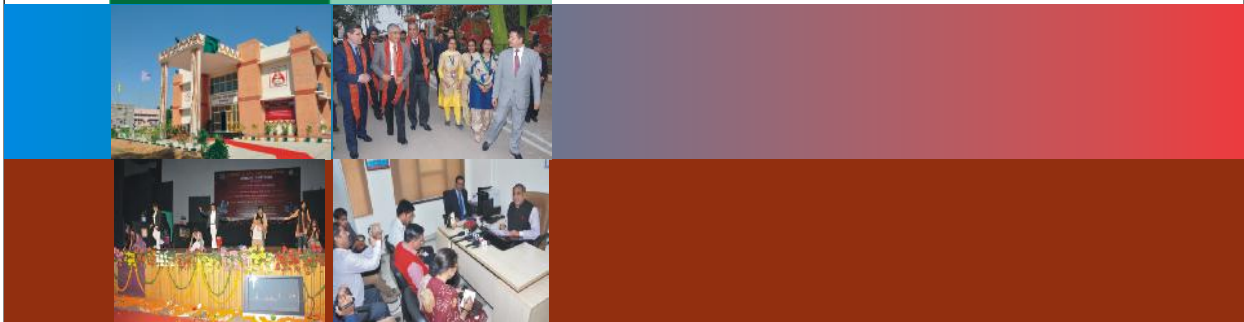


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1. INTRODUCTION

No principle is more essential to a well-functioning democratic society than equal access to justice. While the law increasingly permeates every aspect of our lives, not all members of society yet enjoy full access to the institutions in which the law is administered, interpreted, applied and enforced. Haryana State Legal Services is working to enhance equal access to justice for the poor, disadvantaged or otherwise marginalized members of our society by implementing various Legal Aid Schemes and Legal Services Programmes in accordance with the objectives of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987; and the Regulations, Schemes and Instructions of National Legal Services Authority.

2. ACTIVITIES OF HARYANA STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Quintessentially, HALSA seeks to reach out to the people, especially the needy, with the hand of legal help. The need for HALSA arises from the ground level reality that there exists various barriers to access to justice. In a society governed by rule of law all must have reasonable access to justice.

‘ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR ALL’ is the motto of Legal Services Authorities. In order to achieve this aim, HALSA performed the following activities during the year 2014-15.

- a) Providing Legal Aid
- b) Spreading Legal Literacy
- c) Organizing Lok Adalats
- d) Mediation
- e) Implementing Victim Compensation Scheme

The details of the said activities are as follows:

3. Providing Legal Aid

One of the main activities of HALSA is to provide court based free and competent legal aid & other services to the specified categories of persons, which amongst others include:-

- Any citizen, whose annual income from all sources does not exceed Rs.1,50,000/-;
- Members of Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes or Backward Classes;
- Victims of trafficking in human beings or beggar;
- women;
- children;
- persons with disability;
- industrial workmen;
- Ex-serviceman; Freedom fighters,

- persons in custody, including custody in a protective home, “children home, observation home, shelter home or special home;
- Transgenders;
- Senior Citizens.

Free Legal Services include not only the payment of fee to the advocate, but also charges relating to court fee, drafting, typing, summoning of opposite party/witnesses etc. These services are available for filing or defending any case before any court, tribunal or administrative authority.

Statistical Information about Legal Aid w.e.f. 01.04.2014 to 31.03.2015.

Haryana State Legal Services Authority has provided free legal aid to 9022 persons during 2014-2015.

Number of persons given Legal Aid through Haryana State Legal Services Authority/District Legal Services Authorities and Sub-Divisional Legal Services Committees from 1.4.2014 to 31.3.2015 in the State of Haryana

Name of District/ Sub-Divisions	Received	Settled	SC	S T	BC	Women	Child	Custody	Sr. Citizen	General	Total
Ambala	777	776	11		4	191	1	470		99	776
N.garh	38	38	6		11	21		3			41
Bhiwani	226	226	5			68	6	114		33	226
Loharu	8	8				4		4			8

Ch. Dadri	27	27				11		14		2	27
Faridabad	1018	1018	5			344	9	586	13	61	1018
Fatehabad	107	107	3		4	34		58		8	107
Tohana	12	12						12			12
Ratia	23	23	1			11		10		1	23
Gurgaon	779	730	4	1	1	86		607		31	730
Hissar	327	327	10	1	12	79		192	7	26	327
Hansi	51	50	2		2	6		32		8	50
Jind	180	180	10	1	8	36	11	191		9	266
Safidon	15	15	1		1	4	2	5		2	15
Narwana	14	14	4	0	1	3	0	1	0	5	14
Jhajjar	201	200	1			73		64		62	200
B.garh	60	60				27		28		5	60
KKR	304	286	5		10	76	1	173		21	286
Pehowa	11	11				4		6		1	11
Karnal	531	489	20		4	142	3	277		43	489
Assandh	40	40				4		36			40

Kaithal	347	346	6	2	6	145		109		78	346
Guhla	13	13				8		2		3	13
Narnaul	153	150	3		1	49		73		24	150
M.garh	37	37			1	27		8		3	39
Nuh	116	116				69	1	16		30	116
Panipat	598	598	3		6	137	20	311		121	598
Palwal	173	173	7		1	35	1	80	10	39	173
Hodal	17	17						17			17
Panchkula	398	398	2			157		187		65	411
Rohtak	437	437	3		3	159	1	200		71	437
Meham	4	4				2		2			4
Rewari	200	195				36	1	126		26	189
Kosli	24	24	6			7	1	10			24
Sirsa	217	229	4		8	73		115		29	229
Ellenabad	24	24	1			7		15		1	24
Dabwali	75	70	10			31		30		4	75
Sonipat	364	355	7			149	3	156	10	30	355

Gohana	37	33			1	14	1	17		4	37
Ganaur	19	15				4		9		2	15
Y.Nagar	343	343	1		11	122		205		4	343
Bilaspur	68	47	1			9		32		5	47
Head office	65	13	2			3				8	13
High Court	641	641	22		6	71	1	435	7	99	641
Total	9119	8915	166	5	102	2538	63	5038	47	1063	9022

➤ **Model Scheme for Legal Aid Prosecution Counsel for victims of rape and other crime against women and children.**

Under the Model Scheme for legal aid to victims of rape and other crime against women and children, the District Legal Services Authorities under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority have appointed lady advocates from the panel of advocates. These lady advocates are required to visit the Police Station falling under the jurisdiction of concerned Courts allotted to them. They give legal assistance to the victims of rape and other crime against women and children.

This scheme has been implemented in all districts of Haryana effectively.

A total number of **4849** person benefitted under Model Prosecution Scheme

for victims of rape and other crime against women and children for the period 1.4.2014 to 31.3.2015.

➤ **Legal Care And Support Centre**

In all the Districts, Legal Care and Support Centres have been opened by the Haryana State Legal Services Authority. In the said Legal Care and Support Centres, legal services are provided by the panel lawyers and para legal volunteers. Mostly, the said Legal Care and Support Centres are in the villages. As on 31.3.2015, 457 Legal Care and Support Centres were operating in the State of Haryana.

Statistical information with regard to the Legal Care and Support Centres

(From 1.4.2014 to 31.3.2015)

Name of the District	Number of persons visited	Number of persons to whom legal service provided
Ambala	4655	4650
Bhiwani	1954	1923
Faridabad	6033	6051

Fatehabad	723	727
Gurgaon	2320	2262
Hisar	3772	3757
Jhajjar	596	587
Jind	1330	1336
Kurukshetra	3153	2893
Karnal	4559	4917
Kaithal	2759	2753
Narnaul	1312	1246
Nuh	221	253
Palwal	493	464
Panipat	3766	3763

Panchkula	1792	1784
Rewari	1384	1359
Rohtak	2452	2423
Sonipat	2370	2335
Sirsa	2588	2553
Yamuna Nagar	1518	1501
Total	49750	49537

4. Legal Awareness

About sixty five per cent of the people in Haryana live in rural areas and many of them are illiterate. Most of the people are legally illiterate, as they are not aware of their rights conferred upon them by law. Even substantial number of literate people living in the cities and villages do not know what are their rights and entitlements under the various laws. It is this absence of legal awareness which is

responsible for the deception and exploitation of people at the hands of unscrupulous elements.

With a view to raise the legal awareness quotient of the people so that their sufferings are mitigated, HALSA has embarked on a mission to spread legal awareness in every nook and corner of the state under various programmes. Legal awareness camps aim at creating awareness among people about their rights under various laws and welfare Schemes pertaining to women, children, Scheduled Castes, underprivileged, poor and the needy people to help achieve development goals. People are also sensitized about their duties.

Following steps have been taken by Haryana State Legal Services Authority for Legal Awareness Campaign in the State of Haryana:-

- (a) Legal Literacy/Legal Awareness Camps/Seminars
- (b) Sensitization workshops for officials at grass root level
- (c) Implementation of Legal Literacy Missions
- (d) Publicity through print and electronic Media
- (e) Publication by Haryana State Legal Services Authority

➤ **Camps**

Under the direction and guidance of Haryana State Legal Services Authority, all the District Legal Services Authorities are organizing Legal Literacy/Legal Awareness Camps in the remote rural areas in the State of Haryana at least once a

week i.e. on Sunday/ holidays, on the topics concerning SC/ST, Women and children and general public, so that the people are made aware about their legal rights.

During the year 2014-15, Legal Literacy Camps were organized for educating people on the following topics:

1. Hindu Marriage Act, Christen Marriage Act, Muslim Women's Protection Act & Special Marriage Act.
2. Child Marriage Restraint Act, 1929
3. Guardian and Wards Act, 1890
4. Hindu Minority and Guardianship Act
5. Maternity Benefit Act
6. Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act and Female Foeticide
7. Women Empowerment
8. Dowry Prohibition Act and Law governing Dowry deaths
9. Sexual Harassment of Women at the Work Place
10. Right to Maintenance under Cr.P.C/Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act
11. Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005
12. Prevention of Violence against Women.
13. Rights of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes/Backward Classes under the various Acts such as Prevention of Atrocities on Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Act, 1989 etc.

14. Labour Laws, Factories Act, Industrial Disputes Act etc.
15. Child Labour Laws
16. Rights of arrested persons
17. Procedure for claiming compensation under Motor Vehicles Act, Workmen's Compensation Act, and Compensation from Railway Accident Claims Tribunals as also in respect of Land Acquisition Cases.
18. Bonded Labour(Abolition)Act, 1976
19. Human Trafficking Crimes
20. Lok Adalats and free legal services under Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987
21. Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, 1994
22. Food Adulteration Act, 1954
23. ADR System in Haryana-Lok Adalats/Mediation/Arbitration /Counseling and Conciliation
24. Plea Bargaining
25. Rights of Persons with Disabilities
26. Human Rights and HIV/AIDS
27. National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NAREGA), 2005
28. Right to Information Act, 2005
29. Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007
30. Unorganized Workers' Social Security Act, 2008
31. Legal remedies

32. Social Justice and Development
33. Protection of students from Ragging
34. Juvenile and the law
35. Social reforms through law
36. Environment and Pollution
37. National Security, Sovereignty and integrity of India
38. Health, Hygiene and Sanitation
39. Abuse of Drugs and De-addiction
40. Role of Legal Services Authorities
41. Constitutional Values
42. Spirituality and law.
43. Cyber Crime
44. Gender sensitizations programmes
45. Pre-conception and pre-natal Diagnostic Techniques.
46. Suicide in Jails.
47. Khap Panchayat and similar institutions and their interference in matrimonial and other areas particularly in Haryana.
48. Senior Citizens.
49. National Integration
50. Female foeticide
51. Women's rights/human rights.
52. Legal Awareness on Fundamental Right & Duty.

53 Law on Trafficking

54. Law relating to mentally ill persons and persons with mental disabilities.

10088 Legal Literacy Camps were organized during 2014-2015. 6034701 persons got benefited.

TOTAL NO. OF CAMPS OF LEGAL LITERACY HELD BY DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITIES/SUB DIVISIONAL LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEES IN THE STATE OF HARYANA FROM 1.4.2014 to 31.3.2015

Sr. No	Distt/Sub Committee	Number of Camps 2014-15	Sr. No.	Distt/Sub Committee	Number of Camps 2014-15
1.	Ambala	1244	10.	Karnal	1714
	(a) N.garh	47		(a) Asandh	45
2.	Bhiwani	112	11.	Kaithal	325
	(a) Loharu	147		(a) Guhla	13
	(b) Siwani	55	12.	Mewat at Nuh	32
	(c) Dadri	72	13.	Narnaul	242
3.	Faridabad	1483		(a) M.Garh	211
4.	Fatehabad	121	14.	Palwal	305
				(a) Hodal	50
				(b) Hathin	4

	(a) Tohana	39	15.	Panipat	412
	(b) Ratia	11	16.	Panchkula	128
5.	Gurgaon	1382	17.	Rohtak	87
				(a) Meham	16
6.	Hissar	135	18.	Rewari	231
	(a) Hansi	62		(a) Kosli	50
7.	Jind	113	19.	Sirsa	108
	(a) Safidon	20		(a) Dabwali	35
				(b) Ellanabad	58
	(b) Narwana	31	20.	Sonipat	127
8.	Jhajjar	410		(a) Gohana	45
	(a) B.garh	22		(b) Ganour	48
9.	Kurukeshtra	120	21.	Y.Nagar	104
				(a) Bilaspur	40
	(a) Pehowa	32		Total	10088

➤ **Camps at Melas**

Haryana State Legal Services Authority has directed all the District & Sessions Judges-cum-Chairmen, District Legal Services Authorities of Haryana to

install a Booth/Stall in all the exhibitions and in Local Melas/ Fairs of their respective Session division, in which large public participation is expected like in fair of Kapalmochan at Yamunanagar, Craft Mela at Surajkund, Navratre Mela at Mata Mansa Devi Temple, Panchkula, Navratre Mela at Mata Sheetla Devi Temple, Gurgaon, Geeta Mohotsav festival at Kurukshetra etc. by deputing 2 or 3 Panel Lawyers as resource persons who are assisted by 3-4 Para Legal Volunteers depending upon requirement.

The details of Legal awareness Camps/stalls organized in Fair/Melas of Haryana in the year 2014-2015 is as given under:-

Sr. No.	Date	Place	Benefited Persons
1	01.04.2014 to 8.4.2014	Mata Mansa Devi Panchkula	1406
2	1.4.2014 to 15.4.2014	Sheetla Mata Melas at Gurgaon	848060
3	25.9.2014 to 30.9.2014	Sheetla Mata Melas at Gurgaon	67000
4	27.9.2014 to 5.10.2014	Mata Mansa Devi Panchkula	1800
5	23.11.2014 to 2.12.2014	Geeta Mahotsav Jayanti, KKR	700
6	01.02.15 to 15.02.15	Suraj Kund Craft Mela at Faridabad	765520

7	21.3.15 to 28.3.15	Mata Mansa Devi Panchkula	1107
Total Benefited Persons			

➤ **Working to curb female foeticide**

In order to sensitize the general public towards the offences against women and female foeticide special legal literacy camps were organized by DLSAs, under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority on the topic of Pre-conception and Pre-natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Selection) Act-1994. The legal provisions contained in the Act are discussed in detail in order to prevent the public from indulging in these offences.

Sr. No.	Name of the District	No. of PNDT Camps held by DLSA/SDLSC from April-2014 to March-2015
1.	Ambala	33
2.	Bhiwani	74
3.	Faridabad	10
4.	Fatehabad	28
5.	Gurgaon	55
6.	Hissar	12
7.	Jind	16
8.	Jhajjar	12
9.	Kurukeshtra	18

10.	Karnal	21
11.	Kaithal	11
12.	Narnaul	20
13.	Nuh	4
14.	Palwal	13
15.	Panipat	14
16.	Panchkula	8
17.	Rohtak	12
18.	Rewari	22
19.	Sirsa	17
20.	Sonipat	16
21.	Yamunanagar	19
	Total	435

➤ **Sensitization Workshops for Officials at grass root level**

Workshops for grass-root level officials such as Anganwari workers, officials of the Health, Revenue, Education and Police Departments, who function in the rural and remotest parts of the state, are of immense value in sensitizing them about the needs of the people.

TOTAL NO. OF LEGAL LITERACY CAMPS FOR OFFICIALS AT GRASS-ROOT LEVELS HELD BY DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITIES IN THE STATE OF HARYANA FROM 1.4.2014 to 31.3.2015

Sr. No	Distt/Sub Committee	Number of Camp	Schedule of Camp	Sr. No	Distt/Sub Committee	Number of Camp	Schedule of Camp
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1.	Ambala	1	06.12.2014	12.	Narnaul	1	05.07.2014
2.	Bhiwani	1	17.01.2015	13.	Nuh	1	20.12.2014
3.	Faridabad	1	21.02.2015	14.	Palwal	1	05.07.2014
4.	Fatehabad	1	07.02.2015	15.	Panipat	1	30.08.2014
5.	Gurgaon	1	07.03.2015	16.	Panchkula	1	16.08.2014
6.	Hissar	1	21.03.2015	17.	Rohtak	1	20.09.2014
7.	Jind	1	19.04.2014	18.	Rewari	1	20.09.2014
8.	Jhajjar	1	05.04.2014	19.	Sirsa	1	04.10.2014
9.	Kurukshetra	1	17.05.2014	20.	Sonipat	1	25.10.2014
10.	Karnal	1	07.06.2014	21.	Y. Nagar	1	15.11.2014
11.	Kaithal	1	17.05.2014		Total	21	21

➤ **Implementation of Legal Literacy Mission**

In order to achieve the objective of spreading Legal Literacy. Haryana State Legal Services Authority has implemented special Legal Literacy Missions.

Prisoners Legal Literacy Mission (PLLM)

The main objective of the Prisoners Legal Literacy Mission (PLLM) is to provide access to justice and to eradicate the evils of exploitation, inequality and suffering with the lamp of literacy. The project envisions that legal literacy will

reform the mindset of the prisoners and help them become responsible members of the society. The objectives of the mission are to target the prisons and jails in a systematic manner and to hold Legal Awareness Camps in prisons, prepare and publish Legal Literacy Literature in local language and to circulate the same amongst the prisoners; to organize skits and audio/visual presentations for the prisoners to educate them about their rights; to co-ordinate with the prison authorities to ensure that freedoms that belong to the prisoners are made available to them and to help improve prison conditions by setting up low cost programmes such as crafts, weaving, workshops etc. which are vacation oriented and self-financed. The project is being implemented and monitored at the district level by the District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman of the District Legal Services Authority.

Legal Literacy Mission for empowerment of underprivileged (LLUP)

One of the most under-privileged and disadvantaged class of persons comprises those who live in shelters and care homes such as Nari Niketan, juvenile homes, senior citizens homes, mental hospitals, homes for the blind, homes for deaf and dumb, orphanages etc. The Legal Literacy Mission for Empowerment of Underprivileged (LLUP) aims at reaching out to such underprivileged and disabled

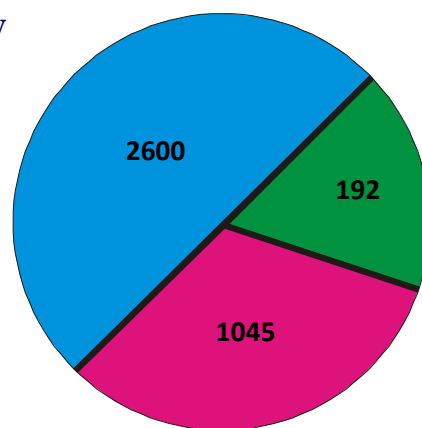
persons, make them aware of their legal rights, and take such legal steps as are required for enforcing their statutory rights.

Legal Literacy for Students (LLS)

With a view to make the students legally literate, Haryana State Legal Services Authority with the collaboration of Education Department of Haryana has opened Legal Literacy Clubs in the schools and colleges.

Total Legal Literacy

3837



- Government Senior Secondary/ Secondary Schools
- Government Colleges
- Private Schools/ Colleges

It is one of the most popular programmes, whose impact has been felt in the entire state. Students, the object of the programme, also serve as vehicles of legal

literacy for the society. Competitions are held on selected socio-legal topics among students to enable them to showcase and develop their skills in skits, painting, poetry, slogan writing, declamation, essay writing etc at district, division and state level. The competitions culminate with an Annual function which is attended by high dignitaries from the Legislature, Executive and Judiciary. The winning students are awarded prizes.

➤ **Publicity through print and electronic media**

Haryana State Legal Services Authority has taken up the following steps for wide publicity of the legal services programmes launched by NALSA as well as

HALSA:

- Printing of publicity materials like posters, pamphlets, booklets and distributing the required quantity of such materials to all District Legal Services Authorities/Sub-Divisional Legal Services Committees in requisite number, advertisements in newspapers and television (both private and Government owned) etc.
- Other publicity measures like, hoardings, production of short-films; skits in CD form and distribution of copies to all DLSAs and SDLSCs.
- Bi monthly Newsletter
- Participation in Fairs/Melas at various places, where large gathering is expected to create awareness amongst masses.

Haryana State Legal Service Authority through the District Legal Services Authorities and Sub-Divisional Legal Services Committees distribute books, pamphlets, brochures etc. amongst the masses.

33 booklets on various subjects and a booklet containing welfare schemes of Central and State Government have been got printed by HALSA and these are distributed to the common people, which is very useful for creating awareness amongst the people.

Total No. of books and pamphlets distributed in the year 2014-2015 – **24,75,500**

Sr. No.	Name of Booklets published by HALSA	No. of Booklets distributed
1.	बाल श्रम	40000
2.	बन्धुआ मजदूरी	40000
3.	भारतीय ईसाई विवाह अधिनियम	40000
4.	दीवानी वादों से सम्बन्धित न्यायालय की प्रक्रिया	40000
5.	संरक्षणता	40000
6.	मुस्लिम विवाह तथा तलाक	40000
7.	घरेलू हिंसा से महिलाओं की सुरक्षा	40000

8.	हिन्दू विवाह अधिनियम, 1955	40000
9.	लोक हित में मुकदमें	40000
10	महिलाओं का यौन उत्पीड़न	40000
11	विशेष विवाह अधिनियम	40000
12	एच.आई. वी / एड्स	40000
13	मोटर दुर्घटना मुआवजा	40000
14	दहेज और कानून	40000
15	बाल विवाह नियंत्रण अधिनियम	40000
16	पारिवारिक न्यायालय अथवा कुटुम्ब न्यायालय	40000
17	अनुसूचित जाति और अनुसूचित जन-जाति (अपराध निरोधक) अधिनियम, 1989	40000
18	उपभोक्ता संरक्षण एवं कानून	40000
19	हिन्दू उत्तराधिकार अधिनियम	40000
20	ठेका मजदूरी	40000
21	सूचना का अधिकार	40000
22	प्रथम सूचना रिपोर्ट, हिरासत, रिमांड और जमानत से संबन्धित कानून	40000
23	हालसा व कानूनी सेवाएँ प्राधिकरण अधिनियम	40000

24	न्यूनतम मजदूरी अधिनियम	40000
25	कैदियों के अधिकार	40000
26	भरण-पोषण	40000
27	कारखाना अधिनियम	40000
28	मौलिक कर्तव्य	10000
29	माता-पिता एवं वरिष्ठ नागरिकों का भरण-पोषण एवं कल्याण, अधिनियम, 2007	10000
30	कार्य स्थल पर यौन शोषण (कार्यस्थल पर महिला का यौन शोषण निवारण, निषेध और प्रतितोष) अधिनियम, 2013 और भारतीय दंड संहिता 1860 के कुछ प्रावधान	5000
31	लैंगिक अपराधों से बालकों का संरक्षण अधिनियम, 2012	5000
32	Booklet of Permanent Lok Adalat (Practical Guidelines)	50000
33	Haryana Victim Compensation Scheme	500
	Total booklets distributed	11,60,500

Pamphlets printed by Haryana State Legal Services Authority

Sr. No.	Name of Pamphlets printed by HALSA	No. of pamphlets distributed
1.	Permanent Lok Adalat –Pamphlets	100000

2.	Mediation Pamphlets	150000
3.	Legal Aid Pamphlets	250000
4.	National Lok Adalat held on 23.11.2013	400000
5.	National Lok Adalat held on 06.12.2014	400000
6.	Brochure on 'Fundamental Duties'	10000
7.	Brochure on 'Maintenance & Welfare of Parents & Senior Citizens'	5000
	TOTAL	13,15,000

➤ **COMMUNITY RADIO STATIONS**

Haryana State legal Services Authority has been spreading legal literacy through eight Community Radios in the State of Haryana. In this regard, plan has been formulated, and legal literacy programmes are already being run through the Community Radios.

The first inaugural programme on Kanoon Ki Baat was broadcasted on 19.12.2014 from 3.30 pm to 4.00 pm on the community radio station, Gurgaon Ki Awaz. District & Sessions Judge/Chairman and Secretary, DLSA, Gurgaon enlightened the listeners on the importance of awareness programmes, the role

of Judiciary and introduction of NALSA, HALSA & DLSA. Second programme was held on the topic of Rights of Women on Community Radio, Mewat on 29.12.2014, third programme on M.V.Act and Traffic Rules was held on 07.01.2015 on Alfez-e-Mewat and fourth programme on benefits of PLA(PUS) was held on 16.01.2015 on Gurgaon Ki Awaz.

Two awareness programmes were conducted by DLSA, Faridabad on Radio Manav Rachna 107.8 FM on 05.01.2015 and 08.01.2015. Similarly three programmes on legal awareness were broadcasted by DLSA, Sirsa i.e. two programmes on FM 90.4 on 5.1.2015 and 12.1.2015 and one programme on FM 90.8 on 15.1.2015. Awareness programmes were conducted by DLSA, Hissar on Radio MH 91.2 on 15.01.2015 and 10.02.2015.

5. **LOK ADALATS**

Haryana State Legal Services Authority has leveraged the important mechanism of 'Lok Adalat' as an effective Alternative Dispute Resolution method for ensuring quick and final consensual disposal of cases binding on the parties, without incurring any extra cost or fees. Following kinds of Lok Adalats are being organized.

(a) Scheduled Lok Adalats

- (b) Daily Lok Adalats
- (c) Mobile/ Rural Lok Adalats
- (d) Special Lok Adalats
- (e) Jail Lok Adalats and
- (f) Permanent Lok Adalats for Public Utility Services

(a) Scheduled Lok Adalats

HALSA is organizing scheduled Lok Adalats in all the districts courts and sub divisional courts of Haryana from time to time as per the schedule prepared by DLSAs. In these Lok Adalats, pending cases of all nature are taken up by different Lok Adalat benches presided over by judicial officers and members. These Lok Adalats have proved to be very successful, particularly with regard to MACT Cases.

These Lok Adalats have settled 1329133 cases during 2014-2015).

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CASES SETTLED IN THE SCHEDULED LOK ADALATS FROM 1.4.2014 to 31.3.2015 IN THE STATE OF HARYANA

Number of Lok Adalats organized	596
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Cases taken up	1759734
Cases settled	1329133
MACT cases settled	2032
HMA cases settled	1659
Civil Cases settled	13931
Criminal Compoundable Cases	7481
Petty criminal cases	7071
Labour Cases	81087
Bank loan cases settled	23213
Summary cases settled	136295
Cases of 125 Cr.P.C. Settled	2577
Mutation	61917
Revenue	62633
Pre-litigative cases	368204
138 NI Act	8086
Others	572947

Compensation paid in MACT cases	419176770
Decreed Amount	1170503089
Fine	278303824

(b) Daily Lok Adalats.

Daily Lok Adalats were first started in one of the districts on experimental basis. After encouraging results, these daily Lok Adalats were started in the remaining districts. At present, daily Lok Adalats are being held in all the 21 districts.

Every court of the Sessions division, after court hours, gets converted into Daily Lok Adalat and judicial officers hold sittings for this, depending upon the workload of cases coming for settlement every day in each court. This way, there are as many Daily Lok Adalats as the number of courts in that Sessions division. A daily Lok Adalat is assisted by one lawyer or social worker on the panel.

These Lok Adalats have settled 147221 cases during 2014-2015.

MONTH-WISE STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CASES SETTLED IN THE DAILY LOK ADALATS FROM 1.4.2014 to 31.3.2015 IN THE STATE OF HARYANA

Month	No. of DLAs held	Cases	Cases Settled
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		Taken Up	
April	4763	23223	15162
May	5402	18056	11398
June	1644	6191	3933
July	5583	18526	11920
August	5375	19285	12990
September	4984	17670	10217
October	4660	21888	11250
November	5886	33947	20681
December	4988	33013	19635
January	5591	17343	10225
February	5245	15012	9167
March	6184	17289	10643
Total	60305	241443	147221

C. Mobile/rural Lok Adalats:

Mobile/rural Lok Adalats are organized in the villages to make speedy and inexpensive justice available to the people at their doorsteps by amicable resolution of their disputes through mediation/conciliation by the respectable people of the village and gram Panchayats. In these mobile/rural Lok Adalats, all the pending cases in the courts as well as cases at pre-litigative stage of such village and adjoining villages are taken up for settlement. In the process of settlement, prominent respectable villagers are also involved. In these Lok Adalats, efforts are made to settle the disputes amicably.

These Lok Adalats have settled more than 6296 cases during 2014-2015).

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CASES SETTLED IN THE RURAL LOK ADALATS FROM 1.4.2014 to 31.3.2015 IN THE STATE OF HARYANA

Number of Lok Adalats organized	369
Cases taken up	9377
Cases settled	6296
Civil Cases settled	25
Criminal Cases	25
Petty criminal cases	7

Mutation	6239
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(d) Special Lok Adalats

Special Lok Adalats are organized from time to time for disposing of specific kind of cases e.g. cases for compensation under Motor Vehicles Act, Negotiable Instruments Act etc.

(e) Jail Lok Adalats:

Jail Lok Adalats are organized for the accused in custody. Every month, Secretary, DLSA visits the jail and identifies the petty compoundable cases, in which accused want to confess their guilt on the basis of Plea Bargaining.

(f) Permanent Lok Adalats (Public utility services)

11 Permanent Lok Adalats are catering to all the 21 districts of Haryana.

After getting approval from Hon'ble Executive Chairman of this Authority, jurisdiction of the Permanent Lok Adalats, Public Utility Services regarding holding of Camp Courts in the adjoining districts has been fixed as under:

Sr. No.	Headquarter of PLA (PUS)	Districts Covered
1.	Ambala	Ambala, Kaithal
2.	Panchkula	Panchkula, Yamunanagar
3.	Rohtak	Rohtak, Jhajjar
4.	Gurgaon	Gurgaon, Mewat at Nuh
5.	Faridabad	Faridabad, Palwal
6.	Hissar	Hisar
7.	Karnal	Karnal, Kurukshetra
8.	Rewari	Rewari, Narnaul
9.	Sonepat	Sonepat, Panipat
10.	Sirsa	Sirsa, Fatehabad
11.	Bhiwani	Bhiwani, Jind

Annual General Meeting of Haryana State Legal Services Authority was held on 19.5.2014 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble the Chief Justice, Punjab and Haryana High Court and Patron-in-Chief of this Authority.

Considering large institution and pending cases in cities namely- Panipat, Yamuna Nagar, Kaithal and Kurukshetra, it was resolved that:

“Haryana Government be requested to sanction 4 more courts of Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) along with consequent staff in these districts.”

In view of the resolution passed in the Annual General Meeting, Haryana State Legal Services Authority has asked the Haryana Government to sanction 4 more courts of Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) along with consequent staff in these districts and the matter is pending before the State Government.

At present following public utility services comes within the ambit of Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) in the State of Haryana.

- Transport service for the carriage of passengers or goods by air, road or water
- Postal, telegraphic or telephone service
- Supply of power, light or water to the public by any establishment

- System of public conservancy or sanitation
- Service in hospital or dispensary
- Insurance service
- Housing and Estates
- Banking and Financial

Vide letter bearing No.14468 dated 18.07.2014, the Haryana State Legal Services Authority has requested the Government of Haryana to include the following services to be Public Utility Services in the State of Haryana.

- Services of Government and Private Educational Institutions or its connected matters
- Supply of new connection of LPG or refills or its connected matters.
- Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme or its connected matters.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CASES SETTLED BY THE PERMANENT LOK ADALATS FOR PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICES FROM 1.4.2014 TO 31.3.2015 IN THE STATE OF HARYANA

Distt/	Cases instt.	Cases settled	Trans	Postal/ telephone	Supply of power	Public cons	Hospital	Insurance	Banking and finance	Housing and estate
Ambala	4189	1942	0	550	15	9	1	5	1357	5
Bhiwani	2373	2794	4	478	92	27	5	71	2115	2

Faridabad	2944	2776	3	307	1199	26	6	110	1023	102
Fatehabad	580	761	1	5	52	5	2	23	617	56
Gurgaon	822	916	4	15	112	8	5	306	325	141
Hissar	1660	1041	27	36	52	12	0	51	862	1
Jind	458	624	9	25	24	30	2	91	440	3
Jhajjar	904	893	1	36	8	8	0	1	838	1
Karnal	1997	2131	287	539	36	9	3	43	1198	16
Kaithal	852	622	0	354	14	7	0	4	239	4
KKR	890	2000	418	20	6	1	0	29	1521	5
Nuh	842	346	0	0	58	3	2	88	194	1
Narnaul	495	423	0	56	9	6	2	57	288	5
Palwal	1205	889	0	31	553	22	4	55	209	15
PKL	1534	3153	1	2988	17	3	3	14	125	2
Panipat	1003	1320	5	104	60	29	1	40	1072	9
Rohtak	2886	2422	274	344	30	20	0	36	1713	5
Rewari	489	594	0	137	33	11	5	30	358	20
Sirsa	3746	3893	3	831	566	5	5	59	2363	61
Sonipat	652	869	0	111	38	25	0	31	640	24

Y.Nagar	607	365	0	113	51	5	2	6	185	3
Total	31128	30774	1037	7080	3025	271	48	1150	17682	481

Overall, all kinds of Lok Adalats mentioned above have settled 1513367 cases during 2014-2015 and compensation of more than Rs. 687493078/- has been awarded in 3805 Motor Accident Claims cases.

(g) Mega/ national lok adalats.

As per the directions of National Legal Services Authority (NALSA), the following Lok Adalats were held on specified subject matters in the State of Haryana:-

Mega Lok Adalat was held on 12.04.2014

- Total number of 68055 cases were taken up out of which 31569 cases were disposed off.
- The compensation amount in the said Lok Adalat is 54,24,000/-

Second National Lok Adalat was held on 06.12.2014

- Total number of 1602028 cases were taken up out of which 1259348 cases were disposed off.
- The compensation amount in the said Lok Adalat is 59,18,45,571/-

1st Monthly National Lok Adalat on Bank Matters was held on 14.02.2015

- Total number of 23096 cases were taken up out of which 4372 cases were disposed off.
- The amount of settlement is Rs. 19,05,73,149/-

2nd Monthly National Lok Adalat on Revenue, MNREGA and Land Acquisition Act was held on 14.03.2015

- Total number of 17504 cases were taken up out of which 15987 cases were disposed off.
- The amount of settlement is Rs. 78,85,12,937/-

6. MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION

In terms of the decision taken in the meeting held on 4.12.12 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Justice of Punjab & Haryana High Court and also in terms of Resolution passed in Chief Justices' Conference held on 5th to 6th April, 2012, overall control and supervision of the District Mediation Centers have been given to the respective State Legal Services Authorities.

Mediation is yet another mode of alternative dispute resolution mechanism provided to the people to settle their pending disputes. Courts refer the suitable cases to Mediation Centre for settlement by mediation, where a mediator trained by Mediation & Conciliation Project Committee conducts the mediation, in an environment conducive for the purpose.

Such Mediation Centres have been opened in all the 21 Districts of Haryana and 14 Sub Divisions, so far.

In view of the observation of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in K. Srinivas Rao V/s D.A. Deepa 2013(2) R.C.R (Civil) 232, Pre-litigation Mediation desks have also been set up in all the Mediation Centres to deal with matrimonial disputes, before they reach the court.

In Haryana, we have 455 trained Mediators, who include Judges, retired judicial Officers and Advocates. To spare the time of judges, most of the cases are referred for mediation through Advocate Mediators.

About 2994 cases were been settled through mediation during the period 01.04.2014 to 31.03.2015.

Haryana State Legal Services Authority has been conducting workshops/programmes regarding mediation. Following mediation training programmes were conducted from April, 2014 to March, 2015.

- ✓ Awareness Referral Coaching and Mentoring [ARCM] Programme at District Court Complex, Gurgaon on 31st May and 1st June, 2014 was conducted.

- ✓ 40 hours mediation training programme for 24 Advocates of four Districts namely Bhiwani, Jhajjar, Mewat at Nuh and Palwal held from 4th to 6th and 18th to 20th July, 2014 was organised at Chandigarh Judicial Academy, Sector-43, Chandigarh.

- ✓ Advanced Mediation Training Programme for the Mediators of District Gurgaon who have completed 10 successful mediations was organized from 1st, 2nd and 3rd August, 2014 at Gurgaon.

- ✓ 40 hours mediation training programme for all the Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Secretaries of Haryana and also of the Chairpersons of Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) of Haryana was organized from 5.9.2014 to 7.9.2014 and 19.9.2014 to 21.09.2014 at Chandigarh Judicial Academy, Sector-43, Chandigarh. Total 25 i.e. 16 Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Secretaries of District Legal Services Authorities, 8 Chairpersons of Permanent Lok Adalat (Public Utility Services) of Haryana and one Chief Judicial Magistrate/Joint Member Secretary of this Authority underwent the Mediation Training.

- ✓ MCPC conducted Training of Trainers Programme for the mediators whose names were recommended by the Legal Services Authorities of Punjab/Haryana and UT Chandigarh at Chandigarh Judicial Academy from 04.10.2014 to 06.10.2014. A total 12 Mediators underwent training, out of which five Trained Advocate Mediators were of District Gurgaon.

7. VICTIM COMPENSATION SCHEME

Haryana Victim Compensation Scheme, 2013 has been framed in view of the Section 357A of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973. The Scheme envisages grant of Compensation to the eligible Victims of Crime like rape, loss of life, injury causing disability or loss of limb or severe mental agony to women and child victims in cases like Human trafficking, kidnapping, molestation etc. There is provision for interim compensation also. Eligible Victim is entitled to Compensation not only when conviction takes place, but also if acquittal is recorded; or even in case, where victim is identified but accused is not identified or traced.

**Statistical information under Haryana Victim Compensation Scheme, 2013
from 01.04.2014 to 31.03.2015.**

Name of District	Number of applications received from 1.4.14 to 31.3.15.	Number of applications disposed of from 1.4.14 to 31.3.15.		Number of applications pending as on 31.03.2015.	Total amount of compensation awarded from 1.4.14 to 31.3.15.	Total amount of compensation disbursed from 1.4.14 to 31.3.15.
		Allowed	Disallowed			
Ambala	12	8	2	2	18,50,000/-	9,50,000/-
Bhiwani	11	1	5	5	2,00,000/-	2,00,000/-
Faridabad	10	10	0	05	6,50,000/-	6,50,000/-
Fatehabad	33	10	09	15	5,45,000/-	5,45,000/-
Gurgaon	50	37	7	6	7866000/-	6916000/-
Hisar	8	7	4	4	6,05,000/-	3,40,000/-
Jind	7	4	1	2	4,00,000/-	4,00,000/-
Kaithal	18	12	5	3	2569000	1319000
Karnal	6	4	0	2	6,30,000/-	6,30,000/-
Jhajjar	9	2	6	2	3,50,000/-	0
Kurukshetra	12	12	0	3	5,90,000	4,90,000

Mewat	2	1	1	0	50,000/-	50,000/-
Narnaul	4	1	2	1	50,000/-	50,000/-
Palwal	12	8	4	0	15,50,000	9,50,000
Panchkula						
Panipat	6	0	3	3	Nil	Nil
Rewari	4	5	3	0	655000/-	655000/-
Rohtak	08	02	04	02	5,00,000/-	5,00,000/-
Sirsa	11	9	1	2	6,15,000/-	3,15,000/-
Sonipat	19	24	1	5	33,20,000/-	25,70,000/-
Y.Nagar	30	19	04	08	38,80,000/-	0
TOTAL						

8. VISITS TO JAILS/OBSERVATIONS HOMES/CHILDREN HOMES

Chief Judicial Magistrates-cum-Secretaries along with Chairpersons of District Legal Services visit every month the children home, shelter homes etc. in their respective Districts. In case of any defect, non compliance with the provisions of relevant law, the matter is taken up with the concerned Department. In case of identification of mentally ill persons or persons with mental disabilities, the appropriate steps are taken in accordance with the Scheme of NALSA, 2010.

Number of visits by Secretaries of DLSAs and Panel Advocates of DLSAs in Jail/correctional Homes, children's Home, Observation Home, Psychiatric Home, Protection Home, Boarding School and Old Age Home w.e.f. 01-04-2014 to 31.03.2015.

Month	Jail/Correctional Homes	Children's Homes	Observation Home	Psychiatric Home	Protection Home	Boarding School	Old Age Home
April-14	144	34	30	2	110	1	0
May-14	159	38	31	4	131	1	0
June -14	167	29	17	2	149	3	0
July-14	244	36	36	3	148	2	0
August-14	190	35	35	4	178	4	0
Sept-14	180	29	33	3	146	21	2
Oct/14	135	35	37	3	138	2	1
Nov. 14	141	39	35	3	130	3	0
Dec/14	131	38	35	3	138	2	0
Jan15	119	37	46	4	148	4	1
Feb-15	120	32	24	3	145	4	1
March-15	122	31	34	5	144	3	0
Total	1852	413	393	39	1705	50	5

No of inmates help w.e.f. 01-04-2014 to 31.03.2015

Month	Jail/Correctional Homes	Children's Homes	Observation Home	Psychiatric Home	Protection Home	Boarding School	Old Age Home
April-14	3011	447	1350	50	83	48	0
May-14	2940	499	1536	15	183	0	0

June -14	2861	111	2065	0	225	110	0
July-14	3074	223	1990	42	217	0	0
August-14	2810	179	2223	0	236	162	0
Sept-14	2895	250	2299	40	178	41	56
Oct/14	2969	1232	2197	20	154	0	22
Nov.14	2833	403	2336	12	196	35	0
Dec/14	4622	860	846	22	169	235	0
Jan15	3632	882	467	50	155	281	15
Feb-15	2450	754	525	17	199	157	60
March-15	3642	892	464	35	214	178	0
Total	37739	6732	18298	303	2209	1247	153

9. INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME FOR LAW STUDENTS

Haryana State Legal Services Authority introduced internship programmes to give law students an insight into the legal aid and services mechanism besides various legal literacy programmes and schemes framed for “Access to Justice for All”. Internship programme is a unique platform for law students to put their legal knowledge, skills and experience into practices and take initiatives to reach out to the weaker sections of the society and see that they are benefited by the legal Services Programmes. Internship programme will be instrumental in bringing about directional changes in the implementation of various schemes and Legal

Services Programmes. The knowledge and experience of grass root realities gained at the initial stage of academic pursuit would be immensely valuable in their professional career.

The following intern programmes were held for the law students under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority (HALSA) in District Legal Services Authorities of Haryana:-

Panchkula-	04
Karnal-	01
Gurgaon-	01
Rewari-	01
Sonepat-	01

10. AWARENESS ABOUT FUNDAMENTAL DUTIES

The Fundamental Duties are an important part of Indian Constitution. To spread awareness about the Fundamental Duties embodied in our Constitution, the District Legal Services Authorities across the state of Haryana, under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority, are holding camps. School students are apprised about the importance of Fundamental Duties.

Number of programmes conducted on Fundamental Duties at School level or Community level and also essay competition on fundamental duties from April, 2014 to March, 2015.

Sr.No	Month	School Level	Essay competition	Community Level	Total
1	April	30	88	0	118
2	May	212	54	0	266
3	June	0	0	102	102
4	July	654	120	396	1170
5	August	773	188	724	1685
6	September	792	102	607	1501
7	October	786	9	837	1632
8	November	753	80	881	1714
9	December	974	43	841	1858
10	January	922	9	587	1518
11	February	967	20	616	1603
12	March	918	13	663	1594
	Total	7781	726	6254	14761

11. ADR CENTRES

STATUS REPORT OF DISTRICT ADR CENTRES

FROM 01.04.2014 TO 31.03.2015

S. No.	District	Present Status
1.	Ambala	Construction work is in progress.
2.	Bhiwani	ADR Centre inaugurated on 27.09.2014 and is functioning.
3.	Fatehabad	ADR Centre inaugurated on 20.12.2014 and is functioning.
4.	Hisar	ADR Centre inaugurated on 14.03.2015 and is functioning.
5.	Jind	Construction work is in progress
6.	Jhajjar	ADR Centre inaugurated on 27.09.2014 and is functioning.
7.	Karnal	Construction work is in progress.
8.	Kaithal	Construction work is in progress.
9.	Narnaul	ADR Centre inaugurated on 13.07.2014 in the existing Judicial Complex and is functioning.
10.	Panipat	This authority had already requested PWD Department to set up temporary ADR centre.

11.	Rohtak	ADR Centre inaugurated on 14.03.2015 and is functioning.
12.	Sirsa	ADR Centre inaugurated on 20.12.2014 and is functioning.
13.	Sonepat	ADR Centre inaugurated on 23.08.2014 and is functioning.

District ADR Centre Bhiwani, Fatehabad, Hisar, Jhajjar, Narnaul, Rohtak, Sirsa, Sonapat have started functioning. Temporary ADR Centers have already been set up in Litigants Hall in Judicial Court Complexes at Palwal, Mewat and Panchkula. Temporary ADR Centre is also being set up in Litigants Hall in Judicial Court Complex, Panipat.

12. FRONT OFFICES

Front Offices in all Legal Services Institutions have been set up to provide legal services. These are manned by Retainer Advocates, who devote their time exclusively to legal aid work. They render services like drafting notices, sending replies to lawyer's and drafting applications, petitions etc. The retainers are available on rotation basis in the front office established in the court complexes and advice to any person, who approaches them with any legal problem. Front Offices have been set up in all the districts and sub divisions of Haryana.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION WITH REGARD TO IMPLEMENTATION OF LEGAL AID PROGRAMMES IN THE STATE OF HARYANA FROM 1.3.1985 TO 31.5.2015.

1.	Number of Lok Adalats/Rural/Daily/PLA/Special Lok Adalats held	149816
2.	Number of cases taken up in all types Lok Adalats	5217177
3.	Number of cases settled in all types Lok Adalats	3265016
4.	Number of Motor Accident Claim Cases settled	47267
5.	Compensation paid in MACT cases (in Rs.)	4959808017
6.	Number of persons benefited under Free Legal Aid	105357
7.	Number of Legal Literacy Camps organized	31631
8.	Number of persons benefited under Legal Literacy/Awareness Camps	9443092

STATEMENT SHOWING THE CASES TAKEN UP AND SETTLED IN THE RURAL LOK ADALATS FROM THE YEAR 2006

1.	Number of Rural Lok Adalats held	2990
2.	Number of cases taken up	185215
3.	Number of Cases Settled	107702
4.	Number of Motor Accident Claim cases settled	193
5.	Revenue/Mutation cases settled	81964
6.	Compensation paid in MACT cases (in Rs.)	21612207

STATEMENT SHOWING THE CASES SETTLED IN THE PERMANENT LOK ADALAT PERTAINNING TO PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICES FROM 1.4.2006

1.	Number of Lok Adalats organized	10385
2.	Number of Cases taken up	281533
3.	Number of Cases Settled	80302

STATEMENT SHOWING THE CASES SETTLED IN DAILY LOK ADALATS FROM AUGUST, 2011

1.	Number of Lok Adalats organized	131504
2.	Number of Cases taken up	559242
3.	Number of Cases Settled	384931

STATEMENT FOR ACHIEVEMENTS OF VARIOUS SCHEMES LAUNCHED IN HARYANA

1.	Total Number of Legal Care & Support Centres	452
2.	Total beneficiaries in Legal Care & Support Centres	564282
3.	Legal Literacy Clubs in Government Schools/Colleges	2792
4.	Legal Literacy Clubs in Private Schools/Colleges	1045
5.	Total Number of Para Legal Volunteers	1844
6.	Total Number of Panel Advocates	1242
7.	Total No. of Cases Settled in Mediation	9727

Note: From 1st January, 2015, 311 Legal Care & Support Centres have been closed. After 1st January, 2015, 452 Legal Care & Support Centres are in Haryana.



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