

8. HIMACHAL PRADESH

LEGAL AID

Legal aid is provided free of cost to persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes by the Legal Aid Board of the State Government and no income limit has been fixed for them. The free legal aid also includes the expenses of Travelling Allowance, Dearness Allowance and expenses of Court fees, etc.

RELIEF MEASURES

Financial assistance is provided to the victims of the offences of atrocities as per the prescribed norms. During the year 2005, an amount of Rs. 4.30 lakh was sanctioned to 29 persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL OFFICERS

Officers of the rank of Additional District Magistrate function as Special Officers and the Deputy Superintendents of Police in each district is the Investigating Officer.

COMMITTEES

A State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee under the Chairpersonship of the Chief Minister reviews implementation of the Act. The District Level Committees have also been functioning under the Chairpersonship of District Magistrate in each District.

SPECIAL COURTS

11 designated special courts are functioning in the State.