

REPORT ON

SECOND LOK ADALAT, 2024

Event Date: 11/05/2024

Venue: District and Session Judge Court Campus, Kamrup (M)

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Objective: Lok Adalat is one of the Alternative Dispute Redressal mechanisms, it is a forum where disputes/cases pending in the court of law or at pre-litigation stage are settled/compromised amicably. Lok Adalats have been given statutory status under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987. Hence in order to facilitate the students to know about the dispute redressal mechanism and to understand the procedure there was a need to visit the same.

On 11th of May, 2024, Dispur Law College, Guwahati, organized a visit to the 2nd National Lok Adalat, 2024, held at the District and Session Judge Court Campus, Kamrup (M) as per Memo no. DLSA/2053/2024 dated 10th May 2024. A group of 18 students from the institution attended the Lok Adalat and observed its proceedings. The students were guided and accompanied by Ms. Kaberi Sonowal, Assistant Professor (Law), Dispur Law College.

The Lok Adalat visit were divided into STAT MACT Court-1, MACT Court 2 &3, CJM Court, District& Sessions Judge Court campus.



Fig.1.0 & 1.1: Students attending the Lok Adalat

During this National Lok Adalat, a significant number of cases were resolved including money recovery disputes, motor accident claims, and public utility service issues such as telephone, electricity, and water bills.

The experience provided valuable insights into the operations of this Alternative Dispute Resolution mechanism. It was apparent that the Lok Adalat plays a vital role in the legal system by facilitating prompt justice and alleviating the caseload of traditional courts. The focus on reconciliation and mediation for resolving disputes, pertaining to the Motor Vehicles Act and Money recovery disputes was particularly commendable.

The visit to the Lok Adalat was a valuable learning experience, highlighting the importance of Alternative Dispute Resolution methods in pursuit of a fair and just society.

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