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ONE PERSON
AT A TIME**

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LAND 32%

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is the future**

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ED's welcome note



Dear esteemed Reader,

It is our absolute pleasure to welcome you to the Tanganyika Law Society (TLS) newsletter that has covered activities between March to August 2020.

We would like to walk you through this incredible journey with us as we unfold major activities and significant events, the majority of which have lifted our spirits and accelerated the accomplishment of our mission and vision unlike some of which did not, like losing our dear friends, colleagues, and members in a span of this period.

This year brings about radical changes in our organization with the implementation of our new strategic plan, the ushering in of new members to TLS, our response to the pandemic (COVID-19), how we work with colleagues and stake-

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holders in offering legal support to the public, and our efforts to ensure that the public is well informed about our services through various mediums of communication that guarantees that critical topics are well elaborated and sought after for the benefit of the society at large.

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We hope these articles will offer you the required insight into our organization, resonate with you in so many ways and stimulate informed decisions and worthwhile ideas which we highly invite for TLS's sustainability.

Having said that, we can't wait to engage with our esteemed readers, members, colleagues, stakeholders, and all parties with goodwill as you sail through this read.

Please enjoy reading and we look forward to addressing many more topics in the coming months ahead.

Cheers.

Executive Director
Kaleb Lameck Gamaya



**In honor of our dearly departed friends and colleagues
whom we lost between the months of March to August**

S/N	Full name	Date of Death
01.	Retired Chief Justice Augustino Ramadhanl	28 April
02.	Advocate Jacqueline Evaristus Mrema	27 May
03.	Advocate Alfred Josephat Akaro	19 May
04.	Advocate Dr. Masumbuko Roman Mahunga Lamwai	05 May
05.	Advocate Josefu E. A. Mwakajinga	04 May
06.	Advocate Capt. Sawayaeli Geoffrey Shoo	03 May
07.	Advocate Mohamed Omari Kapilima	30 April
08.	Advocate Gaudiosus Evalister Ishengoma	27 April
09.	Advocate Evod Mmanda Herman	26 April
10.	Advocate Ebenezer Abraham Mawere	05 April
11.	Advocate John Mhimili MApinduzi	01 April
12.	Advocate Esteriano Emmanuel Mahingila	01 April
13.	Advocate Jacob Emmanuel Sarungi	15 May
14.	Advocate Georgette James Manumbu	07 August
15.	Advocate Geva Pius Masele	29 July
16.	Advocate Ruth Michael Kanyangu	26 July
17.	Advocate Laetitia Muchunguzi Rutta	07 July
18.	Zakaria Emmanuel Mollel	15 June
19.	Advocate Gaudencia Kasigara Bishop	05 June
20.	Advocate/Fr. David Mlemeta	05 June

**MAY THE ALMIGHTY GOD REST THEIR SOULS
IN ETERNAL PEACE**

FOCUS AND HOPE IN THE MID OF COVID-19

C OVID-19 was the enemy none of us will ever cease to recall, the heavy atmosphere it brought worldwide plus the dire repercussions it left behind, not even us here at the Tanganyika Law Society.

The battle was to be worn and the opponent defeated regardless of whether we were prepared or not. Well, pandemics don't come with manuals, right? They just happen literally! so we went to war armed just like any other major organization in the world. This being the case, we got to work and had a plan at the palms of our hands.

The all-pervasive, anti-social virus that took us off-guard, disrupting lives and livelihoods the world over at the start of this decade, had demanded extraordinary responses to a reality that had long since reached pandemic proportions.

Nonetheless, going to war doesn't guarantee victory if one isn't equipped with creativity, proactiveness, realism, optimism, and resilience, TLS being an organization of such kind acquired the exact values in the mid of COVID-19 where we could not shake off the idea



President of the TLS, Dr. Rugemeleza Nshala attended to his official duties during the pandemic



A client seeking legal aid service with precautions during Covid-19 at TLS headquarters in Dar es Salaam



A street vendor holding a placard indicating corona precaution measures. The awareness education was offered by AVIS LEGAL which is one among the Firms based in Dar es Salaam



TLS President Dr. Rugemeleza Nshala addressing newly admitted advocates on 10th July 2020 at TLS headquarters while other advocates participated online during the pandemic

of executing our new strategic plan of 2020 to 2024.

The Strategic plan mentioned above came through at the required time where the virus had just hit home and on that account, we had to deal with the circumstances accordingly.

The TLS, therefore, responded towards containing the virus by:

- The Hr Department ensured that the staff took safety measures at the workplace such as the use of sanitizers, facemasks, 1 meter distancing of office desks, and interaction in general.
- We provided legal aid, knowledge, and guidance to the need but with precaution, at that period. The services were offered via phone calls, the documents were collected at the reception desk by the legal aid officer in order to avoid physical contact for safety measures. The few that required physical contact were served with precaution.
- TLS also offered much more significant help and awareness to the society through the Hauko Peke Yako Campaign that was aired on Clouds radio on power breakfast program that was meant to provide legal awareness and knowledge on TLS orientation that reached a much larger audience in the country while people stayed at home.

• TLS however through Continuous Legal Education Committee and the Governing Council made a significant reduction in fees for Continuing Legal Education (CLE) from Tshs. 60,000 to Tshs. 20,000 and shifted from physical CLE to Online CLE by ensuring no member was left out in the bandwagon of advancing their legal knowledge in the mid of COVID-19.

• Practising Corporate Social Responsibility by some members under their law firms, an example is Avis Legal that created posters and shared with people on street/vendor's/workers to help disseminate messages to the general public on how best to protect against the Pandemic (COVID 19) and other messages of good hope to people and help everyone resume to normal life and activities while exercising due care.

Also, AVIS LEGAL resolved to conduct several online trainings so as to keep the Youth, majority of whom were home (technically in lockdown). The first training was structured with the objective of helping the youth to cope with the new normal which was scary and which had a potential of injuring the mental health for not only the youth but everyone since all the Medias were filled with negative news about the pandemic. In such circumstances, mastery of one's emotions was a very critical skill that could help an individual to fight such an uncomfortable atmosphere. Therefore training on the Mastery of Emotional Intelligence was vital. Just to mention a few.

The admission of new TLS-members (Advocates) is conducted semi-annually. The first admission event was held on 10 th July 2020. "In Compliance with the advocate's act, today, I declare that all listed lawyers have officially been enrolled and admitted as the new advocates" Prof.Ibrahim Hamisi Juma

announced while the graduated lawyers stood to respond in unison.

"The enrolment and admission of new advocates is adding value towards achieving justice in our country"- TLS President, Dr. Rugemeleza Nshala During the process of admitting new advocates, safety measures were put into place strategically where there was regional segmentation of admission interviews that were conducted by the Chief Justice to graduating students from the School of Law. This brought major changes in the admission process to the Bar. The online-admission ceremony was conducted through TBC 1 and Wakili TV, and graced by the Chief Justice who ushered in 601 advocates to the Bar, unlike in the past years where the ceremonies were held physically.

• TLS advised law firms to work from home and therefore issued a press statement that required them to do so. The judicial hearings were also conducted through online video conferences as well. However, physical courtroom sessions were reduced,

On the whole, COVID-19 introduced us to a new way of living not only hygienically but also in the workplace where the office desk was not only meant to be in a physical room but also online, where an email would quickly turn into an online meeting or even a video conference giving our services so much meaning, clarity and the sense of closeness to the community around us. No matter how much we would hate to say it but this new normal was in some sought of the way a blessing in disguise since it introduced and fuelled the continuation of much more worthwhile ideas and in the needed speed in which they were well implemented that has reached and impacted the masses in so many great ways.



TLS PERFORMANCE AT 2020 NATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

“TLS participated in Saba Saba in Dar es Salaam, and Nane Nane in Simiyu, Dodoma, Mwanza, Mbeya, Mtwara, Morogoro, Arusha, Tabora”



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As all the other regional events came to an end, the national ceremony culminated on 8th at Simiyu Region, and as the TLS we were not left out



Nane-Nane is held on August 8th every year which is a national event celebrated from 1st to 8th of August, which is organized all over the country brings together companies, farmers, regional and local officials who are drawn to see the latest developments and opportunities in the world of agriculture. The Tanganyika Law Society as a key stakeholder in agriculture did not hesitate to be part of the developmental bandwagon where we were present to provide general legal support to all the participants in regions where the events were held.

However, as all the other regional events came to an end, the national ceremony culminated on 08th August, 2020 at Simiyu Region, and as the TLS we were not left out. We provided legal support, education, and free consultation services

to all the citizens who visited our exhibition booth. This was made possible in collaboration with paralegals regionally, The LSF (Legal Service Facility), advocates, and various stakeholders. Land and Inheritance disputes, Sexual Violence, and Marriage disputes were amongst the most sought out topics where advice was given plus the support needed where we reached more than 45,000 people a sum total of all regions where these events were held.

“We are here at nane nane to grasp, recognize and uphold all varieties of challenges in the law sector that citizens in the Agricultural sector undergo, a majority of laws that are formulated pose inconvenience to citizens so we are here visiting each exhibition booth, speaking with farmers because we as



Minister of Agriculture Honourable Japhet Hasunga visited the TLS booth on 4 th August in Bariadi, Simiyu . In his presence were TLS staff Advocate Anna Muro and Rashid Hassan.



Mr. Rashid instructs visitors of TLS booth on 06 August,2020 during Nanenane in Bariadi, Simiyu.

the TLS have the responsibility to advise ministries and the government at large about legal challenges in the agriculture sector that citizens in remote areas cannot easily present to the Government” This way we enhance the access of justice for farmers! Kaleb Lameck Gamanya Executive Director TLS.

All in all, we not only pioneered the free consultation to all participants who visited us but also offered our professionals to stand in for cases of victimized parties whose stories resonated with what we had to offer at the time we were there at the event.

The Saba Saba International Trade Fair brings together business stakeholders to showcase their products and technologies to the public. The trade fair at the Mwalimu J.K.Nyerere Trade Fair Grounds, includes sectors like agriculture, ICT, construction, food, machinery, banking, and furniture that commences on 1 st July and commemorates on 7 th July, has grown to become an important event for business in Eastern and Central Africa and attracts over 3,500 exhibitors and 700,000 tourists.

We as the Tanganyika Law Society took part in offering our credible services to visitors who sought our services amid other ongoing activities at the fair.

With the collaboration of paralegals, advocates, and different stakeholders we offered the public the necessary legal aid service required, knowledge and education, free consultation service, and advocates to stand in for several cases that required legal aid and support. We

were able to access about more than 10,000 people that we had a great rapport with generally throughout the days when the events were on-going.

General awareness on The Employment Law Act, Land, Marriage Act, and Property Ownership amongst others was offered to the public and the necessary publications distributed for free for people to read, engage and gain insights around such crucial legal topics.

To sum up, apart from successfully enlightening the public about the services we offer giving them a listening ear in turn, these national exhibitions have enabled us to access the people, understand the challenges they face and in doing so we are able to follow proper channels suitable for finding appropriate solutions hence we foresee a decrease in the number of legal challenges in the agricultural sector in the coming years.



Advocate Gloria Baltazary Providing legal services to visitors during Saba Saba exhibition -2020 in Dar Es Salaam.



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Visitors sign in visitors register at TLS booth Saba Saba Grounds in Dar Es Salaam



TLS staff, Advocate Magdalena Mlolere and Advocate Daniel Gugami interviewing one among financial institutions during Nane Nane exhibition in the Mbeya region to understand the legal challenges they face in providing financial services to their clients from agricultural sector.



Advocate Rashid Hassan and Advocate Annastazia Muro interview a farmer during Nane Nane Exhibition in Bariadi within Simiyu Region.



Salma Mseta TLSs' Public relations officer provides information about TLS during the Saba saba event in Dar Es Salaam




Paralegals offered legal aid in Simiyu Region during Nane Nane event

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Being the number one credible source of reliable and dependable legal education, information and support in the Tanzanian society is what gives meaning and satisfaction to The Tanganyika Law Society(TLS) and this vision is what drives us to put in extra efforts in providing the best legal service there is, because if not, how would the establishment of a just community be made possible?

Therefore, as we work towards achieving this, the TLS has put in place programs in an

online channel known as Wakili TV (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5uwTzHaVDN-eHSqx44zx9Q>) that is meant to meet the above.

The programs are specifically tailored to not only mentor, guide and enlighten citizens on legal issues, challenges that people seeking legal assistance could be facing in their day to day lives but also act as a trustworthy fount of detailed information and education on the availability of genuine advocates for different case scenarios with well-illustrated stories to differentiate them from fake ones.

THE PROGRAMS ARE:

IJUE SHERIA

This program offers continuous education and insights on all legal laws and parameters with detailed stories and real-life experiences. The laws that are explained include and are not limited to, the marriage Act, the employment and Labour Act (<https://youtu.be/6BRcRuZEaSU>), the Land Act that offers basic law insights concerning land other than the village land, the management of land, settlement of disputes and the general administration of land and land tenure in Tanzania. This program has quite a majority of viewers and engagement since the number of land disputes in the majority of regions in the country is very high. Apart from that, The Marriage Act is also engaging a high number of views with several cases on property ownership and divorce rights for women

(<https://youtu.be/OLEXXCKTDQI>).

VISA NA MIKASA

This program focuses on exposing and educating citizens on unlawful acts in the society through victim testimonies on a variety of challenges as they seek justice. This is due to a lack of legal knowledge to the public, especially in remote areas. Thanks to the government who approved the legal aid act 2017 that recognises the paralegals contribution to the community as most legal challenges in villages are solved by paralegals. Some of these incidents where indigent supported to get justice are as follows.

<https://youtu.be/XvtN1Yc5884> (NDOA ZA UTOTONI: BINTI AGOMA KUOLEWA KWA MAHARI YA NG'OMBE 17)

<https://youtu.be/QqZ6kCFjFOI> "NILITAMANI KIFO, NIMEPOTEZA MUME, NA KUNYANG'ANYWA MALI NIKITELEKEZEWA WATOTO" DOTTO MABEYO




MJUE WAKILI

When an individual lacks proper legal knowledge, they can't tell the authenticity of a professional advocate or what field they major in and that could serve as a major challenge that often leads to victims falling prey to the wrong guys who might just put on a show and con them. Therefore this program saw to it that actual information was very much needed to enlighten citizens about that. This information is a reliable source of information to the society as it clearly outlines where a client can find the right advocate for a particular case and also offers awareness and education on legal ethics' in general for the benefit of the people.

<https://youtu.be/TMqsTDvCQcU> "FAHAMU NAMNA YA KUWATAMBUA MAWAKILI NA KAZI ZAO"



All in all, in this age of information and technology, The TLS didn't shy away from swaying through the trend of the digital and well informed 21st century as the power of knowledge is well known to every citizen. Nevertheless, the idea of offering programs through Wakili TV,  in general, have narrowed the gap of ignorance that was present in the society about legal issues and hence resulted in a more empowered, equipped and knowledgeable society that is striving towards building a just community around them by applying the insights offered correctly. Proper Legal knowledge to every citizen regardless of gender, class, and circumstance is the way forward, this is what we here at Tanganyika Law Society will always strive for.



CONTINUOUS LEARNING IS THE FUTURE

Continuous Legal Education (CLE) is offered by the TLS to its members to fulfill the need for a professional skill set by filling the educational gap with a practical set of information that is applied in their professional fields. However, the fees have been greatly reduced from Tshs 60,000 to Tshs 20,000 from the start of the pandemic to enhance online learning. By attending these sessions, members earn points

Therefore, below is a list of several CLE programs that were held;

DATE	PRESENTER	CLE TOPIC
1/08/2020	Hon. Beda Robert Nyaki	"The practical aspect of Money Laundering. Practices and laws in Tanzania."
5/08/2020	Senior Advocate Dr. Edward Hosea	"Signing of the Bilateral Investment Agreements in Developing Countries: The Hull Rule Examined."
28/07/2020	Christina Ilumba	"The Importance of Settling Commercial and Civil Disputes through Mediation"
23/07/2020	Mr. Adam Venance Fupi	FOREX, CRYPTOCURRENCY &CFDS
4/07/2020	Mr. Frank Mwalongo	Litigation in Labour Courts: Practice & Procedures
03/07/2020	Dr John Ukena.	Understanding the legal framework of Electronic contract and Electronic signature in Tanzania
02/07/2020	Dr. Eliamani Isaya Laltaika Esq	Legal Aspects of Cybersecurity in Tanzania - Part 4
30/06/2020	Zakayo Ndobir Lukumay	Laying foundation for admissibility of electronic evidence

29/02/2020	Dr. Filikunjombe Philip Haule	<i>Regulation of ICTS: Concepts, legal issues and challenges.</i>
20/08/2020	#Dr. Eliamani Isaya Laltaika Esq	Legal Aspects of Cybersecurity in Tanzania
12/08/2020	Mr. Adam Venance Fupi	<i>Nuts and bolts of a contract for difference</i>
15/08/2020	TRA Tanga	Tax Compliance to advocates
7 /08/2020	Martin Mdoe	"Practical aspect and the role of lawyers: The salient features of the Microfinance Act 2018 and its Regulation of 2019"
5/08/2020	Senior Advocate Dr. Edward Hosea	Signing of the Bilateral Investment Agreements in Developing Countries: The Hull Rule Examined
22/07/2020	Mr. Samuel Waweru	Introduction to Identity Theft
17/07/2020	Dr. Eliamani Isaya Laltaika	Cyber-crimes and the Law in Tanzania.



HELPING ONE PERSON AT A TIME

Tanganyika Law Society(TLS) has a long history of legal aid provision. TLS mandates to the public are; to protect and assist the public in Tanzania in all matters touching, ancillary or incidental to the law and to facilitate the acquisition of legal knowledge by others.

This been the case therefore, among the TLS duties that facilitate the acquisition of legal knowledge is the provision of legal aid to indigent people.

Mark you, no man is an island. We all derive purpose and meaning from depending on one another for the betterment of each one of us, so is the Tanganyika Law Society which derives its professionalism and fulfillment from legal aid provision activities in collaboration with legal aid key stakeholders to people who require legal aid service.

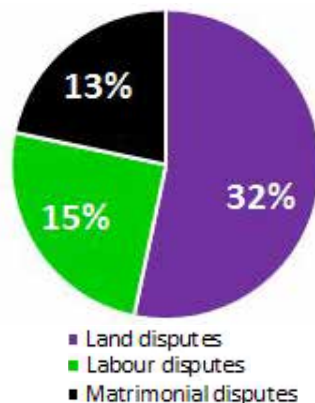
Legal aid services are provided at TLS's headquarters in Dar Es Salaam and from all its chapters country-wide.



In the implementation of The Legal Aid Act of 2017, the TLS is collaborating with several justice sector actors such as judiciary, police, advocates, magistrate, Prosecutors, Social Welfare Officers and paralegals through the establishment of The Justice Sector Collaboration Strengthening (JSCS) project which is funded by Legal Service Facility (LSF).

TLS and the LSF both have a long history of advocating for law reforms and the rule of law to enhance the stable relationship between all stakeholders of the justice sector for human development in a country.

From February 2020 to the present, we have provided legal aid to more than

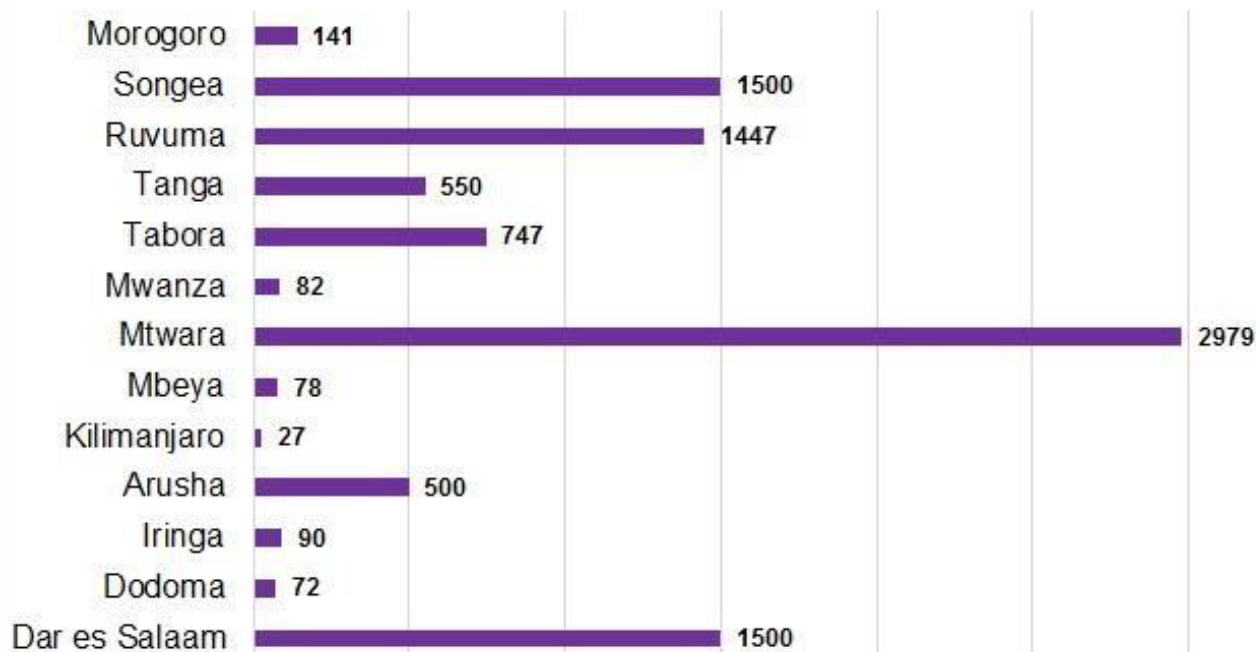


20,000 people in need of legal assistance where 32% of them required assistance on land disputes, 15% on labor issues, and 13 % on Matrimonial issues. These challenges are among the top 3 legal problems that the majority of citizens inquire about and are in dire need of legal assistance.

In strengthening the legal aid ecosystem in the country, TLS is working towards,

- Strengthening paralegals' skill capacity in remote areas of various regions in Tanzania such as Simiyu, Dodoma, Tabora, Mwanza, and Arusha so that none is left behind in getting quality and reliable legal aid services in remote areas.
- Being present and relevant by attending and participating in national events such as "Saba Saba" and "Nane Nane" where we provide legal aid services to the attendees of these events that require legal support. Nonetheless, during "Wiki ya sheria 2020" TLS also provided aid in 13 regions as portrayed below;

CLIENTS RECEIVED LEGAL AID IN 2020 LAW WEEK



· Facilitating stakeholder meetings at the chapters' level for enhancing the formulation of legal aid coordination committees at the regional level, the recent one was held at the Morogoro region.

Nonetheless, the provision of legal aid is a basic necessity in developing na-

tions like Tanzania for the establishment of a just community as our vision translates. The majority of citizens can't afford legal fees and this in turn translates why villains roam the streets freely because either victim lacks basic legal knowledge or even general legal support in terms of fees required or the capacity to secure the right professional

personnel.

In doing so therefore we at TLS are leaving none behind in the mission to achieve a just society regardless of class or circumstances because every citizen has the right to receive the required support and guidance and we are privileged enough to offer exactly that.



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Professionalism

Solidarity

Audacity for Rule of Law

Integrity and Transparency



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