

Ministerial Briefing on the Activities of the Jigawa State Ministry of Justice from January to December 2021 Presented by Dr. Musa Adamu Aliyu, Honourable Attorney-General and Commissioner of Justice Jigawa At the Conference Room of the Ministry of Justice Block B, 2nd Floor, New State Secretariat Dutse on Wednesday 29th December, 2021 (Jumada Al-Awwal 25th 1443)

Assalamu alaykum,

Distinguished Members of the Press, Ladies and Gentlemen.

All praises are to Allah (SWT), the creator of the universe and our sustainer, peace and blessings of Allah be to His noble Prophet Muhammad (SAW).

It is my single honour and privilege to welcome you to this end of the year Ministerial Briefing. The essence of this briefing is to inform members of the public of the activities of the Ministry of Justice in the year 2021 for the purposes of transparency and accountability which is in line with the policy of His Excellency the Executive Governor of Jigawa State Alhaji Muhammad Badaru Abubakar MON mni.

The Ministry of Justice is one of the Ministries that coordinate the affairs of the State Government. It is headed by the Commissioner for Justice who doubles as the Attorney-General and Chief Law Officer of the State. The main functions of the Ministry include:

- (a) Preservation of the laws, legislations and regulations made by the state House of Assembly;
- (b) Prosecution and defending of all criminal offences committed against state laws;
- (c) Defending of all civil suits filed by or against the state government or any of its MDAs;
- (d) Drafting and giving legal opinions to the State Government or any of its MDAs;
- (e) Drafting of Agreements, MoUs, Power of Attorney and any other legal document for the State Government, LGAs or MDAs;
- (f) Coordination of functions of all stakeholders in the administration of justice;

The activities of the Ministry are coordinated through departments. The departments are:

1. Legal Drafting Department
2. Public Prosecution Department
3. Civil Litigation Department
4. Citizens' Rights Department, and
5. Planning, Research and Statistics Department

1. DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL DRAFTING

The Legal Drafting Department is the Department responsible for among other things, vetting of Bills, vetting of contracts, drafting agreements, giving a legal opinion on issues forwarded to it by other MDAs etcetera.

During the period under review (January, 2021 to December, 2021) the Legal Drafting Department has done the following;

Drafting of Law and Bills

1. The Department had participated in the drafting and vetting of the Violence Against Persons Prohibition Law – 2021.
2. Participated in Drafting the following Bills which are now before the State House of Assembly awaiting passage.
 - (a) Child Protection Bill (signed into Law by the Governor on the 22nd December, 2021),
 - (b) Social Protection Bill
 - (c) Public Complaints and Anti-Corruption Commission Bill

Amendment of some Laws

3. The Department has also participated in the amendments of some laws, including the
 - (a) State Audit Law, No. 2 and No. 3
 - (b) College of Nursing Birnin-Kudu, to make it a National Diploma Awarding Institution among other things.
 - (c) The Department is in the process of amending all Public Health Laws in the State, no fewer than 40 of them. The rationale is to give the State impetus at addressing Public Health Events as they come up.

Drafting and Vetting of Contract Agreements

As mentioned earlier, this Department is saddled with the responsibility of drafting agreements between the State Government and contractors. In this regard, the Department has drafted hundreds of contract agreements on behalf of the Government.

Related to the foregoing is the vetting of other documents such as Memorandum of Understanding between the Government and other bodies, including Donor Agencies Intervention Programs etc.

General Administration

In addition to the responsibilities mentioned above, the department is also deeply involved in other administrative responsibilities, directed to it. Which include attending the meeting, several on committees in the State.

2. DIRECTORATE OF PUBLIC PROSECUTION

The Directorate of Public Prosecution as a unit in the Ministry of Justice is saddled with the responsibility of prosecuting all criminal cases in various courts. This is done by collecting case diaries from the police. The unit prepares legal advice and charges on all case diaries received from the police and other security agencies such as Nigeria Security and Civil Defense Corps (NSCDC) and the Department of State Services (DSS). In addition, the unit receives complaints on criminal matters from members of the public and file direct complaints on behalf of such nominal complainants and the state. The department is also responsible for prosecuting appeals from Magistrates Courts to High Court; High Court to Court of Appeal and from Court of Appeal to the Supreme Court.

In the year under review, the Unit has received a total number of One Hundred and Ninety-Six (196) case diaries while One Hundred and Seventy-Eight (178) pieces of legal advices were prepared in respect of the case diaries, received. Out of the total number of the case diaries Ninety (90) were rape cases; twenty-seven were (27) culpable homicides; sodomy has thirty-one (31); kidnapping and abduction have a total number of eighteen (18) cases; incest two (2); two (2) Acts of gross indecency; twenty (20) armed robberies while road traffic offences have two (2) cases.

A comprehensive list is tabulated below thus:

S/N	NATURE OF THE OFFENCE	NUMBER OF CASES
1	RAPE	90
2	HOMICIDE	27
3	SODOMY	31
4	ABDUCTION/KIDNAPPING	18
5	ACT OF GROSS INDECENCY	2
6	ROBBERY	20
7	INCEST	2
8	CHEATING	3
9	FATAL ACCIDENT	3
TOTAL		196

The department has prosecuted and defended a total number of twenty-five (25) appeals before Court of Appeal, Kano Division.

The department has also completed the prosecution of Eighty-Three (83) criminal trials before Eight (8) High Courts at Birnin Kudu, Dutse, Gumel Hadejia, Kazaure and Ringim. Thirty-Four (34) convictions and Forty-Nine 49 defendants were discharged and acquitted.

The department as stated earlier has received complaints from the public and referred the same to court and/or other security agencies for further action. Similarly, security agencies refer issues to the directorate for appropriate action. The nature of the issues and complaints consist of fraud, unwanted pregnancies, cyber-crime, assault, abduction, rape and adultery.

The department is also responsible for the movement and conveyance of inmates from various correctional facilities to our various High Courts for

prosecution. In the year under review, the state government has released funds for the activities. The directorate has therefore in collaboration with the officials of correctional facilities conveyed a large number of inmates from various correctional facilities.

We have also attended various meetings with stakeholders for smooth take-off of the Administration of Criminal Justice Law in Jigawa State. We frequently visit the State Criminal Intelligence & Investigation Department (SCIID) to assist them in conducting a thorough investigation in high profile cases such as rape and abduction.

3. DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL LITIGATION

The Department of Civil Litigation is the one responsible for handling all civil cases and civil appeals on behalf of the State/Local Governments as well as supervising the State Rent Tribunal.

Below is the list of cases received in the year, 2021 and their respective positions as well as those received before 2021 but disposed off. The cases are:

1. SALEH ISMA'IL TSANGARWA VS. GWARAM LGC (CV/04/2021) PENDING BEFORE CMC BIRNIN-KUDU
Claim of contractual liability against the Defendant and adjourned for possible out of court settlement.
2. ALH. LAMARA ADAMU VS. GWARAM LGC (CV/07/2021) PENDING BEFORE CMC BIRNIN-KUDU
This is a claim for contractual liability against the Defendant and adjourned for possible outcome of court settlement.
3. DIKKO WOSU VS. VILLAGE HEAD OF KALASU & ANOR (CV/33/2020)
This is a land dispute and it was determined by the Upper Sharia Court of Appeal, Dutse and ordered for retrial at Upper Sharia Court Gwaram.
4. KAFIN-HAUSA LGC VS. MANUGA ALAGARNO (JDU/015/2021) PENDING BEFORE HIGH COURT GUMEL
Declaration of title to land and adjourned for adoption of answers to pre-trial questions.

5. ATTORNEY GENERAL OF LAGOS STATE VS. A.G. FEDERATION & 35 ORS (SC/245/2017) PENDING BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT
6. ALH. ABDULLAHI HARUNA & 3 ORS. VS. HON. COMMISSIONER JIGAWA STATE MINISTRY OF LANDS & REGIONAL PLANNING & 5 ORS. (CA/KN/8/2021)
Land dispute and pending at the Court of Appeal, Kano Division.
7. MUHD ABUBAKAR MAS'UD VS. A.G. JIGAWA STATE & 2 ORS (JDU/001/2021)
Land dispute and adjourned for hearing of Claimant's witnesses at the High Court 3, Dutse Division.
8. ALH. USMAN KANI VS. GWARAM L.G. & 2 ORS (JDU/003/2021)
Claim of contractual liability and judgment entered against the Defendants vide the Claimant's application for summary judgments by the High Court No. 3 Dutse Division after several attempts for settlement failed.
9. GAMBO ADO VS. GWARAM L.G. & 2 ORS (JDU/002/2021)
Claim of contractual liability and judgment entered against the Defendants vide the Claimant's application for summary judgments by the High Court No. 3 Dutse Division after several attempts for settlement failed.
10. ALH. DANLAMI UMAR KILA VS. GWARAM L.G. & 2 ORS (JDU/004/2021) Claim of contractual liability and judgment entered against the Defendants vide the Claimant's application for summary judgments by the High Court No. 3 Dutse Division after several attempts for settlement failed.
11. ALH. SAMA'ILA USAINI VS. GWARAM L.G. & 2 ORS (JDU/005/2021) Claim of contractual liability and judgment entered against the Defendants vide the Claimant's application for summary judgments by the High Court No. 3 Dutse Division after several attempts for settlement failed.
12. KABIRU SANI KILA VS. GWARAM L.G. & 2 ORS (JDU/006/2021) Claim of contractual liability and judgment entered against the Defendants vide the Claimant's application for summary judgments by the High Court No. 3 Dutse Division after several attempts for settlement failed.

13. UMAR MOHD SABO VS. JIGAWA HOTELS LTD & 2 ORS (NICN/KN/11/2021). Labour dispute and settled amicably out of court on 4th October, 2021 at the National Industrial Court, Kano Division.
14. ALH. SALISU KIYAWA & 10 ORS VS. KIYAWA LOCAL GOVERNMENT & ANOR (JDU/020/2021). Claim of contractual liability against the 1st Defendant. Judgment entered on 10th August, 2021 in favour of the Defendants by the High Court NO. 1 Dutse Division.
15. BASIRU GARBA VS. IGP & 2 ORS (FHC/DT/CS/05/2021) Enforcement of fundamental right. The application was heard by the Federal High Court, Dutse Division and same was dismissed on 21st September, 2021 for lacking in merit.
16. SHEHU MOHD VS. IGP & 2 ORS (FHC/DT/CS/04/2021). Enforcement of Fundamental Right. The application was heard by the Federal High Court, Dutse Division and same succeeded thereby declaring the arrest and detention of the Applicant by the Commissioner of Police and DPO Kiri-Kasamma Division as unconstitutional and illegal and a compensation of Two Million Naira (₦2,000,000.00) on 21st September, 2021.
17. MOHD. ALH. DABUWA VS. IGP & 2 ORS (FHC/DT/CS/06/2021) Enforcement of Fundamental Right. Application heard at the Federal High Court, Dutse Division and same was dismissed on 21st September, 2021 for lacking in merit.
18. YUSUF MUHD GARBA VS. ALH. BALA IBRAHIM DAKAYYAWA & PRESIDING MAGISTRATE, CMC KAFIN-HAUSA (SA'IDU SAFIYANU UMAR) (JDU/16/2021). Judicial review by way of certiorari and the application was granted by quashing the proceedings of the 2nd Respondent for acting outside his powers by the Jigawa State High Court No. 2 Dutse Division on 12th July, 2021
19. ABDULLAHI ZAKARI VS. CHIEF MAGISTRATE COURT 1 DUTSE & 3 ORS (JDU/FHR/05/2021) Enforcement of fundamental right. Application heard at the High Court Birnin Kudu Division and same was granted on 9th December, 2021 for being meritorious.
20. MUHAMMADU DAWAYE VS. KIYAWA LOCAL GOVT. & 2 ORS (JDU/33/2019) – HIGH COURT 1 DUTSE. Declaration of title

- to land. After a full trial, the court delivered its judgment on 16th December, 2021 and dismissed the claimant's claim for his failure to prove same as required by the Evidence Act, 2011.
21. ABDULRASHID ISAH MAIDALA VS. JIGAWA STATE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT (JDU/01/A/2018) – HIGH COURT 1, DUTSE. An action for an order of the Court to declare that there was an auction of logs of bush malena (madobiya) in favour of the claimant and for an order directing the release of the said logs to the claimant. After a full trial, the court delivered its judgment on 16th December, 2021 and dismissed the Claimant's claim for failure to prove same as provided by the Evidence Act, 2011.
 22. MAIJIDDA MUHD & ANOR VS. COMMISSIONER OF POLICE & 2 ORS (JDU/FHR/002/2021) – HIGH COURT 2 DUTSE. Enforcement of fundamental right. Adjourned for hearing after court's recess.
 23. DE-DAMAK NIG. LTD. VS. NIGERIA UNION OF LOCAL GOVT. EMPLOYEES, JIGAWA STATE (NULGE) & 4 ORS. (I/996/2021) – HIGH COURT IBADAN, OYO STATE. Breach of agreement and the claim of One Hundred and Ninety Million Six-Hundred and Fifty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Four Naira Thirty-Three Kobo (₦190,652,964.33) being the Defendant's indebtedness on the 1000 units of motorcycles supplied by the claimant. The case is adjourned to 6th January, 2022 for hearing of the claimant's motion for summary judgment and defendant's notice of preliminary objection to the jurisdiction of the court.
 24. USMAN ADAMU VS. JIGAWA STATE HISTORY & CULTURE BUREAU & ANOR. (JDU/029/2021) – HC III DUTSE DIVISION. A claim that the claimant is entitled to operate the business of viewing center in Auyo Local Government Area, Jigawa State having paid all the fees. Case is adjourned for hearing on 17th/02/2022.
 25. LAMU & BABALDU NIG. LTD. VS. BIRNIN-KUDU L.G. (JDU/38/2021) HIGH COURT BIRNIN-KUDU DIVISION. Claim of contractual liability and adjourned to 24th February, 2022 to enable the Defendant file its processes.
 26. LAMU & BABALDU NIG. LTD VS. BIRNIN-KUDU L.G. (JDU/36/2021) HIGH COURT BIRNIN-KUDU DIVISION. Claim

of contractual liability and adjourn to 24th February, 2022 to enable the Defendant file its processes.

27. GWARAM L.G. VS. MUHD. MUSA JINGI ROSO & ANOR (JDU/14/2020) – HIGH COURT BIRNIN-KUDU DIVISION. Declaration of title to land and adjourned to 23rd & 24th February, 2022 for hearing of Claimant’s witnesses.
28. MUHD. ADAMU HAKUDAU VS. AUYO LOCAL GOVERNMENT & 3ORS (JDU/22/2020) HIGH COURT GUMEL DIVISION. Declaration of title to land and adjourn to 10th February, 2022 for hearing.
29. SALEH ABDULLAHI GUMEL VS. DR. ISAH LUBWALA & ANOR (JDU/32/2021) – HIGH COURT GUMEL. Declaration to title to land and adjourn to 16th February, 2022 for mention.
30. BASHIR TIJJANI ABUBAKAR & ORS VS. ABDULLAHI HUDU & 3 ORS. (JDU/43/2021) Declaration that the purported allocation of land to the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Defendants by the 4th Defendant is illegal, null and void being reserved for public purpose. Adjourned for mention after recess.
31. MUHD ISAH & 2 ORS. VS. AUYO L.G. & 4 ORS. (JDU/30/2020) – HIGH COURT 1 DUTSE. Declaration to title to land. Adjourn for continuation of pre-trial conference.
32. MALAM WADA BELLO VS. THE GOVERNOR OF JIGAWA STATE & 3 ORS. (JDU/20/A/2018). Declaration of title to land and adjourned for hearing after court recess.
33. MU’AZU JIBRIN DAN NANI VS. THE GOVERNOR OF JIGAWA STATE (JDU/16/A/2018). Declaration of title to land and adjourned for hearing after court recess.
34. JIBRIN ZAKAR GIDAN DALLA VS. ASST. INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE & 2 ORS. (JDU/FHR/08/21). Enforcement of fundamental right and adjourned for hearing after recess.
35. JUNAIDU ABBA VS. CHINEDU TASA & 2 ORS. (JDU/FHR/09/21) Enforcement of fundamental right and adjourned for hearing after recess.

Cases received by Rent Tribunal

1. 44 cases received.
2. 35 cases disposed off.

3. 9 pending cases.

4. **DEPARTMENT OF CITIZEN'S RIGHTS**

The department of Citizens' Right is charged with the responsibility of ensuring that the rights to life, dignity, personal liberty, peaceful coexistence, etc of persons are being protected across the State. In trying to carry out the mandate given to the department to realize its objectives, mediation techniques were employed to stage-manage the activities of the department.

Achievements

This department received a total number of Forty-Five (45) Complaints throughout the year in review, from January 2021 to December 2021. Some of these complaints were not followed up by the complainants and hence the department was able to entertain only 33 cases.

Once a case is lodged in the Citizens' Rights department, the respondent is usually invited to the office to give him/her audience as to the basis for their complaint. After hearing both parties, the consent of both parties is usually requested to employ mediation techniques to ensure that their differences have been resolved amicably.

In a situation where mediation fails and could not resolve the differences between the parties, we do advise the aggrieved party to resort to litigation.

Interestingly, the department had on a few occasions travelled to the *locus in quo* to physically see and analyze the subject matter of dispute between the parties.

At this juncture, we will say that the department of Citizens' Right had recorded tremendous achievements in ensuring that the rights of individuals across the State are highly protected.

Below is the list of cases been handled by the Department from January to December 2021:

LIST OF DECIDED AND PENDING CASES
DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENS RIGHT
FROM JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER, 2021

S/ N	NAME OF PARTIES	NATURE OF COMPLAINT	DATE	PLACE OF THE COMPLAINT	STATUS OF THE COMPLAINT	REMARKS
1.	Sadiq Saminu vs. Inspector Salisu	Money Demand	6/01/2021	Kiyawa, Kiyawa LGA.	Disposed	Mediation Conducted
2.	Ibrahim Sani vs. Union Bank	Complaint against Trust Fund	21/01/2021	Yalwawa Quarters, Dutse LGA.	Pending	
3.	Mulikat Bola Salunuden vs. Rabi Garba & 2 Ors	Estate Resolution	5/10/2021	Dutse, Dutse LGA.	Disposed	Mediation Conducted
4.	Nazifi Dahiru Roni vs. Salisu Kafinta	Dispute over plot of land	04/07/2021	Roni Town, Roni LGA.	Pending	
5.	Yahaya Haruna vs. M. Hamisu Langwami	Dispute over farm products	03/08/2021	Langwami Village, Takai LGA.	Disposed	Mediation Conducted
6.	Ibrahim Sha'aibu vs. Shehu Abdullahi	Complaint against trespass	02/09/2021	Dutse, Dutse LGA.	Disposed	Mediation Conducted

5. DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, RESEARCH & STATISTICS

In the year under review the Planning, Research and Statistics Department had supervised the following activities:

1. Training And Capacity Building the department supervises an in house training and programme for counsel in the ministry during regular monthly professional meetings. So far, six presentations had been made for the months of March, April, May, July, September and October on various topics as follows:

- 1) *Importance of Critical Thinking as a Lawyer.* Presented by Dr. Musa Adamu Aliyu Hon. Attorney General and Commissioner for Justice, Jigawa State on 19th March, 2021
- 2) *Effective Use of Case Diary by the Prosecutor in Prosecuting Criminal Cases in Jigawa State.* Presented by Suleh Umar, NP., on 9th April, 2021
- 3) *Legal advice and Charges.* Presented by Hussain Abdullahi, Esq., DPP, Ministry of Justice, Jigawa State, on 28th May, 2021
- 4) *Case Management by State Counsel.* Presented by M.A Tahir, Esq., on 2nd July, 2021.
- 5) *An Appraisal of Quality Prosecution.* Presented by Hon Justice M.L. Shu'aibu, Justice Court of Appeal, Calabar Division, on 3rd September, 2021.
- 6) *Redefining Public Service a focus on State Counsel and Management of Jigawa State Ministry of Justice.* Presented by Dr. Dahiru Jafaru Usman, Provost Kano State Anticorruption Institute, on 8th October, 2021.

2. Case Management Software. A case management application has been introduced where all counsel would fill weekly cause lists for upcoming week cases.

3. Digitization of processes. The ministry has maintained the digital database of all records such as case diaries, departmental registers, responses, and all other correspondences.

4. Meetings of the Ministry. The planning department has so far supervised Nine (9) professional meetings of all counsel and Five (5) management meetings from January to December, 2021

5. Sponsorship of Counsel to NBA Conference. In the year 2021, the Jigawa State Government has sponsored all counsel in the Ministry to participate virtually in the 61st NBA Annual General Conference held in Port Harcourt, Rivers State.

6. Payment of practicing fees and NBA Dutse branch subscription fees for the year 2021 to all counsel in the Ministry for the year 2021.

6. PUBLIC RELATIONS UNIT

The Public Relations Unit is saddled with the responsibility of publicizing the activities of the Ministry through coordinated media engagements to ensure transparency and accountability in the course of discharging its duty to instil public confidence. The Unit also has the duty of creating and sustaining the good image of the Ministry.

The Public Relations Unit in the year 2021 has witnessed the following achievements:

1. The Unit had Visited Hadejia and Gumel maximum custodial centres (Correctional Centers) and obtained information through interviews on the plights of inmates, Convicts and those awaiting trials. The information was used to enlighten the public on the dangers of committing a crime.
2. The Unit with support from Partners West Africa Nigeria (PWAN) and MacArthur Foundation has conducted two (2) months of Radio awareness programs, from September to October, every Saturday and Sunday on Kano and Jigawa State Radio stations as follows.
 - (a) Radio Jigawa and Radio Kano AM/FM
 - (b) Freedom Radio Jigawa and Kano (FM)
 - (c) Sawaba Radio Hadejia (FM).

The following topics were discussed:

TOPIC	RESOURCE PERSONS	OUTCOME
1. Roles and responsibilities of Criminal Justice Sector Actors. SUB-TOPICS Sub-topic	Kano/Jigawa Attorneys General. Dr Musa Adamu Aliyu (Jigawa AG)	People were informed on the roles Police, Ministry of Justice and judiciary play

<p>-who does what? focus on investigators, prosecutors and judiciary -The passage of ACJL in Jigawa/Kano</p>	<p>represented by Hussaini Abdullahi Director Public Prosecution Ministry of Justice Jigawa State. Barrister M.A Lawan (Kano AG)</p>	<p>in the dispensation of justice. People were enlightened on the provisions of Administration of Criminal Justice Laws of Jigawa and Kano State.</p>
<p>2. Essentials of having witnesses in court as enshrined in the Administration of Criminal Justice Laws of Jigawa and Kano State (SUB TOPICS Processes and challenges of inviting witness to court.</p>	<p>Dr. Nasiru Adamu Aliyu SAN, Member Council on Prerogative of Mercy Jigawa State, Associate Professor of Law, Department of Public Law Bayero University Kano, Member Nigerian Bar Association Kano Branch.</p>	<p>People were informed on the relevance of witnesses in the dispensation of justice. Procedure of inviting witnesses to court and the challenges being faced by court in inviting the witnesses to court.</p>
<p>3. How to report abuses by different security operatives/agencies - internal and external mechanisms available to the public to report the abuses. SUB TOPICS -How can abuses by security agencies be reported? -What are the processes of filing complaints?</p>	<p>Barrister Usman Umar Fari , Private Legal Practitioner and Member NBA Kano Branch.</p>	<p>- People were enlightened on the procedure of reporting abuses by security operatives. - Procedure of lodging complaints in various security organisations were also stated. -How to get Free legal services were also explained.</p>
<p>4. Arrest of minors and arrest in lieu. SUB TOPICS Provisions of ACJA</p>	<p>Barrister Usman Umar Fari, Private Legal Practitioner, and Member NBA Kano Branch.</p>	<p>- The provisions of ACJA on arrest of minors were stated. -People were informed on how cases involving</p>

<p>-how security agencies are supposed to arrest and detain minors.</p>		<p>minors are supposed to be handled in court and where they should be kept after they were found guilty of the offence. -People enlightened the age of a minor and the prohibitions provided by Law on arrest of parents or relatives of a minor in lieu of the child.</p>
<p>5. Sexual and Gender Based Violence (Rape) SUB TOPICS</p> <p>-What constitutes evidence of rape? -Challenges of preserving evidence in rape cases. -SARC -punishment of rape in Jigawa -Where to find SARC and how to report rape cases</p>	<p>Barrister Zainab Adamu Gumel, Chief State Counsel, Ministry of Justice Jigawa State and Secretary FIDA Jigawa State Chapter.</p>	<p>-People were informed on how to report rape cases, how to preserve rape evidence, duties and location of SARC and procedure of seeking legal aid by FIDA and legal aid council. -Punishment of rape in Jigawa State was also stated.</p>
<p>7) Procedure of Bail in bail. Administrative bail, Bail in Court, and Surety (role to play). - is bail free? -Bailable and non bailable offences. - Women as sureties.</p>	<p>- Comrade A.A Ayagi, Human Rights Activist, Director Human Rights Network Kano Office.</p>	<p>People were informed on The procedure of securing bail at Police Station and in court. - People were informed qualities and role of surety in securing bail and</p>

		the provision of ACJL on women as sureties. -Right of suspect during custody and procedure of taking statements at police stations.
5. Pro bono services - Access to pro bono services	Comrade A.A Ayagi, Human Rights activist, Director Human Rights Network Kano office.	
6. Partners West Africa roles and projects in Nigeria what they do and the support they give to justice sector actors	- Barrister Aisha Isa (program assistant) Barrister Comfort Usman (n program trainee)	The work and projects of PWAN was stated. - How to seek free legal services carried out by the organization was also stated -Contact lines of PWAN and office address were stated for the public.

3. The unit has introduced phone numbers to the public, for both calls and social media (what's app). The numbers were meant for the public to call or text to lodge complaints and seek legal support. From the second quarter to the third quarter of 2021, the unit has received more than 275 calls including missed calls and over 109 messages on what's app and text were received. The numbers are Hotlines 07047254728, WhatsApp 08084461826. The description of the messages and calls are as follows:
- (a) Number of calls received is 173, Out of which 53 were complaints and requests for legal support while the remaining 120 were commendations. Ten (10) complaints have been resolved and forty-three (43) complaints are pending.

- (b) Number of messages on WhatsApp is eighty-seven (87) (including voice notes) while text messages are twenty-two (22).
4. The Unit has organized press conferences for print and broadcast media organizations in the state during the passage of the Violence Against Persons Prohibition law and 6th-year achievements of the Jigawa state government in the justice sector.
 5. The Unit has published forty-one (41) press releases on judgments, nine (9) reports, Jigawa State Laws and Statutes on the ministry's websites (www.moj.jg.gov.ng) and Facebook account (Jigawa State Ministry of Justice).
 6. Ongoing research on the legal implication or consequences of Female Genital Mutilation in three selected local governments in the state.
 7. The Unit had received Partners West African Nigeria (PWAN) on an advocacy visit to the Attorney General and Commissioner of Justice Dr Musa Adamu Aliyu. The reason for the visit was to partner with the Ministry on the provision of pro bono services to inmates awaiting trials and seek deployment of Lawyers from NYSC to monitor cases at police divisional stations. The Ministry is facilitating the deployment of the National Youth Corps.

Ministry of Justice, Jigawa State Website Portal Analytics 1/1/2021 – 27/12/2021

#	Page	Page Views	% Page Views
1.	/Home	1,525	20.47%
2.	/laws-statutes/	1,092	14.66%
3.	/cases/	878	11.78%
4.	/press-release/	264	3.54%
5.	/judgements/	189	2.54%
6.	/aboutus-principal-officers/	186	2.50%

7.	/publications/	180	2.42%
8.	/latest-information/	148	1.99%
9.	/violence-against-persons-prohibition-law-2021/	137	1.84%
10.	/gallery/	131	1.76%

Interactions by Devices

Device Category	Users
	1,330% of Total: 100.00% (1,330)
1. Mobile	86.09%
2. Desktop	11.88%
3. Tablet	2.03%

Visits by Location

Country	Users
	1,117 % of Total: 100.00% (1,117)
1. Nigeria	83.14%
2. United States	10.03%
3. Ireland	1.86%
4. India	1.24%
5. China	0.71%
6. United Kingdom	0.71%
7. Sweden	0.53%

Country	Users
	1,117 % of Total: 100.00% (1,117)
8. Malaysia	0.27%
9. Indonesia	0.18%
10. Kenya	0.18%
11. Netherlands	0.18%
12. Argentina	0.09%
13. Austria	0.09%
14. Australia	0.09%
15. Canada	0.09%
16. France	0.09%
17. Hong Kong	0.09%
18. North Macedonia	0.09%
19. Russia	0.09%
20. Saudi Arabia	0.09%
21. Chad	0.09%
22. Turkey	0.09%

I will end this briefing by appreciating the support of His Excellency the Executive Governor of Jigawa State Alhaji Muhammad Badaru Abubakar MON mni. It is with His Excellency' support we were able to make tremendous achievements. We are also grateful to the security agencies, legislative and judicial arms in Jigawa State for their supports. We sincerely thank the development partners, legal practitioners in Jigawa State, three private legal practitioners that helped us to prosecute criminal cases on pro-bono, members of the Civil Society within and outside Jigawa State and the fourth estate of the realm which is the media for the support to the ministry of justice. Above all the people

of Jigawa State have given us maximum cooperation we appreciate their efforts. We wish to reiterate our commitment to ensuring transparency and accountability in running the affairs of the Ministry of Justice.

Thank you for listening.