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NEW DELHI, 24th April, 2025: The commencement of Celebrations of Three Decades of NALSA and the Western Regional Conference will be graced by the august presence of Hon'ble Mr. Justice B.R. Gavai, Judge, Supreme Court of India & Executive Chairman, NALSA; Hon'ble Mr. Justice Surya Kant, Judge, Supreme Court of India & Chairman, Supreme Court Legal Services Committee; Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Sunita Agarwal, Chief Justice, High Court of Gujarat; Hon'ble Mr. Justice Biren A. Vaishnav, Judge, High Court of Gujarat & Executive Chairman, GSLSA; Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.S. Supehia, Judge, High Court of Gujarat & Chairman, HCLSC; and Shri S.C. Munghate, Member Secretary, NALSA.

The Western Regional Conference, organized jointly by National Legal Services Authority and Gujarat State Legal Services Authority (GSLSA), will take place at the Conference Hall, Kevadia, District Narmada, Gujarat, on 26th April, 2025. This event will not only celebrate NALSA's three decades of services but also bolster its vision of promoting an inclusive legal system to deliver justice to the underprivileged. It marks a notable milestone in NALSA's unwavering dedication to ensuring access to justice for all.

A series of significant launches and initiatives are scheduled for the conference, including the launch of NALSA (JAGRITI) – Justice Awareness for Grassroots Rural Information and Transparency Initiative Scheme, 2025, which will be accompanied by a dissemination video, jingle, e-launch, and hardbound release. The revised NALSA (DAWN) – Drug Awareness and Wellness Navigation for a Drug-free India Scheme, 2025, and NALSA (SAMVAD) – Strengthening Access to Justice for Marginalized, Vulnerable Adivasis and Denotified/Nomadic Tribes Scheme, 2025, will also be introduced with similar outreach materials.

An essential component of this event will be the screening of a three-part documentary series that outlines NALSA's journey, from its inception to its present role in ensuring justice for all, simultaneously detailing its current initiatives and long-term vision. This

series highlights NALSA's continued commitment to empowering marginalized communities and enhancing access to justice across India.

In addition to this, "Speak Up", a handbook on the POSH Act, 2013, will be unveiled both in English and "आवाज़ उठाओ" in Hindi and also through a dissemination video, e-launch, and hardbound copy. The conference will also feature the release of a book, "NALSA@30 - A Legacy of Free Legal Aid" and impactful videos on "Lok Adalat: Expanding Justice" and "Mediation First: Towards Peaceful Settlements", supported by dissemination videos and jingles.

A notable highlight will be the launch of the NALSA (ASHA) SOP – Towards Eliminating Child Marriage, 2025, the new NALSA website, migration of SLSA websites to S3waas and the introduction of NALSA's AI-powered chatbot "LESA (Legal Services Assistant)". The conference will also introduce "NALSA @Connect", complemented by an explainer video, showcasing NALSA's dedication to enhancing legal services outreach through technology and innovation.

The dissemination videos throughout these initiatives will feature prominent figures such as Pankaj Tripathi, Shivaji Satam, Rajkumar Rao, Dr. Prakash Amte, Shyam Sunder Paliwal, and Bhaichung Bhutia, adding influential voices to the cause of justice and awareness.

The Western Regional Conference bears witness to NALSA's transformative journey and unwavering commitment to ensuring justice for all, particularly the most vulnerable. With a range of impactful initiatives, NALSA continues to empower citizens, bring justice closer to every remotest corner of India, and remain true to its vision of fostering a society based on equality, fairness and dignity for all.
