## **OBSERVANCE OF CONSTITUTION DAY**

In order to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India with a focus in creating awareness on duties of citizens including Fundamental Duties that are enshrined in Chapter IV-A (Article 51A) of the Constitution of India, the Constitution Day was observed by Sikkim State Legal Services Authority on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 in the office premises of Sikkim SLSA, Development Area, Gangtok.

Shri Sonam Palden Bhutia, Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Mrs. Matilda Isaacs, Special Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, Officers/Officials of Sikkim SLSA were part of the programme. Whereas, Teachers-in-Charge and students of Legal Literacy Clubs in Schools of East District viz; Paljor Namgyal Girls Senior Secondary School, Deorali Girls Senior Secondary School, Modern Senior Secondary School, Enchey Senior Secondary School, West Point Senior Secondary School, Tashi Namgyal Senior Secondary School and also law students from Sikkim Government Law College, Burtuk were invited to observe the historic day.

The Day was observed with reading of the Preamble to the Constitution of India by Mr. Sonam Palden Bhutia, Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA and thereafter he also apprised the participants of the significance of Constitution Day and elaborated on Fundamental Duties contained in the Constitution of India with a power point presentation. A ten minutes video was also displayed during the programme.

Similarly, the Constitution Day was also observed by the following District Legal Services Authorities by reading the Preamble to the Constitution of India to Panel Lawyers, PLVs and staff members present during the occasion and they were also informed about the significance of Constitution Day and Fundamental Duties, the details of which are as follows:

SI.	Name of the DLSA	Venue
No.		
1.	East Sikkim at Gangtok	ADR Centre, Sichey
2.	North Sikkim at Mangan	Conference Hall of District Court, Mangan
3.	South Sikkim at Namchi	District Court premises, Namchi
4.	West Sikkim at Gyalshing	ADR Centre, Gyalshing