea to make them aware of the importance of environment. The need to respect, protect and preserve the natural world was emphasized in the said awareness camps.

LEGAL AWARENESS CAMP AT GOVERNMENT SCHOOL, VILLAGE RASOOLPUR

On 21.4.2015, legal awareness camp was held by the District Legal Services Authority, Kaithal at Government School at Village Rasoolpur. It was attended by about 80 students. The concept of legal aid was explained to the students. They were also made aware of the Right to Information Act and the law on child labour.
AWARENESS CAMPS ON WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY

Smoking tobacco is a global health threat. World No Tobacco Day is held on May 31 on each year. On 31/5/2015, District Legal Services Authorities across the State of Haryana held awareness camps under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority to draw attention to the health problems that tobacco use can cause. It was emphasized in the camps that it is not just the smokers who are at risk. The people around them, the so-called passive smokers, are also vulnerable to developing smoking-related diseases. Tobacco, no matter which form it is, like cigarettes (even light or filtered), cigars, chewable tobacco, huqqa or even the ever popular sheesha, is a silent killer.

LEGAL AWARENESS CAMP AT GOVT. SR. SEC. SCHOOL, VILLAGE GUHNA

On 15.5.2015, a legal awareness camp was organized by District Legal Services Authority, Kaithal at Govt. Ser. Sec. School, Village Guhna, District Kaithal. In it awareness was spread about the various laws meant for the protection and welfare of children. Child Marriage Act, Law prohibiting child Labour, Right to Education Act, 2009 were explained in comprehensible language to the students.
SPECIAL LEGAL LITERACY CAMP ON ENVIRONMENT

A special Legal Literacy Camp was organised by District Legal Services Authority, Faridabad on 21.4.2015 on the topic environment. The said camp was organised in the Government Senior Secondary School, Faridabad. The students were enlightened on the Environmental Law. They were encouraged to adopt good habits for keeping the environment neat and clean. It was highlighted that Environmental Pollution is one of the biggest problems the world is facing today. The session was also followed by an interactive session whereby everyone was made aware of the significance of knowing legal rights and duties.

NATIONAL LOK ADALATS ON 25.4.2015 & 9.5.2015

On 25.04.2015, National Lok Adalat on the Labour and Family Matters was held. In it, 680 cases were settled. Pre-litigation cases as well as pending cases were settled involving an amount of Rs.40,34,853/-. Second subject-wise National Lok Adalat was held on 09.05.2015 with regard to Bank & Insurance Matters across the State of Haryana. In it, 172 cases were settled involving an amount of Rs.4,26,88,744/-. 

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SOME RECENT JUDGMENTS OF
THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

SUSTENANCE DOES NOT MEAN AND CAN NEVER ALLOW TO MEAN A MERE SURVIVAL.

In Shamima Farooqui versus Shahid Khan, (Criminal Appeal Nos. 564-565 of 2015) decided on April 06, 2015, the Hon’ble Supreme Court held, inter-alia, as follows:

Sustenance does not mean and can never allow to mean a mere survival. A woman, who is constrained to leave the marital home, should not be allowed to feel that she has fallen from grace and move hither and thither arranging for sustenance.

As long as the wife is held entitled to grant of maintenance within the parameters of Section 125 CrPC, it has to be adequate so that she can live with dignity as she would have lived in her matrimonial home. She cannot be compelled to become a destitute or a beggar.

The obligation of the husband is on a higher pedestal when the question of maintenance of wife and children arises.

FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND EXPRESSION HAS TO HAVE INHERENT LIMITATIONS WHICH ARE PERMISSIBLE WITHIN THE CONSTITUTIONAL PARAMETERS

In Devidas Ramachandra Tuljapurkar Versus State of Maharashtra & Ors (Criminal Appeal No. 1179 of 2010) decided on May 14, 2015, the Hon’ble Supreme Court observed, inter-alia, as follows:

There can be no two opinions that one can express his views freely about a historically respected personality showing his disagreement, dissent, criticism, non-acceptance or critical evaluation.

Freedom of speech and expression has to be given a broad canvas, but it has to have inherent limitations which are permissible within the constitutional parameters.

Freedom of speech and expression as enshrined under Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution is not absolute in view of Article 19(2) of the Constitution.
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छात्राओं को जानकारी दी

जेटि में लघुप्रकाश कानूनी आयोग की शिक्षा
Khattar demands separate HC, equal representation of judges

LEGAL NEEDS Cites high pendency; wants proceedings telecasted, bench for southern districts

CM EVADES MEDIA YET AGAIN

The chief minister wants it against him. He faced the latest row for being silent about the SC media probing the CM. The case was filed by the till date of the SC media. It is pointed out that the CM has avoided comment on the case. The case was filed by the till date of the SC media. It is pointed out that the CM has avoided comment on the case.

3 GET LIFE TERM FOR MURDER

NIMHAN: Additional district and sessions judge Gautam Arora sentenced three persons including two minor girls to life imprisonment for murdering a 60-year-old woman in the city.

Adikar jano ge to nyay miloge

Central jail Agra me land vikrita shivir

Alag utch nayakalya se miliga pradesh ki janta ko laam

Sudharsan ligan nigam shahri me deeksha sumanoh sami ko krima vikriti

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“.....Statutory expressions are not petrified by time but must be updated by changing ethos even as popular ethics are not absolutes but abide and evolve as community consciousness enlivens and escalates. Surely, the satwa of society must rise progressively if mankind is to move towards its timeless destiny and this can be guaranteed only if the ultimate value-vision is rooted in the unchanging basics, Truth, Goodness, Beauty, Satyam, Sivam, Sundaram.”

Raj Kapoor and Others v. State and Others (1980) 1 SCC 43