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ORIENTATION PROGRAMME OF NEWLY APPOINTED ADVOCATES Orientation programme for Criminal Panel Advocates



Hon'ble Mr. Justice Badar Durrez Ahmed, Acting Chief Justice of High Court of Delhi and Chairman, DHCLSC along with Hon'ble Dr. Justice S. Muralidhar, Judge High Court of Delhi addressing the newly appointed Criminal Panel advocates of DHCLSC

On 13-05-2013, Orientation programme for the newly appointed Criminal panel advocates was organized by Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee in the Larger Conference Hall of High Court of Delhi. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Badar Durrez Ahmed, Acting Chief Justice, High Court of Delhi and Chairman, DHCLSC along with Hon'ble Dr. Justice S. Muralidhar, Judge High Court of Delhi addressed the newly appointed advocates. The topic of the programme was "Expectation from Legal Aid Counsels".

Orientation programme for Jail Visiting Advocates



On 25-04-2013, Orientation programme for the newly appointed Jail Visiting Advocates was organized by Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee in the Conference Hall of Court Complex, Prisons Headquarters of Central Jail, Tihar, Delhi. Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Malhotra, Secretary, DHCLSC and Sh. Sunil Gupta, Chief Law Officer, Central Jail Tihar interacted with the newly appointed jail visiting advocates. Sh. K. Venkatraman and Sh. Ajay Verma Ld. Panel advocates were the special invitees.

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LOK ADALAT

CONTINUOUS LOK ADALAT (CLA)

In the month of November-2012, December-2012, January-2013 to May-2013 Continuous Lok Adalats were presided over by former judges Hon'ble Mr. Justice R.P. Gupta (Retired), Hon'ble Mr. Justice Satpal (Retired), Hon'ble Mr. Justice J.P. Singh (Retired). Advocates Mr. Vinod Wadhwa, Ms. Monica Kapoor, Ms. Arati Mahajan, Mr. Saurabh Sharma, Ms. Lakshna Oberoi, Ms. Deepali Gupta, Mr. Brijesh Oberoi, Mr. Neeraj Chaudhary, Ms. Gita Dhingra, Ms. Vibha Mahajan, Ms. Manjusha Wadhwa, Mr. Ashwani Kumar Sharma, Mr. S. N. Parashar, Ms. Rajni Anand, Ms. Padmini Gupta, Mr. Sarfaraz Khan, Mr. Kanhaiya Singhal, Ms. Anisha Banerjee, Ms. Padma Priya, Ms. Kusum Lata Sharma, Mr. Anish Dhingra and Ms. Isha Khanna were the associate members. Total number of 23 cases were disposed of as settled in the CLA during the aforesaid period.

STATEMENT SHOWING DISPOSAL OF THE PENDING CASES OF THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI IN THE CONTINUOUS LOK ADALAT

S.No.	DATES	No. of cases settled
1	November, 2012	1
2	December, 2012	5
3	January, 2013	4
4	February, 2013	2
5	March, 2013	1
6	April, 2013	3
7	May, 2013	7
	TOTAL	23

SPECIAL LOK ADALAT

The Special lok adalat was organized by DHCLSC for the pending cases of High Court of Delhi on 16-03-2013. Two Lok Adalat benches were constituted which were presided over by Hon'ble Mr. Justice J. P. Singh (Retired) and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Satpal (Retired). Mr. K. Venkatraman and Mr. Vinod Wadhwa, advocates were associate members. The pending MACA and



Electricity matters were taken up and a total number of 44 cases were disposed of as settled. In MAC Appeals Rs.49,50,876/- enhanced compensation was given and in

Electricity matters Rs.71,97,706/- was recovered as Civil Liability. For the first time the cheques of compensation were also distributed by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Malhotra, Secretary, DHCLSC on the day of Lok Adalat itself.

STATEMENT SHOWING SETTLEMENT OF CASES AT MEDIATION CENTRES.

Month	No of matters Settled		
	Nanakpura	Krishna Nagar	Maurya Enclave
November, 2012	20	1	8
December, 2012	25	1	5
January, 2013	32	3	9
February, 2013	20	0	2
March, 2013	23	3	2
April, 2013	14	2	4
May, 2013	21	7	6
TOTAL	150	17	39

DATA OF THE LEGAL AID BENEFICIARIES

Month	S.C.	S.T.	OBC	Women	Dis-abled	Person of annual income below Rs.1 Lac.	in Custody	Total Legal Aid Provided
Nov.12	4	0	0	14	01	6	82	107
Dec.12	7	0	0	14	01	11	110	143
Jan.13	6	0	1	8	01	15	80	110
Feb.13	2	0	0	12	01	10	77	102
Mar.13	0	0	0	7	00	11	82	100
April.13	3	0	1	22	01	16	118	161
May.13	3	0	0	18	01	15	193	230

VIDEO CONFERENCING

DHCLSC is holding Video Conferencing every Friday at Hon'ble High Court of Delhi for the benefit of jail inmates. In the past seven months 434 inmates benefited through interaction with their counsel.

Month	No of Video Conferencing Sessions held	No. of inmates benefited
November, 2012	5	77
December, 2012	3	72
January, 2013	2	48
February, 2013	4	93
March, 2013	0	0
April, 2013	3	74
May, 2013	5	70
TOTAL	22	434

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LEGAL AWARENESS CAMPS ORGANISED BY DELHI HIGH COURT LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE IN CENTRAL JAIL TIHAR AND DISTRICT JAIL ROHINI

CENTRAL JAIL NO. 3



On 10-12-2012 a Legal Awareness Camp was organized in Central Jail No.3, Tihar, New Delhi. The objective of the programme was to give an opportunity to inmates to interact with panel lawyers and to know their legal rights. The camp was attended by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Malhotra, Secretary, DHCLSC and Ld. panel advocates Ms. Monica Kapoor, Sh. Vinod Wadhwa, Mr. Puneet Singhal, Mr. Kanhiya Singhal. 208 inmates attended the camp and were benefited.



CENTRAL JAIL NO. 6



On 30-01-2013 a Legal Awareness Camp was organized in Central Jail No.6, Tihar, New Delhi to make aware inmates and convicts about their legal rights and legal provisions relevant for them. The topic of the programme was "Women Empowerment". The camp was attended by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Malhotra, Secretary, DHCLSC and Ld. panel advocates Mr. Bhupesh Narula, Ms. Puja Srivastava and Ms. Alpana Pandey. 166 inmates attended the camp and were benefited.

CENTRAL JAIL NO. 4



On 23-02-2013 a Legal Awareness Camp was organized in Central Jail No.4, Tihar, New Delhi to make aware new comer inmates and convicts about their legal rights. The topic of the programme was "Prisoners Legal Right". The camp was attended by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Malhotra, Secretary, DHCLSC and

the Ld. panel advocates Mr. Ajay Verma, Mr. Sumer Kumar Sethi, Mr. Neeraj Bhardwaj and Mr. Habibur Rehman. The interns of Campus Law Centre, University of Delhi had also attended the camp. 400 inmates attended the camp and were benefited.



CENTRAL JAIL NO. 5



On 23-04-2013 a Legal Awareness Camp was organized in Central Jail No.5, Tihar, New Delhi to make aware convicts about their legal rights. The camp was attended by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Malhotra, Secretary, DHCLSC and Ld. panel advocates Mr. K. Venkatraman, Mr. M.L. Yadav and Mr. Ajay Raghav. 58 inmates attended the camp and were benefited.

DISTRICT JAIL ROHINI



On 23-05-2013 a Legal Awareness Camp was organized in District Jail Rohini, Delhi to make aware convicts about their legal rights. The camp was attended by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Malhotra, Secretary, DHCLSC and Ld. panel advocates Mr. Ajay Verma, Ms. Inderjeet Sidhu and Mr. Punjeet Singhal. 225 inmates attended the camp and were benefited.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

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The internship programme was organized by DHCLSC for the students of Campus Law Centre, University of Delhi w.e.f. 21-02-2012 to 23-06-2012. 21 students

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have successfully completed the internship programme and certificates alongwith cheques of honorarium were distributed by Ld. Secretary, DHCLSC to students of Campus Law Centre.



INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME - 2013

The internship programme was organized by DHCLSC for the students of Campus Law Centre, University of Delhi w.e.f. 04-02-2013 to 02-03-2013. 41 students have successfully completed the internship programme. The students had attended the activities at Legal Aid Clinics in the Jail Complexes and Front Office of DHCLSC. Students had also got opportunity to visit the Mediation Centre at Nanakpura and the Central Jail Tihar, Delhi. After completion of the internship programme all students have submitted their brief report regarding the experience they had gained from the internship programme.

MEETINGS OF DELHI HIGH COURT LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

CONSTITUTION AND MEETING OF MONITORING COMMITTEE

As per Clause 10 of the National Legal Services Authority (Free and Competent Legal Services) Regulation 2010, provides that a Monitoring Committee is to be set up for close monitoring of the court based Legal Services rendered and the progress of the cases in the legal aided matters. The Committee shall consist of Hon'ble Chairman, DHCLSC, Secretary, DHCLSC and a Senior Advocate nominated by the Patron-in-Chief of the Legal Services Institution.

On 14-12-2012, first meeting of the monitoring committee was convened by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Badar Durrez Ahmed, Acting Chief Justice, High Court of Delhi and Chairman, DHCLSC. The meeting was attended by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Malhotra, Secretary, DHCLSC and Mr. Sidharth Luthra, Additional Solicitor General of India as a member of the monitoring committee. In the meeting important decisions were taken for the progress and improvement of legal services.

MEETING WITH JAIL VISITING ADVOCATES

On 15-01-2013, a meeting of all the jail visiting advocates was conducted in the chamber of Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Malhotra, Secretary, DHCLSC. In the

meeting, jail visiting advocates were directed to visit the jail regularly and follow the procedure and guidelines.

MEETING WITH INSURANCE COMPANIES/CLAIMANT COUNSELS FOR CONDUCTING LOK ADALAT

On 22-01-2013, 29-01-2013, 31-01-2013, 01-02-2013, 04-02-2013, 05-02-2013, 06-02-2013 and 07-02-2013, meeting with Insurance Companies Officers, Claimant Counsels in MAC appeals, Legal Heads of Electricity supply companies and counsels handling matters of electricity companies were conducted in the chamber of Ld. Secretary, DHCLSC to work out the modalities for conducting lok adalat on 16-03-2013 for settlement of pending cases of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi.

STATUTORY MEETING

On 14-05-2013, first statutory meeting of Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee was convened by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Badar Durrez Ahmed, Acting Chief Justice, High Court of Delhi and Hon'ble Chairman, DHCLSC. The meeting was attended by Hon'ble Dr. Justice S. Muralidhar and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajiv Shakdher as special invitees. The meeting was also attended by the Ld. Secretary, DHCLSC, Ld. Member Secretary, DSLSA, nominated and ex-officio members of DHCLSC. Various issues were resolved for smooth functioning of DHCLSC and improvement of Free Legal Services.

NEW PANEL OF LAWYERS OF DELHI HIGH COURT LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

A new panel of lawyers for Civil, Criminal, Mediator and Jail Visiting Panel was constituted. Interviews for the empanelment were conducted w.e.f. 15-03-2013 to 22-03-2013 by Hon'ble Dr. Justice S. Muralidhar, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajiv Shakdher, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Siddharth Mridul, Hon'ble Judges of High Court of Delhi. Mr. Sidharth Luthra, Additional Solicitor General of India, Mr. Anant N. Haksar, Sr. Advocate and Mr. Ashok Bhasin, Sr. Advocate were also associate members in conducting interview.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

On 19-11-2012, DHCLSC co-ordinated in the Children's Day function at Delhi High Court organized by Delhi State Legal Services Authority.

On 27-11-2012, DHCLSC co-ordinated in the Children's Day function at Sewa Kutir, Kingsway Camp organized by Delhi State Legal Services Authority.

On 27-02-2013, a Bangladesh delegation consisting of 4 judicial officers working with NLASO visited the office of Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee and observed the functioning of DHCLSC.