



राष्ट्रीय विधिक सेवा प्राधिकरण
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(Constituted under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987)



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To

The Member Secretary,
All the State Legal Services Authorities

Sub: National Lok Adalat Schedule – 2024.

Madam/Sir,

The National Lok Adalats across the country are organized as per the provisions of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 read with National Legal Services Authority (Lok Adalats) Regulations, 2009 in the Courts and Tribunals.

2. It has been the practice to conduct 4 National Lok Adalats in a year. Outcome of the National Lok Adalats organised during the years 2021, 2022 and 2023 has been encouraging with respect to pending and pre-litigation cases. The statistical figures of the cases disposed of in the National Lok Adalats held in last three years is as under:

Year	No. of Lok Adalats held	Pre-litigation Cases disposed of	Pending Cases disposed of	Total Cases disposed of
2021	4	72.06 lacs	55.82 lacs	127.88 lacs
2022	4	310.15 lacs	109.11 lacs	419.26 lacs
2023	4	673.78 lacs	136.52 lacs	810.30 lacs

3. Approved schedule of the National Lok Adalats in the year 2024 is as under:

1 st National Lok Adalat	09/03/2024
2 nd National Lok Adalat	11/05/2024
3 rd National Lok Adalat	14/09/2024
4 th National Lok Adalat	14/12/2024

4. The framework to conduct the National Lok Adalat will be as under:

- I. The cases may be referred as per the procedure prescribed in the said Act and Regulations, and necessary directions be issued to all concerned to conduct pre-lok Adalat or pre-conciliation sittings before the scheduled date of National Lok Adalat, so that the opportunities for negotiations may be offered to the parties to arrive at a compromise or settlement;

- II. It is imperative that cases, wherein there is scope of an amicable settlement, are identified in advance;
- III. Use of technology or digital platforms in the process for organizing NLA is promoted;
- IV. Generally, following types of cases (pre-litigation and pending) may be taken up for settlement in the National Lok Adalats :

a. Pre-litigation:

All type of Civil and Compoundable Criminal cases, as may be permissible under the Act/Regulations may be taken up. The data and record of registration of cases be maintained by DLSA/HCLSC or TLSC under the directions of SLSA.

SLSA will make all endeavours to promote registration of pre-litigation cases and services of notices through digital platforms/online mode to ease pressure on conventional system.

b. Pending in the Courts:

All type of civil and compoundable criminal cases including following:

- i. Criminal Compoundable Offences;
- ii. NI Act cases under Section 138;
- iii. Money Recovery cases;
- iv. Motor Accident Claim cases;
- v. Labour dispute cases;
- vi. Disputes related to Public Utility services such as Electricity & Water Bills cases etc. (excluding non-compoundable);
- vii. Matrimonial disputes (except divorce)/ Family disputes
- viii. Land Acquisition cases;
- ix. Service matters including pension cases;
- x. Revenue and other ancillary matter, pending before High Court, district Courts and state/ district/ taluka authorities.
- xi. IPR matters/ Consumer matters/ also other matters pending before any other quasi-judicial authority
- xii. Other civil cases (rent, easmentary rights, injunction suits, specific performance suits etc.).

Kindly place this communication before the Hon'ble Executive Chairperson, SLSA for His Lordship's kind information and seek necessary directions.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


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Member Secretary