

NATIONAL LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY :INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME:

- A. The Programme would be a 21 day programme;
- B. The interns would be required to spend two weeks with the District Legal Services Authority of their choice, be it their home district or district in which their law college falls or any other district of their choice;
- C. While interning for 15 days with the District Legal Services Authorities, the interns would be required to:
 - a) Visit a Central Jail or Sub Jail for one day in the District;
 - b) Visit an Observation Home/Juvenile Justice Board for one day;
 - c) Visit Child Welfare Committee and Children's Home for one day;
 - *d)* Visit a home for senior citizens for one day;
 - e) Visit a mental hospital/drug rehabilitation centre for one day;
 - f) Visit the District Courts including Magisterial, Sessions and Civil Courts for one day;
 - g) Attend a legal literacy/legal awareness programme in the district for one or two days;
 - *h)* Watch the mediation proceedings at Mediation/ADR centre and LokAdalat/Permanent LokAdalat for one day;
 - *i)* Visit a legal literacy club in a school/legal services clinic in a college for one day;
 - *j)* Spend the remaining days in the office of the District Legal Services Authorities.
- D. While visiting the jail or observation homes, the interns would be required to interact with the inmates to find out if they are represented by a counsel whether private or legal services lawyers, find out the difficulties of inmates; look at issue of production before the Court/JJBs and observe the working of the legal services clinic established and, if any, the legal services lawyers and PLVs attached with the same and report to the Secretary, DLSA if any problem is noticed.
- E. While visiting the JJBs, CWCs, Courts, the interns would be required to observe the working of the said institutions and also look at the role of the legal services lawyers in these institutions.
- F. While visiting the Children's Home, Home for the senior citizens, mental hospital/rehabilitation centre, the interns would be required to interact with the inmates, try to understand their problems and look at the conditions in

which they stay and assess whether they need any kind of legal representation and make suitable report to the Secretary, DLSA.

- *G.* While visiting legal literacy club/legal services clinics, they would observe their working, provide necessary assistance and participate in the activities.
- H. While attending the legal awareness/legal literacy camps, the interns would actively facilitate the conduct of the programme in terms of distribution of pamphlets, legal literacy materials and would also be required to collect feedback from a sample audience.
- I. During the period with the DLSAs, the interns would be required to observe and understand the working of the 'front office', provision of legal aid to the legal aid beneficiaries, counselling, working of victim compensation scheme, administrative work etc.
- J. Interns would be required to maintain a daily diary of the work done by them and the same would be signed by the Secretary, DLSA with whom the intern is attached.
- K. After the period of 15 days, the interns would come to the NALSA office at Delhi, they would remain at NALSA office for 3 days during which they would make a small presentation of their observations while being associated with the DLSAs and suggestions, if any. They would be taken to the Parliament and they would also be required to study NALSA Schemes and make small presentation in groups. For the remaining three days they would be associated with the Delhi State Legal Services Authority to observe its working and for visiting various institutions.
- L. The Secretaries of the DLSAs would prepare a programme for the interns who are attached with the DLSAs on the above lines making modifications as may be necessary depending on the facilities existing in the district and they may also be requested to submit a report about the working of the interns, if necessary.
- *M.* At the end of the internship programme, a convocation programme would be held at Delhi where certificates would be distributed to the law interns who successfully complete the programme.
- *N.* The interns would be required to make their own boarding and lodging arrangements as well as for local travel both within the district to which they are attached for the internship and within Delhi.