



HIDAYATULLAH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY



LEGAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Named after one of the great legal luminaries of India Justice Mohammad Hidayatullah, Hidayatullah National Law University was established in May 2003 by the Government of Chhattisgarh with a view to impart and advance legal education by engaging in teaching and research, and to develop among students a sense of responsibility to serve the society in the field of law by taking to advocacy and reforms in law and justice administration system.

HNLU has completed the journey of more than one and half a decade and in such a short span of time, it has carved out a niche in the realm of legal education across India and the legacy is soaring towards newer heights day by day.

HNLU is the first National Level Institute established in the new State of Chhattisgarh and the sixth Law University in the country. Hon'ble Chief Justice of High Court of Chhattisgarh, Shri P. R. Ramachandra Menon is the Chancellor of the University.

Prof. (Dr.) V. C. Vivekanandan, former MHRD Chair Professor of IP Law at NALSAR University and also former Dean of the Rajiv Gandhi School of Law, IIT Kharagpur and School of Law, Bennett University is the Vice Chancellor of the University.

Dr. Deepak Kumar Srivastava is the In Charge Registrar of the University.

ABOUT THE LEGAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Legal Aid – plays an important role in the legal profession and mandate of having national law schools was to have a testing ground for bold experiments in legal education. Hence, Hidayatullah National Law University, through its Legal and Social Services Committee strives to ensure justice by furthering the right to be heard and enlightening the students about the practicality of the functions of the complex government machinery.

The passion and intellect of the Legal and Social Services Committee (LSSC) is to instil in individuals behaviour of attributing importance to the way we are governed. The aim of the committee has always been to ensure representation to the mass life and build a strong bond between those who are governed and those who govern them thus we focus on capacity building, empowerment of masses and creating awareness.

COMPOSITION OF THE COMMITTEE



Prof. Dr. V.C. Vivekanandan
Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor
Advisor



Dr. Balwinder Kaur
Convenor



Dr. Priyanka Dhar
Member



Ms. Aditi Singh
Member



Mr. Pradeep Barman
Member



Dr. Parvesh Kumar Rajput
Member



Ms. Vinita Tripathi
Member



Mr. Atul S. Jaybhaye
Member

The committee is further supported by fifteen elected class representatives from each section of five undergraduate batches and one class representative from the postgraduate batch. Two among them are elected as the student convenor and student vice-convenor of the committee and are responsible for implementing the decisions taken by the committee. Membership to LSSC is open to all the students and they can join the committee as co-opts and volunteers to assist the committee in performance of its duties.

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BLOOD DONATION CAMPS

Every year, the HNLU family reminisces one of its most effervescent members, Aanchal Singh of Batch VIII, who though lost her battle with death, lives in every HNLUite in spirit. And to commemorate this spirit of hers, the Aanchal Memorial Blood Donation Camp is held annually by the committee in collaboration with various organizations.

On 13th March, 2019, the Legal and Social Services Committee organised a Blood Donation Camp at the University Campus in collaboration with Red Cross Society. In the same year on 5th of November the committee organised a Blood Donation Camp at the University Campus in collaboration with Ram Krishna CARE Medical Sciences Pvt. Ltd., Department of Transfusion Medicine.

Both the events saw participation from faculty members, students and staff members of the University. A total of 250 Units of Blood were donated in the year 2019.



YOUTH CONFERENCE: AWARENESS CAMP

A team of Legal and Social Services Committee organised an awareness camp and conference in the neighbouring village of Sunderkhera at the Government Higher Secondary School, on the theme “Empower her for Change”.

The members dealt with legal aspects of Right to Education, Dowry Prohibition, Domestic Violence, Female foeticide, Child Labour and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences. An elaborate discussion took place on Chhattisgarh Tonhi Pratadna Nivaran Adhiniyam, 2005, institutions dealing with the welfare of women and informed the students about various social and educational schemes being run by the State Government of Chhattisgarh for providing benefits to the girl students and law as a career.



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REGIONAL CONSULTATION

The Legal and Social Services Committee represented the University at the 4th Regional Consultation on Strengthening and Promoting Law School Clinics in India which was organised by the JLU, School of Law in collaboration with Jindal Global Law School in Bhopal.

The aim of the consultation was to outline the importance of legal aid clinics in Law Schools and the issues that the law school clinics face such as funding, faculty workload and academics credits.



CONSTITUTIONAL LAW AWARENESS CAMP

An awareness camp was organized by Legal and Social Services Committee on Fundamental Rights and Duties enshrined in the Indian Constitution at the Government Higher Secondary School, Sundarkera. The University organised essay writing competition on the topic "Rights and duties of an Indian citizen in the context of the Constitution", speech contest on the topic "The purpose, concept and importance of the Indian Constitution" and role plays on Dowry and Eve teasing.



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AWARENESS CAMP ON ROLE OF DLSA

An awareness campaign was organized by the Legal and Social Services Committee of the Hidayatullah National Law University in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority, Raipur on “Role and Functioning of the DLSA” for the students of the university.

The Hon’ble Secretary DLSA, Raipur Shri. Umesh Kumar Upadhyay graced the occasion as the key note speaker. During his address he focused on the role that the legal aid services authority plays in the society and its importance. Further he gave an insight into the functioning of the DLSA and shared his experiences as the secretary DLSA, Raipur.

FUND RAISERS DURING COVID-19

The students of the committee have been involved in raising funds to extend a helping hand to all those in need during the Covid-19 crisis. Mr. Divyansh Tiwari with the help of other students collected funds to help Mr. Gouda who was stranded in Bhilai, Chhattisgarh. The fund so collected was utilised in buying Clothes and other basic necessities for Shri. Gouda. He also booked his ticket so that he may reach his home safely and without any further difficulty. The students came forward to help Mr. Gokul Vaishnav the fruit shop vendor at the University who was in financial distress during the lockdown.

The Committee has been involved in various fund raising initiatives in order to extend a helping hand to all those in need.



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EXTENDING HELP TO MIGRANT LABOURS

The Legal and Social Services Committee in collaboration with the Center for Social Justice (CSJ) worked towards providing relief to the migrant workers from the State of Chhattisgarh stranded in various parts of the country. The objective of the collaboration is to address the issues faced by them with respect to food, shelter and conveyance to travel back to their home state.

With the help of CSJ a detailed database of 8000 migrant workers from Chhattisgarh was prepared and the team contacted all the migrant workers stuck in Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal. Eventually there were all registered with the state government and returned safely to their homes.

AWARENESS CAMP ON SAFE PRACTICES IN THE PANDEMIC

The aim of our community outreach program was to induce adoption of safe practices to prevent the spread of Covid-19. Our efforts have been to encourage healthy practices such as hand hygiene, social distancing, breathing etiquette, along with identifying early signs of the disease. To facilitate access to protective masks the members have also been engaged in distribution of mask. The masks which were distributed were made as per the government norms and of right grade.



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COLLABORATIONS

MoU WITH YOURDOST

Hidayatullah National Law University signed a Memorandum of Understanding with YourDost Health Solutions Pvt Ltd for providing online counselling to students to deal with the emotional stress of their academic life which has been aggravated during this pandemic period. The online wellness platform can be accessed by students to reach out to professional counsellors of the firm which will ensure confidentiality and privacy of the students.

The service provider will also be conducting webinars and other programmes to help students to cope with tremendous stress they are undergoing at this time. The firm will also conduct offline programmes and meetings once the University is reopened. The YourDOST interface is being managed by the Legal Aid Cell (LAC) committee headed by Dr. Balwinder Kaur.

NATIONAL CAMPAIGN

The Committee always evaluates options at various junctions to establish strategic alliance and partnerships with other institutions to fulfil the goals and objectives of the Committee.

In line with this the committee entered in to a collaboration with Legal Aid Committee, Lucknow University. The objective of this collaboration is to aid the campaign which aims to disseminate legal awareness relating to LGBTQIA+ community; to transform policies relating to LGBTQIA+ issues into legally defined rights and fulfilment of human rights obligations; to safeguard LGBTQIA+ community against exploitation and to protect and promote rights of LGBTQIA+ community in furtherance of constitutional equality and social justice.

WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

The Legal and Social Services Committee (LSSC) commemorated the International Women's Day by a mix of on-field and off-field activities on the theme "Menstrual Health and Hygiene".

As a part of on field activity the committee organised an awareness camp in Ruabandha Basti of Bhilai on Menstrual Health and Hygiene. The members interacted with the women present at the occasion and learnt about the difficulties they face during menstruation. It was followed by a discussion with them about the safe practices to be followed. The members further engaged themselves in distribution of Sanitary Napkins to all of them in order to raise awareness for using the same. With this campaign the aim of the committee was to reach out to women and help them realise the importance of maintaining proper menstrual hygiene.

As a part of off field activity, the committee invited videos and posters from the students of the University on International Women's Day.



LSSC IN THE PRESS

Workshop on Indian Constitution at HNLU

■ Staff Reporter
RAIPUR, Feb 5

A WORKSHOP on Indian Constitution was organised by Legal and Social Services Committee of Hidayatullah National Law University (HNLU) under the guidance of Professor Dr V C Vivekanandan on Fundamental Rights and Duties enshrined in the Indian Constitution at the Government Higher Secondary School, Sundarkera.

During event, street plays on social evils were presented by the students of the school. Essay writing, speech and painting competition were organised by the university for the students in school.

During the essay writing competition, the students wrote an essay on the subject 'Rights and duties of an Indian citizen in the



Participants of HNLU during the workshop.

context of the Constitution'. In the painting competition, the students demonstrated their skills. In the speech competition, the students gave a speech on the topic 'The purpose, concept and importance of the Indian Constitution'.

The importance of the constitution was expressed by the university professors and students. Professors and students of the Legal and Social Services Committee of HNLU were present on the occasion. The com-

mittee members informed the students present there about the history of the constitution, its role and the fundamental rights and duties enshrined in it.

The Legal and Social Services Committee of HNLU has also tried to increase legal literacy in the society through awareness campaigns in the past years.

This programme was appreciated by the Principal of the school, Shobha Tiwari and it was discussed to organise such programmes in future.

Legal Awareness Drive conducted at HNLU



Students and faculties of HNLU during legal awareness drive.

■ Staff Reporter
RAIPUR, Feb 10

AN AWARENESS drive was organised in the Hidayatullah National Law University, in collaboration with District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Raipur on Monday. The programme was organised by the University's Legal and Social Services Committee.

Umesh Kumar Upadhyay, Secretary, DLSA, Raipur, was the keynote speaker. In his address, he stressed on working with the university in future in the context of spreading legal awareness in Chhattisgarh. He explained the students present there

functioning of the DLSA, its usefulness and its contribution to the society.

The programme was conducted by Dr Balwinder Kaur, Coordinator Legal and Social Service Committee. Committee members Priyanka Dhar, Vinita Tripathi, V Surya Narayana Raju were present on the occasion. The vote of thanks was proposed by committee member Pradeep Burman, Registrar of the University, Dr Ayan Hazra honoured the keynote speaker with a memento. The programme was successfully conducted under the guidance of the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor Dr V C Vivekanandan.

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हिदायतुल्ला नेशनल लॉ यूनिवर्सिटी रायपुर की लीगल एंड सोशल सर्विसेस कमेटी सेंटर फॉर सोशल जस्टिस के संयोग से छत्तीसगढ़ के बाहर फंसे मजदूरों को उनके घर पहुंचाने में लगी है. मजदूरों को उनके घरों तक पहुंचाने के लिए कमेटी द्वारा 11 सदस्यीय टीम बनाई गई है. एक माह से इसके लिए कार्य किया जा रहा है. अभी भी मजदूरों को श्रमिक ट्रेनों से लाकर पहले उनके गांवों में क्वारंटाइन कराया जा रहा है, उसके बाद उन्हें उनके घर भेजा जा रहा है.

एचएनएलयू ने प्रवासी श्रमिकों की समस्याओं को देखते हुए 7 मई को इस मुहिम की शुरुआत की. इस कमेटी का उद्देश्य श्रमिकों को भोजन, आश्रय प्रदान करने एवं उनको उनके गृह राज्य भेजने की व्यवस्था करना है. करीब 8 हजार प्रवासी श्रमिकों का एक डाटाबेस तैयार कर आंध्र प्रदेश, दिल्ली, गुजरात, हिमाचल प्रदेश, जम्मू एंड कश्मीर, कर्नाटक, महाराष्ट्र, ओडिशा, राजस्थान, तमिलनाडु, उत्तर प्रदेश एवं उत्तरांचल में फंसे श्रमिकों से संपर्क किया गया तथा उन्हें आवश्यकतानुसार भोजन एवं आश्रय की उचित व्यवस्था उन



मदद

◆ मजदूरों को लाने 11 सदस्यीय टीम बनाई

◆ एक माह से लगे हैं कार्य में, सभी मजदूर क्वारंटाइन

राज्यों में कार्यरत विभिन्न गैर सरकारी संगठनों की मदद से सुनिश्चित कराई गई.

टीम में यह हैं शामिल- एचएनएलयू के कुलपति डॉ. वीसी विवेकानंद एवं लीगल एंड सोशल सर्विसेस कमेटी की फैकल्टी को-ऑर्डिनेटर डॉ. बलविंदर कौर के मार्गदर्शन में शैलेन्द्र सिंह यादव, कन्वेनर, लीगल एंड सोशल सर्विसेस कमेटी की अगुवाई में 11 सदस्यीय टीम का गठन किया गया है. इसमें अनन्ना पांडे, आदित्य पांडे, सिमरन धनेर, शुभम जिंदल, शांतम पाटिल, वार्शुन भान, रमेश चौधरी, मौलिक श्रीवास्तव, विभूति देशमुख एवं प्रकाश पाटले शामिल हैं.

LSSC of Hidayatullah law University marks Women's Day



Masks and napkins being distributed.

■ As a part of on field activity the committee organised an awareness camp in Ruabandha Basti of Bhilai on Menstrual Health and Hygiene

■ Staff Reporter
RAIPUR, Mar 10

LEGAL and Social Services Committee (LSSC) of Hidayatullah National Law University (HNLU) Raipur commemorated the International Women's Day by a mix of on-field and off-field activities on the theme "Menstrual Health and Hygiene". As a part of on field activity the committee organised an awareness camp in Ruabandha Basti of Bhilai on Menstrual Health and Hygiene. The committee members Vibhuti Deshmukh and Akanksha Das anchored the awareness camp on behalf of the committee.

They interacted with the women present at the occasion and learnt about the difficulties they face during menstruation. It was followed by a discussion

with them about the safe practices to be followed.

The members further engaged themselves in distribution of sanitary napkins to all of them in order to raise awareness for using the same. With this campaign the aim of the committee was to reach out to women and help them realise the importance of maintaining proper menstrual hygiene. As a part of off field activity, the committee invited videos and posters from the students of the University on International Women's Day which saw a participation from Sushmita Mandal, Supriya Bhatpahari, Varshun Bhan, Nandini Tandon and Akanksha Das. The event was held under the guidance of Vice Chancellor Professor Dr V C Vivekanandan and Faculty Coordinator of the LSSC, HNLU Dr Balwinder Kaur.

Appreciating the initiatives of LSSC members on the occasion, Dr. Balwinder Kaur remarked, "It is indeed one of the most important days of the year to celebrate women's achievement, raise awareness and campaign for gender equality. HNLU is resolved to do its bit in its capacity in every possible way."

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