

## Ministry of Constitutional Affairs and National Integration

### **MDG Goal 2: Achieve universal primary education**

Over 50 mobile documentation clinics have been conducted island wide to provide legal documentation including birth certificates to people including children. A birth certificate is needed for school admission. These mobiles have been conducted over the last 3 years in tsunami affected areas (Hambantota and Ampara districts) and other areas including Uhana, Katuwana, Kolnna, Padaviya, Anamaduwa, Pallama, Mahakumbukkadawela, Siyambalanduwa, Soranathota, Ambagamuwa and also under the Nagenahira Navodaya Awareness programme in Trincomalee, Batticalo and Ampara districts.

Awareness programmes island wide for parents, teachers and children on relevant laws and grievous redress mechanisms. **These programmes provide information on primary and secondary education and compulsory attendance laws and regulations.**

### **MDG Goal 3: Promote gender equality and empower women**

Publication of human rights leaflets and books on domestic violence legislation, children's rights including the rights of the girls child, laws of Sri Lanka including importance legal provision and access to legal and other service organisations relating to women etc.

Training of Trainer programmes, awareness programmes for government as well as non government organisations as well as schools and general public on gender equality, empowerment, etc.

Establishment of legal aid in collaboration with the Legal Aid Foundation in 20 areas in the country namely Kolonna, Aranayake, Hingurakgoda, Padaviya, Katuwana, Ambagamuwa, Chavakachcheri, Uhana, Kalmunai, Soranathota, Siyambalanduwa, Anamaduwa, Kaduwela, Manmunai North, Mannar Town, Kanthale, Neluwa, Walasmulla, Rasnayakapura and Hatton to provide free legal advice, representation in court, referral services etc. for disadvantaged groups including women.