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Legal Awareness Programme on Women's Rights and Child Protection Laws Held at Khliehriat Market, East Jaintia Hills District

Khliehriat, July 10, 2026: The District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), East Jaintia Hills District, under the aegis of the Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority (MSLSA), organized a Legal Awareness Programme today the 10th July, 2026 at Khliehriat Market to raise public awareness on important legislations relating to the protection of women and children.



The awareness programme focused on The Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, and the Immoral Traffick (Prevention) Act, 1956.

Deputy Legal Aid Defence Counsel, District Legal Services Authority (DSLTA), East Jaintia Hills District, Smti. R. Lyngdoh, attended the programme as a resource person.



In her address, Smti. Lyngdoh elaborated on the objectives and salient provisions of the above acts, highlighting the legal rights and protections available to women and children. She also explained the penalties prescribed under the law and also stressed the importance of promptly reporting cases of domestic violence, child sexual abuse, trafficking and other forms of exploitation.

Smti. Lyngdoh also sensitized members of the public on their rights and legal remedies under these acts, emphasizing the need to create a safe and supportive environment for women and children. She also encouraged citizens to remain vigilant, uphold the dignity and rights of vulnerable sections of society and actively support efforts to prevent violence and exploitation.

During the programme, participants were informed about the free legal aid and assistance provided by the District Legal Services Authority(DLSA) to eligible persons and were encouraged to avail themselves of these services whenever required.