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DLSA Conducts POCSO Awareness Programme at Rongkhon Don Bosco Hr. Sec. School

Tura, May 19, 2026: The District Legal Service Authority (DLSA), West Garo Hills, Meghalaya, successfully conducted an awareness programme titled “Surakshit Bachpan, Surakshit Bhavishya” under the NALSA (JAGRITI) Scheme, 2025, at Rongkhon Don Bosco Higher Secondary School, Tura.



The programme focused on sensitization regarding the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, and aimed to create awareness among students and the community about child protection, legal rights, and safety measures.



Mrs. I.R. Marak, MJS, Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, West Garo Hills, chaired the programme. The Headmaster/Principal of Rongkhon Don Bosco Higher Secondary School delivered the welcome address and vote of thanks.



During the programme, Miss Grangchira Ch. Marak, Assistant Legal Aid Defence Counsel, introduced the NALSA (JAGRITI – Justice Awareness for Grassroots Information and Transparency Initiative) Scheme, 2025. Miss Sahithya Pavana Sai Kasiraju, IPS, SDPO Sadar, Raksamgre, delivered an informative session on the provisions and significance of the POCSO Act, 2012.



Representatives from the District Child Protection Unit, Tura, also addressed the gathering on issues related to child protection and safeguarding children from abuse and exploitation.

As part of the awareness initiative, public screenings and street plays (Nukkad Nataks) were conducted by Assistant Legal Aid Defence Counsels Shri Jingjang Ch. Marak and Shri Namsrang Ch. Momin to educate participants on the provisions of the POCSO Act and domestic violence laws in an engaging and interactive manner.

The programme also witnessed the installation of a Legal Awareness Corner coordinated by Shri Jericho R. Marak, Assistant Legal Aid Defence Counsel, Tura, to promote continued access to legal information and awareness materials.

Meanwhile, the DLSA informed that similar awareness programmes under the NALSA (JAGRITI) Scheme will also be organized in other institutions and villages across West Garo Hills, including Jengjal Megapgre, Dorenggre, and Bidanchi Higher Secondary School, Tura.

The programmes will be conducted by Assistant Legal Aid Defence Counsels Shri Jingjang Ch. Marak, Shri Namsrang Ch. Momin, Miss Grangchira Ch. Marak, and Shri Jericho R. Marak as part of the continuing legal awareness and child protection campaign in the district.



The awareness programme received active participation from students, teachers, and officials, highlighting the collective commitment towards ensuring child safety and promoting legal awareness in the community.