

**National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple
Disabilities (Divyangjan)**

**Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities,
(Divyangjan) MSJ&E,
(Govt. of India)**

**East Coast Road,
Kovalam Post,
Chennai-603112.**



Prospectus 2025-26

1.0 ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (Divyangjan) was established in the year 2005 at East Coast Road, Muttukadu, Chennai, Tamil Nadu under *Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India* to serve as a National Resource centre for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities such as those with two or more disabilities in a person. The institute is situated 30 km from Chennai Central Railway Station, mofussil bus terminus and airport.

As per *RPWD Act, 2016* the disabilities enumerated are Physical Disability, Intellectual Disability, Mental Behaviour, disability caused due to Chronic Neurological conditions, Blood Disorders, Multiple Disabilities including Deaf blindness and any other category as may be notified by the Central Government.

NIEPMD(D) received **National Award** for *Best Accessible Website and Barrier Free Environment for Persons with Disabilities* in 2011 and 2012 respectively. NIEPMD(D) is **accredited by NAAC** in 2018 and **ISO 9001:2015** certified for quality management system in the year 2023.

This Institute has been recognised as an Institute of Excellence under Central Sector Scholarship Scheme of "**TOP CLASS EDUCATION FOR SC STUDENTS**" by DSJ&E, MSJ&E, Govt. of India, "**NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION OF ST STUDENTS (FORMALLY TOP CLASS EDUCATION FOR ST STUDENTS)**" by Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India, "**TOP CLASS EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**" by DEPwD(D), MSJ&E, Govt. of India and "**PM YASASVI TOP CLASS EDUCATION IN COLLEGE FOR OBC, EBC & DNT STUDENTS**" by DSJ&E, MSJ&E, Govt. of India.

1.1 THE OBJECTIVES OF NIEPMD(D)

- To undertake human resource development in various functional areas covering inter-disciplinary multi-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary activities for empowerment of persons with Multiple Disabilities through the 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).
- To promote and conduct research in all areas relating to Multiple Disabilities and to develop trans-disciplinary models and strategies for social rehabilitation to meet the needs of diverse groups of people with Multiple Disabilities, by the society hereinafter referred to as "the Institute" or through NGOs.
- 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.
- To undertake and / or sponsor the training of trainers and professionals in the areas of early intervention, early childhood education, special education, vocational training & 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. To develop Trans disciplinary models and strategies for social rehabilitation and to meet the needs of diverse groups of people with Multiple Disabilities.
- 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

1.2 VISION

The persons with multiple disabilities have equal rights to lead a better quality of life. This may be enabled with committed professionalism, accessible environment, equal opportunities, positive attitude and appropriate, affordable, acceptable and available technological interventions.

1.3 MISSION

To provide need based comprehensive rehabilitation through team approach facilitating inclusion, ensuring empowerment of persons with multiple disabilities and their families by substantiating field based research and development of human resources.

1.4 VALUE STATEMENT

Promoting quality of life for persons with multiple disabilities through equal participation of clients, families, professionals and community agencies.

1.5 DEPARTMENTS/ UNITS

➤ Department of Medical Science

- i. Medical Consultancy
- ii. Social Work
- iii. Nursing
- iv. Pharmacy
- v. Material Development Unit
- vi. Service and Programme Unit

➤ Department of Therapeutics

i. Physiotherapy Division

- a. Neuro Developmental Therapy Unit
- b. Pain Management Unit
- c. Gait analysis and training Unit
- d. General Physiotherapy Unit
- e. Pulmonary Rehabilitation Unit
- f. Hydrotherapy Unit

ii. Occupational Therapy Division

- a. Multisensory Unit
- b. Developmental Therapy Unit
- c. Psychiatry Unit
- d. Hand Splinting & Functioning Unit
- e. ADL & Work Rehabilitation Unit
- f. Assistive Technology & Special Equipments Unit

iii. Early Intervention Division

- a. Multi Disciplinary Unit
- b. Trans Disciplinary Unit
- c. Virtual Training Unit
- d. Preparatory Unit
- e. Inclusive Preparatory Unit

- **Department of Special Education**
 - i. Early Childhood Special Education
 - ii. MD Unit
 - iii. CP, ID, LD and ASD Unit
 - iv. Sensory Impaired Unit
 - v. Severe and profound disability Unit
 - vi. Inclusive Preparatory Unit
 - vii. Transition Unit
 - viii. Special Education and Very Special arts Unit
 - ix. NIOS Unit
- **Department of Clinical Psychology**
 - i. Screening Unit
 - ii. Child and Adolescent Unit
 - iii. Psychiatry Unit
 - iv. Neuro psychology Unit
 - v. Behaviour Therapy Unit
 - vi. Specific Learning Disability Unit
 - vii. Community Psychology Unit
- **Department of Adult Independent Living**
 - i. Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Unit
 - ii. Vocational Training Unit
 - iii. SIPDA-Skill Training Labs
 - iv. Career Guidance and Placement Cell
 - v. Livelihood Empowerment for PwMDs & Family Members
 - vi. Self Advocacy Cell
- **Department of Speech, Hearing & Communication**
 - i. Language and Speech Unit
 - ii. Audiology Unit
 - iii. Hearing Aid and Assistive Device Unit
 - iv. Alternative and Augmentative Communication Unit
 - v. Electronic Unit
 - vi. Sign Language Unit
 - vii. Trans-disciplinary Therapy Unit

1.6 SERVICES PROVIDED AT NIEPMD(D)

- Early Intervention
- Medical Intervention and Referrals
- IQ and Cognitive Assessments
- Academic Skill & Achievement Assessments
- Psycho diagnostic Assessments
- New psychological Profiling
- Behavior Management
- Individual & Group Psycho Therapy
- Psychosocial Rehabilitation
- SLD Assessments
- Neuro Psychological Rehabilitation
- Physiotherapy
- Electro Therapy and GAIT Training
- Virtual Training

- Pulmonary Rehabilitation
- Occupational Therapy
- Sensory Integration
- Prosthetics & Orthotics
- Special School
- Diagnostic & Prescriptive Testing Assessment
- Convergence with other departments & other school
- Computer Assisted Institution
- Digital Learning
- Visual Stimulation Program: Prisma Programme/ Braille print/ SARAH/Fuser Machine- Embossed Print
- Trans-Disciplinary Practice-education
- Parents as co-teacher/ shadow teacher
- Pre-tutoring
- Reverse Integration Inclusive
- Pre-service & In Service program
- Material Development
- Play Therapy
- Yoga & Health Programs
- Physical Development
- Music & Drama Therapy/Community Education
- Home Bound Program
- Creating Support System
- Sibling Partnership in Training
- Inclusive Education Training
- Curriculum adaptation/ TLM Adaptation/ Seating Adaptation
- Education & Nutrition
- Inclusive Play School
- Transition Services
- Vocational Training
- Vocational Counseling & Guidance
- Job Placement Service for Adults with Disabilities
- Knowledge Programme for Families
- Individual Speech Therapy
- Group Communication Feeding Management
- Communication through Sign Language
- Communication through AAC
- Communication Therapy in Trans-Disciplinary way
- Speech Language Therapy
- Assessment for Adult with Hearing Loss
- Dispensing Hearing Aid
- Auditory Training
- Vestibular Rehabilitation
- Mobile Service
- Extension Service
- Respite Care
- Family Cottage
- Distribution of Aids & Appliances
- SIPDA-Skill Training Labs
- Livelihood Empowerment for PwMDs & Family Members
- Prime Minister Skill Training

1.7 INFRASTRUCTURE

NIEPMD(D) is located in a space of 15.22 acres, situated adjacent to sea shore with beautiful scenic environment at East Coast Road with an avowed objectives of providing services, enhancing HRD, conducting research, organizing exclusive extension services for persons with multiple disabilities and organizing short term training programme.

1.8 LIBRARY

NIEPMD(D) has a full-fledged library with appropriate infrastructure comprising all the required relevant text & reference books from various reputed authors of universe, supportive text materials to the curriculum. Library is equipped with National and International journals, periodicals related to disability rehabilitation and management.

1.9 RE-ACCREDITATION

National Assessment & Accreditation Council (NAAC), an autonomous body established by the University Grants Commission (UGC) in 1994 to assess and accredit higher education institutions in India, promoting quality assurance and encouraging institutional improvement. NIEPMD(D) has been accredited with a 'B' grade in 2018 by the NAAC and again re-accredited with a 'B+' Status in 2024 with CGPA of 2.56 in the 2nd Cycle.

1.10 HOSTEL

1. Hostel will be provided only for girls.
2. No transport facility for the out campus hostel from the a/y 2025-26. Students have to make their own transport facility or to make use of the public transport available.
3. Hostel fee to be charged from the a/y 2025-26 is Rs.27,000/- per annum.

(Hostel facility will not be provided during the internship period. The Competent Authority has the right to withdraw the hostel facility from the student at any point of time.)

2.0 SCHOLARSHIP

NIEPMD(D) facilitates the students to avail **Central / State / CSR scholarship** as per the eligibility criteria. Students from other states will also be facilitated to avail their State scholarship, in such case the students should submit the duly filled in application which is issued by the respective State Government scholarship office.

2.1 TOP CLASS EDUCATION FOR SC STUDENTS.

NIEPMD(D) has been recognized as an Institute of Excellence under Central Sector Scholarship Scheme of "**TOP CLASS EDUCATION FOR SC STUDENTS**". This scholarship is provided by DSJ&E, MSJ&E, Govt. of India. Two **(02) scholarship** is allotted for the NIEPMD(D) students of Under graduate programme per academic year. The students based on the eligibility criteria should apply through **National Scholarship Portal (NSP)**.

2.2 NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION OF ST STUDENTS (FORMALLY TOP CLASS EDUCATION FOR ST STUDENTS).

This scholarship is provided by Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India for NIEPMD(D) students. The students based on the eligibility criteria should apply through **NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL (NSP)**.

2.3 TOP CLASS EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES.

This scholarship is provided by DEPwD(D), MSJ&E, Govt. of India. The person with disabilities undergoing various programme at NIEPMD(D) can avail this scholarship. The students based on the eligibility criteria should apply through **NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL (NSP)**.

2.4 PM YASASVI TOP CLASS EDUCATION IN COLLEGE FOR OBC, EBC, DNT SCHEME.

This scholarship is provided by DSJ& E, MSJ&E, Govt. of India. **Eleven (11) (10OBC+1EWS)** slots are allotted for the NIEPMD(D) students of Under graduate programme per academic year. The students based on the eligibility criteria should apply through **National Scholarship Portal (NSP)**.

2.5 GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU SCHOLARSHIP

The Department of Adi-draavidar and Department of Backward Class & Minority Welfare, Govt. of Tamil Nadu provides **SC/ ST/ BC/ MBC/ DNC scholarships**. The students based on the eligibility criteria should submit their documents (Copy of Community, Income Certificate & Aadhaar Card) to avail this scholarship.

On verification of documents through UMIS portal by the Institute Nodal Officer (INO), the claim will be forwarded to the Department through online to enable the eligible students to avail the scholarships.

2.6 OTHER STATE SCHOLARSHIP.

NIEPMD(D) has registered the Institution details in the **Bihar, Kerala and Odisha Post Matric Scholarship Portal**. The student from Bihar, Kerala and Odisha shall apply online to avail their State Scholarship through the portal.

2.7 SCHOLARSHIP THROUGH CSR.

NIEPMD(D) provides scholarship through CSR for the needy / economically backward / Child with Single Parent / PwDs students, subject to availability of the sponsors. The students should submit their application to Director, NIEPMD(D) with necessary documents to avail this scholarship.

2.8 Waiver of Institutional Fee for PwD student/ Children/ parent/ sibling of PwD enrolled in Various programme at NIEPMD(D).

Waiver of Institutional fee for	% of Institutional fee to be waived
Persons with Disabilities having UDID card or having disability certificate irrespective of percentage disability	100%
Sibling of Children with 40% or higher disability for one person in the family	75%
Parents of children with disabilities who possess a UDID card	100%
Children of Parents with benchmark of higher disabilities (40%)	100%

3.0 PRADHAN MANTRI-Vidyalaxmi (PM-Vidyalaxmi Scheme)

The students will be facilitated to avail education loan through PM-Vidyalaxmi Scheme, a Govt. of India initiative offering collateral- free and guarantor- free Education loans is available for all meritorious students who are getting admission in this Institution and who are desirous of Availing education loans to pursue higher education.

PM Vidyalaxmi is a Govt. of India initiative follows as per Dept. of Higher Education letter dated 30/04/2025. Loan application are made through a new simple, transparent, student-friendly and entirely digital application process <http://pmvidyalaxmi.co.in>

4.0 DISCIPLINE

The students admitted are expected to maintain decorum, decency and discipline throughout their pursuance of the programme with the staff, faculty, co-students and other supporting staff.

RAGGING IS A CRIME, PROHIBITED UNDER LAW. ANYONE FOUND INDULGING IN THE UNETHICAL ACT OF RAGGING WILL BE DEALT APPROPRIATELY BY THE MANAGEMENT AND LAW ENFORCING AUTHORITIES AS THE CASE MAY BE.

RAGGING IN ANY FORM IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. VIOLATION WILL ATTRACT SEVERE DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY INSTITUTE AND INITIATION OF CASES UNDER IPC AND CRPC.

As per UGC notification "**Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009**" each student should submit an online anti ragging undertaking. The anti ragging undertaking must be filled by the students online on <http://www.antiragging.in> only. **(The student is not required to print and sign)**

Use of cell phones during working hours is strictly prohibited. Students should be in formals and wear their identity card issued by NIEPMD(D), while they are in campus.

The Anti-Ragging Committee constituted at NIEPMD(D).

s	Names & Designation	Responsibility
1	Dr.B.S.SanthoshKanna- HOD-Therapeutics	Chairperson
2	Shri. M.Rajesh, IMO	Member
3	Smt.P.AngelinGolda, ATPAO	Member
4	Dr.K.K.Dhanavendan Spl. Teacher(CP)	Member

4.1 Grievance Redressal Officer for Divyangjan

The Grievance Redressal Officer for Divyangjan is Smt.B.Leelavathi, Lecturer (Special Education).

4.2 Students Grievance Redressal Committee

The Students Grievance Redressal Committee constituted at NIEPMD(D), Chennai with objective of solving the student's academic/ administrative problems/ for better coordination between students and departments/ sections/ hostel and to guide ways and means to the students to redress their problem.

The following staff of NIEPMD(D) are hereby detailed as members of Students Grievance Redressal Committee.

Sl. No	Names & Designation	Responsibility
1	Dr.S.Karthikeyan, HOD-Clinical Psychology	Chairperson
2	Shri.P.Kamaraj, HOD-Special Education	Member
3	Dr.B.S.Santhosh Kanna, HOD-Therapeutics	Member
4	Smt. B.Leelavathy, Principal, Spl School/ Lecturer Spl. Education	Member
5	Smt. Balambigai, Asst. Prof. (Sp& Hg)	Member
6	One student representative from each department / programme	

5.0 PROGRAMME OFFERED at NIEPMD(D)

Sl. No	Programme Code	Programme Name	Duration	Intake	University/ Board
1	M.Phil	M.Phil (Clinical Psychology)	2years	13	TNMGRMU
2	M.Ed-SE(MD)	Masters in Education - Special Education (Multiple Disabilities)	2years	20	TNTEU
3	B.Ed-SE(MD)	Bachelors in Education-Special Education (Multiple Disabilities)	2years	30	TNTEU
4	D.Ed-SE(MD)	Diploma in Education-Special Education (Multiple Disabilities)	2years	35	NBER-NIEPMD
5	D.I.S.L.I.	Diploma in Indian Sign Language Interpretation	2 Years	30	RCI
6	PGDEI	Post Graduate Diploma in Early Intervention	1year	15	University of Madras
7	BPT	Bachelors of Physiotherapy	4 ½years	28	TNMGRMU
8	BOT	Bachelors of Occupational Therapy	4 ½years	28	TNMGRMU
9	BPO	Bachelors in Prosthetics & Orthotics	4 ½years	20	TNMGRMU
10	B.ASLP	Bachelors in Audiology Speech Language Pathology	4years	27	TNMGRMU
11	DOAAT	Diploma in Office Automation And Assistive Technology for Persons with Disabilities	1year	10	Bharathidasan University
12	CCCG-RCI	Certificate Course in Care Giving	10 months	30	NBER-NIEPMD
13	C.C.C.G.P.	Certificate Course in Care Giving Parents-	6 Months	30	National Trust

5.1 INSTITUTIONAL FEE

Sl. No	Programme	Duration	I Year Rs.	II Year Rs.	III Year Rs.	IV Year Rs.
1	M.Phil (Clinical Psychology)	2 Years	1,20,000 (Including Caution Deposit)	1,20,000	-	-
2	M.Ed- SE (Multiple Disabilities)	2 Years	38,000 (Including Caution Deposit)	38,000	-	-
3	B.Ed-SE (Multiple Disabilities)	2 Years	37,500 (Including Caution Deposit)	37,500	-	-
4	D.Ed-SE (Multiple Disabilities)	2 Years	23,100 (Including Caution Deposit)	26,000	-	-
5	Diploma in Indian Sign Language Interpretation	2 Years	18,800 (Including Caution Deposit)	21,700	-	-
6	PGDEI	1Year	20,000 (Including Caution Deposit)	-	-	-
7	BPT	4 ½ Years	44,000 (Including Caution Deposit)	33,000	33,000	33,000
8	BOT					
9	BPO					
10	B.ASLP	4Years	41,700 (Including Caution Deposit)	40,000	40,000	-
11	Diploma in Office Automation and Assistive Technology for Persons with Disabilities	1year	7,965 (Excluding Caution Deposit)	-	-	-
12	CCCG-RCI	10 months	Free Course	-	-	-
13	CCCGP	06 months	Free Course	-	-	-

5.2 PAYMENT OF STIPEND

Sl. No.	Programme	Duration of stipend	Stipend payable Per month*
1	M. Phil (Clinical Psychology) - II year	12 months	Rs.10,000/-
2	BPT Intern	06 months	Rs.12,000/-
3	BOT Intern	06 months	Rs.12,000/-
4	BPO Intern	06 months	Rs.12,000/-
5	B.ASLP Intern	10 months	Rs.12,000/-
6	DISLI (I yr. & II yr.)	10 months (per year)	Rs.2,000/-

*Subject to NIEPMD(D) terms & conditions.

6.0 ADMISSION PROCEDURE

1. Apply through NIEPMD(D) online portal.
2. Attach necessary scanned documents.
3. Pay the application fee through payment gateway.
4. Keep the downloaded application form and other documents submitted through online safely with you.

6.1 APPLICATION FEE

Sl. No	Name of the Programme	Application fee for the Academic Year 2025-26		
		General/ OBC (Rs.)	SC/ST/EWS (Rs.)	PwD
1	M.Phil (Clinical Psychology)	2000/-	1000/-	No application fees
2	M.Ed. Spl. Ed. (Multiple Disabilities)	1000/-	500/-	
3	B.Ed. Spl.Ed. (Multiple Disabilities)	500/-	250/-	
4	PGDEI	1000/-	500/-	
5	CCCG-RCI	As per RCI		
6	D.Ed. Spl.Ed. (Multiple Disabilities)	As per RCI		
7	DISLI	As per RCI		
8	BPT	As per CET-2025 Or State Selection Committee, DME Govt. of Tamil Nadu		
9	BOT			
10	B.ASLP	As per CET-2025		
11	BPO			
12	CCCGP	Rs.100/- for Gen/OBC Rs.75/- for SC/ST/EWS		
13	Diploma in Office Automation and Assistive Technology **	No application fees		

**Eligible only for Divyangjan (PwD)

Note: For more details on Eligibility, Admission criteria, Reservation criteria, Medium of instruction, Fee Structure, Programme Content & Credits, Attendance required, Qualifying criteria, Evaluation Pattern, Evaluation & Certifying Authority of each programme can be referred with the Programme content in Part-B of this prospectus.

