

DURING THE YEAR 2016

1. Settlement of Land Acquisition cases (Pre-litigation stage) relating to acquisition of land at Kistaram Village and Kommaipally village of Khammam District for Singareni Collieries.

At the request of M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited (abbreviated as SCCL) land admeasuring **Ac.94-07 Cts. of Kistaram Village and Ac.489-04 Gts. Of Kommaipally village of Khammam District** was acquired and the Land Acquisition Officer (in short LAO) passed awards u/s 11 of Land Acquisition Act, 1894 on 30.12.2013. The LAO has referred the matter to the District Court, Khammam u/s 30 and 31 of Land Acquisition Act, 1894 for adjudication of title and apportionment of compensation among the eligible claimants. Some of the claimants have challenged the notification and filed writ petitions on the file of Hon'ble High Court. Among them (6) writ petitions were referred to High Court Lok Adalat.

The High Court Legal Services Committee has took up the matter but of no avail. Finally due to the intervention of Telangana State Legal Services Authority and on its constant persuasion the matter was settled amicably in pre-litigation stage. Cheques were distributed to the claimants on 30.01.2016 by the Hon'ble Sri Justice Gopal Gowda, Judge, Supreme Court of India, and the then Hon'ble Acting Chief Justice and Patron-in-Chief Sri Dilip B. Bhosale. In all 88 claims were resolved in respect of lands at Kistaram village and compensation of Rs.12,03,81,977/- was awarded to the claimants.

In respect of Ac.489-04 Cts. of land at Kommaipalli village, Khammam District also the matter was settled amicably in pre-litigation stage and the cheques were distributed to the claimants on 9.4.2016 by the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India and Patron-in-Chief of NALSA during 14th All India Meet of State Legal Services Authorities held at Hyderabad.

2. Opening of Stall i.e. Free Legal Aid and Advice Centre in 76th _ All

India Industrial Exhibition :

The Telangana State Legal Services Authority **established a stall** “**Free Legal Aid and Advice Centre**” in **76th All India Industrial Exhibition on 08.01.2016** (from **08.01.2016 to 15.02.2016**) in Hyderabad which was inaugurated by **Hon'ble Sri Justice R. Subhash Reddy**, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Hyderabad & Executive Chairman, Telangana State Legal Services Authority (as he then was) to render Free Legal Advice to the needy people and publicity material on various laws including 7 NALSA Schemes, 2015 were distributed to the visitors and even got exhibited a **Short Film on Mediation titled as 'Maro Parishkaram'** (Regional language Telugu) every day in the said Exhibition and **SPECIAL PRIZE FOR BEST PUBLICITY** was awarded to the TSLSA by the Exhibition Society.

3. 14th All India Meet of State Legal Services Authorities held at Hyderabad on 9th & 10th April, 2016 and organised by Telangana State Legal Services Authority.

The 14th All India Meet of the State Legal Services Authorities was held at Hyderabad on Saturday, the 9th April, 2016 and Sunday, the 10th April, 2016 which is a **major event organised by Telangana State Legal Services Authority** in a great manner. **The Meet was inaugurated by Hon'ble Sri. Justice T.S.Thakur, Chief Justice of India & Patron-in-Chief, NALSA** in the august presence of Sri K.Chandrashekar Rao, Hon'ble Chief Minister, State of Telangana, Sri D.V. Sadananda Gowda, the then Hon'ble Minister of Law & Justice, Government of India, Hon'ble Sri. Justice Anil R.Dave, Judge, Supreme Court of India & Executive Chairman, NALSA, Hon'ble

Sri. Justice N.V. Ramana, Judge, Supreme Court of India, Hon'ble Sri. Justice Dilip B.Bhosale, the then Acting Chief Justice, High Court of Judicature at

Hyderabad, Hon'ble Sri. Justice G.Chandraiah, the then Executive Chairman, Telangana State Legal Services Authority and Hon'ble Sri. Justice Ramesh Ranganathan, Executive Chairman, A.P.State Legal Services Authority, who attended the programme.

On this occasion a Website was launched for Telangana State Legal Services Authority and an Android Mobile App for the State Legal Services Authorities of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. Brouchure on seven NALSA Schemes, 2015 was released.

Legal Literature Booklet for Visually impaired people was released and Handbook for DISPUTE RESOLVERS UNDER ADR PROCESSES WITH FAQs was also released on this occasion.

Cheques for an amount of nearly Rs. 58 crores were distributed to the claimants through Hon'ble Chief Justice of India and Patron-in-Chief of NALSA in respect of settlement of land acquisition cases at pre-litigation stage pertaining to lands at Kommaipalli village, Khammam district (of an extent of Ac. 489.00 cents).

Cheque for an amount of Rs. 3 lakhs was distributed to acid attack victim of Khammam district under Telangana Victim Compensation Scheme, 2015 through Hon'ble Chief Justice of India and Patron-in-Chief of NALSA on this occasion.

3. Making of short films: Telangana State Legal Services Authority got produced short films in Regional language Telugu as part of visibility measures with the main objective of spreading legal awareness by Audio visual means viz. **Short films on 1. Mediation (titled as, "Maro Parishkaram") 2. Workers in Un-organized Sectors focusing on Brick klin workers (titled**

as, “Maarpu”) **3. Victims of Trafficking (titled as, “Melukolupu”)**

4. Handicapped Prisoner (titled as, “Cheyutha”)

The above short films are being exhibited regularly in the office of Telangana State Legal Services Authority and also in the offices of every DLSA in Telangana State for spreading legal awareness.

4. Prevention of Child Marriage in Medak:

On receiving representation from Director, Child Line about child marriage, DLSA Medak issued directions to CDPO, to enquire into the matter and to produce the girl along with her parents and counseled the parents of girl on which they agreed not to perform child marriage till their daughter is of right age and CDPO is directed to submit the report periodically about the said minor girl.

5. Providing Free Legal Aid to the Women Applicant by DLSA Ranga Reddy District and securing of compensation amount to the applicant from Electricity Department.

One T. Pochamma approached the Secretary, DLSA., RR District by stating that her husband died due to Electric Shock but the Electricity Department has not given any compensation amount so far though promised and sought for legal aid and accordingly DLSA., RR District provided Legal Aid by providing Panel Advocate and he pursued the matter on which, the Electricity Department awarded compensation of Rs.1,00,000/- and also issued Cheque for the said amount in favour of T. Pochamma on 11.11.2016 and as such, the applicant is benefited by the Legal Aid that is provided to her.

6. Legal Service to a boy aged 17 years and reuniting him with his family by DLSA Karimnagar

During visit to Observation Home at Karimnagar, The Secretary,

District Legal Services Authority, Karimnagar found that one boy by name 'Pavan' aged 17 years is a missing child and he left the home at the age of 7 years. DLSA, Karimnagar ascertained the details of his father and the name of the village and informed to the concerned police officials to trace his parents and to give information about the boy on which, the father of the boy approached the DLSA and met his son after lapse of 10 years which happened only due to the initiation of DLSA Karimnagar.

7. Amicable settlement of the Claim in Lok Adalat in respect of the death benefits of the deceased person at PLC stage by DLSA Karimnagar:

The petitioner by name Bethelli Saroja filed a representation before DLSA Karimnagar against the respondent with regard to the death benefits of her deceased son who is the husband of respondent, who worked in State Road Transport Corporation.

Notice was issued by DLSA Karimnagar and after several efforts and conciliation the matter was settled on 3.11.2016 and the petitioner and respondent came to compromise with regard to death benefits and they agreed that the petitioner is entitled for 35% share and the respondent is entitled for 65% of the share and they have to apply to life insurance corporation as per the agreed shares. In view of the terms of the said compromise, an award was passed and matter is settled amicably.

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8. Activity on NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to the Children and their protection) Scheme, 2015 by DLSA Warangal.

On seeing the news item published in 'Sakshi' News Paper dt.22.12.2106 regarding the obstacles faced by a girl child to pursue studies due to poor economical background, the DLSA Warangal, responded immediately and visited Bommanapally village and met that girl child and other children also and secured applications from three girl children for having education along with hostel facility at Wazedu, KGBV and accordingly the

Secretary, DLSA Warangal got admitted them in KGBV for pursuing their studies as Right to Education is one of the Fundamental Right guaranteed under the Constitution and as such implemented the NALSA (Child Friendly Legal Services to the Children and their protection) Scheme, 2015 by protecting the rights of those children.

9. Protecting the lives of Tribal People of Erdhanor Thanda from the menace of Pollution and implementation of NALSA(Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015 by DLSA Medak:

On receiving the written representation from the villagers of Erdhanor Thanda, by DLSA Medak with regard to Al-Kabeer Company (which exports animal meat) which is polluting the environment particularly Erdhanor Thanda village as the said Company is disposing animal waste without taking precautionary measures resulting in unbearable foul smell and also polluting the Pond near Erdhanor with the blood of animals and the water is contaminated resulting in various diseases and several Tribal people particularly women and infants are dying because of air pollution and water pollution.

Thereupon, the Secretary, DLSA Medak personally inspected, the said place and found that the said company is violating the statutory provisions and several tribal people are seriously affected by the pollution created by the said Company and addressed letters to the District Collector, Member Secretary, Telangana State Pollution Control Board and other Authorities to safeguard the right to life of the said Tribals as guaranteed under the Constitution by taking necessary action against the concerned. Thereupon, Telangana State Pollution Control Board responded and issue was placed before the Task Force Committee and the said Committee recommended to forfeit the Bank Guarantee of Rs.5,00,000/- of Al-Kabeer Company for non

compliance of CFO and HWA conditions stipulated by the Board and has given certain directions to the said Company for necessary compliance failing which, the company shall be closed in the interest of public health and environment. As such, DLSA Medak has safeguarded the Rights of the Tribal people in implementation of *NALSA(Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015*

10. Two days mass Door to Door Campaign programme by all DLSAs in the State of Telangana:

In compliance of the directions of the NALSA, two days mass door to door campaign was organized in the State of Telangana by all the DLSAs in the State of::13:: Telangana on 02.11.2016 and deputed Para Legal Volunteers and Panel Lawyers to cover the house holds and **covered total 84,355 house holds**. While conducting the said campaign, some family matters are resolved then and there itself and many people are benefited, as awareness is created about the Legal Services Institutions and availability of Legal Services and how the people can get their entitlements under various laws and schemes through Legal Services.

11. Deploying Para Legal Volunteers by all DLSAs in Telangana State to render necessary assistance to the common public in deposit or exchange of currency in the wake of Scheme for Demonetization of Rs.1,000/- and Rs.500/- currency notes :

As per the directions of the NALSA, all the DLSAs in the State of Telangana deployed Para Legal Volunteers to constitute Help Desks before various Nationalized Banks to render assistance to the common public in exchange or deposit of Rs.500/- and Rs.1000/- currency notes in the wake of Demonetization Scheme and the Senior Citizens and Physically Handicapped persons were provided first priority in Banks through the PLVs who are deployed there.

12. Deputing Para Legal volunteers by all DLSAs in Telangana State to assist the Brick Kilns workers to open Bank Accounts for deposit of their wages.

All the DLSAs in the State of Telangana deputed Para Legal Volunteers to assist the Brick Kiln workers to open Bank Accounts for deposit of their wages to safeguard the interest of the Brick Kiln workers.

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