"LEGAL AID CAMP: AWARENESS ON POST ARREST PROCEDURE"

(Report on the event conducted in Ghaziabad, Indirapuram on May 28th, 2017)

Abstract: This event was conducted by two Para-legal volunteers from Legal Aid Centre, S.L.S.-Noida. Since, there are larger numbers of weaker strata involved in petty issues and sometimes the cops harass them intentionally, the two member team thought to held an Awareness camp on Post Arrest Procedure for the weaker strata of the society. The procedure of arrest is well versed with the police department but being a citizen of our country the after arrest right to the person is must to know. Especially in case of the ones who cannot get enough knowledge of the same.

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1. Concept Note:

The Legal Aid Centre at Symbiosis Law School, NOIDA conducts several awareness programs to assist the indigent society of our country. Since the evolution of law and its expansion made by the apex court, Indian Legal System has witnessed several judgements in realm of civil laws as well as criminal laws. Criminal Acts are rough and untidy for the whole nation but to harass the innocent population out of the indigent one's who have no means or ways to help themselves is the gross act, which can ever occur.

Seeking the same proposition and thought in mind, team of two Para-legal volunteer conducted an Awareness Camp on Post- Arrest Procedure on 28th May, 2017.

The Indian Legal System ever since its inception has fought for justice and caught hold of the wrongdoers. But, every person in a difficult situation must know a solution to an extent about him/her being not lured by the system. Thus, Post Arrest Procedure and the rights which an accused or wrongdoer carries after being arrested is must for him/her to know.

2. Objective:

The main objective of the Legal Aid Centre of SLS- NOIDA to make the Awareness on Post Arrest Procedure was, to protect the interest and increase the practical knowledge among the crowd which cannot be well-versed with the real education system.

- To ensure that the weaker strata of our country can protect themselves through a practical knowledge if they don't have any third person at the moment to assist them.
- As all the fundamental right one of the Right to Knowledge is a universally accepted principle for which the event was conducted.

3. Conducting the program:

The team of PLVs had organized the event in small markets of Indirapuram, Ghaziabad. Firstly, they started with a vegetable vendor wherein he did ask their motive behind the same and so they explained him. Likewise, the team continued with five-six people. The rationale which they construed from the whole event was that, all of them did not have any knowledge about their

rights in r/o arrest & post-arrest procedure which is most important for them.

The team started asking question about whether they or their relatives have ever come across such incidence and what measures did they take after that.

4. Response of the target population

While making the target population aware of the subject matter, they were showing keen interest. One of them even had some little knowledge and so he was asking some doubts which he had. It was an interactive session.

They could not speak much on the subject matter due to less knowledge and busy wondering about our help towards them because normally every human ill-treats them. Their expression of interest was visible to the team of PLVs. They were in the very first instance ready to hear because they know that it is very necessary for them to attain this knowledge.

5. Future plan of action

As this was the first event on this subject matter with a team member of two people, the team plans to conduct such program on a bigger platform with a large number of target audiences.

6. Suggestions/Feedback

Various ways in which the program could be better conducted in future are as follows:-

<u>No. of Volunteers</u>- The number of volunteers for the program should be definitely more than 2, because if there are more helping hands, then the objective could be better served and achieved.

7. Conclusion/Remarks

Overall this was a great experience and learning process as para-legal volunteers and it made them realize the fact that, people are interested in gaining knowledge if people, like PLVs, step up and give them time, and listen to them. It may be said that listening them, giving them opinion & suggestion will be the best way.

Photos of Event











