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Event: Visit of NATIONAL LOK ADALAT <u>Date:</u> 14th September'19 <u>Venue:</u> Karkardooma District Court, Delhi <u>No. of Participants: Students</u>-40 <u>Report Date</u>: 14th September'19

REPORT

A visit for the observation of LOK ADALAT at KARKARDOOMA District Court, Delhi (under the supervision of the National Legal Service Authority) and the visit was organised on 14th September'19 wherein 40 volunteers went to LOK ADALAT.

The visit was conducted under the kind supervision of **Dr. Pallavi Gupta** and **Mr. Manvendra** Singh.

Purpose of LOK ADALAT Visit:

The purpose of visit was to understand the working of court, the nature of duties of the judicial officer in the matter of LOK ADALAT. The visit helped us to understand the actual functioning of LOK ADALAT and that how it is beneficial to the people considering the advantages that came along also the disadvantages the parties had to face due to certain errors on the part of the court.





What is LOK ADALAT?

LOK ADALAT (People's Court) is one of the alternative dispute resolution mechanisms in India it is a forum where cases pending at pre litigation stage in a court of law are settled. They have been given statutory status under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987. Under this Act, the decision made by the LOK ADALATS is deemed to be a decree of a civil court and is final and binding on all parties and no appeal against such an award lies before any court of law. If the parties are not satisfied with the award of the LOK ADALAT (though there is no provision for an appeal against such decision), they are free to initiate litigation by approaching the court of appropriate jurisdiction.

OBSERVATION:

As we visited in court no.3, 34, 35, 35 A and there were very crowed but the Hon'ble Judges, were handling all the cases very calmly and he was so cool. There are various issues which raised during LOK ADALAT proceedings but one issue which raised its head often is the finally of the award of the parties which agrees to abide by the decision of the judge at the LOK ADALAT is the decision of the court itself though arrived at the simpler method of conciliation instead of the process of arguments.

The most important factor to be considered while deciding the cases at LOK ADALAT is the consent of both the parties. It cannot be forced on any party that the matter has to be decided by the LOK ADALAT. However, once the party agree that the matter has to be decided by the LOK ADALAT, then the party cannot walk away from the decision of the LOK ADALAT. At the end of the day we met one of the Secretary Mr. AKASH JAIN, he make us understand that how LOK ADALAT works and how it is helpful for people and what type of cases can be hear in LOK ADALAT, it was very informatics meeting with him.



Interaction with Secretary Mr. Akash Jain.



PROCEEDINGS OBSERVATION

These were the cause list of the proceedings of NATIONAL LOK ADALAT:

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	ArShahdara/Lok Adalat 7 <u>NATION</u> per directions of Ld. (2018-19/ September-2019 M. LOK ADALATION 14,09,2019 ORDER Officialing IDIstric Judge cum Chairman DL3 allocation of cases for the National Lok Adalat i	Dated: SA, Shahdara
No.	Name Of The Court To Which Cases Assigned	Name Of The Court From Which Cases Transferred	Associated Member
50	Sh, Ashwani Kumar Sarpal, Ld. Judge, Family Court	Own Court Cases and cases referred by the court of Ms. Reena Singh Naag, Ld. Principal Judge, Family Court	Ms. Bhagwan Lalwani, Ady,
	Sh. S.K. Sarvariya Ld. District and Sessions Judge, (Retd.)	Case referred by the courts of Sh. A.S. Jayachandra, Ld. District and Sessions Judge and Ms. Smith Garg, Ld.ADJ	Sh. Ravi Chauhan, Adv
	Sh. Vineet Kumar, L.d. ADJ		
48	Sh. Sushant Changotra, Ld. JSCC/ASCJ/G.SHIP	Own Court Cases, (Criminal Compoundable Cases and Piea Bargaining Cases), cases referred by the courts of Sh. Ajay Garg, Ld. CMM and Sh. V.K. Jha, Ld. ACMM, and MS. Genanial, Ld. SC/PIC	Sh, Kushagra Goel, Adv. 9711443294
31	Sh. Vikram, I.d. MM		Sh. Turiq Han Saifi, Adv.
312	Ms. Vidhi Gupta Anand, Ld. MM	Own Court Cases and NBT Chialtana, cases referred by the court of Ms. Kadambari, Ld., MM and Ms. Deepti Devesh, Ld. MM.	Ma, Shilpa Dalmia, Adv.
54	Ms, Snigdha Sarvariya, Ld. MM		Ms. Meenu Juneja, Adv.
.3N	Sh. Priyank Nayak, Ld. MM	Own Court Cases, Traffic Chullins of State Transport Authority and Mandawall Circle from the court of Sh. Ravinder/Kumar Pandey, Ld MM	Sh. Anii Kum Kamia, Ady.
37	Sh, Mayank Mittal, Ld. MM	Own Court Cases, Traffic Challans of Gaudhi Nagar and Shahdara Circle from the court of Sh. Ravinder Kumar Pandey Ld, MM.	Ms, Ankita Sharma, Adv.
	Sh. Vaibbav Chauraviya , I.d. CJ,	Own Court Cases, cases referred by the courts of Sh. Harvindor Singh. ACJ/ARC/Commercial Court, Sh. Ravinder Kumar Pandey, Ld. MM, and Ms. Samikshin Gupta, Ld. MM.	Ms, Tanuja Bose, Adv.



S.N.	Court No.	Name of courts to which cases assigned	Name of the court from which ca transferred
		Sh. Sanjay Kumar, Ld. Principal Judge Fast District	Own Court, cases + all cases referred the Court of Ms. Sarita Birbal, Ld. Ju Family Court, East Distr.
		Sh. Ajay Gupta, Ld. DHJIS	
		Dr. Satender Kumar Gautam, Ld. DHJS	
			Own Court cases + all cases referred Ms, Preefi Agarwala Ld, MM + all ea referred by Sh. Tushar Gupug Ld, Ma all Cases referred by Sh. Gauray Gupu J.d, MM + all Cases referred by Ms. Shivali Sharma, Ld, CMM



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CONCLUSION:

The LOK ADALAT proceedings were very conductive to seeking amicable resolution to disputes and saved the parties the cost of litigation. While a similar conductive environment is provided for in mediation, LOK ADALAT proceedings are a lot quicker.

We must remember that LOK ADALATS are not substitute for existing courts. LOK ADALAT lends itself to easy settlement of money claims; there is scope for the other disputes as well. In the end, LOK ADALAT helps Indian Judiciary to remove burden of pending cases, and can help people to seek permanent agreeable solution to disputes.



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