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CHAPTER 1

Introduction

1.1 Background

In order to give focused attention to policy issues and meaningful thrust to the activities aimed at welfare and empowerment of the Persons with Disabilities (PwDs), a separate Department of Disability Affairs was carved out of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment on May 12, 2012. The Department was renamed as Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities on December 8, 2014. The Department acts as a nodal agency for matters pertaining to disability and persons with disabilities including effecting closer coordination among different stakeholders: related Central Ministries, State/UT Governments, NGOs etc. in matters pertaining to disability.

- 1.2 Work allocated to the Department: The work allocated to the Department is placed at Annexure-I The Department is primarily entrusted with the task of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities.
- 1.3 Vision: To build an inclusive society in which equal opportunities are provided for the growth and development of persons with disabilities so that they can lead productive, safe and dignified lives.
- **1.4 Mission:** To empower persons with disabilities through its various Acts/Institutions/Organizations and Schemes for rehabilitation and to create an enabling environment that provides such persons with equal opportunities, protection of their rights and enables them to participate as independent and productive members of society.
- 1.5 **Objectives:** To realize its vision and achieve the mission, the Department strives for the following major Objectives:-
- (i) Physical rehabilitation, which includes early detection and intervention, counseling and medical rehabilitation and assistance in procuring appropriate aids and appliances for reducing the effect of disabilities;
- (ii) Educational rehabilitation including vocational education;
- (iii) Economic rehabilitation and social empowerment;
- (iv) Developing rehabilitation professionals/personnel;
- (v) Improving internal efficiency/responsiveness/service delivery; and
- (vi) Advocating empowerment of persons with disabilities through awareness generation among different sections of the society.
- 1.6 Major Commitments of the Department:
- (i) Sustainable Development Goals: India is a party to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD). India is also committed to achieve Sustainable Development Goals. Our Country has aligned its national law on disability in line with various

- provisions of the UNCRPD namely, The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 which came into force on 19.04.2017.
- (ii) Inclusion and Barrier Free Environment: During the period under review, the Department paid greater focus on creating a barrier free environment for persons with disabilities especially in built environment, transportation system and ICT ecosystem. Towards this end, the Department continued its efforts in providing aids and appliances to the persons with disabilities on the one hand and in making public buildings, transportation and ICT accessible on the other.
- (iii) In 1995, the Central Government enacted 'Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act', as the principal law in the disability sector, which now stands repealed. In this Act, disability was defined in medical terms and not in the context of barriers created by the environment. In the RPwD Act, 2016 disability is defined on the basis of a socio rehabilitative model which reflects in the definition of person with disability under Section 2(t) of the said Act.
- (iv) Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities: In earlier years, the focus of rehabilitation of persons with disabilities was more or less physical disability centric. During the period of the report, the Department reoriented its focus for rehabilitation of all 21 categories of persons with disabilities with special emphasis on rehabilitation of persons with intellectual, developmental and mental disabilities.
- (v) Shift from disability-centric approach: The Department was concerned with increase in the incidence of psycho-social disabilities (mental illness). Besides active treatment, persons with mental illness, most often have rehabilitation needs to reintegrate back into the social mainstream. To address this concern, the Department decided to set up the National Institute of Mental Health Rehabilitation (NIMHR) at Sehore, Madhya Pradesh. The institute aims to work towards capacity building in the field of mental health rehabilitation besides developing community based rehabilitation protocols for mainstreaming persons with mental illness who have been successfully cured. It is being set up on 25 acres of land allotted by the Government of Madhya Pradesh along Bhopal-Sehore highway in Madhya Pradesh. At present, NIMHR is functional from a temporary accommodation provided by the Govt. of Madhya Pradesh at 'Old Zila Panchayat Bhawan', Sehore.
- (vi) Culture, Recreation, Leisure and Sports Activities: The Department recognized the need for creating enabling environment for PwDs so as to enable them excel in every walk of life including sports with a view to boost participation of PwDs in sports activities both at National level and international level. The Government has setup Atal Bihari Vajpayee Training Centre for Disability Sports at Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh with world class facilities for both indoor and outdoor games and training facilities for about 300 persons with disabilities.

1.7 Divya Kala Shakti

Persons with Disabilities can excel in every field-be it education, sports, literature, culture provided appropriate opportunity and environment are created with a view to showcase the inner potential of the persons with disabilities.

1.8 Challenges

Bringing an attitudinal change in perception of general public towards Divyangjan remains the biggest challenge of the Department. Awareness generation is therefore key to change the mindset not only of the general public but also of persons with disabilities to increase their self-confidence. There is a greater need for the State Governments and the local bodies to imbibe the culture of accessibility standards at the designing, planning and execution stage for creating barrier free environment for persons with disabilities. Mobilizing matching resources (financial as well as human) to meet the requirements for

creating an enabling environment for PwDs also remains a challenge for the States/UTs and the local bodies.

1.9 Affirmation

The Department's Annual Report for the year 2023-24 contains progress made in the disability sector through legal frameworks, strengthening institutional infrastructure and programme based support. State Governments, Civil Society Organisations, Divyangjan and other stakeholders have been active partners in this process.

1.10 Right to Information Act, 2005

Under the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005, a nodal RTI Section/Cell was set up in the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) to coordinate the RTI-related work. This Section/Cell collects, dispenses and transfers the applications seeking information under the RTI Act, 2005 to the Central Public Information Officers(CPIOs)/ Public Authorities(PAs) concerned with the subject matter and submits quarterly returns regarding receipt and disposal of the RTI applications/ appeals to the Central Information Commission.

- (a) Details of the Department's functions along with its functionaries, etc. have been placed on the Department's website as required under section 4(1) of the RTI Act.
- (b) Under Secretary level Officers have been designated as the Central Public Information Officers (CPIOs) under Section 5(1) of the Act, according to the subjects being handled by them.
- (c) Director/Deputy Secretary level Officers have been designated as the First Appellate Authorities (FAAs) in terms of Section 19 (1) of the Act.
- (d) To facilitate the receipt of applications under the RTI Act, 2005, a provision has been made to receive the applications at the Central Registry (CR) Section. The applications so received are further forwarded by the RTI Section/Cell to the CPIOs/Public Authorities (PAs) concerned. These were promptly dealt and were transferred/ forwarded to the concerned CPIOs/ Public Authorities (PAs) for providing information to the applicants.
- (e) As per Section-4(1) (b) of the RTI Act, 2005, the Department has uploaded/has been uploading the details on a suo-moto basis of the proactive disclosure package on the website of the Department regularly.

CHAPTER 2

Overview of the Department

According to Census 2011, there are 2.68 crore persons with disabilities in India which constitute 2.21 percent of the total population. Out of the total population of persons with disabilities, approximately 1.50 crore are male and 1.18 crore, are female. These include persons with visual, hearing, speech and loco-motor disabilities, mental illness, mental retardation (intellectual disabilities), multiple disabilities and other disabilities.

2.1 Types of Disabilities

The details of number of persons with disabilities, state-wise, as per Census 2011, have been indicated at **Annexure-II**. Their numbers by type of disability, as per Census 2011 are given below:-

Category wise Number of Persons with Disabilities as per Census 2011				
Type of Disability	Persons	Males	Females	
In Seeing	50,33,431	26,39,028	23,94,403	
In Hearing	50,72,914	26,78,584	23,94,330	
In Speech	19,98,692	11,22,987	8,75,705	
In Movement	54,36,826	33,70,501	20,66,325	
Mental Retardation	15,05,964	8,70,898	6,35,066	
Mental Illness	7,22,880	4,15,758	3,07,122	
Any Other	49,27,589	27,28,125	21,99,464	
Multiple Disability	21,16,698	11,62,712	9,53,986	
Total	2,68,14,994	1,49,885,93 (55.89%)	1,18,264,01 (44.11%)	

2.1.1 Classification of Persons with Disabilities by Residential Area is as under:

Population of Persons with Disabilities by Residence India, 2011 *				
Residence	Persons	Males	Females	
Urban	81, 78,636 (30.51%)	45,78,034	36,00,602	
Rural	1,86,31,921 (69.49%)	1,04,08,168	82,23,753	
Total	2,68,10,557	1,49,86,202	1,18,24,355	

^{*} Source: Office of the Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India

2.1.2 Educational Level of Persons with Disabilities

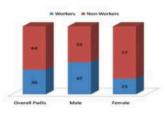
Educational Level	Persons	Males	Females
Illiterate	1,21,96,641	56,40,240	65,56,401
Literate	1,46,18,353	9,34,835	52,70,000
(i) Literate but below Primary	28,40,345	17,06,441	11,33,904

Educational Level	Persons	Males	Females
(ii) Primary but below middle	35,54,858	21,95,933	13,58,925
(iii) Middle but below Matric/ Secondary	24,48,070	16,16,539	8,31,531
(iv) Matric/Secondary but below Graduate	34,48,650	23,30,080	11,18,570
(v) Graduate and above	12,46,857	8,39,702	4,07,155
Total	2,68,14,994	1,49,88,593	1,18,26,401

^{*}Source: Office of the Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India

2.2 Working Status of Persons with Disabilities: As per Census, 2011, about 36% of the persons with

disabilities are working (male- 47% and female-23%). Among the workers with disabilities, 31% constitute agricultural laborers. Fifty percent of the PwD population in the age group of 15-59 years is working whereas 4% of children with disabilities in the age group below 14 years are working. Registrar General of India are revising the criteria for capturing the data on all the twenty-one categories of persons with disabilities included in the RPwD Act, 2016 in upcoming Census. The Department has already given its views to the Registrar General of India in this regard.



2.3 Major activities of the Department during the Financial year 2023-24

- (i) The Department has constituted the Central Advisory Board (CAB) on Disability vide notification dated 08.11.2017, under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. The Department subsequently reconstituted the CAB with 18 new nominated Members through notification dated 12.10.2022. The CAB has met six times so far. 6th meeting of CAB was held on 27.12.2023.
- (ii) The Department in consultation with Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities and having regard to the nature and type of work exempted the Directorate of Income-tax, Central Board of Direct Taxes in respect of the posts of Income-tax Inspector and Tax Assistant from the provisions of the said section in so far as they relate to the benchmark disability of mental illness vide S.O. 3832(E) dated 16.08.2023.
- (iii) Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules were notified on 15.06.2017. Rule 15 of these Rules provides for Accessibility Standards. Rule 15 has been amended from time to time to incorporate accessibility standards pertaining to different sectors as under:

S. N.	Name of Standard	Date of amend- ment	Gazette Notification no.
i.	Harmonized Guidelines and Space Standard for Universal Accessibility in India-2021	05-06-2023	G.S.R. 413(E)
ii.	Accessibility for the ICT products and services (Part I and II)	10-05-2023	G.S.R. 359(E)
iii.	Culture sector specific harmonized accessibility standards	13-07-2023	G.S.R. 504(E)
iv.	Guidelines on accessible sports complex and residential facilities for sports persons with disabilities	17-07-2023	G.S.R. 517(E)
V.	The accessibility standards and guidelines for Civil Aviation 2022	21-07-2023	G.S.R. 528 (E)
vi.	Accessibility standards for Health Care	09-08-2023	G.S.R. 598(E)

S. N.	Name of Standard	Date of amend- ment	Gazette Notification no.
vii.	Rural sector specific harmonized accessibility standards/guidelines	16-11-2023	G.S.R. 849(E)
·,:::	Guidelines on accessible and inclusive piped water supply for persons with disabilities and for other population groups	02.01.2024	G.S.R. 07(E)
VIII.	Accessibility standards for Community Toilets in Rural areas	02.01.2024	G.S.R. 07(E)
ix.	Accessibility Standards in Port Sector	15.02.2024	G.S.R. 114 (E)
х.	Guidelines on accessibility of Indian Railways stations and facilities at stations for differently abled persons and passengers with reduced mobility.	08.03.2024	G.S.R. 175 (E)

- (iv) Two Sectoral Ministry/Department namely D/o Telecommunication and Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology have adopted the Accessibility standards for the ICT products and services notified on 10-05-2023 vide G.S.R. 359(E) and one Department namely D/o Law and Justice has adopted the said Accessibility standards for the ICT products and services as well as Harmonized Guidelines and Space Standards for Universal Accessibility in India-2021 notified on 05-06-2023 vide G.S.R. 413(E).
- (v) Further, the Department has also notified draft (Amendment) Rules to further amend Rule 15 of RPwD Rules, 2017 as under:

S. N.	Name of Standard	Date of notifi- cation of draft amendment	Gazette Notification no.
i.	Accessibility Guidelines for MHA Specific Built Infrastructure & Associated Services for Police Stations, Prisons and Disaster Mitigation Centres.	25.01.2024	G.S.R 70(E)
ii.	Accessibility Guidelines and Standards for Higher Education Institutions and Universities	02.02.2024	G.S.R 89(E)
iii.	Accessibility code for educational institutions	02.02.2024	G.S.R 90(E)
iv.	Formulation of accessibility standards guidelines for banking sector	19.03.2024	G.S.R 219(E)

2.4 Budget Allocation and Expenditure : -

The Budget Estimate for the Department for the financial year 2023-24 was Rs. 1225.15 crore. The Actual expenditure in 2023-24 is Rs. 1143.89 crore.

Year	Budget Estimate	Revised Estimate	Actual Expenditure(in crore)
2018-2019	1070.00	1070.00	1017.56
2019-2020	1204.90	1100.00	1016.18

Year	Budget Estimate	Revised Estimate	Actual Expenditure(in crore)
2020-2021	1325.39	900.00	861.63
2021-2022	1171.77	1044.31	1009.45
2022-2023	1212.42	1015.98	989.35
2023-2024	1225.15	1225.01	1143.89

CHAPTER 3

Statutory Framework

3.1 Relevant Constitutional Provisions:

- **3.1.1** The Constitution of India through its Preamble, inter-alia seeks to secure to all its citizens; Justice, social, economic and political; Liberty of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship; Equality of status and of opportunity.
- 3.1.2 Part-III of the Constitution provides for a set of six Fundamental Rights to all the citizens (and in a few cases to non-citizens also). These include Right to Equality; Right to Freedom; Right against Exploitation; Right to Freedom of Religion; Cultural and Educational Rights and Right to Constitutional Remedies. All these rights are also available to the persons with disabilities even though no specific mention of such persons appears in this Part of the Constitution.
- **3.1.3** The Directive Principles of State Policy have been incorporated in Part–IV of the Constitution. Even though non-justifiable, these have been declared as fundamental in the governance of the country. These principles are intended to be the imperative basis of State policy. These are in the nature of instructions issued to future legislatures and executives for their guidance. Article 41 refers to cases of disablement as under:-

Article 41: Right to work, to education and to public assistance in certain cases states the following:

"The State shall, within the limits of its economic capacity and development, make effective provision for securing the right to work, to education and to public assistance in cases of unemployment, old age, sickness and disablement and in other cases of undeserved want".

3.1.4 The Eleventh Schedule to Article 243-G and Twelfth Schedule to Article 243-W which pertain to the powers and responsibilities of the panchayats and municipalities, respectively with respect to implementation of schemes for economic development and social justice, include welfare and safeguarding the interests of persons with disabilities among other weaker sections of the society. The relevant extracts of the said schedules are reproduced below:-

Eleventh Schedule to Article 243-G: "Social welfare, including welfare of the handicapped and mentally retarded" (Entry No.26)

Twelfth Schedule to Article 243-W: "Safeguarding the interests of weaker sections of society, including the handicapped and mentally retarded" (Entry No. 09)

3.2 Legislations Administered by the Department

The Department deals with the following legislations governing different aspects of disability and welfare and empowerment of the persons with disabilities: -

- (i) The Rehabilitation Council of India Act, 1992,
- (ii) The National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999; and

(iii) The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016

3.2.1 The Rehabilitation Council of India Act, 1992

The Rehabilitation Council of India was set up under the Rehabilitation Council of India Act, 1992. The Council regulates and monitors the training of rehabilitation professionals and personnel and promotes research in rehabilitation and special education. In accordance with the above Act, the Council has been entrusted with the following functions:-

- (i) Determining minimum standards of education.
- (ii) Making recommendations to the Department regarding recognition of qualifications, granted by Universities, etc., in India for rehabilitation professionals/other personnel.
- (iii) Making recommendations to the Department regarding recognition of qualification of Institutes outside India
- (iv) Conducting inspections in examinations
- (v) Registering rehabilitation professionals/other personnel, and
- (vi) Determining privileges and professional conduct of registered persons.

3.2.2 The National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999

The National Trust is a statutory body set up by an Act of Parliament for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999. The objectives of the National Trust are as follows:

- (i) To enable and empower persons with disabilities to live as independently and as fully as possible within and as close to the community to which they belong;
- (ii) To strengthen facilities to provide support to persons with disabilities to live within their own families;
- (iii) To extend support to registered organizations to provide need-based services during period of crisis in the family of persons with disabilities;
- (iv) To deal with problems of persons with disabilities who do not have family support;
- (v) To promote measures for the care and protection of persons with disabilities in the event of death of their parent or guardian;
- (vi) To evolve procedures for the appointment of guardians and trustees for persons with disabilities requiring such protection;
- (vii) To facilitate the realization of equal opportunities, protection of rights and full participation of persons with disabilities; and
- (viii) To do any other act which is incidental to the aforesaid objects.
- **3.2.3** The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (RPwD Act, 2016): The Government enacted the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 as passed by the Parliament in December, 2016.

3.2.3.1 The Act has been brought into force from April 19, 2017. The Act identifies various specified disabilities broadly classified into five categories as under:

- (i) Physical Disability:
 - Locomotor Disability including: Leprosy cured person, Cerebral Palsy, Dwarfism, Muscular Dystrophy, Acid attack victims.
 - Visual Impairment (only Blindness and Low Vision)
 - · Hearing Impairment (only Deaf and Hard of Hearing)
 - · Speech and Language Disability
- (ii) Intellectual Disability including: Specific Learning Disability, Autism Spectrum Disorder
- (iii) Mental Behavior (Mental Illness)
- (iv) Disability caused due to:
 - (a) Chronic Neurological Conditions such as Parkinson's disease and Multiple Sclerosis.
 - (b) Blood Disorder namely Hemophilia, Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Disease
- (v) Multiple Disabilities

3.2.3.2 With a view to ensuring the implementation of the Act, the Government has taken the following measures:

- (i) It notified Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules on 15.06.2017. These Rules provide for accessibility standards for built environment, passenger bus transport and for websites and other sectoral standards, besides specifying the procedure for applying and grant of certificate of disability, manner of publication of equal opportunity policy, manner of utilization and management of National Fund, etc;
- (ii) It notified the Guidelines for Assessment of Extent of Specified Disability in a person on 04.01.2018. These guidelines provide a detailed procedure of assessment as well as the composition of the medical authority competent to issue certificates of disability for various categories of disabilities;
- (iii) The Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) has issued circular on 15.01.2018 to all the Ministries & Departments specifying 4% reservation for persons with benchmark disabilities in Government jobs in terms of the provision of Section 34 of the RPwD Act, 2016. Further, through a notification dated 17.05.2022, DOPT also extended the benefit of 4% reservation in promotion to persons with benchmark disabilities. DoPT vide its OM dated 28.12.2023 has also extended the facility of notional promotion to employees with benchmark disabilities who were eligible for promotion from 30.06.2016.
- (iv) The States have been advised from time to time to frame rules in terms of Section 101 of the RPwD Act, 2016. So far 34 States/UTs have notified the rules under the said Act.

3.2.3.3 New Initiatives of the Department:

University of Disability Studies and Rehabilitation Sciences:

- (i) In the year 2015-16, the then Hon'ble Finance Minister in his budget speech announced upgradation of National Institute of Speech and Hearing (NISH), Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, into a National University of Rehabilitation and Disability Studies. Accordingly, the Department initially moved a proposal for upgrading the NISH into a University. However, on reconsideration, the location of the proposed University has been changed from Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala to Kamrup District, Assam (60 km from Guwahati) as a green-field project since it was not entirely technically feasible to up-grade NISH, a state-level institution that too engaged in a single area of disability, viz., hearing disability, into a national level University to cater to various disciplines covering the entire gamut of disability studies and rehabilitation sciences. The State Government of Assam has allotted 50 acres of land, free of cost.
- (ii) Department has now decided to set up a University of Disability Studies and Rehabilitation Sciences at Kamrup District, Assam through an Act of Parliament. As suggested by the Department of Expenditure, the Department of Empowerment of Person with Disabilities has engaged Education Consultant India Ltd. (EDCIL) to prepare site specific detailed project report for setting up of the university. The revised draft DPR has been received from Ed CIL on 15.03.2023. Consequent upon this, a PIB note has been circulated amongst the stakeholders for their comments/suggestions for setting up of UDSRS, Kamrup, Assam. Comments from the concerned stakeholders are awaited.

CHAPTER 4

The National Policy – UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, 2006 and Incheon Strategy "To make the Right Real" for Persons with Disabilities in Asia and Pacific

- 4.1 National Policy for Persons with Disabilities: Persons with disabilities constitute a valuable human resource for the country and a majority of such persons can lead a better quality of life if they have equal opportunities and effective access to rehabilitation measures. In this regard, the Government formulated and brought out the National Policy for Persons with Disabilities on February 10, 2006 with a view to create an environment that provides equal opportunities to persons with disabilities to ensure full participation in society at the same time protection of their rights.
- **4.1.1** With a focus on prevention of disabilities and rehabilitation measures, the National Policy 2006 primarily provided for: Prevention, Early-detection and Intervention; Programmes of Rehabilitation; Human Resource Development; Education of Persons with Disabilities; Employment; Barrier free-environment; Social Protection; Research; Sports, Recreation and Cultural Activities.

4.1.2 The following mechanism is in place for the implementation of the National Policy:

- (i) The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities is the nodal Department to coordinate all matters relating to implementation of the Policy.
- (ii) The Central Advisory Board on Disability, with stakeholder representation, coordinates matters relating to implementation of the National Policy. There is a similar Board at the State level.
- (iii) The Ministries of Home Affairs; Health & Family Welfare; Rural Development; Urban Development; Youth Affairs & Sports; Railways; Science & Technology; Statistics & Programme Implementation; Labour; Panchayati Raj and Women & Child Development and Departments of Elementary Education & Literacy, Secondary & Higher Education; Road Transport & Highways; Public Enterprises; Revenue; Information Technology and Personnel & Training are also identified for implementation of the policy.
- (iv) Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies are associated in the functioning of the District Disability Rehabilitation Centers. They are required to play a crucial role in the implementation of the National Policy to address local level issues.
- **4.1.3** The Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities at Central level and State Commissioners at the State level, play key role in implementation of the National Policy, apart from their respective statutory responsibilities.
- **4.1.4** The existing National Policy for Persons with Disabilities was adopted in 2006. Since then, a number of developments have taken place in disability sector which include signing and ratification of United Nations Convention on the Rights of Person with Disabilities (UNCRPD) by India in October, 2007 and enactment of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. Being the member of UNESCAP, India is committed to actualize the recommendation made in Jakarta Deceleration adopted in the final review of Asia- Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities in November, 2022 which encourage member states to accelerate the implementation of UNCRPD in Asia- Pacific region. Subsequently, India adopted

National Education Policy 2020 which promotes inclusive education.

4.1.5 Keeping in view the above significant milestones, the Department has constituted a committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary, DEPwD to review the above policy and suggest a new policy document taking into account the provisions of the RPwD Act, 2016, United Nations Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) and global best practices in managing disability. A task force under the main committee has been constituted to suggest a draft new National Policy. The task force has submitted a draft National Policy which was placed in public domain on 09.06.2022 for comments upto 30.09.2022. Indian Sign Language (ISL) version of the draft policy was also uploaded on website of the Department and Braille text of the draft policy was made available as well. Further, State/UTs were requested to convert the draft policy into regional language for wider coverage. The suggestions and comments received from stakeholders have been compiled and suitably incorporated into a new draft of National Policy. The new draft National Policy have been circulated to all line Ministry/Department, States/UTs and other stakeholders for comments.

4.2 United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD)

India is one of the few first countries which ratified the UNCRPD. Consequent upon India signing the Convention on March 30, 2007 and its subsequent ratification, it has come into force in the country w.e.f. May 3, 2008. The Convention places the following three important obligations on each State Party:

- (i) Implementation of the provisions of the Convention,
- (ii) Harmonization of the country laws with the Convention, and
- (iii) Preparation of a Country Report.

Accordingly, the Government submitted its First Country Report in November 2015 which was adopted by the UN Committee on Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities during its 22nd session (September, 2019) held at UNHRC headquarters at Geneva. Now Department is in process to prepare next country Report on Disability to be submitted by October, 2025.

4.3 Major Initiatives of the Department at International Level:

- (i) An Indian delegation comprising of Shri Rajeev Sharma, Joint Secretary and Shri Vineet Singhal, Director has participated a Joint Leadership program conducted by Melbourne University during 17-22 April, 2023 as part of the MoU signed between Government of India and Government of Australia for cooperation in disability sector. Indian delegation also had meeting with key Australian leaders and officials in the areas of disability.
- (ii) Ad-hoc Session of the Working Group on the Asia-Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities was organised by UNESCAP on 8-9 November 2023 at Bangkok in which Dr. Honnareddy N, Director and Dr. Santanu Agrahari, PS to Hon'ble Minister, SJ&E participated in the event and shared India's experience & suggested actions towards fulfillment of the recommendation made under Jakarta Declaration.
- (iii) A meeting of the BRICS Disability Technical Forum was held virtually under the Chairship of Government of South Africa on 13th December, 2023. An Indian delegation headed by Shri Rajesh

Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD participated and presented National Statement highlighting the progress of the country towards building disability inclusive and participatory society in the country.

- (iv) Further, Shri Rajeev Sharma, Joint Secretary and Shri Praveen Kumar, CMD, ALIMCO has been nominated to represent BRICS Disability Technical Forum initiative.
- (v) Shri Rajesh Yadav, Joint Secretary has been nominated to the Inter- Ministerial Committee on Human Rights constituted by Ministry of External as the national mechanism for implementation, follow up and looking after all human rights reporting obligations, the universal periodic review and implementation of the recommendations of UN Treaty bodies.

CHAPTER 5

Statutory Bodies under the Department

5.1 Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI)

The Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), constituted under the Rehabilitation Council of India Act 1992, regulates and monitors the training programmes for professionals and personnel in the field of rehabilitation and special education, promotes research in rehabilitation and special education, and maintains the Central Rehabilitation Register (CRR). The Act was amended by Parliament in 2000 (No.38 of 2000) to make it broader based. 987 institutes and 14 State Open Universities are approved to run RCI-approved courses from Certificate, Diploma, Bachelors, Masters, M.Phil. and Psy.D. Level.

5.1.1 Major Activities of the Council

I. Program Division:

1. The Council conducted a meeting of experts on 23-24 May, 2023 at NISD, Dwarka to update the Certificate and Diploma level Curricula.

After deliberation, the following revised syllabi were submitted unanimously by all the 4 working groups:

Sl. No.	Course	Sl. No.	Course
1	Certificate Course in Bench Skills (C.B.S.)	10	Diploma in Early Childhood Special Education (Hearing Impairment) -D.E.C.S.E.(HI)
2	Diploma in Prosthetic & Orthotics (D.P.O.)	11	D.Ed. Special Education (Hearing Impairment) - D.Ed.Spl.Ed.(HI)
3	Certificate Course in Care Giving (C.C.C.G)	12	Diploma in Hearing Language and Speech (D.H.L.S)
4	Certificate Course in Rehabilitation Therapy (C.C.R.T)	13	D.Ed. Special Education (Visual Impairment) - D.Ed.Spl.Ed.(VI)
5	Diploma in Hearing Aid Repair and Ear Mould Technology (D.H.A.E.M.T.)	14	Diploma in Computer Education (Visual Impairment) - D.C.E.(VI)
6	Diploma in Indian Sign Language Interpreter (D.I.S.L.I)	15	Diploma in Early Childhood Special Education (Intellectual Disability) - D.E.C.S.E.(ID)
7	D.Ed. Special Education (Intellectual and Developmental Disability) - D.Ed.Spl. Ed.(IDD)	16	D.Ed. Special Education (Multiple Disabilities) - D.Ed.Spl.Ed.(MD)
8	Diploma in Rehabilitation Therapy (D.R.T)	17	Diploma in Community Based Rehabilitation (D.C.B.R)
9	Diploma in Teaching Indian Sign Language (D.T.I.S.L)	18	Diploma in Vocational Rehabilitation (Intellectual Disability) - D.V.R.(ID)

a. Developed Norms and Guidelines for Special Schools for Children with Disabilities includes disabilities like Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), Intellectual Disabilities, Multiple Disabilities including deaf blindness, Specific Learning Disability, Speech and Hearing impairment and Visual Impairment.

- b. Developed In-service Training module for General Teachers of 5 days duration.
- c. A two-day Meeting of 8 Working Groups (Expert Committee) was held on 17-18 November, 2023 at NISD, Dwarka to update/review all the Degree and above-level Curricula. 18 curricula were revised in light of the NEP, 2020, NCrF&RPwD Act.

II Registration Division:

Details of Professional / Personnel registered in the Central Rehabilitation Register (CRR)

REPORT OF REGISTRATION MONTH OF April 2023 to March 2024									
MONTH	FRESH	APPLICATI	ON	ADDITIONAL			RENEWAL		
	Professional	Personnel	Total	Professional	Personnel	Total	Professional	Personnel	Total
Apr-23	589	812	1401	196	8	204	327	322	649
May-23	363	516	879	88	3	91	709	626	1335
Jun-23	770	999	1769	216	18	234	664	570	1234
Jul-23	640	606	1246	220	5	225	531	536	1067
Aug-23	735	553	1288	121	7	128	436	341	777
Sep-23	1405	1084	2489	256	18	274	597	627	1224
Oct-23	1066	574	1640	121	8	129	560	536	1096
Nov-23	536	4830	5366	18	9	27	134	148	282
Dec-23	728	1862	2590	164	9	173	588	462	1050
Jan-24	721	829	1550	105	10	115	581	475	1056
Feb-24	777	397	1174	222	5	227	558	443	1001
Mar-24	1043	751	1794	242	13	255	794	732	1526
Grand Total	9373	13813	23186	1969	113	2082	6479	5818	12297

Month	Good Standing Certificate	Duplicate/ Correction	Validation of CRR obtained from Foreign authorities	Validation of CRR obtained from Indian Agencies
Apr-23	41	12	20	32
May-23	19	12	20	35
Jun-23	28	11	15	127
Jul-23	39	12	8	25
Aug-23	16	12	11	25
Sep-23	16	10	14	27
Oct-23	40	99	19	37
Nov-23	16	71	16	35
Dec-23	25	73	25	61
Jan-24	21	146	9	28
Feb-24	23	39	4	37
Mar-24	19	27	12	50
Total	303	524	173	519

III. Continuing Rehabilitation Education (CRE) Division:

RCI Webinar:

- 1. On the occasion of World Autism Awareness Day on 02.04.2023, a free webinar titled "A collective approach to inclusion of people on the Autism Spectrum' in English from 11.00 to 12.30 and in Hindi from 3.00 to 4.30 was conducted through Webex Cisco system in collaboration with Tata Power Community Development Trust Pay Autention Network. The renowned experts presented on topics like New developments in the Autism care, therapy and society, Role of technology in the space of Autism care, New hub and spoke approaches and ecosystem creation for Autism support, Role of parent support group and community organisations. The webinar benefitted 1109 beneficiaries in English and 1422 beneficiaries in Hindi.
- 2. On the occasion of World Accessibility Awareness Day on 18.05.2023, a free webinar titled "Learn to empower through Digital Accessibility' in English from 11.00 to 12.30 and in Hindi from 3.00 to 4.30 was conducted through Webex Cisco system in collaboration with Enable India. The renowned experts presented on topics like Accessible technologies at workplaces, Accessible learning platform for persons with learning disability, learn to make your content accessible through latest accessible technologies and addressing national and international guidelines for digital accessibility. The webinar benefitted 710 beneficiaries in English and 326 beneficiaries in Hindi.
- 3. Free Webinars on Saturdays in English (11AM-1PM) and Hindi (2PM-4PM) during August 2023

CRE Guidelines: The CRE guidelines have been revised and uploaded on the website w.e.f. 1st April 2023. The new guidelines include webinar mode and experiential mode. All CREs are made on an hourly basis. Intake has been revised. The process of CRE approval will be online and registration of participants will also be online. Webinars will be hosted on RCIs Webex Cisco platform.

CRE Offline/Online Programmes/Conference/Seminar/Workshop/International Conference and Beneficiaries Sanctioned for the Year 2023-24: Details are as under:

	CRE Programme				Workshop/Seminar/Conference					
Months	Offline		Online		Offline		Online			Total No.
	No. of Pro- gramme	Total No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Pro- gramme	Total No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Pro- gramme	Total No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Pro- gramme	Total No. of Benefi- ciaries	Total Pro- gramme	of Benefi- ciaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	(2+4+6+8)	(3+5+7+9)
April, 2023	-		-	0 51 1	3	460	75	-	3	460
May, 2023	20	1000			26	6450	6	1280	52	8730
June, 2023	10	400	1	100	15	2600	4	1000	30	4100
July, 2023	9	410			30	6200	2	750	41	7360
August, 2023	4	200			13	2450	13	7750	30	10400
Sep- tember, 2023	22	1300	5	1250	24	6050	28	7300	79	15900

		CRE Pr	ogramme		Workshop/Seminar/Conference					
Months	Offline		Online		Offline		Online			Total No.
	No. of Pro- gramme	Total No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Pro- gramme	Total No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Pro- gramme	Total No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Pro- gramme	Total No. of Benefi- ciaries	Total Pro- gramme	of Benefi- ciaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	(2+4+6+8)	(3+5+7+9)
October, 2023	52	2600	3	750	98	22250	41	10500	194	36100
Novem- ber, 2023	42	2100	2	500	79	16430	28	7250	151	26280
Decem- ber, 2023	40	2000	10	2500	72	14350	28	10000	150	28850
January, 2024	65	3250	2	500	134	28450	42	10500	243	42700
Febru- ary, 2024	41	2030	3	750	67	13950	31	7750	142	24480
March, 2024	22	1100	1	250	38	8450	17	4250	78	14050
Total	327	16390	27	6600	599	128090	240	68330	1193	219410

Status of Programme		01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024				
	Mode	No. of Programme	Total No. of Beneficiaries			
CDE December 1	Offline	327	16390			
CRE Programme	Online	27	6600			
W 1 1 /C : /C C	Offline	599	128090			
Workshop/Seminar/Conference	Online	240	68330			
Total		1193	219410			

The Council also developed five five-day Residential Faculty Development Programme (FDP) & Residential Refresher Training Programme for Special Educators in offline mode with financial assistance. The National Institutes and CRCs were approved to conduct on a pilot basis:

Sl.No.	Name of Institute	Program	State	Status
1	CRC, Lucknow	FDP	Uttar Pradesh	Conducted
	CRC, Lucknow	Refresher	Uttar Pradesh	Conducted
2	NIEPMD, Chennai	FDP	Tamil Nadu	Conducted
2	NIEPMD, Chennai	Refresher	Tamil Nadu	Conducted
3	AYJNISHD, Mumbai	FDP	Maharashtra	Not Conducted
4	AJYNISHD, Mumbai in collaboration with XARC	FDP	Maharashtra	Not Conducted
-	NIEPID, Secunderabad	FDP	Telangana	Conducted
5	NIEPID, Secunderabad	Refresher	Telangana	Conducted

IV. Distance Education Cell

As per the mandate, the necessary permission to conduct the various training programme at certificate, diploma, degree, masters and above are being accorded to the training institutions to develop the trained Human resource in disability sector through face-to-face mode. However, it was felt that the bridge gap between demand and supply of the human resource particularly for special education, there is a need to adopt the hybrid and open and Distance learning mode programme in special education. Now, in the present scenario, the NEP 2020 also envisages the provision of hybrid and online mode of learning with flexible and entry and exit. Now it is essential for the regulatory bodies like UGC, RCI and other academic authorities to promote the novel blend of learning. With this objective, the Council has been promoting the State Open Universities to conduct B.Ed. Spl.Ed.-ODL programme as per the UGC regulation August, 2020. For this purpose, the Council has signed the MoU with 9 State Open Universities for a period of 05 years to run B.Ed. Spl.Ed.-Programme through ODL mode with annual intake of 500 with 3-4 disability specialization. These courses are being conducted at approved study Centres of SOUs in their respective State.

Renewal of MoU: The Council has renewed the MoU with YCMOU, Nashik for another period of 05 years to conduct B.Ed. Spl.Ed.-ODL (HI, VI, ID & LD) programme in Marathi & English languages within the State of Maharashtra with annual intake of 500 per session for all disability specialization.

The Council has renewed the MoU with UPRTOU, Prayagraj for another period of 05 years to conduct B.Ed. Spl.Ed.-ODL (HI, VI, ID & LD) programme in Hindi & English languages within the State of Uttar Pradesh with annual intake of 500 per session for all disability specialization.

Proposal received from the IGNOU, New Delhi, has been examined and accordingly a MoU with IGNOU, New Delhi has been signed on 24.04.2023 for a period of 05 years to conduct B.Ed. Spl.Ed. -ODL, M.Ed. Spl. Ed.-ODL, PGDRP, CECSE, AWT, PGDDM programme in collaboration with RCI.

The Council has conducted the meeting of Vice- Chancellors of State Open Universities (SOU) to review the status of B.Ed. Spl.Ed.-ODL programme under the chairpersonship of the Secretary, DEPwD & Chairperson, RCI on 6.04.2023 through virtual mode. Minutes of the meeting circulated to all the Universities for necessary action.

Proposal received from Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Gujarat (BAOU), for renewal of MoU for a period of 5 years to conduct B.Ed. ODL- HI, VI & ID has been examined and accordingly inspection was conducted. Based on the reports the renewal of MoU has been considered. Accordingly, the University has sent the original signed MoU for signature of Member Secretary.

Proposal received from Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Open University, Telangana (BRAOU), for renewal of MoU for a period of 5 years to conduct B.Ed. ODL- HI, VI & ID has been examined and accordingly inspection was conducted. As per the inspection report the institute was rejected. Based on the compliance submitted by BRAOU, the university has been considered for renewal of MoU for two years on conditional basis.

V. Community-Based Inclusive Development Programme (CBID)

The Government of India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Department of Social Service, Government of Australia on 22 November, 2018 for cooperation in disability sector. In pursuance of the said MoU, the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) DEPwD, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India and the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) in collaboration with University of Melbourne, Australia have jointly developed the 1st competency-based Community Based Inclusive Development Training (CBID) programme in the country.

This programme aims to develop a cadre of frontline community-based rehabilitation workers known as Divyang-Mitra who will help in building community resilience for comprehensive inclusions of PwDs. Divyang-Mitra will work in close coordination with Anganwadi and ASHA workers at the cutting-edge level to respond to issues concerning persons with disabilities at community level.

In the year 2023, significant progress was achieved in the CBID Training Programme, as various initiatives were undertaken to enhance training and certification processes. A noteworthy milestone was the release of a Grant-in-Aid (GIA) totalling Rs 88 lakh to training institutes for conducting the 2nd batch of the programme. Notably, 70% of the allocated amount was disbursed to the institutes in July 2023, facilitating their operational activities.

Release of 30% remaining amount of GIA to training institutes who conducted the 1st batch of CBID programme: The Council has released 30% remaining amount of GIA of Rs. 13,96,200/- to 06 training institutes for conduct of 1st batch of CBID training programme.

VI. Handbook on Curricular Framework for Cross Disability Early Intervention and School Readiness:

Handbook on Curricular Framework for Cross Disability Early Intervention and School Readiness jointly developed by group of eminent experts and research scholars of AYJNISHD and Pratham Mumbai in English and Hindi. The said Handbook has been released by the Council during the 86th EC meeting of RCI. The book is being published by the Council to circulate the same to all GC members and appropriate Govt. authorities, parents, ASHA workers, Anganwadi workers and training institutions for its usages and wide dissemination of technical knowledge. ISBN no. has also been obtained for this handbook.

Further, the Council has also constituted expert committee for development of 60 hrs e-content (theory and practical) for effective usage of the handbook. The Council has conducted the meeting of the core group of CBID training programme to decide the mode and modalities to conduct the final theory examination of 2nd batch of CBID training programme on 4.05.2023 under the chairpersonship Shri Vineet Singhal, Member Secretary, RCI. The final theory examinations of 2nd batch of CBID training programme were conducted in June, 2023 at identified examinations centres. The minutes of the meeting approved by the MS, RCI has been sent to all the members of the core group.

- 1. Approval is granted to conduct 3^{rd} batch of the CBID programme to all the 16 existing institutions those have conducted I^{st} and II^{nd} batch.
- A core group meeting dated October 10th, 2023 was conducted to discuss about the revision of SLM. The final SLM was received from Melbourne University. The proof reading was done and SLM was circulated to all approved institutions.
- 3. Date for commencement of IIIrd batch: January 1st, 2024.
- 4. Training of Trainers (ToT) was scheduled in second week of January.
- 5. 17 new proposals to conduct CBID Training Programme have been received in the Council. A circular is placed on RCI website for inviting more applications to conduct CBID program. Screening of these proposals is to be conducted.

VII. Master Trainers Training programme:

A 02 day Master Trainiers Training programme has been organized by the Council on 18-19 May 2023 at AYJNISHD, Mumbai to orient the faculty members of National Institutes and CRCs to administer tools in Handbook on Curricular Framework for Cross Disability Early Intervention and School Readiness jointly developed by a group of eminent experts and research scholars of AYJNISHD and Pratham Mumbai tools effectively at their Institute. A total of 35 faculties from CRC/NIs participated in the said programme.

VIII. 02 days National Workshop at Jabalpur:

The Council has conducted 02 days National workshop on "Capacity building of training institutes and HRD in the context of NEP: 2020 "from 16-17 May, 2023 at Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh. Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India inaugurated the workshop as the Chief Guest. Shri Rakesh Singh, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Jabalpur, Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD & Chairperson, RCI, Dr. Jitendra Jamdar, Vice- Chairman, Jan Abhiyan Parishad, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh were the guest of honour during the inaugural session. Dr. Subodh Kumar, Dy. Director, RCI, and other RCI officials were also present to organize the programme smoothly.

A total of 308 participants including faculties of RCI approved training institutes from 11 States i.e. Maharashtra, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Gujarat, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Bihar participated in this workshop. Apart from them, officers from Samgra Shiksha and other departments of Govt. of Madhya Pradesh as well as few parents and siblings of Divyangjans, Divyang achievers also participated in the programme.

IX. National Board of Examinations in Rehabilitation (NBER)

a) Admission Process for Diploma Level Courses for the Academic Session 2023-24:

NBER has decided that admission to all the RCI-approved certificate and diploma level courses for the academic session 2023-24 will be granted directly by the respective training institutions, university departments, National Institutes of DEPwD and CRCs. The last date for submission of admitted candidates by the training institutes was 25.07.2023. The classes have been commenced on 01.08.2023.

b) A total of 33,477 candidates have been admitted in these courses. Course-wise status of admitted candidates are as under:

Sl.No.	Name of Courses(s)	No. of Admitted Students				
1.	D.Ed.Spl.Ed.(VI)	3895				
2.	DCE(VI)	17				
3.	D.C.B.R	53				
4.	D.P.O	0				
5.	D.V.R.(ID)	220				
6.	D.E.C.S.E.(ID)	69				
7.	C.C.C.G	82				
8.	C.C.R.T	43				
9.	D.Ed.Spl.Ed.(IDD)	15968				
10.	D.R.T	8				
11.	D.Ed.Spl.Ed.(MD) Old	35				
12.	D.Ed.Spl.Ed.(MD) New	950				
13.	D.Ed.Spl.Ed.(HI)	11247				
14.	D.H.L.S.	427				
15.	D.E.C.S.E.(HI)	33				
16.	D.H.A.E.M.T.	2				
17.	D.T.I.S.L.	132				
18.	D.I.S.L.I.	194				

Sl.No.	Name of Courses(s)	No. of Admitted Students
19.	D.E.C.S.E.(MR)	102
Total		33,477

c) State-wise and course-wise list of 30,658 candidates provisionally admitted to Diploma Level course during the academic session 2023-24 has been sent to the AYJNISHD, Mumbai, NIEPMD, Chennai & NIEPVD, Dehradun for issuance of PRN/Registration Number to the candidates.

X. Examination of Certificate and Diploma Level Courses for the Academic Session 2022-23:

The exams are conducted by NBER through its 3 NBER Centres at NIEPMD-Chennai, NIEPVD-Dehradun and AYJNISHD-Mumbai. Every year the examinations were conducted by NBER through offline mode. In the year 2022-23, the entire examination system was shifted to online mode and in order to improve transparency, the examinations were conducted at 179 Govt. institutions (159 Kendriya Vidyalaya (KVs) and 20 other Govt. institutions). A comprehensive portal was developed for conducting examinations for 2021-22 and 2022-23. In this portal, the entire data of the students of RCI-approved Teacher Training Institutes, fee payments etc. were incorporated. Evaluation of the copies was conducted at 24 evaluation centres at CRCs/ NIs under DEPwD and other Govt. institutions.

In the 2021-23 batch, a total of 10,815 students appeared in the examinations and 5717 passed out and the passing percentage is 45.3% in the year 2022-23, a total of 22,947 students were registered in Diploma and Certificate level courses and 21771 appeared in the examination and 5890 passed out.

This year, the Council is providing registration under the Central Rehabilitation Register (CRR) free of charge (otherwise normal charge for registration is Rs. 1000/- per student) for 4,945 students who have successfully passed out this year. They can download their CRR certificate directly from the portal.

The major initiatives of RCI during this year are as follows:

- i. The entire diploma and certificate examination was online
- ii. Examinations were held through KVS and other Govt. institutions.
- iii. The fee system was made through a payment gateway
- Students can download the marks statement and certificate on the same day of the declaration of the result.
- v. CRR number was given to 4,945 students free of cost.

Considering the above, the Council has conducted the annual convocation of 18 National toppers (coursewise). This Convocation programme has been conducted on 22.12.2023 at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi.

Km. Pratima Bhoumik, Minister of State for Social Justice & Empowerment has awarded the toppers of each training programme. Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD, Govt. of India was also present to grace the occasion. Dr. Sharanjeet Kaur, Chairperson, RCI, Shri Rajesh Yadav, Joint Secretary, DEPwD and Dr.Honnareddy N. Member Secretary, RCI also attended the convocation.

A total of 1000 students of different training institutions and other staff members attended this convocation.

- 1. A total of 15932 students have applied for revaluation and re-totalling and revaluation and re-totalling work has been completed. The result has been declared on 05.03.2024.
- 2. For the failed student, the Council is conducting supplementary examinations from 05.04.2024 to 12.04.2024 at various government institutions across the country.

5.2 The Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (CCPD)

5.2.1 Overview:

- a) The Office of the CCPD was setup under the section 57(1) of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act 1995 and in the present context, under Section 74(1) of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.
- b) The Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (CCPD) reviews the safeguards provided by or under this Act or any other law for the time being in force for the protection of rights of persons with disabilities and recommend measures for their effective implementation; review the factors that inhibit the enjoyment of rights of persons with disabilities and recommend appropriate remedial measures; as per Section 75(2) of the aforesaid act.
- c) The Chief Commissioner may also on his own motion or on the application of any aggrieved persons or otherwise look into complaints relating to deprivation of rights of persons with disabilities or non-implementation of rules, bye-laws, regulations, executive orders, guidelines or instructions etc. made or issued for the welfare and protection of rights of persons with disabilities and take up the matter with the concerned authorities. The CCPD has been assigned certain powers of a Civil Court for effective discharge of the functions.

5.2.2 Suo-motu Cases:

The Office of the CCPD takes suomotu notices of non-implementation of various provisions of the Act such as reservation in employment, admission, instances of discrimination against PwDs reported in the press, media and take up with concerned authorities. Such proactive initiatives have not only protected the rights of PwDs but also have sensitized various stakeholders and created awareness about the issues concerning PwDs.

- (I) The Chief Commissioner under Section-75 of the RPwDs Act, 2016 shall:
 - (a) Identify, suomotu or otherwise, the provisions of any law or policy, programme and procedures, which are inconsistent with this Act and recommend necessary corrective steps;
 - (b) Inquire, suomotu or otherwise; deprivation of rights of Persons with Disabilities and safeguards available to them in respect of matters for which the Central Government is the appropriate Government and take up the matter with appropriate authorities for corrective action;
 - (c) Review the safeguards provided by or under this Act or any other law for the time being in force for the protection of rights of persons with disabilities and recommend measures for their effective implementation;
 - (d) Review the factors that inhibit the enjoyment of rights of persons with disabilities and recommend appropriate remedial measures;
 - (e) Study treaties and other international instruments on the rights of persons with disabilities and make recommendations for their effective implementation;
 - (f) Undertake and promote research in the field of the rights of persons with disabilities;

- (g) Promote awareness of the rights of persons with disabilities and the safeguards available for their protection;
- (h) Monitor implementation of the provisions of this Act and schemes; programmes meant for persons with disabilities.
- (i) Monitor utilization of funds disbursed by the Central Government for the benefit of persons with disabilities; and perform such other functions as the Central Government may assign.
- (II) The Chief Commissioner shall consult the Commissioners on any matter while discharging its functions under this Act.
- (III) As per Section 77 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (RPwD), the Chief Commissioner; for the purpose of discharging his functions under this Act; have the same powers of a civil court as are vested in a court under the Code of Civil Procedure; 1908 while trying a suit; in respect of the following matters, namely: -
 - (a) Summoning and enforcing the attendance of witnesses;
 - (b) Requiring the discovery and production of any documents;
 - (c) Requisitioning any public record or copy thereof from any court or office;
 - (d) Receiving evidence on affidavits; and
 - (e) Issuing commissions for the examination of witness or documents.
- (IV) Every proceeding before the Chief Commissioner shall be a judicial proceeding within the meaning of sections 193 and 228 of the Indian Penal Code and the Chief Commissioner shall be deemed to be a civil court for the purposes of section 195 and Chapter XXVI of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.

5.2.3 National Review Meeting:



For the purpose of coordination of the work of Commissioners and reviewing the status of implementation of Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016, O/o CCPD organizes National Review Meeting of the State Commissioner annually. State Commissioners provide an overview of their work and the initiatives taken by them and achievements of various departments of the State Government in the disability sector during the year. The 18th National Review Meeting of the State/UT Commissioners

for PwDs was held on 29th and 30th November, 2023 at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre. The two day meeting was inaugurated and chaired by Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD, holding additional charge of CCPD. Dr. Sharanjeet Kaur, Chairperson, Rehabilitation Council of India, Shri K. R. Vaidheeswaran, JS & CEO, National Trust, Shri Rajesh Yadav, Joint Secretary, DEPwD were also present during the inaugural session and addressed the participants. The State/UT Commissioners for Persons with Disabilities or their representatives from 28 States/UTs, Senior Officers from the Ministry of Railways, Department of Personnel and Training, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, M/o Heath & Family Welfare, M/o Housing & Urban Affairs also attended the two days' Review Meeting.



- **5.2.4** Access Audits of Public Buildings/ Places: The Office of CCPD takes initiative to audit Public Places such as Government office buildings, Hospitals, Stadiums, Market Places, Railway Stations, Airports, Bus Stops, Religious places etc. for their accessibility and ensure that required modifications are carried out within the given time frame. The accessible audit of JNU was conducted on 31.01.2024.
- **5.2.5** Monitor Implementation of the provisions of this Act and schemes, programmes meant for persons with disabilities: During the year 2023-2024 the review meetings were conducted in 6 status/ UTs i.e.
 - i West Bengal, 10-12/08/2023,
 - ii Dadra & Nagar Haveli, 16-18/08/2023,
 - iii Karnataka, 22-24/08/2023,
 - iv Sikkim, 26-29/08/2023,
 - v Leh-Ladakh, 19-22/09/2023,
 - vi Kerala, 24-27/01/2024
- 5.2.6. Sensitization Workshops on implementation of RPwD Act, 2016: During the financial Year Office of Chief Commissioner had organized 03 Sensitization Workshops on Implementation of RPwD Act, 2016:
 - i) One Day Workshop on registration of Equal Opportunity Policy on 25th May, 2023 under Section 21 of the RPwD Act, 2016 at New Delhi.

- ii) One Day Workshop on Duties & Responsibilities of Govt organization/PSUs/Banks/ establishments on 15th September 2023 under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 at New Delhi.
- iii) One Day Workshop on Duties & Responsibilities of Govt organisation/PSUs/Banks/ establishments Training-cum Awareness on 3rd November 2023 under the Rights of Person with Disabilities Act, 2016 at New Delhi.
- 5.2.7 Redressal of Grievances: Since its inception in Sept, 1998, total 41054 cases have been registered in the office of CCPD out of which 40094 cases had been disposed of by the end of March 2024. During the Financial Year 2023-2024, 912 cases were registered from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024, out of which 438 cases have been disposed off including backlog of the previous year. The recommendation of the Chief Commissioner / Commissioner in the above mentioned cases has been uploaded on the website of Office of Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities.
- 5.2.8 Virtual Hearing of the Grievances: Due to Covid-19, the physical appearances of the complainant and respondent were not possible. Therefore, Office of CCPD is conducting online hearing through video conferencing using Webex Platform from June 2020. However, from February 2024 office of CCPD switched over to hybrid mode.
- 5.2.9 Online Case Management Portal: O/o CCPD has an online case Management Portal for facilitating online filing of grievances and to know the real time station of the grievance. (www.ccpdcourt.gov.in)

5.2.10 Harmonized Guidelines for Standards of Accessibility and Provision of facilities for PwDs under Section 40 of RPwD Act, 2016:

As per section 40 of the RPwD Act, 2016 the Central Government shall, in consultation with the Chief Commissioner, formulate rules for persons with disabilities laying down the standards of accessibility. Rule 16 of the RPwD Rules 2017 states that Central Government shall review from time to time the accessibility standards notified based on the latest scientific knowledge and technology. In this connection, O/o CCPD for consultation. Consultation of all 23 Ministries /Departments have been comleted and returned to concerned Ministries /Departments for incorporating the suggestions of the Experts and to send the guidelines to DEPwD for consideration and notification.

5.2.11 Formulation of Equal Opportunity Policy under section 21 RPwD Act, 2016:

- a) As per Section 21 (1) Every establishment shall notify "Equal Opportunity Policy" detailing measures proposed to be taken in pursuance of the provisions of the RPwD Act, 2016.
- b) Equal Opportunity Policy from 160 organizations have been received.
- c) Out of 160 Equal Opportunity Policies, so far 14 Equal Opportunity Policies were found in order as per Rule 8 of the RPwD Rules, 2017 and were registered in this office.

5.3 The National Trust for the welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Intellectual Disability and Multiple Disabilities:

5.3.1 Introduction:

The National Trust is an autonomous body constituted by an Act of Parliament namely "The National Trust for the welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999".

The objectives of the National Trust are as follows: -

- i. To enable and empower persons with disability to live as independently and as fully as possible within and as close to the community to which they belong;
- ii. To strengthen facilities to provide support to persons with disability to live within their own families;
- To extend support to registered organizations to provide need based services during period of crisis in the family of persons with disability;
- iv. To deal with problems of persons with disability who do not have family support;
- v. To promote measures for the care and protection of persons with disability in the event of death of their parent or guardian;
- vi. To evolve procedures for the appointment of guardians and trustees for persons with disability requiring such protection;
- vii. To facilitate the realization of equal opportunities, protection of rights and full participation of persons with disability; and
- viii. To do any other act which is incidental to the aforesaid objects.

The National Trust has been set up to discharge two basic duties- legal and welfare. Legal duties are discharged through Local Level Committees (LLC) and providing Legal Guardianship. Welfare duty is discharged through the Schemes. The activities of the National Trust inter-alia include training, awareness and capacity building programmes and shelter, care giving and empowerment. The National Trust is committed to facilitate equal opportunities, protection of rights and full participation of persons with disabilities (Divyangjan), covered under the Act.

5.3.2 Registration of Organizations

As per section 12(1) of the National Trust Act, any voluntary organization, the association of parents of persons with disabilities or the association of persons with disabilities, working in the field of Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Intellectual Disability and Multiple Disabilities", already registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860(21 of 1860), or section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956(1 of 1956), or Public Charitable Trust Act and under Persons with Disability Act, 1995 or Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 in the concerned state and on NGO Darpan Portal of NITI Aayog, can apply for registration in the National Trust. Proposal for Registration can be submitted by filling up an online form along with Form 'E' (to be generated through the online system while filling up the online registration form), duly stamped and signed by the Head of the organization. The registration of such organization with the Trust shall be necessary for availing benefits under the schemes of the Trust. The validity of the registration of NGOs is 5 years. For renewal of registration, NGOs need to apply 6 months before the expiry of registration.

The total number of Registered Organizations of the National Trust is 612. The number of NGOs registered from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024 is 128. The list of ROs can be seen State-wise and Districtwise, on the website of the National Trust (www.thenationaltrust.gov.in).

5.3.3 The following are the salient activities of the National Trust:

(i) Local Level Committee (LLC):

The function of Local Level Committee is to screen, appoint, monitor and remove legal guardians. LLCs also promote activities such as Awareness generation, convergence and mainstreaming of persons with disabilities. Under Section 13 of the National Trust Act 1999, a Local Level Committee is required to be constituted in every district of the country for a period of three years or till it is reconstituted by the Board consisting of following members:-

- An officer of the Civil Service of the Union or of the State not below the rank of District Magistrate or a District Commissioner of a District;
- · A representative of an organization registered with the National Trust; and
- A person with disability as defined in Clause (t) of Section 2 of the Persons with Disabilities Act, 1995 (1 of 1996)

754 LLCs have been constituted covering all the districts of the country with DC/DM as Chairperson of the LLC.

(ii) Appointment of Legal Guardians:

- a) Section 14-17 of The National Trust Act, 1999 elaborate on Guardianship for persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities, to be dealt by the Local Level Committee. Guardianship is a need based enabling provision.
- b) A guardian is a person, who is appointed to look after another person or his property, or both. He or she assumes the care and protection of the person for whom he/she is appointed the guardian. The guardian takes all legal decisions on behalf of the person and the property of the ward.
- c) Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Intellectual Disability and Multiple Disabilities are in a special situation as even after they have acquired 18 years of age, they may not always be capable of managing their own lives or taking legal decisions for their own betterment. Therefore, they may require someone to represent their interests in the legal areas throughout their lives. However, in cases of cerebral palsy and multiple disabilities, there may be a need for only limited guardianship because of the availability of enabling mechanisms and/ or scientific facilitations, which enable such persons to function with varying degrees of independence.
- d) Under section 14 of the National Trust Act, the Local Level Committee headed by the District Collector is empowered to receive application in Form A under Rule 16(1) & appoint guardians in Form B under Rule 16(2) for persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardationand Multiple Disabilities. It also provides mechanism for monitoring and protecting their interests including their properties. All these forms are built in the online Legal Guardianship Module.

Before 2016, 30304 Guardians were appointed in the offline mode. Thereafter, through the new Scheme Management System (SMS), 38769 Guardians have been appointed, i.e., a total of 69073Guardians till 31.03.2024, which includes 7192 Legal Guardianship applications

approved from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024.

(from every 10 districts)

(iii) State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC)

Every State Government/UT Administration has been requested to set up a State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) for effective implementation and monitoring of the schemes of the National Trust. The Principal Secretary of the State Government looking after disability affairs is the Chairperson and the respective SNAC (now under process for re-constitution) is the convener of the Committee. The Composition of SLCC is as under:-

Secretary, Social Welfare ------ Chairman

Commissioner (Disabilities) ----- Vice-Chairman

Director, Social Welfare ------ Member

State Nodal Agency Centre ----- Member Secretary

1 LLC NGO Member ------ Members

5.3.4 The Schemes highlights and the projects sanctioned under the schemes during the year 2023-2024 are as under:

i. Disha (Early Intervention and School Readiness Scheme for 0-10 years)

This is an early intervention and school readiness scheme for children in the age group of 0-10 years with the four disabilities covered under the National Trust Act and aims at setting up Disha Centres for early intervention for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) through therapies, trainings and providing support to family members. The project holders should provide day-care facilities to PwDs (Divyangjan) for at least 4 hours in a day (between 8 am and 6 pm) along with age specific activities. There should be a Special Educator or Early Intervention Therapist, Physiotherapist or Occupational Therapist and Counsellor for PwDs (Divyangjan) along with Caregiver and Ayas in the centre.

The scheme was launched in the year 2015-16. During the last 9 years, an amount of Rs.17.36 Crore has been spent under the scheme benefitting around 660 beneficiaries every year. This includes release of Rs.1.99 Crore for 440 Divyangjan getting benefit through 22 Disha Centres from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024.

ii. VIKAAS (Day Care Scheme for 10+ years)

This is a Day care scheme, launched in the year 2015-16, for Divyangjan attaining the age of 10 years and above, primarily to expand the range of opportunities available to a person with disability for enhancing interpersonal and vocational skills as they are on a transition to higher age groups. The centre offers care giving support to Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) during the time the Divyangjan are in the Vikaas centre. In addition, it also helps in supporting family members of the Persons with disabilities covered under the National Trust Act to get some time during the day to fulfil other responsibilities. Project Holders should provide day-care facilities to Divyangjan for at least 6

hours in a day (between 8 am and 6 pm) along with age specific activities. Day care should be opened for at least 21 days in a month.

The scheme was launched in the year 2015-16. During the last 9 years, an amount of Rs.30.53 Crore has been spent under the scheme benefitting around 1020 beneficiaries every year. This includes release of Rs. 3.61 Crore for 930 Divyangjan getting benefit through 31 Vikaas Centres from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024.

iii. Disha-cum Vikaas Scheme (Day Care): For the Registered Organizations (ROs), who were implementing multiple schemes, an option for implementing merged scheme was given. The Disha-cum-Vikaas Scheme (Day Care) is being implemented w.e.f. 01.04.2018.

During the last 6 years, an amount of Rs. 32.00 Crore has been spent under the scheme benefitting around 1350 beneficiaries every year. This includes release of Rs. 6.06 Crore for 1170 Divyangjan getting benefit through 39 Disha-cum-Vikaas Centres from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024.

Samarth (Respite Care Residential Scheme): The objective of Samarth scheme is to provide respite care home for orphans or abandoned, families in crisis and also for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) from BPL & LIG families including destitute with at least one of the four disabilities covered under the National Trust Act. The scheme provides for creating opportunities for family members to get respite time in order to fulfil other responsibilities. Under the Scheme Samarth Centres are set up for providing group home facility for all age groups with adequate and quality care service with acceptable living standards including provision of basic medical care from professional doctors.

The scheme was launched in the year 2015-16. During the last 9 years, an amount of Rs.14.39 Crore has been spent under the scheme benefitting around 390 beneficiaries every year. This includes release of Rs.1.85 Crore for 246 Divyangjan getting benefit through 11 Samarth Centres from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024.

v. Gharaunda (Group Home for Adults): The objective of Gharaunda scheme, which was launched in 2015-16, is to provide an assured home and minimum quality of care services throughout the life of the persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Intellectual Disability and Multiple Disabilities. The scheme also facilitates the establishment of requisite infrastructure for the assured care system throughout the country, encourages assisted living with independence & dignity and provides care services on a sustainable basis.

The scheme was launched in the year 2015-16. During the last 9 years, an amount of Rs. 26.12 Crore has been spent under the scheme benefitting around 480 beneficiaries every year. This includes release of Rs. 4.08 Crore for 400 Divyangjan getting benefit through 22 Gharaunda Centres from 01-04-2023 to 31.03.2024.

vi. Samarth-cum-Gharaunda Scheme (Residential care): For the Registered Organisations, who were implementing multiple schemes, an option for implementing merged scheme was given. The Samarth-cum-Gharaunda Scheme (Residential) is being implemented w.e.f.01.04.2018.



During the last 6 years, an amount of Rs.14.38 Crore has been spent under the scheme benefitting around 390 beneficiaries every year. This includes release of Rs. 3.55 Crore for 346 Divyangjan getting benefit through 12 Samarth-cum-Gharaunda Centres from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024.

vii 'Niramaya' Health Insurance Scheme

The National Trust is implementing Niramaya Health Insurance Scheme for persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Intellectual Disabilities and Multiple Disabilities. Under the Scheme, there is an insurance cover of Rs.1 lakh, which covers OPD, Diagnostic Test, Therapies, Corrective Surgeries, Alternative Medicine and Transportation. There is no age bar for enrolment under the scheme and the treatment can be taken from any authorized medical practitioner/health care center. It is on reimbursement basis. The scheme is operational in the entire country through more than 612 Registered Organisations who facilitate Divyangjan in filling the online application. Any person with aforesaid conditions can avail benefit by paying a nominal fee. The enrollment/renewal fee is not charged for Divyangjan who have Legal Guardian other than natural parents.

From policy year 2023-24, apart from Registered Organisations of National Trust, National Institutes under DEPwD and Composite Regional Centers (CRCs) under National Institutes and Individual Beneficiaries and their Caretakers have also been allowed to enrol/renew under the scheme. After providing the UDID Card no. or UDID Enrollment no. (with Disability certificate issued by competent authority).

During the year 2023-24, a total of 87,746 Divyangians were enrolled. The expenditure during the year was Rs. 13.86 crore from 1.4.2023 to 31.3.2024. At present, the scheme is being implemented through M/s. Orinetal Insurance Co. Ltd.

Note-Linking of beneficiaries of Niramaya Health Insurance Scheme, Day Care and Residential Care schemes with the Unique Disability Identification (UDID) card/Enrollment No. under UDID (with PwD Certificate) has been made mandatory w.e.f 01.04.2023.

5.3.5 Other Activities of National Trust:

(i) World Autism Awareness Day is observed on 2ndApril every year by organizing meeting/seminar/workshop. During the current financial year, National Trust organized 'Autism Conclave' at National Institute of Social Defence (NISD), Dwarka, New Delhi on 30th May 2023 in which various experts, professionals, role models and parents of persons with Autism participated. The conclave was inaugurated by Sh. Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) and persons inthe field like Dr.Sheffali Gulati, Head, Child Neurology Department, AIIMS, Delhi, Dr. Nimesh Desai, Senior Consultant Psychiatrist and Former Head IBHAS, Delhi, Ms. Merry Barua, Action for Autism etc. participated.





Autism Conclave on 30th May 2023 organized under Chairmanship of Secretary, DEPwD& Chairperson, National Trust

(ii) Meeting on Employment/Self Employment of Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (PwIDDs) under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) – As part of observing Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) to commemorate 75 years of India's Independence, the National Trust identified 5 key areas of the theme "Inclusive Development" namely-Early Intervention, Unique Disability ID (UDID) Card/Disability certificate, Skill Development/ Vocational Training, Employment/ Self- Employment and Govt. schemes/activities.



Accordingly, the National Trust organized a virtual meeting on Employment/ Self Employment of PwIDDs under Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) on 16.06.2023. Mr.Mallikarjun, President, Indian Academy of Cerebral Palsy, Dr. Tulsi, Deva International, Varanasi, Ms. Seema Chadha, Muskaan, Delhi were Resource Persons in the meeting. During the meeting, Muskaan, Delhi, a Registered Organization of National Trust presented 3 models for creating Employment/ Self Employment of PwIDDs. Apart from this, various opportunities in Employment/ Self Employment for PwIDDs were shared by other Resource Persons. The meeting was attended by Board Members of National Trust, Registered Organizations (ROs) and Parents.

(iii) Celebration of 9 years of Swachh Bharat Mission – The National Trust celebrated Swachh Bharat Mission from 15th September, 2023 to 2nd October, 2023. The theme of the event was "Garbage Free India". On ground activities on the theme, National Trust officials took oath on Swacchta. Swachh Bharat Abhiyan drive was also conducted by National Trust at Handicapped Childrens Parents Association (HCPA), Sec-5, Dwarka, a Registered Organization of National Trust. All staff of the National Trust participated in cleanliness drive.



Swachhta Abhiyan Campaign organized at HCPA,a Registered Organization of National Trust on 2nd October 2023

(iv) World Cerebral Palsy Day-The National Trust organized a Workshop on World Cerebral Palsy Day on 6th October 2023 at National Institute of Social Defence (NISD), Auditorium, Dwarka, New Delhi. There were panel discussions, experience sharing and talks on challenges, needs and facilities for Persons with Cerebral Palsy. The workshop was conducted under the Chairmanship of Sh. Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) and

Chairperson, National Trust. The workshop was attended by over 100 participants in both the physical and virtual modes that include NGOs, Professionals, Parents and persons with Cerebral Palsy.

- (v) Annual General Meeting (AGM) The 23rd Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the National Trust was organised under the Chairmanship of Sh. Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD and Chairperson, National Trust on 4th November, 2023 in Hybrid mode. During discussion, various suggestions/ views received from the Board Members and other participants related to preparation of standard guidelines on Niramaya- Health Insurance Scheme to resolve various issues, vacancies in scheme centres for the general public on the website of the National Trust and other. All the queries of the stakeholders were addressed by the officials of the National Trust. The participants expressed their satisfaction and assured that they would extend their cooperation in all manners for the benefit of the sector.
- (vi) Mentors Training Program on Self Advocacy The National Trust is conducting Mentors Training Program on Self Advocacy for Divyangjan covered under the National Trust Act. The objective of program is to make attitudinal change, both in the society and in the mind of Self Advocates (Divyangjan) and their families.



Demonstration of an exhibition of Sambhav: Making Inclusion possible (Assistive Devices for Persons with Cerebral Palsy



Panel discussion on a life span approach including People with Disabilities, Parents & Professionals

The National Trust has prepared an Action Plan for conducting this program in the country. In each of these training programs 15 Mentors (Professional/ Parents) and 15 Self Advocates (Divyangjan) are trained. So far, 18 training programs have been conducted. These programs are being conducted in Residential Scheme centres namely- Gharaunda and Samarth-cum-Gharaunda of the National Trust. Details of these training programmes are as under-

No. of Train- ing Prog.	Name of the Zone	District	State	Date of Training prog. con- ducted
1 st	Centre For Rehabilitation Services Research (CRSR)	Bhadrak	Odisha	20 th , 21 st , and 22 nd , July, 2023
2 nd	Unnayak Seva Samiti	Raigarh	Chattisgarh	22 nd , 23 rd & 24th , July, 2023

No. of Train- ing Prog.	Name of the Zone	District	State	Date of Training prog. con- ducted
3 rd	St Judes School For Mentally Challenged A Unit Of Ecomwel Orthopaedic Centre	Salem	Tamil Nadu	24 th & 25 th August, 2023
$4^{ m th}$	Sanvedana Cerebral Palsy Vikasan Kendra Run By RSS Janakalyan Samiti	Latur	Maharashtra	9th& 10th Sept., 2023
5 th	Swami Vivekanand Shiksha And Samaj Kalyan Samiti	Sant Kabeer Nagar	Uttar Pradesh	28th & 29th Oct.,2023
6^{th}	Nishakt Jan Aadhar Welfare Society	Indore	Madhya Pradesh	16 th & 17 th Oct.,2023
7 th	Uma Educational And Technical Society	Godavari East	Andhra Pradesh	28th & 29th Oct.,2023
$8^{ ext{th}}$	Rampurhat Spastics & Handicapped Society	Birbhum	West Bengal	04th& 05th Nov.,2023
9th	Mahila Bal Vikas Gramodhyog Shiksha Samiti	Bharatpur,	Rajasthan	27th & 28th Nov., 2023
10th	Integrated Rehabilitation & Development Centre -IRDC	Puducherry	Puducherry	1st & 2nd December, 2023
11th	Dr.Braja Vihari Mohanty Memorial Mentally Retarded Benefit Trust	Cuttack	Odisha	10 th & 11 th December, 23
12 th	Deepshikha, Institute For Child Development And Mental Health (A Unit Of Purshree)	Ranchi	Jharkhand	11 th & 12 th December, 2023
13th	Navodit Gram Utthan Mahila Evam Bal VIkas Samiti	Hoshangabad	Madhya Pradesh	16th & 17th January, 2024
14th	Sri Sri Jadimahal Youth Club	Balasore	Odisha	19th & 20th January, 2024
15th	Shanti Maitri Gramin Vikas Sansthan	Dhamtari	Chhattisgarh	20th & 21st January, 2024
16th	Sanchit Vikas Sansthan	Basti	Uttar Pradesh	15th & 16th February, 2024
17th	Gramin Pragati Sansthan	Amethi	Uttar Pradesh	18th & 19th February, 2024

No. of Train- ing Prog.	Name of the Zone	District	State	Date of Training prog. con- ducted
18th	Kailashi Mahila Vikas Samiti	Azamgarh	Uttar Pradesh	21st & 22nd February, 2024



Glimpses of Mentors Training Programmes conducted at various places of the country.

CHAPTER 6

Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs)

6.1 Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO)

Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO), a Schedule 'C' Miniratna Category-II, Central Public Sector Enterprises, registered under Section 8 of the Companies Act 2013, (Corresponding to Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956) is functioning under the Administrative Control of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities. It is 100% Government of India Enterprise with an objective of benefiting the differently abled persons and Senior Citizens to the maximum extent possible by manufacturing Rehabilitation Aids for persons with disabilities & Senior Citizens and by promoting, encouraging and developing the availability, use, supply and distribution of Artificial Limbs and other Rehabilitation Aids. Profit is not the motive of Corporation and its main thrust is providing better quality of Aids & Appliances to larger number of differently able persons & Senior Citizens at reasonable price. The Corporation started manufacturing artificial aids in 1976. At present It has six Auxiliary Production Centres(AAPCs) situated at Bhubaneswar (Orissa), Jabalpur (M.P.), Bengaluru (Karnataka), Mohali (Punjab), Ujjain (MP) Faridabad (Haryana). The Corporation has five Marketing Centres at New Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Guwahati.

6.1.2 Objectives

The objective of the Corporation is to benefit the persons with disabilities to the maximum extent possible by promoting, encouraging and developing and manufacturing rehabilitation aids and supply them for distribution to the persons with disabilities of the country. Profitability not being the motive, the Corporation endeavors to provide better quality of aids & appliances to larger number of persons with disabilities at a reasonable price.

6.1.3 Financial Highlights

During the Financial year 2023-24 (upto 31.03.2024) the Corporation has achieved a net turnover of Rs. 627crore(provisional) as compared to the previous year turnover Rs. 458.67crore in 2022-23. Similarly, the value of production has been recorded Rs.458.62 crore (provisional, from 01st April 2023 to 31st Mar 2024) as compared to the previous year production value of Rs.343.45 crore in 2022-23.

6.1.4 The Quantitative Figures showing Physical Performance of the Corporation

	Dhysical	Produc	tion (In Nos.)	Sales (In Nos.)	
S. No.	Physical Performance (Physical Performance of Important Products)	2022-23	2023-24 (Provisional figures upto 31.03.2024)	2022-23	2023-24 (Provisional figures upto 31.03.2024)
1	Tricycle	86965	130777	86165	130730
2	Wheel Chairs	144843	190869	133418	141422
3	Crutches	86730	102870	88748	102453
4	Hearing Aids	161498	192503	140379	165450

(Rs. Crore)

Particulars	Sales of 2023-24 (provisional figures upto 31.03.2024)	Sales of 2022- 23
Resources mobilized from GIA	418.90	302.03
Resources mobilized other than GIA	212.61	179.89
TOTAL	631.51	481.92

6.1.5 ADIP CAMPS

The Corporation has covered 195748 beneficiaries' (provisional figures upto 31.03.2024) in the financial year 2023-24 under ADIP scheme through 723 camps covering 26 States/UTs. Further, 25098 beneficiaries were served under ADIP HQ (14757), ADIP Aasra (3454) and ADIP PMDK (6887)

6.1.6 ADIP-Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) CAMPS

Under ADIP-SSA programme, 873 camps were organized in the Financial Year 2023-24 (provisional figures upto 31.03.2024) in which 99216 children with special needs in the class group of 01-12 were served covering 21 States/UTs.

6.1.7 Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojna

ALIMCO has been nominated as the sole implementing agency by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, for the execution of the RashtriyaVayoshriYojna at various districts / location across the country.

During the financial year 2023-24 Corporation has organized 84 distribution camps in 84 districts all over the country, wherein Corporation had distributed 214156 aids & appliances to 53848 senior citizens (upto 31.03.2024) provisional

6.1.8 Activities under Corporate Social Responsibility (Sales)

ALIMCO is also working as a CSR Implementation Partner for many Companies in empowering the Divyangjan as part of their CSR Projects. The Corporation has taken initiative and has started approaching all profit making CPSUs to take up their CSR obligation through ALIMCO for Assessment and Distribution of Aids and Assistive Devices to Divyangjan. Our Corporation has joined hand with many CPSUs including Bharat Petroleum, REC Limited, Indian Railway Finance Corporation, Indian Oil Corporation, NHPC Limited, Armored Vehicle Nigam Limited, SAIL, IRCTC, Power Finance Corporation, Aravali Power Company Pvt. Ltd, Engineer India Limited, BSES Yamuna Power Ltd, BSES Rajdhani Limited, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Shipping Corporation of India, Manganese Ore India Limited, South Eastern Coalfield Limited, NBCC Service Limited

The Corporation had conducted 115 CSR camps and has distributed 24574 beneficiaries in 2023-24 (provisional figure upto 31.03.2024).

6.1.9 Industrial Relations

The Industrial relations scenario in the Corporation has been peaceful, harmonious and cordial. The Corporation continues to encourage participative culture in its management through consultative approach by establishing harmonious relations. The Corporation has not lost single man hour during theyear due to any sort of Industrial Relation problem.

6.1.10 STEPS TAKEN BY THE CORPORATION TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF AIDS & ASSISTIVE DEVICES

- ALIMCO has implemented three ISO Certifications namely ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015 & ISO 13485:2016.
- a. Re-Certification audit of IS/ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management Systems License was successfully conducted by BIS auditors in the month of June 2023 and subsequently has awarded the QMS certificate to ALIMCO, Kanpur for next 03 years which is valid up to 26/07/2026. Also annual Surveillance Audits OMS are conducted annually to verify its effectiveness.
- b. Surveillance Audit of ISO 13485:2016 Medical Devices Quality Management Systems Requirements for Regulatory Purposes was undertaken by M/s URS auditor in the month of November 2023 and has recommended for continuation of the License.
- c. A Special Audit for BTE Hearing Aids under ISO 13485:2016 was undertaken by URS auditor in the month of January 2024, the CertificateISO 13485:2016 for BTE Hearing Aids has been awarded to ALIMCO, which is valid up to 13/12/2024.
- 2. In order to tap the exports market of European Union countries and few other countries CE marking of the products is mandatory requirement, accordingly ALIMCO has undertaken CE Marking Certification for wheel chairs (05 models Namely- TD2A06 Child Size, TD2C51 Adult Size, TD2A09 Medium Size, TD2B36 Rough Terrain, TD2B37 Active Folding Wheel chairs) from M/sDIMS Services Pvt. Ltd. in the month of November 2023. The CE certification for the marking of CE on BTE Hearing Aids is undergoing and shall be obtained in the month of July 2024.
- 3. Govt. of India vide its rules MDR 2017 has mandated all the medical devices to be sold in the country should have to be regulated. Accordingly, ALIMCO has obtained Manufacturing License for the BTE Hearing Aids and Wholesale License for selling other Medical Devices as per MDR 2017 from Uttar Pradesh Food Safety and Drugs Administration, UP Government in the month of May 2024 & July 2023 respectively. The licenses are valid for 5 years from the date of issue.
- 4. Engagement of Quality Council of India (A Government of India body), third party for Quality Assessment-
 - In order to ascertain the Quality of Aids & Assistive devices, the Corporation has engaged Quality Council of India (QCI), a Governmentof India agency for 2nd tier/ stage quality checks to ensure consistent quality. Quality Council of India (QCI) is independently conducting product quality assessments in the Corporation for it's 16 fast moving products and provides detailed assessment reports wherein 100% quality compliance has been reported during half yearly assessment. Quality Council of India is also conducting product quality audit for products being manufactured by all 5 AAPCs on regular basis.
- For conducting In-house Test & to ensure the health of Battery used in MTC Tricycle A State of the Art Battery Testing Machine is installed and commissioned in QC Lab.
- 6. Fluorescence Spectrometer Machine has been installed for ensuring the quality & plating thickness of all Electroplated Bought Out Items as well as in-house manufactured items.

6.1.11 Glimpses of Camp Photographs



Hon'ble Union Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment, Dr. Virendra Kumar launched and distributed 'Motorized Tricycle' indigenously manufactured by ALIMCO during the distribution camp under ADIP Scheme Distribution on 25.11.2023, Sabarkantha, Gujarat.



Distribution of Tricyclein presence of Hon'ble Minister of State, Social Justice and Empowerment Shri A. Narayanaswamy on 16.12.2023 at Anakapalli, Andhra Pradesh



Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, Km. Pratima Bhoumik distributed Aids and Assistive devices to Senior Citizens under RVY&ADIP Scheme during the camp on 25.11.2023 at Aurangabad



(Distribution of Aids & Appliances under ADIP Scheme to senior citizens by Hon'ble Minister of State, Social Justice and Empowerment Shri Ramdas Athawale on 24.09.2023, Beed, Maharashtra)



(Distribution of Aids and Appliances to Children under ADIP-SSA scheme at Azamgarh)



Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh distributed Aids and Assistive devices to Children under ADIP-SSA Scheme during the camp on 25.10.2023 at Gorakhpur



(Distribution of Aids & Appliances to Persons with Disabilities during the CSR camp by IRFC on 30.12.2023 at Golapara, Assam)

Corporate Social Responsibility

Even though company is working in social sector but being a Corporate entity, the company understands the social needs of other persons also. Therefore, the company under its CSR policy, spent/committed to spent Rs. 127.61 lakh on various CSR activities (up to 31.03.2024) against target of Rs. 127.61 lakh during the 2023-24.

6.2 National Divyangjan Finance and Development Corporation (NDFDC) (formerly National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation):-

The National Divyangjan Finance and Development Corporation (NDFDC) was set up by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India on 24.01.1997. The company is registered under Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 as a not for profit Company. It is wholly owned by Government of India and has an authorized share capital of Rs. 499.50 crore (Rupees Four Hundred Ninety Nine Crore and Fifty Lakhs only). The company is managed by Board of Directors nominated by Government of India.

6.2.1 Main Objects of the Corporation

- a) To promote economic developmental activities for the benefit of the Divyangjan.
- b) To promote self-employment and other ventures for the benefit/ economic rehabilitation of the Divyangjan.
- c) To assist, subject to such income and/or economic criteria as may be prescribed by the Government from time to time, the Divyangjan individuals or groups of Divyangjan individuals by way of loans and advances for economically and financially viable schemes and projects.
- d) To grant concessional finance in selected cases for the Divyangjan in the country in collaboration with Government Ministries/ Deptts. at State level to the extent of the budgetary assistance granted by the Government of India to the company.

- e) To extend loans to the Divyangjan for pursuing general/professional/ technical education for training at graduate and higher levels.
- f) To assist in the upgradation of technical and entrepreneurial skills of Divyangjan for proper and efficient management of production units.
- g) To set up training, quality control, process development, technology, common facility centres and other infrastructural activities for the proper rehabilitation/upliftment of the Divyangjan in support of their economic pursuits.
- h) To assist the State level organisations to deal with the development of the Divyangjan by way of providing financial assistance and in obtaining commercial funding or by way of refinancing.
- To work as an apex institution on the lines of National Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation for channelising the funds through State Finance Corporations for the Divyangjan or through corresponding Corporations authorised by State Govts./Boards set up by Union Government/State Government/ Union Territory Administrations and Voluntary Organisations. The NDFDC will receive proposals for financial assistance through above mentioned organisations and sanction loans and margin money to the beneficiaries for disbursement through these organisations. The NDFDC will also coordinate and monitor the schemes/programmes implemented through authorised State Finance & Development Corporations/Boards/UT Administration and NGOs, financed by the Corporation.
- j) To assist self-employed individuals/group of individuals or registered factories/ companies/ co-operatives of disabled persons in marketing their finished goods and assist in procurement of raw materials.

6.2.2 Functions & Activities:

(i) Credit based activities:

NDFDC offers loan assistance at concessional rate of interest on convenient terms to all eligible PwDs meeting the eligibility criteria. Details of loan assistance, interest rate and repayment period under various schemes are as under:

S.No.	Scheme	Max. loan	Interest rate payable by Bene- ficiary	Maximum Loan Repayment Period
1	Divyangjan SwablambanYojana	Rs. 50.00 lakhs	5-9% p.a. #	10 years*
2	Vishesh Microfinance Yojana	Rs. 60,000/- per PwD	12.5% p.a.	3 years

[#] For Education Loan: Rate of interest will be 4% p.a.

A rebate of 1% in interest rate is allowed to women with disabilities/persons with disabilities other than OH in self-employment loans (not for Education Loan) upto Rs.50,000/- under Divyangjan Swablamban Yojana. The rebate is borne by NDFDC.

(ii) Non Credit Based Activities:

NDFDC also provides funds and organizes various activities in the interest of persons with disabilities to achieve its mandate. These are:

^{*} The repayment period for Education loan/Home loan under NDFDC scheme shall be coterminous with the repayment period sanctioned by the Implementing agency.

(a) Skill Training:

Assistance for Skills and Entrepreneurial Development Programmes: NDFDC act as nodal
agency for skill development trainings under (NAP-SDP) on PM-DAKSH-DEPwD Portal.
Financial assistance in the form of grant is provided to Empanelled training partners/reputed
institutions of DEPwD for imparting skill training to the Divyangian.

(b) Awareness Creation & Marketing Support

- Awareness Creation: NDFDC reimburses expenses made for publicity/awareness creation on its schemes by the implementing agencies. Here, amount up to Rs.50,000 /- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) per year or 0.10% of the amount disbursed by the implementing agencies in the immediately preceding financial year, whichever is higher is considered.
- Marketing Support: NDFDC extends assistance to Persons with Disabilities in marketing their products. PwDs are regularly sponsored to participate in various exhibitions. NDFDC also facilitate online and offline marketing of Products of PwDs to enhance their business reach.

6.2.3 Performance and Achievement:

The physical & financial achievements of NDFDC under loan schemes from 2021-22 to 2023-24 is as under:

S.No	Financial Year	Amount released	Number of Beneficiaries
5.110	rmanciai tear	(Rs. in Cr.)	(*)
1	2021-2022	112.75	16,713
2	2022-2023	121.83	18,655
3	2023-2024	123.35	16504

6.2.4 Initiatives of NDFDC:

The Corporation has taken certain initiatives to extend the outreach. These are as follows:

(i) NDFDC Swavalamban Kendra

NDFDC has rolled out the concept of NDFDC Swavalamban Kendra (NSK) by converging the credit needs, skilling needs, assured business linkage needs, etc on pilot scale basis.

- (ii) Online Marketing of Products of PwD Entrepreneurs: Providing hand holding support to PwD entrepreneurs in marketing their products is an important aspect in efforts of their economic empowerment through concessional loaning. As the PwD entrepreneurs with their mobility/communication limitations, may sometimes find it difficult to market their products and services. NDFDC has initiated efforts to directly support the PwD entrepreneurs in marketing their goods and services by aggregation of their products and services, and also using existing online marketing platform. Some of the products made by PwDs are now available on leading e-marketing platforms [Amazon, Flipkart, Gem etc]
- (iii) Enhancing the reach of the Corporation: In order to enhance its reach, the Corporation signed agreements with new State Nominated Agencies and Regional Rural Banks. The Corporation has entered into agreement on 18.10.2023 with J&K Bank for flow of concessional credit to PwDs for self employment and higher education under NDFDC scheme through the branches of J&K Bank, with 100% refinance from NDFDC.

- (iv) Monitoring System of the Implementation of the Schemes & Programs of NDFDC In the State/UTs: NDFDC has following internal mechanisms in place for monitoring the implementation of its schemes & programme:-
- (a) Utilization of loan: The funds made available to implementing agencies are to be utilised within prescribed period from the date of its release. The implementing agencies are required to submit the utilization details in respect of the amount released.
- (b) National and Regional conferences/workshops: NDFDC regularly organizes National and Regional conferences/workshops of its Implementing Agencies. The performance in respect of implementation of NDFDC schemes is reviewed at such conference/workshops. The bottlenecks in implementation of schemes of NDFDC in respective states are also discussed and evaluated. On the basis of discussions, policies are suitably modified within the ambit of objectives of NDFDC.
- (c) Internal Review Meeting: The implementation of NDFDC schemes by various Implementing Agencies is reviewed /monitored regularly and suitable measures are taken for effective implementation of the schemes.
- (v) Skill Training Centres: NDFDC is stressing on the skill training of Divyangjan and has been facilitating their EDP/skill training through Smart Centre and through its Micro Skilling Centers in the name of NDFDC Swavalamban Kendras at Baghpat, Noida, Kannauj, Mirzapur (Uttar Pradesh), Yamunanagar, Sonepat, Kurukshetra (Haryana), Chindwara, Indore, Nagda, Tikamgarh, Niwari (M.P.), Bhilwara, Dausa, Deeg, (Rajasthan), Udham Singh Nagar (Uttarakhand), Nayagarh, Konark (Odisha), Dantewada & Balod (Chhattisgarh), Gumla, Dhanbad & Giridih (Jharkhand). NDFDC has initiated skill training of 162 PwDs under SIPDA Scheme of NDFDC during FY 2023-24.
- (vi) UDID No.: An additional condition of Possession of Unique Disability ID (UDID) Number/ UDID Enrollment Number (in case UDID No. is not available) has been stipulated as one of the essential requirement under DSY scheme of Corporation.
- (vii) Rebate in interest rate for timely repayment: Rebate in interest rate has been allowed to beneficiaries who repaid loan timely, without any default.
- (viii) Change the name of corporation: Name of the Corporation has been changed from National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) to National Divyangjan Finance and Development Corporation (NDFDC).
- **6.2.5 Swacchta Abhiyan:** The cleanliness drive was launched by NDFDC at Registered office, Faridabad on 2nd October 2023 in connection with the implementation of the Special Mission 2.0 of the Government of India.
- 6.2.6 Har Ghar Tiranga: As part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav 2023, the National Flag was hoisted by NDFDC on 15th August, 2023 on the premises of DLF Prime Tower, Okhla Phase-1, New Delhi. Also, National Flags made by PwDs were purchased and provided to staff for hoisting on their houses.

6.2.7 Purple Fest:-

(i) NDFDC has participated in International Purple Fest-2024 at Goa from 8-13th January, 2024 inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa Dr. Pramod Sawant and Shri Ramdas

Athawale, Union Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, GoI. NDFDC facilitated participating of 12 Divyangjan artisans and entrepreneurs from six states and union territories in Divya Kala Mela organised at Purple Fest, presenting a diverse array of products, including home decor, lifestyle items, clothing, stationery, eco-friendly products, packaged food, organic goods, toys, gifts, personal accessories, jewellery, clutch bags, and more.

(ii) NDFDC also participated with 100 Divyangjan in the Purple Fest for Divynagjan at AmritUdyan, Rashtrapatri Bhavan, New Delhi on 26.02.2024 organised by DEPwD, MSJE, GoI.

6.2.8 Divya Kala Mela:

NDFDC was nominated by this Department as a nodal agency for organizing the Exhibition-cum-Fair (Divya Kala Mela) to showcase & market the products made by PwDs/Divyangjans in different states. National Institutes and organizations under the Ministry also participate in the exhibition by putting up their Information stall. During the exhibition, several workshops/programmes/activities are organized for the benefit of Divyangjans. The purpose of organizing the exhibition is that the Divyangs of all the states get an opportunity to showcase their art and skills and also they get a chance to do business and marketing in the metropolitan cities. During the Financial year 2023-24, Twelve (12) Divya Kala Melas at Guwahati, Jaipur, Indore, Varanasi, Secunderabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Patna, Surat, Nagpur, Agartala and Ahmedabad have been organized. Details of above organized Divya Kala Melas are as under:

SI. No	Place of DKMs	Period of DKMs	No. of Divynag- jan Par- ticipated	Total Business (in Lakh) (approx.)	Total Footfalls (Ap- prox.)	No. of State Partici- pated	Loan Sanc- tioned/ dis- bursed
1	Guwahati, Assam	11 th to 17 st May, 2023	94	20.00	5,500	20	#1
2	Indore, Madhya Pradesh	17 th to 23 rd June, 2023	100	50.00	22,000	20	
3	Jaipur, Rajasthan	29 th June to 05 th July, 2023	78	30.00	12,000	20	100.00
4.	Varanasi,	15 th to 23 rd September, 2023	80	80.00	25,000	21	130.00
5.	Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh	06 th to 15 th October, 2023	101	105.00	30,000	20	80.00
6.	Bangalore, Karnataka	27 th October to 06 th November, 2023	76	60.00	30,000	20	23.50
7.	Chennai, Tamilnadu	17 th to 26 th November, 2023	82	106.54	15,000	18	225.00
8.	Patna, Bihar	08 th to 17 th December, 2023	61	115.00	40,000	17	32.00

Sl. No	Place of DKMs	Period of DKMs	No. of Divynag- jan Par- ticipated	Total Business (in Lakh) (approx.)	Total Footfalls (Ap- prox.)	No. of State Partici- pated	Loan Sanc- tioned/ dis- bursed (in Lakh)
9	Surat, Gujarat	29 th December, 2023 to 07 th January, 2024	84	72.00	15,000	16	108.00
10	Nagpur, Maharashtra	12 th to 21 st January, 024	87	62.00	20,000	14	9.50
11	Agartala, Tripura	6th to 11th February 2024	58	8.65	8000	15	76.00
12	Ahmedabad, Gujarat	16 th to 25 th February 2024	84	91.00	×	17	203.00
		Total	985	800.19	2,22,500	218	911

During the Divya Kala Mela, NDFDC also organised job fair for Divyangjan. Details of job fair are as under:

Sr. No	Place	Divyangjan Candidates Par- ticipated/Registered	Short listed	Selected
I	DKM-New Delhi	191	100	18
2	DKM-Jaipur	32	6	6
3	DKM-Hyderabad	51	9	0
4	DKM-Varanasi	164	51	35
5	DKM-Chennai	107	19	9
6	DKM-Bangalore	100	15	15
7	DKM-Patna	272	72	8
8	DKM-Agartala	25	07	07
9	DKM-Ahmedabad	117	26	14
	Total	1059	305	112



Dr. Virendra Kumar Ji, Hon'ble Minister (SJ&E) inaugurated Divya Kala Mela at Jaipur held from June 29, 2023, to July 5, 2023



Km Pratima Bhoumik ji, Hon'ble Minister of State (SJ&E) distributed aid appliances to Divyangjan during the Divya Kala Mela at Guwahati held from May 11, 2023 to May 17, 2023.



Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka Shri Thawar Chand Gehlot ji distributed certificate to participants during the Divya Kala Mela at Bengulore held from 27.10. 2023, to 05.11. 2023.



A Job Fair for Divyangjan was organized by NDFDC during the Divya Kala Mela at Patna held from 08.12.2023 to 17.12.2023



A Job Fair for Divyangjan was organized by NDFDC during the Divya Kala Mela at Bangalore held from 27.10.2023 to 06.11.2023.

CHAPTER 7

NATIONAL INSTITUTES

7.1 Introduction

There are nine National Institutes under this Department working in the field of disability rehabilitation. National Institutes are autonomous bodies established for different types of disabilities. These institutes are engaged in Human Resources Development in the field of disability, providing rehabilitation services to the persons with disabilities and Research and Development efforts. These nine National Institutes are as follows:

- Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (PDUNIPPD), Delhi.
- Swami Vivekanand National Institute of the Rehabilitation Training and Research (SVNIRTAR), Cuttack.
- iii. National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (NILD), Kolkata.
- iv. National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (NIEPVD), Dehradun.
- v. Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (AYJNISHD), Mumbai
- vi. National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Secunderabad.
- vii. National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD), Chennai.
- viii. Indian Sign Language Training and Research Centre, New Delhi.
- ix. National Institute of Mental Health Rehabilitation (NIMHR), Sehore, Madhya Pradesh

7.2 Pt. Deendayal Upadhayay National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (PDUNIPPD), New Delhi

Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (Divyangjan) (PDUNIPPD) was established in 1960 by the Society for Crippled and Handicapped. The Govt. of India took its administrative and financial control in the year 1975 and registered it as a society in the year 1976 under Societies Registration Act 1860. Presently degree level courses in the field of Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy and Prosthetics & Orthotics in recognition with University of Delhi are being run by the Institute.

The Institute provides comprehensive rehabilitation services to persons with locomotor disabilities including children with cerebral palsy, persons with cured Leprosy and associated problems like speech and hearing impairments. It also provides the required therapy and aids & appliances to improve mobility and helps in physical restoration.

7.2.1 Aims and Objectives

- (i) To undertake the training of Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, Prosthetists & Orthotists and other such professionals that may be needed for providing services to the persons with disabilities.
- (ii) To offer education, training, work-adjustment and such other rehabilitation services as the society

- may deem fit to persons with orthopaedic disabilities with or without associated intellectual disabilities.
- (iii) To undertake the manufacture and distribution of such aids and appliances as are needed for the education, training and rehabilitation of the persons with disabilities.
- (iv) To provide such other services as may be considered appropriate for promoting the education and rehabilitation of the disabled persons, including organising meetings, seminars and symposia.
- (v) To undertake, initiate, sponsor or stimulate research aimed at developing more effective techniques for the education and rehabilitation of the persons with disabilities.
- (vi) To co-operate with national, regional or local agencies in research or such other activities as may be designed to promote the development of services for the persons with disabilities.
- (vii) To undertake or sponsor such publications as may be considered appropriate.
- (viii) To do such other things as may be necessary or incidental to the realization of the above objectives.

7.2.2 Regional Centre and Composite Regional Centre

The Institute has established its Satellite Centres at Seemapuri and Narela in New Delhi, at Nilokheri in Karnal, Haryana and Extension Service Centre at Tonk, Rajasthan. Composite Regional Centre for Skill Development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (CRC) Lucknow Srinagar and Jammu are functioning under administrative control of this Institute as extended arms.

7.2.3 New Initiatives & Events:

The Institute organized several events as a part of awareness generation programmes as enlisted and directed by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. Some of the notable activities were as follows:





The unveiling of foundation stone for the new building for CRC Jammu at Samba was done by Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment on 28.12.2023 by virtual mode. Shri Jugal Kishor Sharma, Hon'ble MP (Jammu) performed Bhoomi Poojan along with Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD in presence of Shri Rajeev Sharma, Joint Secretary, DEPwD, Shri Vineet Singhal, Director, DEPwD.



The temporary building of CRC Jammu was inaugurated by Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lt. Governor, UT of Jammu & Kashmir on 28.12.2023 in presence of Shri Rajeev Sharma, Joint Secretary, DEPwD & Smt. Rohinika, Director, CRC Jammu.





Run for Unity was organized on 31.10.2023 as a tribute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Shri Rajeev Sharma, JS, DEPwD, alongwith 650 divyangjans and staff & students of the Institute paid floral respect to Sardar Patel at his samadhi before running from Rajghat to Red Fort.





World Physiotherapy Day was celebrated on 08.09.2023. Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD inaugurated the event with unveiling of book authored by Shri Roshan Lal in the presence of Shri Rajeev Sharma, Joint Secretary, DEPwD.





Children Day was celebrated on 14.11.2023 with active participation of Children with disability from the CDEIC unit. The children participated in fashion show and skit. A ceremonial cake was also cut for enjoyment of children. Maa Shakti Foundation contributed by sponsoring Magic Show.





The first Convocation Ceremony of the Institute was organized on 22.12.2023. Km. Pratima Bhoumik, Hon'ble MoS (SJ&E), awarded degrees to the graduates of 2023.

- PDUNIPPD(D) conducted a Guest Talk on "Non- invasive Brain Stimulation: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Applications" on 05.01.2024 by Dr. Amit Sethi, Associate Professor in Occupational Therapy in Pittsburg University, USA. The lecture was attended by students, interns and faculty.
- PDUNIPPD(D) organized a Program on Ayushman Bharat Health Account (Abha) & Future in Health Care Industry on 08.01.2024. The Key Speaker was Dr. Anandhi Ramachandran, Prof IIHMR Delhi. The program aimed to create a Digital Platform for evolving Health Eco-system through a wide range of data, information and infrastructure services while ensuring security, confidentiality and privacy.
- CDEIC, PDUNIPPD celebrated "REPUBLIC DAY" from 23rd to 25th of January 2024. On this Republic day CDEIC organized some paper craft activity and coloring within the flag. 32 Divyangjan participated in this activity and 2 children performed dance on this Republic Day.
- Central Health Education Bureau, DGHS, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India organized a training program on the topic "Prevention of Sexual Harassment (POSH) at Workplace" for the 30 officials/ employees of PDUNIPPD(D) on 31st January 2024. The aim of the training is to ensure prevention and protection against sexual harassment in the workplace.
- PDUNIPPD has organized a National Workshop on Clinical Training for Stroke Rehabilitation under DHR-ICMR funded Workshops on Clinical Training/Translational Research. The workshop is being conducted at Indian National Science Academy (INSA), New Delhi from 9th - 11th February, 2024.
- On the occasion of Basant Panchami, PDUNIPPD students organized "Saraswati Pooja" in which Dr. Jitendra Sharma, (Director PDUNIPPD) and Dr. Akhilesh Shukla (Deputy Director) and faculty members along with other institute staff and students participated enthusiastically.
- Inauguration of Skill Training Centre for Mobile Repairing training under PM DAKSH Yojana , DEPwD in the premises of PDUNIPPD(D). 30 PwD beneficiaries attended the orientation program on 15thFebruary 2024.
- On 26th February, 2024 Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and Government of India organized Purple Fest, at the Rashtrapati Bhavan exclusively for Persons with Disabilities in which Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya

National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities was the nodal agency. More than 10 thousand Divyangjan, accompanied by their escorts at this majestic venue, fostering bonds of solidarity and mutual respect. Gracing the occasion with her esteemed presence, The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu, illuminated the event with her support and encouragement.





- ➤ Speech Therapy Department under Assessment Clinic PDUNIPPD celebrated "World Hearing Day" on 5th March 2024. As part of our effort to promote hearing health, we organized free Audiological Assessment Camp for patients & children. Mr. Akash Gandharv (Audiologist, Sound for life hearing solutions Pvt. Ltd) was invited for the assessment camp along with his Audiological equipment. Total 34 patients, staffs & students assessed and advise given accordingly.
- On March 11, 2024, PDUNIPPD celebrated International Women's Day with great enthusiasm and fervor. The program, held within the institution's premises, was graced by the presence of Mrs. Ummul Kher IRS 2017 batch presently posted as Deputy Commissioner (Custom) at Delhi as the chief guest. Dr. Jitendra Sharma, the Director of PDUNIPPD, extended a warm welcome to her, adding to the grace of the occasion.

7.3 Swami Vivekanand National Institute of Rehabilitation Training and Research (SVNIRTAR), Cuttack:

Swami Vivekanand National Institute of Rehabilitation Training and Research (SVNIRTAR) is located at Olatpur in Cuttack, Odisha. It was established in 1975 as National Institute for Prosthetic and Orthotic Training (NIPOT) an adjunct unit of Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO), Kanpur. NIPOT was brought under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (the erstwhile Ministry of Welfare), Govt. of India on 22.02.1984 to give a thrust to Community Based Rehabilitation and Human Resource Development. Since then it is an Autonomous Body under the administrative control of this Ministry. Its name was changed from NIPOT to NIRTAR in 1984 and subsequently to SVNIRTAR in the year 2004. It is one of the premier Institutes in the Country for providing comprehensive rehabilitation services to the Persons with Locomotor Disabilities

7.3.1 Departments and services:

The Institute provides rehabilitation services to patients with various types of Locomotor disabilities through Departments of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Prosthetics and Orthotics, Psychology, Social Work, Speech & Hearing and CDEIC. To achieve these objectives the Institute has eleven major Departments/Sections viz. Administration, Accounts and

Finance, Academics (HRD), Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Prosthetics & Orthotics, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Library & Information Centre, Psychology, Social Work and Speech & Hearing.

7.3.2 Research and Development:

Various Departments of SVNIRTAR have conducted Research and Developmental works in their field for Locomotor Disabilities for suitable Surgical, Medical Therapeutic procedures and development of new Aids and Appliances.

7.3.3 SVNIRTAR Sub-Centres:

The PwDs from rural, tribal and other interior areas come across lot of difficulties in obtaining rehabilitation services. The Institute has four Sub-Centres at Bhubaneswar, Cuttack, Dhenkanal and Nuapada in Odisha to provide Rehabilitation Services in the rural/tribal areas and conducts rehabilitation camps at various states to provide rehabilitation aids and appliances at the doorstep of the PwDs. MoU signed with District Administration, Malkangiri, Odisha to open Satellite Centre for rehabilitation of PwDs.

7.3.4 Composite Regional Centres (CRCs):

Composite Regional Centre (CRC) for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs), is an initiative of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities. The Institute has 04 CRCs at Guwahati, Balangir (Odisha), Ranchi and Imphal to provide Rehabilitation services for Persons with Disabilities. Action has been initiated to take over CRC, Shillong from NIEPMD, Chennai. Action has also been initiated to open Regional Centre at Dimapur, Nagaland.

7.3.5 New Activities initiated at SVNIRTAR:

- a) Licence obtained for "JANAUSHADHI KENDRA" and is going to be started in the second week of January 2024.
- b) 50 more beds have been added for indoor patients at Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and the total number became 200.
- c) Advanced computerized Podiatric laboratory system for different foot disorder and diabetic foot management, Seven Axis Rodin 4D CAD CAM system for design development of P&O devices, Cosmetic-Restoration clinical laboratory for silicon Prosthesis, Advanced 3D printing laboratory for printing of P&O socket solution.
- d) Robotics Upper Extremity and Lower Extremity Therapy started by Department of Occupational and Physiotherapy respectively.

7.3.6 New activities and facts of SVNIRTAR:

- a) MoU signed between SVNIRTAR and CTTC, Bhubaneswar and Youth4jobs to Impart Skill Training to PwDs at New Vocational Training Building.
- b) Delegates from Manchester Metropolitan University visited during October for academic and Research collaboration with SVNIRTAR\.
- c) AIIMS and SVNIRTAR also signed MoU for the academic and Research activities.
- d) The Institute signed MoU with the State Institute for Rural Development & Panchayati Raj (SIRD&PR), Govt. of Odisha to build capacity of elected representatives and functionaries of Panchayat Raj Institutes

and community for promoting Health Panchayat and facilitating of the Persons with Disabilities on 22.11.2023.

- e) Department of Physiotherapy participated in the Internal Purple Festival held at Goa from 08th to 13th January 2024. During the festival, manual therapy treatment was given to chronic patients of spine, hip, knee foot and shoulder regions for various conditions. Patients responded very positively to the treatment. Awareness was created among the patients regarding management of chronic pain conditions and how to maintain it without going for surgeries and continuing prolong medications. Total 158 beneficiaries taken treatment. The Institute displayed different activities and products prepared by PwDs during Skill Development Training at SVNIRTAR.
- f) Department of Prosthetics and Orthotics conducted a CRE programme on "Research Methods and Practice in Rehabilitation" on 18th and 19th January 2024 at the Institute's premises. Dr. Bhabani Shankar Padhy, Principal, Institute of Health Sciences, Bhubaneswar, Dr. B.R. Mishra, Senior faculty, AIIMS, Bhubaneswar, Dr. R.C. Mohanty, Professor, Centurian University of Technology and Management, Odisha, Dr. S.K. Sabat, Professor, School of Electronic & Communication Engineering, KIIT, Bhubaneswar were lectures on various topics on Research Methods and Practices in Rehabilitation as Resource Persons.
- g) The Institute signed MoU with Housing and Urban Development Corporation Ltd. (HUDCO) CSR assistance at Deen Dayal Bhawan, Ashok Nagar, Janpath, Bhubaneswar for procurement and installation of work simulator at the cost of Rs.90.00 lakh.
- h) The Institute signed MoU with Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Limited (CMPDIL) Regional Institute-VII, provision of Canteen/Cafeteria for Disabled Patients, Attendees, Staff and Students at SVNIRTAR under CSR, CMPDI.
- i) The newly constructed Vocational Training Centre (VTC) of Swami Vivekanand National Institute of Rehabilitation Training and Research (SVNIRTAR) inaugurated virtually by the Hon'ble Union Minister, Dr. Virendra Kumar on 21st February 2024 at 01:00 PM in august presence of the Hon'ble Minister of State, Shri. A. Narayanaswamy, Hon'ble Minister of State, Km. Pratima Bhoumik, Hon'ble Minister of State, Shri Ramdas Athawale. Shri Rajesh Agarwal, Secretary, DEPwD, Govt. of India, Shri Rajesh Yadav, Joint Secretary, DEPwD, Govt. of India, Shri Rajeev Sharma, Joint Secretary, DEPwD, Govt. of India were present in the ceremony held at New Delhi. The Director, SVNIRTAR, Deputy Director (Tech.), Deputy Director (P&A) and Office-in-Charge, Deptt. of Social Work along with Employees, Students and PwDs of SVNIRTAR were present.
- j) Hostel Building of CRC, Guwahati inaugurated virtually on 21st February 2024 by the Hon'ble Union Minister, Dr. Virendra Kumar in august presence of Hon'ble Minister of State, Shri. A. Narayanaswamy, Hon'ble Minister of State, Km. Pratima Bhoumik, Hon'ble Minister of State, Shri Ramdas Athawale and Smt. Queen Oja, Hon'ble 'Member of Parliament, Guwahati. Shri Rajesh Agarwal, IAS, Secretary, DEPwD, Govt. of India, Shri Rajesh Yadav, Joint Secretary, DEPwD, Govt. of India, Shri Rajeev Sharma, Joint Secretary, DEPwD, Govt. of India were present in the ceremony held at New Delhi. Dr. P.P. Mohanty, Director, SVNIRTAR and Mr. Ranjan Das, Nodal Officer, CRC, Guwahati were present. The whole event was highlighted in the print and electronic media.
- k) Skill Training on LED Repairing has been started with 20 Nos. of Persons with Disabilities on 01st March 2024. The training was inaugurated by the Director in present of DD(PA) and trainer of CTTC at New Vocational Training Centre, SVNIRTAR under CSR grant (IRFC) Sanctioned by NDFDC. Mobile repairing started from 12th February 2024with 10 Nos. of Persons with Disabilities.

- 1) Skill Training on Soft Skill for PwDs started in collaboration with "Youth4job" at New Vocational Training Centre, SVNIRTAR during the month of March 2024.
- m) Skill Training on LED Repairing has been started with 20 Nos. of Persons with Disabilities on 01st March 2024. The training was inaugurated by the Director in present of DD(PA) and trainer of CTTC at New Vocational Training Centre, SVNIRTAR under CSR grant (IRFC) Sanctioned by NDFDC.
- n) Skill Training on Soft Skill for PwDs started in collaboration with "Youth4job" at New Vocational Training Centre, SVNIRTAR during the month of March 2024.



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7.4 National Institute for Locomotors Disabilities (NILD)

7.4.1 Institute and Its Activities:

In the year 1978, the National Institute for Locomotors Disabilities (NILD) erstwhile National Institute for the Orthopedically Handicapped (NIOH) was established in Calcutta, West Bengal under the then Ministry of Social Welfare, Government of India as an autonomous body. NILD supports and enables persons with locomotors disabilities to optimize their potential and to realize their right to live life on an equal basis with their non-disabled peers through rehabilitation management, education, training, research and human resource development.

7.4.2 Objectives of the Institute:

- (i) To conduct/sponsor, co-ordinate or subsidize research in all aspects of the education and rehabilitation of persons with locomotor disabilities with problems of coordination or mobility.
- (ii) To undertake, sponsor, co-ordinate or subsidize research in biomedical engineering leading to the effective evaluation and standardization of aids or suitable surgical or medical procedures or the development of new aids.
- (iii) To undertake or sponsor the training of trainees and teachers, employment officers, psychologists, vocational counselors and such other personnel as may be deemed necessary by the Institute for promoting education, training or rehabilitation of the locomotor disabilities.
- (iv) To distribute, promote or subsidize the manufacture and distribution of any or all aids designed to promote any aspects of the education, rehabilitation or therapy of persons with locomotors disabilities.

7.4.3 Services Offered:

- (i) Human Resource Development (11 different courses of Degree, PG Diploma and Master level offered by the Institute)
- (ii) Research and development.
- (iii) Physical medicine and rehabilitation.
- (iv) OPD Services & Corrective surgeries with 50 Bedded Hospital.
- (v) Diagnostic Services- Pathology, Radiology (X-ray), EMG & NCV.
- (vi) Providing suitable Aids & Appliances.
- (vii) Physiotherapy
- (viii) Occupational Therapy
- (ix) Fabrication and Fitment of Prostheses & Orthoses.
- (x) Implementing ADIP scheme through the Institute and camps.
- (xi) Socio Economic rehabilitation
- (xii) Vocational Counseling and Guidance.
- (xiii) Special Education counseling.
- (xiv) Railway concession certificates to PwDs.
- (xv) Library, Documentation and Dissemination of information.
- (xvi) Student's placement.
- (xvii) Skill development in collaboration with training partners.
- (xviii) NGO Monitoring.
- (xix) Awareness Generation & Exhibition

During the year till 31st March 2024, 26688 new cases (Jan, 2024 to March 2024: 5880), 20310 follow-up cases (Jan, 2024 to March 2024: 5225) and 213880 supporting services (Jan, 2024 to March 2024: 57640) has been provided in the OPD/IPD of NILD, Kolkata.

7.4.4 Regional Center and Composite Regional Centre:

The Institute also gives impetus to the rehabilitation related activities in North East regions through its Regional Centers at Aizawl & Composite Regional Centers for Skill Development, Rehabilitation and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) Naharlagun and Composite Regional Centers for Skill Development, Rehabilitation and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) at Patna & Tripura

7.4.5 New Initiatives & Events:

- a) Various awareness programmes were organized on the occasion of 9th International day of Yoga, Vigilance Awareness Campaign and Week, Constitution Day, National Unity Day & International Day of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan).
- b) 50 webinars/seminar/workshop parent training programs were organized by NILD, CRCs, RCs for Persons with Disabilities, parents, students, professionals and faculties.



Registration of Divyangjan/ Patients



Treatment in Minor OT



X-Ray of the Patient

Medical Rehabilitation



EMG Biofeedback



Ultrasound Therapy



Short Wave Diathermy

Physiotherapy Services



Therapy through BTE



Finger dexterity exercise



Exercise therapy

Occupation Therapy Services



Grinding/buffing of surgical shoe



Assembling/Bench alignment process of Trans-femoral prosthesis



Trial/fitment of KAFO

Prosthetics & Orthotics Services



Patient assessment in OPD



UDID Registration

Social Economic Rehabilitation Services







Occupational therapy

Special education

Psychological Services

CDEIC: Providing services to the children with special needs (0-6 years).



under ADIP Scheme on 4th Sept, 2023

) under ADIP Scheme on 29th Aug, 2023

Social Economic Rehabilitation Services

7.5 National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (NIEPVD), Dehradun

National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Impairment (Divyangjan) (NIEPVD), Dehradun has been functional for the education, training, rehabilitation & empowerment of persons with visual impairment since 1943 under the administrative control of DEPwD.

7.5.1 Aims and Objectives

- a) To undertake human resource development activities.
- b) To conduct, promote & sponsor research in the field of visual disability.
- c) Designing, manufacturing, distributing, supplying and to promote their usage of these materials among persons with visual impairment of all age groups.
- d) To develop services related to disability and to undertake a delivery system of these services.

7.5.2 Field Set-up Regional Centre at Chennai (Tamil Nadu) and four Composite Regional Centres for Persons with Disabilities (CRCs)

The Institute has one Regional Centre at Chennai (T.N.) and four Composite Regional Centres for Persons with Disabilities (CRC) at Sundernagar (Himachal Pradesh), Gorakhpur (U.P), Gangtok (Sikkim) and Jaipur (Rajasthan).

7.5.3 Services Offered

- ➤ Long-Term HRD courses to develop Special Educators for persons with visual impairment, Deafblindness, Multiple Disabilities and Clinical, Rehabilitation Psychologist and Certificate Course in Community-Based Inclusive Development (CBID)
 - ➤ Short-Term & CRE programmes for capacity building and professional development
 - School Education (Nursery to Class XII for children with visual impairment)
 - > Research and Development
 - ➤ Identification of jobs & job placement
 - > Production, Distribution & Supply of Braille Aids & Appliances
 - > Early Detection and Intervention through Early Intervention Centre
 - Clinical, Referral & Guidance & Counselling
 - Community / outreach programmes
- Production, Distribution and supply of accessible reading material in Braille, Large Print & Audio Formats
 - Distribution of Aids & Appliances under ADIP Scheme
 - Community FM Radio (Hello Doon) Produced and Broadcast Awareness Programmes

7.5.4 New activities of Institute

a) On the Inauguration of Kashi Tamil Sangamam, 2023 in Varanasi on 17th December, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi released Braille translations of Thirukkural, Manimekalai, Silapathikaaram, Purananooru, Tholkappiyam and other Classic Tamil Literatures (46 Titles) published by Central Institute of Classical Tamil (CICT) and printed by NIEPVD, Regional Centre, Chennai.



Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi released Braille Translation of Thirukkural, Manimekalai and Other Classic Tamil Literature

b) The Hon'ble Union Minister, SJ&E, Dr.Virendra Singh inaugurated four books-'Lucent's Computer', 'Hindustani Sangeet Padhati', 'Malgudi Days' and 'Panchtantra ki Shresth Kahaniyan'in Braille at Divya Kala Mela, Indore (M.P). Institute undertook the transcription work for these books to make them accessible for children with visual impairments. This commendable initiative aims to support the education of visually impaired children. Moreover, 16,000 copies of these Braille books have been distributed to schools and institutions working in the field of visual disabilities.





Minister of SJ&E, Dr. Virendra Kumar Inaugurated A Collection Of Braille Books Designed For Children With Visual Impairment During The Divya Kala Mela At Indore, Madhya Pradesh

c) On November 20, 2023, the NIEPVD achieved a significant milestone in promoting inclusivity by signing two landmark Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) under the mentorship of the Secretary (DEPwD). The first MoU was signed between NIEPVD, Dehradun and the National Book Trust, New Delhi. The MoU paves the way for the establishment of a Universal Design Center for Reading in Dehradun, Uttarakhand. This center will showcase the National Book Trust's extensive collection of publications and learning materials in various accessible formats.



MoU between NIEPVD and National Book Trust in the presence of Secretary, DEPwD

In another significant landmark, NIEPVD joined hands with the Daisy Forum of India (DFI) to facilitate the provision of an online library containing accessible books and related resources tailored for persons with print disabilities. The collaboration seeks to create and disseminate accessible books through Sugamya Pustakalaya, an online library designed for persons with print disabilities in India. Various accessible formats such as DAISY, E-Pub, BRF, and others will be employed to meet the diverse needs of the target audience.



MoU between NIEPVD and DFI, New Delhi in the presence of Secretary, DEPwD

d) On the request of the E-committee of the Supreme Court of India (SCI), the Institute's Skill Development and Economic Empowerment Department is facilitating the Capacity Building Programme on 'Digital accessibility training for the visually challenged judicial officers and court staff'. A Panel of Experts/Resource Persons prepared by the Institute to facilitate these training programmes across the country. So far, 07 batches of the programme have been successfully conducted in collaboration with the E-committee, SCI. A total of 112 judicial and court staff have been received training at the IIPA, New Delhi.





Training of Digital Accessibility Training of the Visually Challenged Judicial Officers, Advocates and Court Staff at IIPA, New Delhi

- e) In order to expedite the process of alignment of the courses for PwDs, more than 50 courses were studied and identified by the Institute's Vocational Department and then submitted to the Sector Skill Council for Persons with Disabilities for their alignment/customization for PwDs.
- f) Four football players from the Institute, represented the India in the 'IBSA Blind Football Inter Continental Cup, 2023' in Kochi, Kerala. Teams from Chile, Costa Rica, Poland, Korea, Egypt, India, Romania, Greece, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan participated in the tournament. The Indian team secured the 6th position among top blind football-playing countries. Master Sovendra scoring four goals against Romania, Korea and Egypt, showcasing exceptional talent.



Glimpses of IBSA Blind Football Inter Continental Cup, 2023

g) As per the direction of the Ministry, the Institute's Community Radio Station (NIVH Hello Doon) initiated 'Divya Bands of India,' a nationwide musical competition for persons with visual impairment. With 69 videos from 29 states, the initiative highlighted widespread participation and enthusiasm. This initiative serves as a bridge, linking talents with opportunities, promoting inclusivity and breaking barriers for PwVIs in the music industry. The Institute identified and felicitated, 38 winning Divya Bands based on their performances.



Participants of Divya Bands of India

h) Institute's Community Radio Station (NIVH Hello Doon) received an award for its outstanding contribution to the CEMCA AND UNESCO Project, 'Celebration of International Yoga Day, 2023' in the category of 'Creating Sustainable learning opportunities for all'. This prestigious recognition was supported by the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India and the programme was conducted by the Common Wealth Educational Media Centre for Asia, New Delhi."





Institute's Community Radio Station (NIVH Hello Doon-91.2) received an award for outstanding contribution to the CEMCA AND UNESCO Project

i) The Institute conducted a capacity-building training program for Braille Press Personnel' from September 11-13, 2023. The focus on upgrading knowledge in advanced Braille printing technologies, maintenance and training on soft copy development, covering E-pub, Braille, Large Print and other accessible formats. 29 participants took part in the program.









Capacity Building Programme for Braille Press Personnel on 11-13 September, 2023

- j) Since 2014, the Institute has been implementing the Braille Press Project under the SIPDA Scheme of DEPwD, Govt. of India as a Nodal Agency. Initially the project was focused on providing Braille textbooks to school-going students. The project has been revised in the month of November, 2023 by DEPwD through the series of meetings. Now the project extended to include students with visual impairment perusing higher education at Colleges/Universities. This comprehensive initiative includes conversion of accessible formats such as Talking Books, E-Pubs/Digital Books and Large Print Books, in addition to Braille Books. This initiative reflects a commitment to enhancing educational accessibility for persons with visual impairments across various levels of education.
- k) The five days Training of Trainers (ToT) for disability sensitization was conducted by the Sector Skill Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPwD). Total 04 existing faculties were trained. Assessment of the faculties was conducted by SCPwD.
- On the occasion of "Teacher's Day" on 5th September, 2023, Shri Devi Lal, Orientation and Mobility Instructor was felicitated by the Hon'ble Governor of Uttarakhand Lt. General (R) Gurmit Singh for his outstanding contribution in generating social impact and empowering persons with visual impairment.





Institute's Orientation and Mobility Instructor Shri Devi Lal felicitated by the Honourable Governor of Uttarakhand Lt. General (R) Gurmit Singh

- m) The Institute's Department of Clinical and Rehabilitation Psychology and Research is recognized as the first institution in the country to provide visually impaired scholars with the chance to pursue an M.Phil. in Clinical Psychology. Ms. Tamrina Matta and Mr. Gopi, students with visual impairments, are particularly excited to be part of this program. This initiative is expected to significantly influence the global professional psychology training landscape in India.
- n) On 21st February, 2024, the new Administrative Building of CRC-Gorakhpur was virtually inaugurated by the Hon'ble Dr. Virendra Kumar, Union Minister, MSJ&E, Govt. of India. The ceremony was graced by the Hon'ble Ms Pratima Bhoumik, Minister of State, MSJ&E, GOI, Hon'ble Sh. Ravi Kishan Shukla, Member of Parliament, Gorakhpur Constituency; Sh. Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ&E; Sh. Rajesh Yadav, Joint Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ&E and other distinguished guests. This momentous occasion marked a significant milestone in the journey towards excellence in the rehabilitation of persons with disabilities
- o) The Institute launched a free coaching scheme for competitive examinations for recruitment by the Staff Selection Commission/Railway Recruitment Board/Banking/Insurance/PSUs for students

with visual impairment and locomotor Disability. On February 15, 2024, the first batch of coaching classes was inaugurated by the Hon'ble President Smt. Ritu Khanduri Bhushan, Uttarakhand Legislative Assembly. The first batch started with 18 students from across the country.

- p) On 23rd February 2024, the Institute inaugurated the first batch of the Skill Development Course in 'Data Entry Operator' for persons with visual impairment under the National Action Plan for Skill Development of PwDs of the MSJ&E, Government of India. The program was inaugurated by the Chief Guest Mr. T. Ragulan, Joint Director, National Instructional Media Institute, D.G.T., Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, GOI. The first batch started with 18 trainees from across the country. The course aims to create employment opportunities, assist in their economic empowerment and help integrate them into mainstream society. Additionally, a skill development course on 'Gardener' was also inaugurated on 26th February, 2024 with 10 trainees.
- q) The Haryana Government, in collaboration with NIEPVD Dehradun conducted two 4-day Residential Teacher Training Programs for In-service Special Educators on 'Academic Legal & Social Intervention for the Education and Rehabilitation of Children with Special Needs. A total of 377 special educators participated in both programmes and about 40 eminent personalities in the field of disability delivered lectures and shared their experiences with the participants.
- r) On 18th March 2024, India's first Radio Jockey Course aligned with the Skill Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPwD) for persons with visual impairment was launched. This course aims to promote inclusivity in broadcasting by providing specialized training and equal opportunities for persons with visual impairment in the radio industry. The first batch started with 10 trainees from different part of the country.

7.6 Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Divyangjan), Mumbai (AYJNISHD (D))

Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Divyangjan) (AYJNISHD (D)), Mumbai was established on August 9, 1983 primarily to deal with the various aspects of rehabilitation of the Individuals with speech and hearing disabilities in the country. The Institute has four Regional Chapters located at Kolkata, Secunderabad, Janla and Noida and also three Composite Regional Centers for Skill Development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (CRC) at Bhopal, Ahmedabad, Nagpur and Chhatarpur. During the year 2023-24 (1st April, 2023 to 31st March 2024) AYJNISHD(D) and its RCs served 29757 new cases, 90353 follow up cases and 387000 support services. Under ADIP Scheme the institute distributed 8456 hearing aids to 5159 persons with hearing impairment. Under Cochlear Implantation, a total of 1389 cochlear surgeries took place under the scheme. All the children who underwent surgery are attending post-CI intervention in empanelled rehabilitation centers near their place of residence.

7.6.1 Aims and Objectives:

- (i) To conduct, sponsor, coordinate or subsidize research into all aspects of education and rehabilitation of the persons with hearing impairment.
- (ii) To undertake, sponsor, coordinate or subsidize research into biomedical engineering leading to the effective evaluation of aids or suitable surgical or medical procedures or development of new aids.

- (iii) To undertake or sponsor the training of trainees, teachers, employment officers, psychologists, vocational counsellors and such other personnel as may be deemed necessary by the Institute for promoting education, training and rehabilitation of the persons with hearing impairment.
- (iv) To distribute or promote or subsidize the manufacture of prototypes and distribution of any or all aids designed to promote any aspect of education, rehabilitation and therapy for persons with hearing impairment.

7.6.2 Services offered:

- (i) Evaluation and diagnosis of hearing, speech and language impairment
- (ii) Selection and fitting of hearing aids and ear moulds
- (iii) Psychological evaluation
- (iv) Educational evaluation services
- (v) Psychotherapy and behavior therapy
- (vi) Parent guidance and counseling
- (vii) Pre-school and Early Intervention
- (viii) Continual education through NIOS
- (ix) Outreach and extension services
- (x) Parent Empowrment Programme
- (xi) Vocational training & placement
- (xii) Speech & language therapy
- (xiii) Cochlear Implant Support
- (xiv) Toll free Disability Information Line

7.6.3 New Initiative and Events:

a) Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment, along with Shri. Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary (DEPwD), inaugurated the CRC, Chhatarpur, Madhya Pradeshon 8th April, 2023, which will function under the administrative control of AYJNISHD(D), Mumbai.





Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Minister SJ&E inaugurating the CRC Chhatarpur

b) Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment, inauguarated the new building of Composite regional centre (CRC), Ahmedabad on 13.08.2023. The occasion was graced by Shri A. Narayanaswamy, Hon'ble Minister of State for Social Justice & Empowerment, Shri Vinod Chavda, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Kuchh, Gujarat and Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary (DEPwD) among other dignitaries





c) On 6th October, 2023, in a momentous occasion, the Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony of CRC, Chhatarpur, Madhya Pradesh, was done by Dr. Virendra Kumar, Union Cabinet Minister MSJ&E.





- d) Skill Training for PwDs Data Entry Operator Course for Divyangan was inaugurated on 15th February, 2024 at HQ, Mumbai. Total 16 PwDs are registered through PM Daksh DEPwD Portal for this course. This course is of five months duration and certificate will be provided by Skill Council for PwDs.
- e) The institute has initiated to start the Extension Service Centre at Goa as per the guidance of the Ministry.
- f) Hon'ble Union Minister of State Shri Ramdas Athawale, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MSJ&E), launched the revolutionary advanced cloud based interactive voice response system (IVRS) based Disability Information Line (DIL) developed by the Institute in International Purple Fest, Goa-2024 organized by the State Commissioner of Persons with Disabilities, Goa, Directorate of Social Welfare, Government of Goa and Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India on 8th January, 2024.
- g) The Institute participated in International Purple Fest, Goa-2024 organized by the State Commissioner of Persons with Disabilities, Goa, Directorate of Social Welfare, Government of Goa and Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India from 8th January to 13th January, 2024. The Institute had put up four stalls-Institute Information Stall, Challenging Challenges Activity based sensitizing program stall, hearing screening camp and Mini CDEIC Set up. Approximately 150 people were made aware of various schemes, services, challenges faced by PwSHI etc. Staff from RCs and CRCs were also deputed for this program.

7.6.4 Regional Centres and Composite Regional Centres

Regional Centers of the Institute have been established at Kolkata (1984), Noida (1986) Secunderabad (1986), Janla, Odisha (1986) and Training Centre for the Adult Deaf, Hyderabad (1986). Composite Regional Centers for Skill Development, Rehabilitation and Employment of PWDs at Bhopal, Ahmedabad, Nagpur and Chhatapur are functioning under the Administrative control of AYJNISHD (D) since 2006, 2011, 2020 and 2023 respectively. These Centres are aimed at meeting the local and regional needs in terms of manpower development and services.

7.7 National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID, Divyangjan)

The National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Divyangjan) is a registered society established in the year 1984 as an autonomous body under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan). The institute is an apex body having tripartite functions of training, research and services in the field of Intellectual Disability in the country. For 40 years, the Institute has been making significant advances in building capacities to empower persons with Intellectual Disability.

7.7.1 Objectives

- To create manpower and develop Human Resources for delivery of services to Persons with Intellectual Disability (PwIDs).
- To identify, conduct and coordinate research in the area of Intellectual Disability in the country.
- To develop appropriate models of care and habilitation for persons with Intellectual Disability suitable to Indian culture.
- To provide consultancy services to voluntary organizations in the area of Intellectual Disability.
- To serve as a documentation and information centre in the area of Intellectual Disability.
- To develop community-based rehabilitation services in the rural and low-income needy population.
- To undertake extension and outreach programmes in the field of Intellectual Disability.

7.7.2 Services Offered at NIEPID and Regional Centres for Persons with IDs:

Medical Services	Special Education	Psychological Assessment
Early Intervention Services	PMR Unit	Behaviour Modification
Physiotherapy/ Orthopaedics	Respite Care	Parent counselling
Biochemistry	Autism	Vocational Assessment
Speech & Audiology services	Multi-sensory	Vocational Guidance & Information
Electroencephalogram (EEG)	Computer Assisted Instruction (CAI)	Vocational Guidance & Counselling
Multiple Disability	Group activity	Workstation (Vocational Training)
Nutrition	Mobile services	Occupational Therapy
Hydrotherapy	Yoga	Community outreach programmes
Neurology/ Dental	Respite Care services	Northeast activities

Medical Services	Special Education	Psychological Assessment
Homeopathy	Family Cottage services	Distribution of TLMs
Ophthalmology	Dental	

7.7.3 Services Offered at Composite Regional Centres for Persons with Disabilities:

Psychological Assessment	Special Education	Occupational Therapy
Orientation & Mobility Training	Orthotic & Prosthetic services	Skill Development Programme
Physiotherapy /Services	Vocational Training	Awareness Programme
Rehabilitation Services	Medical Services	
Speech & Audiology services	Parent Training Programme	

7.7.4 Regional Centres & CRCs: There are three Regional Centres each located at New Delhi/ Noida, Kolkata and Navi Mumbai. NIEPID has a Model Special Education Centre in New Delhi and Noida. The three Composite Regional Centres for Skill Development, Rehabilitaion and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities are located at Nellore, Rajnandgaon and Davangere are working under the administrative control of NIEPID.

7.7.5 Key Achievements:

a) Developed NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence: The Institute developed NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence, the first of its kind in the entire country for Psychological Assessment of IQ in individuals. The Test has been released and dedicated to the Nation by the Honourable MSJ&E, Dr. Virendra Kumar on 11.12.2023 at New Delhi. Approved by Directorate of Medical & Health Services, this indigenous test developed under a research projects was field tested in 12 states covering 6 NSSO zones on 4070 children in the age range of 3-18 years across the country. The Test is now ready to be used by the Psychologists after undergoing required training on its usage. NIEPID has already completed conducting 3 Training programmes for RCI registered psychologists on NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence.





Developed NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence & dedicated to the Nation by Hon'ble Minister on 11.12.2023 at New Delhi.

b) International Yoga Day-2023 organised by DEPwD, MSJE in coordination with NIEPID, Secunderabad: For the first time in history, 2500 Divyangjan with various disabilities across the country took part in the mass Yoga event at Kanha wellness centre, Kanha Village, Rangareddy District, Telangana on 21st June, 2023. In the event organised by DEPwD in coordination with NIEPID at the

"Kanha Wellness Centre. Honourable Minister for SJ&E, Dr. Virendra Kumar graced the event as "Chief Guest" in this Mass Yoga performance by Divyangjan. During the event 200 beneficiaries were given away TLM kits and Aids and Appliances free of cost under ADIP scheme of the Department. This Mass Yoga Performance by Divyangjan from across India on 21st June 2023 created history for the first time and the Department bagged three records viz. International World Book of Records, Asia Book of Records and India Book of Records for the maximum number of Divyangjan performing Mass Yoga.









International Yoga Day-2023 organised by DEPwD, MSJE in coordination with NIEPID, Secunderabad at the Kanha Wellness Centre, Kanha (Vil), Rangareddy (Dist), Telangana.

7.7.6 Major Activities:

a) National Conference on Transformative Solutions and Innovations in Disability Rehabilitation (NCTSIDR) - 2023: A two-day NCTSIDR - 2023 was conducted from 20-21 April 2023 at NIEPID Secunderabad. More than 200 professionals/ students/ parents /PwDs and other stake holders participated in this conference. A total of 48 technical papers and posters were presented by professionals /academicians /young researchers / Student trainees from different parts of the country.



National Conference on Transformative Solutions and Innovations in Disability Rehabilitation NCTSIDR- 2023 held from 20-21 April 2023 at NIEPID Secunderabad.

b) National Conference on Techno-Pedagogic Approach in Rehabilitation of Children with Special Needs, "Rehabilitation 2.0": NIEPID organised a National Conference on Techno-Pedagogic Approach in Rehabilitation of Children with Special Needs, "Rehabilitation 2.0," at NIEPID, Secunderabad, on November 24 and 25, 2023. The conference was inaugurated by Chief Guest, Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary(DEPWD). This conference was funded by DEPWD under the National Fund for PWDs. About 250 rehabilitation professionals and other stakeholders from 10 different states (Uttarkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, West Bengal, Kerala) and diverse field have joined to share, discuss and present papers on their research and about recent development in the field of technology and its use in pedagogic approach.



National Conference on Techno-Pedagogic Approach in Rehabilitation of Children with Special Needs, "Rehabilitation 2.0," at NIEPID, Secunderabad on November 24 and 25, 2023.

c) International Workshop on Indian Scale for Assessment of Autism (ISAA): NIEPID organised a Two Day International Workshop on Indian Scale for Assessment of Autism (ISAA) at DAIC, New Delhi on 11-12 December, 2023. ISAA is developed by NIEPID, the ISAA is a rating scale comprising of 40 test items as sensitive indicators of Autism are grouped under 6 domains viz. Social Relationships and Reciprocity, Emotional Responsiveness, Speech, Language and Communication, Behaviour Patterns, Sensory Aspects and Cognitive Component. This test has good psychometric properties and is being used as per the gazette notification dated 26th April 2016 for issuing the disability certificate to persons with Autism in India. ISAA can also be used for the planning of intervention.





Two Day International Workshop on ISAA at DAIC, New Delhi on 11-12 December, 2023

- d) 92nd Regional Parents Meet: A two-day Regional Parents Meet/ Training workshop organized on 2nd and 3rd September 2023 at Sagar, Madhya Pradesh by Sun Foundation under the joint collaboration of National Federation of Parents Organizations of Sagar and NIEPID. It was inaugurated by Hon'ble MP Raj Bahadur Singh. A total of 154 parents of PwIDs from Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra participated in this workshop. Regional Parents Meet/Training workshop organized on 2nd & 3rd September 2023 at Sagar, MP.
- e) 93rd Regional Parents Meet: A two-day Regional Parents Meet / Training workshop organized on 30.09.2023 and 01.10.2023 at Jaipur, Rajasthan by the Approach Autism Society under the joint collaboration of National Federation of Parents Organizations of Jaipur and NIEPID, Secunderabad. It was inaugurated by Hon'ble Justice, Rajasthan High Court, Shri Pankaj Bhandari and Cdr. Shri Rang N Bijur. During the workshop, parents/participants nearly more than 150 participated in this workshop. Information was given on various topics related to empowerment and rehabilitation of intellectual disabilities by subject experts.
- f) 94th Regional Parents meet held at Haldwani, Uttarakhand: The 94th Regional Parents meet of PARIVAAR, NCPO was organized in collaboration with NIEPID on 7-8 October, 2023 with support from ROSHNI society Haldwani, Uttarakhand. The Inaugural session was graced by officials from Dept of Social welfare, Haldwani and from Dept of Education, Haldwani who interacted with self advocates during the inauguration. A total of 175 parents participated in the program.
- 7.7.7 Study visit of Standing Committee on Social Justice & Empowerment to NIEPID, Secunderabad: Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment under the chairpersonship of Smt. Rama Devi, Hon'ble MP, Lok Sabha had conducted the study visit on 11th July, 2023 at NIEPID. The committee consisted of 12 Hon'ble MPs accompanied by 4 Government officials. The committee visited CDEIC, Special Education Centre, DAIL and General Services. They appreciated the work and the quality of services being rendered by teachers and staff members of NIEPID. The team also interacted with the parents and the divyang beneficiaries. The committee suggested to:
 - Increase awareness programmes in causes and prevention of intellectual disabilities, especially

in the rural areas.

- Awareness programmes on prenatal care and genetic counselling and
- To increase the HRD programmes so that we may have trained professionals.

More than 100 persons with Intellectual disability received TLM kits worth Rs.10 Lakhs.





Study visit of Standing Committee on Social Justice & Empowerment to NIEPID, Secunderabad on 11.07.2023.

7.7.8 Collaborative project initiated by NIEPID and the HANS Foundation (THF): Community Based Mobile Rehabilitation services - Collaborative project initiated by NIEPID and THF. THF introduced state-of-the-art Mobile Therapy Bus, offering supportive services to individuals with disabilities, mental health issues, and associated conditions. Mobile therapeutic experts provide doorstep care, including early identification, medical assistance, therapies, education, and counselling.



Community Based Mobile Rehabilitation services - Collaborative project initiated by NIEPID and The HANS Foundation

7.7.9 The 5 Days Training Program (CRE) on "NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence: The first batch of the CRE training program on "NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence" was conducted from 17th-22nd September 2023 at NIEPID, Secunderabad. The programme was inaugurated by Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary (DEPwD). He announced that the test is approved by DGHS and will be included as an addon test for issuing the disability certificate. It was also announced that the next series of workshops will focus on training staff from NIs, DDRCs, CDEICs & District Medical Boards so that RCI registered Rehabilitation/Clinical psychologists will be trained to use this test for issuing disability certificate. It was also announced that the NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence will be patented and kept as an open

source to reduce the burden on professionals as the existing international tools have an exorbitant cost.



CRE training program on "NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence" was conducted from 17th-22nd September 2023 at NIEPID, Secunderabad.

7.7.10 Northeast Activities - Meeting with Principal Secretary, Government of Assam: A team of NIEPID officials visited Guwahati, Assam from 04th to 06th September, 2023. Sri B. V. Ram Kumar, Director (Offg), NIEPID made a presentation on NIEPID Activities, Programmes, Collaborations and Achievements during the meeting. The NIEPID team visited the Resource Centre, Samagra Shiksha, Guwahati and interacted with all the resource teachers and provided the inputs on up-gradation of resource room, need and importance of capacity building programmes, different diagnostic assessment tools, CRE programmes, awareness on Schemes and Benefits for PwIDs explained and addressed all the resource persons.

7.7.11 NIEPID and The Hans Foundation (THF) has entered into MoU: On 12.10.2023, NIEPID and THF entered into a MoU to construct a state of Art Hydrotherapy pool at NIEPID Secunderabad. NIEPID, in collaboration with THF, will provide hydrotherapy services to Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (PwIDs), Cerebral Palsy and other Developmental Disabilities. The total cost for implementing this project is estimated to be Rs. 5.97 crores. MoU was also signed to expand the mobile community Rehabilitation services which are currently being implemented at NIEPID Noida to Kolkotta, Mumbai and Gaziabaad. This project will be implemented by NIEPID RCs in Various Locations. This unique project aims to touch more than 20,000 Persons with Disabilities per year in selected locations, going into the community who are unable to get the necessary services. An amount of Rs. 4.3 crores is the estimated cost for implementing project mobile community rehabilitation services for a period of 3 years.

7.7.12 Visit of Dr.Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Union Cabinet Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment: Dr.Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Minister of SJ&E visited NIEPID HQs, Secunderabad on 20.04.2023. Hon'ble Minister visited CDEIC and interacted with all Faculty and Staff of CDEIC and appreciated the Medical / Rehabilitation services provided to the clients and Hon'ble Cabinet Minister suggested to follow the best practices from CDEIC, AYJNISHD, Mumbai. He also visited Special Education Centre at NIEPID HQ, Secunderabad and appreciated the Digital Class Room and CAI software packages given by NIEPID to Intellectual Disability children throughout the country. Hon'ble Cabinet Minister appreciated the staff and services available at NIEPID for children with Intellectual Disabilities.





Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Union Cabinet Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India visited NIEPID HO, Secunderabad on 20.04.2023.

7.7.13 Visit of Km. Pratima Bhoumik, Hon'ble Minister of State for Social Justice & Empowerment: Hon'ble MoS, Km. Pratima Bhoumik visited NIEPID on 28th April 2023. She appreciated the dedicated services offered by the teachers, faculty members and staff of NIEPID in improving the quality of life of PwIDs. Hon'ble, MoS suggested to undertake sale of the products through e-marketing. Hon'ble Minister, along with Mrs. Jayshree, senior Social Worker Prakruti NGO have distributed TLM Kits and Wheel chairs to the about 200 eligible beneficiaries under ADIP scheme.



Km. Pratima Bhoumik, Hon'ble Minister of State for Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India visited NIEPID HO, Secunderabad on 28.04.2023.

7.7.14 Visit of Km. Pratima Bhoumik, Honorable Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment: Honorable MoS for SJ&E, Km. Pratima Bhoumik visited NIEPID on 06 October 2023 on the occasion of World Cerebral Palsy Day. Hon'ble MoS inaugurated World Mental Health Awareness Week observed during 7-12 October. Honorable Minister had distributed TLM Kits, CP Chairs and Wheelchairs to the about 200 eligible beneficiaries under ADIP scheme. This was her second visit to the institute, and Hon'ble MoS enjoyed every activities performed by the special children of the Institute and appreciated the faculty and staff of NIEPID.





Hon'ble MoS, MSJ&E, Km. Pratima Bhoumik visited NIEPID on 06th October 2023.

7.7.15 Three Days International Workshop on NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence: Three days of International CRE workshop on NIEPID Indian test of intelligence at NIEPID RC, NOIDA from 29th – 31st January 2024. Shri B.V Ram Kumar, Director, NIEPID addressed the participants and shared the objectives and work of NIEPID at three days of workshop on NIEPID Indian test of intelligence. A total of 81 participants who were RCI registered psychologists and other Rehabilitation professionals from different organizations from all over India like AIIMS Delhi, IIT Roorkee, AIISH, Mysore, NIMHR Sehore, CRC Kozhikode, CRC Guwahati, KGMC Lucknow and from other different private organizations and NGOs from Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Bihar, Ludhiana, Nagpur, Chandigarh, Karnal, Dehradun, Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Mumbai, Faridabad, Gurgaon, Noida and Delhi (15 states) participated and got training in NIEPID Test of Intelligence. Participants had experiential learning, hands on experience to administer and score the test. Test interpretation and Report writing were discussed. The programme was concluded with a vote of thanks by Programme coordinator, Dr. Sunita and distributing the certificates to participants and taking the feedback about their experience and learning at the workshop.



7.7.16 NIEPID Participated in International Purple Fest- Goa: NIEPID Participated in International Purple Fest organised by Govt. of Goa in partnership with DEPwD, MSJ&E, Govt. of India at Kala Academy, Goa from 8th - 13th January 2024. Shri Subhash Phal Desai, Hon'ble Minister of Social Welfare, River Navigation, Archives and Archaeologys in Government of Goa, DEPwD officials and Directors of NIs under DEPwD and other officials visited NIEPID stall and interacted with NIEPID Director Major B V Ram Kumar and also with the students of NIEPID. It was full of exuberance, activities and interaction. They were also very pleased to see the international purple fest Badges made by NIEPID and ordered 100 badges.





7.7.17 Divya Kala Shakthi Organized by NIEPID, Secunderabad: On 10th February, 2024, the twin cities of Hyderabad-Secunderabad witnessed extraordinary talents of persons with disabilities during the cultural extravaganza organized by National Institute for Empowerment of Person with Intellectual Disabilities The unique platform aimed at inclusivity unveiled the world of creativity which enthralled the audience. A total of 105 participants from five southern states of Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka and Tamilnadu having disabilities of hearing impairment, intellectual disability, visual impairment, autism, thalassemia, low vision, muscular dystrophy, Down's syndrome and locomotor disability, presented mesmerizing performances which included group dances, solo dances, music and an awe-inspiring display of arts in the stalls set up for the purpose. The programme stands as a testament to the extraordinary capabilities of persons with disabilities.

Honourable Governor of Telangana and Lt. Governor of Puducherry, Dr. Tamilisai Sounderarajan was the Chief Guest for the programme who keenly watched the programme and appreciated and motivated all the participants. In her address, the Governor appreciated the exemplary efforts made by NIEPID and its staff for creating a platform for the persons with disabilities. She said that the PWDs need appreciation and not sympathy. She further noted and appreciated NIEPID for developing indigenous Test of Intelligence, which is first of its kind for testing IQ in individuals.

She said that we should do our bit to foster economic independence, Inclusion and self-reliance and the journey inspires us all to break barriers, embrace diversity, and build a more compassionate and inclusive society.

Shri B.V.Ram Kumar, Director, NIEPID, faculty, staff and students of long term courses of NIEPID enthusiastically participated and encouraged the performers of the programme.



7.7.18 29th National Special Employees Meet held at NIEPID, Secunderabad: 29th National Special Employees Meet was held at NIEPID, Secunderabad from 8th to 9th February 2024. Shri N.V.S.Reddy, IAS, CMD, Metro Rail was invited as Chief Guest and Shri M.S.Subrahmanyam, IAAS, Director General, AGs Office, Guest of honour and Sri Prabhakar Rao, Convener, All India Forum for Small and Medium Industries as Special Guest for the programme. Cdr Bijur, GC member, NIEPID and Sri Kolli Nageshwar Rao, President, All India Disabled Rights Forum also graced the programme with their presence.

During the event, special employees from 15 states, participated and demonstrated their abilities and performance on skill competition, self-advocacy and success stories, cultural programmes, fun games, display of job aids, adaptive devices. Client registration for Govt Schemes and Women entrepreneurship programmes also conducted at the event. As part of the event, employers from different companies such as Printography, Ranigunj, Domino's Pizza, Kapra, Ananta Aditya Foundation, Begumpet, Karishma Sports, SB Marketing, Nirmaan Foundation, NCSC (VRC), Ratnadeep Super Market, Ghanshyam Super Market, Bowenpally, Star Bazar (ZUDIO), Bowenpally, Lions Club – Jubilee Hills Chapter, Syndicate Technologies, Vijaya Health Care, Computer Bazar, Chenoy Trade Centre, MSN Laboratory, Komapply, Leonardo Cheshire, Jubilee Hills and Amazon Placements, Hyderabad, manufacturing firms/agencies, MNCs and PSUs attended and observed the special talents of the PwIDs.

Over 200 special employees' representatives from various organizations including self-employed persons from different parts of the country also participated in this Meet. They demonstrated their job skills in different vocations and showcased their abilities and products made by them for the purpose of creating awareness and economic empowerment. An exclusive session on women entrepreneurship by WE HUB, Govt of Telangana conducted for all the participants who attended the event.

More than 1000 school students, special school representatives, professionals and media attended the event and observed the ability mela and skill competition during the day.

The programme ended with a valedictory session, certificates were distributed by Shri B V Ram Kumar, Director, NIEPID for all the participants who attended the program. Placement agencies from *MAK ENVIRO Technologies* offered two placements and *DCL BULK Technologies* offered one placement to the DAIL Trainee which is a proud moment and achievement for NIEPID as it brings the economic empowerment to persons with disabilities.



7.7.19 Laying of Foundation Stone for the Hydrotherapy Unit virtually by Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble MSJ&E, Govt of India: Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt of India has laid Foundation Stone for the Hydrotherapy Unit virtually on 21st February, 2024. In an endeavor to promote good quality therapeutic intervention to persons with Disabilities, NIEPID in joint collaboration with The Hans Foundation is setting up a Hydrotherapy Unit at NIEPID premises at Manovikas Nagar, Secunderabad. NIEPID being a major tertiary centre in the area of Disability Rehabilitation of intellectual and developmental disabilities, the advanced hydrotherapy pool can be a resource model for others regional centres, DDRCs, DEICs, NGO's, Voluntary organizations, etc., The Hans Foundation would establish the hydrotherapy unit in the campus of NIEPID, Secunderabad and the unit will be maintained by NIEPID. The Hans Foundation will contribute for construction of Hydrotherapy pool, infrastructure/ equipment at an estimate cost of Rs.5,19,00,389/- & NIEPID will oversee & monitor the construction, bear the operational costs, salaries of staff and other recurring expenditure of Rs.78,47,700/-. The Proposed Hydrotherapy pool will be one of the largest therapeutic pools with advanced equipment and exclusively for intervention to Persons with disabilities. Shri B.V.Ram Kumar Director NIEPID, Shri. Yatheendra Kumar, HOD, DOT, NIEPID, Shri Kolli Nageshwara Rao, President, Disability Rights Forum NIEPID faculty and staff, PWIDs were present on the occasion.









7.7.20 Inauguration of CRC, Davangere New Building virtually by Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble MSJ&E, Govt of India: On 21st February 2024, CRC, Davanagere's New Building was virtually inaugurated by Hon'ble Minister of MSJE, GOI. Dr. Virendra Kumar, in the gracious presence of Hon'ble, Ministers of State SJE, GOI. Shri. Narayanaswamy, Km. Pratima Bhoumik, Shri. Ramdas Athawale. Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Shri. G.M. Siddeshwara, Davanagere Constituency & Hon'ble Ex. MLA Prof. Linganna were graced the occasion in person.

Shri. Rajesh Agarwal, Secretary, DEPwD, MSJE, GOI, Shri. Rajesh Kumar Yadav, Joint Secretary, Shri. Rajeev Sharma, , Shri. B.V. Ram Kumar, Director NIEPID, were virtually participated. Deputy Mayor, Ex. Mayor, Gram Panchayat President & Key District Govt. Officials including Additional Deputy Commissioner, President of Honnuru Gram Panchayat were present.

Smt. Minakshi, Director, CRC, Davanagere accompanied the visitors & briefed about the state of art facilities available in the new building for the rehabilitation of persons with 21-types of disabilities. Soon after the inauguration, 252 Assistive devices including Motorized tricycle, Hearing aid, Smart phone, Canes, Crutches and CP Chair were distributed. Approx. 1000 Persons participated in this inaugural event.





7.7.21 Inauguration of CRC, Rajnandgaon New Building virtually by Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble MSJ&E, Govt of India: Dr Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment, GoI inaugurated the new building for Composite Regional Center for Skill Development, Empowerment for PwDs at Thakurtola, Rajnandgaon on 21.02.2024. Shri Santosh Pandey, Hon'ble MP, Rajnandgaon, Ms Geeta Sahoo, Dist Panchayat President, Shri Khub Chand Parak, Ex Cabinet Minister, Shri Bharat Verma, Pradesh Mahamantri, Shri Sanjay Aggarwal, IAS, District Magistrate, Shri B L Thakur, Dy Director, Dist Social Welfare Officer attended as Chief guest and Guest of Honours at the programme. During the inauguration, Hon'ble MP distributed the aids and appliances to all the eligible beneficiaries. Also the Chief Guest and Guest of Honours observed the service units, exhibition of products and publications at the center.





7.7.22 NIEPID signed MoU with TATA Power Community Development Trust: NIEPID signed MoU at Rastrapati Bhawan, New Delhi on 26.02.2024 with TATA Power Community Development Trust (TPCDT) for "India Neurodiversity Platform" an Aggregator Physical Platform for Early Intervention & Home Care. Secretary, DEPwD Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Joint Secretaries, DEPwD, Shri Rajesh Yadav and Shri Rajeev Sharma and Director, NIEPID Shri Major B V Ram Kumar and TATA power officials exchanged the MoU for this project. This partnership aims to empower parents/caregivers, Anganwadi workers and teachers to be the primary therapists and provide early intervention to their children with different neuro developmental disabilities and refer them for the early interventions to professionals.

The main vision and the purpose of this platform is to transform early diagnosis and care through a Physical Neurodiversity platform that enables deeper and wider outreach to the larger cross-sections of society across regions; amplifying the impact of Govt. support services as well as jointly promoting new practices & global interface in this space.

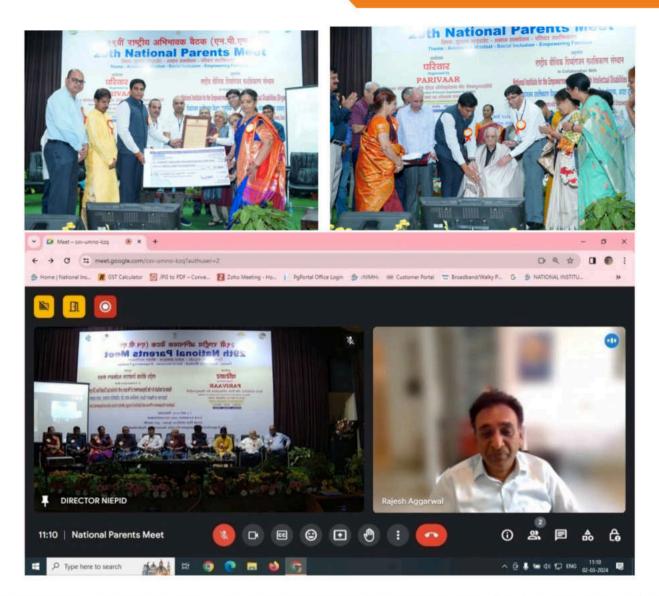


7.7.23 29th National Parents Meet held at NIEPID, Secunderabad: NIEPID, Secunderabad organized 29th National Parents Meet in collaboration with PARIVAAR NCPO from 02nd to 03rd March, 2024. Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ&E, GoI attended as Chief Guest to this program through online mode and addressed the Parents, NGO's and Children with Special needs who attended this program from different states throughout the country. Secretary, DEPWD addressed regarding various initiatives and measures taken by DEPWD to empower parents and families of children with Intellectual and Developmental disabilities.

Director NIEPID Shri Major B V Ram Kumar, addressed the parents and NGOs on various measures and initiatives taken by NIEPID Secunderabad on accessible mind set, on social inclusion and empowering families.

Ms. Poonam Natrajan, former chairperson, National Trust and PARIVAAR president Shri. Pankaj Maru also addressed the parents and NGO's. More than 300 parents and children with special needs across the country attended this 29th National Parents Meet.

Various technical sessions on successful livelihood models for PwIDs, support systems for PwIDS in the community and Financial and legacy planning and various schemes and benefits for PwIDS and panel discussions were taken by eminent resource persons from different parts of the country.



7.7.24 National Trust Board meeting held at NIEPID, Secunderabad: National Trust Board meeting held at NIEPID conference hall on 06.03.2024. Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ&E, GoI chaired the session of the meeting. Shri K R Vaidheeswaran, CSS, JS & CEO, National Trust, Shri Navnit Kumar, Programme officer, NT, Sri Guriqbal Singh Bedi, Board Member, NT,Dr Ashish Kumar, Board Member, NT, Ms Ruby Singh, Board Member, NT, Shri Pushpal Singh, Board Member, NT, Shri P.P. Mohanty, Director, SVNIRTAR, Shri Nachiketa Rout, Director, NIEPMD, Shri B.V Ram Kumar, Director, NIEPID, Shri Sandeep Tambe, Deputy Director, RCI, , Dr. Sravan Reddy, Dr. Yateendra, Shri Ganesh Sheregar and Shri G. Srinivasulu – Faculty NIEPID attended the meeting.







7.7.25 MoU between Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) and NIEPID, Secunderabad: On 06.03.2024, Exchange of MoU between Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) and NIEPID, Secunderabad regarding 40 lakhs CSR fund to NIEPID for procurement of Vocational Skill Development Machinery for the DAIL trainees. Sri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary to Govt. of India, Sri B V Ram Kumar, Director, NIEPID and National Trust members also present at the meeting.

During the meeting job offer letters distributed to DAIL trainees by SVR Anantha Aditya Foundation for placement of 12 trainees. They also offered more than 50 placements at Hyderabad, Secunderabad and nearby districts of Twin cities under different trade sectors.





7.7.26 Other activities and Events:

- ➤ NIEPID HQs, Regional Centers and Composite Regional Centers organised World Autism Awareness Day on 02nd April, 2023.
- ➤ NIEPID in partnership with Rainbow hospitals and Telangana Medical council organized one day state level conference on Autism at Radisson Blue Plaza Hotel, on 16th April, 2023. More than 160 participants participated, out of which 58 were eligible for CRE certificates.
- ➤ A three days workshop on "Policy advocacy through studying interventions to ensure sustainable employment for persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (Stage −1)" was organised by NIEPID in collaboration with National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRDPR) from 25-27 April, 2023 at NIEPID, Secunderabad.
- On the occasion of Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD), DEPwD and NIEPID Organised National Level Webinar on 18th May, 2023. Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPWD, virtually inaugurated the session. A total of 2367 clients registered (students, parents, trainees, professionals and other stake holders of the disability rehabilitation) out of which a total of 238 participants joined through online modes.
- ➤ On the occasion of World Schizophrenia day, DEPwD and NIEPID organized National Level Online Webinar on "Understanding and management of Schizophrenia" on 24th May 2023 in Hindi version in morning and English version in afternoon.
- f) The 5 Days Capacity Building training program was organised by NIEPID for the staff members of Mobile Community Therapy services a joint project in collaboration with the HANS Foundation from 2^{2nd} to 2^{6th} May 2023.
- ➤ NIEPID Participated in Divya Kala Mela Exhibition on 27th May 2023 at Varanasi. NIEPID also set up a stall during Divya Kala Mela, Indore 2023 conducted from 17th to 23rd June 2023. The Mela at Indore was inaugurated by Chief Guest Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Minister, MSJ&E. NIEPID also participated in Divya Kala Mela Exhibition organized by DEPwD, at Jaipur, Rajasthan from 29.06.2023 to 05.07.2023. A Cultural Programme, Divya Kala Shakti, by Children and Youth with Disabilities Organizing by NIEPID, Secunderabad in collaboration with DEPwD was held on 19.01.2024.
- ➤ NIEPID RC Navi Mumbai 21 students of Long Term Programs received offer letters from various institutions participated in the 1st round campus placement interviews 2023.
- On the occasion of "World Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Day 2023", National level webinar on "Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy" was conducted on 07.09.2023 by NIEPID, Secunderabad.
- On the occasion of "World Physiotherapy Day 2023", National level webinar on "Influence of Aquatic Therapy on children with Locomotor Challenges" was conducted on 8th September 2023 by NIEPID, Secunderabad.
- On 29.09.2023, Shri Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, DEPwD visited NIEPID RC Navi Mumbai. He inaugurated the inclusive fun Fair Dance and Music event organised by NIEPID and Tata projects. On the occasion the ADL videos developed by NIEPID in collaboration with an NGO – PRATHAM were released.
- ➤ NIEPID in collaboration with State Govt of Assam conducted distribution of 1218 TLM kits to persons/children with intellectual disability at Tezpur, Sonitpur District, Assam from 30th

October, 2023 to 04th November, 2023.

- NIEPID in collaboration with South Salmara District Administration, Assam, organized IQ Assessment camp for PWIDs, Parent Training Programmes, Teacher Training Programmes, Student Awareness Programmes and Public Awareness Programmes organized at different blocks of South Salmara district of Assam from 14-25th November 2023. A total of 4878 beneficiaries attended.
- NIEPID, Secunderabad conducted TLM distribution camps at Meghalaya from 18–21 November 2023 and also conducted Parent Training programs for PWIDs. A total of 150 TLM Kits Distributed to PWIDs.
- Signing of MoA (Memorandum of Agreement) between NTPC and NIEPID on 14.12.2023 for CSR support. They granted fund as CSR support for Digital Interactive Boards, TLM kits and Open Gym Materials for use of PwID at NIEPID.
- ➤ NIEPID conducted TLM Kits Distribution camps at Fekamari, Tumni, South Salmara, Jangal block, Mankachar block, Circuit House, Hatsinghmari, Assam from 7th to 10th January 2024. A total of 690 beneficiaries attended.
- NIEPID organized a sensitization programme for Telangana District Judges at NIEPID Conference Hall on 02.01.2024. Sri B.V.Ram Kumar, Director, NIEPID inaugurated the session and explained the provisions of RPwD Act 2016. Orientation session on Intellectual Disability, Visual Impairment, Hearing Impairment, Govt Acts & Provisions, Schemes and Benefits covered during the programme. A total of 12 District Judges from Telangana state attended.
- ➤ World Braille Day was observed on 4th January 2024 at NIEPID Secunderabad. The following programs were conducted during the world Braille Awareness Day regarding the vital role played by Braille as a communication method for individuals with visual impairment. The programs conducted were aimed at creating awareness in public professional students / parents.
- ➤ Sh. Vineet Singhal, Director, DEPwD, Ministry of Social Justice, Govt. of India & Major B.V. Ram Kumar, Director (Offg.), NIEPID, Secunderabad had visited CRC, Davangere on 12.01.2024 to monitor the progress of the CRC, Davangere. The officials have visited the construction site to monitor the status of the construction site along with CPWD Officials.
- ➤ CRC Davanagere organized "National Youth Day" Celebrations on the eve of Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda at CRC Davanagere on 12.01.2024. The program was inaugurated by Sh. Vineeth Singhal, Director NI's, Sh. B.V. Ram Kumar Director (OFFG) NIEPID, Secunderabad and Smt. Minakshi, Director, Davanagere. During the program Sh. Vineeth Singal, Director NIs, Major B V Ram Kumar, Director, NIEPID briefed about the significance of NIEPID activities and highlighted the National Youth Day Events for the Empowerment of PwID. A Total of 121 beneficiaries attended and participated in the program.
- 75th Republic Day Celebrations at NIEPID Secunderabad on 26th January 2024. Shri B.V.Ram Kumar Director (Off), NIEPID hoisted the flag with the National Anthem and started the cultural programmes. Special Education Center Students, DAIL Trainees, Long term Course Students & Parents participated in cultural events.
- NIEPID participated and watched live telecast of "Pariksha Pe Charcha 2024": Hon'ble Prime Minister interaction with Students, teachers and Parents on January 29, 2024. It is a movement that is driven by Hon'ble Prime Minister efforts to bring together students, parents, teachers and the society to foster an environment where the unique individuality of each child is celebrated,

encouraged and allowed to express itself fully.

- On 30th January 2024, NIEPID, Secunderabad conducted a "Sensitization Program for grass root level workers on Early Intervention and Rehabilitation Services for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs)" at Mancherial district, Telangana. During this program, a total of 108 grassroot level workers (Anganwadi, asha, SSA IED teachers) attended.
- NIEPID Regional Centre Navi Mumbai conducted Workshop on Sensitization program for Gross Root Level workers in collaboration with Social Welfare Department, Education Department and Health Department of the UT of Dadar & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu on 4th January 2024. A total of 112 Gross Root Level workers including Anganwadi teachers, Special Education Teachers and Asha workers attended the program.
- NIEPID Regional Centre Navi Mumbai received 1 Photostat machine of amount Rs. 1,00,000 /- for Skill Training of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (Divyangjan) from M/s Polybond Insulation Pvt. Ltd. under CSR.
- ➤ 08 students of NIEPID MSEC Noida participated in Bocce game on 15th January 2024 organized by Special Olympic Bharat.10 students of NIEPID MSEC Noida participated in Ability Utsav organized by YMCA Nizamuddin 31st January 2024 in Rangoli making, painting competition, singing competition, best out of waste, Dance competition. 3 students were awarded 3rd prize in Rangoli making and painting competition. All the students performed very well and received certificates for participation.
- NIEPID HQ and RCs celebrated its 40th Annual day on the 22nd of February, 2024. The program started with the Welcome address and commencement of speech by Director, Shri B. V. Ram Kumar and the lighting of the diyas by the special children. It was a momentous occasion that brings together persons with intellectual disabilities, parents, students, faculty, staff, and the broader community.
- ▶ Purple Fest Delhi was organised in the ground of Rashtrapati Bhavan on 26th February, 2024. Under the able guidance of Director NIEPID, Sh. Major B V Ram Kumar, NIEPID MSEC in collaboration with the CWIDs, parents and Faculty members from NIEPID HQ organised a stall displaying a canvas of products, materials and awareness tools. Live art performance in form of painting was presented by our beloved Aditya, Tanay and Diksha. The efforts were much appreciated by Secretary DEPWD, Sh. Rajesh Aggarwal and Joint Secretaries DEPWD, Sh. Rajesh Yadav and Sh. Rajeev Sharma.
- A team from British Airways and Airport Authority of India (AAI) visited NIEPID Secunderabad on 29th February 2024. Shri B V Ram Kumar, Director, NIEPID discussed and explained about the neurodevelopment disabilities so that the airports and air travel can be made more Accessible and Approachable for PWDs.
- On 12th February, 2024, on the occasion of the International Day of Epilepsy, NIEPID Secunderabad organized various awareness programs to Parents, Caregivers, General Public, Students and Staff to create awareness and Sensitization on Epilepsy. Shri B V Ram Kumar, Director NIEPID addressed the students and parents regarding the importance of awareness on Epilepsy and appreciate the Staff and Students of NIEPID.
- Under PM SHRI scheme, NIEPID conducted Tamanna Aptitude & Psychometric (IQ) Testing at Kendriya Vidyalaya, Golconda.
- NIEPID Regional Centre Navi Mumbai conducted Sensitization Program for Gross Root Level Workers on Early Intervention Rehabilitation Services on 19th February 2024 at Diu, UT of Daman Diu. The chief guest of the program was Smt Bhanu Prabha (IAS) District Magistrate,

- Diu, UT. The following guest were also present Dr Kasim Sultan (Health Officer, Diu), Ms Maitreyee Bhat, (District Child Protection Officer, Diu). A total of 100 gross root level workers (Anganwadi, Aasha, Pre-primary teachers, ANM, Special Educators) participated in the program.
- Students of MSEC participated in Special Olympic Bharat Delhi state football competition, one student Shivam Gautam selected for Delhi state football team and secured silver medal on 15/02/2024.
- CRC, Rajnandgaon has started PM Daksh Skill training in Sewing machine operator with 10students of Locomotor disability.
- ➤ NIEPID officials participated in PM Suraj portal inauguration at Karimnagar district collectorate office, Karimnagar, Telangana on 13th March, 2024. Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji virtually inaugurated and dedicated the "SURAJ portal" to the nation and addressed to the disadvantaged sections of the society. During the programme, Hon'ble MP Shri Bandi Sanjay, Smt Pamela Satpathy, District collector, Nationalised Bank representatives and other district administrative staff attended during the programme.
- Two days National Conference on "Autism Spectrum Disorders The Autism Odyssey" is organized by Rainbow Children's Hospital in association with NIEPID and Marham Resonating Resilience (NGO) Hyderabad on 16th and 17th March 2024 at Auditorium 4th Floor, Rainbow Heart Institute, Road No 10, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad.
- International Wheel chair Day 2024 was observed on 1st of March 2024 at NIEPID Secunderabad. A training programme on practical demonstration of different types of wheelchairs was conducted in collaboration with Mobility India. Presentations and live demonstrations on use of wheel chair, choosing the ideal wheel chair were covered in the session. Around 100 rehabilitation professionals, parents of persons with disabilities have benefited by attending the programme.
- ➤ CII Global Young Indians Organization in collaboration with NIEPID conducted sports events for Special Schools for children with ID located in twin cities of Hyderabad on 1st March 2024 at NIEPID Sports Ground. Shri B V Ram Kumar, Director, NIEPID inaugurated the event in the presence of officials of CII Global Young Indians. Around 500 students participated for 17 events including students from SEC & DAIL of NIEPID.
- ➤ On the occasion of World Down Syndrome Day, NIEPID, Secunderabad organized various programmes to create awareness and sensitization to parents, general public, staff and students on 21.03.2024. Director NIEPID Shri. Major B.V. Ram Kumar, addressed parents, students and staff regarding importance of World Down Syndrome Day and given various inputs to students and parents in Early Identification of Children with Down Syndrome and explained importance of early intervention.

7.8 NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH MULTIPLE DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN) (NIEPMD), CHENNAI

National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (Divynangjan) (NIEPMD) was established in the year 2005 at Muttukudu, Chennai in Tamil Nadu to fulfill the objective of serving as a national resource centre for empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (PwMD).

7.8.1 Objectives:

(i) To undertake development of human resource development in various functional areas covering Inter-disciplinary, multi-disciplinary and transdisciplinary activities for empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities through state of the art rehabilitation, intervention viz., educational, therapeutic, vocational, employment, leisure and social activities, sports, cultural programs and full participation as also through developing various approaches including community rehabilitation,

- project management and capacity building of Non-Government Organizations (NGOs).
- (ii) To promote and conduct research in all areas relating to Multiple Disabilities and to develop transdisciplinary models and strategies for social rehabilitation to meet various function needs of people with multiple disabilities, by this society hereinafter referred to as "the Institute" or through NGOs.
- (iii) To conduct, sponsor, coordinate or subsidize research into all aspects of the education, rehabilitation, capacity building and Independent living of persons with Multiple Disabilities by the Institute or through NGOs.
- (iv) To undertake and/or sponsor the training of trainers and professionals in the area of Early Intervention, Early Childhood Education, Special Education, Vocational Training and Employment, Independent Living, Community Rehabilitation and Project Management, therapists and such other personnel as may be deemed necessary by the Institute in empowering the persons with Multiple Disabilities.
- (v) To manufacture, fabricate, adapt or promote or subsidize the manufacture of prototypes and distribution of any or all aids designed to promote any aspects of the education, therapy and rehabilitation of the Persons with Multiple Disabilities

Services offered

Medical	Educational	Rehabilitation
 Medical Intervention & Referrals Super Speciality Clinical services like Neurology, Neurosurgery Psychiatry Ophthalmology Dental ENT Homoeopathy Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Out patient Homoeopathy Clinic 	 Special School (Model School for Persons with Multiple Disabilities) includes Unit of Autism Spectrum Disorder Unit of Cerebral Palsy Unit of Deafblind Unit of Early Childhood Unit of Sever profound Multiple Disabilities Unit of Transition Cell & Play School Special Education services by providing consultation to Parents of children with Disabilities who can not attend model school Parent Empowerment program 	 Early Intervention Services Physiotherapy Occupational Therapy Sensory Integration Therapy Hydrotherapy Prosthetics & Orthotics Audiological Evaluation Speech & Language Intervention Psychological Intervention Guidance and Counseling Adult Independent Living Mobile Services Day Care Centre Community/Out Reach pro-

7.8.2 Regional Centre and Composite Regional Centers

Three Composite Regional Centre for Skill Development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of

Persons with Disabilities at Kozhikode, Andaman & Nicobar Island and Madurai are functioning under the Administrative control of NIEPMD

7.8.3 Photos of Important Events:





NIEPMD under CSR initiative of MOBIS INDIA Foundation, Chennai organized distribution camp of Teaching Learning Materials to Persons with Intellectual Disabilities at Tiruvannamalai District on 3rd April 2023





Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between NIEPMD and Centre for Differently Abled Persons, Bharathidasan University was held on 17th April 2023 at Bharathidasan University, Triuchirappalli._





Inauguration of the Universal Accessible ATM (Indian Bank) was held on 26th March 2023





"SUYOG 2023" - Best Practices on Effective Implementation of 4% Job Reservation for the Persons with disabilities including persons with Intellectual Disability/Autism Spectrum Disorder/Specific Learning Disability/Mental Illness/Multiple Disabilities)" organized by NIEPMD during 11th- 12th May 2023 at NIEPMD, Chennai.





Observance of Global Accessibility Awareness Day by NIEPMD on 18th May 2023





Shri A .Narayanaswamy, Hon'ble Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment visit of NIEPMD on 28th August 2023





NIEPMD in association with Airport Authority of India, Chennai organized a Training Program on "Soft Skill Training on Handling of Persons with Disabilities at the Conference Hall, Chennai Airport, Chennai on 17th October 2023





Km. Pratima Bhoumik, Hon'ble Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, visit of NIEPMD on 17th November 2023.





Observance of World Braille Day on 4 January 2024





Divya Kala Shakti: Witnessing the Abilities in Disabilities cultural event held on 6th January 2024 at Ravindra Kala Kshethra, Bengaluru organized by NIEPMD in collaboration with DEPwD, MSJ&E, GoI



NIEPMD stalls at the International Purple Fest 2024 organized by Govt. of Goa and DEPwD, MSJ&E, GoI from 8th – 13th January 2024 at Goa.



Participation of 29th National Special Employee Meet 2024 organized by NIEPID at Secunderabad from 8th - 9th February 2024



ADIP identification and Screening Camp held at South Andaman, North & Middle Andaman during 9-15th February 2024





Observance of World Hearing Day on 3rd March 2024





Observance of World Down Syndrome day celebration on 21st March 2024

7.8.4 New Activities

a) Commencement of Diploma in Office Automation and Assistive Technology in Department of Adult Independent Living (DAIL): The DAIL – for ensuring an accessible educational and enhanced skill development platform - has made a curriculum titled Diploma in Office Automation and Assistive Technology exclusive for the PwMD. Upon the initiative, obtained the esteemed guidance and encouragement from the Director & Management in all the walks of establishing the course such as framing syllabus, time to time approach with Bharathidasan University for affiliation, framing eligibility norms, essential minimal skills & abilities etc.

Under the aegis of the Director & Bharathidasan University authorities, the DAIL could achieve affiliation for the course from Bharathidasan University. While the NIEPMD has ensured a fully accessible campus including ramps, elevators, accessible classroom, the DAIL has arranged the infrastructure, computer lab with adaptive technology, screen readers, Braille display with other devices to carry out the curriculum. Further, wide publicity was made through Social platforms so as to facilitate the deserving adult with multiple disabilities to make use of the opportunity. It further supported all the PwMDs in uploading their particulars in the prescribed Online format of Bharathidasan University. Out of the 30 application received 10 were found optimal and all of them were called for a preliminary assessment and personal interview on 28.07.2023 where in the external expert, have handled the task of assessment with respective module exclusively designed by DAIL. All the 10 students along with their parents have participated in an orientation and counselling organized on 09.08.2023 during which all the students were briefed about the important aspects of the course, parent responsibilities, DAIL role & support etc. On 28.08.2023 an inaugural function was organized in the presence of Shri. A.Narayanaswamy, Hon'ble MoS for Social Justice and Empowerment, on the commencement of the Diploma in Office Automation and Assistive Technology.



Inauguration of Course by Hon'ble Minister of state for Social Justice and Empowerment, GoI

7.9 Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC)

Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) is an autonomous organization established and registered on 28th September, 2015 under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860, under the aegis of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan).

7.9.1 Aims and Objectives of the Centre

The main aims of the Institute as per the Memorandum of Association are the following:

- (i) To develop manpower for using, teaching and conducting research in Indian Sign Language (ISL) including bilingualism (i.e. sign language + writing).
- (ii) To promote the use of Indian Sign Language as an educational mode for hearing impaired students at primary, secondary and higher education levels. The Centre shall work out modalities with the Ministry of Education (GoI) and State Education Departments.
- (iii) To carry out research through collaboration with universities and other educational institutions in India and abroad and create linguistic records/analysis of ISL, including creation of Indian Sign Language corpus (vocabulary).
- (iv) To orient and train various groups, i.e. govt. officials, teachers, professionals, community leaders and the public at large for understanding and using Indian Sign Language.
- (v) To collaborate with organizations of the deaf and other institutions in the field of disability to promote and propagate Indian Sign Language.
- **7.9.2** To realize the aims and objectives, ISLRTC conducts various activities like Academic activities, Interpreter services, Resource development & dissemination, Trainings, workshops and awareness sessions etc. The summary of the major activities of ISLRTC during the year 2023-24 is given below:
 - (i) ISLRTC is conducting two courses: Diploma in Indian Sign Language Interpretation (DISLI) and Diploma in Teaching Indian Sign Language (DTISL). ISLRTC has (42+74) admitted students in the DISLI 2022-2024 & 2023-25 session and (43+44) admitted students in DTISL in 2022-24 & 2023-25 sessions.
 - (ii) ISLRTC being the examining body under NBER-RCI conducted examinations of DISLI/DTISL

- in April-May, August and November-Dec, 2023 in the session 2023-24.
- (iii) ISLRTC provided interpretation services to various GoI departments and different organisations such as ECI, NHRC, Supreme Court, etc.
- (iv) On the occasion of Sign Language Day on 23rd September 2023 the following were launched by the Hon'ble MoS,SJ&E Km. Pratima Bhoumik:
- Basic Communication Skills in Indian Sign Language an online self learning course: The
 primary aim of this course is to foster basic communication skills in Indian Sign Language.
 It is tailor-made for parents of deaf children, siblings, educators, and individuals interested in
 acquiring basic knowledge of Indian Sign Language (ISL). The course comprises 10 modules,
 covering 30 essential topics, ensuring a comprehensive grasp of basic ISL communication.
- 260 signs of Financial terms in Indian Sign Language: Jointly developed by ISLRTC, Societe
 Generale and V-Shesh was launched. The sign for financial terms are developed to facilitate
 communication between deaf and hearing people working in the financial and banking sector.
 The project will help improve the employment prospects of deaf job-seeking youth.
- 10,000 ISL dictionary terms were launched on website.
- ISL course in Special Schools for hearing impaired was launched.
- Video Relay Service for the deaf community through whatsapp video call was launched: A video telecommunication service which enables deaf people to communicate with hearing people vide a remote sign language interpreter linked through video communication. The service can be broadly used in hospitals, government offices, educational institutions, bank, work place, interviews, police station and court etc. The service is provided at free of cost through Whatsapp No: 8929667579.
- (v) ISLRTC celebrated International Week of Deaf (WFD) People from 18th-24th September 2023. As a part of celebration ISLRTC internship students conducted awareness session on various schools and organization on the following WFD themes:

Date	Theme	
18.09.2023	Declaration on the Rights of Deaf Children	
19.09.2023	Building Capacity Across the Globe	
20.09.2023	Nothing Without Us	
21.09.2023	Putting Deaf People on the Agenda	
22.09.2023	Achieving Sign Language Rights for All	
23.09.2023	A World Where Deaf People Everywhere Can Sign Anywhere	
24.09.2023	Building Inclusive Deaf Communities	

- (vi) ISLRTC Library offers various services such as circulation service, reference service, current awareness service, question paper service, video display, etc.
- (vii) On the occasion of the 9th International Day of Yoga, ISLRTC developed Accessible Common Yoga Protocol in Indian Sign Language for the benefit of persons with hearing impairment which was shared on social media and official YouTube channel of the Centre on the provided link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RO08O3zRFgk
- **7.9.3** Sign Language Day 2023 was celebrated on 23rd Sep, 2023: Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) celebrated 'Sign Language Day' with the theme "A World Where Deaf People Everywhere Can Sign Anywhere!" on 23rd September 2023 at Bhim Hall, Dr. Ambedkar International Centre,

New Delhi.





7.9.4 Celebration of 6th Indian Sign Language Competition, 2023, a national-level competition held for Deaf students and interpreters: The Centre conducted 6th Indian Sign Language Competition, 2023 – a national-level competition held for students with hearing disabilities. The students have showcased their creativity and knowledge by participating in the competition. During the Sign Language Day programme, all the winners of the 6th ISL competition were distributed trophy and certificate by Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment, Km. Pratima Bhoumik.





7.9.5 New activities/facts of ISLRTC

- a) ISLRTC had developed a dictionary of Indian Sign Language with around 10,000 terms of categories such as everyday terms, academic terms, legal and administrative terms, medical terms, etc. Now, to make the dictionary easily accessible to all users, a website of the dictionary has been developed and launched at https://divyangjan.depwd.gov.in/islrtc/. The website also contains tutorial videos of basic 200 signs to help people learn signs for everyday communication with deaf children. A new category of finance and banking terms has also been added with around 260 signs.
- b) ISLRTC conducted a highly successful 5-Day Continuing Rehabilitation Education (CRE) workshop from 26th to 30th October, 2023, at the Composite Regional Centre (CRC), Lucknow (North Zone). The workshop aimed to enhance the skills of in-service Special Educators of the Deaf in Indian Sign Language (ISL) and bilingual teaching methodologies. The event was attended by 60 participants from 18 Deaf schools across Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab, Haryana, and Delhi, and was funded by the National Fund of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD). The same workshop is to be conducted in at least one Institute of four zones (south, west, east, and northeast).
- c) ISLRTC has developed an online course on Basic Communication Skills in Indian Sign Language (ISL) designed for self-learning mode. This significant course was formally launched by the Hon'ble State Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment on 23rd September 2023, on occasion of the Sign Language Day. The course has been developed for parents of deaf children, siblings, educators, and anyone interested in acquiring basic communication skills in Indian Sign Language (ISL). The course

can be accessed through our official YouTube channel via the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLFjydPMg4DapfRTBMokl09Ht-fhMOAYf6

- d) ISLRTC has constituted a National Committee on Indian Sign Language. The 1st meeting of the National Committee was conducted on 22nd and 23rd January 2024 under the Chairpersonship of Sh. Sunil Sahasrabudhe, ISL expert/President, AIFD with Co-chairperson Sh. Vineet Singhal, Director, DEPwD.
- e) ISLRTC had set up stalls at various events at different places to create awareness on Indian Sign language such as International Purple Fest, Goa from 8th to 13th January, 2024, 8th National Deaf Conference at Dhono Dhanyo Auditorium, in Kolkata from 25th to 27th January, 2024, Rainbow Festival at Gorakhpur from 03rd to 05th February, 2024 and at New Delhi World Book Fair 2024 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi from 10th to 18th February 2024. In the stalls ISLRTC briefed the functions of the centre, conducted ISL activities and displayed ISL awareness materials to the visitors.
- f) ISLRTC has conducted a 5-Day CRE workshop from 6th-10th February, 2024, at CRC Nagpur, aiming at enhancing ISL knowledge and skills for in-service Special Educators of the Deaf. Total 49 participants including Special Educators, District Coordinators, and Principals from Nagpur (Maharashtra) and its neighboring districts attended the workshop.
- g) Under PM DAKSH National Action Plan ISLRTC commenced skill training program on "basic communication in Indian Sign Language" from 15th February, 2024. In the training fifteen Hearing impaired students has been admitted. This training enables the Hearing impaired trainees to acquire basic knowledge, skill and competencies in Indian sign language and enhance their signing skills.
- h) ISLRTC celebrated and observed World Braille Day, CYBER Jagroota Diwas, World Leprosy Day, World Hindi Day, International Wheelchair Day, World Hearing Day, World Down Syndrome Day and World Day of Social Justice.
- i) ISLRTC conducted online webinar on Online Basic Indian Sign Language (ISL) course for parents, teachers, family members and friends of Deaf individuals on 5th March 2024. More than 350 participants attended the webinar.
- j) DISLI and DTISL students of ISLRTC has performed National Anthem in exhibition of cricket match between Indian Deaf Cricket Association (IDCA) Vs Delhi & District cricket association (DDCA) conducted by Election Commission of India on 16th March 2024 at Karnail Singh Stadium, New Delhi.

7.10 National Institute of Mental Health Rehabilitation (NIMHR), Sehore, MP

NIMHR has been established as a Central Autonomous Institute under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan). It is a registered society under the MP Societies Registration Act, 1973 on 28th May, 2019. As a response to the growing need for specialized mental health rehabilitation services in India. Recognizing the increasing burden of neuropsychiatric disorders, the Government of India, in alignment with the 2005 National Commission on Macroeconomic and Health Report, acknowledged the necessity to focus on mental health rehabilitation beyond treatment. Although several institutions cater to various disabilities, there was a discernible gap specifically dedicated to mental health rehabilitation.

In 2018, with Cabinet approval, the NIMHR was initiated to offer a comprehensive approach to mental health rehabilitation, distinct from existing entities like NIMHANS, IHBAS, and CIP. Its primary objectives encompass promoting integrated multidisciplinary approaches, capacity building, research, and policy formulation in mental health rehabilitation.

7.10.1 Major Objectives of the Institute:

- To promote mental health rehabilitation using an integrated multidisciplinary approach.
- To promote and undertake capacity building and to involve in developing trained professionals in the area of mental health rehabilitation.
- To engage in research and development and policy framing towards promoting mental health rehabilitation services

Some of the Major Clinical Services Provided by the Institute are Psycho-diagnostic assessment testing, Neuropsychological assessment, Psychoeducation, Guidance and Counselling, Psycho therapeutic intervention for various mental health problems, Other outreach and awareness services

7.10.2 Departments:

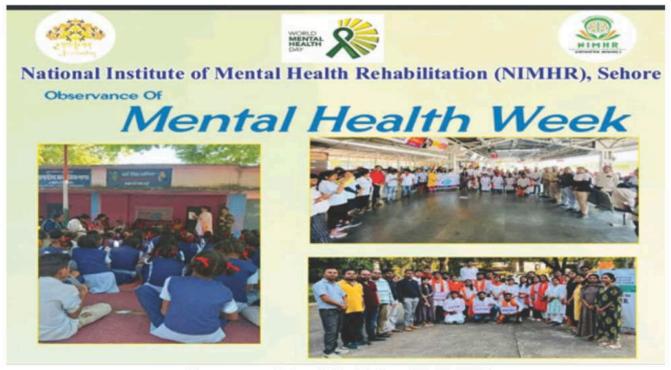
Institute will consist of the following departments in future i.e. Department of Psychiatry, Department of Clinical Psychology, Department of Psychiatric Social Work, Department of Psychiatric Nursing, Department of Speech and Hearing, Centres for Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, and Yoga sciences, Centre for Education, Vocational training and fine arts, Legal aid cell and Computer department

7.10.3 Major Activities & event:

- Organized webinar on 18th of May on the occasion "Global Accessibility Awareness Day"
- NIMHR participated in the awareness camp "Mukhya Mantri Jan Sewa Abhiyan" along with Sardar Ballabh Bhai Patel School sehore on May 22, 2023 at Sehore.
- Celebrated World Schizophrenia Day on 24th of May "Dealing with Stigma and Misconceptions".
- Organized webinar on 24th of May on the occasion "World Schizophrenia Day" in collaboration with CRC Lucknow U.P.
- NIMHR organized a webinar in Collaboration with Malwa Mental Health Organization (MMHO), Indore, M. P. On the 22nd June 2023. theme "Yoga encourages Mental & Physical well-being for Humanity."
- NIMHR team participated in Divya Kala Mela Indore from 17-23 June, 2023. for the awareness
 of NIMHR Services, courses & promotion of MHRH Kiran along with Mental Health.
- Celebrated "Helen Keller's Day" Program on the 27th June, 2023. Various activities were held on this occasion, like presentations, Quiz competitions, and awareness activities.
- NIMHR celebrated 'Swachhata Pakhwada' at various places in community like Railway station, Bus stand etc. also NIMHR staff along with students planted saplings at NIMHR campus & nearby places.
- The NIMHR celebrated "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" on August 15, 2023, as part of India's 77th Independence Day. The theme of significant occasion was "Nation First, Always First," on this occasion various cultural activities presented by students and staff.
- The NIMHR celebrated "World Suicidal Prevention Day" on September 13, 2023, the theme
 of significant occasion was "Creating Hope Through Action" on this occasion various cultural
 activities presented by students and staff.
- The NIMHR celebrated "Poshan pakwada" on September 14, 2023.
- Under the 'Swachhata Pakhwada' NIMHR took oath about "Swachhata Hi Sewa" on September 20, 2023
- The NIMHR celebrated "Dyslexia Awareness Month" from 1st to 31st October 2023 with the theme of "Uniquely You", with multiple awareness activities.
- The NIMHR celebrated "Mental Health Week" from 7th to 12th October 2023 with the theme of "Mental Health is Universal Human Right",
- Though a presentation, the NIMHR celebrated the "World Stroke Day" on October 29th, 2023.

- The theme of significant occasion was "Together We Can Be Greater Than Stroke".
- NIMHR observed "International Day of Person with Disability" on 3rd December 2023. with
 the theme of "United in action to rescue and achieve the SDGs for, with and by persons with
 disabilities" via Presentation, Quiz, Poster Making and Plantation by PWDs.
- NIMHR organized a webinar on 5th December 2023 with the collaboration of FACEMI India.
 The topics were "Capacity building of families for Home Based Rehabilitation" & "Life skills of Person with Mental Illness", covered by APCP & PSW
- NIMHR observed "International Braille Day" on 4th January 2023, with the theme of "United in action to rescue and achieve the SDGs for, with and by persons with disabilities" via Presentation and Quiz.
- Various cultural activities were conducted at NIMHR to celebrate the 75th Republic Day on January 26, 2024.
- NIMHR observed "International Leprosy Day" on 31th January 2024, with the theme of "Beat Leprosy" via Presentation and Quiz.
- International Epilepsy Day 12.02.2024: Celebrated with quiz competition and presentation.
- International Asperger's Day 18.02.2024: Marked with quiz competition and presentation on fostering acceptance.
- World Social Justice Day 20.02.2024: Observed with presentation and interactive session on promoting equality.
- On 1st March, observance of the International Wheel Chair Day was done through Wheel Chair Race and various activities.
- The students of DVR-ID had gone to Chennai on educational tour from 03/03/2024 to 10/03/2024. There they have visited the Swabhiman trust a Holistic Solutions for ASD, Palavakkam Chennai, NIEPMD Muttukadu, Chennai, Vijay Human Services, Rayepetha, Chennai, Navjyoti Trust, Chennai & Spastic Society of India (Vidyasagar) Chennai. During the visit in the above institute all the students have observed vocational training, educational services, psychological services, Medical services and Therapeutic Intervention etc.
- International Women's Day 08.03.2024: It was celebrated on the theme of Inspire Inclusion through an Awareness Dialogue and Workshop for Anganwadi Workers, One Stop Centers, and SHGs.
- Inaugration of the new Service Building at permanent campus at Sekdakhedi Sehore.
- International Asperger's Day 18.02.2024: Marked with quiz competition and presentation on fostering acceptance.
- World Down Syndrome Day 21.03.2024: It was celebrated through a presentation on the theme End the Stereotype.
- On March 22nd inspection has been done by NIMHR team AhiliyaAashram Indore.

Photographs of various activities



Observance of Mental Health Day (10-10-2023)



Mr. Rajesh Kumar Yadav, Joint Secretary, DEPwD and Dr.Honnareddy N., Director NIMHR visit at NIMHR construction site



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CHAPTER 8

SCHEMES OF THE DEPARTMENT

Overview

The Department is operating various schemes for empowerment and rehabilitation of persons with disabilities. The schemes aim to promote physical, psychological, social, educational and economic rehabilitation and development of persons with disabilities to enhance their quality of life and also enable them to lead a life with dignity.

8.1 Deendayal Divyangjan Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS):

8.1.1 Objectives

- a) DDRS is a central sector scheme of the Department to provide grant-in-aid to non-governmental organizations (NGOs) for projects relating to rehabilitation of persons with disabilities aimed at enabling persons with disabilities to reach and maintain their optimal, physical, sensory, intellectual, psychiatric or socio-functional levels
- b) To create an enabling environment to ensure equal opportunities, equity, social justice and empowerment of persons with disabilities.
- c) To encourage voluntary action for ensuring effective implementation of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016

8.1.2 Activities/components admissible for grant under DDRS:

- (i) Honorarium to staff
- (ii) Transportation of beneficiaries
- (iii) Stipend for beneficiaries/hostel maintenance
- (iv) Cost of Raw Materials
- (v) Contingencies to meet office expenses, electricity, water charges etc. and Rent

8.1.3 Eligibility conditions for Grants under DDRS

- a) Organisations registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860 or Public Trust Act or a non-profit company under section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013;
- b) In existence for a minimum period of two years.
- c) Registered under Persons with Disabilities Act, 1995/ Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.
- d) Registered on the Darpan Portal of Niti Aayog Portal
- e) Properly constituted managing body,
- f) Should have facilities & experience for undertaking the project

g) Not to run for profit to any individual or a body of individual.

8.1.4 Procedures for monitoring the Scheme

- (i) Grant is released only on receipt of Utilization Certificate in respect of previous grant given to that organisation.
- (ii) Respective State Governments/UT Administrations monitor and conduct inspection of the organisations receiving grant under the Scheme.
- (iii) Department also conducts inspection from time to time of NGOs getting grants under the Scheme through its National Institutes and officers of the Department.
- (iv) All applications by NGOs seeking Grant-in-aid (GIA) under the scheme are being invited through on-line e-Anudaan portal of the Ministry.
- (v) The Department has set up a Central Programme Monitoring Unit (CPMU), which is mainly created for inspection and monitoring of the projects under the scheme. The PMU team/members conduct surprise inspection of Programme Implementing Agencies (PIAs) and monitors the performance and quality of services rendered by the PIA.

8.1.5 Details of financial and physical achievements during the last four years under the DDRS:

	Fina	Financial Outlay/Achievement (Rs. in crores)			Physical Achievement	
Year	BE (Rs. in Crore)	RE (Rs. in Crore)	Actual Expendi- ture (Rs. in Crore)	No. of NGOs assisted	No. of beneficiaries	
2020-21	130.00	85.00	77.42	340	31542	
2021-22	125.00	105.00	100.89	318	30082	
2022-23	125.00	105.00	114.69	389	35349	
2023-24	130.00	130.00	129.97	335	30589	

8.1.6 The Provisions of the revised scheme

Revised Deendayal Divyangjan Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS) has been implemented w.e.f. 1st April, 2022. The list of model projects under revised DDRS has been reduced from 9 to 8. Main features of the scheme are as under:-

a) The eligible Project Implementing Agencies (NGOs), after their project is approved by the competent authority shall be entitled for 90% of amount calculated based on the cost-norms as prescribed under the scheme. In case of projects located in "Special Areas" 100% of the amount calculated based on revised cost norms shall be allowed.

"Special Areas" are defined as under:

- i. 8 North-Eastern States,
- ii. States in the Himalayan Region (J&K, Uttrakhand and Himachal Pradesh),
- iii. Left Wing Extremism Affected Districts (as notified by Ministry of Home Affairs from time to time)-
- iv. Districts adjoining the international borders
- b) There will be no tapering of Grant-in-Aid even in urban areas.
- c) Model projects have been conceptualized to cover all 21 disabilities as per RPwD, Act, 2016.
- d) Provision of Home Based Rehabilitation (HBR) and Community Based Rehabilitation kept in

all projects, except the two new model projects

- e) Maximum age limit of the ID beneficiaries has been increased from 18 to 23 years
- f) Funding Pattern: From 01.04.2023, GIA is released on Advance/Reimbursement basis.
- g) New Project for Preparatory/remediation centre for children with specific learning disabilities to continue inclusive education has been kept
- h) Another New project Cross-Disability Therapy and Counseling Centre has been provisioned for all types of disabilities.
- i) The organisation has to apply for Grant-in-Aid on the ON-LINE portal of the Ministry (e-Anudaan) and forward the complete proposal to District Social Welfare Officer. Upon inspection and submission of online inspection report, the District Social Welfare Officer would forward the proposal to respective State Government/UT administration and to Government of India.

j) Model projects under DDRS are as under:

- I. Project for Cross Disability Pre-School and Early Intervention with Provision for Home-Based Rehabilitation & Community-Based Rehabilitation Project
- II. Special School for the Children with Hearing Disability with option for Home-Based Rehabilitation/ Community-Based Rehabilitation
- III. Special Schools for the Children with Visual Disability (Including Deafblindness) with Option for Home-Based Rehabilitation/Community-Based Rehabilitation & Center For Low Vision
- IV. Special School for the Children with Other Disabilities (Intellectual Disability, Cerebral Palsy, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Multiple Disabilities, Muscular Dystrophy, Deafblindness, etc) with Option for Home-Based Rehabilitation/Community-Based Rehabilitation
- V. Rehabilitation of Leprosy Cured Persons (LCPs) with Option for Home-Based Rehabilitation & Community-Based Rehabilitation Project
- VI. Half Way Home for Psycho-Social Rehabilitation of Treated & Controlled persons with Mental Illness with option for Home-Based Rehabilitation & Community-Based Rehabilitation Project
- VII. Preparatory/Remediation Centre for Children with Specific Learning Disabilities to continue Inclusive Education Project
- VIII. Cross-Disability Therapy and Counseling Center

Statements giving (i) State/UT-wise funds released under DDRS during 2020-21 to 2023-24, (ii) State/UT-wise number of beneficiaries under DDRS during 2020-21 to 2023-24. (iii) Details of Grant-in-Aid released to Non-Governmental Organisation under DDRS during the year 2023-24 are given at Annexure-IV(A), Annexure-IV(B), Annexure-IV(C) respectively.

8.2 District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (DDRC)

8.2.1 Objectives

- (i) Early Identification and Intervention.
- (ii) Awareness Generation.
- (iii) Assessment of need/provision/fitment of assistive devices.
- (iv) Therapeutic Services e.g. Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, etc.

- (v) Referral and arrangement of surgical correction.
- (vi) Assistance in providing scholarships.
- (vii) Skill training, loans for self employment.
- (viii) Survey & identification of persons with disabilities through camp approach.
- (ix) Assisting in the issue of Unique Disability Identity Card (UDID)
- (x) Arrangement of loans for self employment
- (xi) To act as Outreach centre for the services provided by the National Institutes
- (xii) Promoting barrier free environment

8.2.2 Status of DDRC

- i. Number of districts approved for setting up of DDRC One DDRC in every district of the Country
- ii. Number of DDRC functioning and getting regular grant: 85-90

8.2.3 Activities/components admissible for grant under DDRC

Items	Rates* (Rs. in lakh)		
Total Honorarium	27.63		
Office Expenses/contingencies	5.25		
Equipments (for 1st year only for setting up)	20.00		

[* 20% higher amount of honorarium is permissible for DDRCs in the Special areas/States as under]:

- i. 8 North-Eastern States,
- ii. States in the Himalayan Region (J&K, Uttrakhand and Himachal Pradesh),
- iii. Left Wing Extremism Affected Districts (as notified by Ministry of Home Affairs) and
- iv. Districts adjoining the international borders

The implementing agencies of DDRC can be:

A Red Cross Society

or

Any such autonomous /semi-autonomous body of State/UT Govt.

or

· A reputed NGO with a good track record

Main features of revised DDRC scheme are as under: -

- Revised DDRC Scheme has come into force from 1st April 2022.
- Four new posts have been created in new scheme and one post has been abolished
- Location of DDRC shall be preferred in District Hospital/DEIC or in close proximity.
- To ensure availability of at least 4 rehab professionals for effective rehabilitation of PwDs.

Grant in aid shall be released on Advance cum reimbursement basis from 01.04.2023.

The posts admissible for grant under DDRC is at Annexure-V(A), State/UT-wise number of DDRCs assisted, amount released during the year 2020-21 to 2023-24 is at Annexure-V(B), Details of Grant-in-aid released to DDRCs during the year 2023-24 is at Annexure-V(C).

8.3 Assistance to Persons with Disabilities for Purchase/Fitting of Aids/ Appliances (ADIP) Scheme.

The main objective of the Scheme is to provide grants-in-aid to the various implementing agencies (National Institutes/Composite Regional Centers/Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO)/District Disability Rehabilitation Centers/State Handicapped Development Corporations/ other Local Bodies/NGOs) so that they are in a position to assist needy persons with disabilities in procuring durable, sophisticated and scientifically manufactured, modern, standard aids and appliances to promote their physical, social and psychological rehabilitation by reducing the effects of disabilities and at the same time enhancing their economic potential. Assistive devices are given to persons with disabilities with the aim of improving their independent functioning and arresting the extent of disability and occurrence of secondary disability. The aids and appliances supplied under the Scheme must have due certification. The Scheme also envisages conduct of corrective surgeries, whenever required, before providing an assistive device. The Scheme has been revised/modified w.e.f 01.04.2024.

8.3.1. Eligibility Criteria for the beneficiary:

- (i) Should have UDID Card or UDID Enrollment Number alongwith Disability Certificate (Benchmark Disability i.e. 40% and more).
- (ii) Should have Aadhar Card or Aadhar Enrollment Number alongwith I.D. Proof
- (iii) Monthly income from all sources should not exceed Rs.22,500/- per month for 100% concession and Rs.22,501/- to Rs. 30,000/- per month for 50% concession.

8.3.2. Cost Ceiling for Aids & Assistive Devices:

- (i) Aids and Appliances costing not more than Rs.15,000/-.
- (ii) In case of multiple disabilities, limit will apply to individual items separately in case, more than one aid/appliance is required.
- (iii) Expensive items costing above Rs.30,001/- expect Cochlear Implant and Motorized Tricycle, eligible for assistance under the Scheme, subject to income ceiling, would be listed out. Government of India shall bear 50% of cost of these items thus listed by the Committee and the remainder shall be contributed by either the State Govt. or the NGO or any other agency or by the beneficiary concerned subject to prior approval of Ministry.
- **8.3.3.** Type of Activities The funds under the ADIP Scheme are earmarked and utilized for the following activities:
- (i) ADIP-SSA Camps: Aids and assistive devices are distributed to children below 18 years of age and those attending Schools under the Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan Scheme of the Ministry of Education. As per the agreement with the Ministry of Education, ALIMCO, the implementing agency, is reimbursed 40% of the expenditure by MoE and remaining 60% of the expenditure by the Department through grants under ADIP Scheme.

(ii) For Camp activities: Under the Scheme, district-wise disability camps are organized. The State Governments/UTs Administration, while recommending the proposals of Implementing Agencies for organizing camps, needs to focus on coverage of inaccessible and un-served areas. Camps are also organized from time to time as per emerging requirements.



Hon'ble Union Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment Dr. Virendra Kumar distributed Aids and Assistive devices to Divyangjan under ADIP Scheme in a distribution camp organised in Jhabua on 14.01.2023. Also seen in the picture are Hon'ble MP of Jhabua and Secretary, DEPwD.

(iii) For Headquarter Activities

- (a) The National Institutes/CRCs/ALIMCO utilizes ADIP grants to extend services to eligible beneficiaries who approach the Institutes or their respective Regional Centers.
- (b) Some well-established NGOs have Centers/Sub-centers that carry out OPD activities and undertake corrective surgical operations for persons with disabilities. Many persons with disabilities approach their centers/sub-centers for Aids and assistive devices. Therefore, ADIP Grants are released for their respective Head Quarter activities.

(iv) Cochlear Implant Surgeries:

- a) There is provision of Cochlear Implant and post operative therapy and rehabilitation for children with Hearing Impairment with a ceiling of Rs. 7.00 lakh per unit (to be borne by the Government) in case of children with pre-lingual hearing loss between 1 to 5 years of age and Rs.6.00 Lakh in case of children with acquired hearing loss between 5 to 18 years. The financial support will cover the cost of implant, surgery, therapy, mapping, travel and pre-implant assessment in both cases. Through this programme, children having hearing and speech impairment are successfully able to regain hearing and speech functions.
- b) Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech & Hearing Disabilities (Divyangjan), (AYJNISHD) Mumbai, is the nodal agency for Cochlear Implant Surgery. Surgery will be done at the hospitals empaneled by this Department. Cochlear Implant device will be procured by Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO), as per the specification recommended by the core committee. The Institute invites application by issuing advertisements in news papers (all India editions) and also through their website: www.adipcochlearimplant.in. Applicants have to apply based on advertisement/details on website to AYJNISHD, Mumbai.
- (v) Distribution of Motorized Tricycle and Wheelchair: Under the ADIP Scheme, there is provision for Motorized tricycles and Motorized wheelchairs for persons with severe locomotor disability,

Stroke, Cerebral Palsy, Hemipeligia and any other person with similar conditions, where either three/four limbs or one half of the body are severely impaired. Persons with Disabilities having 80% and above disability would be eligible for assistance for Motorized tricycle and Motorized wheelchair. Extent of subsidy would be Rs.50,000/-. This will be provided to persons aged 16 years and above, once in five years. Persons with severe disability of 16 years and above age having mental impairment shall not be eligible for Motorized tricycles and wheel chairs since it puts them at a risk of serious accident/physical harm.



Hon'ble Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment Dr. Virendra Kumar, distributed Aids and Assistive devices to Divyangjans under ADIP Scheme in a camp organised in Sabarkantha, Gujarat on 25.11.23.

(vi) High End Prosthesis:-High end Prosthesis to persons with disability having atleast 80% disability. Extent of subsidy would be Rs.30,000/-.

8.3.4. The financial and physical achievements for the last five Financial Years under the scheme are as follows:-

(Rs.in crore)

Year	BE Allocation	Revised Estimate	Amount Released	No. of Beneficiaries
2019-20	230.00	222,50	213.83	3,51,629
2020-21	230.00	195.00	189.13	2,58,749
2021-22	220.00	180.00	198.69	2,43,387
2022-23	235.00	230.00	242.29	2,89,987
2023-24	245.00	305.00	290,60	3,46,864

8.3.5. State-wise details of camps conducted, funds utilized and number of beneficiaries covered under various activities during the last four years by various Implementing Agencies under ADIP Scheme is at **Annexure-VI(A)** The grants- in- aid released to NIs/ALIMCO/ CRCs and NGOs during 2023-24 is at **Annexure-VI(B)**. The details of Special Camps/Camps held on demand during 2023-24 in different States/UTs are at **Annexure-VI(C)**. Grants-in-aid released to NGOs/VOs/State Corporation/DDRCs

etc. during the last four years is at **Annexure-VI(D)**. Details of Private and voluntary organization received recurring/non recurring one time assistance grants-in-aid from Rupees ten lakh to less than Rupees fifty lakhs during 2023-24 is at **Annexure-VI(E)**

- **8.3.6**. Special Achievements under Assistance to Persons with Disabilities for Purchase/ Fitting of Aids/ Appliances (ADIP) Scheme during the last 10 years:-
- (i) Under ADIP Scheme, grants-in-aid of Rs.2031.36 crore were utilized during the last 10 years benefitting 28.65 lakh beneficiaries approximately through 15904 camps.
- (ii) Out of 15904 camps, 1212 Mega Camps/Special Camps were organized covering **36** States/ UTs for distribution of aids and assistive devices under the ADIP Scheme at a cost of about **Rs.965.84 crore** benefitting 10.19 lakh Divyangjan approximately.
- (iii) Out of these Mega Camps one camp at Gwalior was graced by Hon'ble President and five camps were graced by Hon'ble Prime Minister at Varanasi, Navsari, Vadodara, Rajkot and Prayagraj.
- (iv) Aids and Assistive Devices costing Rs.351.19 crore approx. were provided to 9.54 lakh Divyang Children with Special Needs (DCWSN) through 8639 Camps under ADIP- Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) in the Schools all over the country.
- (v) 72 camps were organised on 17.09.2022 wherein aids & assistive devices worth Rs.28.95 crore were provided to 29,750 Divyangjan.
- (vi) 65 camps were organised on 14.01.2023 wherein aids & assistive devices distributed to more than 50,000 Divyangjan.
- (vii) 17 camps were organised on 25.03.2023 wherein aids & assistive devices distributed to more than 13500 Divyangian.
- (viii) 72 camps were organized on 24.09.2023 where aids & assistive devices distributed to more than 35,000 Divyangjan.
- (ix) 20 camps were organized on 25.11.2023 where aids & assistive devices distributed to more than 54,000 Divyangjan.
- (x) 6764 (5960 under ADIP Scheme and 804 under CSR) cochlear implant surgeries have been successfully conducted in the country.
- (xi) 64713 motorized tricycles have been distributed to eligible Divyangian.

8.3.7 Monitoring Mechanism

The following mechanism has been put in place for monitoring the implementation of the Scheme:

- i. The Scheme has been on boarded on DBT Bharat Portal.
- ii. Allocation of States/UTs to officers in the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities and to National Institutes, for inspection, monitoring and guidance to Grantee Organizations under the Disability related Schemes of the Ministry.
- iii. Central Project Monitoring Unit (CPMU) has been made by the Department for Inspection, Monitoring of quality parameters and preparing reports, Data Analysis.

- iv. Under ADIP Scheme, the grants are released on recommendations of the concerned State Government upon receipt of an Inspection Report with regard to a particular implementing agency. The recommending authority also conducts 15% (in case of GIA up to Rs. 10.00 Lakhs) and 10% (in case of GIA exceeding Rs.10.00 Lakhs) test check/ sample checking of assisted beneficiaries from the previous grant to the organization.
- v. Organizations are also required to furnish audited utilization certificate in respect of the previous grant (s) released to them.
- vi. The Implementing Agency should upload the details of beneficiaries on the 'ARJUN (ADIP-MIS Portal)' alongwith UDID Card or Enrolment of UDID Card Number.
- vii. Under ADIP Scheme, Implementing Agencies should also maintain a website and upload details of grants received, utilized and list of beneficiaries.
- viii. On-line submission and processing of NGOs proposals on e-Anudan Portal.
- ix. Mandatory Registration of NGOs on Niti Aayog Portal (NGO Darpan).
- **8.3.8** Under the ADIP Scheme, Department has notified Disability-wise list of contemporary aids and assistive devices for persons with disabilities (PwDs) which is available on the website of the Department (depwd.gov.in). As provided in the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, number of disabilities has been increased from 7 to 21. The Department is in the process of for listing out suitable aids and assistive devices for all types of disabilities.

8.4 SCHEMES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF RIGHT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT 2016 (SIPDA)

8.4.1 Overview

The Scheme for Implementation of Right of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 (SIPDA) is an umbrella "Central Sector Scheme" comprising of 10 sub-schemes after revision during Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) meeting held on 11.08.2021. The SIPDA scheme has been approved by Hon'ble Finance Minister in line with the recommendations of EFC (Expenditure Finance Committee) for revision and continuation from 2021-22 to 2025-26. The following 10 sub-schemes/components are under the umbrella SIPDA scheme:

- i. Creation of Barrier Free Environment (BFE) for Persons with Disabilities
- ii. Accessible India Campaign (AIC)
- iii. National Action Plan (NAP) for Skill Development for PwDs
- iv. Unique Disability Identification (UDID) Project
- v. Awareness Generation and Publicity (AGP) with In-service Training and Sensitization of Key Functionaries of Central & State Governments, Local Bodies and Other Providers
- vi. Financial support to Study and Research on priority areas of disability sector and to Research & Development of suitable product, aids & appliances for empowerment of PwDs
- vii. Assistance to Spinal Injury Centers, new name after merger of State Spinal Injury Centre(SSIC) and Indian Spinal Injury Centre(ISIC) sub-schemes.

- viii. Cross Disability Early Intervention Centre (CDEIC)
- ix. Sub-scheme as 'Projects under SIPDA':
 - (a) Braille Press scheme has been continued as a project through NIEPVD, Dehradun.
 - (b) Financial Assistance to existing Deaf Colleges in five regions of the country has been continued as a project through AYJNISHD Mumbai.
- x. Central Project Monitoring Unit (CPMU) cum Data Strategy Unit (DSU).

8.4.1.1 Budget Allocation and expenditure during the last four years and current year:

(₹ in crore)

S. No	Year	BE Allocation	RE Allocation	Amount released
1	2020-21	251.50	122.89	103.43
2	2021-22	209.77	147.31	108.44
3	2022-23	240.39	100.00	65.55
4	2023-24	150.00	67.00	76.79

- **8.4.1.2** Grant-in-aid released to various institutions/organisations for various activities under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24 is as per **Annexure-VII** which contains:
- A) Grant-in-aid released for Creation of Barrier Free Environment under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24
- B) Grant-in-aid released for Accessible India Campaign under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24
- C) Grant-in-aid released for National Action Plan for Skill Development for PwDs under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24
- **D)** Grant-in-aid released for Unique Disability Identification Project under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24
- E) Grant-in-aid released for Awareness Generation and Publicity under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24
- F) Grant-in-aid released for Research on Disability Related Technology, Product and Issues under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24
- G) Grant-in-aid released for Assistance to Spinal Injury Centres under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24
- **H)** Grant-in-aid released for Project for Support for Establishment/Modernization/Capacity augmentation of Braille presses under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24
- I) Grant-in-aid released Cross Disability Early Intervention Centre under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24
- J) Grant-in-aid released for CPMU cum DSU under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24

8.4.2 Creation of barrier free environment for Persons with Disabilities:

To provide barrier free environment for the persons with disabilities which includes access to built environment in schools, colleges, academic and training institutions, offices and public buildings, recreational areas, health centres/hospitals etc. This would include provision for ramps, rails, lifts, accessible toilets for wheelchair users, Braille signages and auditory signals, tactile flooring, slopes in pavements for the easy access of wheelchair users, engraving on the surface of zebra crossing for the blind or for persons with low vision, engraving on the edges of railway platforms for the blind or for low vision and devising appropriate symbols of disability, etc.

To make Government websites at the Centre/State and District levels accessible to PwDs as per the guidelines for Indian Government website issued by NIC and Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (D/oAR&PG), Government of India, which are available on their website "http://darpg.nic.in"

8.4.3 National Action Plan (NAP) for Skill Development of Persons with Disabilities under SIPDA.

8.4.3.1 Overview:

National Action Plan for Skill Development of Persons with Disabilities under SIPDA was launched by the Department on 21st March 2015. The Department has recently launched PM-DAKSH Portal-DEPwD on 11.09.2023 which is a one-stop digital destination for PwDs, who need skilling and employment, and for training organizations and employers/job aggregators of PwDs. There are following 2 modules on PM DAKSH-DEPwD portal to provide skill training and employment to PwDs:-

- **A. Divyangjan Kaushal Vikas**: The National Action Plan for Skill Development of PwDs (NAP-SDP) is being fully implemented through the PM DAKSH-DEPwD portal. The portal provides end-to-end facilities for PwDs interested in skill training. The facilities include Unique Disability Identity (UDID) based seamless registration, enrolling in skill training out of a list of 250+ courses, e-learning digital resources, exploring ETPs in their state/District providing skill training, access to study materials, as well as detailed information on the trainers/ETPs.
- **B. Divyangjan Rozgar Setu:** For employment of PwDs, the Department has developed Divyagnjan Rogar Setu, which is a unique digital platform dedicated to providing information about the vacancies for PwDs in the various organizations. The platform is aimed to act as a bridge between PwDs and employers hiring PwDs. The platform provides geo-tagged-based information on employment/earning opportunities within private companies as well as details about PwDs from all over India. Further, the Department has also signed MoU with various companies like Amazon, Youth4Jobs, Atypical Advantage among other that work for employment of PwDs. Currently there are more than 2000 vacancies on the portal across various disabilities and PwDs from all over India can apply to the vacancies as per their interest on www.pmdaksh.depwd.gov.in

8.4.3.2 Objective & Coverage

- a) To enhance skills of Persons with Disabilities; provisioning of quality vocational Skill Training to Divyangians to enable them to have gainful employment.
- b) To enable PWDs to become self-reliant, productive and contribute members of society and stand up on their own feet.
- c) The guidelines cover persons with disabilities (PwDs) with not less than 40% disability and having a UDID Card or UDID Enrolment Number and disability certificate issued by any competent medical authority,

8.4.3.3 Support to other skilling initiatives:

- a) **Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)** The Department also implements RPL under NAP to cater to the needs of formal certification of PwD workforce employed in unorganized sector without any formal education or skilling. Moreover upskilling/capacity building of PwDs placed can also be done under RPL. For this purpose, training partner, after empanelment with the Department, are required to submit an online RPL proposal in prescribed proforma which is available on the Department's website.
- b) Special Projects- The objective of Special Projects is to undertake project-based skilling interventions for PwDs through reputed industry bodies/mentors offering captive placements and/or entrepreneurship opportunities. This shall include Recruit-Train-Deploy models of training and placements as well as mentorship-based training projects for entrepreneurship, employability/life skill training. These projects can be undertaken in informal sectors and also in non NCVET job roles. A proposing stakeholder can be institutions of Central or State Government(s), an autonomous body/statutory body or any other equivalent body or a corporation/Company or a Non Government Organization or experts/mentors that wants to provide training and placements/self employment to PwDs. Funding to such proposals shall be provided on case to case basis through grant-in-aid under NAP-SDP as per the sanctioned amount with the approval of competent authority having the respective delegated powers for administrative approval in consultation with Integrated Finance Division.
- c) Capacity building initiatives- Various capacity building activities that are important to build a supportive ecosystem for skill training of persons with disabilities shall be carried out under the scheme. This shall include developing the needed human resource (Training of Trainers, etc.) for training PwDs, developing accessible course content (digital/physical), workshops for employers, training organizations, PwDs, etc. All such types of initiatives/activities will be funded through grant-in-aid under the scheme.

8.4.3.4 Conditions of Eligibility of the Trainees:

- a) A citizen of India,
- b) A person with benchmark disability with not less than 40% disability and having a disability certificate to this effect issued by any competent medical authority, ["Disability is as defined under Section 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016 read along with Section 2(j) of the National Trust for Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999 and/or under any relevant legal Statute in force"].
 - UDID card or UDID Enrolment Number and disability certificate (ETP will ensure registration
 of all such trainees on the UDID Portal "www.swavlambancard.gov.in" who do not have UDID
 card.
 - Aadhar number or Aadhar enrolment number.
- c) Age not less than 15 years and not more than 59 years of age on the last date of commencement of a training course/batch,
- d) The applicant should not have undergone any other skill training course sponsored under the National Action Plan for Skill Development of PwDs of the Department during the period of one year prior to the last date of receipt of application for the course applied for.
- e) Courses will be NCVET approved courses as available on nqr.gov.in. The age, qualification and the type of disability covered under the course in the QP file will be completely adhered to.

8.4.3.5 Eligibility of the implementing agencies (training partners):

The scheme is implemented through the implementing organizations/ institutions, hereinafter referred to as "empanelled training partners". Financial assistance is provided by way of Grant-in-Aid for organizing training programs to the following categories of organizations:

- a) Departments of the States Governments/Union Territories, or
- b) Autonomous Bodies/Statutory Bodies/Public Sector Undertakings set up by Central/ State Governments/UTs Administrations including Central/State Universities, or
- c) National institutes/CRCs/DDRCs/RCs/Outreach Centres under MSJ&E, or
- d) Organizations registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860, or Indian Trusts Act, 1882 or Companies Act, 1956 which are recognized for skill training by Central/State Government Departments or subordinate bodies their-under.
- (e) The organization shall have not less than three years' experience of organizing skill training programs.
- (f) Special schools/ inclusive schools with a good track record of PwD students passing matriculation (10th Standard) will be given preference for running skill training projects.
- (g) In case of Non-Government Organizations, they shall be registered with the NGO Partnership (NGO-PS) of the NITI Aayog and should have obtained a Unique ID. The unique ID should be mandatorily quoted by the NGO at the time of application for grants.

8.4.3.6 Procedure of Application and Selection:

STAGE-I

A. Expression of Interest is invited from eligible organizations to get registered as "training partner" to provide skill training to PwDs under the scheme. The organizations intending to register as empaneled training partners (ETPs) of the Department under the scheme is required to fill "Expression of Interest" (EoI) & Project Specific Proposal" (PSP) form on PM Daksh-DEPwD Portal. A user manual with details of the applications process is available on the website of the Department. Applications received for empanelment as training partners are scrutinized and placed before the Selection Committee who makes selection based on the criteria of previous experience, expertise, infrastructure and manpower available and other similar relevant considerations.

B. NDFDC is the Nodal Agency for implementation of the scheme and funds to Programme Implementing Agencies approved by the Selection Committee is released through NDFDC.

STAGE II

- (a) The organization which are empanelled as training partner (ETP) after receiving the offer letter, the ETP has to get the centre validated through SCPwD. After successful centre validation, NDFDC review and approval, a commencement letter will be issued to the ETP.
- (b) Students enroll themselves at a particular center through PM DAKSH-DEPwD Portal. As soon as the allotted number of PwDs is completed, ETP will be allowed to start the training post approval of NDFDC. After 7 days of training, 1st installment will be processed along with DBT of PwDs basis Aadhar enabled attendance.

8.4.3.7 Training Curriculum & Assessment:

(a) MSDE has constituted a Sector Skill Council (SSC) for PwDs which is also known as Skill Council

for Persons with Disabilities (SCPwD).

- (b) The SCPwD develops or customizes job roles developed by other SSCs as per suitability of PwDs.
- (c) Training is provided under NAP-SDP in the courses aligned with NSQF
- (d) Special courses can be developed following the Recruit-Train-Deploy (RTD) model based on MOU with specific companies. Course curriculum can be modified to suit training needs of the company with which MOU has been signed.
- (d) Modules of the curriculum are developed based on National Occupational Standards (NOS). Assessment and certification should also be done based on NOS.
- (e) Employability Skills (E.S.) course as approved by NCVET are mandatory and should be taught before the Domain Skills course.
- (f) ETP will ensure that Trainers meet minimum education qualification criteria/experience as prescribed in the Qualification Pack of the course by NCVET. ETP will also ensure Trainers are certified by the concerned Sector Skill Council as well as Sector Skill Council for Persons with Disabilities.
- (g) Assessment is done by SCPwD or other agency authorized by the Department.
- **8.4.3.8 Funding norms:** The Common Norms for Skill Development Schemes as notified by the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship vide Notification No. H-22011/2/2014- SDE-I dated 15th July, 2015, as amended from time to time, shall apply mutatis mutandis in respect of the entire funding norms including training cost, boarding and lodging cost, transport/conveyance cost, third party certification cost, post placement support etc. The training partners are provided outcome based financial support by D/o Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities. The Common Norms for Skill Development Schemes as notified by the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship vide Notification No. H-22011/2/2014-SDE-I dated 15th July, 2015, as amended from time to time, shall be applied mutatis mutandis in respect of the entire funding norms including training cost, boarding and lodging cost, transport/conveyance cost, third party certification cost, post placement support etc.
 - (i) Presently, financial assistance to ETPs is released in three installments:
 - (a) 1st installment 30% on commencement of training.
 - (b) 2nd Installment- 40% after completion of the training and assessment
 - (c) 3rd Installment- 30 % after placement of 70% of passed candidates
 - (ii) Training partners are provided 10 to 25% over and above the rate of the training cost for different types of PwD trainees and Rs.5000/- per PwD for job outreach activities.
 - (iii) Cost for Personal Assistive Aids: Rs.5000/- per PwD trainee in two installments i.e. Rs.4000/- on starting of training to all the trainees and Rs. 1000/- after completion of training to successful trainees.
 - (iv) Conveyance cost at monthly Rs. 1000/- for PwD trainees of same District and Rs. 1500/- for trainees of outside district.
- **8.4.3.9 Monitoring and Inspection:** NDFDC, in coordination with CPMU of the Department, will monitor training being provided by the training partners. Any mechanism evolved by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) for monitoring the quality of training being provided by the training partners shall be binding on all the training partners. The Department reserves the right to inspect the premises of the Training Partners as and when it feels necessary. These

inspections can be conducted either through officials of the Department including CPMU, Organisations and Institutions under the administrative control of the Ministry or through an Independent agency. It will be ensured that minimum 2% trainees are physically inspected.

- **8.4.3.10** Convergence with other Skill Development Schemes: The component of Skill Development will have convergence with other Skill Development Schemes run by other Ministries/Departments, including that of MSDE, complying with the common norms for Skill Development.
- **8.4.3.11 Review and Monitoring:** The progress of implementation of the guidelines will be reviewed by a Selection Committee constituted for the Scheme.
- 8.4.3.12 Present status of implementation of National Action Plan for skill Development of Persons with Disabilities.
- (i) PM-DAKSH-DEPwD portal has been launched and is functional now. Aadhaar enabled bio-metric attendance system (AEBAS) has also been made mandatory for monitoring purpose. The same is shown on the portal.
- (ii) Centre Guidelines: In order to ensure sufficient infrastructure at centres for quality training, the Department has recently introduced centre guidelines with CCTV, VC, Aadhaar enabled bio-metric attendance system (AEBAS), job role specific labs, equipment and trained teacher, accessibility as mandatory features of a training centre. As per the centre guidelines audit of centre by physical inspection-either by Department officers or a 3rd party agency- has been made mandatory before allowing training at any centre.
- **8.4.3.13 Training Partners under NAP:** National Divyangjan Finance and Development Corporation (NDFDC), National Institutes (NIs) and their Composite Regional Centers (CRCs) located in different states. Department is expanding the training base by associating Sector Skill Councils and State Skill Development Missions by signing MoU with them to impart skill training to PwDs. Transfer of 24 VRCs from M/o Labour and Employment is also under process which will further enhance the capacity of the Department to provide quality training.
- **8.4.3.14** Skill Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPwD): A separate cross cutting Sector Skill Council for PwDs has been created by the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship which has a Chairman from the private sector and a full time CEO. The Council has various members representing stakeholders from Government and Private sector and NGOs working for the cause of PwDs. The Department, in consultation with the Sector Skill Council and various National Institutes of the DEPwD has been working to generate a homogenous course curriculum, certification mechanism, identification of suitable job roles to PwDs, requirement of additional training hours etc.

Details of Grant-in-aid released of National Action Plan for Skill Development for PwDs under the umbrella scheme SIPDA during FY-2023-24.

(i) Released funds to trainees (PwDs) of respective ETP directly through DBT on reimbursement mode.

S.No.	Name of Organization	Purpose	Total Amount Released (Rs. In Lakh)
1	Satyam Shivam Buildvision Pvt. Ltd	DBT payment for personal assistive aid in respect of 1079 PwDs and conveyance cost for 355 PwDs	38.14
2	Udarah Skill Technology Private Limited	DBT payment for personal assistive aid in respect of 240 PwDs	9.60
3	Central Reserve Police Force	DBT payment for personal assistive aid in respect of 19 PwDs	0.76
4	West Bengal Electronics industry Corporation Limited	DBT payment for conveyance in respect of 97 PwDs	3.23
5	NIACE Foundation	DBT payment for personal assistive aid and conveyance in respect of 207 PwDs	9.92
6	* NDFDC, Delhi	Release to CNA for further transferred to ETPs for skill training of PwDs	832.44
7	Skill Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPwD), New Delhi	Payment of assessment and certification fee for 5628 PwDs	56.28
8	Navjyoti Global SoloutionPvt. Ltd.	DBT payment for personal assistive aid in respect of 147 PwDs	5.87
9	Divyang Skill (DSDC)	DBT payment for personal assistive aid in respect of 132 PwDs	1.32
10	Providers Skill Academy Pvt. Ltd	DBT payment for personal assistive aid in respect of 269 PwDs	6.80
11	IPH, New Delhi	DBT payment for conveyance in respect of 1188 PwDs and for personal assistive aid in respect of 108 PwDs	32.41
12	Ravi Shiksha Samaj Kalyan Samiti	DBT payment for conveyance in respect of 27 PwDs for personal assistive aid in respect of 27 PwDs	2.05
13	Sunside Services Pvt. Ltd, Varanasi	DBT payment for conveyance in respect of 121 PwDs and for personal assistive aid in respect of 190 PwDs	4.79
14	Kaniyappa Education Memorial Trust, Tamilnadu	DBT payment for personal assistive aid in respect of 300 PwDs	15.00
15	National Banjara Education Society, Karnataka	DBT payment for personal assistive aid in respect of 63 PwDs	0.75
		Total	1019.36

(ii) Funds released to ETPs through Central Nodal Agency (CNA) for skill training of PwDs:

S. No.	Name of Organization	Purpose	Total Amount Re- leased
			(Rs. In Lakh)
1	Satyam Shivam Buildvision Pvt. Ltd.	Payment of 1st & 2nd installment for skill development tanning programme for 1047 trainees	172.09
2	Navjyoti Global SoloutionPvt. Ltd.	Payment of 1 ^{st/2nd} installment/ for skill development tanning programme for 90/149 trainees	42.67
3	Udarah Skill Technology Pvt. Ltd.	Payment of 1st installment for skill development tanning programme for 240 trainees	18.69
4	National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (Divyangjan),	Payment of 1st installment for skill development tanning programme for 30 trainees	1.49
5	Divya Jyoti Charitable Trust	Payment of 3 rd installment for skill development tanning programme for 30 trainees	0.80
6	Ravi Shiksha Samaj Kalyan Samiti	Payment of 3 rd installment for skill development tanning programme for 122 trainees	3.46
7	Central Reserve Police Force	Payment of 1st installment for skill development tanning programme for 19 trainees	1.11
8	NIACE Foundation	Payment of 2 nd installment for skill development tanning programme for 242 trainees	32.13
9	Bankura School Hotel Management,	Payment of 2 nd installment for skill development tanning programme for 135 trainees	12.43
10	Providers Skill Academy Pvt. Ltd	Payment of 2 nd installment for skill development tanning programme for 286 trainees	26.73
11	Manindranath Banerjee Memorial Society	Payment of 3 rd installment for skill development tanning programme for 908 trainees	3.25
12	Sunside Services Pvt. Ltd, Varanasi	Payment of 2 nd installment for skill development tanning programme for 180 trainees	19.37
13	Kaniyappa Education Memorial Trust, Tamilnadu	Payment of 1st installment for skill development tanning programme for 300 trainees	22.55
14	Divyang Skill (DSDC)	Payment of 2 nd installment for skill development tanning programme for 132 trainees	5.75

S. No.	Name of Organization	Purpose	Total Amount Re- leased (Rs. In Lakh)	
15	Mahila Mandal Barmer Agor	Payment of 2 nd installment for skill development tanning programme for 22 trainees	4.41	
16	National Banjara Education Society, Karnataka	Payment of 2 nd installment for skill development training programme for 47 trainees	12.78	
		Total	379.71	

8.4.4 ACCESSIBLE INDIA CAMPAIGN

8.4.4.1 Overview

A nationwide campaign, Accessible India Campaign (AIC) or the Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan, was launched on December 3rd, 2015 to achieve universal accessibility for persons with disabilities in Built Environment (Buildings), Transport System and Information & Communication Technology (ICT) ecosystem with the following targets: -

- Enhancing the proportion of Accessible Government Buildings.
- Enhancing the proportion of Accessible Transport System [Airports, Railway Stations and Public Transport Carriers (Buses)].
- Enhancing the portion of accessible government websites; pool of sign language interpreters; captioning and sign language interpretation of public television news programmes.

The timeline of June 2022 was revised to March 2024 for completion of all the above-mentioned targets of AIC was set by the Central Advisory Board, the highest decision making body in the disability sector during the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Social Justice & Empowerment on June 24, 2022. On the basis of information received from various concerned nodal Central Ministries/Departments and efforts made by the Department, detail under is as under:

(i) Target of enhancing the proportion of Accessible Government Buildings:

Target 1.1: Completing accessibility audit of at least 25-50 most important government buildings in 50 cities and making them fully accessible;

Target 1.2: Making 50% of all the government buildings of the National Capital and all the State Capitals fully accessible;

Target 1.3: Completing accessibility audit of 50% of government buildings and making them fully accessible in 10 most important cities/towns of states not covered in targets 1.1 and 1.2.

Status

- In the State Governments/UTs, auditors completed Access Audit of 1662 buildings in 48 cities. 1662 access audit reports have been submitted to the State's/UTs Nodal Officers.
- The financial proposals for retrofitting of 1484 buildings have been received so far, sanction has been issued by the Department in respect 1314 buildings amounting to Rs. 563.85 crore as on 31.03.2024.
- Further, 20 States reported to have completed retrofitting work in 623 buildings. 7 States/UTs have

- also informed that 2839 State Government buildings have been selected to be made accessible under Targets/Phases (1.2) and (1.3) from their own funds.
- In the Central Government, CPWD reported completion of retrofitting in 1100 out of selected 1100 Central Govt. buildings targeted under Accessible India Campaign.
- (i) Target of enhancing the proportion of Accessible Transport System [Airports, Railway Stations and Public Transport Carriers (Buses)].
- (ii.a) Target 2.1 and 2.2 Airports: All international airports and domestic airports to be made fully accessible.

Status:

- All 35 international airports & 55 out of 69 domestic airports provided with accessibility features (ramps, accessible toilets, helpdesks and lifts with Brailleand auditory information systems), Further, all international/customs airportare reported to have been provided with aerobridges.
- Tactile path has been provided at majority of the airports whereas 41 airports have been equipped
 with aerobridges and ambulifts are available at 12 airports and the same is being procured for
 other airports.
- Bureau of Civil Aviation Security has also issued an advisory to make seamless screening of Divyangjan at airports. In this regard, CISF has also revised their SoPs, stressing upon the need of to improve soft skills to provide better journey experience.
- The accessibility standards and guidelines for the Ministry of Civil Aviation have been formulated by the Ministry of Civil Aviation and have been notified under the RPwD Rules, 2017.
- (ii.b) Target 3.1 and 3.2 Railways: A1, A&B categories of railway stations to be made fully accessible; 50% of all railway stations to be made fully accessible;

Status

- All 709 A1, A & B category railway stations have been provided with the seven (07) Short-Term
 Facilities identified by Ministry of Railways, namely, ramps, two parking lots for Divyangjan,
 non-slippery walkways from parking to station building, signage, at least one drinking water tap,
 one accessible toilet and 'May I Help You' booth.
- Ministry of Railways has formulated the guidelines for Accessible Indian Railways including barrier free ICT services, stations buildings, coaches as well as travel services. Railways had issued accessibility guidelines to be implemented by Zonal Railways to achieve accessibility in Indian Railways.
- (ii.c) Target 4.1 Buses: 25% of Government owned public transport carriers are to be made fully accessible.

Status

- MoRTH reported that out of 1,47,747 buses, 42348 (29.05%) buses are partially accessible and 8695 (5.96%) buses are fully accessible.
- The Bus Body Code has been made mandatory to ensure that all new city buses are disabled friendly.
- MoRTH has formulated Accessibility Guidelines for Bus Terminals and Bus Stops.
- (ii) Target of enhancing the portion of accessible government websites; pool of sign language

interpreters; captioning and sign language interpretation of public television news programmes.

(iii.a) Target 5.1 and 5.2 - Websites: At least 50% of Central and State Government websites are to meet accessibility standards:

Status

- Department has sanctioned Rs.26.19 Cr. to ERNET India to make 917 States/UTs websites accessible, out of which, Rs.23.52 Cr. has been disbursed. Total 676 State Governments websites have been made accessible including 476 websites made live.
- 95 websites of Central Government Ministries/Departments are made accessible by MeitY under the Content Management Framework.

8.4.4.2 In addition, following initiatives has been taken by the Department in collaboration with concerned Ministries/Departments under the Accessible India Campaign:

- I. Memorandum of Understanding with Council of Architecture (COA): Department envisions to encourage formal educating bodies to focus and mandate courses in the Bachelor of Architecture in the existing curriculum pertaining to universal accessibility and mandatory study of standards/guidelines formulated for this purpose. DEPwD and COA have joined hands to mandate the Inclusion of mandatory credits/modules etc. related to universal accessibility, accessibility features for PwDs in the B. Arch course and other related matters pertaining to outreach etc.
- II. Empanelment of agencies/NGO/societies etc. as access auditor in built-up environment: The core objective of empanelment of accessibility auditor is to cater the growing demand for an inclusive, safe and comfortable experience for all and especially Persons with Disabilities (PwD). The EOI is floated with an idea to seek professional expertise available on this matter in the country both in terms of professional experience and educational background and to ensure the compliance of the accessibility standards/guidelines prepared by the Central Ministries/Departments. The EOI is floated to empanel the professionals with the Government of India for the period of 5 years.
- III. Making 75 pilgrimage places accessible for PwDs: An initiative of this Department of celebrate and commemorate 75 years of independence and the glorious history, culture and achievements of its people. Idea is to render pilgrim/religious places accessible by providing enabling features catering to different types of disabilities. An immersive experience for the divyangjans (including the Deaf and the blind) at the respective locations is also envisaged. For this purpose, letters to concerned Chief Ministries and Chief Secretaries of States/UTs have been issued to submit the proposals to make identified sites accessible for PwDs. In response to this, States like, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Tripura and Sikkim have submitted the proposals which are under scrutiny by the Department. Funds have been released amounting of Rs.416.50 lakh for making SolophekChardham in Namchi, Sikkim accessible for PwDs.
- IV. Training of State officers for universal accessibility in built-up environment: In view of the growing demand for an inclusive, safe, and comfortable experience for Persons with Disabilities, ensuring incorporation of accessible features in the built environment is the need of the hour and for the same, accessibility at core is essential to be imparted in the minds of implementing agencies to ensure the universal accessibility. In view of the above context, this Department in collaboration with National CPWD Training Academy have conducted a 03 day work shop for State PWD officers on Accessibility in Built-Up Environment. The training was completed during 28-31st August 2023 with the participation from 14 States namely Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, Mizoram, Uttar Pradesh and Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Meghalaya, Chandigarh, Karnataka, Jammu & Kahsmir, West Bengal, Ladakh, Andaman & Nicobar and Sikkim comprising of approximately 21 officials from the respective departments.

- V. Inclusion of mandatory modules in B.Tech and B.Plan courses in collaboration with IIT-KGP: On the similar lines of engagement with Council of Architecture, the Department is currently under collaboration with IIT, Kharagpur for the inclusion of mandatory course modules in the Bachelors of Planning and Technology (Civil Engineering) for imparting the institutional knowledge while undertaking professional degree courses. The IIT have submitted the proposal for both the courses with an agenda to target all the colleges affiliated with AICTE. The proposal has been approved and a work order dated 22.02.2024 has been issued to IIT Kharagpur.
- VI. Web accessibility training in collaboration with NIC: In collaboration with NIC, the Department is envisioning to develop a certified training course on Web Accessibility and to train approximately 10,000 web developers/web coders across the country. The primary objective of this proposal is to sensitise Government department about the implementation of Web Accessibility Guidelines in their websites and web-based applications. The proposal has been submitted by NIC and is currently under screening with DEPwD.

Formulation of Sector Specific Standards of Accessibility – As per CoS recommendations, the task of formulation of Sector Specific Standards of Accessibility has been entrusted with respective Ministries/Departments so that the same may be notified under the RPwD Rules, 2017.

S. No.	Name of the Ministry/ Department	Name of the Guidelines
1.	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	Harmonised Guidelines and Space Standard for Universal Accessibility in India-2021
2.	Bureau of Indian Standards (Department of Consumer Affairs)	Accessibility for the ICT products and services (Part I and II)
3.	Ministry of Culture	Culture sector specific Harmonised accessibility standards
4.	Department of Sports	Guidelines on accessible sports complex and residential facilities for sports persons with disabilities
5.	Ministry of Civil Aviation	The accessibility standards and guidelines for Civil Aviation 2022
6.	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	Accessibility standards for Health Care
7.	Ministry of Rural Development	Rural sector specific harmonised accessibility standards/guidelines
8.	Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation	Guidelines on accessible and inclusive piped water supply for persons with disabilities and for other population groups with access challenges
		Accessibility standards for Community Toilets in Rural areas
9.	Ministry of Port Shipping and Waterways	Accessibility Standards in Port Sector by Ministry of Port Shipping and Waterways
10.	Ministry of Railways	Guidelines on accessibility of Indian Railways stations and facilities at stations for differently abled persons and passengers with reduced mobility

11.	D/o Telecommunication	Adopted BIS standards Accessibility for the ICT products and services (Part I and II)
12.	D/o Law and Justice	Adopted MoHUA's Harmonised Guidelines 2021 and BIS standards Accessibility for the ICT products and services (Part I and II)
13.	Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MEITY)	Adopted BIS standards Accessibility for the ICT products and services (Part I and II)
Guide	elines under notification in RPwD Rules (dr men	aft/final) and seeking public/stakeholder com- ts
14.	Ministry of Home Affairs	Accessibility Guidelines for MHA Specific Built Infrastructure & Associated Services for Police Stations, Prisons and Disaster Mitigation Centres.
15.	Department of School Education & L:iteracy	Accessibility code for educational institutions
16.	Department of Higher Education	Accessibility Guidelines and Standards for Higher Education Institutions and Universities
	Guidelines of the Minist	ry at different stages
17.	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways	Accessibility Guidelines for Bus Terminals and Bus Stops
18.	Ministry of Information and Broadcasting	Broadcasting services (regulation) bill 2023
19.	Ministry of Tourism	Accessible Tourism Guidelines for India 2022
20.	Department of Financial Services	Accessibility guidelines for banking sector Accessibility guidelines for pension sector Accessibility guidelines for insurance Accessibility guidelines for financial institutions

The other Ministries/Departments including, Tourism, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Ports and Shipping, Railways, Home affairs, School Education & Literacy, Higher Education, Financial services and Information and broadcasting are at various stages of formulation and notification under RPwD Rules, 2017.

8.4.5 PROJECT FOR SUPPORT FOR ESTABLISHMENT/MODERNIZATION/CAPACITY AUGMENTATION OF BRAILLE PRESSES

8.4.5.1 The objective of the Scheme

The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) launched the scheme of Support for Establishment/Modernization/Capacity Augmentation of Braille Presses in 2014-15. The main objective of the Scheme is to facilitate the production of Braille Text Books for free distribution to children with visual impairments studying in various schools in the country. From the year 2020-21 Braille Press Scheme has been merged within the SIPDA Scheme as one of its components and from the FY 2022-23 it is being continued as a project.

8.4.5.2 Nodal Agency

National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (NIEPVD), Dehradun is the nodal agency for operation of the Scheme. The Nodal Agency is entrusted with the responsibility of inviting proposals, screening, inspection, evaluation and placing the suitable proposal before the Screening Committee for consideration, recommendation and approval for providing grant in aid (GIA).

8.4.5.3 Implementing agencies

The implementing agencies of Scheme are State Governments, UT Administration and Voluntary Organizations running Braille presses for more than five years or any other establishment designated by the State Government or UT administration for running a Braille press.

8.4.5.4 Components of Grants-in-Aid

Following components of Grants in Aid (GIA) are provided to the Implementing Agencies through the Nodal Agency:

- Non-recurring GIA for the establishment of New Braille Press, Modernization of Braille Presses and Capacity Augmentation of Braille Presses.
- Recurring GIA towards the expenditure incurred by the implementing Agency for printing and supply of text books in Braille.

8.4.5.5 Present status

So far 28 Braille Presses have been supported under this Scheme with Rs. 45.75 crore as the total financial assistance.

- 13 New Braille Presses have been established,
- 12 existing Braille Presses have been modernized and
- 3 Braille Presses have been supported for capacity augmentation.

8.4.6 AWARENESS GENERATION & PUBLICITY SCHEME (AG&P) & IN-SERVICE TRAINING SCHEME

This scheme was launched in September, 2014 and is operational from the Financial Year 2014-15 onwards. In the financial year 2021-22 the scheme was revised and In-Service Training Scheme was merged with AGP Scheme. The main objective of the AGP scheme is creation of general awareness about the schemes and programmes of the Government for the welfare of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) and the main objective of the In-Service Training is to train and sensitize key functionaries of the Central/State Government/Local Bodies. The details and procedure of application are available on the website of the Department, the URL is as follows https://depwd.gov.in/awareness-generation-in-service-training/.

8.4.6.1 Awareness Generation & Publicity Scheme (AGP Scheme)

Components admissible for assistance under the scheme include Helpline/Help Desk, Content Development, Publications & New Media; Organizing National/International Events; Volunteer Service /Out-reach programme for sensitizing Commercial Establishments and Employers; Participation in Community Radio/TV Channels; Press/Media tours and other media specific activities and Brand Ambassadors etc.

8.4.6.2 Physical and Financial Achiev	ements under AGP Scheme	during last 5 year:-
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S.N. Year		Year SIPDA Scheme) Rs. in crore		Physical Achievements	
		B.E.	R.E.	Exp.	(No. of Events)
1.	2019-20	3.00	2.00	2.12	16
2.	2020-21	2.50	1.00	1.17	11
3.	2021-22	2.50	2.50	2.24	11
4.	2022-23	2.80	5.38	5.38	16
5.	2023-24	20.00	12.64	10.63	27

8.4.6.3 In-ServiceTraining Scheme: The main objective of scheme is to train and sensitize key functionaries of the Central and State Government and local bodies and other service providers on a regular basis on disability related matters through State/District/Block level workshops with the aim to raise awareness among employees and peer groups about capabilities of persons with disabilities. Some of the Scheme's objectives are to ensure enlightened, efficient and committed key functionaries to further the cause of empowerment of PwDs, to create awareness about disability related legislation, development programmes, schemes and programmes for PwDs; rehabilitation and referral services amongst various stake holders, to create awareness and sensitization towards prevention, early identification, intervention, rehabilitation and main streaming of PwDs.

During the last four years no Grants-in-Aid have been released under the scheme.

8.4.6.9 Achievements under AGP Scheme:-

(i) **Divya Kala Mela:** To provide opportunities to Divynagjan for showcasing their talent and to promote the sale of the products made by them, the Department organizes an Exhibition-cum-Fair titled "Divya Kala Mela". Divyang artisans, artists and entrepreneurs from across the Country exhibit their products and skills in the fair. Home decor & lifestyle, clothing, stationery and eco-friendly products, edibles and organic products, toys and gifts, personal items - jewellery etc. are the main attractions of the fair. In the FY 2023-24, 12 Divya Kala Melas have been organized. The details are as follows:

DIVYA KALA MELA					
S.No.	State	Venue	Date		
1.	Assam	Maniram Dewan Trade centre, Guwahati	11 th -17 th May, 2023		
2.	Madhya Pradesh	Grameenn Haat Bazar, Indore	17th -23th June 2023		
3.	Rajasthan	Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur	29th June to 05th July 2023		
4.	Uttar Pradesh	Town Hall, Varanasi	15th -24th September 2023		
5.	Telengana	Secunderabad Cantonment Board, Secunderabad	6th -15th October, 2023		
6.	Karnataka	HMT Ground, Bengaluru	27th Oct to 5th Nov, 2023		
7.	Tamil Nadu	Island Ground Chennai	17th Nov to 26th Nov, 2023		
8.	Bihar	Gandhi Maidan, Patna	08th Dec to 17th Dec, 2023		
9.	Gujarat	SMC Party Plot 1 & 2 Athwa Lines , Surat	29th Dec 2023 to 7th Jan 2024		
10.	Maharashtra	Reshambagh Ground-3, Nagpur	12th to 21st January, 2024		

	DIVYA KALA MELA			
S.No.	State	Venue	Date	
11.	Gujarat	Sabarmati River front, Ahmedabad	16th-25th February, 2024	
12.	Tripura	Children Park, Smart City, Agartala	06th -11th February, 2024	





(Divya Kala Mela organized at Surat, Gujarat from 29 December, 2023 to 07 January, 2024)





(Divya Kala Mela organized at Nagpur, Maharashtra from 12-21 January, 2024)

(ii) Divya Kala Shakti: For showcasing the extraordinary talents of Divyang artists, the Department organizes a Cultural Programme titled "Divya Kala Shakti – Witnessing Abilities in Disabilities" every year. Divyang Artistes from different States, Cultural Societies, Institutions, Civil Societies with various disabilities participates in the event for showcasing their talents. In the FY 2023-24, so far 05 Divya Kala Shakti programmes have been organized. The details of the events are as follows:

DIVYA KALA SHAKTI		
S.No.	Venue/State	Date
1	Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	27th May, 2023
2	Ahmedabad, Gujarat	1st January, 2024
3	Indore, Madhya Pradesh	5th January, 2024
4	Bengaluru, Karnataka	6th January, 2024
5.	Hyderabad, Telangana	10th February, 2024



(Divya Kala Shakti organized at Bengaluru, Karnataka on 06.01.2024)

8.4.7 RESEARCH ON DISABILITY RELATED TECHNOLOGY, PRODUCT AND ISSUES

The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities launched a Central Sector scheme on "Research on disability-related technology, products and issues", in January 2015. While considering the further continuation of the Scheme for a further period of five years from 2021-22 onward, the objectives of the Schemes were re-aligned with the provisions of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016 and revised sub-scheme guidelines were issued on 04.05.2022.

8.4.7.1 Objectives

- (a) To promote and support Study and research for facilitating evidence-based policy decisions relating to the priority areas of disability sector;
- (b) To promote research concerning prevalence of disability and measures for prevention thereof;
- (c) To promote and support research and development for enhancing facilitation and rehabilitation and such other issues which are necessary for the empowerment of persons with disabilities (PwDs);
- (d) To promote research and development for the application of science and technology to the development of indigenous products, aids & appliances for the empowerment of PwDs.

8.4.7.2 Present Status:

So far 31 projects have been supported under this scheme for which Rs. 2.80 crore (approx.) has been released in various installments as the total financial assistance. In 2023-24, the Department has received final reports from the following three institutes:-

S.no	Organisations	Project Detail	Fund released
01	Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai	Information & one click (an online information portal for disability)	Rs. 12.96 lakh
02	Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda University, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu	Development of Adapted Science experiments for improving skills in learning science and students with visual impairment at secondary level	Rs. 4.42 lakh
03	Indian Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore	Development of Anthropomimetic Assistive Electromechanical Devices for Upper Limbs (AAEDU)	Rs. 12.74 lakh

8.4.8 UNIQUE DISABILITY IDENTIFICATION (UDID) PROJECT

The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities implements the Unique Disability Identification UDID Project with a view to create a national database of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) and also to issue unique identity cards to them. An Application Software for this project has been developed and hosted on NIC cloud since May 2016. The Application Software also provides an online platform for issuance of disability certificates. The database will subsequently help in tracking physical and financial progress of benefit delivery at all levels of hierarchy of implementation – from Village, Block, District, State level and National level. It will also encourage transparency, efficiency and ease of delivering Government benefits to persons with disabilities. The database captures personal details, identity details, disability details (type of disability, % of disability etc.), education status, employment details, Income level (BPL/APLetc.), scheme related details etc.

- 2. 1,08,49,866 e-UDID cards have been generated in all States/UTs as on 31.03.2024. State-wise status of generation of UDID card is at **Annexure-VIII**. The Department continuously monitors the progress of implementation of the project through video conferencing, periodic communications with the States/UTs at the highest level.
- 3. The Department provides financial supports to the States/UTs for the following purposes for the implementations of the Project:-
 - (a) Support for Publicity and Awareness: (Rs.2.5 Lakhs for each district having >20 Lakhs Population, Rs. 2.0 Lakhs for each district having 10 Lakhs >Populations < 20 Lakhs and Rs. 1.5 Lakhs for each district having < 10 Lakhs Population;
 - (b) Technical Support –IT Infrastructure (up to Rs 1.00 Lakh per district/medical authority for the procurement IT infrastructure such as one computer desktop, four biometric single finger scanner for Aadhaar authentication, one ordinary Printer with Scanner and one web camera;
 - (c) Manpower Support @ Rs 50,000 per month for the State coordinator for UDID project implementation; and
 - (d) Digitization of Old Manual Certificate @ Rs.3.61 per certificate.

As on 31.03.2024, the Department has released Rs. 50.51 crores has been released under the UDID project to States/UTs for the components given under the scheme since its inception from 2016, including an amount of Rs. 13.35 crores released during 2023-24.

4. UDID database has been linked with DigiLocker application of Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY) for data security. Ministry of Railways has been requested to recognize the certificate of disability issued under UDID Project for the purpose of extending the benefit of concessional travel by train.

5. The revised guidelines for Assessment of Disabilities dated 12 March, 2024 have been notified in the Gazette of India on 14 March, 2024.

8.4.9 Project for Financial Assistance to the existing Deaf Colleges in five regions of the country (Deaf College Project):

Objective: The objective of the Project is to provide financial assistance to the existing deaf colleges in the following five zones of the country including one in North East:

(i)	Rural Development and Management College for the Deaf (RDMC) in North Zone of India
(ii) College for the Deaf in West Zone	
(iii)	College for Deaf in South Zone
(iv)	College for Deaf in Central Zone
(v)	College for Deaf in East Zone

8.4.9.1 Some of the features of the project are as under:

The scheme was originally approved on 29.01.2015, and the revised Scheme was notified on 1st August, 2018. During the recent Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) exercise, a revised version of the scheme was approved to be continued as a Project under the umbrella scheme –SIPDA. Details of the approved Project guidelines dated 21.02.2022 are available on the official website of the Department: https://depwd.gov.in The Project envisages financial assistance to one college, affiliated to the UGC approved University, in each of the five regions of the country for expansion of the infrastructure of the existing college, purchase of aids/equipment, office equipment, computers, furniture & fixture etc; and financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid to reimburse cost incurred by the college towards payment of salaries and allowances for the college faculty, staff and sign language interpreters. In case, suitable colleges fulfilling the requisite criteria for obtaining grants-in-aid under the Project are not found, Department shall have the flexibility to identify two deaf colleges in one zone fulfilling the requisite criteria for releasing GIA under the Project. During the last five years, no Grants in aid have been released under the Project.

8.4.10 Scheme for Financial Assistance to Spinal Injuries Centres (ASIC Scheme)

8.4.10.1 Objective

The objective of the scheme is to provide financial assistance to the already identified Spinal Injury Centres across India so as to enable the patients with Spinal Injuries lead their life to their fullest abilities

8.4.10.2 Component 1: Assistance to Indian Spinal Injury Centre (ISIC), New Delhi

- The scheme was established vide Union Cabinet decisions dated 28.03.1989 & its amendment dated 15.12.1997 for providing indoor treatment to spinal cord injured (SCI) poor patients
- ii. It provides comprehensive rehabilitation management services to patients with spinal cord injuries and related ailments
- The component includes various intervention in the form of reconstructive surgery, stabilization operations, physical rehabilitation, psycho-social rehabilitation and vocational rehabilitation services
- iv. <u>Eligibility of beneficiaries</u> Indian Citizen with spinal cord injury having a family income not

more than Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh) per annum

v. Support provided

- Department provides financial support to ISIC to provide 25 free-beds daily for treatment of SCI poor patients @Rs. 7000/bed/day
- b. In addition, the ISIC Centre to provide 5 free-beds to poor SCI patients.
- vi. The disbursal of funds are confined only to ISIC, Delhi under the scheme component.
- vii. Details of funds released to the ISIC as per scheme provisions during the last four years is as under:

S.No.	Financial Year	Amount (in crore)
1.	2020-21	3.99
2.	2021-22	2.52
3.	2022-23	3.37
4.	2023-24	0

8.4.10.3 Component 2: Scheme for setting up of State Spinal Injury Center (SSIC)

Some of the features of the scheme are:

- It is a Central Sector Scheme established for Setting up of State Spinal Injury Center (SSIC) and implemented since 2015-16.
- ii. It envisages setting up of comprehensive rehabilitation centers attached to the government hospitals of all the state capitals/Union territories.
- iii. It provides dedicated 12 beds for treatment, rehabilitation and management of spinal injuries in respect of persons belonging to economically weaker sections
- iv. Non-recurring Support:
 - Grant in Aid upto Rs. 2.33 crore directly to Implementing Agencies towards expenditure
 on medical equipment, medical/surgical instruments (OT), rehabilitation equipment (a)
 OT & PT (b) Orthotics and Prosthetics & assistive technology.
 - GIA upto Rs. 56.00 Lakh for setting up of 12 bed dedicated wards
- v. Recurring support:
 - Reimbursement of maintenance cost of 10 beds on annual basis @ Rs. 1000/- per bed per day (maximum Rs. 36,00,000).
 - Recurring expenditure liability in respect of 2 beds to be borne by State Government/ Implementing Hospital subject to fulfillment of conditions.
- vi. Details of funds released to the SSIC as per scheme provisions during the last four years is as under:

S.No.	Financial Year	Name of Centre	Amount (in crore)
1	2020-21	SMS Medical College, Jaipur, Rajasthan	0.31

S.No.	Financial Year	Name of Centre	Amount (in crore)
2	2021-22	-	表
3	2022-23	SMS Medical College, Jaipur, Rajasthan	0.09
4	2023-24	SMS Medical College, Jaipur, Rajasthan Establishment of State Spinal Injury Centre at J.L.N. Medical College, Ajmer Establishment of State Spinal Injury Centre at District Hospital, Sagar	5.52

8.4.11 Cross Disability Early Intervention Centres (CDEIC):

Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities on 17.06.2021 launched single-window, Cross Disability Early Intervention Centres (CDEICs) in its various National Institutes (NIs) and CRCs to give focused attention to children in the age bracket of 0-6 years. These CDEICs are equipped to screen and intervene in respect of all 21 categories of disabilities covered under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and provides (i) facilities for screening of children and identification of at risk cases, (ii) therapeutic services such as speech therapy, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, etc., (iii) counseling of parents and peer counselling and (iv) facilities for preparatory school to make the children with disability school ready. The Department provides financial assistance to the NIs/CRCs for setting up of the CDEICs to meet the expenses towards remuneration of the staff, contingency expenses and onetime expenses upto Rs. 20 lakhs towards infrastructure development. During financial year 2023-24, Rs. 2.72 crore has been released for running of CDEIC at NIs and CRCs. Twenty two CDEIC have been approved in National Institutes and Composite Regional Centre. The details of these CDEIC are as under:-

- Swami Vivekanand National Institute of the Rehabilitation Training and Research (SVNIRTAR), Cuttack
- ii. National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (NILD), Kolkata
- iii. Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (PDUNIPPD), Delhi
- National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Secunderabad
- v. National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD), Chennai
- vi. National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (NIEPVD), Dehradun
- vii. Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (AYJNISHD), Mumbai
- viii. National Institute for Mental Health and Rehabilitation, Sehore (NIMHR)
- ix. Composite Regional Centre, Guwahati
- x. Composite Regional Centre, Bolangir
- xi. Composite Regional Centre, Ranchi

- xii. Composite Regional Centre, Patna
- xiii. Composite Regional Centre, Lucknow
- xiv. Composite Regional Centre, Srinagar
- xv. Composite Regional Centre, Nellore
- xvi. Composite Regional Centre, Rajnandgaon
- xvii. Composite Regional Centre, Davangere
- xviii. Composite Regional Centre, Kozhikode
- xix. Composite Regional Centre, Sundernagar
- xx. Composite Regional Centre, Bhopal
- xxi. Composite Regional Centre, Ahemdabad
- xxii. Composite Regional Centre, Gorakhpur

8.5 SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES

Umbrella Scholarship Scheme for Students with Disabilities.

8.5.1 Overview:

- a) Section 31 (1) & (2) of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 mandates that every child with benchmark disability between the age of six to eighteen years shall have the right to free education in a neighborhood school, or in a special school, of his choice and the appropriate Government and local authorities shall ensure their access to free education in an appropriate environment till he attains the age of eighteen years.
- b) To fulfill this mandate, this Department is implementing Umbrella Scheme 'Scholarships for Students with Disabilities' comprising six components, viz., Pre-matric, Post-matric, Top Class Education, National Overseas Scholarship, National Fellowship for PwDs and Free Coaching schemes.
- c) The main objective of the umbrella scholarship scheme is to empower students with disabilities to study further in order to earn their livelihood and to find a dignified place in the society, as they face several barriers - physical, financial, and psychological in pursuing studies and living with dignity.
- d) Until 2017-18; these six Scholarship Schemes were implemented as stand-alone schemes having separate budget. National Fellowship for Students with Disabilities is under implementation since 1st April, 2012. Pre-matric, Post-matric and National Overseas Scholarship Schemes for Students with Disabilities were launched on 1st April, 2014. Top Class Education Scholarship Scheme began on 1st April 2015 and Free Coaching Scholarship Scheme for Students with Disabilities was started on 1st April, 2017.
- e) From April 1,2018, all the six scholarship schemes, i.e., Pre-matric, Post-matric, Top Class Education, National Fellowship, National Overseas Scholarship and Free Coaching have been merged into an Umbrella Scheme titled 'Scholarships for Students with Disabilities' to remove

- the demand-supply imbalance of budget allocation and streamline the implementation process. In the Umbrella Scheme, if there is surplus fund available in one segment, that surplus fund can be utilized in the other segment.
- f) 50% of the total scholarship slots available each year in Pre-matric, Post-matric and Top Class Education and 30% slots in National Overseas Scholarship and Free Coaching Scholarship Scheme are reserved for girl candidates. However, in case adequate number of girl candidates are not available or not found eligible as per the terms and conditions of the scheme, the unutilized slots are being utilized by selecting eligible male candidates.

8.5.2 Salient features of the Scheme:

(i) Pre-matric (For Classes IX & X):

I.	Parents'/Guardians' Income Ceiling	Parents'/Guardians' income ceiling is Rs.2.50 lakh per annum
II.	Maintenance Allowance	Rs.800/- p.m. for Hostellers & Rs.500/- p.m. for Day-Scholars for 12 months
III.	Disability Allowance	Disability Allowance ranging from Rs.2000 to Rs.4000/- per annum
IV.	Book Grant	Rs.1000/- Per annum

(ii) Post-matric (For XI to Post-Graduate Degree/Diploma):

Ī.	Parents'/Guardians' Income Ceiling		s' income ceiling is per annum
II.	Mainte	nance Allowance	
	Groups	Rate of Maintenance allowance (per month)	
	Scott of the Mark	Hostellers	Day Scholars
Group I All Bachelor's/Post-Graduate Degree courses in Medicine, Engineering/Technology, Planning/ Architecture, Fashion Technology, Management, Business/ Finance Administration, Computer Science/ Applications, Agriculture, Veterinary and Allied Sciences. All Post-Graduate Degree/Diploma courses recognized by UGC/AICTE in any discipline		1600	750
Group II Professional courses leading to Degree/ Diploma, Certificate in areas like Pharmacy (B. Pharma), LLB, BFS, other para-medical branches like Rehabilitation, Diagnostics, etc., Mass Communication, Hotel Management & Catering, Travel/Tourism/Hospitality, Interior Decoration,		1100	700

I.	Parents'/Guardians' Income Ceiling		is' income ceiling is i per annum
П.	Maintenance Allowance		
	Groups	Rate of Maintenance allowance (per month)	
		Hostellers	Day Scholars
The grant property and the	& Dietetics, Commercial Art, Services (e.g., Banking, Insurance, etc.)		
	ourses leading to a Graduate degree d under Group I & II, e.g. ,BA/B.Sc/B.	950	650
Group IV All Post-matriculation level non-degree courses for which entrance qualification is High School (Class X), e.g. Senior Secondary Certificate (Classes XI and XII), both general and vocation- al stream, ITI courses, 3-year diploma courses in Polytechnics, etc.		900	550
III.	Disability Allowance	Disability Allowance ranging from Rs.2000 to Rs.4000/- per annum	
IV.	Book Grant	Rs.1500/- per annum	
V.	Compulsory Non-refundable Fees	Subject to a maximum fee ceiling of Rs.1.50 lakh per annum	

(iii) Scholarship for Top Class Education (For Graduate Degree/Post-Graduate Degree/Diploma level courses in notified institutes of excellence in education):

I.	Parental/Guardian's Income Ceiling	Parents'/Guardians' income ceiling is Rs.8 lakh per annum
II.	Maintenance Allowance	@ Rs.3,000/-p.m. for hostellers and @ Rs.1,500/-p.m. for Day Scholars
III.	Disability Allowance	Rs.2,000/- per month
IV.	Books & Stationary	Rs.5,000/- per annum
V.	Tuition fees and Non-refundable charges	Payable by the scholar to the Institute, subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.2.00 lakh per annum
VI.	Computer, Accessories/Aids and Assistive Devices	One time grant for purchase of computer with accessories is Rs.45,000/- and for aids & assistive devices Rs.30,000/- for the entire course

(iv) National Overseas Scholarship for Students with Disabilities (For Master's Degree and PhD in foreign universities):

I.	Parental/Guardian's Income Ceiling	Parents'/Guardians' income ceiling is Rs.8 lakh per annum
II.	Tuition Fees	Tuition fees as per the actual amount paid
III.	Maintenance Allowance	US\$ 15,400/- per annum for United States of America and other countries except United Kingdom, where it is GBP 9,900/- per annum
IV.	Annual Contingency Allowance	US\$ 1,500/- per annum (PA) for United States of America and other countries except UK where it is GBP 1,100/- PA
V.	Incidental Journey Allowance	US\$ 20/- or its equivalent in Indian Rupees- One time
VI.	Equipment Allowance	US\$ 20/- or its equivalent in Indian Rupees- One time
VII.	Visa Fees	As per Actual
VIII.	Medical Insurance Premium	Actual as charged is admissible
IX.	Cost of Air Passage	As per Actual

(v) National Fellowships for Persons with Disabilities (For M.Phil and PhD in Indian Universities):

I.	Parents/Guardians Income Ceiling	No parents'/ Guardians' income ceiling
	f Fellowship: The rates of fellowatly these rates are as follows	vship for JRF and SRF are at par with the UGC Fellowships.
II.	Fellowship	Rs.37,000/- p.m. for initial two years (Junior Research Fellowship (JRF), Rs.42,000/- p.m. for remaining tenure (Senior Research Fellowship (SRF).
III.	Contingency for Humanities and Social Science (including Arts/ Fine Arts)	@ Rs. 10,000/- p.a. for initial two years. @ Rs. 20,500/- p.a. for the remaining tenure.
IV.	Contingency for Science, Engineering Technology	@ Rs. 12,000/- p.a. for initial two &years.@ Rs. 25,000/- p.a. for the remaining tenure.
V.	Departmental assistance (All subjects)	@ Rs. 3,000/- p.a. per student to the host Institute for providing infrastructure.
VI.	Escort/Reader assistance (All subjects)	@ Rs. 2,000/- p.m. in cases of candidates with physical and visual disabilities
VII.	House Rent Allowance (HRA)	@ 9%, 18% and 27% to those students who are not provided with hostel accommodation, in accordance with Govt. of India norms as applicable in the research fellows are working
VIII.	Slots	200 slots every year.

(vi) Free Coaching for competitive examinations for Government jobs and entrance examinations for professional and technical courses

I.	Parents'/Guardians' Income Ceiling	Parents'/Guardians' income ceiling is Rs.8 lakh per annum	
II.	Coaching Fee	40000/- to 75000/- (6 to upto 12 month)	
III.	Stipend	Rs. 4000/- per month	
IV.	Special Allowance/ Disability Allowance	Rs.2000/- per month	
V.	Book Allowance	Rs. 5000 per course (One Time)	
VI	Slots	1000 slots (600 for competitive examination and 400 for entrance examination of admission to various professional course)	

8.5.3 Eligibility conditions for scholarship to SwDs:

- i. Open to Indian nationals only.
- ii. Students having 40% and above disability (certified by competent medical authority of the State Government/UTs) are eligible for scholarships.
- iii. Disability is as defined in the 'Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

8.5.4 Mode of implementation: The following is the mode of implementation of scholarship schemes:

- i) The first three scholarship schemes, i.e., Pre-matric, Post-matric and Top Class Education Scholarships for Students with Disabilities are implemented through the National Scholarship Portal (www.scholarships.gov.in) and the scholarship amount is remitted directly to the beneficiaries through PFMS portal.
- ii) Under the National Fellowship for PwDs scheme: The scheme provides for award of fellowships to 200 Fellows each year. Out of the total 200 slots available for the Students with Disabilities, 75% scholars (i.e. 150) will be selected based on National Eligibility Test-Junior Research Fellowship (NET-JRF) of UGC and remaining 25% scholars (i.e. 50) will be selected based on UGC-Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (UGC-CSIR) NET-JRF joint test. However, the slot is transferable between UGC-NET and CSIR-NET to the extent of the total no. of slot, in case sufficient no. of eligible scholars is not available in one category.
- iii) Under the National Overseas Scholarship for SwDs, disbursement of scholarship amount / reimbursement of miscellaneous expenses etc. incurred by the candidate is done by M/o External Affairs (MEA) through Indian Mission abroad.
- iv) <u>Free Coaching Scheme</u>: The Scheme is implemented by the Department through the following implementing agencies:
- i. Empanelled Central University/Institutes under Free Coaching Scheme of D/o SJ&E implemented by Dr. Ambedkar Foundation (DAF) under M/o SJE
- ii. National Institutes / Composite Regional Centers under the administrative control of Department

- **8.5.5 Publicity and Awareness:** Use of print and electronic media is harnessed in order to create awareness and publicize scholarship schemes among masses. Advertisements are released in the national newspapers (dailies) in different languages. The benefits of the scholarship schemes are disseminated in programmes broadcast through radio channels, Social Media and other platforms.
- **8.5.6 Monitoring mechanism:** The monitoring mechanism of the schemes (Pre-matric, Post-matric and Top Class Education) implemented on the National Scholarship Portal is as under:
 - I. The candidates apply on-line on NSP web-portal, which is designed and maintained by the National Informatics Centre. The last date for applying online is decided by the Cabinet Secretariat, DBT Mission in consultation with the various Ministries/Departments.
 - II. The concerned Institutes are required to verify and forward the application to the State Nodal Officer.
- III. The State Nodal Officer is required to carry out necessary checks including recognition of the Institute concerned and forward the application with State Government's recommendation to DEPwD.
- IV. Final selection is done by the DEPwD based on the recommendations of the State Government considering, inter alia, the number of slots available to that particular State.
- V. In case the candidate is a permanent resident of one State but studying in another State, his application is considered under the slot of his home State and his application needs the recommendation of the State of which he is a permanent resident.
- VI. The monitoring of the National fellowship program is done by DEPwD. Award of SRF/JRF is done after appropriate evaluation of performance of the candidate in carrying out the research work.
- VII. Under the National Oversees Scholarship Scheme, progress report of the student is obtained from the concerned College/Institute/University through Indian Embassy/ High Commission before release of the annual maintenance, tuition fees and other Allowances.
- 8.5.7 Number of beneficiaries and amount released during 2015-16 to 2023-24 in respect of Scholarship Schemes are at **Annexure-IX**

8.6 NATIONAL FUND FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The Department constituted National Fund for Persons with Disabilities in terms of Section 86 of the RPwD Act, 2016. Rule 41 & 42 of the RPwD Rules, 2017 deals with manner and purpose of utilisation of the Fund. The Central Government initially constituted the Governing Body under the Chairmanship of Secretary, DEPwD, which is responsible for overall management of the said Fund. The Governing Body has been reconstituted on 13.10.2022. Fund position under National Fund is as under:

- Fixed Deposit Rs 301.34 crores
- Savings Account (net amount) Rs 43.59 crores
- Expenditure during 2023-24 as on 31.03.2024: Rs.9.73 Crores

8.6.1 Scheme for Providing Financial Assistance to Persons with Disabilities/Organization under National Fund includes following components:

- (i) Exhibitions/workshops to showcase the products including paintings, handicraft etc made by the PwDs,
- (ii) Support persons with benchmark disabilities who have excelled in sports or in fine arts/music/dance at the State level to participate in the National/International events. Assistance from the fund for the same event can be granted only once to a PwD, and
- (iii) Support certain exclusive needs of persons with high support needs as recommended by the State Assessment Board on specific recommendation on a case to case basis.
- (iv) Persons with benchmark disabilities, who have excelled in academic and technical areas for presenting research papers in International conferences/ seminars/ symposia/ workshops.
- (v) Financial assistance to the State/UT Governments
- (vi) Strengthening STEM labs for class XI, XII especially forBlind/Deaf/ID Schools under National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) and CBSE/ICSE and other Central/State school boards.
- (vii) Travel, boarding and lodging of athletes, coaches and escorts for Participation in sports events organized by the Center for Disability Sports.
- **8.6.2** The proposals received in the Department were placed before the Governing Body of the National Fund for Persons with Disabilities. After due approval of the Governing Body, organizations/individuals have been considered for financial assistances under National Fund. Details of the fund released to the Organizations/Individuals during the financial year 2023-24 (as on 31.03.2024) are at **Annexure-X**

8.7 Atal Bihari Vajpayee Training Centre for Disability Sports, Gwalior

The Cabinet in its meeting held on 28.02.2019 approved the establishment of one Centre for Disability Sports at Gwalior (M.P.). The Centre is registered as a society under the M.P Societies Registration Act, 1973 dated 22.09.2021 with authorities being the Governing Body & Executive committees supervising the activities of the Centre.





Atal Bihari Vajpayee Training Centre for Disability Sports (ABV-TCDS), Gwalior has been inaugurated virtually by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 2nd October 2023. Hon'ble Union Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment, Dr. Virendra Kumar was present at the inaugural ceremony of the Centre.

8.7.1 Activities of the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Training Centre for Disability Sports

ABV-TCDS will provide sports training with the latest facilities at par with the world to persons with disabilities to enable them to effectively compete and win medals in Paralympics, Deaflympics, Special Olympics and other International events for Sports persons with Disabilities. Sports facilities are available including outdoor activities like Archery, Athletics, Football and Tennis, and Indoor activities like Badminton, Wheelchair Basketball, Table Tennis, Sitting Volleyball, Judo, Taekwondo, Wheelchair Fencing, Wheelchair rugby, Boccia, Goalball, Football 5-a-Side, Para Dance Sport and Para Powerlifting as well as a hostel.

8.7.2 Aims & Objectives:

- 1. To establish a state-of-the-art international level Centre of Excellence for sports for Divyang sports persons (PwDs) with full accessibility as per norms.
- To create specialized sports infrastructure so that the para-sports persons can undergo rigorous and specialized training in the Centre.
- 3. To ensure the participation of Divyangjan in sports activities in greater numbers and enable them to effectively compete in international events.
- 4. To help build confidence and develop a sense of belonging in Divyangian to facilitate their integration into Society

8.7.3 Activities Organized at ABV-TCDS post-inauguration along with photographs:

1. Day training for the para-athletes has been started at the centre.





- 2. Students and faculties from "Amar Jyoti School for Special Children" visited the centre and conducted sports activities.
- 3. Sports persons from various institutes of persons with disabilities were invited for athletic events (1100 mts, 200 mts, Long Jump, Javelin throw & Shot put) on 30th Oct'2023 in different categories i.e. Intellectual disability, Hearing impaired, Cerebral Palsy and Autism.





4. The Table Tennis event for para-sportsperson was organized on 06th Nov 2023. A total of 16 people participated in this event. The athletes participated in 03 different categories i.e. Hearing impaired, Cerebral Palsy and Wheelchair class





5. BOCCIA Event was organized on 21st Nov'2023 at ABV-TCDS, Gwalior. 33 athletes participated in 03 different categories i.e. Intellectual disability, Cerebral Palsy and Wheelchair class.





6. On 3rd Dec, 2023 in collaboration with M.P. State Deptt. for Persons with Disability, a sports event was organized in which near about 220 para-sports persons from 12 schools participated in various track, throw events & BOCCIA event.





7. On 29th & 30th December 2023 XIII -MP state para-athletics championship 2023 were conducted by Paralympic Committee of India (PCI). 80 sports persons participated under various categories & events and 11 participants were selected for Senior Para Athletics National Championships held at Purple Fest, Goa on 13.01.2024.





8. 8th BOCCIA National Sub-Junior, Junior & Senior (Male & Female) Championship were conducted by BOCCIA Sports Federation of India from 07th to 12th February'2024. 100 athletes from across the country have participated in the event.













9. 23rd National Para Swimming Championship, 2023-24 (Men & Women) were conducted by Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) from 29th to 31stMarch'2024. 456 para swimmers from across the country were participated in the event.

CHAPTER 9

NATIONAL AWARDS FOR THE EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

9.1 Overview

National Awards for the Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities are conferred on Individuals/ Institutions/States/Districtsfor their outstanding achievements in the field of empowerment of persons with disabilities. These awards have been instituted with the objective to focus public attention on issues concerning persons with disabilities and to promote their mainstreaming in the society. The awards are conferred on the occasion of 'International Day of Persons with Disabilities' i.e. 3rdof December every year.

9.2 Inclusion of more Categories of Disabilities as per the RPwD Act, 2016:

With the coming into force of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 w.e.f. 19.04.2017, the numbers of specified disabilities have been increased from 7 to 21 under the new Act. Accordingly, all the 21 disabilities have been included under the National Award for the Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities Guidelines, 2018 which have been notified in the Extra-ordinary Gazette of India dated 02.08.2018. Subsequently, in the Extra-ordinary Gazette of India dated 14.07.2022 the National Award categories were changed. As per the notification the applications for National Award were invited online through Award Portal of Ministry of Home Affairs. The applications were invited for the following 15 categories:

I. National Awards for Individual Excellence

- Sarvshresth Divyangjan
- Shresth Divyangjan
- Shresth Divyang Bal/Balika (Children with disabilities upto the age of 18 years)
- Divyangjano Ke Liye Karyarat Sarvshrestha Vyakti
- Divyangata Ke Kshetra Mein Sarvshrestha PunarvasPeshevar
- Divyangata Ke Keshtra Mein Sarvshrestha Anusandhan/Navpravartan/Utpad Vikas

II. National Awards for Institutions engaged in Empowering persons with disabilities.

- Divyangjan Sashaktikaran Hetu Sarveshrestha Sansthan. (Private organization, NGO)
- Divyangjano Ke Liye Sarvshrestha Niyokta. (Govt. organisation/PSEs/ Autonomous bodies/Pvt. Sector)
- Divyangao Ke Liye Sarvshresth Placement Agency–excluding Govt./State Govt./Local Bodies
- Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan Kay Karyanvayan / Badhamukta Vatavaran Kay Srijan Mein Sarvshrestha Rajya / UT / Zila.
- Sarvshrestha Sugamya Yatayatkay Sadahan / Soochana Avem Sanchar Prodyogiki.
- Divyangjano Kay Adhikar Adhiniyam/UDID Avem Divyang Sashktikaranki Anay Yojanaon kay Karyanvayan Mein Sarvshrestha Rajya/UT/Zila.
- Divyangjano Kay Adhikar Adhiniyam Kay Apne Rajya/UT Mein Karyanvayan Mein Sarvshrestha Pradarshan Rajya Divayngjan Aayukta.
- Punarvas Sevawon ke liye Pesheyvar Taiyar Karnewali Sarvshresth Sansthan.

- 9.3 For National Award, 2023, an advertisement inviting applications from persons belonging to all the 21 specified disabilities through MHA award portal was published in the leading newspapers on 14th June, 2023 with the last date for submission of applications as 31st July, 2023 which was subsequently extended and applications received upto 15th August, 2023. Besides, State Governments/Union Territory Administrators and central Ministries/Departments were also requested to send nominations for National Awards in various categories as also to give wide publicity to the National Awards for empowerment of Persons with Disabilities. The detailed scheme of National Awards as also the advertisement issued for calling applications through online mode on the Award Portal (www.awards.gov.in). Physical applications were not accepted.
- 9.4 For the year 2023, total 1723 (Individuals) & 151(Institutions) applications were received through online mode. These applications were shortlisted on merit basis by four Screening Committees constituted for the purpose. The shortlisted applications were considered by the National Selection Committee under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Minister of State, Social Justice & Empowerment, Kumari Pratima Bhoumik for selection of the National Awardees for the year 2023.
- 9.5 List of recipients of the National Awards for the year 2023 is at Annexure-XI

ANNEXURE - I

WORK ALLOCATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The subjects, allocated to the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD) as per Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules are:-

1. The following subjects which fall within List I – Union List of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution:

Indo-US, Indo-UK, Indo-German, Indo-Swiss and Indo-Swedish Agreements for Duty-free import of donated relief goods/supplies and matters connected with the distribution of such supplies.

- 2. The following subjects which fall within List-III Concurrent List of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution (as regards Legislation only):
- "Social Security and Social Insurance, save to the extent, allotted to any other Department"
- 3. For the Union territories, the following subjects which fall in List II -State List or List III-Concurrent List of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, in so far as they exist in regard to such territories:
- "Relief of the Disabled and the unemployable; Social Security and Social Insurance, save to the extent allotted to any other Department".
- 4. To act as the nodal Department for matters pertaining to Disability and Persons with Disabilities.

{Note: The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) shall be the nodal Department for the overall policy, planning and coordination of programmes for Persons with Disabilities. However, overall management and monitoring etc. of the sectoral programmes in respect of this group shall be the responsibility of the concerned Central Ministries, State Governments and Union territory Administrations. Each Central Ministry or Department shall discharge nodal responsibility concerning its sector.}

- 5. Special schemes aimed at rehabilitation and social, educational and economic empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, e.g. supply of aids and appliances, scholarships, residential schools, skill training, concessional loans and subsidy for self-employment, etc.
- 6. Education and Training of Rehabilitation Professionals.
- 7. International Conventions and Agreements on matters dealt within the Department e.g. United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.
- 8. Awareness generation, research, evaluation and training in regard to subjects allocated to the Department.
- 9. Charitable and Religious Endowments and promotion and development of Voluntary Efforts pertaining to subjects allocated to the Department.

- 10. Acts/Legislations/Policies
- (i) The Rehabilitation Council of India Act, 1992 (34 of 1992);
- (ii) The National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999 (44 of 1999).
- (iii) The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (49 of 2016)
- 11. Statutory Bodies
- (i) The Rehabilitation Council of India.
- (ii) The Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities.
- (iii) The National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities.
- 12. CPSUs/Autonomous Bodies
- (i) The National Divyangjan Finance and Development Corporation (NDFDC) which was earlier National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) registered under Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 (Corresponding provisions of section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013) on 24.01.1997 as a company not for profit.
- (ii) Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO), Kanpur.
- 13. National Institutes:
- (i) Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (PDUNIPPD) formerly known as Institute for the Physically Handicapped (IPH), New Delhi
- (ii) Swami Vivekanand National Institute of Rehabilitation Training and Research (SVNIRTAR), Cuttack
- (iii) National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (NILD), Kolkata formerly known as National Institute for the Orthopedically Handicapped (NIOH)
- (iv) National Institute for The Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (NIEPVD) formerly known as National Institute for the Visually Handicapped, Dehradun
- (v) Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Divyangjan), Mumbai (AYNISHD), formerlyAli Yavar Jung National Institute for the Hearing Handicapped, Mumbai
- (vi) National Institute for The Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Dissabilities (Divyanggjan) (NIEPID) formerly National Institute for the Mentally Handicapped, Secunderabad.
- (vii) National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (Divyangjan) (NIEPMD), Chennai.
- (viii) Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC), New Delhi.
- (ix) National Institute of Mental Health Rehabilitation (NIMHR) at Sehore, Madhya Pradesh

ANNEXURE – II

STATE-WISE POPULATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AS PER CENSUS 2011

S.No	State	Total disabled population as per Census 2011
1	Andhra Pradesh	12,19,785
2	Arunachal Pradesh	26,734
3	Assam	4,80,065
4	Bihar	23,31,009
5	Chhattisgarh	6,24,937
6	Delhi	2,34,882
7	Goa	33,012
8	Gujarat	10,92,302
9	Haryana	5,46,374
10	Himachal Pradesh	1,55,316
11	J&K	3,61,153
12	Jharkhand	7,69,980
13	Karnataka	13,24,205
14	Kerala	7,61,843
15	Madhya Pradesh	15,51,931
16	Maharashtra	29,63,392
17	Manipur	58,547
18	Mizoram	15,160
19	Meghalaya	44,317
20	Nagaland	29,631
21	Odisha	12,44,402
22	Punjab	6,54,063
23	Rajasthan	15,63,694
24	Sikkim	18,187
25	Tamil Nadu	11,79,963
26	Telangana	10,46,822
27	Tripura	64,346
28	Uttar Pradesh	41,57,514
29	Uttarakhand	1,85,272
30	West Bengal	20,17,406
31	A&N Islands	6,660
32	Chandigarh	14,796
33	Daman & Diu	2,196
34	D& N Haveli	3,294
35	Lakshadweep	1,615
36	Puducherry	30,189
	Total	2,68,14,994

Annexure - III

Details of long term courses (one or more than one year duration) by the National Institutes/Composite Regional Centre.

PDUNIPPD, New Delhi

S.No.	Name of Course	Duration of Course	Number of seats
1.	Bachelor in Physiotherapy (BPT)	4 ½ Years	68
2.	Bachelor in Occupational Therapy (BOT)	4 ½ Years	68
3.	Bachelor in Prosthetic & Orthotics (BPO)	4 ½ Years	39
4.	Master in Prosthetic & Orthotics (MPO)	2 Years	11
5.	Certificate Course in Bench Skills	1 year	20

CRC, Lucknow

1.	Diploma in Special Education (IDD)	2 Years	35
2.	Diploma in Special Education (VI)	2 Years	35

CRC, Srinagar

1.	B.Ed Special Education (Intellectual Disability)	2 Years	30
2.	Post Graduate Diploma in Rehabilitation Psychology	1 Year	20

SVNIRTAR, Cuttack

S.No.	Name of Course	Duration of Course	Number of seats
01	Bachelor of Physiotherapy	4 &½ years	62
02	Bachelor in Occupational Therapy	4 &½ years	62
03	Bachelor in Prosthetics & Orthotics	4 &½ years	46
04	Master of Physiotherapy	2 Years	15
05	Master of Occupational Therapy	2 Years	15
06	Master in Prosthetics & Orthotics	2 Years	10
07	DNB	2 years Diploma & 3 years Post MBBS	01+01
08	Post Basic Diploma in Orthopaedic Nursing	1 year	10
09	BASLP	4 years	10
10	CBS	1 year	20

CRC, Guwahati

SI No.	Name of the course	Duration of the course	Number of seats
ï	Diploma in Hearing, Language and Speech(DHLS)	1 year	30
2	Bachelor in Audiology & Speech Language Pathology	4 years	25

NILD, Kolkata

S. No.	Name of the Course	Duration of Course	Number of Seats
1.	Bachelor in Physiotherapy	4 ½ Yrs.	57
2.	Bachelor in Occupational Therapy	4 ½ Yrs.	56
3.	Bachelor in Prosthetics & Orthotics	4 ½ Yrs.	27
4.	Master in Physiotherapy (Orthopaedics)	2 Yrs	7
5.	Master in Physiotherapy (Neurology)	2 Yrs	3
6.	Master in Occupational Therapy (Orthopaedics)	2 Yrs	7
7.	Master in Prosthetics & Orthotics	2 Yrs	7
8.	M.Sc. in Nursing (Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation Nursing)	2 Yrs	11
9.	Post Graduate Diploma in Disability Rehabilitation Management	1 Yr	17
10.	Certificate Course in Bench Skills	1 year	20
11.	Certificate Program in Community Based Inclusive Development	6 months.	40

CRC, Patna

1.	Diploma in Hearing, Language & Speech (DHLS)	1 Yr	35
2.	Diploma in Special Education (VI)	2 Yrs	35
3.	Diploma in Special Education-Hearing impairment (D.Ed SE-VI)	2 Yrs	35
4	Diploma in Special Education- Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (D.Ed-SE (IDD)	2 Yrs	35

CRC, Tripura

1. Diploma in Indian Sign Language Interpretation (DISLI) 2 Yr	30
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NIEPVD, Dehradun

S.No	Duration	Numbers of seat	
	HRD Training Programn	nes	
1.	M. Phil in Rehabilitation Psychology	2 Years	11
2.	M. Phil in Clinical Psychology	2 Years	07
3.	M. Ed Special Education (Visual Impairment)	2 Years	15
4.	P.G Diploma in Rehabilitation Psychology	1 Year	16
5.	Integrated M.Sc. Applied Psychology	5 Years	40
6.	B. Ed Special Education (Visual Impairment)	2 Years	30
7.	B. Ed Special Education (Multiple Disabilities)	2 Years	30
8.	B. Ed Special Education (Deaf Blind)	2Years	30
9.	D.Ed. Special Education (Visual Impairment)	2 Years	35
	Skill Development Training Programme	AM.	
1.	Computer Operator and Programming Assistant	1 Year	21
2.	Braille Shorthand (Hindi)	1 Year	16
3.	Training Course in Braille Stenography& Secretarial Assistance	1 Year	15

CRC, Sundernagar:

S.No	Name of the Course	Duration	Numbers of seat
1.	Diploma in Special Education (Visual Impairment)	2 Years	35
2	Diploma in Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Years	35
3	Diploma in Special Education (Intellectual Disability)	2 Years	35
4.	Diploma in Special Education (Multiple Disability)	2 Years	35

CRC, Gorakhpur:

S.No	Name of the Course	Duration	Numbers of seat
1.	Diploma in Special Education(Multiple Disability)	2 Years	30
2.	Diploma in Special Education (Intellectual Disability)	2 Years	30
3.	Certificate in Child Care Giver	1 Year	25

AYJNISHD, Mumbai

S.No.	Name of course	Duration	Sanctioned intake
01	Ph.D. (Sp& Hg.)	3 + Years	20
02	Ph.D. (Spl. Edu.)	3 + Years	20
03	Master of Science (Audiology)	2 Years	15

S.No.	Name of course	Duration	Sanctioned intake
04	Master of Education - Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Years	23
05	Bachelor of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology	4 Years	43
06	Bachelor of Education - Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Years	30
07	Post Graduate Diploma in Auditory Verbal Therapy	1 Year	25
08	Diploma in Sign Language Interpreting	2 Years	15
09	Certificate Course in Computer Software (for persons with Hearing Impairment	1 Year	25

Regional Centre, Kolkata

S.No.	Name of course	Duration	Sanctioned intake
01	Master of Science (Speech-Language Pathology)	2 Years	15
02	Bachelor of Audiology and Speech- Language Pathology	4 Years	33
03	Bachelor of Education - Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Years	23
04	Bachelor of Education - Special Education - Distance Education (HI)	2.5 Years	50
05	Diploma in Education – Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Years	31
06	Diploma in Sign Language Interpreting	2 Years	15
07	Diploma in Computer Application	1 Year	20

Regional Centre, Secunderabad

S.No.	Name of course	Duration	Sanctioned intake
01	Master of Science (Audiology)	2 Years	13
02	Bachelor of Science (Audiology, Speech-Language Pathology	4 Years	34
03	Bachelor of Education - Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Years	31
04	Diploma in Education – Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Years	31

Regional Centre, Noida

S.No.	Name of course	Duration	Sanctioned intake
01	Bachelor of Audiology, Speech- Language Pathology	4 Years	25

S.No.	Name of course	Duration	Sanctioned intake
02	Diploma in Education – Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Years	38
03	Diploma in Hearing, Language and Speech	1 Year	30
04	Certificate Course in Computer Application for Persons with Hearing Impairment	1 Year	20

Regional Centre, Janla, Odisha

S.No.	Name of course	Duration	Sanctioned intake
01	Bachelor of Education – Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Year	30
02	Diploma in Education - Special Education (Hearing Impairment)	2 Years	36
03	Diploma in Hearing, Language and Speech	1 Year	30

NIEPID, Secunderabad

S. No.	Name of the course	Duration of the course	No. of seats
1.	M. Phil in Rehabilitation Psychology (ID)	2 Years	14+ 1(EWS)
2	M. Ed in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	25+2(EWS)
3	Post Graduation Diploma in Early Intervention	1 Year	20+2(EWS)
4	B. Ed in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	30+3(EWS)
5	Diploma in Early Childhood Special Education (ID)	1 Year	30+3(EWS)
6	D.Ed. in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	35+3(EWS)
7	Diploma in Vocational Rehabilitation (ID)	1 Year	30+3(EWS)
8	Community Based Inclusive Development (CBID)	6 months	40

Regional Centre, Noida

S. No.	Name of the course	Duration of the course	No. of seats
1	M. Ed in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	15+3(EWS)
2	B. Ed in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	30+3(EWS)
3	D.Ed. in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	35+3(EWS)

Regional Centre, Navi Mumbai

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration of the course	No. of seats
1	M. Ed in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	15+1(EWS)
2	B.Ed. in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	20+2(EWS)
3	D.Ed. in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	35+3(EWS)

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration of the course	No. of seats
4	Diploma in Early Childhood Special Education (ID)	1 Year	30+3(EWS)
5	Diploma in Vocational Rehabilitation (ID)	1 Year	25+2(EWS)

Regional Centre, Kolkata

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration of the course	No. of seats
1	M. Ed in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	12+1(EWS)
2	B.Ed. in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	30+3(EWS)
3	D. Ed in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	30+3(EWS)
4	Diploma in Vocational Rehabilitation (ID)	1 Year	30+3(EWS)
5	B. Ed in Special Education (ID)- ODL	2 Years	50

CRC, Nellore

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration of the course	No. of seats
1	D. Ed in Special Education (HI)	2 Years	35 +3 (EWS)

CRC Davangere

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration of the course	No. of seats
1	D. Ed in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	35+3 (EWS)
2	D. Ed in Special Education (HI)	2 Years	35+3 (EWS)

CRC Rajnandgaon

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration of the course	No. of seats
1	D. Ed in Special Education (ID)	2 Years	35+3 (EWS)

NIEPMD, Chennai

S.No.	Name of the Course	Duration of course	Number of Seats
1	M.Phil. (Clinical Psychology)	2 Years	13
2	M.Ed. Special Education(Multiple Disabilities)	2 Years	20
3	B.Ed. Special Education (Multiple Disabilities)	2 Years	30
4	Post Graduate Diploma in Early Intervention (PGDEI)	1 Year	15
5	D.Ed. Special Education(Multiple Disabilities)	2 Years	35
6	Bachelor in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology (BASLP)	4 Years	27
7	Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (BOT)	4½ Years	28
8	Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT)	4½ Years	28
9	Bachelor in Prosthetic& Orthotics (BPO)	4½ Years	20

CRC- Kozhikode

S. No.	Name of Course	Duration of course	No. of seats
1	D.Ed. Special Education (IDD)	2 years	35
2	D.Ed. Special Education (MD)	2 years	35
3	B.Ed. in Special Education (ID)	2 years	30

ISLRTC, New Delhi

S. No.	Name of Course	Duration of Course	Numbers of seats
01	Diploma in Indian Sign Language Interpretation (DISLI)	Two years	90
02	Diploma in Teaching Indian Sign Language (DTISL)	Two years	44

NIMHR, Sehore

S.N.	Name of Course	Duration of Course	No. of Seats
1.	Diploma in Vocational Rehabilitation - Intellectual Disability (DVR-ID)	1 Year	30
2.	Diploma in Community Based Rehabilitation (DCBR)	1 Year	30
3.	Certificate Course in Care Giving – Mental Health (CCCG)	1 Year	30

Annexure IV-A

State/UT-wise funds released under DDRS during 2020-21 to 2023-24

(Rs. in Lakhs)

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S.No.	Name of the State	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
1	Andhra Pradesh	1605.02	1723.42	2612.45	2705.53
2	Assam	62.02	139.06	162.76	121.83
3	Bihar	0	41.89	33.54	68.65
4	Chhattisgarh	1.63	47.58	0	0
5	Delhi	247.67	162.74	185.51	166.89
6	Gujarat	23.32	96.17	70.93	74.22
7	Haryana	140.19	101.99	128.93	174.61
8	Himachal Pradesh	55.32	67.15	48.77	61.14
10	Karnataka	81.30	135.60	139.92	73.73
11	Kerala	628.30	725.30	762.41	455.20
12	Madhya Pradesh	214.85	259.59	316.82	332.28
13	Maharashtra	154.33	43.95	350.27	194.87
14	Manipur	530.09	691.62	1001.86	854.45
15	Meghalaya	105.37	29.64	101.76	87.86
16	Mizoram	11.73	0	29.22	17.26
17	Nagaland	26.32	0	30.36	37.61
18	Odisha	742.04	1436.38	899.17	1276.43
19	Punjab	98.92	131.90	158.68	186.56
20	Rajasthan	144.01	241.13	203.46	285.14
21	Tamil Nadu	208.25	137.06	184.70	312.15
22	Tripura	0	0	15.57	0
23	Uttar Pradesh	1161.31	1254.21	991.44	1509.97
24	Uttrakhand	29.37	37.44	84.88	33.07
25	West Bengal	311.66	553.35	800.48	748.18
26	Telangana	1141.09	1439,72	1510.45	2096.09
27	Puducherry	18.48	35.89	85.27	80.65
	Total	7742.59	9532.76	10909.61	11954.37

Annexure-IV(B)

State/UT-wise number of beneficiaries under DDRS during 2020-21 to 2023-24

S.No.	Name of the State	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
1	Andhra Pradesh	5620	4620	5605	4604
2	Assam	248	488	753	327
3	Bihar	0	55	69	111
4	Chhattisgarh	110	110	0	0
5	Delhi	685	615	937	688
6	Gujarat	378	447	437	187
7	Haryana	505	292	444	377
8	Himachal Pradesh	212	144	89	119
10	Karnataka	373	389	685	104
11	Kerala	1656	1883	2081	1549
12	Madhya Pradesh	822	682	803	764
13	Maharashtra	2049	1677	523	1354
14	Manipur	1523	1478	2681	1942
15	Meghalaya	322	84	361	352
16	Mizoram	20	0	61	60
17	Nagaland	47	0	60	48
18	Odisha	5953	5306	4776	2067
19	Punjab	272	505	682	697
20	Rajasthan	370	528	546	513
21	Tamil Nadu	706	1267	1320	1052
22	Tripura	0	0	44	0
23	Uttar Pradesh	3580	3604	3249	3017
24	Uttrakhand	144	142	125	62
25	West Bengal	1935	1389	4424	7162
26	Telangana	3932	4397	4389	3271
27	Puducherry	80	71	205	162
	Total	31542	30173	35349	30589

Annexure- IV(C)

Details of Grant-in-Aid released to Non-Governmental Organisation under DDRS during the year 2023-24

S.No.	Name of Organization and Location	GIA released (Rs. in lakh)
1	Adi Andhra Educational Society, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh	39.08
2	Adithya Educational Society, Eluru, Andhra Pradesh	68.82
3	Al Shifa Minority Institute for MR and Old Age, Cuddapah, Andhra Pradesh	39.90
4	Anjali Institute of Research & Rehab. for the Mentally Hnadi. & oth. Disabled, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh	49.91
5	Centre for Disabled Children Integrated High School, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	53.68
6	Chaitanya Institute for the Learning Disabled, Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh	28.25
7	Chaitanya Mahila Mandali, Bapatla, Andhra Pradesh	31.23
8	Darshini Handicapped Welfare Society, Cuddapah, Andhra Pradesh	19.93
9	Helen Kellers Memorial Association for the Blind, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	11.78
10	Helen Kellers School for the Deaf, Cuddapah, Andhra Pradesh	46.06
11	Holy Cross Social Service Society, Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh	41.90
12	Immaculate Heart of Mary Society, NTR, Andhra Pradesh	88.51
13	Immaculate Heart of Mary Society for Welfare of Disabled, NTR, Andhra Pradesh	48.37
14	Indian Red Cross Society, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh	22.93
15	Indian Red Cross Society MSR Spastic Centre, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh	24.75
16	Kala Social Welfare Society, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	38.01
17	Kalyani Rural Rehabilitation and Educational Society, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh	18.94
18	Kranti Education Society, Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh	35.33
19	Lebenshilfe, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	114.48
20	Louis Braille Blind Welfare Association, Nandyala, Andhra Pradesh	36.24
21	Maharishi Sambamurthi Institute of Social & Development Studies, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh	18.29
22	Manasika Vikasa Kendram, NTR, Andhra Pradesh	23.40
23	Nehru Yuvajana Seva Sangam, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh	60.29
24	Parivarthan Integraed Rural People Welfare Society, Eluru, Andhra Pradesh	48.01
25	Pavani Society for Multiple Handicapped & Spastics, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	29.30
26	Peoples Action for Social Service, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh	27.91
27	Pragathi Charities, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh	7.43
28	Pragathi Charities, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh	38.17
29	Pragathi Charities, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh	89.25
30	Rashtriya Seva Samiti, Cuddapah, Andhra Pradesh	24.76
31	Rashtriya Seva Samiti, Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh	59.79
32	Rashtriya Seva Samiti, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh	59.90

S.No.	Name of Organization and Location	GIA released (Rs. in lakh)
33	Rashtriya Seva Samiti, Cuddapah, Andhra Pradesh	47.11
34	Rural India Medical & Relief Society, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh	57.92
35	S K R Pupils Welfare Society, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh	49.26
36	S K R Pupils Welfare Society, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh	28.57
37	Santhivardhana Ministries, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh	86.13
38	Sarojini Devi Memorial Society, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	14.46
39	Sathya Integrated Rural Education and Economic Development Society (SIREEDS), Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh	64.03
40	Siri Educational Society, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh	66.25
41	Sirisha Rehabilitation Centre, Krishna, Andhra Pradesh	39.79
42	Society of Hidden Sprouts Special School for MH, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	39.90
43	Spurthy Welfare Society, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh	8.83
44	Spurthy Welfare Society, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh	47.20
45	Sree Vivekananda Education Society, Dr Ambedkar Konaseema, Andhra Pradesh	67.49
46	Sri Dakshinya Bhava Samithi, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	9.08
47	Sri Dakshinya Bhava Samithi, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	38.00
48	Srimati Merla Ramamma Memorial Trust, Krishna, Andhra Pradesh	42.55
49	ST. Anns Social Service Society, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	80.49
50	ST. Anns Social Service Society, Nandyala, Andhra Pradesh	90.33
51	Sunlight Educational Society, Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh	68.39
52	Surya Kiran Parents Association for the Welfare of MH, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	26.40
53	Surya Kiran Parents Association for the Welfare of MH, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh	23.49
54	Surya Kiran Parents Association for the Welfare of MH, Palnadu, Andhra Pradesh	57.24
55	Swarna Swayamkrushi of Society, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh	58.49
56	The Rural Education and Development Trust, Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh	28.02
57	Uma Education & Technical Society, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh	10.10
58	Uma Education & Technical Society, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh	26.90
59	Uma Education & Technical Society, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh	28.98
60	Velugu, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh	48.68
61	Victory India Charitable Tent of Rescue Yacht, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh	23.71
62	Voluntary Organisation for Rural Development Society, Nandyala, Andhra Pradesh	66.10
63	Woman and Child Welfare Centre, Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh	17.07
64	Dikrong Valley Environment and Rural Development Society, Lakhimpur, Assam	15.02
65	Kachajuli Physically Handicapped School and Training Centre, Lakhimpur, Assam	54.85
66	North East Voluntary Association of Rural Development, Kamrup, Assam	27.32

S.No.	Name of Organization and Location	GIA released (Rs. in lakh)
67	Prerona Pratibandhi Sishu Bikash Kendra, Jorhat, Assam	24.64
68	Baba Garibnath Viklang Sah Jan Seva Sansthan, Muzaffarpur, Bihar	41.64
69	Koshi Kshetriya Biklang Bidhwa Bridh Kalyan Samiti, Saharsa, Bihar	16.16
70	Shubham, Muzaffarpur, Bihar	10.86
71	Akshya Pratisthan, South West, Delhi	23.65
72	Amar Jyoti Charitable Trust, East, Delhi	45.89
73	Chandra Bhushan Singh Memorial Bal Evm Shravan, East, Delhi	13.73
74	Institution for the Blind, Panchkuian Road, Delhi	10.35
75	Institution for the Blind, New Delhi, Delhi	16.67
76	Janta Adarsh Andh Vidyalaya, South, Delhi	24.73
77	National Association for the Blind, South West, Delhi	9.83
78	National Association for the Blind, South West, Delhi	8.14
79	National Association for the Blind, South West, Delhi	7.71
80	Akshar Trust, Vadodara, Gujarat	18.48
81	Khodiyar Education Trust, Mahesana, Gujarat	4.79
82	Samprat Education and Charitable Trust, Junagadh, Gujarat	4.75
83	Viklang Sarvangi Vikas Trust , Dahod, Gujarat	46.21
84	Amar Jyoti Foundation, Jind, Haryana	21.86
85	Amar Jyoti Foundation, Jind, Haryana	33.55
86	Army Wives Welfare Association, Panchkula, Haryana	15.79
87	Asha School Ambala Cantt, Ambala, Haryana	8.10
88	Asha School Hissar (Dot Army Wives Welfare Ass. Asha School), Hissar, Haryana	11.79
89	Association for the Welfare of Handicapped, Faridabad, Haryana	28.22
90	Dot Army Wives Welfare Association Asha School, Hisar, Haryana	14.10
91	Indian Red Cross Society, Hissar, Haryana	2.72
92	Indian Red Cross Society, Hissar, Haryana	4.06
93	Indian Red Cross Society, Hissar, Haryana	3.17
94	Khushboo Welfare Society, Gurugram, Haryana	5.14
95	National Association for the Integr. and Rehab. of Handicapped, Faridabad, Haryana	26.12
96	Chetna, Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh	18.39
97	Chetna, Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh	19.93
98	National Association for the Blind HP State Branch, Kullu, Himachal Pradesh	7.26
99	Paradise Children Care Centre, Chamba, Himachal Pradesh	15.56
100	Shree Ramana Maharishi Academy for the Blind, Banglore Urban, Karnataka	73.73
101	Ashakiran Association for Mentally Retarded Persons, Kozhikode, Kerala	13.31
102	Ashanilayam Social Service Centre, Kottayam, Kerala	3.02
103	Carmel Jyothi Charitable Society, Idukki, Kerala	27.76
104	Charitable Society for the Welfare of the Disabled, Ernakulam, Kerala	12.60
105	Chavara Special School for Mentally Retarded, Ernakulam, Kerala	32.01
106	Deepthi Centre Aruvithura, Kottayam, Kerala	14.20

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107	Emmaus Villa Residential School for Mentally Retarded, Wayanad, Kerala	22.69			
108	Faith India, Palakkad, Kerala	32.20			
109	Jaycee Society for Rehabilitation of the Handicapped, Kannur, Kerala	10.17			
110	Karuna Charitable Society, Kollam, Kerala	18.03			
111	Madonna Charitable Society, Thrissur, Kerala	10.05			
112	Manovikas , Kollam, Kerala	31.86			
113	Marian service society, Palakkad, Kerala	17.37			
114	Pratheeksha Bhavan School for Mentally Retarded Children Tdp, Idukki, Kerala	22.37			
115	Pratheeksha Charitable Society, Trichur, Kerala	13.66			
116	Raksha Society for the Care of Children with Special Needs, Ernakulam, Kerala	19.02			
117	Santhinilayam for Handicapped Children, Kottayam, Kerala	20.69			
118	Sevanikethan, Kottayam, Kerala	14.96			
119	Sneharam Charitable Society, Thrissur, Kerala	16.64			
120	Social Welfare Centre, Thrissur, Kerala	22.90			
121	Society for Rehabilitation of Mentally Deficient Children, Kannur, Kerala	7.46			
122	St. Joseph Mental Health Care Home Pullazhy, Thrissur, Kerala	10.70			
123	Swasraya, Thrissur, Kerala	8.27			
124	VIKAS SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY, Kannur, Kerala	24.36			
125	Vimala Mahila Samajam, Ernakulam, Kerala	28.89			
126	Asha Awwa Kendra, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh	12.55			
127	Ehsaas, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh	29.12			
128	Justice Tankha Memorial Rotary Institute, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh	22.76			
129	Mahakoshal Nav Jyoti Society, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh	21.54			
130	Nagda Zenith Social Welfare Society, Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh	51.06			
131	Nirmal Mata Society (Shalom), Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	33.47			
132	Rajul Viklang Palak Abhibhavak Uthan Samit VIDISHA MP, VIDISHA, Madhya Pradesh	24.13			
133	Raman Shiksha Samiti, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh	35.01			
134	Shri Shri Utkarsh Samiti, Indore, Madhya Pradesh	14.08			
135	Sneh Shikshan Evam Manav Seva Sansthan, Rewa, Madhya Pradesh	28.94			
136	Vandan Punarvas Evam Anusandhan Sansthan, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh	29.13			
137	Viklang Seva Bharti, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh	30.48			
138	Ahilyadevi Holkar Shikshan Prasarak Mandal , Latur, Maharashtra	13.88			
139	Ayodhya Charitable Trust, Pune, Maharashtra	46.96			
140	Ayodhya Charitable Trust, Pune, Maharashtra	5.27			
141	Harisunder Mahila Bahuddeshiya Shikshan Prasarak Mandal Udgir, Latur, Maharashtra	19.94			
142	Maha shakti Shikshan Arogya Va Krida Prasarak B U Sanstha, Old City Akola, Maharashtra	24.42			
143	Manav Vikas Sanstha Shelapuri, Beed, Maharashtra	26.35			
144	Manav Vikas Sanstha Shelapuri, Beed, Maharashtra	15.30			

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145	Manudevi Foundation Nandurbar, Nandurbar, Maharashtra	42.74		
146	Achievement of Rising Maiden, Jiribam, Manipur	62.69		
147	Centre for Development Activities CDAC, Thoubal, Manipur	15.07		
148	Centre for Mental Hygiene, Imphal West, Manipur	13.37		
149	Council for Development of Poor & Labourer, Imphal West, Manipur	11.57		
150	Council for Development of Poor & Labourer, Imphal West, Manipur	72.40		
151	Council for Development of Poor & Labourer, Imphal West, Manipur	13.46		
152	Educational and Rural Development Organization, Thoubal, Manipur	14.44		
153	Educational and Rural Development Organization , Thoubal, Manipur	30.76		
154	Imphal Guardian Society, Imphal East, Manipur	3.17		
155	Imphal Guardian Society, Imphal East, Manipur	43.92		
156	Kangchup Area Tribal Women Society, Kangpokpi, Manipur	63.04		
157	Manipur Guidance Centre (MAGC), Bishnupur, Manipur	46.59		
158	People Advance in Social Services, Churachandpur, Manipur	75.73		
159	Pioneer Development Association, Kakching, Manipur	27.32		
160	Recreation, Imphal West, Manipur	41.93		
161	Rural Development Society, Thoubal, Manipur	15.62		
162	Social Human Action for Rural Empowerment Society, Churachandpur, Manipur	30.65		
163	Society for Empowerment of the Disabled, Bishnupur, Manipur	49.04		
164	The Social and Health Development Organization, Imphal East, Manipur	35.89		
165	The Social and Health Development Organization, Imphal East, Manipur	78.10		
166	Type Writing Institution & Rural Development Service (TWIRDS), Imphal East, Manipur	16.48		
167	Type Writing Institution & Rural Development Service (TWIRDS), Imphal East, Manipur	86.23		
168	Womens Economic Development Society, Imphal East, Manipur	6.97		
169	Asha Rehabilitation Centre, East Khasi Hills, Meghalaya	11.03		
170	Bethany Society, East Khasi Hills, Meghalaya	12.56		
171	Dwar Jingkyrmen, East Khasi Hills, Meghalaya	6.81		
172	Montfort Centre for Education, West Garo Hills, Meghalaya	43.06		
173	The Society for the Welfare of the Disabled, East Khasi Hills, Meghalaya	14.40		
174	Spastic Society of Mizoram, Aizawl, Mizoram	17.26		
175	Tabitha Enabling Society, Kohima, Nagaland	37.61		
176	Association for Social Help in Rural Area (ASHRA), Balangir, Odisha	32.46		
177	Association for Social Reconstructive Activities, Jagatsinghapur, Odisha	94.78		
178	Association for Social Work and Social Research, Baudh, Odisha	25,76		
179	Association for Voluntary Action, Puri, Odisha	13.84		
180	Association for Voluntary Action, Puri, Odisha	47.34		
181	Association for Voluntary Action, Puri, Odisha 30.95			
182	Bhairabi Club, Khordha, Odisha	7.26		
183	Bhairabi Club, Khordha, Odisha	18.17		

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184	Centre for Rehabilitation Services and Research, Bhadrak, Odisha	48.75	
185	DISTRICT DISABLED SCHOOL, JHARSUGUDA, Odisha	66.25	
186	Gandhian Institute of Technical Advancement, Kendrapara, Odisha	25.16	
187	Indian Red Cross Society Sahaya, Cuttack, Odisha	35.99	
188	Kabi Narasingh Matha Blind and Deaf School, Ganjam, Odisha	94.41	
189	Manovikas GEMMAIWC (All India Women Conference), Ganjam, Odisha	51.21	
190	MKCG School for Blind and Deaf, Gajapati, Odisha	37.83	
191	National Resources Centre for Women Development, Sambalpur, Odisha	28.12	
192	National Rural Development Cooperation (NRDC), Subarnapur, Odisha	16.57	
193	National Rural Development Cooperation (NRDC), Subarnapur, Odisha	17.47	
194	National Rural Development Cooperation (NRDC), Subarnapur, Odisha	35.56	
195	Nehru Seva Sangh, Khordha, Odisha	11.78	
196	Open Learning Systems, Khordha, Odisha	35.23	
197	Regional Rehabilitation & Research Centre, Sundargarh, Odisha	60.75	
198	Regional Rehabilitation & Research Centre, Sundargarh, Odisha	79.88	
199	Saheed Yuba Sangha, Nayagarh, Odisha	18.74	
200	Society for Environmental Development & Voluntary Action, Nayagarh, Odisha	65.07	
201	The Institute for Helping the Disabled, Khordha, Odisha	42.40	
202	Union for Learning Training & Reformative Activities, Khordha, Odisha	51.54	
203	Vijaya, Bhadrak, Odisha	55.28	
204	Voluntary Organisation for Rural Improvement, Kendujhar, Odisha	53.00	
205	Womens Community Management Group, Khordha, Odisha	74.90	
206	Satya Special School, Puducherry, Puducherry	20.26	
207	Shri Patcheappane Society for Education Research and Rehabilitation of the Hearing Impaired, Puducherry, Puducherry	20.41	
208	UMA Educational and Technical Society, Yanam, Puducherry	39.98	
209	Ambuja Cement Foundation, Rupnagar, Punjab	50.10	
210	Asha Deep Welfare Society, Hoshiyarpur, Punjab	39.09	
211	Indian Red Cross Society, Jalandhar, Punjab	12.33	
212	Navjivini, Patiala, Punjab	10.11	
213	Society for Welfare of the Handicapped, Patiala, Punjab	2.85	
214	Tek Chand Sud Charitable Trust, Hoshiarpur, Punjab	19.48	
215	Vocational Rehabilitation Training Centre for Blind, Ludhiana, Punjab	52.61	
216	Disha A Resource Centre for Disabled (Disha Foundation), Jaipur, Rajasthan	42.95	
217	Gramin Uthan Manav Sansthan, Bikaner, Rajasthan	32.46	
218	Gurukul Spastic Society, Jaipur, Rajasthan	55.32	
219	Mahila Bal Vikas Gramudhyog Shiksha Samiti, Bharatpur, Rajasthan	15.30	
220	Nav Chetna Mansik Evam Mook Badhir Vidyalaya, Jaipur, Rajasthan	24.74	
221	Sambal Samiti Jaipur, Jaipur, Rajasthan	27.91	
222	Sambhav School for Autism evam multiple disability, Jaipur, Rajasthan	23.63	
223	Shikhar Society for the Welfare of Mentally Handicapped, Kota, Rajasthan	22.71	

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224	Society for Welfare of Mentally Handicapped, Jaipur, Rajasthan	35.04			
225	Tapovan Manovikas Vidyalya, Ganganagar, Rajasthan	5.07			
226	Balavidyalaya Trust - The School for Young Deaf Children, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	10.60			
227	Carmel Centre for Mentally Retarded, Tiruvallur, Tamil Nadu	48.99			
228	Christian Foundation for the Blind India, Chengalpattu, Tamil Nadu	22.93			
229	Development Education Centre, Tiruvallur, Tamil Nadu	27.64			
230	Florence Swainson HR Sec School for the Deaf, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu	10.53			
231	Kongu Arivalayam , Chennai, Tamil Nadu	24.48			
232	Life Aid Centre for the Disabled, Tiruvallur, Tamil Nadu	23.16			
233	Madhuram Naryan Centre for Exceptional Children, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	15.04			
234	Manasa School for the Special Children Society, Tiruvallur, Tamil Nadu	7.33			
235	PATHWAY CENTRE FOR REHABILITATION AND EDUCATION FOR MENTALLY RETARDED A UNIT OF DR D M C TRUST, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	79.38			
236	Rashtriya Seva Samithi, Thiruvallur, Tamil Nadu	28,61			
237	Sapthaagiri Rehabilitation Trust, Virudhunagar, Tamil Nadu	13.46			
238	Aasha Jyothi Welfare Association for Disabled , Nalgonda, Telangana	44.31			
239	Aathmeeya Manasika Vikas Kendram, Hyderabad, Telangana	96.74			
240	Andhra Mahila Sabha (DDVTRC), Hyderabad, Telangana	132.02			
241	Andhra Pradesh State forum for Economically Weaker Section, Nizamabad, Telangana	52.64			
242	Anuraag Human Services, Hyderabad, Telangana	56.35			
243	Ashray Akruti, Hyderabad, Telangana	44.76			
244	Balavikas Educational Society for Disabled Children, Medchala & Malkajgiri, Telangana	43.25			
245	BRESH (Bhadrachalam Agency for Rural Dev. Reh. & Edu. Soc. Hand.), Bhadradri Kothagudem, Telangana	50.72			
246	Child Guidance Centre, Medchala & Malkajgiri, Telangana	92.67			
247	Development and Welfare Association of the Blind, Nalgonda, Telangana	37.35			
248	Devnar Foundation for the Blind, Hyderabad, Telangana	162.75			
249	ECOCLUB, Mahbubnagar, Telangana	57.72			
250	Gracy Organisation for Development Services, Nizamabad, Telangana	35.18			
251	Jeeyar Educational Trust, Rangareddy, Telangana	42.43			
252	KIRANAM ORGANISATION FOR THE WELFARE OF DISABLED, Rangareddy, Telangana	37.22			
253	Lakshyasadhana Society for the Mentally Handicapped, Medchala & Malkajgiri, Telangana	38.83			
254	Manochetana, Siddipet, Telangana	2.98			
255	Mephi Rehabilitation Centre for the Mentally Retarted, Khammam, Telangana	5.81			
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257	New Donbosco Educational Society, Hyderabad, Telangana	37.39			

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258	PAMENCAP (Parents Ass. For the Mentally Handicapped Persons), Secunderabad, Telangana	40.54
259	Parents Association for the Mentally Handicapped Persons (PAMENCAP Godavarikhani), Peddapalli, Telangana	44.98
260	PAWMENCAP (Parents Ass. For the Welfare of Mentally Handicapped Persons), Hyderabad, Telangana	7.78
261	PAWMENCAP (Parents Ass. For the Welfare of Mentally Handicapped Persons), Hyderabad, Telangana	110.35
262	People with Hearing Impaired Network, Hyderabad, Telangana	65.02
263	Praents Association for the Mentally Handicapped Persons , Karimnagar, Telangana	18.29
264	Radha Institute for Mentally Retarded, Rangareddy, Telangana	29.39
265	Residential School for the Blind, Gadwal, Telangana	43.38
266	Sabitha Educational Society, Sangareddy, Telangana	48.13
267	Sadhana Society for the Mentally Handicapped, Medchala & Malkajgiri, Telangana	72.98
268	Sadhana Society for the Mentally Handicapped, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri, Telangana	56.38
269	Samarakshana Welfare Society for Intellectually Disable Children, Adilabad, Telangana	40.21
270	Shanthiniketan, Rangareddy, Telangana	26.46
271	Shanthiniketan, Rangareddy, Telangana	63.38
272	Sneha Society for Rural Reconstruction, Nizamabad, Telangana	96.21
273	Sneha Society for Rural Reconstruction, Nizamabad, Telangana	67.61
274	Sri Vidhyas Centre for the Special Children, Hyderabad, Telangana	44.81
275	Swayamkrushi, Medchala & Malkajgiri, Telangana	20.54
276	Thakur Hari Prasad Institute of Research and Rehab. For the MH, Rangareddy, Telangana	3.71
277	Thakur Hari Prasad Institute of Research and Rehab. For the MH, Rangareddy, Telangana	26.94
278	The Karimnagar District Freedom Fighters Trust, Karimnagar, Telangana	24.38
279	The Society for Educational and Reh. of the Disabled (SERD), Suryapet, Telangana	42.16
280	Adarsh Mook Badhir Vidyalaya, Kheri, Uttar Pradesh	45.59
281	Akhil Bhartiya Viklang Kalyan Samiti, Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh	56.26
282	Anand Training Charitable Society, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh	55.86
283	Arya Sugandh Sansthan, Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh	24,43
284	Bhagirath Sewa Sansthan, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh	71.77
285	Bhartiya Chauhan Samiti, Azamgarh, Uttar Pradesh	36.57
286	Bimal Chandra Ghosh school (Benaras Deaf & Dumb School Ass.), Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	36.73
287	Chetna, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	26.39
288	Chetna, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	27.19
289	Disha Samiti, Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh	22.15

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290	Friends of Handicapped India, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh	94.33
291	Gramodaya Jan Sewa Sansthan, Kaushambi, Uttar Pradesh	56.71
292	Handicapped Development Council, Agra, Uttar Pradesh	76.27
293	Integrated Institute for the Disabled, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	31.50
294	Jonson Academic Institute, Unnao, Uttar Pradesh	15.83
295	K.S.J. High School, Sambhal, Uttar Pradesh	32.33
296	Kalyanam Karoti, Mathura, Uttar Pradesh	12.30
297	Ma Saraswati Sewa Samiti, Kanpur Nagar, Uttar Pradesh	17.96
298	Mook Vadhir Vidhalya (Deaf & Dumb School), Meerut, Uttar Pradesh	60.82
299	Pawahari Smritee Parishad, Ghazipur, Uttar Pradesh	17.11
300	Pawahari Smritee Parishad, Ghazipur, Uttar Pradesh	13.10
301	Pragnarain Mook Badhir Vidyalaya, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh	24.42
302	Rajeshwari Sewa Sansthan, Auraiya, Uttar Pradesh	28.71
303	Rawat Shiksha Samiti, Hathras, Uttar Pradesh	17.26
304	Samajik Utthan Samiti, Ballia, Uttar Pradesh	47.20
305	Samarpan Sanstha, Ghazipur, Uttar Pradesh	27.74
306	Sanchit Vikas Sansthan, Basti, Uttar Pradesh	11.89
307	Sant Ravidas Samaj Kalyan Shiksha Samiti, Etawah, Uttar Pradesh	18.07
308	Seema Sewa Sansthan, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	35.47
309	Shri Hanuman Prasad Poddar Andh Vidyalaya, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	26.28
310	Shri Krishna Adarsh Vidya Mandir, Fatehpur, Uttar Pradesh	38.20
311	Society for Institute of Psycho Research and Health, Amroha, Uttar Pradesh	41.16
312	ST. Francis School for the Hearing Impaired, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	105.78
313	The Society of Khrist Jyoti, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	72.95
314	Uttar Pradesh Mook Badhir Vidhyalay, Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh	85.34
315	Viklang Samekit Punarwas Kendra, Agra, Uttar Pradesh	39.92
316	Vrindavan Shiksha Evam Jankalyan Samiti, Kaushambi, Uttar Pradesh	58.37
317	Viklang Mand Budhi Kalyan Samiti, Nainital, Uttrakhand	33.07
318	Alakendu Bodh Niketan Residential, Murshidabad, West Bengal	36,22
319	Alakendu Bodh Niketan Residential, Kolkata, West Bengal	44.86
320	Asansol Anandam, Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal	18.64
321	Asha Bhavan Centre, Howrah, West Bengal	27.76
322	Barjora Ashar Alo, Bankura, West Bengal	27.40
323	Bikashayan, Kolkata, West Bengal	26.01
324	Blind Persons Association, Nadia, West Bengal	35.93
325	Chittaranjan Smriti Pratibandhi Seva Kendra, North 24 Paraganas, West Bengal	8.90
326	Hope Society for Handicapped Orientation Programme and Education , Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal	91.95
327	Institute for the Handicapped and Backward People, Kolkata, West Bengal	65.43
328	Jalpaiguri Welfare Organization, Jalpaiguri, West Bengal	47.69
329	Korak Pratibandhi Kalyan Kendra, North 24 Paraganas, West Bengal	18.54

S.No.	Name of Organization and Location	GIA released (Rs. in lakh)
330	North Bengal Handicapped Rehabilitation Society, Darjeeling, West Bengal	123.71
331	Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Narendrapur, South 24 Paraganas, West Bengal	16.34
332	Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Narendrapur, South 24 Paraganas, West Bengal	77.10
333	Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Narendrapur, South 24 Paraganas, West Bengal	3.05
334	Shelter, Hooghly, West Bengal	69.29
335	The Bharat Scouts & Guides, North 24 Paraganas, West Bengal	9.38
	Total	11948.26

Annexure-V(A)

The posts admissible for grant under DDRC

S. No	Posts & qualifications	Honorarium (in Rs)
	Clinical Psychologist /Rehabilitation Psychologist	
	Clinical Psychologist	
	a. M. Phil. Clinical Psychology	
1	b. Professional Diploma in Clinical Psychology	20500/ 850 (per visit)
	Rehabilitation Psychologist	
	a. M.Phil. Rehabilitation Psychology	
	b. Post Graduate Diploma in Rehabilitation Psychology (PGDRP)	
	Sr. Physiotherapist / Occupational Therapist	
	Physiotherapist: 01 mandatory Qualification: BPT	
2	Occupational Therapist: 01 mandatory Qualification:BOT	20500/ 850 (per visit)
	Justification: Both PT and OT streams are entirely 2 different disciplines and have very significant & separate roles in disability rehabilitation.	
	Sr. Prosthetist / Orthotist (OH category)	
3	Qualification: Bachelor in Prosthetics and Orthotics (BPO) from any Institute recognized by RCI	20500/ 850 (per visit)
	Prosthetist/Orthotist Technician	
4	Eligibility:	14500
	Diploma in P&O or Certificate in P&O with 3 years' experience	
	Audiologist & Sr. Speech Therapist	
5	Eligibility: Bachelors in Audiology and Speech &Language Pathology (BASLP) or	20500/ 850 (per visit)
	B.Sc. Speech & Hearing	

S. No	Posts & qualifications	Honorarium (in Rs)		
	Hearing Assistant/ Jr. SpeechTherapist			
	Diploma in Speech & Hearing with knowledge of hearing aids repair/ ear- mould making			
6	Speech & Hearing Technician	14500		
0	Eligibility: Diploma in Hearing Language and Speech (DHLS)	14300		
	Ear-Mould Technician			
	Eligibility: Diploma in Hearing Aid Repair and Ear Mould Technology (DHAREMT)			
	Mobility Instructor			
	Matriculation & Certificate/ Diploma in Mobility			
7	Eligibility: Preferably Bachelor in	14500		
7	Mobility Science (B.M.Sc.)	14300		
	or			
	D.Ed.Spl.Ed./B.Ed.Spl.Ed. in Visual Impairment			
	Multi-Purpose Rehabilitation Worker			
8	Eligibility:	14500		
0	Post Graduate Diploma in Community Based Rehabilitation (PGDCBR)/ Diploma in Community Based Rehabilitation (DCBR) / Community Based Inclusive Development (CBID)/MRW	14300		
9	Accountant cum Clerk cum Storekeeper	14500		
9	B.Com/SAS with 2 years' experience	14300		
10	Attendance cum Peon cum Messenger	9500		
10	Class VIII pass	5500		
	Vocational Counsellor cum Computer Assistant			
11	Eligibility: Diploma in Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) / Advanced Diploma in Child Guidance and Counselling (ADCGC) / Bachelor of Rehabilitation Science (B.R.Sc.)	14500		
12	Early Intervention Therapist	14500		
12	Eligibility: PGDDT / PGDEI / BMR / BRSc / BRT / MRSc / MSc-EI	14500		

S. No	Posts & qualifications	Honorarium (in Rs)
	Trans-Disciplinary Special Educator (02 numbers)	
13	Eligibility for the two positions: (1) DEdSE / BEdSE in Hearing Impairment	14500
	(2) DEdSE / BEdSE in VI/ID/CP/ASD/ MD/Db/SLD	
14	Caregiver Eligibility:	6250
	CCCG-RCI / CCCG-National Trust or Class VIII passed with 3 years' experience in caregiving of PwD	

Annexure-V(B)

State/UT-wise number of DDRCs assisted, amount released during the year 2020-21 to 2023-24

S.No		2020)-21	2021	-22	2022-	23	2023-	-24
	Name of the State	Amount (in Rs.)	No. of DDRC	Amount (in Rs.)	No. of DDRC	Amount (in Rs.)	No. of DDRC	Amount (in Rs.)	No. of DDRC
1	Andhra Pradesh	3486017	2	5647299	2	3596391	2	14602792	10
2	Assam	2868072	1	2870357	1	9858009	3	1503900	2
3	Gujarat	2000484	2	2449389	2	184333	1	2096791	2
4	Himachal Pradesh	1388059	1	0	0	2028167	1	2299109	1
5	Jharkhand	0	0	0	0	2609250	1	0	0
6	Ladakh	0	0	0	0	0	0	43750	1
7	Madhya Pradesh	3346234	3	6598598	2	6589228	5	15227373	22
8	Maharashtra	2578000	1	2751455	1	3360138	3	11631834	5
9	Manipur	6614500	3	4992300	2	1443392	2	9202300	3
10	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0	0	922500	1
11	Odisha	4712250	2	2120410	1	3062525	2	10565546	8
12	Punjab	0	0	1737811	2	938028	1	2511404	2
13	Rajasthan	657400	1	4512742	2	3582301	2	3491557	2
14	Telangana	2716250	1	0	0	1702859	1	2517000	1
15	Tripura	0	0	0	0	0	0	5167400	4
16	Uttar Pradesh	17393261	9	13514896	7	15630949	10	14355424	8
17	Uttrakhand	7331201	1	3122565	1	241494	1	4740691	1
18	West Bengal	2464669	1	5353946	1	1118810	1	3460493	1
	Total	57556397	28	55671768	24	55945874	36	104339864	74

Annexure-V(C)

Details of Grant-in-aid released to DDRCs during the year 2023-24

S.No.	Name of State	Name of the DDRCs	Implement- ing Agency	Intallment	For the year	GIA re- leased (in Rs.)
1	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC Anakapalli	Indian Red Cross Society	1st installment	2023-24	1460150
2	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC East Godavari	Uma Educational and Technical Society	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
3	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC Eluru	Uma Educational and Technical Society	Full & final installment	2022-23	1802032
4	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC Kakinada	Uma Educational and Technical Society	Full & final installment	2022-23	3364860
5	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC Konaseema	Uma Educational and Technical Society	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
6	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC Kurnool	Indian Red Cross Society	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
7	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC Nandyala	RSS Jankalyan Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
8	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC Palnadu	Centre for Disabled Children	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
9	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC Vizianagram	Sri Gurudeva Charitable Trust	1st installment	2023-24	43750
10	Andhra Pradesh	DDRC YSR	Darshini Handicapped Welfare Society	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
11	Assam	DDRC Dhubri	Care India Foundation	1st installment	2023-24	43750
12	Assam	DDRC Udalguri	Rural Organisation for Social Service	1st installment	2023-24	1460150
13	Gujarat	DDRC Ahmedabad	District Management Team	Full & final installment	2022-23	1500048

S.No.	Name of State	Name of the DDRCs	Implement- ing Agency	Intallment	For the year	GIA re- leased (in Rs.)
14	Gujarat	DDRC Ahmedabad	District Management Team	1st installment	2023-24	480750
15	Gujarat	DDRC Vadodara	District Management Team	2nd & final installment	2021-22	115993
16	Himachal Pradesh	DDRC Kullu	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2022-23	1641684
17	Himachal Pradesh	DDRC Kullu	Indian Red Cross Society	1st installment	2023-24	657425
18	Ladakh	DDRC Kargil	District Management Team	1st installment	2023-24	43750
19	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Ashok Nagar	Jila Vikalang Kalyan and Vikas Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	306750
20	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Balaghat	Deendayal Antyodaya Mission Samittee	2nd & final installment	2022-23	1000186
21	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Balaghat	Deendayal Antyodaya Mission Samittee	1st installment	2023-24	706050
22	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Barwani	Ashagram Trust Barwani	1st installment	2023-24	165750
23	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Bhind	Shri Gorishankar Adhunik Shiksha Prasar Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	957500
24	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Burhanpur	District Management Team	1st installment	2023-24	443250
25	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Chhatarpur	Pragatisheel Viklang Sansar	1st installment	2023-24	1111250
26	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Damoh	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2021-22	62528
27	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Datia	Jila Viklang Kalyan Avam Vikas Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	270750
28	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Guna	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2022-23	925540
29	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Jabalpur	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2022-23	99135

S.No.	Name of State	Name of the DDRCs	Implement- ing Agency	Intallment	For the year	GIA re- leased (in Rs.)
30	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Jabalpur	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2023-24	301750
31	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Jhabua	District Management Team	Full & final installment	2022-23	1302791
32	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Jhabua	District Management Team	1st installment	2023-24	444750
33	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Katni	Jila Viklang evam Punarvas Kendra	1st installment	2023-24	393750
34	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Mandla	Deendayal Antyodaya Mission Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	567750
35	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Mandsaur	Zila Viklang Punarvas Kendra	Full & final installment	2022-23	1462643
36	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Mandsaur	Zila Viklang Punarvas Kendra	Punarvas installment		506250
37	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Morena	Jila Nishkat Kalyan Avam Vikas Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	365250
38	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Narmadapuram (Hoshangabad)	Zila Vikalang Kalyan Tatha Vikas Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	478500
39	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Panna	Zila Viklang Tatha Kalyan Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	472500
40	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Sheopur	Shri Gorishankar Adhunik Shiksha Prasar Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	365250
41	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Sidhi	Jila Rogi Kalyan Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	306750
42	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Singrauli	Indian Red 1st Cross Society installment		2023-24	716250
43	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Tikamgarh	Deendayal Antyodaya Mission	tyodaya installment		1100750
44	Madhya Pradesh	DDRC Umaria	Zila Divyang Punarvas Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	393750

S.No.	Name of State	Name of the DDRCs	Implement- ing Agency	Intallment	For the year	GIA re- leased (in Rs.)
45	Maharashtra	DDRC Ahmednagar	Dr. Vithalrao Vikhe Patil Foundation, Vadgaon Gupta	1st installment	2023-24	1229000
46	Maharashtra	DDRC Amravati	Apang Jeevan 2nd & final Vikas Sansthan installment		2022-23	1352270
47	Maharashtra	DDRC Amravati	Apang Jeevan Vikas Sansthan	3rd & final installment	2022-23	2000000
48	Maharashtra	DDRC Latur	RSS Jankalyan Samiti	Full & final installment	2021-22	2310722
49	Maharashtra	DDRC Latur	RSS Jankalyan Samiti	Full & final installment	2022-23	2448651
50	Maharashtra	DDRC Nagpur	Mahatma Gandhi Seva Sangh	Full & final installment	2021-22	1143941
51	Maharashtra	DDRC Parbhani	Mahatma Gandhi Seva Sangh	1st installment	2023-24	1147250
52	Manipur	DDRC Bishnupur	Pioneer Development Association	Full & final installment	2022-23	3840600
53	Manipur	DDRC Tengnoupal	Oriental Rural Development Organization	1st installment	2023-24	822000
54	Manipur	DDRC Ukhrul	Social and Health Development Organisation (SHEDO)	Full & final installment	2022-23	3631800
55	Manipur	DDRC Ukhrul	Social and Health Development Organisation (SHEDO)	Social and Health Development Organisation Social and 1st installment		907900
56	Nagaland	DDRC Tuensang	District Management Team	1st installment	2023-24	922500
57	Odisha	DDRC Bhadrak	Centre for Rehabilitation Services and Research (CRSR)	2nd & final installment	2022-23	1956153

S.No.	Name of State	Name of the DDRCs	Implement- ing Agency	Intallment	For the year	GIA re- leased (in Rs.)
58	Odisha	DDRC Deogarh	Sai Shree (Social Awareness Isntitute for Service, Help, Research, Edu. & Emp.	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
59	Odisha	DDRC Dhenkanal	Arun Institute of Rural Affairs (AIRA)	2nd & final installment	2022-23	683393
60	Odisha	DDRC Jagatsinghpur	Association for Social Reconstructive Activities	1st installment	2023-24	1316000
61	Odisha	DDRC Kendrapara	Gandhian Institute of Technical Advancement (GITA)	Full & final installment	2023-24	1322000
62	Odisha	DDRC Nayagarh	Society for Environmental Development and Voluntary Action (SEVA)	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
63	Odisha	DDRC Puri	Nilachal Seva Pratisthan	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
64	Odisha	DDRC Subarnapur	National Rural Development Cooperation	1st installment	2023-24	1322000
65	Punjab	DDRC Bhatinda	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2021-22	1284047
66	Punjab	DDRC Sangrur	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2021-22	620480
67	Punjab	DDRC Sangrur	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2022-23	606877
68	Rajasthan	DDRC Chittorgarh	Bhagwati Seva Evm Sikshan Sansthan	Full & final installment	2022-23	2025000
69	Rajasthan	DDRC Udaipur	Narayan Sewa Sansthan	Full & final installment	2022-23	1466557
70	Telangana	DDRC Rangareddy	Kiranam	Full & final installment	2022-23	2517000
71	Tripura	DDRC Khowai	District Rehabilitation Scoiety for Disabled	1st installment	2023-24	1291850

S.No.	Name of State	Name of the DDRCs	Implement- ing Agency	Intallment	For the year	GIA re- leased (in Rs.)
72	Tripura	DDRC North Tripura	District Rehabilitation Scoiety for Disabled	1st installment	2023-24	1291850
73	Tripura	DDRC Sepahijala	District Rehabilitation Scoiety for Disabled	1st installment	2023-24	1291850
74	Tripura	DDRC South Tripura	District Rehabilitation Scoiety for Disabled	1st installment	2023-24	1291850
75	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Badau	Prabhat Gramoudyog Sewa Sansthan	Full & final installment	2022-23	1677000
76	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Badau	Prabhat Gramoudyog Sewa Sansthan	1st installment	2023-24	375750
77	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Badau	Prabhat Gramoudyog Sewa Sansthan	2nd installment	2023-24	375750
78	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Badau	Prabhat Gramoudyog Sewa Sansthan	3rd installment	2023-24	375750
79	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Bareilly	Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Yuba Shrimali Kalyan Seva Samiti	Full & final installment	2022-23	1986292
80	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Basti	Sanchit Vikas Sansthan	Full & final installment	2022-23	478680
81	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Kushinagar	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2022-23	1442167
82	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Pilibhit	District Rural Development Agency	Full & final installment	2022-23	1233222
83	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Rampur	Upasana Jan Kalyan Samiti	Full & final installment	2022-23	1819518
84	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Rampur	Upasana Jan Kalyan Samiti installment		2023-24	375750
85	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Rampur	Upasana Jan Kalyan Samiti	2nd installment	2023-24	375750
86	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Rampur	Upasana Jan Kalyan Samiti	3rd installment	2023-24	375750
87	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Shravasti	Indian Red Cross Society	Full & final installment	2022-23	834268

S.No.	Name of State	Name of the DDRCs	Implement- ing Agency	Intallment	For the year	GIA re- leased (in Rs.)
88	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Shravasti	Indian Red Cross Society	1st installment	2023-24	477000
89	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Shravasti	Indian Red Cross Society	2nd installment	2023-24	477000
90	Uttar Pradesh	Pradesh DDRC Indian Red 3rd Cross Society installment			2023-24	477000
91	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Unnao	Jonson Academic Institute	Full & final installment	2021-22	39513
92	Uttar Pradesh	DDRC Unnao	Jonson Academic Institute	Full & final installment	2022-23	1159264
93	Uttrakhand	DDRC Tehri Garhwal	Gramin Kshetra Vikas Samiti	Full & final installment	2022-23	2834791
94	Uttrakhand	DDRC Tehri Garhwal	Gramin Kshetra Vikas Samiti	1st installment	2023-24	952950
95	Uttrakhand	DDRC Tehri Garhwal	Gramin Kshetra Vikas Samiti	2nd installment	2023-24	952950
96	West Bengal	DDRC Malda	Haiderpur Shelter of Malda	2nd & final installment	2022-23	2686643
97	West Bengal	DDRC Malda	Haiderpur Shelter of Malda	1st installment	2023-24	773850
					Total	104339864

Annexure-VI(A)

State-wise details of camps conducted, funds utilized and number of beneficiaries covered under various activities during 2020-21 to 2023-24 by various Implementing Agencies under ADIP Scheme.

		Î	2020-21			2021-22			2022-23			2023-24	
S. No.	Name of the State / Uts	No. of Camps	Funds utilized (Rs.in Lakh)	No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Camps	Funds utilized (Rs.in Lakh)	No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Camps	Funds utilized (Rs.in Lakh)	No. of Bene- ficia- ries	No. of Camps	Funds utilized (Rs.in Lakh)	No. of Bene- ficia- ries
1	Andhra Pradesh	27	1490.75	12099	58	1757.62	10755	32	921.18	8368	35	2066.99	17569
2	Bihar	62	667.39	10054	28	675.77	6308	62	1424.03	13488	145	2425.74	23878
3	Chhattisgarh	13	400.80	5040	4	18.86	468	4	166.13	1550	10	37.41	320
4	Goa	3	173.03	2616	1	2.62	28	0	14.18	4	2	40.55	416
5	Gujarat	48	968.29	17975	86	890.45	13929	97	1363.56	22286	157	1288.52	18677
6	Haryana	10	306.79	2931	35	482.94	5743	38	810.97	6862	52	1000.20	6169
7	Himachal Pradesh	15	108.76	2824	13	79.91	1586	17	142.97	2036	21	113.07	1808
8	Jammu and Kashmir	33	212.6	3690	65	321.97	5331	25	568.4	7181	46	377.65	6809
9	Jharkhand	16	162.19	2066	204	294.32	4399	39	877.74	13191	51	460.06	7850
10	Karnataka	22	481.01	2566	22	502.34	2922	34	1554.16	13637	90	908.77	15741
11	Kerala	68	300.27	3502	27	265.17	3126	41	327.93	3836	18	563.88	6766
12	Madhya Pradesh	83	1696.51	29936	302	1723.27	24312	124	2375.07	26166	209	4088.5	33650
13	Maharashtra	122	2482.85	28272	38	2665.92	25139	78	3059.88	23118	137	4182.25	54928
14	Odisha	136	981.72	16544	82	982.74	11529	97	999.97	12625	133	831.186	11095
15	Punjab	43	449.65	5089	141	1210.94	19009	80	1162.45	12437	71	1523.98	11254
16	Rajasthan	49	607.96	11419	43	759.88	11273	82	1288.82	14465	88	1939.22	19632
17	Tamil Nadu	58	557.09	8982	83	885.37	26118	34	874.32	10913	86	1025.67	12629
18	Uttar Pradesh	236	3548.46	50015	211	3473.67	39396	157	6879.49	40111	288	6915.54	49854
19	Uttarakhand	73	262.22	5775	34	161.27	4724	37	357.29	4646	51	258.70	2514
20	West Bengal	46	713.05	14855	50	547.50	7507	88	2349.9	25174	102	901.34	10685
21	Andaman & Nicobar	1	5.33	166	1	14.05	146	1	6.63	153	1	0.06	1
22	Chandigarh	4	46.46	478	2	25.55	428	2	44.47	473	7	29.12	163
23	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1	2.49	93	0	0	0	4	14.23	264	2	2.80	48
24	Daman & Diu	1	7.31	147	1	1.99	38	1	0.85	13	0	0	0
25	Delhi	8	187.36	958	23	263.28	1922	24	505.10	4008	71	376.74	3325
26	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.37	15
27	Puducherry	4	28.54	572	3	52.87	793	0	0	0	7	24.24	301
28	Arunachal Pradesh	6	32.63	366	9	20.8	300	0	0	0	5	4.57	40
29	Assam	59	303.53	13083	91	431.30	9180	55	914.51	12065	262	1162.95	17350
30	Manipur	45	71.64	1586	16	73.10	1694	13	127.36	1050	14	21.00	259
31	Meghalaya	2	7.56	201	11	34.64	307	21	113.31	1511	2	3.87	42
32	Mizoram	2	9.12	82	8	5.95	189	3	13.92	183	14	10.41	297
33	Nagaland	2	17.8	412	2	45.33	487	4	22.03	318	5	3.16	48
34	Sikkim	2	12.84	169	0	0	0	6	18.27	293	6	4.27	61
35	Tripura	35	80.41	2241	15	57.73	643	22	381.87	3416	18	88.90	1119

			2020-21		2021-22		2022-23			2023-24			
S. No.	Name of the State / Uts	No. of Camps	Funds utilized (Rs.in Lakh)	No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Camps	Funds utilized (Rs.in Lakh)	No. of Benefi- ciaries	No. of Camps	Funds utilized (Rs.in Lakh)	No. of Bene- ticia- ries	No. of Camps	Funds utilized (Rs.in Lakh)	No. of Bene- ficia- ries
36	Telangana	30	495.60	1945	53	802.66	3658	24	1465.49	4146	76	1174.36	11196
37	Ladakh										2	28.79	355
	Total	1365	17880.01	258749	1762	19531.78	243387	1346	31146.48	289987	2285	33885.87	346864

Annexure-VI(B)

The grants-in-aid released to NIs/ALIMCO/CRCs and NGOs during 2023-24 for distribution of aids & assistive devices to Divyangjan under the ADIP Scheme

S.No.	Name of the Implementing Agency	Camp	Headquarter	SSA	CI	Total (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India, ALIMCO, Kanpur	15330.85	2875.66	2894.37	4544.28	25645.16
2	National Institute for the Empowerment of Person with Intellectual Disability (NIEPID), Secunderabad		125.00			125.00
3	Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech And Hearing Disabilities (Divyangjan) AYJNISHD, Mumbai	170.39	162.02	162.02		1290.59
4	Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities(PDUNIPPD), Delhi	30.00	74.92			104.92
5	Composite Regional Centre(CRC), Nagpur		7.96			7.96
6	Composite Regional Centre, Ahmedabad		9.86			9.86
7	Composite Regional Centre, Chhatarpur	Jet	10.00			10.00
8	Composite Regional Centre, Rajnandgaon		9.80			9.80
9	Composite Regional Centre, Lucknow		7.21			7.21
10	Composite Regional Centre, Srinagar		10.00			10.00
11	Composite Regional Centre, Jammu		10.00			10.00
12	Composite Regional Centre, Patna		9.55			9.55
13	Composite Regional Centre, Agartala		10.00			10.00
14	Composite Regional Centre, Naharlagoon		10.00			10.00
15	Composite Regional Centre, Sundernagar		10.00			10.00
16	Composite Regional Centre, Gorakhpur		10.00			10.00

S.No.	Name of the Implementing Agency	Camp	Headquarter	SSA	CI	Total (Rs. in Lakhs)
17	Composite Regional Centre, Gangtok		10.00			10.00
18	Composite Regional Centre, Jaipur		10.00			10.00
19	Composite Regional Centre, Guwahati		10.00			10.00
20	Composite Regional Centre, Ranchi		10.00			10.00
21	Composite Regional Centre, Balangir		10.00			10.00
22	Composite Regional Centre, Imphal		10.00			10.00
23	Composite Regional Centre, Kozhikode		10.00			10.00
24	Composite Regional Centre, Port Blair		10.00			10.00
25	Composite Regional Centre, Madurai		10.00			10.00
26	Composite Regional Centre, Shillong		10.00			10.00
27	Narayan Seva Sansthan (NARSS), Udaipur, Rajasthan		900.00			900.00
28	Shree Bhagwan Mahaveer ViklangSahayata Samiti, Jaipur, Rajasthan		350.00			350.00
29	Guru Nanak Charitable Trust, Ludhiana, Punjab	7.50				7.50
30	Apang Jeevan Vikas Sanstha, Amravati, Maharashtra	7.50				7.50
31	Jay Shree Maruti Nandan Kisan Vikas Education Trust, Dahod, Gujrat	7.50				7.50
32	Centre for Rehabilitation Service and Research (CRSR) Odisha	33.75	11.25			45.00
33	District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (IRCS), Neemuch, Madhya Pradesh	14.50				14.50
34	District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (DDRC), Vadodara		11.25			11.25
35	Gramin Kshetra Vikas Samiti, Tehri Garhwal, Uttarakhand	15.00				15.00
36	Hope Disability Center and undertaking of She Hope Society, Jammu and Kashmir	11.25				11.25

S.No.	Name of the Implementing Agency	Camp	Headquarter	SSA	CI	Total (Rs. in Lakhs)
37	Shama Vikas Samiti, Nalanda, Bihar	11.25				11.25
38	Padmashree Dr. Vithalrao Vikhe Patil Foundations Ahmednagar, Maharashtra	11.25				11.25
39	Regional Rehabilitation and Research Centre, RRRC, Near R.G.H. Panposh Road, Rourkela, Odisha	34.00	10.00			44.00
40.	Open Doors (Childline), Lunglei, Mizoram	5.00				5.00
41	District Disability Rehabilitation Centre(DMT), Jhabua, Madhya Pradesh	10.00				10.00
42	Dindayal Antyodaya Mission Samiti(DDRC), Balaghat	7.50				7.50
43	Bamoir Bishnupur Vivekananda Smriti Sangha, Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal		11.10			11.10
44	District Disability Rehabilitation Centre(DDRC), Mandsaur, Madhya Pradesh		9.60			9.60
45	District (Indian) Red Cross Society, Kullu, Himachal Pradesh	7.30				7.30
	Total	15714.54	4755.18	2894.37	5502.46	28866.55

Annexure-VI(C)

Details of Special Camps/held on demand of Hon'ble Members of Parliament and other dignitaries from 01.01.2023 to 31.03.2024 in different States/UTs

SI No.	District / State	NOB	Value (Rs in Lacs -approx)	Date of Distribu-
1	West Tripura, Tripura	689	58.99	06.01.2023
2	Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh	59	3.2	14.01.2023
3	Kokrajhar, Assam	35	3.43	14.01.2023
4	Jamui, Bihar	238	22.82	14.01.2023
5	Sheohar, Bihar	167	13.63	14.01.2023
6	West Delhi, Delhi	780	78.79	14.01.2023
7	Karnal, Haryana	254	26.91	14.01.2023
8	Kurukshetra, Haryana	326	46.67	14.01.2023
9	Hisar, Haryana	305	46.19	14.01.2023
10	Saraikela-Kharsawan, Jharkhand	453	33,66	14.01.2023
11	Chatra, Jharkhand	62	4.86	14.01.2023
12	Doda, Jammu & Kashmir	1436	69.39	14.01.2023
13	Poonch, Jammu & Kashmir	1091	98.21	14.01.2023
14	Baramulla, Jammu & Kashmir	357	33.73	14.01.2023
15	Bandipora, Jammu & Kashmir	505	43.04	14.01.2023
16	Chamrajanagar, Karnataka	1693	120.31	14.01.2023
17	Vijayanagara, Karnataka	767	49.82	14.01.2023
18	Solapur Pandharpur, Maharashtra	159	14.33	14.01.2023
19	Jhabua, Madhya Pradesh	2499	213.5	14.01.2023
20	Dhar, Madhya Pradesh	210	32.31	14.01.2023
21	Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh	249	21.75	14.01.2023
22	Rajgarh, Madhya Pradesh	188	16.23	14.01.2023
23	Sidhi, Madhya Pradesh	798	73.87	14.01.2023
24	Morena, Madhya Pradesh	81	8.35	14.01.2023
25	Longleng, Nagaland	121	7.7	14.01.2023
26	Amritsar, Punjab	976	110.39	14.01.2023
27	Puducherry	245	17.11	14.01.2023
28	Rajsamand, Rajasthan	282	35.93	14.01.2023
29	Bikaner, Rajasthan	322	48.96	14.01.2023
30	Bahraich, Uttar Pradesh	410	48.15	14.01.2023
31	Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh	122	12.26	14.01.2023
32	Muzaffarnagar, Uttar Pradesh	890	88.4	14.01.2023
33	Firozabad, Uttar Pradesh	651	60.84	14.01.2023
34	Etawah, Uttar Pradesh	391	35.19	14.01.2023
35	Jalpaiguri, West Bengal	519	43.25	14.01.2023
36	Dakshin Dinajpur, West Bengal	179	12.83	14.01.2023
37	Bankura, West Bengal	1310	95.5	14.01.2023
38	Purulia, West Bengal	412	29.98	14.01.2023

SI No.	District / State	NOB	Value (Rs in Lacs -approx)	Date of Distribu- tion	
39	Khandwa, Madhya Pradesh	344	33.97	14.01.2023	
40	Barauni, Bihar 442		62.16	14.01.2023	
41	Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh	40	9.19	14.01.2023	
42	Auraiya, Uttar Pradesh	375	35.21	14.01.2023	
43	West Champaran (Bettiah), Bihar	425	54.3	14.01.2023	
44	Patna (Bihata), Bihar	82	7.31	14.01.2023	
45	Delhi	81	8.01	14.01.2023	
46	Udalgiri, Assam	369	38.01	14.01.2023	
47	Jharkhand, Ranchi	260	19.36	14.01.2023	
48	Karwar, Karnataka	364	33.1	14.01.2023	
49	Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	382	30.1	14.01.2023	
50	Ballia, Uttar Pradesh	359	23.19	14.01.2023	
51	Udiapur, Rajasthan	300	25	14.01.2023	
52	Jalore, Rajasthan	300	17	14.01.2023	
53	Dungarpur, Rajasthan	250	13	14.01.2023	
54	Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu	600	30	14.01.2023	
55	Vijaypura, Karnataka	500	40	14.01.2023	
56	Parvathipuram& Bobbili, Andhra Pradesh	300	28.5	14.01.2023	
57	Khurda, Odisha	1295	52	14.01.2023	
58	New Delhi	53	22.26	05.02.2023	
59	Udupi, Karnataka	1390	106.86	11.02.2023	
60	Faridabad, Haryana	201	47.97	18.02.2023	
61	Kathua, Jammu & Kashmir	223	20.52	20.02.2023 to 26.02.2023	
62	Gurgaon (Gurugram), Haryana	173	28.98	22.02.2023	
63	Fatehabad, Haryana	219	58.33	24.02.2023 & 25.02.2023	
64	Nadia, West Bengal	787	73.21	04.03.2023	
65	Chhota Udaipur, Gujarat	627	77.47	25.03.2023	
66	Vadodara, Gujarat	1510	203.5	25.03.2023	
67	Surat (Bardoli), Gujarat	837	57.71	25.03.2023	
68	Kalaburagi, Karnataka	1252	111.25	25.03.2023	
69	Bhandara, Maharashtra	2853	213.35	25.03.2023	
70	Alirajpur, Madhya Pradesh	594	46.09	25.03.2023	
71	Datia, Madhya Pradesh	815	128.96	25.03.2023	
72	Mahoba, Uttar Pradesh	700	60.42	25.03.2023	
73	Lalganj (Azamgarh), Uttar Pradesh 536 62.75		62.75	25.03.2023	
74	Sangrur, Punjab	228	60.31	28.03.2023.	
75	Shamli, Uttar Pradesh	322	62.58	07.04.2023	
76	Kaushambi, Uttar Pradesh	1236	130.17	09.04.2023	

SI No.	District / State	NOB	Value (Rs in Lacs -approx)	Date of Distribu- tion	
77	Fatehgarh Sahib, Punjab	295	62.51	21.04.2023	
78	Gondia, Maharashtra 1387 105.37		8.05.2023 to 20.05.2023		
79	Barnala, Punjab	262	47.84	15.05.2023 to 17.05.2023	
80	Jaipur, Rural, Rajasthan	340	44.72	16.05.2023 to 19.05.2023	
81	Nainital, Uttrakhand	202	18.49	16.05.2023 and 18.05.2023	
82	Madurai, Tamil Nadu	2377	206.65	18.05.2023	
83	Chhattarpur, Madhya Pradesh	1031	165.71	20.05.2023	
84	Wayanad, Kerala	406	28.91	25.05.2023 and 26.05.2023	
85	Patiala, Punjab	290	52.55	29.05.2023 to 31.05.2023	
86	Bankura, West Bengal	1404	116.53	01.06.2023 & 02.06.2023	
87	Ferozpur, Punjab	303	51.05	02.06.2023 & 03.06.2023	
88	Ranaghat - Nadia, West Bengal	650	52.65	04.06.2023	
89	Shamli, Uttar Pradesh	341	143.22	07.04.2023, 23.06.2023	
90	Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir	379	32.95	08.06,2023	
91	Barwani, Madhya Pradesh	391	45.41	08.06.2023	
92	South Delhi, Delhi	121	18.46	12.06.2023	
93	Kargil District of Ladakh, Ladakh UT	257	19.92	12.06.2023 to 15.06.2023	
94	Meerut, Uttar Pradesh	701	161.75	13.06.2023	
95	Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	369	35	15.06.2023	
96	Saran, Bihar	3594	329.97	16.06.2023	
97	Baksa &Tamulpur, Assam	663	46.29	19.06.2023	
98	Ujjain (Nagda), Madhya Pradesh	229	22.27	20.06.2023	
99	Burhanpur, Madhya Pradesh	188	31.68	21.06.2023	
100	Gaya, Bihar	271	35.85	22.06.2023 to 25.06.2023	
101	West Delhi, Delhi	869	193.05	23.06.2023	
102	Dhar, Madhya Pradesh	1171	109.56	23.06.2023	
103	Sangamner&Kopargaon (Ahmednagar), Rahuri-Nagar- Pathardi, Maharashtra	(Ahmednagar), Rahuri-Nagar- 7147 555.08		27.06.2023	
104	Saran, Bihar	1644	150.57	03.07.2023	
105	Sehore, Madhya Pradesh	1627	178.05	05.07.2023, 06.07.2023, 08.07.2023 and 12.07.2023	

Sl No.	1 DISTRICT STATE NURS		Value (Rs in Lacs -approx)	Date of Distribu- tion
106	Halli Vanda	010	1 1 1	14.07.2023 to
106	Idukki, Kerala	818	65.31	18.07.2023
107	Deoria, Salempur, Uttar Pradesh	1490	313.22	22.07.2023 to
> 1147 W		7.750.00.00.000		24.07.2023
108	Banswara, Rajasthan	542	62.22	29.07.2023
109	Bishunpur, Manipur	111	8.18	31.07.2022
110	Rewa, Madhya Pradesh	613	71.03	31.07.2023
111	Bhatinda, Punjab	304	48.71	01.08.2023 to 10.08.2023
112	Kidwai Nagar, Uttar Pradesh	152	14.88	03.08.2023
113	Jammu, Jammu & Kashmir	151	12.94	3.08.2023 to 5.08.2023
114	Kozhikode, Kerala	821	64.55	06.08.2023
115	Balaghat, Madhya Pradesh	275	94.08	07.08.2023
116	Aska (Ganjam), Odisha	609	57.21	07.08.2023
117	Dindori, Madhya Pradesh	405	33.13	07.08.2023 to 11.08.2023
118	Lalitpur, Uttar Pradesh	776	75.18	14.08.2023
119	Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh	362	51.51	16.08.2023
120	Harda (Timarni and Khirkiya), Madhya Pradesh	135	18.72	16.08.203 to 18.08.2023
121	Ludhiana, Punjab	673	79.2	17.08.2023 & 18.08.2023
122	Central Delhi, Delhi	340	64.28	18.08.2023
123	Lakhimpur Kheri, Uttar Pradesh	1546	260.27	19.08.2023 & 21.08.2023
124	Pathankot, Punjab	151	19.89	21.08.2023
125	Dausa, Rajasthan	579	66.84	21.08.2023 to 25.08.2023
126	Shajapur, Madhya Pradesh	460	98.00	24.08.2023
127	Karbi-Anglong	194	13.77	24.09.23
128	Dhalai	166	15.53	24.09.23
129	Wokha	31	1.86	24.09.23
130	Palakkad	362	28.43	09.09.23
131	Thrissur	713	64.98	09.09.23
132	Chitradurga	1017	112.59	24.09.23
133	Bellary	450	28.47	24.09.23
134	Mandsaur	147	14.54	18.09.23
135	Vidisha	43	8.07	24.09.23
136	Raisen	45	6.25	29.09.23
137	Khandwa	48	6.66	24.09.23
138	Alirajpur	285	48.71	24.09.23
139	Ashoknagar	193	29.12	24.09.23

SI No.	District / State	NOB	Value (Rs in Lacs -approx)	Date of Distribu- tion
140	Niwari	320	4.65	24.09.23
141	Tikamgarh	725	47.16	24.09.23
142	Mandla	500	53.85	24.09.23
143	Dindori	75	9.42	24.09.23
144	Sheopur	217	48.63	24.09.23
145	Guna	681	85.93	24.09.23
146	Narmadapuram	916	70	24.09.23
147	Katni	508	36.3	24.09.23
148	Sidhi	432	82.46	24.09.23
149	Shivpuri	716	110.36	24.09.23
150	Balrampur	101	9.46	24.09.23
151	Hardoi	589	74.08	24.09.23
152	Sitapur	444	47.98	24.09.23
153	Mathura	282	43.75	30.09.23
154	Chamoli	50	3.56	24.09.23
155	Haridwar	304	85.95	27.09.23
156	Faridabad	243	45.7	24.09.23
157	Sirohi	118	22.93	24.09.23
158	Dhaulpur	239	37.82	24.09.23
159	Jhunjhunu	348	62.95	24.09.23
160	Rajasmand	274	42.26	24.09.23
161	Central Delhi	38	7.29	24.09.23
162	Begusarai	1057	120.09	24.09.23
163	Arrah	2554	307.12	24.09.23
164	Sitamarhi	651	58.83	24.09.23
165	East Champaran	697	86.27	24.09.23
166	Patliputra	1473	151.74	24.09.23
167	Uttar Dinajpur	640	52.72	24.09.23
168	Baharampur	214	14.94	24.09.23
169	Raver	181	14.59	24.09.23
170	Beed	338	26,72	24.09.23
171	Wardha	520	29.92	24.09.23
172	Solapur	127	10.02	24.09.23
173	Nellore	225	25	24.09.23
174	Hyderabad	173	72.66	24.09.23
175	Rewa, Madhya Pradesh	613	71.03	03.10.2023 to 06.10.2023
176	Khandwa, Madhya Pradesh	118	18.88	04.10.2023 to 06.10.2023
177	Shahdol, Madhya Pradesh	158	26.57	05.10.2023 to 06.10.2023
178	Kapurthala, Punjab	51	14.41	06.10.2023

Sl No.	District / State	NOB	Value (Rs in Lacs -approx)	Date of Distribu-	
179	Sanchi, Raisen, Madhya Pradesh	6	2.52	06,10,2023	
180	Alappuzha, Kerala	463	45.79	07.10.2023	
181	Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	116	22.1	07.10.2023	
182	Kota, Rajasthan	317	73.97	08.10.2023	
183	Banda, Uttar Pradesh	331	33.99	13.10.2023	
184	Machilipatnam (Krishna), Andhra Pradesh	2890	261	13.10.2023	
185	Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh	2338	325.05	14.10.2023	
186	Muradnagar, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh	22	9.24	20.10.2023	
187	Sangrur, Punjab	181	41.09	23.10.2023	
188	Buldhana, Maharashtra	855	63.79	25.10.2023 and 28.10.2023	
189	Mansa, Punjab	310	84.85	26.10.2023	
190	Amravati Chikhaldara, Dharni, Maharashtra	1824	163.93	29.10.2023	
191	Yamuna Nagar, Haryana	451	94.01	08.11.2023	
192	Bangaon (Nadia), North 24 Pargana, West Bengal	1006	116.59	16.11.2023	
193	YSR Kadapa (Block- Chintakomma Dinne, Jammalamadugu), Andhra Pradesh	5800	539.81	25.11.2023	
194	YSR Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh	709	45.95	25.11.2023	
195	Bongaigaon, Assam	1586	112.11	25.11.2023	
196	Nagaon, Assam	3499	260.3	25.11.2023	
197	Siwan, Bihar	2268	165.21	25.11.2023	
198	Jehanabad, Bihar	1056	104.15	25.11.2023	
199	Nalanda, Bihar	1160	142	25.11.2023	
200	Bhagalpur (Block Jagdishpur, Pir, Painti, Sabour, Sonhaula, Sultanganj), Bihar	2512	249.98	25.11.2023	
201	Valsad, Gujarat	1697	145.32	25.11.2023	
202	Sabarkantha (Himmatnagar), Gujarat	3047	347.39	25.11.2023	
203	Malappuram, Kerala	1273	85.37	25.11.2023	
204	Satara, Maharashtra	8623	718.21	25.11.2023	
205	Sangli, Maharashtra	3488	274.35	25.11.2023	
206	Jalna Block Parthur, Badnapur, Maharashtra	2440	168.72	25.11.2023	
207	Wani in Yavatmal (Washim) (Umarkhed& Basmat)Block Pusad, Zari Zamni, Maharashtra	2944	222.43	25.11.2023	

SI No.	Sl No. District / State		Value (Rs in Lacs -approx)	Date of Distribu- tion	
208	Aurangabad Gangapur- Khultabad, Maharashtra	3658	332.04	25.11.2023	
209	Cuddalore, Tamil Nadu	1669	173.8	25.11.2023	
210	Sultanpur, Uttar Pradesh	1246	118.64	25.11.2023	
211	Maldah Chanchal-1, Habibpur, Harishchandrapur-2, West Bengal	2733	197.93	25.11.2023	
212	Belurghat (Dakshin Dinajpur) Kumarganj, West Bengal	1008	79.39	25.11.2023	
213	Osmanabad Paranda, Maharashtra	3568	232.2	03.12.2023	
214	Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh	684	127.65	03.12.2023, 8.12.2023, 10.12.2023	
215	Delhi	83	25,55	06.12.2023	
216	Kannauj /Auraiya / Kanpur Dehat, Uttar Pradesh	1004	235.17	09.12.2023	
217	Hoogly, West Bengal	247	24.81	10.12.2023	
218	Anakapalli, Andhra Pradesh	1343	162.84	16.12.2023	
219	Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	172	32.19	17.12.2023	
220	Akbarpur - Raniya, Kanpur Dehat, Uttar Pradesh	132	17.34	21.12.2023	
221	YSR Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh	5800	539.81	21.12.2023	
222	YSR Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh	709	45.95	21.12.2023	
223	Karimnagar, Telengana	733	88.35	27.12.2023	
224	Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	194	40.36	27.12.2023	
225	Rajouri Khwas, Jammu & Kashmir	645	43.42	28.12.2023 to 29.12.2023	
226	Samba, Jammu & Kashmir	23	3.1	28.12.2023 to 29.12.2023	
227	Doda, Jammu & Kashmir	133	8.93	28.12.2023 to 29.12.2023	
228	Reasi Block Thakrakote, Jammu & Kashmir	77	5.32	28.12.2023 to 29.12.2023	
229	Kathua, Jammu & Kashmir	35	4.42	28.12.2023 to 29.12.2023	
230	Aska (Ganjam), Odisha	609	57.21	29.12.2023	
231	Ramban Block Kheri, Jammu & Kashmir	98	9.96	29.12.2023	
232	Rampur	579	108.21	03.01.2024	
233	Kollam, Kerala	518	46.44	10.01.2024	
234	Golaghat,Assam	1348	119.29	11.01.2024	
235	Pundri, Kaithal ,Haryana	567	137.88	11.01.2024	
236	Aagar Malwa, Madhya Pradesh	179	34.54	19.01.2024	
237	Amritsar, Punjab	551	116.86	24.01.2024	
238	Pathanamthitta, Kerala	413	33.31	27.01.2024	

SI No.	District / State	NOB	Value (Rs in Lacs -approx)	Date of Distribu- tion	
239	Nashik, Maharashtra	386	34.45	28.01.2024	
240	Hooghly, West Bengal				
241	Nashik Maharashtra	2293	219.53	15.02.2024	
242	Nirwari Madhya Pradesh	165	67	15.02.2024	
243	Tikamgarh Madhya Pradesh	192	67.77	15.02.2024	
244	Ranchi Jharkhand	507	81.23	15.02.2024	
245	Kozhikode Kerala	200	20.00	26.02.2024	
246	Bangalore (urban) Karnataka	732	110.58	26.02.2024	
247	Cuttack Odisha	200	25.00	26.02.2024	
248	Palwal Haryana	711	146.31	26.02.2024	
249	Sonipat Haryana	179	18.28	26.02.2024	
250	Dausa Rajasthan	250	67.00	26.02.2024	
251	Balaghat Madhya Pradesh	1148	126.13	26.02.2024	
252	Damoh Madhya Pradesh	327	67.00	26.02.2024	
253	Vadodara Gujarat	363	64.00	26.02.2024	
254	Ahmedabad Gujarat	200	20.00	26.02.2024	
255	Hardoi Uttar Pradesh	703	135.32	26.02.2024	
256	Kannauj Uttar Pradesh	230	80.81	26.02.2024	
257	Chitrakoot Uttar Pradesh	693	122.39	26.02.2024	
258	Sonbhadra Uttar Pradesh	167	25.48	26.02.2024	
259	Basti Uttar Pradesh	487	67.00	26.02.2024	
260	Saharanpur Uttar Pradesh	306	92.41	26.02.2024	
261	Lucknow Uttar Pradesh	200	45.00	26.02.2024	
262	Prayagraj Uttar Pradesh	243	76.30	26.02.2024	
263	Maharajganj Uttar Pradesh	1892	267.36	26.02.2024	
264	Agra Uttar Pradesh	255	67.00	26.02.2024	
265	Ayodhya Uttar Pradesh	240	41.61	26.02.2024	
266	Gomati Tripura	704	57.43	26.02.2024	
267	Barpeta Assam	537	50.00	26.02.2024	
268	Saharsa Bihar	554	67.00	26.02.2024	
269	Bhagalpur Bihar	476	67.00	26.02,2024	
270	Lohardaga(Block Kisko) Jharkhand	37.95	454	01.03.2024	
271	Gumla (Block Dumri) Jharkhand	83.71	918	03.03.2024	
272	Dharmapuri Tamil Nadu	28.13	345	04.03.2024	
273	Maharajpur Vidhan Sabh (Kanpur Nagar) Uttar Pradesh	13.38	49	08.03.2024	
274	Sitapur (Biswan) Uttar Pradesh	191.5	1125	10.03.2024	
275	Kanpur Nagar Uttar Pradesh	56.37	345	03.03.2024	
276	Kanpur Dehat Uttar Pradesh	51.51	314	03.03.2024	
277	Unnao Uttar Pradesh	64.28	460	03.03.2024	
278	Purwa, Unnao Uttar Pradesh	1.3	16	03.03.2024	

SI No.	District / State	NOB	Value (Rs in Lacs -approx)	Date of Distribu- tion	
279	Mirzapur Hallia, Patehra Uttar Pradesh	280.81	2060	04.03.2024	
280	Ramanathapuram(Thiruvadanai) Tamil Nadu	29.64	241	06.03.2024	
281	Buxar Bihar	25,17	199	07.03.2024	
282	Kaimur (Lok Sabha Buxar) Bihar	7.93	55	07.03.2024	
283	Nainital Uttarakhand	20.87	144	08.03.2024	
284	Bhognipur (Kanpur Dehat) Uttar Pradesh	24.86	136	10.03.2024	

Annexure-VI(D)

Grants-in-aid released to NGOs/VOs/State Corporation/DDRCs etc. during the last four years under the ADIP Scheme

			Funds Released (Rs. in Lakhs)			
S.NO.	State	Name of the Implementing Agencies	2020- 21	2021- 22	2022-23	2023- 24
		District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (DDRC) (Uma Education & Technical Society Kakinada, East Godvari District.), DDRC0 Kakinada0 533001.	11.00	0	0	0
1	Andhra Pradesh	Gurudeva Charitable Trust, Mangalapalem, Kothavalasa Mandal, Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh	10.00	0	0	0
		Good Walk Orthotics Association, 74-74-6A Hemalatha Nagar Kallur(M) Kurnool(Dist) Pin code 518003 Andhra Pradesh.	4.00	0	0	0
2	Arunachal Pradesh	Ramakrishna Mission Hospital, P.O. R. K. Mission, Itanagar-791113, Arunachal Pradesh	27.95	0	0	0
3	Bihar	AIIMS, Patna, Bihar	0	0	60.00	0
3	Diliai	Shama Vikas Samiti, Nalanda, Bihar	0	0	0	11.25
4	Delhi	Amar Jyoti Charitable Trust, Amar Jyoti Institute Of Physiotherapy, Vikas Marg, Rd Number 72, Karkardooma, Anand Vihar, Delhi, 110092	20.0	0	21.675	0
5	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	Indian Red Cross Society,Red Cross House, Silvassa0396 230., Silvassa, Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0	12.62	0	0
		Blind People's Association, Dr.Vikram Sarabhai Road, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad.	32.25	0	0	0
		Jayshree Maruti Nandan Kisan Vikas Education Trust ,Sukhsar, Swami Vivekandand Society, Near Ashram, Opp. United motors, Garbada Road, Dahod.	25.00	11.25	0	7.5
6	Contract	Shree Bhrama Samaj Seva Trust, 402, Sapana Appartment, Adarsh High School Road, Near, S.T., Stand, Patan.	45.00	0	33.75	0
6	Gujarat	Ashirwad Trust For Disabled, Sayla, Plice Statin, National Highway, Sayla, Dist. Surendranagar, Gujarat	7.50	0	0	0
		Disable Welfare Trust Of India Near Shri Sai Samarth Residency, Opp. Lakeview Garden, Umra, Surat.	7.50	0	0	0
		I Shree Khodiyar Education Seva Trust, At Po Palla Kothambata Lunawada dist Mahisagar, Pin-389220.	5.00	0	0	0

			Funds Released (Rs. in Lakhs)			
S.NO.	State	Name of the Implementing Agencies	2020- 21	2021- 22	2022-23	2023- 24
		Jeevandeep Health education and Charitable Trust, Kodinar, 2/12, Rajnagar Society near Bypass Tal. Kodinar, Gir Somanath	10.00	0	0	0
		Edufun Foundation Trust, 38, Navgrah Society, Behind Madhusudan Plaza, Banaskantha, Gujarat	0	0	8.82	0
		DDRC, Vadodara	0	0	0	11.25
7	Haryana	Aarohan Welfare Society, 132, Professor Colony, Yamuna Nagar. Pin code 135001 Haryana.	8.99	0	0	0
8	Himachal Pradesh	Indian Red Cross Society, Kullu.	0	6.04	0	7.30
9	Karnataka	All India Jain Youth Federations's (R), mahaveer Limb Centre, Kims Premises Vidyanagar Dharwad Hubli Karnataka.	11.00	0	0	0
10	Kerala	National Institute for Speech & Hearing, (NISH), Karimanal, Trivandrum,.	15.00	0	0	0
		Deen Dayal AntyodayMission for DDRC Balaghat, Balaghat, Zilla NishaktPunarvas Kendra, Zill panchayat Parisar, Balagaht.	0	7.50	0	7.50
		District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (IRCS) Damoh, Old Collectorate Campus (Behind CMO Office) Damoh.	0	7.50	0	0
		Indian Red Cross Society (DDRC), Dewas, M.G. H. 1st Floor, Dewas.	0	0	7.50	0
11	Madhya Pradesh	Jila Nishakt Kalyan Avamvikas Samiti, Morena.	0	0	7.5	0
	Pradesn	DDRC run by Indian Red Cross Society, Rewa, Madhya Pradesh	0	7.50	0	0
		District Disability Rehabilitation Centre ,Neemuch, Madhya Pradesh	0	0.00	0	14.5
		District Disability Rehabilitation Centre, Jhabua,				10.00
		District Disability Rehabilitation Centre(DDRC), Mandsaur, Madhya Pradesh				9.60
		Apang Jeevan Vikas Sanstha, BhumiputraCoony, Congress Nagar, Amravati.	0	7.50	0	7.5
12	Maharashtra	Ayodhya Charitable Trust, S.No.51/2, Near S.R.P. Gate No.2, Vikas Nagar, Wanawadi Village, Pune.	11.25	0	0	0
		Mahatma Gandhi Sewa Sangh, Near Govt. Library Samarth nagar Aurangabad.	67.50	0	71.25	0

			Funds	Funds Released		Lakhs)
S.NO.	State	Name of the Implementing Agencies	2020- 21	2021- 22	2022-23	2023- 24
		Padmashree Dr. Vithalrao Vikhe PAtil Foundation's College of Physiotherapy, Opp. Govt. Milk Dairy MIDC, Vadgaon Gupta Raod, Vilad Ghat, Ahmednagar-414111.	10.00	0	0	11.25
12	Odisha	CRSR Bhadrak (Centre for Rehabiliation services & Research, At Patharadi PO Charampa Dist. Bhadrak.	0	34.50	0	45.00
13	Odisha	Regional Rehabilitation and Research Centre, RRRC, Near R.G.H. Panposh Road, Rourkela, Odisha	40.00	0	0	44.00
		Bharat Vikas Parishad Charitable Trust, P.O. – Viklang Sahayata Kendra, C0 Block, Rishi Nagar, Ludhiana.	50.00	0	45.00	0
		Guru Nanak Charitable Trust, Ludhiayana	7.50	0	0	7.5
14	Punjab	DDRC Bathinda, 100ft Main Road, Near Guru Nanak School, Shant Nagar, Bathinda.	0	11.25	0	0
		Indian Red Cross Society, Faridkot, Branch Red Cross Bhawan Sadiq Chowk Faridkot 151203 Punjab.	15.00	0	0	0
		Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti, Sawai Mansingh Hospital, Jaipur	0	0	150.00	350
		Narayan Sewa Sansthan, Sewadham, 483, Hiran Magri, Sector-4, Udaipur.	495.00	495.00	760.00	900
		Gyanaram Jhammanlal, Jaipur, 67/56 A Near Mandara Bus Stand, New Sanganer Road, Jaipur, Rajasthan.	7.5	0	0	0
		Maa Geeta Devi Seva Sansthan Kherli, Behind Power House, By Pass Road, Ward No.18, Kherli - 321606	3.66	0	0	0
15	Rajasthan	Amrapali Prashikshan Sansthan, Karigal Mohalla, Ward No. 4, Tonk, Rajasthan.	10.00	0	0	0
		Tanwer Shikshan Sansthan, Plot no 11 Khsra no 18 Ramjan ji ka Hatta Banar Road JODHPUR, Pin code:- 342015	5.00	0	0	0
		Jaimini Shikshan Evam Gramin Vikas Sansthan, C-234, Dayanand Marg, Tilak Nagar, Jaipur, 302004.	0.00	0	10.00	0
		Sambal Samiti Jaipur, C-96, anand Vihar, Jagatpura, Rajasthan	0.00	0	9.73	0
		Kavya Siksha Evam Vikas Seva Sansthan, Karauli, Rajasthan, 132, Near K.V.GSS Colony, Karauli, Rajasthan	0.00	0	9.56	0
		Health Welfare Sansthan, Behind JP School Kheme Ka Kuha Pal Road, Jodhpur-342005, Rajasthan	0.00	0	10.50	0

			Funds Released (Rs. in Lakhs)				
S.NO.	State	Name of the Implementing Agencies	2020- 21	2021- 22	2022-23	2023- 24	
16	Tripura	District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (DDRC), North Tripura	0	48.08	0	0	
17	Uttarakhand	Gramin Kshetra Vikash Samiti, Tehri Garhwal, Village And Post Ranichauri Tehri Garhwal, Uttarakhand	10.00	0	0	15.00	
18	Wast Bancal	Bikash Bharati Welfare Society, 20/1B, Lal Bazar street, Kolkata.	9.73	0	0	0	
18	West Bengal	Bamoir Bishnupur Vivekananda Smriti Sangha, Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal	0	0	0	11.10	
19	Jammu & Kashmir	Hope Disability Center and undertaking of She Hope Society, Jammu and Kashmir	0	0	0	11.25	
20	Mizoram	Open Doors (Childline), Lunglei, Mizoram				5.00	
		Total	982.33	648.74	1205.285	1479.20	

Annexure-VI(E)

Details of Private and voluntary organization received recurring/non recurring one time assistance grants-in-aid from Rupees ten lakh to less than Rupees fifty lakhs during 2023-24:

S.NO.	Name of the Implementing Agencies	Funds released (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (IRCS) ,Neemuch, Madhya Pradesh.	14.50
2	CRSR Bhadrak (Centre for Rehabilitation Services & Research, At Patharadi PO Charampa Dist. Bhadrak, Odisha	45.00
3	Gramin Kshetra Vikash Samiti, Tehri Garhwal, Village And Post Ranichauri Tehri Garhwal, Uttarakhand.	15.00
4	Hope Disability Center and undertaking of She Hope Society, Jammu and Kashmir.	11.25
5	Shama Vikas Samiti, Nalanda, Bihar	11.25
6	Padmashree Dr. Vithalrao Vikhe Patil Foundations Ahmednagar, Maharashtra	11.25
7.	Bamoir Bishnupur Vivekananda Smriti Sangha, Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal	11.10
8.	Regional Rehabilitation and Research Centre, RRRC, Near R.G.H. Panposh Road, Rourkela, Odisha	44.00
	Total	163,35

Annexures-VII

A. Grant-in-aid released for Creation of Barrier Free Environment under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24				
S. No.	Purnose		Total Amount Released (Rs. in lakh)	
1.	Government of Madhya Pradesh	1st installment for Development of a Sensory Park for Divyang at Chhattarpur	225.00	
2.	Government of Rajasthan	1st installment for creation of barrier free environment in the 09 State Govt. buildings at Jaipur	339.50	
3.	Government of Sikkim	1st installment for creation of brrrier environment at Solophek Chardham in Namchi	416.50	
4.	Government of Meghalaya	2nd and finall installment for 17 State Govt. buildings at Shillong	847.12	
5.	M/s Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy, New Delhi	Compilation and preparation of an accessible database of Judgments/Orders delivered by Supreme Court, all High Courts and CCPD & SCPD	0.83	
6.	M/s Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy, New Delhi	Compilation and preparation of an accessible database of Judgments/Orders delivered by Supreme Court, all High Courts and CCPD & SCPD	8.26	
		LoA towards release of print advertisement.	65.00	
		For booking of Vigyan Bhawan for National Awards Function.	2.06	
		1stinstallment for booking 35 rooms for awardees for the National Awards 2023	7.29	
		Booking of Conference Hall for meeting of the National Selection Committee for National Awards, 2023	0.45	
		Production of film on 09 years for achievements under SIPDA Scheme of the Dept.	11.51	
		Catering arrangements for National Awards for Empowerment of PwDs, 2023 on 2nd & 3rd December, 2023 (90%)	9.28	
		Event Management on 2nd& 3rdDec., 2023 National Awards for EPwDs, 2023	11.27	
7.	Misc.	Floral Decorations arrangement for National Awards for EPwDs, 2023 at Vigyan Bhawan on 03.12.2023	1.00	
		Booking of Plenary Hall, Vigyan Bhawan on 01.12.2023 for erection of ramp	0.62	
		Outside Expert attending the Screening Committee for shortlisting applicants for National Awards, 2023	0.33	
		Outside Expert attending the Screening Committee for shortlisting applicants for National Awards, 2023	0.08	
		Outside Expert attending the Screening Committee for shortlisting applicants for National Awards, 2023	0.08	
		Booking of Military Band for National Awards, 2023	0.30	
		Disbursement of Cash Component of award to 21 recipients	26.00	
		Calligraphy in Certificates for National Awards for EPwDs 2023	0.06	

A. Grant-in-aid released for Creation of Barrier Free Environment under the SIPDA Scheme		
during 2023-24		

S. No.	Purnose		Total Amount Released (Rs. in lakh)
		Booking of an accessible Eco Van on Vent with ramp for local Commutation	0.04
		Catering Services in the National Selection Committee for finalizing the National Awardees on 16.11.2023	0.72
		Honorarium and TA pamyment to Ms.Anupama Khanna, Sr. Occupational Transplant, NIEPID Noida	0.06
YMCA Hostel Services, New Delhi for booking of rooms for National Award, 2023		0.88	
		Payment to M/s Shiv Awards for Supply of 23 Medals for the year, 2023 Catering arrargements for National Awards for EPwDs, 2023 on 2nd & 3rd Dec., 2023 to ITDC, VigyanBhawan Event management service for the function of National Award, 2023 to ITDC, Ashok Erent 1.	
	and the state of t		4.42
			0.09
	M/s Anj Creations, New Delhi 13		138.06
	PDUNIPPD, New Delhi 5.3		5.37
		National Awardee Taha Idrees Hazid Escort Bill	0.20
	Total 2486.42		

B. Grant-in-aid released for Accessible India Campaign under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Insti- tutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
1.	Government of Assam	Balance part of 2ndinstallment for creation of barrier free environment 02 State Govt. of buildings at Guwahati	80.16
2.	Government of Nagaland	Part of 2nd installment for creation of barrier free environment in 08 State Govt. buildings in Kohima	95.65
3.	Association for Disabled People, Delhi	Access audit for Janmabhoomi, Mathura and Banke Bihari Mandir Vrindavan, Uttar Pradesh	1.40
4.	Dr.KavitaMurugkar, Pune, Maharashtra	Access audit for Dwarkadhish Temple Complex, Gujarat	0.70
5.	Ekansh Trust, Pune, Maharashtra	Access audit for Omkareshwar Temple, Madhya Pradesh	0.70

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NIEPID (CNA), Secunderabad, Telangana

B. Grant-in-aid released for Accessible India Campaign under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24			
S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Insti- tutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
6.	Samarthyam, New Delhi	Access audit for Mallikarjuna Temple and Sri Bhramaramba Ammavari Shakti Peetam, Srisailam, Andhra Pradesh	1.40
7.	Svayam, New Delhi	Access audit for Patna Sahib, Patna, Vishnupad Temple, Gaya and Sarnath, Bihar	2.10
8.	ShishuSarothi, Assam	Access audit for Kamakhya Temple, Assam	0.70
9.	Swabhiman, Bhubaneswar, Odisha	Access audit fee for Shri Jagannatha, Temple, Bhubaneswar, Odisha	0.70
10.	V-sheh Learning Services Pvt. Ltd., Chennai, Tamil Nadu	access audit fee fro kailasanathan, kanchipuram, Kamakshi Amman Temple, Kanchipuram, Tamil Nadu and Vaidyanath Jyotirling Temple, Jharkhand	2.10

payment of consutancy fee

Total

54.00

239.61

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./UTs/ Universities / Institutes / Col- leges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
	ALL LONG TO A LONG TO LONG TO A LONG	Personal Assistive Aid for 144 PwDs through DBT Mode	5.76
1.	Udarah Skill Technology Pvt. Ltd, Indore, Madhya Pradesh	Personal Assistive Aid for 58 PwDs through DBT Mode	2.32
		Personal Assistive Aid for 38 PwDs	1.52
2.	Satyam Shivam Buildvision Private Limited, Rajasthan	Personal Assistive Aid for 317 PwDs through DBT Mode	12.68
		Personal Assistive Aid for 201 PwDs through DBT Mode	8.04
		Personal Assistive Aid for 847 PwDs and Conveyance cost for 300 PwDs	14.14
		Personal Assistive Aid for 232 PwDs and Conveyance cost for 55 PwDs	3.28
3.	Navjyoti Global Solution Pvt. Ltd, Gurugram, Haryana	Personal Assistive Aid for 97 PwDs through DBT Mode	3.88
		Personal Assistive Aid for 09 PwDs through DBT Mode	0.36
		Personal Assistive Aid for 04 PwDs through DBT Mode	0.16

C. Grant-in-aid released for National Action Plan for Skill Development for PwDs under the		
SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24		

	SIPDA	Scheme during 2023-24	
S. No.	Name of the State Govts./UTs/ Universities / Institutes / Col- leges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
		Personal Assistive Aid for 147 PwDs through DBT Mode	1.47
4.	Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)	Personal Assistive Aid for 19 PwDs through DBT mode	0.76
-	Skill Council for Persons with	Fee for Assessment and Certification of 5140 PwDs	51.40
5.	Disability (SCPwD), New Delhi	Payment of Assessment and Certification fee in respect of 4884 trainees	4.88
6.	West Bengal Electronics industry development corporation limited, West Bengal	Conveyance cost 97 PwDs through DBT Mode	3.23
7.	NIACE Foundation, Uttoral-hand	Conveyance cost 13 PwDs through DBT Mode	0.22
7.	NIACE Foundation, Uttarakhand	Personal Assistive Aid for 194 PwDs through DBT mode	9.70
	National Divyangjan Finance and Development Corporation, New Delhi.	paid for emplanelled training partners (ETPs)	182.43
		release to NHFDC	60.58
		2nd installment	5.75
8.		1st installment for Skill Training	300.00
0.		Training cost for 1047 PwDs and Job outreach cost and boarding and lodging cost for 720 PwDs	157.45
		Nodal agency of transfer of Personal Assistive Aids to 2269 PwDs	113.45
9.	Divyang Skill Development Centre (DSDC), New Delhi	Personal Assistive Aid for 132 PwDs through DBT mode	1.32
10.	Providers Skill Academy Private Limited, Tamil Nadu	Conveyance cost to 137 PwDs through DBT mode	4.11
10.		Personal Assistive Aid for 269 PwDs through DBT mode	2.69
11.	Ravi Shiksha Evam Samaj Kalyan Samiti, Sehore, Madhya Pradesh	DBT payment for conveyance in respect of 27 PwDs for personal assistive aid in respect of 27 PwDs	2.05
12.		Conveyance cost to 923 PwDs through DBT mode	20.60
	Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with	Personal Assistive Aid for 98 PwDs through DBT mode	4.90
	Physical Disabilities, New Delhi	Personal Assistive Aids to 10 PwDs and conveyance cost for 265 PwDs through DBT Mode	6.91

C. Grant-in-aid released for National Action Plan for Skill Development for PwDs under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./UTs/ Universities / Institutes / Col- leges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
13.	NICSI, New Delhi	100% payment for 1 crore SMS charge under NAP	2.90
14.	Sunside Services Private Limited, Uttar Pradesh	Conveyance cost to 121 PwDs and personal assistive aid for 190 PwDsthrough DBT mode	4.79
15.	Kanniyappa Memorial Educational Trust, Channi, Tamil Nadu	Personal Assistive Aids to 300 PwDs	15.00
16.	National Banjara Education	2nd installment for 77 PwDs	12.78
10.	Society, Karnataka	Personal Assistive Aid for 63 PwDs	0.75
		Total	1022.26

D. Grant-in-aid released for Unique Disability Identification Project under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24

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S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Insti- tutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
- 327	Women Child Development	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	2.68
1.	and Social Security, Jharkhand	Release of funds to Govt. of Jharkhand for salary of State Coordinator	5.81
2.	Focal Point BR-Postal Tran (India Post Tambaram Division)	Reimbursement of dispatch of 2,63,899 UDID Cards for the Months of Feb., 2023 to March, 2023 through Speed Post	77.85
3.	UT, Andaman and Nicobar	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00
4. Unique Disability Identity (UDID), Sikkim	Unique Disability Identity	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00
	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3.00	
5. SSUPSW, SIPDA, Bihar		Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00
	Remuneration of a coordinator Posted under UDID project for 06 months (from 01.10.2023 to 31.03.2024)	3.00	
6,	The Director, Department of W.D.A.T and SC, Vijaywada, Andhra Pradesh	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00
		Remuneration of State Coordinator for the UDID	3.00
7.	Niyamak Samaj Suraksha Khatu, Gujarat	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00

D. Grant-in-aid released for Unique Disability	Identification Project under the SIPDA Scheme	
during 2023-24		

	during 2023-24				
S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Insti- tutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)		
8.	Social Welfare and Tribal	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00		
0.	Affairs Department, Mizoram	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00		
9.	Unique ID for Persons with Disabilities, Arunachal Pradesh	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3.00		
<u>a</u> rcean.	Scheme for Implementation	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3.00		
10.	of SIPDA 1995, NCT of Delhi	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00		
11.	Director Social Welfare	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3.00		
11.	SIPDA, Nagaland	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00		
		Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	2.81		
	Director, ESOMSA, Himachal Pradesh	Remuneration of a coordinator Posted under UDID project for 06 months (from 01.10.2023 to 31.03.2024)	2.98		
10	Scheme for Implementation of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, Maharashtra	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	2.34		
13.		Release of funds to Govt. of Maharashtra for salary of State Coordinator	3.32		
1.6	CIDDA M	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3.00		
14.	SIPDA, Manipur	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3.00		
	UDID, Director Social & Security Women & Child Development, Punjab	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	2.10		
		Remuneration of State Coordinator for the UDID	3.00		
		Printing and dispatch of 6,06,458 UDID Cards under Project	59.47		
16.		Release to UIDAI towards license fee for e-kyc implementation	3,54		
	NIEPID (CNA), Secunderabad, Telangana	Release to NICSI for payment of consultancy fee for PMU of UDID	14.15		
		Release to NICSI for payment of consultancy fee for PMU of UDID	8.93		
		Payment to NICSI for consultancy fee for PMU of UDID	7.07		
17.	Director, Social Welfare, Uttarakhand	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00		

D. Grant-in-aid released for Unique Disability	Identification Project under the SIPDA Scheme
during	2023-24

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Insti- tutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amoun Released (₹ in lakh)
		Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID Project	3.00
18.	AC LIT CL. 1	Remuneration of State Coordinator for the UDID for the period (01.07.2023 to 31.12.2023)	2.87
	AG, UT, Chandigarh	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	1.50
		Payment to vender for dispatching UDID Cards	38.76
		Payment to vender for dispatching UDID Cards	13.47
19.	M/s Postmaster, Noida, Uttar	Reimbursement of dispatch of 4,75,041UDID Cards for the Months of April, 2023 to May, 2023 through Speed Post	140.14
	Pradesh	Dispatch of QR coded UDID Cards	161.48
		Payment for dispatching UDID Cards for Dec.2024	72.25
		Payment for dispatching UDID Cards	239.35
		Printing of Cards-vendor payment	4.48
20.	M/s Colorplast systems Private Limited, Noida, Uttar Pradesh	Printing and dispatch of 5,47,759 UDID Cards under Project	53.71
20.		Payment to vender for dispatching UDID Cards for Feb., 2024	22.28
		printing of UDID Cards	133.69
21.	Government of Sikkim	1st installment for UDID outdoor publicity	1.50
22.	Director, Social Welfare, Andaman & Nicobar	Remuneration of Six months to State Coordinator	3.00
23.	BNPL, Sector-16, Noida, Uttar Pradesh (Department of Post)	Dispatch of QR coded UDID Cards	144.49
24.	Government of Tamil Nadu	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3.00
25.	Directorate of Social Welfare SIPDA, Goa	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3.00
26.	Dir. Directorete of Specialy Abled Persons, Rajasthan	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	2.92
	UP Disability Department UDID project	Digitalization of manual Certificate	30.24
27.		Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3.45
28.	Directorate of Social Justice and Empowerment, Assam	Remuneration of a State Coordinator Posted under UDID project	3,00
29.	The Project Coordinator & NPRPD, Karnataka	Remuneration of State Coordinator for the UDID	3.00
		Total	1334.63

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Insti- tutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
		Participation in the Govt. Achievement of Schemes Expo at Pragati Maidan from 21-23 July, 2023	0.84
		1st installment for organizing Divya Kala Mela at Indore & Jaipur in the month of June, 2023	112.50
		Organizing Divya Kala Mela at Hyderabad from 6-15 Oct., 2023 & at Bengaluru from 27th Oct. to 5th Nov., 2023	150.00
1.	NHFDC (CNA), New Delhi,	GIA for organizing Divya Kala Mela at Guwahati, Assam from 12-17 May, 2023 (on Reimbursement basis)	76.89
		1stinstallment for organizing Divya Kala Mela at Surat, Gujarat and Nagpur, Maharashtra	100.00
		1stinstallment for organizing Divya Kala Mela at Ahmedabad, Gujarat from 16-25 Feb., 2024	50.00
		Release of CNA for organizing Divya Kala Mela at Agratala, Tripura for 6-11 Feb., 2024	50.00
		1stinstallment for Organizing Divya Kala Mela at Shimla, HP from 1-10 March, 2024	50.00
2. NIEPID (CNA), Secunderabad, Telangan		Release of 1stinstallment to the Academy of Magical Sciences, Kerala for Organizing International Conference on compressive Education for CWSNs	10.32
		Release of 2nd & final installment to Gopal Dutt Shikshan Samiti, Uttarakhand for Organizing Awareness camp in Almora District	1.27
	NIEPID (CNA), Secunderabad, Telangana	Release of 2nd & final instalment to Gopal Dutt Shikshan Samiti, Uttarakhand for Organizing Awareness camp in Bageshwar District	1.27
		1st installment for organizing Mega Yoga Day Event on 21st June, 2023 at Secunderabad	70.67
		1stinstallment release to Velugu, Andhra Pradesh for conducting Awareness Seminars in 02 Marelas of A.P.	3.23
		1stinstallment to Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India for organizing round table meeting for corporate to promote SABAL for PwDs	2.25
		Release of 2ndinstallment to Social & Health Development Organization, Manipur for organizing two Awareness camps	0.18
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Development Association for confuting 01 day
awareness Programme

0.06

E. G	E. Grant-in-aid released for Awareness Generation and Publicity under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24			
S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Insti- tutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)	
		Release of 2nd installment to Velugu, Madanapalle, Andhra Pradesh for organizing a Sensitization/Awareness Programme in &Mandals of Andhra Pradesh on 27-28, July, 2023	1.08	
		Release of 2nd installment to PDUNIPPD for organizing DivyaKala Shakti at Varanasi on 27.05.2023	2.43	
		Release of 1stinstallment for organizing 30 Sensitization Programme about Rehabilitation Services in 15 States	11.25	
		Release of 1st installment for organizing Divyakala Shakti at Ahmedabad, Gujarat on 01.01.2024	15.75	
		Release of 1stinstallment for organizing Divya Kala Shakti at Indore, Madhya Pradesh on 05.01.2024	17.33	
		Release of 1stinstallment for organizing Divya Kala Shakti at Bengaluru, Karantaka on 06.01.2024	16.84	
		1stinstallment for organizing divyakala Shakti at Hyderabad on 10.02.2024	22.76	
		1stinstallment for condicting 29thSpecial Employees National Meet during 8-9 Feb., 2024	4.50	
		1stinstallment for organizing two dyas training programme in Puducherry& Tamil Nadu on 15-16 March, 2024	2.63	
		1st installment for organizing Purple fest at AmritUdyan, RashtrapatiBhawan on 26.02.2024	49.54	
		2nd installment to AYJNISHD for organizing Divya Kala Shakti at Ahmedabad on 01.01.2024	2.25	
		Release of GIA to Signing Hands Foundation for 03 Proposals	6.04	
		2nd installment for conducting 29th Special Employees meet during 08-09 Feb., 2024	3.41	
		1st installment to AYJNISHD for National Disability Helpline No. (14456)	19.87	
		Release of GIA to NIEPMD for Participation & Setting up Stalls at Purple fest Goa from 08-13 Jan., 2024	1.87	
		1st installment to National Trust for organizing Purple Talks on 03-04 April, 2024 at NISD, Dwarka	1.88	

E. Grant-in-aid released for Awareness Generation and Publicity under the SIPDA Scheme
during 2023-24

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Insti- tutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
		2nd installment to Entreprenurship Development Institute of India for conducting Roundtable Meeting to Promote SABAL	0.75
		2nd& final installment to NIEPMD for organizaing Divya Kala Shakti at Bangalore	4.79
		2nd& final installment to parivar for organizaing 7th National convention of Self Advocates forum	1.09
		Release of GIA to CRC Ahmedabad through AYJSNISHD for National Unity Week	1.04
		full and final installment to NIEPID for Participation in purple fest in Goa, 2024	1.57
3.	PHD Chamber of Commerce and industry	Organizing events to raise awareness & Educate on Menstrual Health & Hygienic Management	6.00
		Installation of Selfie Points (04) at CGO Complex, DAIC, NDRS & DU	5.90
		Preparation & installation of 05 Selfie Booths at Lucnow, Amritsar, Bagalore, Ahmedabad & Varanasi, Airports.	7.38
4.	M/s Anj Creations, New Delhi	Production of 09 Short films on all 09 NI's fo the Department	103.54
		Preparation & installation of 04 Selfie Booths at Bhopal Chennai, Hyd. And Mumbai Airports.	5.90
		Production of 04 Radio Jingels on Scholarship, ADIP & UDID (02)	2.12
5.	NILD, Kolkata	Organizing Observance of National Unity Week from 25-31 October, 2023	2.27
6.	Suraj Kund Mela Authority, Fridabad	Installation of 04 Mega Hoardings and Displaying 10 Mega LED Screens at 37th Suraj Kund Mela	35.40
7.	Prasar Bharati	Awareness Campaign of DEPwD during live telecast of Asia cup cricket, 2023 Akashvani	27.18
		Total	1063.84

F. Grant-in-aid released for Research on Disability Related Technology, Product and Issues under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/ Universities/Insti- tutes/Colleges/ NGOs	Purpose	Amount Re- leased (₹ in lakh)
1.	Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda Educational and Research Institute, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu	Reimbursement as 3rd and 4th installment for completion and submission at the final Report	0.31

	under ti	ne SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24	
S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/ Universities/Insti- tutes/Colleges/ NGOs	Purpose	Amount Re- leased (₹ in lakh)
2.	Tata Institute of Social Science (TISS), Mumbai	Reimbursement basis towards 3rd and final installment for Completion and submission of final report.	3.97
		Efficacy of the teaching learning materials under the scheme for persons with cerebral palsy	5.55
3.		Study on association between visual motor Perception and cognitive abilities of children with Specific learning disabilities	3.60
		Development a prototype of Home-based teaching learning materials under Scheme for Persons with Specific learning disability	6.80
	NIEPID (CAN), Secunderabad, Telangana	Exact cause for high number of Divyangjan having intellectual and Developmental infirmities in the state of UP, Telangana, Bihar and West Bengal	9.84
		Empowering Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), through the training of Master Trainers	5.72
		Development of Acodemic Achievement Test for Specific learning Disabilities (SLD)	15.60
4.	Indian Institute of Information Technolgy (IIIT), Kota, Rajasthan	AI Glassess	6.91
5.	Ministry of Education Innovation Cell	Payment of prize money for Smart India Hackathan (SIH), 2023	11.25
		Total	69.55

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Insti- tutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
1.	SMS Medical College, Jaipur, Rajasthan	Reimbursement of 10 beds at State Spinal Injury Centre Established at the College	32.08
2.	Government of Rajasthan	Establishment of State Spinal Injury Centre at J.L.N. Medical College, Ajmer	233,00
3.	Government of Madhya Pradesh	Establishment of State Spinal Injury Centre at District Hospital, Sagar	287.00
		Total	552.08

H. Grant-in-aid released for Project for Support for Establishment/Modernization/ Capa	city
augmentation of Braille presses under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24	

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Institutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
	NIEPID (CNA), Secunderabad, Telangana	NIVH against add. Amount paid for GST	1.63
		Administrations Expenses for reimbursement basis	6.16
1.		Printing of braille press pages for reimbursement basis	71.20
1.		GIA for braille embosser under braille press project-reg.	90.00
		2nd installment for Disbursal to Govt. of Bhopal	83.42
		Reimbursement basis reg.	193.99
		Total	446.40

I. Grant-in-aid released Cross Disability Early Intervention Centre under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24

S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Institutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)
1.	NIEPID (CNA), Secunderabad, Telangana	Salary with Expenditure	287.43
		Total	287.43

J. (J. Grant-in-aid released for CPMU cum DSU under the SIPDA Scheme during 2023-24					
S. No.	Name of the State Govts./ UTs/Universities / Institutes / Colleges/NGOs	Purpose	Total Amount Released (₹ in lakh)			
1.	CPMU Consultants	Consultancy fee and TA/DA bill for inspection tour.	170.44			
		Total	170.44			

Annexure VIII

S.No. States/UTs No. of e-UDID Cards Generate					
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	5819			
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	1125857			
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	3635			
4	ASSAM	202759			
5	BIHAR	501115			
6	CHANDIGARH	9292			
7	CHANDIGARH	20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 -			
		248635			
8	DADRA NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU	3695			
9	DELHI	69330			
10	GOA	9670			
11	GUJARAT	402831			
12	HARYANA	181474			
13	HIMACHAL PRADESH	93383			
14	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	193115			
15	JHARKHAND	177299			
16	KARNATAKA	772541			
17	KERALA	327800			
18	LADAKH	3628			
19	LAKSHADWEEP	984			
20	MADHYA PRADESH	853322			
21	MAHARASHTRA	1106611			
22	MANIPUR	11968			
23	MEGHALAYA	30731			
24	MIZORAM	5767			
25	NAGALAND	2770			
26	ODISHA	683305			
27	PUDUCHERRY	20883			
28	PUNJAB	341821			
29	RAJASTHAN	516803			
30	SIKKIM	4797			
31	TAMIL NADU	799316			
32	TELANGANA	774268			
33	TRIPURA	36080			
34	UTTAR PRADESH	1290215			
35	UTTARAKHAND	91690			
36	WEST BENGAL	32034			
	Total	10935243			

Annexure-IX

From 2015-16 to 2023-24, the funds released and number of beneficiaries covered in respect of scholarship schemes is as under: -

(Amount in Crore)

S. No	Se	heme	2015- 16	2016- 17	2017- 18	2018- 19	2019-	2020- 21	2021- 22	2022-	2023- 24
•		Amount	1.60	5.52	9.07	6.50	24.57	9.82	12.35	21.39	11.50
1	Pre-matric	Beneficiaries	2368	7927	12593	6767	22218	12488	12592	21170	10791
		Amount	3.21	9.82	14.92	56.39	64.98	47.29	83.12	72.31	72.68
2	Post-matric	Beneficiaries	3565	6281	7657	22953	19978	12573	28347	21498	17231
	Top Class	Amount	0.24	0.86	0.67	1.06	3.02	4.50	5.04	7.82	8.47
3	Education	Beneficiaries	14	42	37	78	239	453	519	825	706
	National	Amount	0	0.38	0.70	1.08	1.02	1.23	1.62	3.15	2.88
4	Overseas	Beneficiaries	0	2	1	2	0	2	9	15	13
2	National	Amount	19.97	19.26	30.24	19.86	20.98	28.69	29.27	40.53	34.93
5	Fellowships	Beneficiaries	527	589	666	566	537	551	669	654	633
25	Free	Amount	0	0	0.87	1.38	0.00	0.23	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	Coaching	Beneficiaries	0	0	250	0	0	0	0	0	0

Annexure-X

Details of the expenditure incurred on proposals under National Fund for Persons with Disabilities:

	Details of Expenditure d	uring the Financial Year 2023-24	under Nationa	ıl Fund
S.No	Name of the organiza- tion/ Individual	Purposes	Amount Released (In Rs.)	Installment
1	National Divyangjan Finance and Development Corporation, New Delhi	Participation in Surajkund International Crafts Mela-2022 from 19.03.2022 to 03.04.2022.	9,01,693.00	2nd & Final Installment
2	NIMHANS, Bengaluru, Karnataka	Organizing the 02 National Level Art Workshop cum Exhibition to showcase paintings made by PwDs in NIMHANS on 11th July to 15th July, 2022 & 10th Oct to 14th Oct, 2022.	4,09,052.00	2nd & Final Installment
3	Assam Centre for Rural Development, Guwahati	Organizing two days state level handicraft exhibition on 1st-2nd February, 2023 to showcase the products made by PwDs.	5,00,000.00	2nd & Final Installment
4	National Divyangjan Finance and Development Corporation, New Delhi	For participating in Surajkund International Craft Mela-2023 from 3rd to 19th February,2023	9,80,798.00	2nd & Final Installment
5	The National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities, New Delhi	Two Days national level exhibition on the theme of 'Talent and Scope of Persons with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities in the 4th week of February,2023.	10,00,000.00	2nd & Final Installment
6	National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD), Chennai	Holding 'Abilities Hub' - A National Level Exhibition' on 28.02.2023	6,94,164.00	2nd & Final Installment
7	Adarsh Rehabilitation Center, Bhiwani, Haryana	Organizing two days state level handicraft exhibition on 18-19 march,2023 to showcase the products made by PwDs.	4,12,020.00	2nd & Final Installment
8	Rehabilitation Council of India, a statutory Body of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India	For Conducting 2nd Batch of CBID Training Program.	88,65,600.00	2nd Installment

	Details of Expenditure d	uring the Financial Year 2023-24		l Fund
S.No	Name of the organiza- tion/ Individual	Purposes	Amount Re- leased (In Rs.)	Installment
9	M Ramalingam, Deaf & Tunnel Vision Artist, Chennai	Participation in the 3rd International Exhibition of works held in Sochi, Russia from 08th to 15th May, 2023.	1,80,400.00	1st & 2nd Installment
10	National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (NIEPVD), Dehradun	PAN India Divya Bands Competition & Finale concert from June, 2023 to November, 2023	10,03,000.00	1st & final payment
11	Sh. Rimo Saha. Paraswimmer, Golabari, West Bengal	Participating in English Channel adventure swim two way from England to France & return back to England from 17th -22nd July, 2023	1,38,050.00	Full & final payment
12	Association for Learning Performing Arts & Normative Action (A.L.P.A.N.A.), Delhi	Organizing National level exhibition in India International Centre, New Delhi during 18th - 19th November, 2023.	20,00,000.00	1st & 2nd Installment
13	National institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Secundarabad	Two days workshop on Indian Scale for Assessment of Autism (ISSA)in hybrid mode on 28th- 29th November, 2023	8,65,000.00	1st & 2nd Installment
14	National institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Secundarabad	Two days National Conference on Techno-Pedagogic Approach in Rehabilitation of CWSN on 24th- 25th November, 2023	6,60,000.00	1st & 2nd Installment
15	Office of the State Commissioner for PwD, GNCT, Delhi,	For organizing Divya Utsav on 4th -5th December,2023	22,60,626.00	1st & 2nd Installment
16	Sarthak Educational Trust, Delhi	Two days workshop on Disability at Gurugram on 8-9 December,2023	11,37,327.00	1st & 2nd Installment
17	Viklang Sahara Samiti, Delhi	For organizing workshop/ exhibition on 14-15 December to showcase the products made by PwDs at Delhi Haat, Pitampura	9,96,491.00	1st & 2nd Installment
18	Social Welfare Department, UT of J&K,	Purple Fest, Jammu,2023 on 2,00,00,000.0		1st & 2nd Installment
19	Office of the State commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Govt. of Goa	International Purple Fest, Goa, 2024 from 8th to 13th January,2024	5,00,00,000.00	1st, 2nd & 3rd Installment

	Details of Expenditure during the Financial Year 2023-24 under National Fund						
S.No	Name of the organiza- tion/ Individual	Purposes	Amount Re- leased (In Rs.)	Installment			
20	National institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Secundarabad	Three days International Workshop on NIEPID Indian Test of Intelligence on 29th-31st January, 2024 in New Delhi	3,35,000.00	1st & Final Installment			
21	National Abilympics Association of India(NAAI)	02 Regional Competitions for PwDs during the year 2023-24	17,50,000.00	1st Installment			
22	Indian Sign Language and Research & Training Centre, New Delhi	& Training the ISL of the In-Service Special		1st Installment			
-	Total Expend	iture under G.I.A(A)	9,60,89,221.00				
	Administr	12,15,171.00					
	Gran	9,73,04,392.00					

Annexure-XI

List of National Awardees (category-wise) for the National Awards for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, 2023 :

I- National Awards for Individual Excellence-2023.

No.	Category of Award	No. of Award	Name of awardees.
1	Sarvshresth Divyangjan (Belonging to any field or activity i.e. Education/Health/ Employment/Art & Culture/ Sports/Creative work/ Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities/ Social service/ etc a Role Model) – Open to all persons with disabilities having any of the 21 specified disabilities under the RPwD Act.	05 (03 for Male and 02 for Female)	Female 1. Smt. Sunita Gupta 2. Smt. Swarnalatha Tumkur Guruprasad Male 3. Sh. Satyaprakash Matasaran Tiwari 4. Sh. Taha Idrees Haaziq 5. Sh. Vaibhav Tanaji Sangale
2	A. Locomotor Disability - (Locomotor, Muscular Disability, Dwarfism, Acid Attack Victims, Leprosy Cured, Cerebral Palsy). B. Visual Impairment - (Blindness, Low Vision) C. Hearing Impairment - (Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Speech & Language disability) D. Intellectual Disability - (Mental Retardation, Mental Behavior, Specific Learning Disability, Autism Spectrum Disorder) E. Any specified disability except the disabilities mentioned from Sr. (a) to (d) above. (Disability caused due to Blood Disorder, Hemophilia, Thalassemia, Sickle Cell Diseases, Chronic Neurological Conditions, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, and Multiple Disability). F. However, if suitable person(s) in any one or more of these sub-categories are not	10 (6 for male 5 female	1. Sh. Saikaustuv Das gupta 2. Ms.Srilekha Mandalapalli 3. Sh. Tejveer Singh 4. Sh. C Govinda Krishnan 5. Ms.Divya Sharma 6. Sh. Himanshu Kansal 7. Ms.Poonam 8. Sh. Abhinav Chaudhary 9. Ms.Jyoti Sinha 10. Sh. Jay Mahesh kumar Gangdia 11. Ms. S Smitha

No.	Category of Award	No. of Award	Name of awardees.
	found, the awards may be given to additional person(s) in other sub-categories.		
	(In the fields of employment/self-employment, health/sports, art, culture drawing, painting, music, or any other type of creative work, empowerment of PwDs,)		
3	Shresth Divyang Bal/Balika (Children with disabilities upto the age of 18 years) (belonging to any of category of specified disabilities under the RPwDAct) – (In the field of art & culture drawing, painting, music, or any other type of creative work etc.)	3 (2 for male and 1 for female) (upto age of 18)	Master Rupanjan Sen Master Adithya Suresh Kumari Jiya Rai
4	Sarvshrestha Vyakti-Divyang jano Ke Sashaktikaran Ke Liye Karyarath	1 Award	Sh. Prashant Agarwal
5	Divyangata Ke Kshetra Mein Sarvshrestha Punarvas Peshevar	1 Award	Dr.Apte Subhash
6	DivyangataKe Keshtra Mein Sarvshrestha Anusandhan / Navpravartan /UtpadVikas	1 Award	Suitable application not received

II) National Awards for Institutions engaged in Empowering Persons with Disabilities, 2023.

S.N	Category of Award	No. of Award	Name of Awardee and address
1.	Divyangjan Sashaktikaran Hetu Sarveshrestha Sansthan (Private organization, NGO)	1 Award for providing comprehensive Rehabilitation services. 1 Award for Inclusive Education (institutions providing or promoting inclusive education)	Sarthak Educational Trust Deepstambh Foundation
2.	Divyangjano Ke Liye Sarvshrestha Niyokta (Govt. organisation/ PSEs/ Autonomous bodies/ Pvt. Sector)	1 Award	Amazon India
3.	Divyangao Ke Liye Sarvshresth Placement Agency– excluding Govt./State Govt./Local Bodies	1 Award	Suitable application not received
4.	Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan Kay Karyanvayan / Badhamukta Vatavaran Kay Srijan Mein Sarvshrestha Rajya / UT / Zila	1 Award	Madhya Pradesh, Directorate, Social Justice and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities dir. socialjustice@mp.gov.in

S.N	Category of Award	No. of Award	Name of Awardee and address
5.	Sarvshrestha Sugamya Yatayatkay Sadahan/ Soochana Avem Sanchar Prodyogiki	1 Award	India Signing Hands Private Limited Sun Mill Compound, Lower Parel (west), Maharashtra 400013. Email: alok@ indiasigninghands.com
6.	Divyangjano Kay Adhikar Adhiniyam/ UDID Avem Divyang Sashktikaranki Anay Yojanaon kay Karyanvayan Mein Sarvshrestha Rajya/UT/ Zila	1 Award	Gadchiroli Email: ceozpgadchiroli@gmail.com
7.	Divyangjano Kay Adhikar Adhiniyam Kay Apne Rajya/UT Mein Karyanvayan Mein Sarvshrestha Pradarshan Rajya Divayngjan Aayukta	2 Award	Shri Guruprasad Pawaskar Office of the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities Goa Email dis-comm.goa@gov.in 9970620111 Shri Sandeep Rajak, Commissioner Disability Madhya Pradesh Email: comm-pwds@mp.gov. in
8.	Punarvas Sevawon ke liye Pesheyvar Taiyar Karnewali Sarvshresth Sansthan	1 Award	Divyang Development Society Kanpur-208012 Email: kaurmanpreet100@ gmail.com

Annexure-XII

SUCCESS STORIES

I ADIP Cochlear Implant (CI) Scheme - Success Stories

a) Mast. Niloy Dhar, Vill- Manikpur, Dist- Majuli, Assam



Mast. Niloy Dhar was diagnosed with bilateral severe to profound sensorineural hearing loss. Hearing loss made it hard to hear or speak. At the age of 3 years 3 months on 29.06.2021 he underwent cochlear implant surgery under ADIP scheme. He attended regular therapy sessions at Pratiksha hospital, an empanelled centre under ADIP CI Scheme. Presently 2 years 5 months post implant, he is able to speak in sentences clearly, narrates simple stories and sing rhymes. He understands and follows regular used verbal commands. Communicates with parents, relative and friends, asks questions and attempts to interact with everyone. Currently attending

nursery in an English medium private school.

b) Name: Ms. Anvi Kishan, Kangra, Himachal Pradesh.





Ms. Anvi Kishan has been implanted with 'Nucleus' CP802 implant on 17.02.2021 at the age of 5 years at SPS Ludhiana. She has been attending therapy regularly Simran Speech and Hearing Clinic, Ludhiana, ADIP empaneled therapy Centre. 2 yrs 10 months 'post of the implant, her current status is that she can communicate verbally in simple sentences clearly and also asks questions understanding question. Presently she attends a normal school and studying in Senior KG. She loves to involve herself socially in family and

telephonic conversations like a normal hearing age-matched peer.

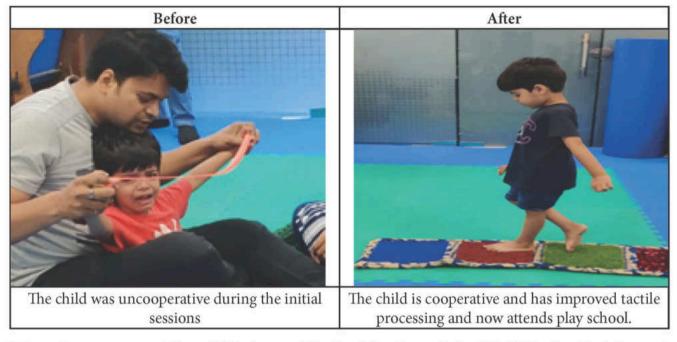
II Success Stories of Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (PDUNIPPD):

Master Chandan (name changed), a 4-year-old boy presented with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder at Occupational Therapy Department, CDEIC, PDUNIPPD on 24th April 2023, had severe Sensory Processing difficulties, had poor eye contact and was cranky and uncooperative during the initial sessions. His sensory profile score was 248/430. On initial assessment he had very poor eye contact(for 1-2 seconds), uncooperative behavior, object fixation (with numbers & alphabets pegs) during therapy session for 30 minutes, anxious in new situations & new activities.

He was given Occupational therapy sessions including visual stimulation using Bubble Column, Wilbarger Protocol (standardized protocol) for tactile defensiveness, Joint Compressions and Weighted Jacket for Proprioceptive input and Tactile Mats for tactile regulation. Hand activities were included in his therapy program to improve his attention span and sitting tolerance.

He made progress through graduated play-based activities that addressed his differences in sensory processing over a period of 1 month. After continuous Occupational therapy sessions for three months, the child is now cooperative, gives eye contact most of the time and his sensory symptoms also improved. His sensory profile score is now 211/430. Eye contact for 8-10 seconds, cooperative behavior, object

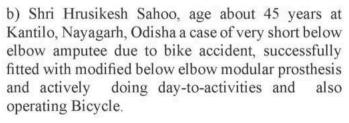
fixation (with numbers & alphabets pegs) reduced during the therapy sessions for only 2 minutes, decreased anxiety in new situations & new activities.



III Success story of Swami Vivekanand National Institute of the Rehabilitation Training and Research (SVNIRTAR), Cuttack:

a) Sh xxxxxx (name changed), a xx year-old: It is a very rare and critical case of Hip Disarticulation and opposite side very short AK amputation. The team of P&O professionals fitted the patient with innovative indigenous design, resulting the patient is walking independently at 3km/hour.











IV National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (NILD), Kolkata, Success Stories:

a) Master Balmiki aged about 4 year came at the Cross Disability Early Intervention Centre (CDEIC), NILD on 22.02.23 since he was facing hearing problems and some physical challenges. After assessment he was diagnosed with Hearing Impairment, and the rehabilitation professionals understood that the kid cannot read, write or pronounce. He had a minor problem in his left hand and he wasn't using it which affected his daily life. After coming to the Centre, he was referred for getting a hearing aid. Also, after talking the OT, PT and Special Education sessions, he enrolled for school readiness program, now he is capable of identifying sounds like various horns of vehicles, bicycle bells etc. He can read, write and pronounce various alphabets and numbers. He can also identify animals, fruits, vegetables, vehicle, Body parts, Birds etc.





b) Ms. Dipti Pramanick (3 years and 2 months) visited CDEIC on 15th November, 2022. She was unable to sit and stand due to increased tone and tightness of lower extremities, poor muscle strength and coordination and activity limitations. After a few months of physiotherapeutic intervention, the child is now able to sit without support, able to stand with minimal support and can walk with the help of walking aids. Extensive rehabilitation may lead to walking independently in the upcoming future.



c) Master Debattam (6 yrs) was earlier a hyperactive child with poor eye contact and sitting habits and diagnosed with mild Intellectual Disability (ID) at an age of two years and four months. After 14 months of training at CDEIC, NILD, his sitting habits improved. He can understand instructions of teachers and parents. He has also improved social skills also started to identify body parts, colours, fruits, vegetables, sizes, shapes, alphabets and numbers.



V National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (NIEPVD), Dehradun, Success Stories:

a) Ms. Shefali Rawat's success story is a testament to her strength, determination, and passion for both academics and sports. Despite being born with low vision, Shefali consistently excelled academically, achieving top marks in class 10th grade. In 2021, she expanded her horizons by joining blind football, eventually captaining the Uttarakhand Blind Football in 2023. Under the guidance of her parents and sports teacher/coach, Model School, Shefali made history by becoming the the



first female blind football player to participate in the Women's Blind Football World Championship in

Birmingham, UK, in 2023. Her participation in various national and international events further highlights her commitment to sports, including representing Uttarakhand Blind Cricket in 2018 and 2023, and the Uttarakhand Blind Football team in the North and Central Zonal Blind Football Championship in 2023. Notably, she represented Uttarakhand Blind Cricket in 2018 and secured national medals in the 800m and 1500m races in the T-12 category. She played an important role in the success of the Uttarakhand Blind Football team, both as a player and as a captain in 2023, participating in the Uttarakhand North and Central Zonal Blind Football Championship.

b) Master Saurabh Sharma, an alumnus of the Institute's Model School, is currently making remarkable strides in both academics and sports. Pursuing D.Ed Special Education (VI) at the Department of Special Education & Research, NIEPVD, Dehradun. His success extends beyond the classroom, as he has emerged as a sports sensation, bringing immense pride to himself and enhancing the reputation of the Institute. His notable achievements include active participation in the 19th,



20th, and 23rd National Para Athletics Championships, as well as the 12th National Junior Sub Para Athletics Championship and the IBSA event in 2022. In recognition of his outstanding performances, Saurabh has been honored with significant awards i.e. Bronze Medal in the 20th National Para Athletics Championship, a Gold Medal in the 12th National Junior Sub Junior Para Athletics Championship, and exhibited consistent excellence in Road Races with five podium finishes. His exceptional skills were further highlighted in the Khelo India Para Games 2023, where he received a Bronze Medal in the 1500m race and a Silver Medal in the 5000m race.



c) Akshara Rana's story is truly inspiring and showcases the power of determination and passion for sports. She has not only excelled in blind football but has also made history by becoming the first female blind football player to score a goal against Austria in the Women's Blind Football World Championship held in Birmingham, UK, in 2023. Akshara's journey is marked by the unwavering support of her parents, Shri Pratap Singh Rana, a farmer, and her mother, a dedicated homemaker. The role of her sports teacher, Sh. Naresh Singh Nayal, Model School is also significant in shaping her success. Beyond her individual accomplishments, Akshara has

played an important role in the success of the Uttarakhand Blind Football Team in both National and Zonal Championships. With dreams of representing India at the Paralympics and the Women's Blind Football World Cup, Akshara Rana is a testament to the fact that determination and passion can break barriers.

VI Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (AYJNISHD), Mumbai

a) Ms. Jiya Rai: A student of the Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Divyanjan) AYJNISHD(D) – Mumbai, made her remarkable contributions as a young student of National Institute of Open School [NIOS] Centre in the 2022-23 batch at AYJNISHD(D) to the field of self-empowerment for persons with disabilities have earned her the prestigious National Award for Empowerment of Persons with Disability - 2023.



Among her noteworthy achievements are the Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar (PMRB) - 2022, a prestigious award bestowed upon outstanding citizens below 18 years of age. Ms. Rai's commitment to excellence has also been acknowledged with the Uttar Pradesh Disability Award - 2021, the Shiver-Kennedy Student Achievement Award (USA), and the Dr. Temple Grand in Award (USA).

VII National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Secunderabad success stories:





a) Mr. Aennam Tanay S/o A.V. Venu Gopal, Age 22yrs: with moderate Intellectual Disability having associated condition of Autism has been referred to Department of Adult Independent Living (DAIL) of NIEPID for Vocational Training in Drawing & Painting activity as well as Screen printing activities. He was given training in activities such as Drawing & Painting, Computer related works. His mother was very co-operative and helped him in acquiring the knowledge/skills in Drawing & Painting activities. The training given by the vocational instructors helped him in getting Artistic & Computer skills. He became very good in the drawing and painting skills. After six months duration, he showcased his artistic abilities through his presentation in different states on National & International platforms. He also participated in various Exhibitions and Workshops and also participated in Special Employees National Meet.

b) Mr. Manish Kumar, 22 years of age with mild intellectual disability, was admitted to NIEPID, MSEC Vocational Training section in 2022. He had low self Confidence, Poor Money skills and Unable to commute independently. Interventions like Skill Training (Data Entry Operator), Parent Counselling, Special Education, Group Activities were done.





With continuous efforts and training, Sh. Manish has started participating in various activities at school, offline and online. He was enrolled in the "Data Entry Operator training". During this period he also learned independent travelling and training by teachers and parents. He has been provided Vocational Training in the School in the concepts of Money, Weighing, Packaging, Safety skills and other Areas. Simultaneously, training was provided at home also. He has been provided training to operate Tea - Coffee Vending Machine and a small Tuck shop for self /Supported Employment. Initially he was performing the task under supervision and with Verbal prompt. After training now he is fully independent in performing all the works.

VIII National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD), Chennai, Success Stories:





a) Master Gokula Vasanthan aged about 5 years 7 months was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Master Vasanthan, came to NIEPMD on 20.03.23 with the presenting complaints of Hyperactivity, inadequate name calling response and eye contact, poor peer interactive play and communication. He went through the entire Assessment process in Cross Disability Early Intervention Centre (CDEIC), NIEPMD and subsequently he was diagnosed with ASD. The parents were given counseling regarding the condition and the need of intervention for the child's improvement. He was enrolled in the CDEIC, NIEPMD for Occupational therapy, Trans-disciplinary group, Speech therapy and Special Education. After attending regular therapy for the past 9 months, the child's response and eye contact has improved, his hyperactivity has reduced. Child's pre-linguistic skills, has improved. There is an improvement in peer interactive play and socio-emotional skills. He is able to write Tamil sentences and English words.

- b) Baby Rasika Subarna, aged about 2 years 5 months, was diagnosed with Developmental Delay. Baby Rasika from Devakottai, Sivagangai district came to NIEPMD on 10.06.2022 with the presenting complaints of difficulty in gross and fine motor skills, poor socialization and poor communication. She went through the entire Assessment process in Cross Disability Early Intervention Centre (CDEIC). NIEPMD and she was diagnosed as Global Developmental Delay. The parents were given counseling regarding the condition and the need of intervention for the child's development. She was enrolled in the CDEIC, NIEPMD where she availed the services of Physiotherapy, Occupational therapy, Transdisciplinary group and Speech therapy. The child had delay in Gross Motor Developmental milestones like Rolling, poor Neck Control, sitting and standing with Hypotonia in both upper and lower limbs. The child had delay in Fine Motor Developmental milestones like grasp, reach, non-prehensile skills, pinches. The child was unable to comprehend family members. She also had drooling of saliva. After intensive therapy in CDEIC the child achieved rolling, neck control, independent sitting, standing with support. The child is now able to comprehend family members and respond to her name. She is able to vocalise /a/, /i/, /u/ consistently. Drooling of saliva has been brought to control. The child is now able to participate in group activity. Her involvement in peer interaction has improved. Her socio-emotional skills are emerging.
- c) Mr. I. Haran Nataraj (Person with Specific Learning Disability) successfully passed the examinations conducted by the Food Corporation of India and was selected for the post of Assistant grade III (General). NIEPMD had started a Competitive Exam Coaching Centre in September 2022 to provide free coaching for the Persons with Intellectual Disability, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Mental Illness, Specific Learning Disability and Multiple Disabilities to enhance their competency to score up in the competitive exams for Governmental placements. Mr. Haran was lucky enough to be one amongst to start their career with an inspiring address by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi through a virtual event of Rozgar Mela held on 22nd July 2023.





IX Indian Sign Language Training and Research Centre, New Delhi. (ISLRTC), Success Story:



a) Ms. Monika Singh, a student of the Diploma in Indian Sign Language Interpretation (DISLI) at ISLRTC emerged as a National Topper for 2021-23 batch. As a Child of Deaf Adults (CODA), her journey has been marked by unique challenges.

b) Ms. Neha Mitruka, a student of the Diploma in Teaching Indian Sign Language Interpretation



(DTISL) course at ISLRTC, has achieved the distinction of being the National Topper for the 2021-23 batch. She hails from Rajasthan and in her family of eleven, eight members are deaf. They communicate seamlessly in Indian Sign Language at home, facing no barriers within their household. Her parents, with mother being hearing and father deaf, supports her goals. Despite her Deafness and a lack of formal ISL education in her earlier schooling, Neha embraced the learning opportunities at ISLRTC in DTISL course. With the dedicated guidance of ISLRTC's teachers and staff, she mastered ISL and written English, becoming bilingual. Neha's hard work culminated in her

achievement as the national topper in the DTISL course, a testament to the transformative power of education through Indian Sign Language. Her success story is not only a personal achievement but also an inspiration for others. She expressed her gratitude to ISLRTC's teachers, both hearing and Deaf, for their support and hopes her journey motivates more Deaf individuals to pursue education in ISL.

Highlights

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Hydrotherapy pool for rehabilitation of children with multiple disabilities



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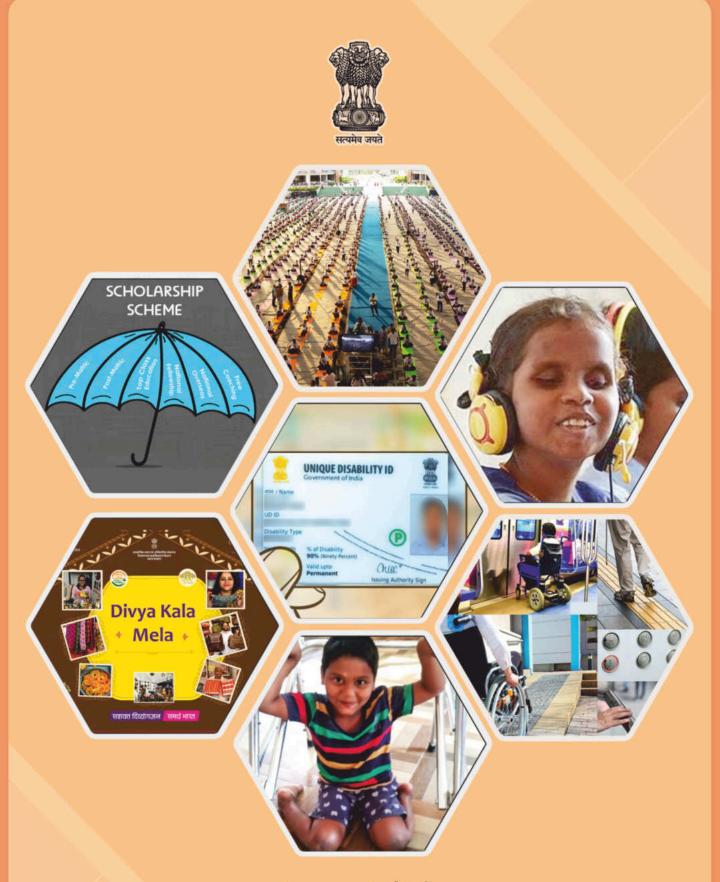
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