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**OF**  
**V. M. SALGAOCAR COLLEGE OF LAW**

**LEGAL AID REPORT**  
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## INTRODUCTION:

Legal Aid is a unique activity, which is in consonance with the College motto of 'Excellence in Legal Education in pursuit of Justice and Service to Humanity'. Helping the community concept is going on in this College since 1998. This mammoth activity comprising of 26 permanent free legal aid cells spread across the State of Goa. The concept of legal aid facility includes legal literacy, para legal services and pre-litigation process to the disadvantaged community. It extends also to representations, public interest litigation, law reforms, enforcement and implementation of law in practice. Our legal aid services are unique in its nature and recognized by many well-known institutes in India as well as in foreign countries. Planning Commission of India recognized the efforts of the college and students in its report. College legal aid society is administered through a well-knit, organizational structure, where decision making is devolved to the end level of the hierarchy

### The Functional Hierarchy


- a. Principal is the apex authority for all activities.
- b. Director heads the Society, assisted by an Associate Director
- c. Each faculty is in charge of 2-3 legal aid cells, who will inspect the weekly attendance register, approve the theme and content of legal literacy programs and act as the guide and facilitator for the cell.
- d. The Cell is headed by a Student in charge and assisted by a Deputy in charge, nominated by the cell members unanimously or selected by the faculty team which conducts annual inspection of the Cell.

All students are members of Legal Aid Cells for a period of minimum two years. Every year each member has to conduct 4 minor programmes to create awareness and one major programme/project for each legal aid cell. During the academic year 2019-20 LAS has conducted 24 Major programmes, and more than 1040 Minor programmes to create awareness on various legal issues to children, students, different stake holders as per the topic, and general public. Students also involved in conducting survey, projects, helping the public in availing various welfare schemes of announced by the State and Central Government. Every year college faculty members conduct inspection of all the Lac and the LAC are ranked basing on the performance in the previous year. Besides this college also conduct Inter LAC contest to encourage students in various activities like slogan, poster making, print press, script writing, elocution competitions. Based on the total points scored by the LAC, the winner would be declared. The winning LAC will be awarded with a certificate (winners and runners of each event) and Rolling trophy (Best LAC). This year Vasco LAC was adjudged as the Best LAC of the year (2019-2020).

This academic year 2019-2020 Porvorim Legal Aid Cell at Sanjay School conducted a survey with the object to educate the food handlers in maintaining health and hygiene. Further to encourage the street vendors to implementation of 12 Golden Rules. Survey was carried out in 5 places in North Goa. Report was prepared and submitted. As a result, the FDA Official conducted a training programme at VM S College of Law, Miramar on 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2020, for the street vendors and explained the Golden Rules, distributed the display boards consist of Golden rules to be put on the gaada.

Another legal Aid Cell initiated the process of implementing PMAY for the eligible public. They collected the data from the State Government Office and approached the appropriate




  
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Panchayats in implementing the scheme. Following year members of LAC will approach eligible public to collect required document to be submitted in order to avail the benefit.

Mala Legal Aid Cell shifted their place of functioning from Patto to BN Melvani Recreation Center for Senior Citizens, Fontainhas, Panaji, to help the Senior Citizens and local public in Mala area.

In the year 2019-2020 VM S C L Legal Aid Society received **KNOWLEDGE STEEZ LEGAL AID AWARD 2019**, presented by Knowledge Steez, New Delhi for VM SCL Legal Aid Society for its commitment in community engagement from January 2019 to November 2020. The award was presented on 19<sup>th</sup> January, Malviya Smriti Bhavan, New Delhi, at 4<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Human Rights and Gender Justice.



  
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**1. ANJUNA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Awareness program on topic women's right

**No. of attendees: 9**

The Anjuna Legal aid cell Conducted Awareness program on topic women's right on 22/09/2019.



  
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**2. ANJUNA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Awareness program on topic women's right

**No. of attendees: 13**

The Anjuna Legal aid cell Conducted Awareness program on topic women's right on 22/09/2019.



  
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**3. ANJUNA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Attended the “Gram-Sabha meeting in Anjuna caisua Village Panchayat-Anjuna

**No. of attendees: 9**

The Anjuna Legal aid cell Attended the “Gram-Sabha meeting in Anjuna caisua Village Panchayat-Anjuna on 29/11/2019.



  
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**4. ANJUNA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Domestic Violence in Muddo Vaddo Chapora

**No. of attendees: 10**

The Anjuna Legal aid cell conducted a programme on Domestic Violence in Muddo Vaddo Chapora 08/12/2019.



  
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**5. ANJUNA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Program on the Topic Road Safety at Government Primary School Huddo Waddo Chapora

**No. of attendees:** 7

The Anjuna Legal aid cell conducted a Program on the Topic Road Safety at Government Primary School Huddo Waddo Chapora on 09/12/2019.



  
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**6. ANJUNA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Program on the Topic Road Safety at Government Primary School Bandi Waddo Caisua

**No. of attendees:** 6

The Anjuna Legal aid cell conducted a Program on the Topic Road Safety at Government Primary School Bandi Waddo Caisua on 09/12/2019.



  
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**7. ANJUNA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Program on the Traffic Rules and Regulations at Assagao Union High school

**No. of attendees: 7**

The Anjuna Legal aid cell conducted a Program Traffic Rules and Regulations at Assagao Union High school on 27/2/2020.



  
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## 8. ANJUNA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:

**Programme:** Program on the Environmental Issues and Law at Panchayat Hall Anjuna

**No. of attendees: 13**

The Anjuna Legal aid cell conducted a Program on the Environmental Issues and Law at Panchayat Hall Anjuna on 14/02/2020.



  
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#### **9. ANJUNA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Program on the Topic Traffic Rules and Regulations at St. Joseph High School Arpora

**No. of attendees: 12**

The Anjuna Legal aid cell conducted a Program on the Topic Traffic Rules and Regulations at St. Joseph High School Arpora on 20/02/2020.



  
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#### **10. GUIRIM FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** talk on topic “Herd Mentality at St. Anthony high school, Guirim

**No. of attendees: 15**

The Guirim Legal aid cell conducted a talk on topic “Herd Mentality at St. Anthony high school, Guirim on 10/08/2019.



  
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#### **11. MANDREM FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Talk on “Right to Information Act, 2005” for the 7th, 8th & 9th std students at Peter Alvares High School, Morjim

**No. of attendees: 8**

The Mandrem Legal aid cell conducted a Talk on “Right to Information Act, 2005” for the 7th, 8th & 9th std students at Peter Alvares High School, Morjim on 30/08/2019.



  
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## **12. BANDORA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Talk on Consumer Law for the High School students at Government High School Daushirem, Tisk-Usgao

**No. of attendees: 15**

The Bandora Legal aid cell conducted a Talk on Consumer Law for the High School students at Government High School Daushirem, Tisk-Usgao on 21/08/2019.



  
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### **13. BANDORA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Talk on Consumer Law for the Government High School -Juna Bazar,Ponda

**No. of attendees: 15**

The Bandora Legal aid cell conducted a Talk on Consumer Law for the Government High School -Juna Bazar,Ponda on 21/09/2019.



  
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#### **14. MALA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Talk on Law of Succession under The Portuguese Civil Code, 1860 at B.N. Melvani Recreational Centre for 30 senior citizens

**No. of attendees: 15**

The Mala Legal aid cell conducted a Talk on Law of Succession under The Portuguese Civil Code, 1860 at B.N. Melvani Recreational Centre for 30 senior citizens on 14/12/2019.



  
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**15. MALA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Talk on Deed of Succession as per The Indian Succession Act at B.N. Melvani Recreational Centre for 30 senior citizens

**No. of attendees: 2**

The Mala Legal aid cell conducted a Talk on Deed of Succession as per The Indian Succession Act at B.N. Melvani Recreational Centre for 30 senior citizens on 11/1/2020.



  
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**16. MALA FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Talk on Law of Wills at B.N. elvani Recreational Centre for 25 senior citizens

**No. of attendees: 15**

The Mala Legal aid cell conducted a Talk on Law of Wills at B.N. elvani Recreational Centre for 25 senior citizens 24/1/2020.



  
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**17. BICHOLIM FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Program on Social Welfare Schemes for Senior Citizens at Second Innings, Bicholim

**No. of attendees: 18**

The Bicholim Legal aid cell conducted a Program on Social Welfare Schemes for Senior Citizens at Second Innings, Bicholim on 05/3/2020.



  
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### **18. BICHOLIM FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Talk on “Right to Information Act, 2005” for 8th A, 8th B & 9th std students at Viscount of Pernem High School, Pernem

**No. of attendees: 8**

The Mandrem Legal aid cell conducted Talk on “Right to Information Act, 2005” for 8th A, 8th B & 9th std students at Viscount of Pernem High School, Pernem



  
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07/2/2020.




**19. BICHOLIM FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Program on Consumer Protection Act and Duties of Seller at Curca, Goa Velha, Pilar Market

**No. of attendees: 15**

The Curca Legal aid cell conducted Program on Consumer Protection Act and Duties



  
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of Seller at Curca, Goa Velha, Pilar Market 25/2/2020.




**20. MANDREM FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Program on Talk on “Right to Information Act, 2005” for 8th A, 8th B & 9th std students at Viscount of Pernem High School, Pernem

**No. of attendees: 8**

The Mandrem Legal aid cell conducted a Talk on “Right to Information Act, 2005” for 8th A, 8th B & 9th std students at Viscount of Pernem High School, Pernem 7/2/2020.



  
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**21. MANDREM FREE LEGAL AID CELL:**

**Programme:** Programme on the topic “Protection of Women Against Domestic Violence.” at Village Panchayat Hall premises, Mandrem


**No. of attendees: 8**



  
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The Mandrem Legal aid cell conducted a Programme on the topic “Protection of Women Against Domestic Violence.” at Village Panchayat Hall premises, Mandrem 29/2/2020.



  
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