

KERALA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

ACTIVITIES- JANUARY TO MARCH 2017

LEGAL AID/SERVICES

ILLEGAL QUARRYING AT NARIKKOTTUMALA

On a complaint received by KeLSA from an NGO on illegal quarrying at Narikkottumala in Tripangottoor Grama Panchayath, DLSA, Kannur conducted an enquiry by visiting about 60 unauthorized quarries in the area. On the basis of the report submitted by the Secretary, KeLSA issued necessary directives to District Collector. Working of unauthorized quarries was stopped by District Collector by taking action.

SURVEY AND LOCAL LOK ADALATS TO SOLVE TRIBAL ISSUES

District Legal Services Authority, Kannur conducted survey in the Tribal colonies in Kottiyoor, Kanichar, Kelakam and Muzhakkunnu Grama Panchayaths and prepared reports regarding the Tribal issues. Based on the survey reports, Lok Adalats were conducted successfully in the Grama Panchayaths as part of Mobile Lok Adalat

PROJECT TO REDUCE ROAD ACCIDENTS

DLSA, Kannur initiated a project to spread awareness to reduce road accidents with the involvement of Motor Vehicles, Police and Public Works Departments. A team comprising of Secretary, DLSA and Officials of these Departments inspected 20 black spots in National Highway in Thalassery Taluk, and forwarded a report suggesting immediate measures to minimize road traffic accidents. The PWD has started the works to implement the suggestions.

HOUSE TO LANDLESS INMATES AT PARAKKODE, PATHANAMTHITTA

Based on a news item appeared in a news paper regarding many landless inmates living in the Puramboke land of KIP canal at Parakkode, and as directed by the Hon'ble Executive Chairman, KeLSA DLSA, Pathanamthitta took up the issue with the assistance of different departments and an NGO. The construction of the first house was completed in March 2017.

KELSA [LEGAL AID FOR SOCIO-ECONOMICALLY CHALLENGED DEPENDANTS OF CONVICTS] SCHEME, 2017

This is an unique programme, first of its kind, to support the socio-economically challenged dependants of convicts, was launched on 8.3.2017 by the Hon'ble Acting Chief Justice, High Court of Kerala and Executive Chairman, KeLSA, Justice Thottathil B. Radhakrishnan.

HIGH COURT [MIDDLE INCOME GROUP] LEGAL AID, SCHEME

The High Court [Middle Income Group] Legal Aid Scheme was launched on 8.3.2017 by the Hon'ble Acting Chief Justice, High Court of Kerala and Executive Chairman, KeLSA, Justice Thottathil B. Radhakrishnan by presenting a copy to the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Antony Dominic,

Chairman, High Court Legal Services Committee.



“Neethidhara”- News Letter- 2016

“Neethidhara” - News Letter – 2016 is a compilation of activities of KeLSA and the coordinate institutions. It was released on 8.3.2017 by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Thottathil B. Radhakrishnan, The Acting Chief Justice, High Court of Kerala and Executive Chairman, KeLSA.

Details of legal aid beneficiaries

Category	No. of Legal Aid beneficiaries(January-March 2017)
Scheduled Caste	729
Scheduled Tribe	271
Women	7851
Children	430
In custody	6142
General	15313
Total	30,007

LOK ADALAT

The National Lok Adalat on all subjects was conducted on 11.2.2017 throughout the State

DETAILS OF CASES DISPOSED IN NATIONAL LOK ADALAT

	No. of cases disposed (both pending matters and PLPs)		Amount involved
FEBRUARY	Pending cases	3361	Rs. 185124589/-
	Pre- Litigation	3725	
	Total	7086	

In addition to the National Lok Adalat, 568 regular weekly Adalats were also conducted on different topics.

DETAILS OF CASES DISPOSED IN LOK ADALATS

No. of cases disposed (both pending matters and PLPs)		Award Amount
Court pending matters	2200	Rs.57,61,42,986/-
PLP matters	5143	
Total	7343	

VIRTUAL/VISUAL LOK ADALAT

Telecast of televised version of Lok Adalat, 'Kathayillithu Jeevitham" continued in Amrita Television with the support of KeLSA to spread the message of peace and harmony in family through conciliation.

PERMANENT LOK ADALAT

Details of cases disposed of by permanent Lok Adalat at Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam and Kozhikode.

		January to March 2017
A.	No. of cases pending at the beginning of the quarter	821
B.	No. of cases received during the quarter	153
C.	No. of cases disposed during the period	152
D.	Total Amount	89,23,266

MEDIATION

The third leg of the awareness programme for the public and 20 hours interactive programme for 24 nominated Mediators was conducted from 2.3.2017 to 4.3.2017.

STATISTICS OF MEDIATION

January to March 2017

pending at the beginning of the quarter	No. of cases received during the period	settled	Returned as not settled	Non starter cases as mediation could not be commenced	pending
5865	9599	2978	5571	1734	5197

TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR LAWYERS AND PARA LEGAL VOLUNTEERS

The training programme Panel Lawyers on Module-I was completed with the training programme at Ernakulam.8 Trainings were conducted for a total number of 545 PLVs during the quarter.

LEGAL AWARENESS THROUGH RADIO AND TELEVISION

The two minutes daily capsule programme on 'Constitutional values' and the monthly live phone-in-programme, "Samoohyapadam", focusing on socio-legal issues continues in AIR Kochi FM and in "Doordarshan Malayalam" channel respectively.

LITERACY PROGRAMMES AT SCHOOL & COLLEGE LEVEL

State Level Quiz competition for KeLSA Trophy: The 6th State Level Quiz Competition on legal awareness for Higher Secondary School students based on the book 'Lessons in Law' published by KeLSA was held on 28.1.2017.

LEGAL LITERACY/AWARENESS PROGRAMMES

- The District Legal Services Authority Ernakulam in association with TLSC Kunnathunadu organised seminar on the NALSA scheme for workers in the unorganized sector on 24.1.2017.
- TLSC, Neeyattinkara organised a continuous sensitization programme, "Sadacharam", against drug addiction, child abuse and repulsive alcoholic menace from 26th January, 2017 to 26th March, 2017.
- DLSA, Pathanamthitta conducted a legal awareness programme on legal services to the persons affected by Autism, Cerebral Palsy under the NALSA scheme for Mentally Ill and Mentally disabled Persons.
- DLSA, Pathanamthitta conducted a legal awareness programme on Protection of Rights of Scheduled Tribes under the NALSA Schemes for Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights and Effective Implementation of Poverty Alleviation Schemes
- TLSC, Kannur conducted a legal awareness class on the topic 'Women Empowerment' at Chembilode Grama Panchayat on 7.1.2017 legal awareness class on the topic 'Maintenance and Welfare of Parents' and on the rights of Senior Citizens on 8.1.2017.
- DLSA, Kannur conducted a meeting of Tribal Monitoring Committee in Peravoor Grama Panchayat for welfare of tribals on 4.1.2017.
- TLSC, Kottayam conducted a seminar on the topic 'Psychological Empowerment of Women' in connection with the observance of women's Day on 8.3.2017. 100 members participated in the programme.
- TLSC, Kottayam conducted a legal medical camp in association with Government Medical College, Kottayam on 18.3.2017 for the tribal people from Madhavassery Colony. About 96 people participated in the camp.
- TLSC, Pala conducted legal awareness classes in 1 to 13 wards of Marangattupally Panchayat in connection with 'Love Kottayam Legal Literacy Mission'.
- TLSC, Kanjirappally organised a sensitisation programme on legal rights of Transgenders
- TLSC, Kochi conducted a Mobile Lok Adalat at Kumbalanghi Grama Panchayat on 5.1.2017, at Chellanam Grama Panchayat on 6.1.2017 and at Elamkunnappuzha Panchayat on 7.1.2017. Two cases were settled in the Mobile Adalat.
- TLSC, Aluva conducted 'door to door awareness campaign' at Kaprassery Laksham veedu colony.
- TLSC, Aluva conducted legal awareness class to the students of Al-Ameen College, Edappally, Kudubasree members of Aluva Municipality in connection with the tour of Mobile Adalat Van.

- TLSC, Kochi conducted Anti Drug Awareness Classes under NALSA Scheme for Eradication of Drug Abuse on 6.2.2017. Taluk level inauguration of Anti Drugs campaign was held on 27.2.2017 at Cochin College in association with the NSS Unit.
- TLSC, Kannur conducted a series of legal awareness classes series in 5 centres in connection with observance of 'World Water Day'.
- DLSA, Kannur initiated a project to reduce road accidents. As part of the project a team of stakeholders inspected the black spots in the National Highway from Mahi bridge to Moidu bridge. The team reported defects at 20 spots. PWD [NH] has undertaken to rectify the defects by the intervention of the team, a club and a private party agreed to release land for widening the road at two curves.
- DLSA, Kannur made visits to the tribal colonies as part of Mobile Lok Adalat after a survey was conducted by PLVs, Law Students and ST promoters .
- DLSA, Kannur convened a meeting under District Collector, Kannur for stakeholders in connection with welfare of Transgenders.