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विषय सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम 2005 के अंतर्गत सूचना  
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(पी० एन० काला)  
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संलग्नक - उपरोक्त

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सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम 2005 के अन्तर्गत

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a)	With reference to our letter dated 4, 12. 2013 we have applied under RTI to you requesting information regarding central policies, programmes, schemes, notifications, circulars, guidelines, government orders and any other material in the fields of education and employment issued for Persons with Disabilities.	<p>Some copy of information regarding cenral policies, programmes, schemes, notification, circulars, guidlines etc are enclosed.</p> <p>Annexure -"A"- Copy of the Reservation of Jobs &amp; Other Facilities for disabled persons is enclosed. 3% reservation in Gr. A.B.C &amp; D. Is enclosed.</p> <p>Annexure -"B"- Copy of the Persons with disabilities (Equal opportunities, Protection of rights &amp; full participation) Act, 1995.</p> <p>Annexure -"A"-Copy of the Central government schemes for the Rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.</p> <p>(Note- for more details please check the ministry of social justice website.<a href="http://www.mosj&amp;e.gov.in">www.mosj&amp;e.gov.in</a>)</p>

सूचना प्रदान करने वाले अधिकारी के हस्ताक्षर

नाम :

(जगदीश लखेड़ा)

पदनाम :

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एवं एडीप प्रभारी

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## RESERVATION OF JOBS & OTHER FACILITIES FOR DISABLED PERSONS

- (i) 3% reservations in Gr 'C' & 'D' Posts.

As per the order of Government of India reservation of 3% in jobs have been made in Gr. 'C' & Gr. 'D' posts for the PH persons. The category of handicapped persons benefitted are the blind, the deaf and the O.H. persons as given below:

Cataegory of handicapped	%age of reservation
(1) The Blind	1%
(2) The Deaf	1%
(3) The OH	1%

For effective implementation of the reservation it has been adviced to maintain a roster of vacancies arising in Gr 'C' and Gr. 'D' posts from the year to year. This 34th vacancy may be earmarked, for the blind. Similarly, the 67th vacancy and 100th vacancy would be reserved for the Deaf & the OH respectively in a cycle of 100 vacancies. (Annexure- VIII & Annexure-IX(A) & Annexure-IX(B).

- (ii) A revised instruction is also issued regarding the reservation for PH persons in various posts/services. As per the instructions, persons with disability will be given preference at the time of recruitment in the identified Gr. 'A' and 'B' posts. Other details including identification of posts, calculation of the number of vacancies, etc. are given in the instructions (Annexure-IX(C))

*Reservation for the physically handicapped persons in Gr. 'A' and 'B' posts:* As per the order of the Government the reservation to physicaly handicapped stood extended to identified Gr. 'A' and 'B' posts filled through direct recruitment (Annexure -IX(D) and Annexure-IXE).

- (iii) Definitions of disabled for the purpose of reservation

### THE BLIND

The blind are those who suffer from either of the following conditions:

- (a) Total absence of sight;
- (b) Visual acuity not exceeding 6/60 or 20/200 (snellen) in the better eye with correcting lenses;
- (c) Limitation of the field of vision subtending an angle of 20 degrees or worse.

### THE DEAF

The Deaf are those in whom the sense of hearing is non-functional for ordinary purposes of life. They do not hear and understand sounds at all events with amplified speech. The cases included in this category will be those having hearing loss more than 90 decibels in the better ear (profound impairment) or total loss of hearing in both ears.



## THE ORTHOPAEDICALLY HANDICAPPED

The orthopaedically handicapped are those who have a physical defect or deformity which causes an interference with the normal functioning of the bones, muscles and joints.

(iv) **Identification of jobs:** In order to implement these reservations, without loss of productivity some posts are identified disability wise. (Annexure-X).

To insure sufficient recruitment of blind persons separate list has been identified for the blind and partially blind persons (Annexure-XI).

(v) **Posting of handicap candidates:** As per the decision of Government of India Gr. 'C' & Gr. 'D' posts recruited on regional basis and who are physically handicapped may be given posting as far as possible near to their native place within the region subject to administrative constraints PH employees may be given preference in transfer case near to their native place (Annexure-XII).

(vi) **Relaxation of ban order on recruitment to vacancies earmarked for PH persons:**

As per the Government order regarding ban on filling up of non-operational vacant post will not be applicable in case of reserve vacancies to be filled up for PH persons (Annexure-XIII).

(vii) **Carry forward of vacant posts under reserve category:** As per the Government order if a reserve category of person is not available or the nature of vacancy in an office is such that the given category of person cannot be employed then the post may be carried forward for a period of 3 subsequent years. (Annexure-XIV).

(viii) **Appointment of VH persons as canner in Government Deptt.:** As per the decision of Government of India it has been instructed that recanning of chairs in Government offices should be done by blind persons as far as possible when the volume of work require a full time chair canner then a suitable post may be created in consultation with the Finance. (Annexure-XV & Annexure-XVI).

(ix) **Instruction to appointing authority for intimating vacancies reserved for handicap:** As per the existing instruction of the Government all the vacancies in Gr. 'C' and 'D' irrespective of their nature and duration are to be notified to the Employment Exchange and also to be filled through the agency unless filled through UPSC/SSC. It has also been decided that all the appointee should send their request to Employment Exchange/Special Employment Exchange/nearest Vocational Rehabilitation Centres for P.H. for nominating suitable handicapped persons. (Annexure-XVII)

(x) **Age Concession to PH persons:** As per the Government order it has been decided to extend the age concession of 10 years in favour of handicap persons to recruitment to posts filled through the SSC and through Employment Exchange in Gr. 'C' & Gr. 'D' posts. (Annexure XVIII & Annexure XIX).

(xi) **Relaxations in typing qualifications:** As per the order PH persons who are otherwise eligible for appointment to posts of LDC but cannot be so appointed for being unable to satisfy the typing qualifications due to their disability may be exempted from the typing qualification for appointment. (Annexure-XX).

(xii) **Consideration for confirmation in job for blind person:** It has been instructed to all the Ministries/Deptt. of Government of India that there should not be any delay in confirmation of officers including Blind persons on account of administrative delay. Ministry/Department should



ensure, especially in which blind persons are employed that confirmations is made without delay and at appropriate time. (Annexure-XXI).

(xiii) **Reservation for PH persons in posts filled by promotion:** As per the order handicapped persons may be promoted to Gr. 'C' from Gr. 'D' and within Gr. 'C' against the identified post if they are capable of being filled/held by the appropriate category of PH (Annexure XXII-A, Annexure XXII-B and Annexure XXII-C).

(xiv) **Exemptions from payment of examinations fee:** As per the order PH persons recruited to Gr. 'B' and Gr. 'C' posts advertised by the UPSC & SSC will be exempted from the payment of applications and examination fee as prescribed by UPSC/SSC. (Annexure-XXIII)

(xv) **Appointment of Liaison Officer:** As per the order a Liaison Officer appointed to look after the reservation of SC/ST would also be the liaison officer for reservation matters relating to PH, Ex-servicemen and other backward classes. (Annexure-XXIV)



# **"THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES, PROTECTION OF RIGHTS & FULL PARTICIPATION) ACT, 1995"**

The persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation ) Act, 1995" has come into enforcement on February 7, 1996. This law is an important landmark and is a significant step in the direction to ensure equal opportunities for people with disabilities and their full participation in the nation building. The Act provides for both preventive and promotional aspects of rehabilitation like education, employment and vocational training, reservation, research and manpower development, creation of barrier free environment, rehabilitation of persons with disability, unemployment allowance for the disabled, special insurance scheme for the disabled employees and establishment of homes for persons with severe disability etc.

## **Main Provisions of the Act**

- \* Prevention and Early Detection of Disabilities
- \* Education
- \* Employment
- \* Non-Discremination
- \* Research and Manpower Development
- \* Affirmative Action
- \* Social Security
- \* Grievance Redressal

## **Prevention and Early Detection of Disabilities**

- \* Survey, investigations and research shall be conducted to ascertain the cause of occurrence of disabilities.
- \* Various measures shall be taken to prevent disabilities. Staff at the Primary Health Centre shall be trained to assist in this work.
- \* All the children shall be screened once in a year for identifying "at-risk" cases.
- \* Awareness campaigns shall be launched and sponsored to disseminate information.
- \* Measures shall be taken for pre-natal, perinatal, and post-natal care of the mother and child.



## Education

### Right to Free Education

- \* Every child with disability shall have the rights to free education till the age of 18 years in integrated schools or special schools.
- \* Appropriate transportation, removal of architectural barriers and restructuring of curriculum and modifications in the examination system shall be ensured for the benefit of children with disabilities.
- \* Children with disabilities shall have the right to free books, scholarships, uniform and other learning material.
- \* Special schools for children with disabilities shall be equipped with vocational training facilities.
- \* Non-formal education shall be promoted for children with disabilities.
- \* Teachers Training Institutions shall be established to develop requisite manpower.
- \* Parents may move to appropriate fora for the redressal of grievances regarding the placement of their children with disabilities.

### Employment

- \* 3% of vacancies in government employment shall be reserved for people with disabilities, 1% each for persons suffering from :
  - Blindness or Low Vision
  - Hearing Impairment
  - Locomotor Disability & Cerebral Palsy
- \* Suitable schemes shall be formulated for
  - The training and welfare of persons with disabilities
  - The relaxation of upper age limit
  - Regulating the employment
  - Health and safety measures and creation of a non-handicapping environment in places where persons with disabilities are employed
- \* Government Educational Institutes and other Educational institutions receiving grant from Government shall reserve at least 3% seats for people with disabilities.
- \* All poverty alleviation schemes shall reserve at least 3% for the benefit of people with disabilities.
- \* No employee can be sacked or demoted if they become disabled during service, although they can be moved to another post with the same pay and condition. No promotion can be denied because of impairment.

### Affirmative Action

- \* Aids and appliances shall be made available to people with disabilities

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\* Allotment of land shall be made at concessional rates to the people with disabilities for

- House
- Business
- Special Recreational Centres
- Special Schools
- Research Schools
- Factories by Entrepreneurs with Disability

### **Non Discrimination**

- \* Public buildings, rail compartments, buses, ships and air - crafts will be designed to give easy access to disabled people .
- \* In all public places and in waiting rooms, toilets shall be wheel chair accessible . Braille and sound symbols are also to be provided in lifts.
- \* All the places of public utility shall be made barrier free by providing ramps.

### **Research and Manpower Development**

- \* Research in the following areas shall be sponsored and promoted:
  - Prevention of Disability
  - Rehabilitation including CBR
  - Development of Assistive Devices
  - Job identification
  - On site Modifications of Offices and Factories
- \* Financial assistance shall be made available to the universities, other institutions of higher learning, professional bodies and non-government research-units or institutions, for undertaking research for special education, rehabilitation and manpower development.

### **Social Security**

- \* Financial assistance to non-government organisations for rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.
- \* Insurance coverage for the benefit of the government employees with disabilities
- \* Unemployment allowance to people with disabilities registered with the special employment exchange for more than a year and who could not be placed in any gainful occupation.

### **Grievance Redressal**

- \* In case of violation of rights as prescribed in that act, people with disabilities may move an application to :
- \* Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities in the Centre
- \* Commissioner for persons with Disabilities in the States



**Address of the Chief Commissioner :**

Office of the Chief Commissioner  
For Persons with Disability  
Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited  
(A Govt. of India Enterprise)  
Dr. BabaSaheb Ambedkar Bhavan  
Highland Drive Road, Seminary Hills,  
Nagpur-440 006

Office of the Chief Commissioner  
For Persons with Disability  
C/o Institute for the Physically Handicapped  
4-Vishnu Digamber Marg,  
New Delhi-110 002

**Functions of the Chief Commissioner :**

The Chief Commissioner shall -

- (a) Coordinate the work of the Commissioners
- (b) Monitor the utilisation of funds disbursed by the Central Government.
- (c) Take steps to safeguard the rights and facilities made available to persons with disabilities
- (d) Submit reports to the Central Government on the implementation of the Act at such intervals as that Government may prescribe.

Without prejudice to the provision of section 58 the Chief Commissioner may of his own motion or on the application of any aggrieved person or otherwise look into complaints with respect to matters relating to -

- (a) Deprivation of rights of persons with disabilities
- (b) Non-implementation of laws, rules, bye-laws, regulations, executive orders, guidelines or instructions made or issued by the appropriate Governments and the local authorities for the welfare and protection of rights of persons with disabilities, and take up the matter with the appropriate authorities.



# CENTRAL GOVERNMENT SCHEMES FOR THE REHABILITATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

## I. MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

- (a) Scheme to promote Voluntary Action for Persons with Disabilities (Umbrella Scheme).
- (b) Scheme of Assistance to disabled persons for purchase/fitting of aids & appliances.

## II. MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT

- (a) Convergence of Poverty Alleviation Programme of the Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment with the ADIP Scheme of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
- (b) TRYSEM training to disabled.
- (c) Financial assistance to group of persons with disability in rural areas.
- (d) Revision/Modification of Jawahar Rozgar Yojna guidelines, earmarking of funds for persons with disability.
- (e) 3% reservation to persons with disability in the Rural Sanitation programme.
- (f) Earmarking of 3% of funds for the benefits of persons with disability under Indira Awas Yojana.

## I. MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

- (a) Scheme to promote Voluntary Action for Persons with Disabilities (Umbrella Scheme) :

The enactment of the people with disabilities, equal opportunities and protection of Right Act of 1995 is a landmark legislation and an expression of India's commitment of social justice.

The Disability Division of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has so far been administering the following five grant-in-aid schemes which are being implemented through NGO's :

- 1) Scheme of Assistance to organizations for the disabled.
- 2) Scheme of Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids Appliances.
- 3) Scheme of Assistance of Voluntary Organisation for the Rehabilitation of Leprosy Cured Persons.
- 4) Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Organizations for Special School for Handicapped Children ; and
- 5) Scheme of Assistance of Organizations for Persons with Cerebral Palsy and Mental Retardation.



In order to make these schemes more effective and better result oriented it has been decided that the Four Schemes mentioned at (1), (3), (4) & (5) be replaced by the present 'Scheme to promote Voluntary Actions for Persons with Disabilities' also known as Umbrella Scheme, which incorporates all the components of the earlier schemes and also cover the new areas in the field of disabilities. So far as the Scheme at (2) is concerned, It has already been revised.

The Umbrella Scheme simplifies and facilitates procedure for easy access to Government support for NGOs with the aim to widen the scope and range of programmes. It will address the unmet needs of the over 95% Indian citizens with disabilities who have not had access to services so far.

### Objectives of the scheme :

- To ensure effective implementation for the Act.
- To encourage voluntary action.
- To create enabling environment.
- To ensure equal opportunities, equity and social justice to persons with disabilities.
- To empower persons with disabilities.
- To implement outreach and comprehensive Community-based Rehabilitation programmes in urban and rural environments.
- To enhance education opportunities at all level and in all forms.
- To enlarge the scope of vocational and professional opportunities, income generation and gainful occupations.
- To support all such measures as may be necessary for promoting formal as well as non formal employment and placement opportunities.
- To support people with disabilities in project with are environment friendly and eco promotive.
- To support effort to ensure protection of human, civil and consumer rights to persons with disabilities.
- To support legal literacy, including legal counselling, legal aid and analysis and evaluation of existing laws.
- To support the development publication and dissemination of information documentation and training materials.
- To support the conduct of surveys and other forms of epidemiological studies.
- To support (a) construction and maintenance of building, (b) furniture and fixtures, and (c) installation and maintenance of machinery and equipment.
- To support and facilitate the availability of appropriate housing homes and hostel facilities.
- To establish and support facilities for sport, recreation, leisure-time activities, excursions, creative and performing arts, cultural and socially inclusive activities.
- To promote research in various development areas, innovative strategies, assistive devices and enabling technologies and support production of such devices ensuring equality control.
- To support manpower development activities to train required personnel at different levels for all programmes / projects / activities for persons with disabilities.
- To set up well equipped resource centres at different levels.



- To promote and support the development of self-help groups, parent organisation and independent living.
- To encourage coordination, cooperation and networking and multisectoral linkages.
- To support such other measures, which may meet the needs of the persons with disability and fulfil the obligation as prescribed in the Disability act of 1995.

#### **ELIGIBLE ORGANISATION :**

##### *I. The organisation should be*

- a) Registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (XXI of 1860) or any relevant Act of the State/Union Territory, or
- b) A public trust registered under the law for the time being in force; or,
- c) A charitable company licensed under section 25 of the company Act, 1958.

For at least 2 years at the time of applying for grant under this scheme in case relaxation to this condition is required detailed justification should be given. Secretary (SJ&E) is empowered to waive this condition, for reasons to be recorded in writing (in exceptional cases).

##### *II. It should have a legally constituted managing body.*

##### *III. It is not run for profit to any individual or a body of individuals.*

#### **EXTENT OF SUPPORT :**

- I. The quantum of support shall be determined on the scope and merits of the project proposal which could be upto 90%.
- II. The norms of payment is mentioned in the scheme booklet.
- III. If an organisation has already received or is expecting to receive a grant from some other official source for a project for which application is being made under this scheme, the grant under this scheme will be sanctioned after taking that into account. The applicant will have to give information/declaration to that effect.
- IV. The grant will be released in two instalments normally. The first instalment of 50% of the admissible amount will be released on adhoc basis, subject to nothing adverse.

#### **Introduction of 3 new projects under the Umbrella Scheme :**

The following 3 new projects have been introduced in addition to the 4 existing projects mentioned at s.no.(1), (3), (4) & (5) in the second para of the Umbrella Scheme :

- 1) Project for Community Based Rehabilitation
- 2) Project for Legal Literacy, including Legal Counselling, Legal Aid and Analysis and Evaluation of Existing Laws
- 3) Environment friendly and Eco-Promotive Projects for the handicapped.



(b) **Scheme of Assistance to disabled persons for purchase/fitting of aids & appliances (ADIP) :**

The scheme aims at helping the disabled persons by bringing suitable, durable, scientifically-manufactured, modern, standard aids and appliances within their reach.

The main objective of the Scheme is to assist the needy disabled persons in procuring durable, sophisticated and scientifically manufactured, modern, standard aids and appliances that can promote their physical, social and psychological rehabilitation, by reducing the effects of disabilities and enhance their economic potential.

The Scheme will be implemented through the implementing Agencies. The agencies will be provided with financial assistance for purchase, fabrication and distribution of such standard aids and appliances that are in conformity with the objectives of the Scheme. The implementing agencies will take care of/make suitable arrangements for fitting and post-fitting care of the aids and appliances distributed under ADIP Scheme. The scope of the scheme has been further enlarged to include use of mass media, exhibitions, workshops etc., for exchange of information and promoting awareness and distribution and use of aids/appliances.

**ELIGIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING AGENCY :**

The following agencies would be eligible to implement the scheme on behalf of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, subject to fulfillment of laid down terms and conditions.

- i) Societies, registered under the societies registration Act, 1860 and their branches, if any, separately.
- ii) Registered charitable trusts.
- iii) District Rural Development Agencies, Indian Red Cross Societies and other Autonomous Bodies headed by District Collector/Chief Executive officer/District Development Officer of Zilla parishad.
- iv) National/Apex Institutes including ALIMCO functioning under administrative control of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment/Ministry of Health and family Welfare.
- v) State handicapped Development corporations.
- vi) Local Bodies - Zilla Parishad, Municipalities, District Autonomous Development Councils and Panchayats.
- vii) Nehru Yuvak Kendras.

**ELIGIBILITY OF THE BENEFICIARIES :**

A person with disabilities fulfilling following conditions would be eligible for assistance under ADIP Scheme through authorised agencies :

- i) He/She should be an Indian Citizen of any age.
- ii) Should be certified by a Registered Medical Practitioner that he/she is disabled and fit to use prescribed aid/appliance.



- iii) person who is employed/self-employed or getting pension and whose monthly income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 8,000/- per month.
- iv) In case of dependents, the income of parents/guardians should not exceed Rs. 8,000/- per month.
- v) Persons who have not received assistance from the Government, local bodies and Non-Official Organisations during the last 3 years for the same purpose. However for children below 12 years of age this limit would be 1 year.

#### QUANTUM OF ASSISTANCE TO DISABLED :

Only those aids/appliances which do not cost less than Rs. 50/- and more than Rs. 6,000/- are covered under the scheme. However for visually, mentally, speech & hearing or multiple disabled, the limit should be Rs. 8,000/- during their study period upto XII standard. The limits will apply to individual items of aid and where more than one aids is required, the ceiling will apply separately. The amount of assistance will be follows :

Total Income	Amount of Assistance
Upto Rs. 5,000/- permonth	Full cost of aid/appliance
Rs. 5,001/- to Rs. 8,000/- per month	50% of the cost of aid/appliance

Further, travelling cost would be admissible limited to bus fare in ordinary class or railway by second class sleeper subject to a limit of Rs. 250/- for beneficiary irrespective of number of visits to the centre and a Certificate from Doctor or Rehabilitation professional, travel expenses subject to the same limit would be admissible to an attendant/escort accompanying the beneficiary. The beneficiary should attend the Rehabilitation Centre nearest to his/her place of residence, except in the North-Eastern Region where he may be allowed travel cost for travelling outside the region till such facilities become available with that region.

Boarding and lodging expenses at the rate of Rs. 30/- per day for maximum duration of 15 days would be admissible, only for those patients whose total income is upto Rs. 5,000/- per month.

#### TYPES OF AIDS/APPLIANCES TO BE PROVIDED :

The following aids and appliances may be allowed for each type of disabled individual. However, any other item as notified from time to time by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for the purpose will be allowed.

##### LOCOMOTOR DISABLED

- i) All types of prosthetic and orthotic devices.
- ii) Mobility aids and like tricycles, wheelchairs, crutches/ walking sticks and walking frames/rolators.



iii) All types of surgical footwears and MCR chappals.

iv) All types of devices for ADL (activity of daily living)

#### VISUALLY DISABLED

- i) Learning equipments like arithmetic frames, abacus, geometry kits etc. Gaint Braille dots system for slow-learning blind children. Dictaphone and other variable speed recording system. Tape re-corder for blind student upto XII standard.
- ii) Science learning equipments like talking balance, talking thermometers, measuring equipments like tape measures, micrometers etc.
- iii) Braille writing equipments including barailleurs, Braille shorthand machines, typewriters for blind students after the XII class. Talking calculators, Geography learning equipment like raised maps and globes.
- iv) Communication equipment for the deaf-blind Braille attachments for telephone for deaf-blind persons.
- v) Low vision aids including hand-held stand, lighted and unlighted magnifiers, speech synthesisers or braille attachments for computers.
- vi) Special mobility aids for visually disabled people with muscular dystrophy or cerebral palsy like adapted walkers.

#### HEARING DISABLED

- i) Various types of hearing aids.
- ii) Educational kits like tape recorders etc.
- iii) Assistive and alarming devices, including devices for hearing of telephone, TV, doorbell, time alarm etc.
- iv) Communication aids, like, portable speech synthesizer etc.

#### MENTALLY DISABLED

- i) All items include in locomotor disabled.
- ii) Tricycle and wheel chair including the modification to suit the individual.
- iii) All types of educational kits required for the mentally disabled.
- iv) Any suitable device as advised by the Rehabilitation professional or treating physician.

#### MULTIPLE DISABLED

- i) Any suitable device as advised by Rehabilitation Professional or treating physician.



## II. MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT

- (a) *Convergence of Poverty Alleviation Programme of the Ministry of Rural Areas & Employment with the ADIP Scheme of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment.*

There is 3% reservation for disabled in the Poverty Alleviation Programme i.e. the implementing agencies have a mandatory to extend assistance to a minimum 35 persons with disability in the total number of beneficiary. To achieve this target there is a need to promote the mobility of the disabled persons by giving them aids & appliances. Keeping in view of this the Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment has decided to converge the ADIP Assistance of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment with the Poverty Alleviation programme of the Ministry of Rural Areas & Employment. (Annexure-XXVII).

- (b) *TRYSEM training to disabled-*

Under TRYSEM programme of Ministry of Rural Areas & Employment training is provided to the local artisans for repairing of aid/appliance of the disabled. Disabled youth having aptitude could also themselves be chosen for such training. Under TRYSEM programme also there is a provision of 3% reservation for persons with disability (Annexure-XXVIII).

- (c) *Financial assistance to group of people with disability in rural areas-*

Under this programme there is a scheme to organise group of persons with disability in rural areas into Sangam/Group and provide them Rs. 25,000/- to each group for taking up viable economic activities suitable to them (Annexure-XXIX).

- (d) *Revision/Modification of Jawahar Rojgar Yojana (JRY)*

It has been decided to earmark 3% of the JRY funds for the benefit of the persons with disability (Annexure-XXX)

- (e) *3% reservations to persons with disability in the Rural Sanitation Programme*

It has been decided that there should be 3% reservation for persons with disability in works relating to sanitary latrines for individuals below the poverty line. In the case of works relating to groups, it should be ensured that there is barrier free environment for the disabled (Annexure-XXXI).

- (f) *Earmarking of 3% of funds for the persons with disability in the Indira Awas Yojana*

It has been decided to earmark 3% of funds for the benefit of persons with disability under the Indira Awaas Yojana (Annexure-XXXII).