

2022-2023



NLIU-LAC

ANNUAL REPORT

ABOUT LEGAL AID CLINIC

The NLIU - Legal Aid Clinic ("LAC"), which is driven by the ethos of Article 39A of the Indian Constitution, has been established under the aegis of the National Legal Service Authority. It is a student-run initiative, which aims to provide free legal aid to the marginalized sections of the society. Our aim is to provide pro bono legal representation and advice to the weak and downtrodden. Additionally, we also organize various legal literacy workshops and training programmes to spread legal awareness to further the cause of legal literacy.

Our major projects include Project Saarthi (Pro Bono legal advice, representation, mediation and mental health counselling services initiative), Aapke Adhikaar (Legal literacy initiative for common people), Project Bail (Initiative for underprivileged and undertrial prisoners), Project Pukaar (Detailed information on social-legal issues which are often not discussed) and Project Neev (Initiative to promote establishment and development of Legal Aid Clinics with exchange of information and resources). Our ancillary activities include Lok Adalat visits, participation and organisation of various capacity building programmes, organisation of legal literacy development initiatives for student community, legal awareness and data collection drives, Nukkad Nataks, etc.

LEGAL AWARENESS DRIVES

BHOPAL, MADHYA PRADESH

Bhanpur Village Kekadiya Village Mendori Village

Workshop and Training Programme

NLIU-LAC in collaboration with organisations like MPSLSA and India National Bar Association organizes Workshop and Training Program ("LAC - WTP") for the law colleges across Madhya Pradesh. The program involves rigorous training sessions from the experts in the fields, with suggestions, recommendations and collaboration proposals to establish a Legal Aid Clinic and/or enhance its functioning so that we can together further the aim

Legal Literacy Competitions

NLIU-LAC organises competitions for the legal literacy development of student community such as the PIL Drafting Competition and various Quizzes and Debates on Constitutional Law.

PROJECT SAARTHI

Saarthi is a pro-bono initiative to provide uninterrupted legal aid to underprivileged individuals on various civil and criminal issues. A helpline was set up to offer efficient assistance within a specific time frame. The initiative includes:

LEGAL AID

Both legal aid and support by our empaneled advocates especially for issues such as domestic violence, rent, industrial disputes etc.

MEDIATION

Our empaneled certified mediators help resolve disputes via telephone/ video call/in person.

MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELLING AND THERAPY

Our empaneled BCI certified counsellors & psychologists take care of emotional and mental wellness of our clients.

We commit to provide relief/advice within 48 hours subject to the complications involved in the case.

SAARTHI HELPLINE: +91- 81049 79736

NOTE FROM FACULTY INCHARGE

“It is with great pleasure that I present the annual report for the NLIU Legal Aid Clinic (NLIU-LAC) for the AY 2022-23. As the Faculty-In-charge of the NLIU-LAC, I am honoured to have witnessed the tremendous growth and impact of our clinic over the past year. NLIU-LAC, is a student-run initiative aimed at providing legal assistance to socially and economically backward and marginalized sections of society who have difficulty in accessing the judicial system. The Clinic is not restricted in its scope by merely providing pro bono litigation rather it, inter alia, endeavours to undertake legal literacy initiatives, spread social awareness and conduct research-oriented activities as well.



Through our diverse range of initiatives, we have strived to bridge the gap between legal education and practical application while addressing the pressing legal needs of the underprivileged and marginalized communities. Over the past year, our dedicated team of students and empanelled advocates has worked tirelessly to provide legal assistance, guidance, and representation to individuals and groups who otherwise would have limited access to justice.

Our achievements in the past year include handling over 60 pro-bono cases under Project Saarthi, organizing Jan Sunwaii at Kekadiya village, Speed Mentoring sessions at both rural and urban schools, Nukkad Nataks and several legal awareness drives throughout villages in and around Bhopal along with the 2nd NLIU-LAC Workshop and Training Programme that witnessed the participation of more than 90 students and faculty members. Through these endeavors, we have empowered countless individuals with knowledge about their rights and also assisted other institutes with setting up and running a legal aid clinics.

None of these accomplishments would have been possible without the unwavering support of our esteemed student members. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my entire team of Legal Aid Clinic, which under the leadership of the Ms. Payal Dubey (Convener 2022-23) and Ms. Gaargi Singh (Co Convener 2022-23), has worked hard to achieve its objectives. I also sincerely hope and wish that the Legal Aid Clinic's journey continues and that it further serves the legal needs of society's underprivileged groups with a stronger sense of devotion and compassion.”

Dr. Uday Pratap Singh
Professor, NLIU
[Faculty-in-charge, NLIU-LAC]

COLLABORATIONS



Judiciary Gold

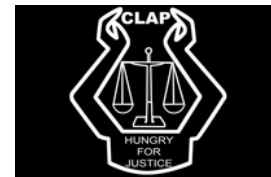
NLIU Legal Aid Clinic collaborated with Judiciary Gold for the 2nd NLIU LAC Workshop and Training Programme: Paralegal Training and Competition held on 22nd and 23rd April, 2023. Judiciary Gold, an initiative of TopRankers, is the leading platform for Judicial Services Examination Preparation.



Magna Peritus



Jan Sampark



CLAP

To commemorate the 73rd Constitution Day and the 74th Republic Day, NLIU-Legal Aid Clinic collaborated with Magna Peritus, a premier law firm in Bhopal and Jan Sampark, Public Relations Department of Govt of MP. We collaborated with CLAP Legal Services Institution to organise the 3rd NLIU-LAC PIL Drafting Competition 2022.



District Legal Services Authority

SLSA

The collaboration between District Legal Services Authority, Bhopal and NLIU - LAC under Project Saarthi (for Mediation Vertical and other necessary support) and Project Bail (for Jail visits and NALSA initiatives), mutually benefitted both the organisations because of continuous guidance and assistance and sharing of knowledge and resources.



MPSLA

The long standing collaboration between MPSLSA and NLIU Legal Aid Clinic has provided a continuous boost to LAC's legal aid services.

EMPANELLED ADVOCATES

Aditya Khandekar

Sankalp Kochar

Mukesh Chouhan

Satyam Agarwal

Rakshit Ranjan

Prakash Upadhyay

Siddharth Singh

Bhavil Pandey

Rohtash Patel

Ankit Gupta

Ansh Singh Luthra

Manav Tanvani

Kapil Duggal

Abhijeet Awasthi

Arushi Singh

Amitesh Martin

Shashank Jain

Qasim Ali

Sachin Nayak

Rishabh Halwai

Suriti Chowdhury

Shivansh Soni

EMPANELLED MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELLORS

Punit Dixit

Jyoti Kamble

Bhagwan Patel

Vandana Patil

Ramneek Kapoor

Kshitij Modi

Varsha Arora Singh

Ranjini Ravi

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INITIATIVES AY 2022-2023

1. PARTICIPATION IN CAPACITY BUILDING SESSIONS

1.1 VISION INDIA@2047 FOR JUDICIAL SYSTEM

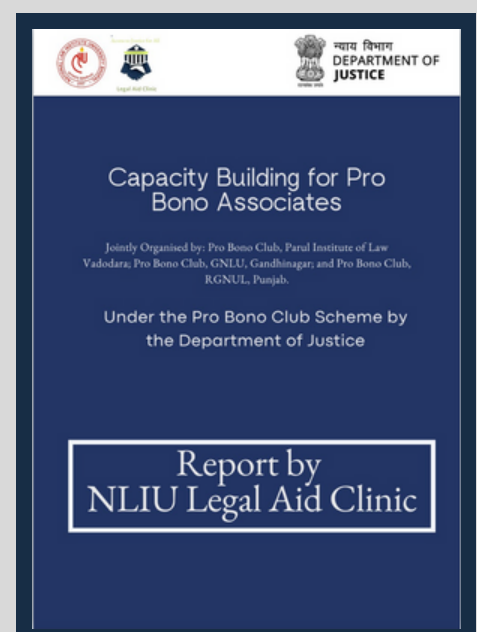


The event was organised by The Department of Justice, Government of India where 16 law schools were invited to share their ideas on the theme 'Justice for All: Developing A speedy, affordable & Technology-enabled Citizen-Centric Doorstep Justice Delivery System.'

NLIU members Rashi Upadhyay, Surbhi Jain, Ishita Warghat, and Pushpendra Dixit participated in the consultation, sharing their ideas on evolution of new methods to clear pendency and backlogs of cases with the use of technology, empowerment of village panchayats to settle land disputes and enhancement of court's time and cost efficiency

1.2 CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM

NLIU-LAC participated in the 'Capacity Building for Pro Bono Associates', jointly organised by the Pro Bono Club of Parul Institute of Law, GNLU, Gandhinagar and RGNUL, Punjab, under the aegis of Pro Bono Club Scheme by the Department of Justice. The members of NLIU-LAC prepared a report which contains a brief summary of the enlightening sessions that were held. These sessions focused on the importance of mediation, proper methods to carry out legal aid practices, and the rights of victims, women, children, consumers and innovative topics such as Public Interest Lawyering.



2. PROF. V.S. MALLAR LEGAL AID COMPETITION

2.1 SURVEYS UNDER COMMUNITY HALT ACTIVITY AND AWARENESS DRIVES



The NLIU Legal Aid Clinic conducted a legal awareness drive in Bhanpur village this year. The Clinic's members visited around 40 to 50 homes and explained the legal rights and remedies available to individuals. They also conducted surveys collecting data on the legal issues faced by school-going children, daily wage workers, and contract workers as well as documents they may require to avail government benefits.

An awareness drive was also conducted in the Kekadiya village of Bhopal. It covered 100 houses and informed individuals of the village about their legal rights and remedies. The main purpose of the drive was to collect data on the number of children attending school in the village with a special focus on female literacy. The prevailing problems related to mid-day meals, availability of uniform, books etc. were noted. Apart from this, members of the family were asked if they had a bank account under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojna; if they knew the biometric system provided in their Aadhar Card; and the usage of their EWS Card and Caste Related Certificates. Lastly, especially during the hard-hit Covid-19 period, the individuals were asked and informed about the financial support they could receive from the Government.

2.2 NUKKAD NATAKS

It is believed that knowledge is best gained through visual depictions and thus, NLIU-LAC organized street plays on various social issues to make people aware of their rights. NLIU-LAC organized a street play on the theme 'elderly rights' to spread awareness on the rights of the elderly in front of the residents of the Kekadiya-Bhanpur Village. It conveyed the various rights, remedies, and protections available to the elderly in India, including the provision of ration, gas connection, pension, and schemes introduced by the government.

Further, NLIU-LAC in collaboration with Aahwan, the Drama Society of NLIU presented a street play on the issue of Domestic Violence in Bhanpur Village, Mendori. The play depicted scenarios of physical and mental abuse in a regular household and live-in relationships. The public was informed of their civil and legal rights enshrined in the Domestic Violence Act, the Indian Penal Code (section 498A), and other legislations. The act was concluded with the distribution of pamphlets that included relevant details, such as contact number and services provided, in case they face any issues.



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2.3 SPEED MENTORING SESSIONS


NLIU-LAC also organised a Speed-Mentoring session in the Mendori school on the topic 'Child Abuse and Child Sexual Harassment'. The session, aimed at imparting knowledge and awareness on the topics of 'Good-touch & Bad-touch' and 'Bullying' to the students. Children were also educated on the mental effects of abuse. The session concluded by providing different solutions to deal with such mishaps.

A second speed mentoring session was held in the government school in Kekadiya village where students were taught about child's rights under the 'right to education'. They were encouraged to continue their studies, as well as to motivate children around them who do not attend school or study. Another speed mentoring session at Carmel Convent School, Bhopal was conducted on the topic of domestic violence. The session saw huge participation from the students' side. They interacted enthusiastically and were inquisitive enough to understand the intricacies of such a sensitive issue.



2.4 JAN SUNWAII

On 10th October 2022, Jan Sunwaii was conducted at the Kekediya on their rights regarding contract labourers and daily wages. It included a discussion of villagers with Mr. Prem Dohre, an activist and member of the Abhedya NGO, Dr. Debashri Sarkar, a woman's rights expert, Ms. Neha Sharma, the faculty coordinator for the Pro Bono Club Scheme of the Department of Justice at NLIU, and Dr. Uday Pratap Singh, the faculty-in-charge at NLIU-LAC. Along with other socially engaged senior members of the village, the panel also included Mr. Dalchand Banjara (Panchayat Sarpanch), Mr. Vinod Rajauria (Secretary and District Council Member), Mr. Ram Singh (Member, Abhedya NGO), and Ms. Kalavati Devi (District Council Member). The Clinic was able to conduct Jan Sunwaii smoothly with the help and support of Ms. Jasemin Ali (Assistant Labour Commissioner). The Clinic members had an eye-opening experience and the audience offered positive feedback.



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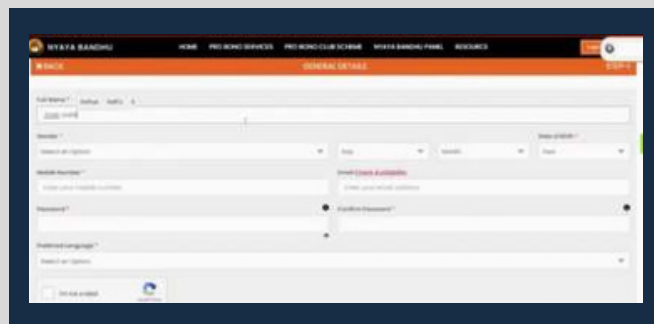
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3. PRO BONO CLUB SCHEME ('PBCS') BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

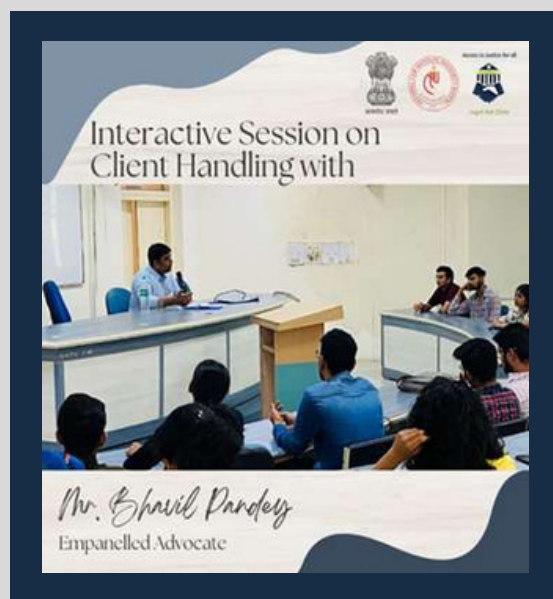
3.1 INFORMATION, EDUCATION and COMMUNICATION DEVELOPED

Prepared a video on how to register on the Nyaya Bandhu app and circulated it among all empanelled advocates.



3.2 INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH Mr. BHAVIL PANDEY

Mr. Bhavil Pandey, an alumni of NLIU and a practicing advocate under the auspices of the Jabalpur Bench of the Madhya Pradesh High Court, who is also affiliated with Nyaya Bandhu (Pro Bono Legal Services), shared his experiences and insights on effectively running a legal aid clinic and handling pro bono cases. It was a valuable learning opportunity for all the attendees.



3.3 NLIU-LAC NEWSLETTER AND MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORTS

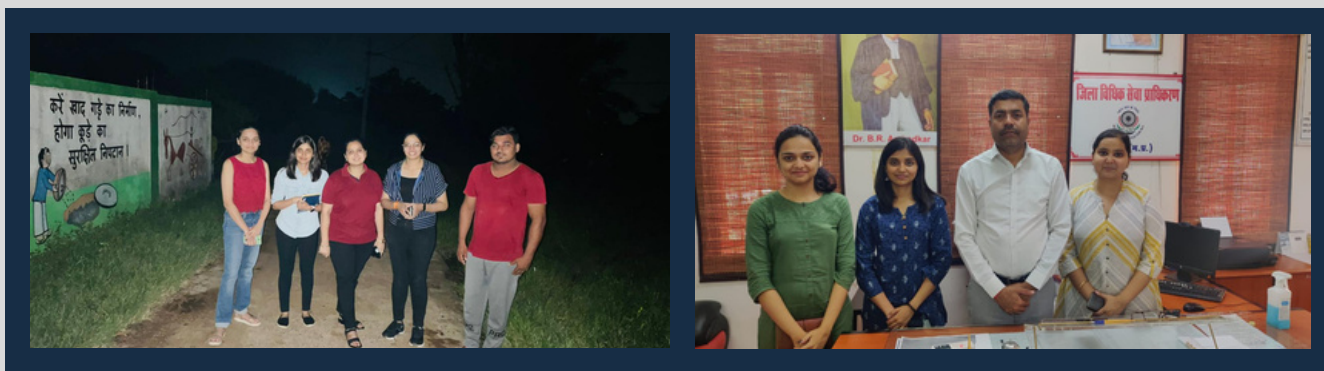
Prepared a newsletter of the activities undertaken by the Clinic in the first quarter of the Academic Year. It was shared with the Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India ('DOJ'), the members of faculty and students of NLIU, as a requirement under the PBCS.

Additionally, under the supervision of PBCS Faculty Co-ordinator, we prepared Monthly Progress Reports (MPRs) for the first semester of the AY 2022-23, as per the mandate of the Scheme, which was submitted to the DOJ.



3.4. FIELD VISITS

Field visit was held at Bhanpur village, prior to the legal awareness drive to check the viability of the location. Additionally, the Core members of NLIU-LAC visited the District Legal Services Authority, Bhopal and met Mr. S.P. Bundela, Secretary, DLSA Bhopal to seek assistance and guidance in managing mediation cases under Project Saarthi and conducting mediation related activities under Pro-Bono Club Scheme, respectively.



4. NLIU-LAC OFFICE SETUP

Hoardings were put up at the entrance of the NLIU Campus and at the NLIU-LAC Office as per the Resolution taken in the Internal Quality Assessment Cell (IQAC) Meeting of the University. Additionally, efforts were made to upgrade the interior of the office and make it suitable according to the requirements of the Clinic.



5. TRAINING SESSION ON BASICS OF MEDIATION

15 members of the NLIU Legal Aid Clinic, under the Department of Justice's Nyaya Bandhu Pro Bono Scheme and Mediation vertical of Saarthi, were pleased to visit the District Legal Services Authority, Bhopal for a short session on the basics of mediation. Mr. SPS Bundela, Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority, explained the process of mediation in great detail and it was an excellent learning opportunity for the members of LAC.



6. PARTICIPATION IN NALSA CAMPAIGN AND JAIL VISIT

Under Project Bail, NLIU-LAC co-ordinated the participation of 29 students from NLIU in the 13-day NALSA campaign themed

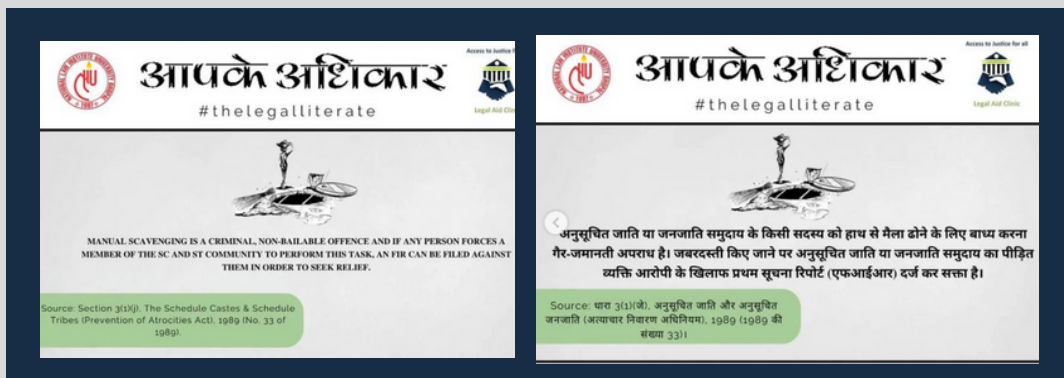
- i) “Empowerment of Citizens through Legal Awareness and Outreach” &
- ii) “Haq humara bhi to hai@75”

aimed at providing legal assistance in prisons and childcare institutions. In furtherance of the same, students visited the New Central Jail, Bhopal and actively interacted with prison inmates and collected requisite information.

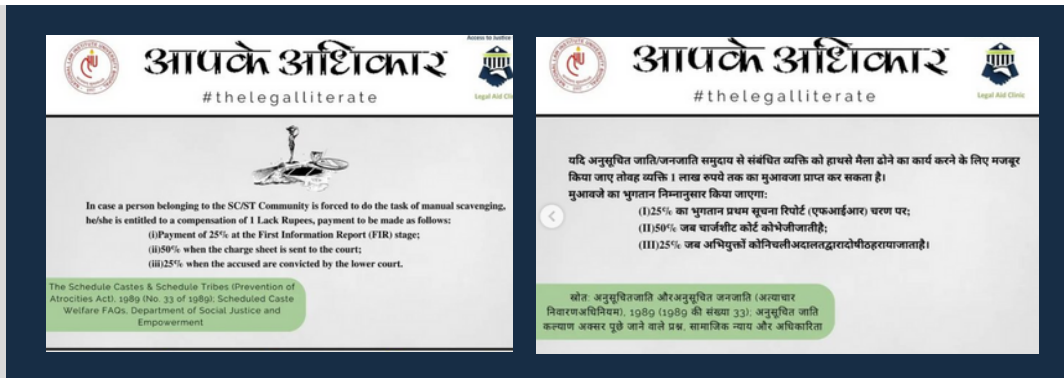


7. AAPKE ADHIKAAR INITIATIVE

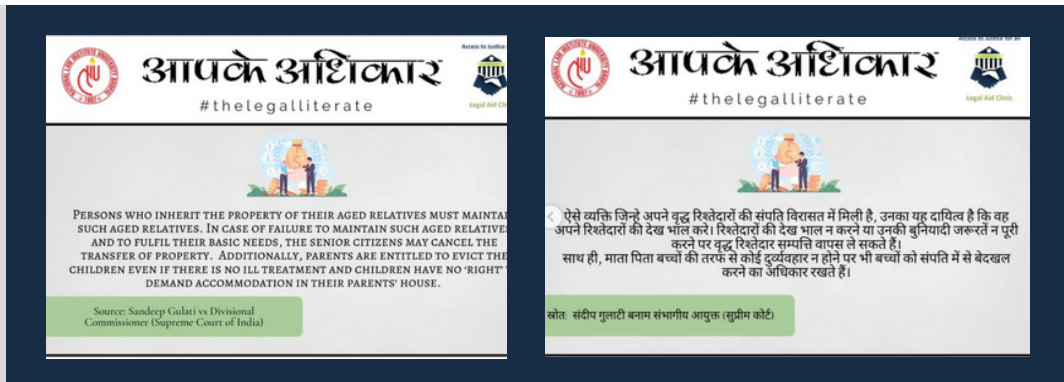
As part of its legal literacy initiative, NLIU-LAC has endeavoured to keep its audience updated with basic developments in legal circles that touches everyday aspects of life.



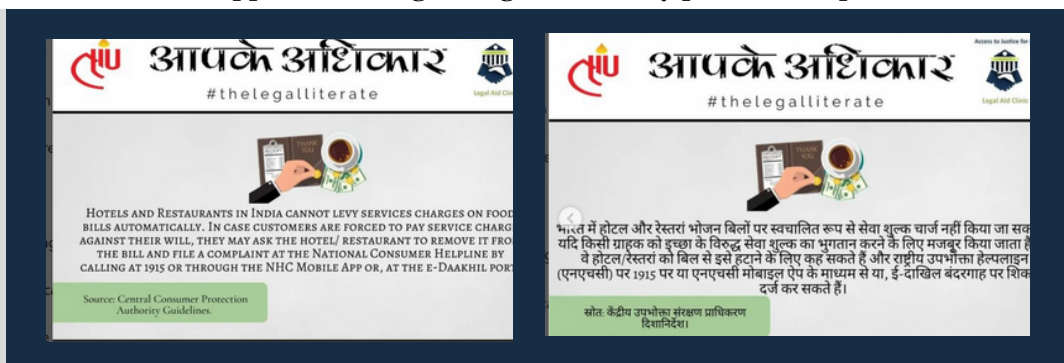
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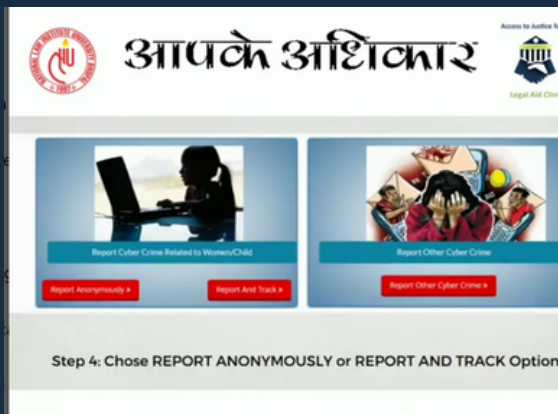
7.2 Snippet discussing the prohibition on the acquisition of scheduled area



7.3 Snippet discussing the rights of elderly persons and parents.



7.4 Snippet discussing about the rights of customers in restaurants and hotels. Particularly, the right against the practice of forced tipping through a 'service charge'.



7.5 Snippets discussing the procedure to file cyber complaints

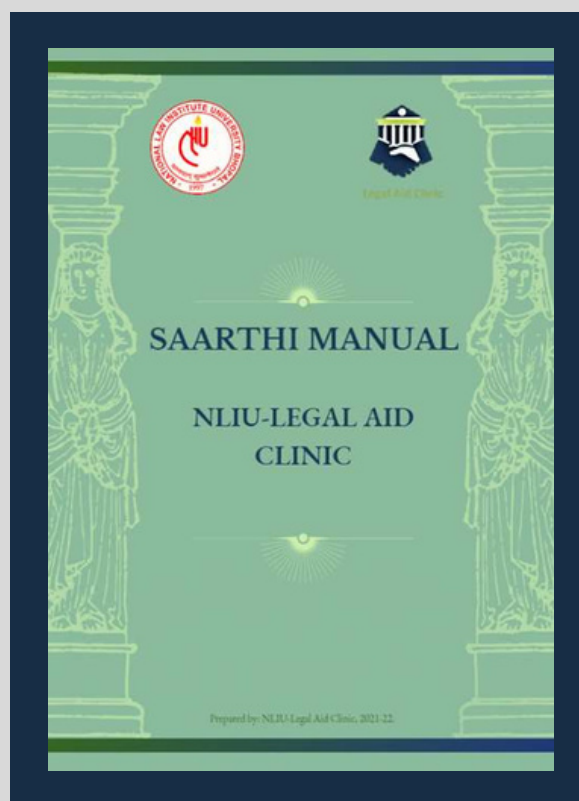


7.6 Snippets discussing the step-by-step procedure to apply for an Aadhaar Card and other necessary Card based benefits like EWS Certificate (7.7) and BPL Ration Card (7.8)

8. PROJECT SAARTHI

Owing to the increased number of domestic violence issues and mental health matters as reported by the National Commission for Women, NLIU- LAC rebranded its initiative of providing free legal service as Project Saarthi in the year 2020. It was improved by introduction of two additional verticals- Mediation and Mental Health Counselling. We dedicated a helpline number aimed at providing free assistance to people coming up with mental health issues, and seeking legal advice or representation in general. The first vertical- Legal Assistance, is dedicated to the management of general civil and criminal matters with a special focus on domestic violence cases; second, the Mediation vertical aims to provide mediation and other ADR services by certified mediators; and lastly, the Mental Health Counselling vertical aims to provide free counselling by professional psychologists.

Our empanelled advocates, psychologists, and certified mediators assist these three wings. The project aims at making effective legal aid accessible to all. We have successfully handled around 80 cases from all three verticals in the past years. [Kindly refer to Annexure 1 below for the number of Saarthi cases handled in the AY 2022-23]. We plan to continue providing relief through physical (Address: NLIU-LAC Office at the University campus) and telephonic services (reachable at- +91- 8104979736).



9. 73RD CONSTITUTION DAY CELEBRATION

NLIU-LAC in collaboration with E-Nyayaganga, Bhopal, under the aegis of the Department of Justice, and the NLIU Student Bar Association was pleased to organise a lecture on 'Constitution Vision of Liberal Democracy' in celebration of the 73rd Constitution Day on 26th November, 2022. Prof. (Dr.) Vinod Dixit conducted an enlightening session and kept the students engaged and interested. It was a fruitful experience for the students of NLIU.



10. 3RD NLIU-LAC PIL DRAFTING COMPETITION

To commemorate the 73rd Constitution Day, NLIU-Legal Aid Clinic in collaboration with CLAP Legal Services Institution, Magna Peritus, a premier law firm in Bhopal, and Jan Sampark, Public Relations Department, MP, organised the 3rd NLIU-LAC PIL Drafting Competition 2022. The competition was aimed at providing an opportunity to the students to understand the legal and practical aspects of PILs. Students were awarded with cash prize upto Rs. 22,000 and certificates.



11. REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS

11.1. QUIZ AND TURNCOAT DEBATE COMPETITIONS ON CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

The Indian Constitution fosters individuals' dreams and embodies a living document as it allows for the fullest expression of each person's freedoms and wants while also enforcing the necessity for societal advancement.

In order to raise awareness about the Constitution and its unique aspects, NLIU-LAC in collaboration with Magna Peritus, a premier law firm situated in Bhopal, Jan Sampark, Public Relations Department of Govt of MP and Jus Cultura organised Quiz and Turncoat Competitions on the occasion of 74th Republic Day. Winners were awarded books, certificate of merit, and cash prize upto Rs. 16,000.

The quizmaster, Siddharth Sisodia, ran the competitive inter-college event in an engaging manner. The goal of the Turncoat Competition was to promote critical thinking and understanding of Indian politics and constitutional law. It featured two difficult rounds that were scored according to a number of standards by faculty members from NLIU. All in all, the competitions enlarged the engagement of the students with the contemporary challenges in the Constitutional law and political scene.



11.2. INTERACTIVE SESSION ON 'COMMUNALISM, MISINFORMATION AND SOCIAL MEDIA' UNDER LAC's PROJECT PUKAAR

As part of the Republic Day celebrations and to mark the release of the fourth Project Pukaar Report, the NLIU-LAC in collaboration with NLIU Cell for Law and Technology hosted an interactive session on 'Communalism, Misinformation, and Social Media'. The discussion was presided over by Mr. Hemendra Sharma, State Head (Madhya Pradesh And Chhattisgarh Range), India Today, who contributed his invaluable time and expertise on the subject with attendees. Our alumnus Adv. Shantanoo Saxena also participated in the discussion and shared his insights. In addition, the findings of the Project Pukaar Report on 'Communalism, Misinformation and Social Media' were summarised and presented to the gathering by our student-member Mr. Akshay Ashok.



12. AWARENESS AND DATA COLLECTION DRIVES 2022-2023

To achieve the objectives of the Clinic, we organise Data Collection and Awareness Drives on a regular basis so that students can engage with the common people, make them aware about their rights and inform them about the existence of the Clinic and the kind of assistance it can provide to them in their legal matters. This helps us in gathering cases for Project Saarthi as well.

12.1 DATA COLLECTION DRIVE IN MENDORI

Since its inception, the residents of nearby Mendori village have acted as equal partners in the implementation of the activities of NLIU-LAC. To celebrate this partnership and strengthen the trust of the residents of Mendori



village, LAC revisited the area to conduct an interactive drive. Drive's aim was to reinforce the importance of access to the legal institutions for individuals, irrespective of their social standing. Nearly 30 members visited the area, interacted with the families, ensuring that no family or individual is left behind in our pursuit for 'access to justice for all.'

12.2 AWARENESS AND DATA COLLECTION DRIVE IN JAATKHEDI

On a sunny day in the village of Jaatkhedhi, the Legal Aid Clinic (LAC) team arrived with a mission to educate and empower the community about their legal rights related to the Street Vendors Act, 2014. With the help of 22 paralegal volunteers, the LAC team conducted a legal awareness drive in the village.

The volunteers visited the area, interacted with the families and received more than 30 grievances from the villagers ranging from issues related to Aadhar Card, Pan card, Ration card, Caste certificate etc.



12.3 DATA COLLECTION DRIVE IN BARRAI



NLIU-LAC successfully conducted another drive, in the village of Barrai with a team of 30 students. The village had more than 500 people living. Volunteers walked the area, interacted with the families and received more than 50 grievances from the villagers ranging from issues related to property disputes, domestic violence, pension issues, Aadhar Card, Pan card, Ration card, Caste certificate etc.

The cases received from the drives above have been given proper advice and information as to how they can approach the appropriate authorities regarding their respective cases. The LAC members taking care of these cases have been in constant touch with the clients if they face any issue in the process.

13. 2ND NLIU-LAC WORKSHOP AND TRAINING PROGRAMME: PARALEGAL TRAINING AND COMPETITION, 2023

Under 'Project Neev', we organised the '2nd edition of NLIU-LAC Workshop and Training Programme' from April 22nd to April 23rd, 2023. The theme for this edition was 'Paralegal Training and Competition'. The objective was to provide a step-by-step guide to set up and run a legal aid clinic, primarily to the institutions in MP. The opening ceremony of the event was graced by prominent legal experts and scholars who delivered meaningful speeches on the subject. Over 90 students and faculty members from 20 law colleges and universities participated, making the programme a huge success.



13.1 DAY 1 - PARALEGAL TRAINING

SESSION 1

NLIU-LAC conducted the first Training Session focused on 'Enhancing Access to Justice'. The session was led by our esteemed chief guest, Dr. PC Kothari, who shed light on various key points that are crucial for the successful operation of such clinics. The session emphasized the importance of a well-defined research model and core activities. It emphasized the critical role of faculty coordinators and student members of the Clinic working in coordination.

The training session also touched upon the various team-building strategies and initiatives that could be undertaken to increase the reach of the clinic, like legal aid awareness drives in nearby areas, establishing a helpline number for the clinic, posting actively on social media, collaborating with the government organizations and local NGOs, and news updates of the clinic in local newspapers. It was emphasized that a proper structure like a physical clinic, financial and administrative support from the university, possibility of obtaining sponsorships, must be in place to ensure the effective delivery of legal assistance.

SESSION 2

The Chief Guest of the second paralegal training session was Mrs. Giribala Singh, who along with the founders of the Clinic - Mr. Hussain Ali and Mr. Rishabh Halwai talked about 'Setting up and Effectively Running a Legal Aid Clinic'. She opened the session with a short speech on the nature and importance of pro bono work, the need for a holistic approach and the importance of dispute resolution in family disputes. The role of ADR mechanisms was discussed in the context of pro bono work. Lastly the need of modernization of courts and the use of technology, such as the COVID online portal for connecting with the police for assigning case managers, was also emphasized. She shared that the Clinic's Project Saarthi has been widely appreciated.



SESSION 3

The session was led by our esteemed chief guest Mr. Prasidh Raj Singh (Faculty, National Judicial Academy) on the topic of 'Client Handling, and Research and Drafting of a Legal Opinion'. The speaker, *inter alia*, explained the importance of the time limit where the session should not exceed more than 20 minutes at a stretch as it would lead to the loss of important information. Additionally, there should not be any emotional attachment with the client as it would defeat the purpose of the whole session. The speaker talked about 'Client Screening Process' and laid down its importance. It is upon the counsel to decide whether to accept the case or not. He said it is very important to be very honest with the client.

13.2 DAY 2 - PARALEGAL COMPETITION

The Preliminary round of the Paralegal Competition were held on April 23rd, which witnessed an incredible showcase of legal talent from various law schools across Madhya Pradesh. The competition aimed to provide a platform for the participating teams as counsels to redress the grievances of clients and offer legal advice. 20 teams from around the state showcased their sharp legal acumen and exceptional teamwork. The counsels discussed pre-litigation remedies and explained mediation to the clients in layman's terms. The interaction between the counsels and clients was noteworthy, with the teams making sure that their client's concerns were heard and addressed.



The event ended with the valedictorian ceremony where all the winners were awarded with trophies and cash prizes upto Rs. 21,000. It was inaugurated by Dr. GR Raghavender (Retd.) Joint-Secretary, Department of Justice, Ministry of Law and Justice, Govt of India, who stressed the importance of paralegal volunteers in helping the needy and shared anecdotes from his personal career. Mr. Kapil Duggal and Mr. Prasidh Raj Singh also addressed the audience and congratulated fellow participants. The conference concluded on a high note, with participants sharing their positive experiences and expressing their interest in legal aid work for the benefit of society. The success of this event has set the tone for more such programmes in the future, bringing together legal aid clinics from across the country to share best practices and work towards a better future for all.



14. NLIU-LAC FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATION

NLIU-LAC was established on 11th April 2018 and completed its five years in this academic session. A small celebration took place at the NLIU-LAC Office as we mark 5-years of the Clinic, along with our student members and faculty-in-charge Prof. Dr. Uday Pratap Singh on 11th April 2023.



15. PROJECT PUKAAR REPORT

NLIU-LAC is elated to announce the release of the Fourth Project Pukaar Report. The theme of this report is 'Communalism, Misinformation and Social Media'.

The report discusses the impact of misinformation on social media and its role in fuelling ethnic tensions and communal riots. Drawing on the statistical data on the widespread use of social media in India and increased internet penetration, the Report takes a look at the extant legal provisions dealing with hate speech. The report also highlights the responsibility of individuals in curbing misinformation by being vigilant and exercising caution.



16. NLIU LEGAL AID PROGRAMME

In order to step up the culture of community service and bring it at par with other co-curricular activities, we submitted the proposal for implementation of NLIU Legal Aid Programme. The proposal is currently under consideration of the Internal Quality Assessment Cell (IQAC) of the University.



MEET THE CORE 2022-23



Payal Dubey
Convenor

"It is very difficult to express in a few words what being a part of LAC means to me. Personally, my four-year journey as a member of the Clinic, and especially as a Convenor this year, has been an immensely learning and rewarding experience. I am overwhelmed by the fact that I can proudly say that we, as a team, have been able to achieve our broad vision for this year which was '*To bridge the justice gap primarily created by the Pandemic*'. Our aim was to make the Clinic as functional as it was before the Pandemic and in doing so, strive for improvement. Utmost gratitude for each and every person who made it possible. As I pass on the baton, I hope that with the strong foundation our predecessors and we have laid, the Clinic does bigger and better in the coming years and remains true to the *Vision* and its objectives."



Gaargi Singh
Co-Convenor

"It is with a great sense of pleasure that I express my final thoughts on this five-year journey with NLIU-LAC which has been an incredible learning experience marked by numerous challenges and accomplishments. Over the past years, our Clinic has remained steadfast in its commitment to ensuring access to justice for all and promoting legal literacy in society. None of this would have been possible without the support of our dedicated team of paralegal members. Together, we have strived to make a difference, and I am immensely proud of what we have achieved. I am grateful for the opportunity to have served in this capacity and look forward to witnessing the continued success of NLIU-LAC in making an even greater impact in the years to come."

MEET THE CORE 2022-23



Arunima Srivastava
Secretary

"It has been an honour working with the entire team of NLIU, LAC. I can say with pride that each one of us has put in their best effort in making our cell run successfully. I know that '*making an actual difference in the lives of the people*' sounds very clichéd and unrealistic for a college cell. However, despite all challenges, the NLIU-LAC has provided us an opportunity to do our bit for the society and make a difference, as responsible law students. I am very grateful to have been a part of LAC and it has been an absolutely wonderful experience."



Vijpreet Pal
Treasurer

"The LAC, a beacon of hope and assistance for the underprivileged, strives to bridge the gap between those in need and the justice they deserve. As a Treasurer of this esteemed organization, I had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the transformative power of legal aid in our community. While our immediate priority remained providing legal aid to individuals, we also acknowledged the significance of advocating for broader policy reforms. The previous year proved to be highly eventful for LAC, from successfully re-establishing our clinic following the pandemic to extending our support to other colleges in setting up their own legal aid clinics. It was a remarkable journey, abundant with invaluable learning opportunities and unprecedented experiences. In acknowledgment of the profound value of collaborative efforts, I would like to express my utmost appreciation for the unwavering dedication of every member of LAC. Their tireless commitment has been instrumental in propelling LAC to new heights of success and impact."

PARALEGAL MEMBERS

BATCH OF 2023

1. Mahek Gupta

2. Vanshika Chansoria

BATCH OF 2024

1. Akshay Ashok

5. Nrip Raj Singh

2. Geeta Moni

6. Rishitosh Kumar

3. Karan Khanduja

7. Udit Sharma

4. Nandini Chouhan

BATCH OF 2025

1. Adhya Tomar

6. Pranshul Jain

2. Agrima Bajpai

7. Sajal Soni

3. Harshali Sulebhavikar

8. Sarthak Wamne

4. Ida Bhatnagar

9. Shriyadita S.

5. Prakhar Suryawanshi

10. Vaishnavi S.

PARALEGAL MEMBERS

BATCH OF 2026

- | | |
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| 1. Aatreya Nandan | 10. Ronit Rampuriya |
| 2. Arushita Singh | 11. Samyak Jain |
| 3. Deepti Honka | 12. Sarvagya Jain |
| 4. Divyank Deewan | 13. Sheetal Rajput |
| 5. Ishita Warghat | 14. Surbhi Jain |
| 6. Jayant Raj | 15. Tanishka Tomar |
| 7. Kushagra Mahajan | 16. Vedanshi Mishra |
| 8. Pushpendra Dixit | 17. Vidushi Jaiswal |
| 9. Rashi Upadhyay | 18. Zain Khan |

BATCH OF 2027

- | | |
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| 1. Ananya Gupta | 5. Devesh Dubey |
| 2. Arushi Rajagopala | 6. Khushi Dhingra |
| 3. Anushka Singh | 7. Krishiv Narula |
| 4. Bhavika Bhandari | 8. Kshitij Choudhary |

PARALEGAL MEMBERS

BATCH OF 2027

9. Meher S.

14. Radhika Baderia

10. Mekhala Ranade

15. Rahul Mishra

11. Pratishtha Singh

16. Sweccha Gupta

12. Priyam Soni

17. Yashottma Singh

13. Priyansh S.



OUR TEAM AY 2022-2023

NLIU LEGAL AID CLINIC

CONCLUDING NOTE

On behalf of the entire team at the NLIU Legal Aid Clinic, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to our Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof (Dr.) V. Vijayakumar, esteemed faculty-in-charge Prof. (Dr.) Uday Pratap Singh, the teaching and administrative staff of NLIU, our alumni, empanelled advocates and mental health counsellors, collaborators, sponsors and volunteers. Their unwavering support has been instrumental in driving our initiatives forward, and we acknowledge that our achievements thus far would not have been possible without their contributions. We are gratified that each and every person associated with LAC remained committed to making a meaningful difference in the lives of those who are in need irrespective of their past or future roles, and we hope that the legacy continues to live on. We are immensely grateful to God for everything, especially for everyone's good health this year.

As we conclude this session and embark upon the academic session of 2023-24, we are certain that the team will embrace the future with positivity and excitement. Despite the inevitable challenges that may lie ahead, they will remain dedicated to realising our motto of ensuring 'Access to Justice for All'.

We sincerely thank you for taking the time to read our report. Your interest and support have fuelled the team's determination to effect positive change in the realm of justice.

Sincerely and on behalf of the entire team of Legal Aid Clinic, NLIU:

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ANNEXURE I

CASES DEALT WITH IN THE YEAR 2022-23*

- i. NLIU-LAC handled a total of 61 cases in the academic year 2022-23. Out of which, 41 have been disposed completely and 20 cases are pending disposal on account of either requirement for more information or awaited result of the action taken. The paralegals are in constant touch with the client for any help required, as detailed under.
- ii. Further, data was gathered for an additional 50 cases during the Data Collection Drives (March & April), which will be dealt with in the upcoming academic year.

S. No	NAME	OCCUPATION	GRIEVANCE	STATUS UPDATE
Civil and Criminal Cases				
1	Nalini	Driver	The claimant owns a family property that is 1.5 acres in size. The respondent is the owner of one of the houses adjacent to the land that is being constructed (as seen in the first picture). The respondent house's window faces the east side of the claimant's land. The claimant asks for covering the window as its illegal and even hampers their right to privacy. He wants an appropriate notice to be served.	Advise given. Case disposed.
2	Narayan Singh Mahan	Teacher	The current matter is related to illegal occupation of an ancestral property by the relatives of the appellant [Sara Tahir].	Advice given. Party didn't follow back. Case disposed due to lack of co-operation from the client's side.
3	Sara Tahir Mohammad	Student	The candidate was preparing for a post which was removed in a later notification. The candidate aggrieved by such an action approached for legal help.	Case brief prepared. Case disposed.
4	Pinkesh Solanki	Housemaid	The client's brother was killed in a road accident. The accused was drunk while she was driving the car and escaped the spot soon after the accident took place. An FIR was lodged in this regard and a case was filed before the District Court, Jabalpur.	Case brief prepared. Case disposed.
5	Indrajeet Tiwari	Student	The client used to teach poor children for free at a particular place in the city but later got permission from the college authorities to use the college premises for taking classes of such children. The college after permitting wanted (i) A consent form from the children coming to the college providing for a waiver clause along with clearly stipulated Standard operating procedure. The client	Documents required by the client given. Case disposed.

			approached legal aid clinic for help in getting these documents drafted.	
6	Parvati Suryavanshi	Homemaker	The Victim has been married for 2 years - Alleges (Mental and Physical) Cruelty by Husband- Asks for maintenance and restitution of conjugal rights- does not want a divorce.	Case taken up by the advocate, currently awaiting drafting of maintenance application on the Advocate's part. Maintenance and domestic violence case has been filed. The hearing is in July. The divorce hearings are ongoing. Case pending.
7	Yuvraj Singh	Supervisor, Tiles Company, Morbi Gujarat	The complainant had given Rs. 4L as loan to his friend in 2020. The accused had said that if he was unable to return the money, he would get the complainant a Job in Indian Railways. The accused gave a fake call letter to the complainant.	Case brief prepared and advice given.
8	Hema Vishwakarma	Works in NLIU Mess	Mr Govardhan Suryavanshi is a driver who leases a car for Rs. 15000 per month. Mr Chetan is the contractor, and he has a contract with Mr Govardhan to lend his own automobile to Mr Suryavanshi for the same. On November 6, 2022, there was a malfunction in the automobile that caused the tire to get dislodged, leading in a car crash. Mr Govardhan Suryavanshi was driving the automobile, which had six passengers in it. Miss Rani (age 14) and Mr Rohit were both injured in the collision, as was Mr Govardhan Suryavanshi. They were rushed to the hospital, and all bills were covered by Mr Govardhan and Mrs Parvati. Mr Govardhan's treatment cost a total of Rs.6000 and It cost Rs. 12000 for Mrs. Rani and Mr. Rohit. Mr Govardhan and Mrs Parvati paid a total of Rs 18000 for the overall treatment.	Case Disposed after giving appropriate legal advice. Client not interested in pursuing litigation or mediation.
9	Ashalata Verma	Retired, previously worked at Larsen and Turbo	The client has lodged an FIR under S. 420 of IPC against the accused. The client lent money to the accused for the functioning of the accused's firm. While the client was repaid the money on a timely basis, initially, at the agreed interest rate, he later stopped receiving payments. The client claims that the accused owes him an approximate amount of Rs. 10L.	Case disposed. Advice was communicated to the client. The client wanted to connect with the advocate, however since they did not fall under the pro-bono criteria, they were requested to the contact the advocate in their personal capacity. Thus, on the approval of the empanelled advocate, the contact number was shared with the client.

10	Ramesh Vanjari	Homemaker	Client wishes to receive pension due on her late husband's (R. D. Verma) name for her children and herself. However, that pension amount is going to Mr. Verma's first wife.	The option of mediation was given. Additionally, the client also has some property dispute regarding which she has some reservations. The client's son is supposed to return on 18th February, after which she will confer with her eldest son and based on that decision any further communication would be done. The client does not wish to continue further. She has all the information which she intended to receive hence, we are disposing off the case.
11	Krishna Chandra Korel Gupta	Retired	Client is the head of an unregistered society in Narayan Nagar. There were some water issues and the two aforementioned people decided to take another water connection. The society paid for the said connection in full. One of them after leaving cut his water connection. Clients would like for the person to restore the connection that the society had paid for.	Client would not like to pursue the recommend course of action as they do not want to register their society. Without registration as per the Societies Act no further action can be taken. Client has been informed of the same. Advice was given and client did not meet the Pro Bono requirement.
12	Virendra Bharadwaj	Homemaker	Dispute with neighbours: The client lives in a society with her family in an independent home. Her neighbours have been doing things which is creating nuisance for them for quite some time now: (1) Constructed a common wall between their houses in such a way which creates obstruction for the client and the client alleges that there is illegal construction; (2) They constantly put bricks in the drain in such a way which causes water and trash to overflow and collect outside the client's house; (3) They park their car in such a way which makes it hard for them and other people to access their house. She claims that this is being done so that their house can be taken over.	First Call Done- After which the Report will be written, second call done, documents awaited from client. Case disposed. Client no longer requires assistance.
13	Deepika Manthakar	Senior Citizen	The case has been going on from 2020. The name of case is Manorma vs Narayan Das. The wife and children of the party live in Indore. The court has given a date for trial. The wife would have to commute from Indore to the court in Jinnado, therefore the client wants the case to be transferred to Indore itself.	Information gathering process completed. Need evidence to make their case strong. Awaiting the documents that show that there had been no transaction between the deceased son of our client with the opposite party. Case disposed as the client did not need further assistance.

14	M. B. Gandhi	Housewife	Matrimonial Dispute/Domestic Violence. The victim she registered an FIR in police station under Sec. 498 and S.125 of IPC. They have also taken away her jewellery and dowry from marriage (Stree Dhan) and not returning it back depriving her of any jewellery or money that she got from wedding. She has hired an advocate and the legal proceedings have begun before the court. Her next court appearance is on 19th Dec, 2022. She thinks that her lawyer is dragging the case.	Case disposed.
15	Rajni Yadav	Job (Telecalling)	Domestic Violence. The victim is a 30-year-old lady, residing in Bhopal. She has been married since 12 years and also has a 6 year old son. Her husband had been abusing her since many years. He drinks and beats her. She had been tolerating this since years but now it has become regular and unbearable. She recently got a job through one of her friends who also helps her when her husband abuses her, physically and mentally. A few days back, she was forced to leave the house. Her in-laws live in Jhansi and parents in Sagar. She had filed complaints in the nearby station but nothing has improved. She, now wishes to separate from her husband.	Case Disposed.
16	Sapna Soni	Housemaker	Client has 4 sisters and 1 brother. After the demise of her father, the house which was in his name transferred to her mother's name. Despite this the client's brother occupied the property illegally without consent and even tore the official papers and sold it. Due to Covid-19 her brother passed away and his wife took the property without consent and is not even letting the mother live in it. There has been verbal abuse from the opposite party.	Case Disposed.
17	K. Kaur	Retd. state govt. officer (M.P.)	Property dispute. Client is a 90years old senior citizen. He bought a plot in 1968 at Guna, where he was posted at that time. After few years his neighbour occupied the possession of that plot, and refused to give back. Due to this, he filed a case in civil court of Guna in 1972, but lost the case in 2007, due to wrong legal advice. Thereafter, the case is brought before the bench of Gwalior High Court, and going on till now. The advocate of the client is not taking that much interest in solving the case, and causes illegitimate delays in the hearings. Client wants some immediate legal assistance, as he wants to solve this case before his death. Till now	First call done. Facts related to the case are collected. Documents related to the case are asked from the client. Documents are asked from the client for further assistance but they are unable to provide so, even after the reminders. Case stands disposed due to lack of co-operation from the client's side.

			he didn't get back the possession of that property since the time he purchased it.	
18	Prashant Kumar	Homemaker	Neighbour (Asha w/o Vijay) and family members (her daughter-in-laws- Anita and Radha) are bothering the client. They have been trespassing into her home and vandalising her property (vandalised her plants, ruined her clothes). She interfered with someone else's life and since then they have been bothering her. She claims that her sister-in-laws have attempted to kill her by interfering with her gas cylinder which broke into a fire (there were three holes in the regulator). She claims that the neighbour has stolen her property too. She claims that her daughter-in-laws have fed her something making her mentally ill. September 2020- her daughter in law (Anita) made her sabji and roti and mixed poison (salfaaz) in it.	Facts have been collected on the first call. On the second call, preliminary queries of the client were solved. Preliminary research of the case is done. A mail has also been written to the empanelled advocate. Preliminary Legal advice given. Case disposed.
19	Neelam Mishra	Chartered Accountant; Self Employed	S. 125 CrPC case client is 41-year-old male married for 7 years. Client is a chartered accountant is self-employed Income. Wife has a police background family and client claims to face mental harassment from the police side and client has filed RTI on police. Client claims that the Interim Maintenance Order is based on assumption and he cannot afford the same. Client wanted to as to whether he qualifies under the Low-Income Group Strata in the state of MP.	All information related to the case provided. Case disposed.
20	Shanti Amma	Retired	Client needs requisite information to create a Will.	Facts were collected on the first call. On the second call, Client's queries about the procedure of making a will was taken up. The client has been provided with the detailed information on what are different types of will and what are documents necessary to make a will. The client has also been apprised of the process of will making. Since the requisite information was given, the case stands disposed.

21	Aman Gupta	-	the client has purchased a land from the land owner on an agreement. The land is of a patta land and it can be sold only with the permission of the collector. The owner had said that he had applied for the permission and sold the land to the client. Later during inquiry, it was found that no permission has been taken from the collector. Hence it is a case of fraud.	Case Disposed.
22	Mohammad aarif	Retired	The client retired from the Pollution board in 2008 in Madhya Pradesh itself with no entitlement for a pension however during the same time there was a scheme by the board to invest some amount and in return the client would receive an increased amount every month in the form of pension. The client received the same till 2020 however since the past 2 years has not received the amount that he was promised.	Advice given to the client. Since the case is pending before the Supreme Court itself, client was advised to wait for that judgement before taking any further action. Client has agreed for the same and case has been disposed.
23	Ajay Thakur	Farmer	The Family owns a farming land which stretches beyond a drainage area in the village. the government has provided the land beyond the drainage to the people belonging in SC ST community. These people have encroached some part of the client's land too over the years. Client wants to know in which court should he be filing the case. Additionally, his wife wants to register as a lawyer and he needs information regarding that.	Case Disposed.
24	Kuldeep Ram Rao Deshmukh	Private Service (Security Guard)	Service matter dealing with Termination of Compassionate Appointment.	Case Disposed.
25	Rohit Thapa	Businessman	Complainant and the accused (3 in number) owned shops in the same area. The accused used to harass the complainant threatening him to carry out business somewhere else. One day, the accused came to his shop where a scuffle ensued between them and the accused started abusing the complainant and looked down upon his caste. The case has been pending in the court since 2019.	Court Dates received. Case pending.
26	Rahul	-	Case of domestic violence along with suspicion of murder.	First call done and FIR filed on 24.12.2022. Case pending.

27	Mohan	Housewife	Her family does not have Ayushman card. We gathered all the details. First, we have approach village sarpanch	First call done on 24.01.2023. Case disposed.
28	Prembai	Private Job	Needs help for his father's Pension under government Senior Citizen's pension Scheme. We have gathered all the necessary information and asked him to apply again then we will approach authorities.	Second Call done on 18.03.2023. The client has submitted an application for the scheme. He said he will contact us if he needs further assistance.
29	BagduLal malviya	Housewife	House in dire need of repairs. Her family is not able to avail benefits under Government's Awaas Yojana even after repeated request to Mendori gram panchayat sarpanch. First, we need to meet the Sarpanch then proceed further	Her mobile number is not in service. We tried to contact on 18.03.2023. Provisionally disposed on account of non-contact with client.
30	Sunita	-	Police searched a house in Ayodhya Nagar after receiving information from a person. Three people were discovered in possession of gambling-related phones and laptops. Six people were accused with violating both Section 3/4 of the Public Gambling Act and Section 109 of the IPC. The client is one of the six accused in the present matter.	First call done on 04.02.2023. Disposed with advice given to client.
31	Virendra Singh	Unemployed	Domestic violence case, the client is from Rae Bareilly and is the husband. He was married in 2019, he has one child. The case was filed by his wife in 2020. He and his wife are not living together currently. He wants divorce. He has been charged under sections 498A, 323, 354, 504, and 406 of the IPC and sections 12,13,17,18,19, and 20 of the Domestic Violence Act.	First call done on 07.03.2023. Case referred to the Legal Aid Clinic of RMLNLU as it belongs to their jurisdiction primarily.
32	Vikas Kumar	Businessman	Case related to allotment of Indian oil Corporation agency in 1995 which was later cancelled in 2003 by the IOC. The client claims that the cancellation of agency allotment was wrong in law and is in want of compensation. The client is not in need of legal aid but only seeks research on the abovementioned issues to help with his case.	Research submitted on the issues. The client hasn't responded after receiving the research. Case disposed.
33	Manish Yadav	Homemaker	There is an ongoing divorce case in addition to now the custody case which our client was not informed about. The Client in this case is seeking legal aid for the case filed against her for custody for the child.	Advocate Allotted: Mr. Abhijeet Awasthi. Case pending.

34	Anuradha Sharma	Student Leader, Barkatullah University	In Barkatullah University, OMR exam was taken without giving any training. Many students failed. In this regard, the client has approached us.	First call done, advocate consulted, awaiting update from client regarding whether he wants to go ahead with the case. The Client could not bring enough documents to support the claim and did not wish to move ahead. Case Disposed.
35	Saim Javed	Builder	The client in this case is seeking legal aid against a builder who refused to perform the obligations of the contract even after filing a complaint in Khajuri Thana, Bhopal.	Case Disposed.
36	Govind Ahirwar's Family	-	Kidnapping and Rape- Case of elopement of a male adult with a female minor; hence the male adult was accused of kidnapping. The adult was considered as a repeated offender as this was the second time they had eloped. The accused was in police custody when the accused's brother had approached the Clinic and they were not aware of the need of a lawyer or other legal necessities.	Connected them with the authorities of DLSA Bhopal as the academic session had concluded. Case pending.
37	Veer Singh Parihar	Farmer	His 14-year-old daughter was kidnapped in February and the police have been lax in finding her. Allegation of human trafficking	Client has had a meeting with the advocate. Awaiting further communication from the client. Case pending.
38	Suresh Kushwaha	Security Guard	He was kicked out from his job in 2014 for no reason in particular. Case is in High Court. The person wants a speedy trial.	Client has been given advise.
39	Saeem	--	Murder case.	Awaiting further receipt of document from Sachin Nayak, conducting preliminary research into the issue in the meanwhile. Case pending.
40	Babu Verma	-	Property dispute- The client does not know anything about the case, even he does not have any documents related to the case. It was his father who was looking into it and he is no more now. I asked him to give contact no. of their lawyer to consult him about the status of the case and he didn't have that also	Case not pursued further/Disposed because of lack of co-operation from the client's side.
41	Ram Dayal	-	Have not received their money back-the concerned person is his neighbour. So, he just want to wait for some more time to get his money back.	Case disposed.

42	Akhilesh Malviya	-	Domestic Violence	Case pending.
43	Sonam Satnani	-	Loan of 25000 from Kotak Mahindra Bank but got Rs. 19000 only in 2019. His name has been put as a defaulter even after paying the due amount that he took as loan. He has paid everything but they are still asking for Rs. 11000 as settlement. Payment done from PhonePe. He still has to find for receipt from that. Asked for Screenshot of the payment receipt, but haven't received yet.	Case pending.
44	Pankaj Patel	-	Property Related Issue	No issues at the moment. The client is himself a lawyer. Case disposed.
Mental Health Counselling Case				
45	Kushwaha	-	His parents lived separately since his childhood; he was living with his mother at his maternal grandfather's home since then. A few months back his mother asked him to leave her father's house as he is 29 years old and is also employed. Right now, he is living with his father. He is unmarried. He has recently started earning. He claims that his mother asked him to leave because of the influence of his maternal grandfather. He doesn't want to stay at his father's home because he has anger issues. He wants to conduct family counselling wherein the counsellor can either talk to him or his mother about this situation. He is not comfortable with the idea of his mother suddenly asking him to leave. So, he wants the session to help him and his mother understand the situation and reach a feasible solution.	The client was introduced to a LAC empanelled family counsellor and an appointment was fixed. The client talked to the counsellor and his issue was resolved. Case disposed.
Cases Related to Availment of Government Schemes and Cards				
46	Ravi Tomar	Daily wage worker	He is not able to get his ration card made even after repeated request to Mendori Gram Panchayat sarpanch. We gathered all the details on phone call. In this case also we need to meet the sarpanch then proceed further	Second Call done on 18.03.2023. The client has submitted an application for the scheme. He said he will contact us if he needs further assistance. Case pending.
47	Sharad Bansal	-	Ration Card-no name in the list, unmarried	Messaged them the details. Case pending.
48	Sunita Lodhi	-	No help required as of now.	Case disposed.

49	Vijay G	-	Ration Card and Caste Certificate	Messaged them the details. Case pending.
50	Shivaji Kaude	-	Pension form - No response.	Messaged them the details. Case pending.
51	Umesh Kumar Sondhia	-	No help required as of now.	Case disposed.
52	Ashok	-	Ration Card-8000 per annum, no income certificate, no clue about EWS certificate, has ration card of his village, no form filled	Messaged them the details. Case pending.
53	Deepak	-	Pension + Compensation after death	Relevant details are provided. Case pending.
54	Sushila Sahu	-	Ration Card + Card Fraud	No help required as of now. Case disposed.
55	Geeta Onieka	-	Edit Aadhar and Ration Card + New PAN	The issue is resolved. No issues as of now. Case disposed.
56	Meera Lodi	-	Ration Card	All the relevant details are provided. The client doesn't have Income certificate. Case pending.
57	Ajab Singh	-	Ration Card	Resolved. Case Disposed.
58	Ritik Gour	-	Caste Certificate+ Domicile (kids) + Electricity+ Water+ Rehabilitation (demanding house tax) Hasn't received the ration card yet, after multiple applications. he is not able to obtain the caste certificates for children for the authorities are asking for 50 years record as proof.	Case pending.
59	--	-	Ration Card + Caste Certificate + Aadhar Card (edit) + Domestic Violence	Case pending.
60	Rakesh	-	Ration Card- Applied for ration card, but got rejected on account of multiple cards in the family	Case pending



61	Rakesh	-	Ration Card	Has applied again, the paralegal will confirm if there are any more issues. Case pending.
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