



JHARKHAND STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY
PROJECT
AATMANIRBHARTA
(FOR ALL-ROUND UPLIFTMENT OF RURAL/TRIBAL/FOREST DWELLING WOMEN)

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1. Why is the Project

Every Nation or Civilization is known by how it treats its women. It is the duty of every Institution / Government to do everything for the welfare of women. Empowering women means empowering family. Condition of children and elderly people has direct connection with the status of women in the Society.

The Preamble of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987, underscores that the legal services authorities are concerned with the weaker sections of the society and imposes a duty on them to ensure that opportunities for securing justice are not denied to any citizen by reason of economic or other disabilities. Women are one of the most vulnerable sections of Society, if not financially empowered. Central and State Governments have taken a number of initiatives for welfare of women. Such initiatives include livelihood programmes, scholarships for study, credit linkage, pensionary benefits, health & maternity benefits etc. These Schemes have the potential to promote the gender justice and protect the women from all kinds of exploitations.

Very often women are unable to access the benefits due to severe lack of capabilities, social structures, economic marginalisation and exploitation, social values, cultural norms, discrimination etc. In this context, the role of JHALSA is a proactive one, where measures designed to alleviate poverty must be brought to the attention of the intended beneficiaries.

Further, JHALSA is very well suited to facilitating access to such poverty alleviation measures due to its last mile presence with about three thousands Para Legal Volunteers and 700+ Legal Services Clinics.

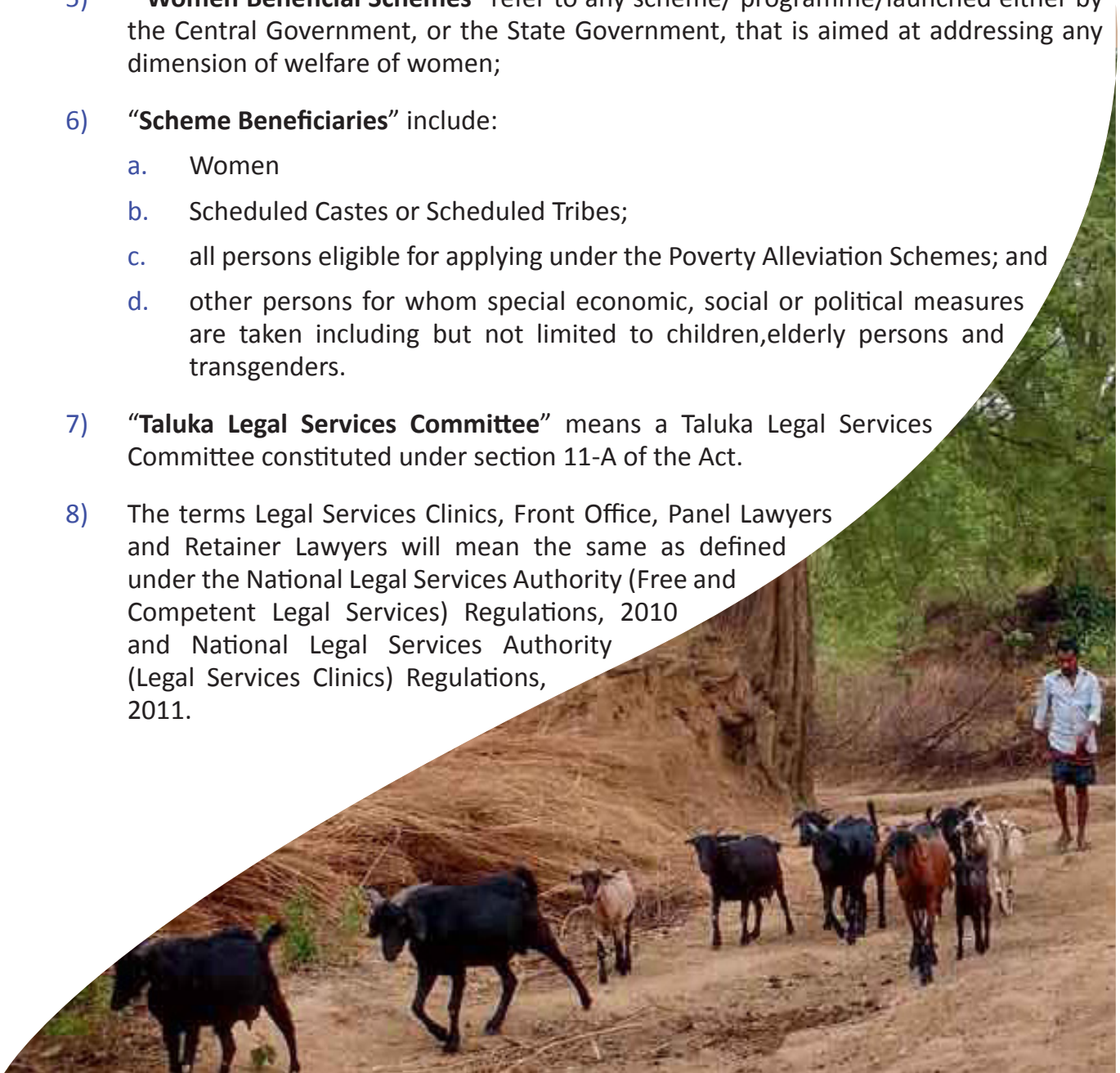
Therefore, this Project Aatmanirbharta lays down a mechanism for identification of poverty alleviation and social security measures, a framework for facilitating access to such measures by women and a model for effective review of these processes.

This Project is built on the foundation that all- round upliftment of women is a multi-dimensional experience and is not limited to issues of income. Multi-dimensional upliftment include issues like health (including mental health), housing, nutrition, employment, pension, maternal care, access to water, education, sanitation, subsidies and basic services, social exclusion, discrimination, etc.



2) Definitions

- 1) “**Act**” means the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.
- 2) “**State Authority**” means the Jharkhand State Legal Services Authority
- 3) “**District Authority**” means a District Legal Services Authority constituted under section 9 of the Act.
- 4) “**Para-legal volunteers**” refers to ‘PLV’ as defined and trained under the NALSA Scheme for Para Legal Volunteers (Revised) and Module for the Orientation – Induction – Refresher Courses for PLV Training.
- 5) “**Women Beneficial Schemes**” refer to any scheme/ programme/launched either by the Central Government, or the State Government, that is aimed at addressing any dimension of welfare of women;
- 6) “**Scheme Beneficiaries**” include:
 - a. Women
 - b. Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes;
 - c. all persons eligible for applying under the Poverty Alleviation Schemes; and
 - d. other persons for whom special economic, social or political measures are taken including but not limited to children, elderly persons and transgenders.
- 7) “**Taluka Legal Services Committee**” means a Taluka Legal Services Committee constituted under section 11-A of the Act.
- 8) The terms Legal Services Clinics, Front Office, Panel Lawyers and Retainer Lawyers will mean the same as defined under the National Legal Services Authority (Free and Competent Legal Services) Regulations, 2010 and National Legal Services Authority (Legal Services Clinics) Regulations, 2011.



3. Objectives of the Project Aatmanirbharta

- 1) To identify the suitable Women Beneficial Schemes of the Government most beneficial for all-round upliftment of women in a particular area;
- 2) To strengthen legal aid and support services for the rural or tribal or forest dwelling, women;
- 3) To spread awareness about the Women Beneficial Schemes through the District Legal Services Authority, Taluka Legal Services Authority, panel lawyers, social workers, para-legal volunteers, and students in legal aid clinics;
- 4) To create a database of all the existing central or state schemes, policies, regulations, policy directives, conventions, rules, and reports available concerning welfare of women;
- 5) To undertake and organise training and orientation programs, for panel lawyers, para-legal volunteers, student volunteers in legal aid clinics for their skill enhancement and for developing a sense of deeper engagement amongst them for implementing this Project; and
- 6) Develop effective coordination and interface with all government bodies or functionaries, institutions, authorities, NGOs and other organisations concerning or entrusted with the responsibilities relating to welfare of socially/ economically weaker sections of the society including women;

4) Identification of Women Beneficial Schemes

- 1) District Legal Services Authority shall identify the existing and active Women Beneficial Schemes applicable in the State and circulate a list of the same to all the Legal Services Clinics. The list shall include the following:
 - a. Women Beneficial Schemes applicable in that State along with the names of the specific districts in which they are applicable in that year;
 - b. Poverty Alleviation Schemes for women;
 - c. The name of the designated authority or the designated officer to be approached to access each of the Women Beneficial Schemes, as identified under each of them;
 - d. The list of documents required to access each of the Women Beneficial Schemes, as identified under each of them;
 - e. The benefits under each of the Women Beneficial Schemes, as provided for in each of them;

5) Organisation of Awareness programmes

- 1) JHASA in collaboration with the DLSAs of Jharkhand shall take steps for conducting awareness programmes to generate awareness about various Women Beneficial Schemes available in that District. Steps shall also be taken by Taluka Legal Services Committees to create awareness regarding the availability of legal services for accessing Women Beneficial Schemes in Panchayat Meetings, Town Hall Meetings, Pulse Polio Camps, Festival Gatherings or other village gatherings.
- 2) All DLSAs shall send a list of such programmes organised in their respective jurisdictions every six months to the State Authority.

6) Machinery for Implementation of the Project

- 1) Every District Legal Services Authority and Taluka Legal Services Authority shall constitute a Team for each of the Block of the District or Sub division for the purpose of this Project.
- 2) Such Team shall comprise of Panel Lawyer, Para Legal Volunteer, Retired Govt Employee and member from the Civil Society.
- 3) District Legal Services Authority shall conduct specialised training programs for the teams referred to above.
- 4) Each team shall chalk out strategy for optimal outcome in the Block and present the same to the DLSA.
- 5) End to end legal services shall be provided to the women beneficiaries , that is to say, they shall be assisted right from the filling up of the forms to availing the benefits.



7) Maintenance of Records

It shall be the duty of the Secretary, DLSA to maintain the records of the :

- Persons/Family assisted;
- Kind of assistance;
- How the DLSA reached the vulnerable person;



8) Any person in need of assistance may contact :

Member Secretary, JHALSA on his Mobile No. 8986601912 (this is whatsapp no. as well) or on email- jhalsaranchi@gmail.com

Email ID of District Legal Services Authorities and Contact Number of DLSA Secretaries are as follows :

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