Other Activities undertaken during the COVID-19

The Legal Services Authorities during the unprecedented times caused by the pandemic have risen to the occasion to provide timely and effective legal aid and assistance to the needy. The sustained efforts of Legal Services Institutions have made a difference in the lives of the people at the grassroots. This phase also saw adoption of innovative methods and use of technology. In view of the same, OSLSA contemplates to make a report reflecting the work done by Legal Services Institutions (LSIs) during these times across the state of Odisha.

Hence, a comprehensive report is prepared by the Odisha State Legal Services Authorities, Cuttack & its field units for the **period 25.03.2020 to 30.06.2020**, in the prescribed format given by NALSA.

1. Assistance to Victims of Domestic Violence

No. of cases relating to domestic violence received by	57
LSIs	
No. of such cases in which legal aid and assistance was	35
provided	
No. of petitions filed in courts through Legal aid under	7
DV Act	
No. of cases resolved through counselling/mediation	5
Specify the types of domestic violence reported such as	Mentally, Physically,
physical, emotional etc	Financially
Success story, if any	N.A.

2. Denial of wages/Salaries:

No. of grievances related to denial of wages/salaries	11
received by LSIs	
No of such grievances in which legal assistance provided	11
Success story, if any	N.A.

3. Arrested persons/Prisoners:

Remand Stage	
No. of persons provided legal representation at remand	960
stage	
No. of bail applications filed of such persons at remand	836
stage	
No of such bail applications allowed	404
Under trials	
No. of Undertrials represented during trial through legal	267
assistance	
No. of bail applications filed for Undertrials	261
Convicts	
No. of convicts provided legal assistance in	
(i) Filing of Appeals	04
(ii) Parole/Furlough	61

4. Legal Aid Helpline Number

	Total calls received	No. of persons provided legal advice
Legal aid and assistance provided through the National Legal Aid Helpline Number-15100	00	00
Legal aid and assistance provided through State/ District helpline numbers	70	66

5. Use of webinars and Social Media Tools

No. of pr	ogrammes conducted through webinars:	
(i)	For panel lawyers (training programmes)	
(ii)	For legal awareness	
(iii)	Any other programme related to legal aid (please specify the details and number)	25
No. of p	rogrammes conducted through Radio including	10
Commur	nity Radios.	
No. of pr	ogrammes conducted through TV	02
No. of	programmes conducted through other social	02
media to	ols including You Tube.	

^{*} One webinar on "Human Trafficking with special emphasis on Child Trafficking" was organised by OSLSA in collaboration with "Bachpan Bachao Andolan" on 29.06.2020 for awareness of the DLSA Secretaries.

6. Help to stranded people/migrants/Senior citizens

No. of cases in which assistance was provided to	45757
migrants in coordination with District Administration in	
terms of transit, food etc.	
No. of people assisted with regard to shelter problem/	5507
lack of money	
No. of people assisted cases w.r.t. travelling to home	6596
states or home districts	
No. of senior citizens helped	40
Types of assistance provided to senior citizens	
Success stories, if any	Attached vide
	separate sheets

7. Expenditure

Legal-Aid programmes carried out by D.L.S.As, during the period i.e. from 24.03.2020 to 30.06.2020.

Various awareness activities have been carried out by D.L.S.As, in co-ordination with District Administration, to make people aware about the pandemic Covid-19. Masks, Sanitizers, Soaps, Leaflets have been distributed by this authority in slum areas, Child Care Institutions, Jails during the period. Different quarantine Centres functioning in the District and Covid Care Centre have been visited by the members of the Core Group of Disaster Management of D.L.S.As, As per direction of the Odisha State Legal Services Authority, Cuttack, an awareness programme on "Fundamental Rights and Duties" of Indian Constitution, Relief measures and other activities.

Success stories

1. Launch of State Wide COVID-19 Campaign for Children with UNICEF on May 8, 2020:

In order to provide and promote safe and healthy environment for children during COVID-19, OSLSA in collaboration with UNICEF and its partner Paradeep Phosphates Limited, launched a State-wide campaign programme for distribution of 3322 hygiene kits to 101 Non Grant-in-Aid Child Care Institutions in 27 districts of Odisha along with creating awareness. The hygiene kits containing hand wash, soaps, sanitizers, sanitary pads, masks etc. have been provided to all the 3322 identified beneficiaries by 15.05.2020 by the DLSAs with the assistance of DCPOs and district administration.





2. Odisha State Legal Services Authority directs State to arrange transport for 11 migrants from Nagaland:

The Odisha State Legal Services Authority and its field units in coordination with the Odisha Government sent back 11 migrant workers of Nagaland who were stranded here due to the ongoing lockdown.

In the month of April, 2020 Nagaland Legal Services Authority intimated this Authority regarding one Apija Apotske who was stranded in Malkangiri for providing help and relief. Getting this information this Authority immediately instructed the DLSA, Malkangiri to verify the status of the stranded persons and provide all help required. The disaster Core committee of the DLSA Malkangiri attended the person immediately and came to know that he was at Quarantine center at Kalimela, Malkangiri and as per his request to return to Nagaland, the DLSA Malkangiri intimated this Authority for taking necessary steps. Thereafter, Apija Apotske was contacted by the Member Secretary of OSLSA from whom information regarding other Nagas stranded in Odisha was received. Thereafter, Odisha State Legal Services Authority coordinated with the police department to help the stranded Naga persons in returning back to Nagaland. Then, Apija Apotske along with 10 other stranded Nagas were sent to Dimapur by bus and from there arrangements were made for their smooth passage to Nagaland.



3. Legal Assistance to 153 migrant labourers stranded at Ganjam:

On receiving information regarding migrant labourers stranded at Ganjam, the DLSA Ganjam took up the matter with the district administration and immediately made arrangements for their accommodation (at Roland Institute of Technology, Rangeilunda Block, Berhampur, Ganjam) and supply of cooked food along with dry

ration & then with the help of the District Labour Officer, Berhampur arranged for conveyance of the migrant labourers to enable them to proceed to their native places in the states of Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Bihar.





Food, water and other assistance ensured to stranded migrant workers of Jharkhand:

Immediate local assistance like food, water and masks was ensured to stranded migrant workers of Jharkhand on receiving an email dated 25.04.2020 from Jharkhand State Legal Services Authority (JHALSA). The PLVs of DLSA Sundargarh reached the stranded migrant workers from Jharkhand and extended all help to them who are located at Vedvyas, Biramitrapur, Rourkela. As of date, they prefer to stay in Orissa till end of the

lockdown.



5. Providing shelter, food, water, masks and releasing of stranded Ambulances, vehicles & passengers from Tamil Nadu:

On receiving information over telephone from the Tamil Nadu State Legal Services Authority (from local TV news) regarding 10 ambulances from Chennai stranded at Orissa Border while returning from WB, OSLSA helped in providing shelter, food, water, masks and releasing of stranded 62 Ambulances (10 from Chennai), around 1100 other vehicles & 2500 people waiting to enter into Odisha at Odisha – West Bengal Border by the help of PLVs & social workers of the DLSA, Balesore, TLSC Jaleswar and with the help of local police & volunteers on 24.04.2020 & 25.04.2020 at Laxmannath Toll Check post, Balesore.







6. Free ration ensured to 18 migrant workers stranded at Angul.

As per the guidelines issued by the government for providing free ration to all stranded migrants, some 18 migrant workers working under a contractor of minor irrigation at Fulapada Gram Panchayat, Banarpal Block, Angul belonging to Keonjhar district, who contacted the NGO, TADASHA, Keonjhar over telephone, who further informed the Secretary, DLSA, Keonjhar about the matter and accordingly the B.D.O., Banarpal, Angul District on being directed by DLSA, Keonjhar made arrangements for providing free ration to the migrant workers. The B.D.O Banarpal has also submitted a compliance report to Secretary DLSA, Keonjhar regarding supply of dry ration to the 18 nos. of migrant workers from 21.04.2020 till normalcy is restored.



7. Assistance for Disaster Victims in view of disaster caused by the COVID-19 virus through Legal Services Authority, Scheme, 2010.

DLSA, Keonjhar rescued a total no. of 22 persons who were poor and needy, stranded labourers and disabled persons from different parts of the district through PLVs and rehabilitated them at night rehabilitation centre, near the private Bus stand, Old Town, Keonjhar.

During the lockdown period these people were staying in very poor/miserable conditions i.e. under trees, shop verandas, Bus stops etc. At present they have been rehabilitated at night rehabilitation centre with all the comfort and safeguards like mask, sanitizer. Free ration has been provided to them by DLSA, Keonjhar in coordination with District Administration.



8. Rescue of one migrant labour namely Ajit Behera (Bangalore Returnee) who was driven out by the villager of the said village after being released from the quarantine centre:

This write up relates to the rescue of one migrant labour namely Ajit Behera (Bangalore Returnee) of Village - Bhandar under Binka Police Station of the District of Subarnapur, who was driven out by the villager of the said village after being released from the quarantine centre under Bhandar Panchayat under Binka PS on completion of seven days of quarantine period. For the said act of the villagers, he was frightened and on expecting untoward situation from the side of the villagers, he was compelled to stay in a dilapidated deserted house for six days situated in the forest.

The fact stated above came to the notice of the District Judge-cum-Chairman, D.L.S.A., Subarnapur, while watching the news broadcasted by OTV on dated 07.06.2020. Soon, the Chairman, D.L.S.A., Subarnapur took serious note of it and made necessary instruction to intervene into the matter under intimation to the Chairman, TLSC, Binka for taking necessary action on war footing for the rescue of the labourer concerned with the help of the local officials and police personnel.

After receipt of the information, the J.M.F.C.-cum-Chairman, TLSC, Binka directed the B.D.O. as well as the IIC, Binka PS to take immediate action in this regard. In response to the said direction, the officials, Police personnel, President, Bar Association, Binka and the members of the Bar as well as the Court Staff rushed to the Spot immediately and rescued the labour concerned from the spot and handed over the person to the local Sarpanch namely Laxman Sahu with an instruction to take appropriate care and protection of the labourer and for his rehabilitation.

It is only due to the sincere efforts of the Chairman, D.L.S.A., Subarnapur and the Chairman, TLSC, Binka, the migrant labourer could be rescued from the deserted house and rehabilitated through the local Sarpanch by utilizing its lowest branch of the Organization.

9. Plantation Drive:-

- i) Inauguration of a Medicinal Park (Arogya Van) on 24th July, 2020 by Hon'ble Chief Justice of Orissa High Court near NLUO, Odisha at Cuttack.
- ii) Plantation Drive by Hon'ble Judges of the Orissa High Court on 24th June, 2020 at Belagachia village, Cuttack.
- iii) Mass Plantation Drive undertaken by hundred nos. of Student Legal Literacy Club Members during **Van Mohatsava Week from** 1st July, 2020 to 7th July, 2020 throughout the state of Odisha.
- iv) Establishment of a Legal Aid Clinic at National Law University Odisha on 24.07.2020.





Help Desks:

The Help Desks for Migrant Labourers are functional since the month of June, 2020 in all the 30 districts of the State to attend the issues of Migrant workers /stranded Laborer's / Legal Aid Seekers and totake immediate steps to solve the problems in coordination with the District Administration. During the month of June, 2000, 163 nos.

of Legal Aid Seekers have approached the Help Desks and all of them were given assistance.





PRESS RELEASES



Core Committee of DLSA Jharsuguda reviewing State's arrangement for Covid victims



Covid Awareness programme for Jail inmates by DLSA Keonjhar



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କୋଭିଡ଼-୧୯ ନିମନ୍ତେ ସରକାରଙ୍କ ଦ୍ୱାରା ପ୍ରଦତ୍ତ ଯୋଜନା ଓ ସହାୟତାର ତଦାରଖ ଓ ସଚେତନତା କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମ

ମାଲକାନଗିରି,(ଆ.ପୁ): ଜାତୀୟ ଆଜନ ସେବା ପୁାଧିକରଣ ଦ୍ୱାରା ଦୁଦର ଚିପ୍ତସ୍ଥୀୟ ପରିଚାନନା ଯୋଜନା ଓ ଏହି ପରିପ୍ତେଷାରେ ଧତ୍ୟ ଆଜନ ସେବା ପୁାଧିକରଣ ୧ଟଳଙ୍କ ଅନ୍ଦେଶ ମୁତାବଳ, ଅନ୍ଦେଶ ମୃତାବକ. ଶିରି କିଲାୁ ଆଇନସେକା ୧ଟକଟ ଅଟ ଆଲକାନଗିରି ଧାରକାନସିଭି ଜିଲ୍ଲା ଆଇନସେବା ଧୁଧିକରଣର ସ୍ୱବନ ବିପସ୍ୟିୟ ଅଭିକାଳନା ଦକ ଗଡ଼ ୧ ତାରିଖରେ ଏମ.ଭି-୭ କୁରିମେବଲା ଓ ଏହାର ଆର୍ଦ୍ଧିକରୀ ଗ୍ରାମମାନକୁ ପରିବର୍ତ୍ତନର ଆଇ ସେଠାରେ କୋଭିଡ଼-୧ ୯ର ଅତିରୋଧ ସକାରେ ସରକାରୀ ଅସ୍ୟିଦେଖଣରେ ରହୁଥିବା ଶ୍ରମିକ ଶ୍ରଣାର କୋଇକ ସହାସାରୀ ୨ଥ୍ୟିଦେଖଣରେ ଉତ୍କଥିବା ଖୁମିକ ଧୁଣାର ଲୋକଙ୍କୁ ମହାମାବୀ ବାଇଁତ୍-୧୯ ସୂତାଣୁ କନିତ ଗୋଇଁତ୍-୧୯ ସୂତାଣୁ କନିତ ଖଳିତ ଏକ ସାମାଳିକ ଦୂରତ୍ତ୍ର ଆକଳ କରି ସତେତଳତା କରିବା ଅତି ଆଇଳସେବା ପ୍ରାଧିକରଣ ମିୟମାବଳି ଅଉଁଗତ ଅଦି କୌଣସି ମିଧାଧିକାରୀ କେନ୍ଦ୍ର ଅଥିବା ମହାମାରୀ ହେ।ଧଳାରୀ ଧାଳ୍ୟସରକାରଙ୍କ



ପରିଚାଳିତଯୋଜନାରୁ 950 ସେମାନକ ହୋଇଥାବି ଅଥବା କୌଣସି ପ୍ରମାଣପତ୍ର ହଳିବା/ବୋରି/ କୋଶସ ପ୍ରମାଣପତ୍ର ହଳକା ବୋରୀ ମିକ୍ନସ୍ଥବା କାରଣର୍ ଅସ୍ତିଧାରେ ରହିଥାରି, ଏହି ଆପଦଳାଳୀନ ସମୟରେ ସମୟ ମହିନା ଓ ଶିଷ୍ଟାବ୍ଲ ଓ ଦିବ୍ୟାଙ୍କ ବ୍ୟକ୍ତି । ସବ୍ୟକ୍ତିଶ ଶ୍ରେଶୀର ବ୍ୟକ୍ତି/ଅନୁସୂର୍ତିତ ଜାତି ଓ ଜନକାତି ବ୍ୟକ୍ତି/ବିପ୍ରସ୍ଥିୟ କ୍ଷତିଶ୍ରୟ ସୌଣ ପଧରି ଅଧ୍ୟର୍ଦ୍ଦର ମାଧାର୍ଥ୍ୟ କୌଣସି ବ୍ୟକ୍ତି ଆଇନଗତ ସାହାର୍ଯ୍ୟ/

ଳିନିଷ ପାଇବାରୁ ବଞ୍ଚ ହେଉଥାବି, କି ଅନ୍ୟ କୌଣସି ଅସୁବିଧାର ତି ଅତ୍ୟ କୌଣସି ଅପୁତିଧାର ସମୁଖନ ହେନେ ହୁରତ୍ତ ମାଳକାନଗିରି ଜିଲ୍ଲା ଆଜନ ସେବା ପ୍ରାଧିକରଣର, ସମୁଖ ଜାଯ୍ୟାନ୍ୟ, ପ୍ୟାନେଜ ଓଜିଲ, ଜିଲ୍ଲା ମୁଖ୍ୟତିକିସାଜୟରେ କାଯ୍ୟାରତ ଖନ ସ୍ୱାପ କେନ୍ତ୍ର ଓ ମହିଳା ହେଲୁ ଲାଇନଙ୍କୁ ସେମାନଙ୍କ ଦିଆଯାଇଥିବା ଦିକଣ ଓ ଫୋନନଂରେ ଜଣାଜପାରିତେ । ବେତନତା କରିବା ସବା ପାଧିକରଣ ଗତ ଅଦି କୌଣ୍ଡିଶି କରିବାନାନ ଚିକିଷା, ମାୟ, ନିରେ ଏହାସମସ୍ୟାର ସମାଧାନ କଳ ଅଥିବା ଳ ସ୍ୱାରିଟାଇକର, ଖାଦ୍ୟ, ଔଷଧ , ଅଲୋକନା କରି ପଦଖେପ ନେତେ ପ୍ରକା ପାଣି ଉଚି ଅତ୍ୟାକଶ୍ୟକ ଦୋଇି ସେ କହିଥିଲେ ।

Meeting of DLSA Malkangiri with Administrative Authorities

ରାଜ୍ୟ ଆଇନସେବା ପ୍ରାଧିକରଣ ପକ୍ଷରୁ ସଚେତନତା ରଥ

କଟକ,୩।୫(ଇମିସ): ରାଜ୍ୟ ଆଇନସେବା ପ୍ରାଧିକରଣ ପକ୍ଷରୁ ଶ୍ରମିକ ଦିବସ ଉପଲକ୍ଷେ ଏକ କରୋନା ସଚେତନତା ରଥଯାତ୍ରା ଅନୁଷ୍ଠିତ ହୋଇଛି। ଏହି ରଥି କଟକ ସହରର ବିଭିନ୍ନ ସ୍ଥାନ ପରିକ୍ରମା କରିବା ପରେ ବିଡାନାସୀସ୍ଥିତ ଶୋଭନୀୟ ଶିକ୍ଷାଶ୍ରମରେ ପହଞ୍ଚିଥିଲା।



ଜନସାଧାରଣଙ୍କ ଅବଗତି ନିମନ୍ତେ ପରଦା ମାଧ୍ୟମରେ କରୋନା ଭୂତାଣୁ ସଂପର୍କିତ ସଚେତନତା କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମ ପୁଦର୍ଶନ କରାଯାଇଥିଲା । ଏହି ଅବସରରେ ଶିକ୍ଷାଶ୍ରମର ୬୦ଜଣ ଅନ୍ତେବାର୍ସାଙ୍କ ସହିତ ସରକାରୀ ସାହାଯ୍ୟରୁ ବଞ୍ଚିତ ଅସହାୟ, ଦରିଦ୍ର, ବୃଦ୍ଧ, ବୃଦ୍ଧା ଓ ଶ୍ରମିକଙ୍କୁ ଆଇନସେବା ପ୍ରାଧିକରଣ ପକ୍ଷରୁ ବୃତା, ଚାଡଳ, ପନିପରିବା, ସାବୁନ, ମାୟ ବଞ୍ଚନ କରାଯାଇଥିଲା। ଏଥି ସହିତ ଶିକ୍ଷାଶ୍ରମର ୬୦ଜଣ ଛାତ୍ରୀଙ୍କୁ ସାନିଟାରି ନାପକିନ୍ ଯୋଗାଇ ଦିଆଯାଇଥିଲା । ଏହି କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମକୁ ପ୍ରାଧିକରଣର ସଦସ୍ୟ ସଚିବ ମୀନାକ୍ଷୀ ଦାସ, ଉପସଚିବ କ୍ୟୋଡିରଂଜନ ଦାସ, ସହାସଚିବ ରୁଦ୍ରପ୍ରକାଶ ନାୟକ ପରିଚାଳନା କରିଥିଲେ। ଅନ୍ୟମାନଙ୍କ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ସଂସ୍ଥା ଅଧିକାରୀ କମଳାକାନ୍ତ କର, ଶର୍ମିଷ୍ଠାରାଣୀ ନନ୍ଦ, ପୃଷ୍ପିତ। ମହାନ୍ତି, ନାଗେଶ୍ୱର ରାଓ, ଅଶୋକ କୁମାର ଗୋଚ୍ଛି, ଏସ.ମହାରଣା, ଝରଣାଶ୍ରୀ ଦାସ, ରଞ୍ଜିତା ବେହେରା ପ୍ରମୁଖ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମ ପରିଚାଳନାରେ ସହଯୋଗ କରିଥିଲେ ।

Covid Awareness and distribution of food to poor and needy at Shovaniya Shikhyashram, CDA, Cuttack by OSLSA



Launch of State Wide Covid-19 Campaign for Children by Hon'ble Kumari Justice Sanju Panda Madam, Judge Orissa High Court & Executive Chairperson, OSLSA