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Introduction

1.1 The Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016

The Government enacted the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 as passed by the Parliament in December, 2016. The Act was brought into force from 19.04.2017. In the new RPwD Act, 2016, the numbers of disabilities have been revised from existing 7 to 21 and also reservation has been revised from 3% to 4% in government jobs for certain process or class of persons with benchmark disability. Every child with benchmark disability between the age group of 6 to 18 years shall have the right to free education. The Act provides for penalties for offences committed against PwDs, designated Special Courts have been proposed to handle cases relating to violation of Rights of PwDs.

1.2 Salient features of the RPwD Act 2016:

- 1) Responsibility has been cast upon the appropriate governments to take effective measures to ensure that the persons with disabilities enjoy their rights equally with others.
- 2) Disability has been defined based on an evolving and dynamic concept.
- 3) The RPwD Act covers the following specified disabilities:
 1. **Physical Disability:**
 - a) **Locomotor Disability:**
 - i) Leprosy Cured Person
 - ii) Cerebral Palsy
 - iii) Dwarfism
 - iv) Muscular Dystrophy
 - v) Acid Attack Victims
 - b) **Visual Impairment:**
 - i) Blindness
 - ii) Low Vision
 - c) **Hearing Impairment:**
 - i) Deaf
 - ii) Hard of Hearing
 - d) **Speech and Language Disability:**
 2. **Intellectual Disability**
 - a. Specific Learning Disabilities
 - b. Autism Spectrum Disorder

3. Mental Behaviour (Mental Illness):

4. Disability caused due to-

- a) Chronic Neurological Conditions such as-
 - i) Multiple Sclerosis
 - ii) Parkinson's Disease
- b) Blood Disorder-
 - i) Haemophilia
 - ii) Thalassemia
 - iii) Sickle Cell Disease

5. Multiple Disabilities

- 4) Additional benefits have been provided for persons with benchmark disabilities and those with high support needs.
- 5) Every child with benchmark disability between the age group of 6 and 18 years shall have the right to free education.
- 6) 5% reservation of seats of Government and Government aided higher educational institutions for persons with benchmark disabilities.
- 7) Stress has been given to ensure accessibility in public buildings (both Government and private) in a prescribed time-frame.
- 8) 4% reservation in Government jobs for certain persons or class of persons with benchmark disability.
- 9) The Act provides for grant of guardianship by District Court or any authority designated by the State Government under which there will be joint decision – making between the guardian and the persons with disabilities.
- 10) Broad based Central & State Advisory Boards on Disability to be set up as policy making bodies.
- 11) The Act provides for strengthening of the Office of Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities and State Commissioners of Disabilities which will act as regulatory bodies and Grievance Redressal agencies and also monitor implementation of the Act. These Offices will be assisted by an Advisory Committee comprising of experts in various disabilities.
- 12) Creation of National and State Fund to provide financial support to the persons with disabilities.
- 13) The Act provides for penalties for offences committed against persons with disabilities.
- 14) Designated Special Courts to handle cases concerning violation of rights of PwDs.

1.3 Population of Persons with Disabilities

As per census 2011, the population of persons with various disabilities is 268.10 Lakhs. This is the first time when broad categories of disabilities were included during enumeration. A total of eight types of disabilities were included in 2011 Census against the earlier five. The disability wise population is as under:

Disability-Wise Details

Disability	Population in lakh
In Seeing	50,33,431

Disability	Population in lakh
In Hearing	50,72,914
In Speech	19,98,692
In Movement	54,36,826
Mental Retardation	15,05,964
Mental Illness	7,22,880
Any Other	49,27,589
Multiple Disability	21,16,698
Total	26,814,994

Disabled Population by Sex and Residence

Residence	Persons	Male	Female
Total	26,814,994	14,988,593	11,826,401
Rural	18,636,358	10,410,559	82,257,99
Urban	8,178,636	4,578,034	3,600,602

CHAPTER 2

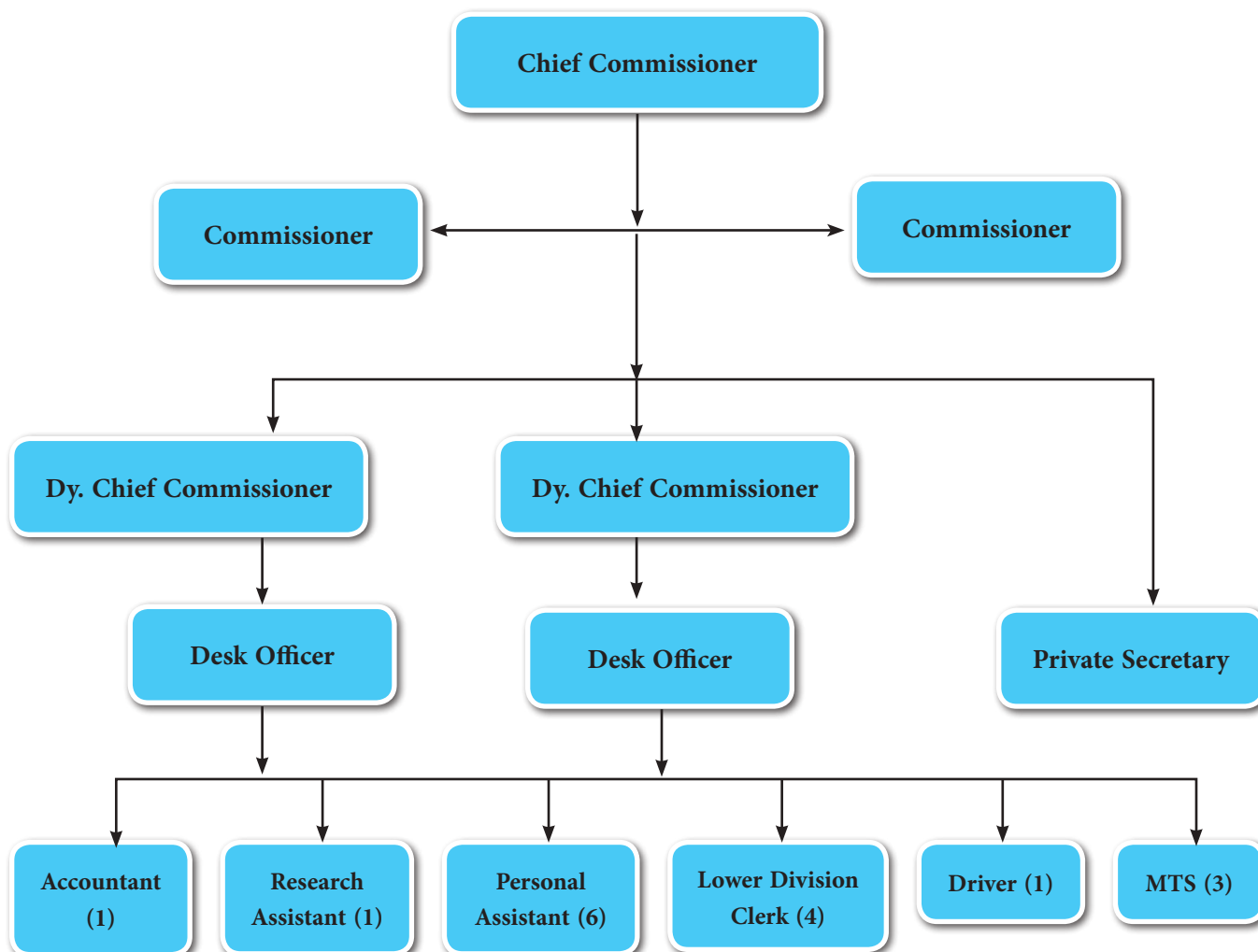
CCPD/SCPD for Persons with Disabilities

2.1 Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (CCPD):-

The Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016 provides for appointment of a Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities at the Centre and 2 Commissioners to assist the Chief Commissioner, of which one Commissioner shall be a Persons with Disability. The Chief Commissioner can take steps to safeguard the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and monitor the implementation of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016. The Chief Commissioner is appointed by the Central Government under Section 74 (1) of the RPwD Act, 2016

2.2 Office of the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (CCPD):

Office of the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities came into existence with the appointment of the first Chief Commissioner on 01.09.1998. The organization chart of the Office of CCPD is as under:-



2.3 Functions of the Chief Commissioner for Persons With Disabilities (CCPD):

2.3.1 Under Section 75 (1), The Chief Commissioner shall:-

- (a) identify, suo motu 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, suo motu or otherwise, deprivation of rights of persons with disabilities and safeguards available to them in respect of matters for which the Central Govt. 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 utilisation of funds disbursed by the Central Government for the benefit of persons with disabilities; and
 - (j) perform such other functions as the Central Government may assign.
- (2) The Chief Commissioner shall consult the Commissioners on any matter while discharging its functions under this Act.

2.3.2 Whenever the Chief Commissioner makes a recommendation to an authority in pursuance of clause (b) of section 75, that authority shall take necessary action on it, and inform the Chief Commissioner of the action taken within three months from the date of receipt of the recommendation:

Provided that where an authority does not accept a recommendation, it shall convey reasons for non-acceptance to the Chief Commissioner within a period of three months, and shall also inform the aggrieved person.

2.4 State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (SCPDs):

The Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016 under section 79 (1) provides for appointment of a Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities in each State/UTs for taking steps to safeguard and monitor the implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016. The Commissioner is appointed by the respective State Governments under the provisions of Section 79 (1) of RPwD Act, 2016.

2.4.1 The State/UT Commissioner within the State shall:-

- (a) identify, suo motu or otherwise, provision of any law or policy, programme and procedures, which are inconsistent with this Act, and recommend necessary corrective steps;
- (b) inquire, suo motu or otherwise deprivation of rights of persons with disabilities and safeguards available to them in respect of matters for which the State 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) undertake and promote research in the field of the rights of persons with disabilities;
- (f) promote awareness of the rights of persons with disabilities and the safeguards available for their protection;
- (g) monitor implementation of the provisions of this Act and schemes, programmes meant for persons with disabilities;
- (h) monitor utilisation of funds disbursed by the State Government for the benefits of persons with disabilities; and
- (i) perform such other functions as the State Government may assign.

2.4.2 Section 81 provides that, whenever the State Commissioner makes a recommendation to an authority in pursuance of clause (b) Section 80, that authority shall take necessary action on it, and inform the State Commissioner of the action taken within three months from the date of receipt of the recommendation:

Provided that where an authority does not accept a recommendation, it shall convey reasons for non-acceptance to the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities within the period of three months, and shall also inform the aggrieved person.

2.5 Powers of CCPD:

2.5.1 Powers of Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (CCPD):

Section 77 (1): The Chief Commissioner shall, 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 witnesses or documents.

- (2) 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.

2.5.2 Powers of State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (SCPDs)

Under Section 82. (1):- The State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (SCDs) shall, for the purpose of discharging their 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 witnesses or documents.
- (2) Every proceeding before the State Commissioner shall be a judicial proceeding within the meaning of sections 193 and 228 of the Indian Penal Code and the State Commissioners shall be deemed to be a civil court for the purposes of section 195 and Chapter XXVI of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.

2.6 Brief on the Areas of Intervention by the Office of CCPD:

- 2.6.1** A large number of persons with disabilities approach this office whenever they are deprived of their rights by any Govt. body, not only for matters relating to the Central Government but also to various State Governments and local authorities and also private entities.
- 2.6.2** The Office takes suo-motu notices of non-implementation of various provisions of the Act such as reservation in employment, admissions, instances of discrimination against PwDs reported in the press, media in appropriate portrayal of disability by electronic media and takes up with the concerned authorities. Such proactive initiatives have not only protected the rights of PwDs but also sensitized all the stakeholders and created awareness about the issues concerning PwDs.
- 2.6.3** The Office of the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) inspects the organizations that are given grant-in-aid by Government of India under various schemes like ADIP, DDRS, etc. with a view to monitoring the utilization of funds. Physical verification of the beneficiaries is ensured in the process.
- 2.6.4** One of the major areas of intervention by the Office of Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) is to gather information about the progress of implementation of various schemes, programmes and the provisions of the Act by different departments of Central/State/UTs Governments through meetings and interactions.
- 2.6.5** The Office of the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) takes initiative to audit and inspect public places such as Government office buildings, hospitals, stadium, market places, railway stations, airports, bus stops, religious places, etc. for their accessibility to PwDs and ensures that the required modifications are carried out.

CHAPTER 3

Status of Implementation of the RPwD Act by Central Ministries/Departments

The Office of Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities has been constantly pursuing with Central Ministries and Departments for the implementation of the provisions of RPwD Act by them and for adding separate chapter in their respective Annual Reports highlighting the actions taken for the benefit of Persons with Disabilities.

The status of implementation of major provisions of the Act and facilities being extended to PwDs by Central Ministries & Departments are highlighted below:

3.1 Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs)

- i) An exercise was undertaken whereby all ROs/BOs/Labs housed in BIS owned buildings (22 in total) across the country were requested to carry out an audit and assess their buildings against the 'Access Audit Checklist' provided in 'Harmonized Guidelines for Creation of Barrier Free Environment and Space Standards for Persons with Disabilities and the Elderly, February 2016, MoUD'. So far, this Audit has been carried out for eight offices of BIS.

Retrofitting works based on the findings of these Access Audits carried out so far are being planned and taken up for compliance against the accessibility standards prescribed in the 'Harmonized Guidelines for Creation of Barrier Free Environment and Space Standards for Persons with Disabilities and the Elderly, Feb 2016, MoUD.

- ii) In view of PwD act 2016, 4% of Direct Recruitment post were allocated to PwD as detailed under:
- Blindness and low vision (1 %)
 - Deaf and Hard of hearing (1 %)
 - Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy (1 %)
 - Autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness, Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under above clause including deaf- blindness (1 %).

SCHEMES FOR EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN)

Statement showing the number of persons with disabilities in various groups (as on 31.12.2020)

Group of Post	Sanctioned Strength	Total Number of employees in position	Number of employees out of Col. 3 belonging to		
			VH	HH	OH
1	2	3	4	5	6
Group A	186	146	00	00	02
Group B (Gazetted)	175	122	00	00	05
Group B, (Non-Gazetted)	244	150	04	00	03
Group C	595	270	00	00	02
Total	1200	688	04	00	12

VH- Visually Handicapped

HH-Hearing handicapped

OH- Orthopedically Handicapped

Two videos for persons with disabilities have been produced and uploaded on social media.

National Test House (NTH)

In regard to "Activities for the benefits of the persons with disabilities", it is stated that the National Test House has successfully implemented and complied the requirements of Lift, Staircase and Toilet facilities for the disabled persons at all existing Regions of NTH.

Bureau of Indian Standards

Schemes for Persons with disabilities in Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)

- i) As per the GOI instructions, 4% reservation is being provided to the persons with disabilities in direct recruitment under Group A, B, C & D posts. Further 4% of the vacancies in case of promotion to Group C and D posts, in which element of direct recruitment, if any, does not exceed 75% is also being reserved for persons with disabilities.
- ii) BIS also allows 12 Casual Leaves to the Physically challenged/ disabled people instead of 08 Casual Leaves permissible to a normal employee.
- iii) Moreover, physically challenged/disabled people are being paid Transport Allowance at double the rates prescribed for other employees, subject to a minimum of Rs.2250/- per month.

3.2 Department of Space:

Sl. No.	Queries	Reply
(i)	Various activities and the policy decisions taken for implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 during Financial Year 2020-21	<ol style="list-style-type: none">a) The guidelines on "Reservation for the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities" issued by Department of Personnel & Training, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pension, are implemented in DOS/ISRO.b) Provided ramps for access into the building at Admin Building, Purchase & Store building, Training Facility Building, Resident Doctor room/Clinic & Guest House, reserved parking for PH personnel at entrance, exclusive toilets for easy access in all their areas of work.c) Facilities such as granting special leave, payment of Transport Allowance at double the normal rates are extended as per Government orders.d) For visually impaired persons, NVDA (Non Visual Desktop Access) software has been provided in personal computers.e) During the pandemic, work from Home facility has been extended.f) At Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), Seven wheel chairs (Motorized – 3 nos, Manual 4 nos) were issued to PwD employees. For ease of access for the PwD employees of the Centre, wheel chair accessible wash basins are provided in 6 canteens across the Centre. Ramp with SS Handrails were constructed in four areas in the Centre.

		g) At Liquid Propulsions System Centres (LPSC), a Tetra Exi Standing Motorised wheel chair worth Rs. 300000/- was provided to a PwD employee. A ramp for hassle free movement from road to his room and an exclusive accessible toilet facility have also been provided.
(ii)	Information about the total budget provision of the Ministry/Department	Rs. 13479.47/- Crores
(iii)	Allocation under various schemes for the benefit of Persons with Disabilities, the amount released and the amount utilized.	Expenditure towards the various schemes for the benefits of Person with Disabilities met from the budget allotted to Department of Space (DOS).
(iv)	The number of beneficiaries with disabilities and their percentage in relation to the total number of beneficiaries	378 employees Percentage – 2.21%

3.3 Ministry of Information and Broadcasting:

REPRESENTATION OF PHYSICALLY DISABLED PERSONS IN SERVICE

- The instruction and guidelines regarding Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) issued by the nodal Ministry/Department from time-to-time are circulated to all media units and administrative sections in Main Secretariat of Ministry of Information & Broadcasting for strict compliance. In the Main Secretariat, a Liaison Officer is also appointed to look after the interest of PwDs.
- In accordance with the guidelines issued by DoPT, special recruitment drive is under process in the Ministry to fill up backlog vacancies reserved for PwDs. The representation of PwDs in this Ministry is also compiled annually and furnished to DoPT. The representation of PwDs in the Ministry collectively and in Direct Recruitment and Promotion quota as on January 01, 2021 is given below:

PWD Report –1
Annual Statement Showing the Representation of PwDs in Service
For the Year 2020 (as on 01.01.2021)

Group	Number of Employees						
	Total Post	Reserved posts for PwDs	A	B			
Group A	3,982	25*	05	03	03	00	00
Group B	17,358	23*	15	21	64	17	04
Group C & D	30,821	101*	23	11	56	02	05
Total	54,199*	149	43	35	123	19	09

* Reserved posts for PwDs in Prasar Bharati not included.

including 2,038 posts abolished from ADRP 2002 to ADRP 2008-2009

- Note:-**
- A (Blindness or low vision)
 - B (Deaf and hard of hearing)
 - C (Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy)
 - D (Autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness)
 - E (Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf-blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities)

PWD Report – II

Statement Showing the Number of Persons with Disabilities Appointed during the Calendar Year for the Year 2020 (as on 1/1/2021)

Group	No. of vacancies Reserved for PwDs under Direct Recruitment Quota					No. of Appointment Made in Direct Recruitment Quota					No. of Vacancies Reserved for PwDs under Promotion Quota					Total appointment made for PwD	Total appointment made	A	B	C	D	E
	A	B	C	D	E	Total appointment made for PwD	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D							
Group A	02	00	03	04	02	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
Group B	14	08	67	39	01	06	00	00	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
Group C & D	19	26	68	14	13	05	03	01	00	01	00	03	02	03	01	01						
Total	35	34	138	57	16	12	03	01	00	01	00	04	02	03	01	01	22	00	00	00	00	00

Note:- (i) A (Blindness or low vision)

(ii) B (Deaf and hard of hearing)

(iii) C (Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy)

(iv) D (Autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness)

(v) E (Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf-blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities)

3.4 Ministry of External Affairs:

- ❑ Ministry has been maintaining infrastructural facilities for Persons with Disabilities (PwD) in all its buildings, particularly at Jawaharlal Nehru Bhavan. This includes toilets which caters to PwDs, ramps at entrances, charging points for powered wheel chairs, designated parking slots, voice enabled sensors, Braille signage buttons in lift etc. Ministry also endeavours to adopt an inclusive approach in its collective programmes with respect to the PwD category. In general, Welfare Division of the Ministry extends assistance to various kinds of requests from the PwD category and a Liaison Officer has been designated to address complaints received from PwDs.
- ❑ Steps have also been undertaken to implement Section 34 (1) of RPwD Act- 2016. An Expert Committee, with representation from Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, has already identified posts in Group B & C grades of the IFS(B) cadre suitable for various kinds of disabilities. These recommendations have been accepted and have been in force.
- ❑ Infrastructure facilities are covered through only maintenance contracts for MEA buildings. As these figures are enabled into the AMCs, no separate figure could be indicated towards the implementation of RPwD Act-2016.
- ❑ As such no separate funds have been allocated for schemes for the benefit of Persons with Disabilities. However, for making infrastructural facilities for Disabled persons, funds are utilized from the budget heads of “Minor Works” or “Office Expenses” allotted to Establishment Division.
- ❑ Ministry follows the minimum norms set by the RPwD Act-2016. Any unfilled vacancies are carried forward to the subsequent years.

3.5 Ministry of Defence:

Defence Research & Development Organisation:

Defence Research & Development Organisation, Ministry of Defence, has taken various activities and policy decisions for Implementation of Rights of Person with Disabilities Act 2016 during the Financial Year 2020-2021. The details is as under:

- ❑ In pursuant to the directives of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment(MSJE) to undertake identification of posts for all categories of disabilities, an expert committee was constituted in DRDO.

Total allocation to Department of Defence R&D at MA (Final) stage during the FY 2020-2021 is Rs. 16145.74 crore.

No such specific allocation is made to DRDO.

Welfare of Persons with Disabilities

Consequent to enactment of “The Rights of the Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016 and issue of DoP&T OM dated 15 January 2018, the quantum of reservation of Pwds has been enhanced from 3% to 4% with inclusion of certain new categories of disabilities (such as Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness, multiple disabilities, etc...). Accordingly, 4% reservation has been implemented in direct recruitment of DRTC and Admin & Allied categories.

Further, in pursuant to the directives of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (MSJE) for identifying posts for all categories of disabilities, an expert committee has been constituted in DRDO comprising of all stakeholders (responsible for Direct Recruitment, framing of Recruitment Rules and their administration) along with representatives of PwD and MSJE. The expert committee has completed detailed deliberations

on the assigned tasks in respect of DRDO manpower of all three cadres, i.e., DRDS, DRTC, and admin & allied. After deliberation, detailed instructions for implementing the directives have been issued in April 2020.

3.6 Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare:

National Institute of Plant Health Management:

The Reservation Policy with regard to filling up of PwD posts are being taken up by this office for implementation.

All the buildings of this office are easily accessible for use by Persons with Disabilities.

- The main entrance/exit at all buildings in NIPHM campus have been approached through a ramp together with stepped entry.
- Separate Washroom facility is made available for PwD.
- Lift has been facilitated for every floor at each building.

No Separate budget is earmarked for PwD. Within the allocated budget PwD are also covered under existing schemes.

04 posts, viz. Assistant Director (Pest Surveillance), Hindi Translator, Tech (Mech.) and Multitasking Staff have been reserved and filled-up by PwD quota/candidates.

Reservations and Facilities for PwD Candidates:

The Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Right and Full Participation) Act, 1995 was promulgated by Government of India to ensure equal opportunities to persons with disabilities and their full participation in national building.

The facilities being provided to persons with disabilities at NIPHM are as follows:

- NIPHM is following all the guidelines issued by Government of India with respect to reservations in jobs for persons with disabilities.
- The physically challenged employees are fully exempted from Professional Tax subject to production of Certificate from the Government Doctor.
- The physically challenged employees are granted double transport allowance and special casual leave as applicable to them.
- The physically challenged employees need not pay any application fee for applying to any post at NIPHM.
- The NIPHM MG Block building has been constructed in such a manner so as to ensure barrier free environment for the persons with disabilities. The main entrance/exit of other buildings also can be approached through a ramp together with stepped entry. A separate washroom facility is made available for Persons with disabilities.
- 04 posts, viz. Assistant Director (Pest Surveillance), Hindi Translator, Mechanic and Multitasking Staff have been reserved for PwD quota and staff already working.

3.7 Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship:

- To harmonize various skilling schemes being implemented by various Ministries and to bring base level consistency in input, process and output metrics, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has notified Common Norms (CN) on July, 15, 2015.

The Common Norms provides various assistance to candidates belonging from Special areas/Special Group including Persons with Disabilities. The CN has certain provisions for Special Group that includes PwD as one of the categories.

Further, there is a Sector Skill Council for Divyangjan Known as Skill Council for PwD (SCPwD), exclusively addressing the skilling needs of the Divyangjan. SCPwD empanels Divyangjan-friendly training centers, which are structurally designed to cover Braille, computer screen reader for visually impaired; sign language interpreter for speech and hearing, etc.

Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship	
	BE-2020-2021 (in Crore)
Secretariat Establishment	Rs. 280.23
Schemes	Rs. 2505.00
Total	Rs. 2785.23

- Currently, there is no provision for separate budget allocation for PwD.
- PMKVY (Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana) is a flagship scheme of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship being implemented with an objective to provide skill based training to prospective youth including persons with disability (PwD) under Short Term Training (STT) courses and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) across the country. Under the scheme, 48,461 PwD candidates have been trained from FY 2016-17 to 2021-22.

National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) was launched in August 2016 by Government of India to promote the Apprenticeship in the country by providing financial incentives, technology and advocacy support. Apprenticeship training is on-the-job vocational training that is conducted in establishments/industry shop floor. The training is open for persons with disabilities depending on the physical fitness requirements of the job role. Under NAPS, 1302 PwD apprentices have undergone apprenticeship training.

- The Policy decision and activities undertaken for the benefit of the Persons with Disabilities has been included in policy guidelines of various schemes of the Ministry, through CN and Special Group mechanisms.

3.8 Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs:

- The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs had issued “Harmonised Guidelines and Space Standards for Barrier-Free Built Environment for Persons with Disability and Elderly Persons” on 23.3.2016. These guidelines will apply to all public buildings in India, including the buildings where access is open to general public. It explicitly covers universal accessibility standards and responds to the varying needs of all users including those with reduced mobility. The guidelines are an effective tool for the executing agencies, planners, designers, contractors, civic agencies, development authorities and urban local bodies, etc. to pave the way for inclusive and accessible built environment.
- Model Buildings Bye Laws, 2016 (MBBL 2016) were issued on 18.03.2016 for the guidance of the State Governments, Urban Local Bodies, Urban Development Authorities, State Town Planning Departments and other Planning Agencies in various parts of the country in revising their respective Building Bye Laws. Chapter-8 of MBBL 2016 is on provisions for Differently-abled, Elderly and Children, including site development, access path/ walk-way, parking, building requirements, stairs, lifts, toilets, drinking water, refuge and signage.

- The above guidelines/bye-laws are available in the website of the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs ([www.mohua.gov.in](http://mohua.gov.in)) in the link “<http://mohua.gov.in/cms/Model-Building-Bye-Laws.php>”.
- The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has notified the Unified Building Bye Laws for Delhi, 2016 under Section 57 (1) of Delhi Development Act, 1957 on 22.03.2016. The UBBL for Delhi 2016 shall be applicable to the area under jurisdiction of the Delhi Development Authority and concerned local bodies. Chapter-11 of the bye-laws stipulates provisions for Universal Design for Differently-abled, elderly and children.
- The Metro rail systems across the country have been designed on the concept of universal accessibility. This comprehensive planning approach translated into accessible trains, stations, services and facilities. The build Stations provide features such as ramps with handrails, tactile path and warning strips for vision impaired persons; bright colour contrast for low vision persons; large lettering and information displays and signage; lifts with lowered control panel with braille and raised control buttons and auditory signals, wide doors and grip rails on the sidewalls of the elevator car; resting areas for senior citizens and disabled persons; well-lit corridors; and, widened ticket gate to accommodate wheelchair users. Inside the coaches, there are designated spaces for wheelchair users, reserved seats for old and physically challenged, audio announcement with dynamic display and sensory door closing mechanisms.
- Under the ‘Sugamya Bharat’ Mission, as mandated, CPWD has completed accessibility works of 211 Buildings of MoHUA. Accessibility works in 800 Buildings of other Ministries have also been completed by the CPWD.

National Buildings Construction Corporation (NBCC)

Policy decisions and activities undertaken for the benefit of persons with disabilities.

- The Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act was passed by both houses of the Parliament on 16th December, 2016. The Act has several provisions for people with disabilities in India. As per Section 34(1) of RPwD Act, 2016, the following categories are entitled for reservation in service:
 - a) Blindness and low vision
 - b) Deaf and Hard of Hearing
 - c) Locomotors disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy;
 - d) Autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness;
 - e) Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) above including deaf-blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities.
- Accordingly, in pursuance of the provisions made in the RPwD Act, 2016 a committee was constituted for identification of posts in Group A, B & C categories suitable for benchmark disabilities where Direct Recruitment is resorted to for selection against newly introduced categories in the RPwD Act, 2016 viz. (c) to (e) above and based on the physical requirement & suitability, posts have been identified for reservation in service in the Company.

3.9 Ministry of Coal:

- Pursuant to the enactment of the RPwD Act, 2016, 4% reservation is followed in NLC India Ltd (NLCIL) for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwDs) in employment under direct recruitments and they have been appointed in posts identified suitable for Persons with benchmark

disabilities. Consequent to the publication of Gazette Notification dated 04.01.2021 by Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment on posts identified suitable for PwDs. NLC India Ltd has reviewed and identified the list of posts in NLCIL which are suitable for PwDs including new categories of disabilities enumerated in the RPwD Act 2016.

- No separate budget provision is made. However, NLC India Ltd reimburses the cost of the hearing aids or other assistive devices to the PwD employees under company's Revenue Budget.

Further, NLC India Ltd has constructed toilet blocks in the circulating areas of 109 Railway stations in Tamil Nadu under its CSR policy. One toilet each in all the 109 Railway Stations have been provided with facilities exclusively for PwDs at a cost of approximately Rs. 5.45Cr.

- NLC India Ltd runs a school namely "SNEHA opportunity Services and School" patronized by NLCIL and registered as an Institution vide SS.338/2016 under Section 52 of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act to cater and impart education to Mentally Retarded Children/Children with intellectual disabilities.

Total Children enrolled in the School: 83 Nos (56 Boys and 27 Girls)

No. of Children paid stipend ranging from Rs 700 to Rs 2500 per month: 19 Nos

- A separate chapter namely "Compliance under Persons with Disabilities Act 2016" has been included in the Annual Report of NLC India Ltd (in Director's Report Column) outlining the strength of PwDs employed in NLCIL, NLCIL's comprehensive policy for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) for providing certain facilities and regarding the welfare measures for the cause and upliftment of the Physically Challenged Persons through Neyveli Health Promotion and Social Welfare Society (NHPSWS), "SNEHA" Opportunity Services and School, both patronized by NLC India Ltd.
- In terms of the O.M. dated 12 December 2018 bearing O.M. No. 34-16/2018-DD.III, It was directed to identify posts suitable for all categories of disabilities covered by the RPwD Act, 2016. Accordingly, a committee was formed and based on the committee report a modified list of identified posts was issued.

While the identification of posts is being done, most of the posts in non-executive get filled up through appointees against employment to the dependent of the employee dying in harness or land-loosers, due to which posts in non-executive category cannot be filled through recruitment.

Direct recruitment is mostly confined to recruitment of statutory personnel only for working in the mines where the reservation cannot be applied since the stipulation provided in Mines Act/ Rules requires full physical fitness of the appointees.

As per the provisions of the Right of Persons with Disabilities 2016, under Sec 34 reservation is being provided to the persons with benchmark disabilities of 1% each under clause (a), (b), and (c) and 1% for persons with benchmark disabilities under clauses (d) & (e) namely:

- (a) Blindness and low vision
- (b) Deaf and hard of hearing
- (c) Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy, cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims, and muscular dystrophy;
- (d) Autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness;
- (e) Multiple disability from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf-blindness in the posts identified for each disability.

In accordance with the provisions of The Right of People with Disabilities Act, 2016 and The Right of People with Disabilities Rules, 2017, a policy namely CIL Equal Opportunity Policy has been framed by CIL to insure that all facility, technology, information and privileges are accessible to people with disabilities. Salient Features of CIL equal Opportunity policy is given below

- 1) Facility and Amenities – Physical and digital infrastructure to the accessibility standard as per requirement.
- 2) Identification of List of positions.
- 3) Post Recruitment and Pre promotion Training.
- 4) No Discrimination in career growth.
- 5) Preference in place of posting during transfer/Promotion.
- 6) Provision for Special Casual Leave as per the provision of RPwD Act, 2016 And DPE Guidelines.
- 7) Preference in allotment of Residential Accommodation.
- 8) Providing Aids/Assistive Devices – Assistive Devices (Including Low Vision Aids, hearing Aids with Battery), Special furniture, wheel chairs (Motorized if Required by the employee), Computer and other Hardware for use in connection with their work to improve their efficiency.
- 9) Liaison Officer to look after reservation matters relating to persons with disability.
- 10) Grievance redressal officer for looking after the grievances of people with disabilities.
- 11) Accessibility and barrier free environment at work place – For convenience of PwDs, all establishments of CIL and its Subsidiaries are being provided with:
 - a) Ramps at entrance
 - b) Railings
 - c) Accessible toilets
 - d) Wheel chairs
 - e) Lifts/Elevators

Furhter to above, against Management Trainee Open Recruitment Advt. No. 01/2019 (MT-2019), the result was declared in March-2021 wherein total 1286 candidates were finally selected as Management Trainees in 11 disciplines out of which 82 are under reserved PwD quota.

- In CIL (HQ), Kolkata, the office building is complying with all the provisions of the act and is user friendly for the Divyang employees and visitors.

The amount spent in welfare activities is for all the employees of CIL including for Persons with Disabilities.

The welfare expenditure incurred by CIL and its subsidiaries in last 3 years in respect of its employees are as follows:

Year	Amount (in crores)
2020-21	2169.94
2019-20	2320.11
2018-19	2149.95

Details of CSR Projects undertaken by CIL (HQ) for the benefit of persons with disabilities under different heads as mentioned:

FY – 2019-20

SL. No.	Name of Agency/NGO and CSR activities	Sanctioned Project Cost	Sector	Number of beneficiaries
1.	Bodhana, New Town, Kolkata Financial support for the project “Renovation of Juvenile home and purchase of Vehicle for mentally retarded children by Bodhana.	26,59,000/-	Health Care & Education	120
2.	Latika Roy Foundation, Dehradun. Financial support for the project “Hope and Promise Centre for child Development.	68,00,000/-	Health Care & Education	60
3.	Sri Guru Deva Charitable Trust, Andhra Pradesh. Financial support for providing artificial limbs to 1250 beneficiaries in the state Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, and Telangana.	75,00,000/-	Health Care & Education	1250

FY – 2020-21

SL. No.	Name of Agency/NGO and CSR activities	Sanctioned Project Cost	Sector	Number of beneficiaries
1.	CSR grant released in favour of Narayani Charitable Trust for CSR project on education, awareness and self-reliance of differently abled student in Pahela Kadam Special School, Dhanbad.	19,93,116/-	Special Education	45

FY – 2021-22

SL. No.	Name of Agency/NGO and CSR activities	Sanctioned Project Cost	Sector	Number of beneficiaries
1.	CSR grant released in favour of Arushi Society for the CSR project 12 months programme for undertaking activities related to rehabilitation of children with disabilities from underprivileged Communities in Bhopal.	51,01,632/-	Special Education	40
2.	CSR grant released in favour of Narayani Charitable Trust for CSR project on education, awareness and self-reliance 45 differently abled student in Pahela Kadam Special School, Dhanbad.	18,48,300/-	Special Education	45

3.10 Ministry of Commerce and Industry:

3.10.1 Department of Commerce

Programmes Undertaken for Welfare of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs)

Section 34(1) of ‘The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, inter-alia, states that every appropriate

Government shall appoint in every Government establishment, not less than four percent of the total number of vacancies in the cadre strength in each group of posts meant to be filled with persons with benchmark disabilities of which, one per cent each shall be reserved for persons with benchmark disabilities under clauses (a), (b) and (c) and one percent for persons with benchmark disabilities under clause (d) and € namely:

- Blindness and low vision
- Deaf and hard of hearing
- Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy
- Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness
- Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf-blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities:

There are guidelines on providing facilities to the disabled persons so that a barrier-free workplace is made accessible to the differently abled persons. In pursuance of Section 23(1) of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (RPwD Act, 2016) a Grievance Redressal Officer has been nominated in Department of Commerce.

(A) PEC Limited

Government Directives/instructions with regards to PwDs are duly complied with in PEC. In PEC, there exists a Time Scale Promotion Scheme for staff cadre. Qualifying period for promotion for employees belonging to Persons with Disabilities is relaxed by one year in each stage of promotion. Further a complaints register is being maintained at Head Office. No complaint has been received till date.

(B) MMTC

In Order to have easy access to office premises, ramp has been provided for physically challenged employees. PwD employees are posted to positions, taking into account their disability, to enable them to perform their job efficiently. Office buildings have auditory signals announcing the floor destination. Some of them have floor requisition buttons in Braille symbols.

(C) Spices Board

- Spices Board has nominated a Liaison Officer for looking after the reservation matters and grievances of persons with Disabilities.
- During the year 2019 an expert committee has also been constituted for the purpose of identification of posts suitable for Persons with Disabilities as per the Right to Person with Disabilities Act, 2016.

(D) Noida SEZ

This office is already equipped with features like corridors, reception, toilets, staircases with handrails etc. accessible to persons with disability. Recently, a lift with Braille has also been installed in the premises. In addition, six Public Conveniences have also been constructed by NSEZ in the Zone complex with specific arrangement for ivyangjan.

(E) Tea Board

Tea Board usually undertakes programmes for the welfare of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) followed by the instructions/guidelines issued by the Government of India from time to time.

(F) India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO)

Guidelines on reservation were complied within ITPO. Liaison Officers have been nominated to look after the interest of PwDs. The provisions contained in Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full participation) Act 1995 regarding reservation in posts /services for disabled person have also been complied with including EWS reservation.

(G) Rubber Board

Rubber Board appointed Grievance Redressal Officer to attend the grievances of Persons with Disabilities. The Liaison Officer maintains statutory register to file the complaint/grievances and the Board periodically monitors such complaints, if any, and disposes in time. Board celebrates the “International day of persons with Disabilities” on 3rd December every year by organizing speeches of eminent persons with disabilities and honour the employees of the Board who are differently abled. Board has provided ‘ramp’ and lifts for the smooth movement of PwD employees. Visually handicapped employees are engaged in the operation of EPABX.

(H) Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)

As per Government norms, the reservation for PwDs is 4% of total strength in all grades. Against the existing staff strength of 84, two incumbents are physically handicapped. APEDA has taken care of the welfare of persons with disabilities (PwDs). APEDA has provided motorized wheel chair to one of the employees to move within the office. Further, all the facilities as per rule are given to them.

(I) ECGC Limited

- PwD candidates are transferred according to suitability of posts of PwD employees
- Scribe is allowed to them in recruitment and promotional examination
- PwD employees are posted in disability friendly/accessible office locations
- Government reservation policy for recruitment of PwD is strictly followed
- Liaison Officer for PwD has been appointed to deal with the matter related to candidates from PwD category

(J) Visakhapatnam SEZ

- Appointed Liaison Officer for welfare of PwDs
- Accessible approach and ramp at entrance building of VSEZ has been made available
- Earmarking of parking place has been done
- Provision for disabled friendly building has been made

(K) Coffee Board

The Coffee Board follows a multi-dimensional approach to create an enabling environment keeping in view the overall Welfare and Development of the Persons with Disabilities (PwD).

(L) Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)

IIFT implements the reservation policy in admissions and recruitment in accordance with any Act of Parliament.

3.10.2 Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade:

Outdoor Facilities:-	Indoor Facilities:-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessible approach and ramp at entrance of building • Reserved parking near entrance • Accessible pathway to entrance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessible corridors • Accessible reception • Lifts with Braille, auditory commands • Accessible toilets • Staircases with handrails • Auditory and visual signage • Drinking water provision • Tactile Flooring, colour contrasting strips on steps of staircases • Durable railings along the staircases

3.11 Ministry of Power:

Persons with Disabilities (PwDs)

Ministry of Power provides reservation for the Persons with Disabilities in appointments in accordance with the instructions issued by Government from time to time. The implementation of the reservation policy for Persons with Disabilities in the Ministry and various organizations under its administrative control is monitored by Director (SC/ST) of the Ministry.

The representation of Persons with Disabilities in the Ministry as on 01.02.2020 is as under :

Group	Total Employees (as on 31.12.2019)	Persons with Disabilities Employees				Percentage of Persons with Disabilities employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
A	67	0	0	1	1	1.49
B	108	0	0	1	1	0.92
C	39	0	0	0	0	0
C (MTS)	52	1	0	2	3	5.76
Total	266	1	0	4	5	1.88

PAO

Representation of Physically Challenged Employees may be indicated in the format given below:-

Group	Total Employees as on 31.01.2021	Physically challenged employees				Percentage of Persons with Disabilities employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
Group A	4	-	-	-	-	-
Group B	39	-	-	1	1	2.56%
Group C	19	-	-	-	-	-
Total	62	-	-	1	1	1.61%

NTPC

Representation of Physically Challenged Employees in NTPC is shown below:

Group	Total Employees as on 31.12.2020	Divyang/Physically challenged employees				Percentage of Divyang/Physically challenged employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
A	11978	133	12	16	161	1.3
B	3339	53	7	14	74	2.2
C	2607	79	57	48	184	7.1
D	489	29	21	31	81	16.6
Total	18413	294	97	109	500	2.7

NHPC

Group	Total Employees as on 31.12.2020	Physically challenged employees				Percentage of Physically challenged employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
A	3064	11	2	77	90	2.94%
B	376	Nil	Nil	14	14	3.72%
C	1667	Nil	1	5	6	0.36%
D (Excluding Sweepers)	574	1	Nil	6	7	1.22%
Sweepers	39	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total	5720	12	3	102	117	2.05%

The reservation and relaxation is provided to Physically Challenged Employees in direct recruitments as per guidelines issued by DOPT/Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment from time to time. In addition following welfare schemes are available for them:

Grant of Financial Assistance for vocational Training to those who get physically handicapped while in service.

Reimbursement of charges for purchase of hearing aids is allowed to the employees and their dependents and reimbursement of Cost of Artificial limbs on case to case basis.

Restriction of age is not applicable in respect of physically/mentally retarded children for considering him/her as a dependent for medical claims/treatment.

Physically challenged employees and employees who have disabled child may be exempted from the rotational transfer subject to administrative constraints.

Lifetime medical facility to the mentally or physically totally invalid dependent children having 40% or more of one or more disabilities in respect of retired/deceased employees under NHPC Retired Employees' Health Scheme.

PGCIL

POWERGRID believes in providing equal opportunities to all employees including disabled employees. As such, opportunities at work are provided without any prejudice to persons with disabilities (PwDs). Company has identified posts suitable for different categories of Persons with Disabilities and the same has also been published on it's website.

The provisions of government directives relating to PwD's are compiled with Reservation and various relaxations & concessions are provided to PwD's, as per Govt. guidelines/notifications. POWERGRID has also made efforts to promote the welfare of PwD's in providing facilities as applicable like residential accommodation, exemption from payment of professional tax, provision of medical equipment/general medical assistance as well as provision for special casual leave for specific requirements relating to disabilities of officials. These facilities are provided to them so that they can perform their duties efficiently. Besides this, arrangements have been made to ensure barrier free environment in POWERGRID and Audio system in the lifts of Corporation's buildings have been provided. Liaison Officers have been nominated in all Regional Headquarters as well as at Corporate Centre to look after the welfare of persons with disabilities. Reservation rosters are maintained for direct recruitment and promotion as applicable, which are periodically inspected by Ministry of Power and other concerned authorities. Vacancies for PwD's are notified as per reservation rosters, maintained in line with government directives/ notifications.

As on December 31, 2020 there are 206 Physically Challenged Employees working at different levels in the corporation. Details are given below:

Group	Total Employees as on 31.12.2020	Physically challenged employees				Percentage of Persons with disabilities
		Visually Disabled (VD)	Hearing Disabled (HD)	Orthopaedic Disabled (OD)	Total	
A	4378	6	23	65	94	2.1%
B	1698	0	0	31	31	1.8%
C	2602	6	14	59	79	3.0%
D	78	1	0	1	2	2.6%
Total	8756	13	37	156	206	2.4%

Note:- Above data includes regular manpower in POWERGRID through en-masse transfer of employees by process of absorption from various constituent organizations during its formation (in which POWERGRID had no control) as well as all recruitment carried out by POWERGRID. The reservation for PwD was implemented w.e.f 01.01.96 and is being followed scrupulously since then.

PFC

PFC as a part of its social responsibility makes all efforts to ensure compliance of the Directives and Guidelines issued by the Government of India from time to time pertaining to the welfare of Persons with disabilities. The steps taken include due reservations and relaxation as applicable under the various directives for direct recruitment as well as for promotions. PFC provided the necessary provisions on all floors for facilitating easy access to persons with disabilities and names are engraved in Braille script for the comfort of visually disabled persons. A liaison officer has been appointed to look into the matter of reservations.

Representation of PwD employees in PFC is given below:-

Group	Total employees (as on 31.12.2020)	Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) Employees	Percentage of overall staff strength
A	460	14	2.80%
B	5	0	0.00%
C	17	1	5.88%
D	0	0	0.00%
Total	482	15	3.11%

REC

The Corporation has been following the laid down norms for employing the Physically Handicapped employees in its totally and spirit. Details of the number of Physically Challenged employees employed in the Company are as under:

Group	Total Employees as on 31.03.2020	Persons with Disabilities Employees				Percentage of persons with disabilities employees
		OD	VD	HD	Total	
A	385	9	0	1	10	2.60
B	36	0	1	0	1	2.78
C & D	47	0	1	0	1	2.13
Total	468	9	2	1	12	2.56

Group	Total Employees as on 31.12.2020	Persons with Disabilities Employees				Percentage of persons with disabilities employees
		OD	VD	HD	Total	
A	372	9	0	1	10	2.69
B	22	0	1	0	1	4.55
C & D	41	0	1	0	1	2.44
Total	435	9	2	1	12	2.76

Anticipated details as on 31st March, 2021:

Group	Total Employees as on 31.03.2021	Persons with Disabilities Employees				Percentage of persons with disabilities employees
		OD	VD	HD	Total	
A	362	9	0	1	10	2.76
B	22	0	1	0	1	4.55
C & D	40	0	1	0	1	2.5
Total	424	9	2	1	12	2.8

NEEPCO

Representation of Persons with disabilities is indicated in the format given below:

Group	Total Employees as on 31.12.2020	Persons with Disabilities Employees				Percentage of persons with disabilities employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
A	641	3	3	6	12	
B	586	4	2	4	10	
C	535	6	7	3	16	
D	56	0	2	6	8	
Total	1818	13	14	19	46	2.53%

SJVNL

SJVN's Equal Opportunity Policy in accordance with the provisions of "Rights of People with Disabilities Act, 2016 and Rights with Disabilities Rules, 2017" as well as other Government guidelines for providing facilities for efficient performance. The recruitment of Divyang Persons is done as per guidelines from Govt. of India. Proper category-wise Rosters are maintained and in case of backlog, Special Recruitment Drive is also resorted to.

Representation of Divyang:

Group	Total Employees as on 31.12.2020	Divyang Employees				Percentage of Divyang
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
Regular	1442	7	7	16	30	2.08

THDCIL

THDCIL considers persons with Disabilities as one of the building blocks of the organization and has always worked for the effective implementation of presidential directives issued from time to time for their welfare and representation in the organization. For the implementation of United Nations Convention on the right of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD), the Corporation provides accessibility to different buildings for persons with disabilities under Section 46 of the persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, protections of right and full participation) Act 1995. Apart from the above, persons with disabilities are provided equal opportunity to participate in the sports and cultural activities and other competitions organized round the year. Liaison officer have been nominated Unit wise to identify their problems and implementation of various welfare activities for them.

Representation of Physically Challenged Employees in THDCIL is indicated in table below:

Group	Total Employees (as on 31st Dec - 20)	Persons with Disabilities				% of person with Disabilities
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
Total	1753	5	6	20	31	1.77%

DVC

Representation of persons with Disabled employees is indicated in the format given below:

Group	Total Employees as on 31/12/2020	Persons with Disabilities Employees				Percentage of persons with Disabilities employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
Group A	2311	0	0	20	20	0.86%
Group B	3402	03	1	25	29	0.85%
Group 'C' & 'D'	914	0	0	05	05	0.55%
Total	6627	03	01	50	54	0.81%

It has been ensured while allocating work that physically challenged employees with due consideration have minimum inconvenience in discharging their official responsibilities. The GOI provisions for challenged employees are compiled with like special Transport Allowance at the rate of double the normal rate admissible to normal employees, ramp facilities in the buildings for their smooth movement at work places and so on.

BBMB

BBMB discharges its functions as laid down in Section 79(1) of the Punjab Reorganization Act, 1966 for which staff for the operation and maintenance of BBMB work is provided by partner States/SEBs on transfer basis. However, in the event of inability of partner States/SEBs to provide the requisite staff, BBMB resorts to direct recruitment and promotion in respect of Group-C & D employees only. BBMB Class- III & Class-IV Employees Regulations, 1994 & Class-I & Class-II officers Regulation, 2015 were approved by the Central Govt. As per old Regulation 11 of these Regulations, the members belonging to SC, ST, BC, Ex-servicemen, Physically handicapped persons and dependent of deceased employees in the service had the reservation and all other concessions as prescribed by Punjab Government from time to time. Now, the aforesaid Regulation 11 has been amended by Gazette Notification of Govt. of India dated May, 2017 vide which Central Govt. Reservation Policy is applicable in BBMB. Hence BBMB is following Central Govt. Reservation Policy since May, 2017 and accordingly due representation is given to PwD in direct recruitment as per the provisions prescribed in Central Govt. Reservation Policy.

Representation of Physically Challenged Employees in BBMB is shown below:

Group	Total Employees as on 31.01.2021	Physically challenged employees				Percentage of physically challenged employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
A	430	-	-	1	1	0.23
B	806	-	-	6	6	0.74
C	2515	2	-	32	34	1.35
D	2891	3	2	27	32	1.10
Total	6642	5	2	66	73	1.09

BEE

Representation of Physically Challenged Employees may be indicated in the format given below:-

Group	Total Employees as on 31.12.2020	Physically challenged employees				Percentage of physically challenged employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
A	14	-	-	01	01	7.14%
B	07	-	-	01	01	14.28%
C	01	-	-	-	-	-
D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	22	-	-	02	02	9.09%

CPRI

Shri P Kaliappan, Joint Director, CPRI, Bangalore served as Liaison Officer for PwDs category in CPRI during the year 2020. The representation of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) in the Institute is given below:

Group	Total Employees as on 31.12.2020	Physically challenged employees				Percentage of physically challenged employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
A	166	-	1	5	6	3.61
B	127	1	-	2	3	2.36
C	175	-	2	3	5	2.86
Total	468	1	3	10	14	2.99

NPTI

The Group-wise number of physically challenged employees is given in the table below:

Group	Total Employees as on 31.12.2020	Physically challenged employees				Percentage of physically challenged employees
		VD	HD	OD	Total	
Group A	85	-	-	02	02	2.35
Group B	28	-	-	01	01	3.57
Group C						
(including MTS)	81	01	01	04	06	7.40
Total	194	01	01	07	09	4.63

3.12 Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions:

As far as Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare is concerned, the input in this regard is furnished as under:-

- (i) The Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare was set up in 1985 as part of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions to formulate policy and coordination of matters relating to retirement benefits of Central Government employees. Being the nodal Department for pension and pension related matters, on references received from other Ministries/Departments, this Department renders advice on interpretation of Pension Rules. As per the Allocation of Business Rules, the Department is responsible for:-
 - Formulation of policy and co-ordination of matters relating to retirement benefits of Central Government employees,
 - Administration of the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972; the Central Civil Services (Commutation of Pension) Rules, 1981 and the Central Civil Services (Extraordinary Pension) Rules, 1939,
 - Matters relating to amendment to, or relaxation of pension rules;
 - Policy and co-ordination relating to welfare of Central Government Pensioners.
- (ii) Decisions on matters with financial implications are subject to the concurrence of Ministry of Finance. Action in respect of other matters involving recurring financial implications by way of relaxation or liberalization of any rule is subject, to guidelines, as agreed to between the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare and the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure.
- (iii) So far as this Department is concerned there is no separate budget provisions made for persons with Disabilities in current F.Y.(i.e. 2021-22) also there is no separate budget allocation for persons with Disabilities in this Department. The annual report is also consolidated by Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions. The information in respect of point no. (ii) to (v) may be treated as 'Nil'. The information in respect of point (vi) i.e Policy decision and the activity undertaken by the department is given as under:-
 - a. Keeping in view the fact that a child/siblings suffering from a disability requires greater medical care and financial assistance. Department of Pension & PW has issued instructions vide OM No 1/17/2019-P & PW (E) dated 08.02.2021 to liberalise the income criteria for

eligibility of a child/sibling of a deceased Government servant/pensioner for grant of family pension under CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 that a child/sibling of a deceased Government Servant/pensioner, who is suffering from a mental or physical disability, shall be eligible for family pension for life, if his/her overall income, other than family pension, is less than the entitled family pension at ordinary rate i.e. 30% of the last pay drawn by the deceased Government servant/pensioner plus the Dearness Relief admissible thereon.

- b. Orders were issued on 10th December 2010 to dispense with the requirement of minimum 10 years' service for earning service element of disability pension under CCS (EOP) Rules, with effect from 01.01.2006. Employees, who were boarded out with less than 10 years' service 1.1.2006, were not being allowed the benefit of service element of disability pension in such cases. Instructions have been issued vide OM No. 1/7/2017-P&PW(F) dated 28.07.2020 (copy attached at Annexure II) that Central Civil Government servants, who were boarded out prior to 01.01.2006 with a qualifying service of less than ten years, would also be eligible for the service element of disability pension, w.e.f. 01.01.2006, in addition to the disability element.
- c. If an employee covered by the Old Pension Scheme suffers a disability due to an injury or disease in the performance of duty and is retained in Government service in spite of such disablement, a lump sum compensation is paid to him in lieu of the disability element of the disability pension. This benefit was earlier not available to NPS employees appointed on or after 1.1.2004. Orders have been issued vide O.M. No. 1/3/2019-P&PW(F) dated 1.1.2021 to extend the benefit of lump sum compensation to the NPS employees also, if they suffer a disability in the performance of duty and are retained in Government service in spite of such disablement.

3.13 Ministry of Finance:

Department of Expenditure

- Total number of PwD employees is 6 and total working strength is 410.
- As per section 23 of the RPwD Act, 2016, a grievance redressal officer has been appointed by Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO).
- To make equal opportunity policy PwD under right of person with RPwD Act, 2016, a committee has been constituted by the CPAO.
- Provision of ramps & wheelchairs for Persons with Disability has been provided at the office of CPAO.
- The office premises has been made disabled friendly.

3.14 Indian Council of Agricultural Research:

1. The following activities have been taken for implementation of RPwD Act, 2016.
 - Ramps near staircase and at the entrance of main buildings have been constructed at different ICAR Institutes for differently abled persons.
 - Toilets/washrooms have been made/modified on the ground floor of the building especially designed for Divyangjans.
 - Wheelchair facilities are also made available for the persons with disabilities at some of the Institutes of ICAR
 - Residential Quarters allotted to Divyangs at ground floor as well as short distance on priority basis.

- The visitor's room/Reception facility is available on the ground floor for convenience of disabled persons
 - Tactile path has been installed in some of the buildings
 - Transport Allowance is being paid at the double than the normal rate as per rule.
 - Reservation of the post of PwD (Divyangjan) is to be made applicable as per rules.
 - Grievance Redressal Officers have been appointed and the committees have also been constituted for preparation of equal opportunity policy for the persons with disabilities at different ICAR Institutes.
2. Total budget Rs. 2305.00 crores.
 3. 224 and 1.35% beneficiaries with disabilities

3.15 Ministry of Tourism:

- Ministry of Tourism promotes India as a holistic destination by providing financial assistance to State Governments/UTs for development of infrastructure and tourist amenities under the 'SWADESH Darshan' and 'PRASHAD' schemes of Government of India, or extending Financial Support to Central Agencies like Railways, Port Trust, ASI, reputed educational institutions etc. to ensure development of tourism facilities and amenities to the assets owned by them, which includes universal accessibility.
- The scheme of Financial Assistance to Central Agencies (CFA) commented during the financial year 2012-13, and till date 53 projects have been sanctioned. All completed projects under CFA are accessible by disabled persons. For example, Ministry of Tourism in joint promotion with the Ministry of Railways under the scheme 'Assistance to Central Agencies' have identified and sanctioned 22 Railway Stations across the country for improving the tourist amenities to be improved include "arrangement for handicapped friendly approaches to station area/platforms, creation of differently abled friendly/accessible toilets and rest room facilities for both ladies and gents".
- Ministry of Tourism in collaboration with the Ministry of Culture and ASI (Archaeological Survey of India) has launched the "Adopt a Heritage Project" to provide world class tourist facilities at the various natural/cultural heritage sites, monuments and other tourist sites by involving, private/public sector companies and individuals known as Monument Mitras. It is mandatory that a 'Monument Mitra' ensures that the monument is barrier free (accessible to all) with provision for differently abled friendly/accessible toilets and rest room facilities for both ladies and gents."
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- The project has also provided "Generic Guidelines for Accessible Monuments" under ASI (GAMASI) to assist the Monument Mitra for adopting universal design strategy.
- The National Tourism Award of the Ministry also has a category "Best Maintained and Disabled Friendly Monument" to encourage the agencies responsible for maintaining monument/tourist

attraction to create barrier free environment for the promotion of Accessible Tourism. Besides this, there is a National Tourism Award for hotels providing best facilities for the differently abled persons.

- Under 'Swadesh Darshan Scheme' of the Ministry, projects are sanctioned subject to an undertaking submitted by the concerned State Government/UT Administration certifying that the barrier free environment for differently abled tourists shall be incorporated in the design of the build-up areas of the project in accordance with relevant building bye-laws of the State/Ministry of Urban Development. So far 76 Projects from 36 States/UTs involving an amount of Rs. 5588.45 crore has been approved under the above scheme. The scheme is presently under review.
- Under 'PRASHAD' Scheme of the Ministry, 37 projects have been sanctioned and are being executed with due care to the concept of universal access. Out of these 37 projects, 16 are complete as on date. Further, at the time of mid-execution inspection also this aspect is duly taken care of that all the facilities created under the project are accessible to all.
- The Ministry of Tourism classifies hotels under Star Categories (1 Star to 5 Star Delux) and Heritage Categories (Basic, Classic and Grand) and approval of Hotel projects, Tented Accomodation, Apartment Hotels, Time Share Resorts, Convention Centres, Standalone Air Catering Units, Incredible India Bed & Breakfast Establishments, Standalone Restaurants and Guest Houses based on facilities and standard of services under its voluntary scheme. As per the Guidelines for approval of Hotel at Project Stage and Star Classification/Reclassification of Operational Hotels, it is mandatory for all categories of star hotels to provide at least one room for the differently abled with suitable door width for movement of wheel chairs, low height fixtures, low peep hole, sliding almirah doors, audible and visible (blinking light) alarm system and doorbell, cordless telephone in the room, direct calling facility to the front desk or operator. Bathroom for the differently abled guest shall have suitable fixtures like low basin with wheel chair accessibility, low vanity unit, wall mounted seat in shower area, hand shower, grab bars net to the WC and shower area. For the convenience of the differently abled guest, the hotel should have room with attached bathroom , one restaurant, designated toilet (unisex) at the lobby level, anti-slip ramps in public areas, designated parking etc.
- As far as ITDC (India Tourism Development Corporation) is concerned separate toilets at work place for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) have been created in association with Standing Conference of Public Enterprises (SCOPE). As per the Business Responsibility Report 2019-20 (part of Annual Report 2019-20) it has been incorporated that there are 4 employees under PwD category (2 executives and 2 non-executives) on the rolls of ITDC. 2% dedicated room inventory in Ashok Hotel, which includes 3 suites are furnished with special fittings for the differently abled guests.
- The Total Budget of the Ministry during FY 2020-21 was Rs. 1260.00 crore.

CHAPTER 4

REDRESSAL OF GRIEVANCES

- 4.1.1 Under Sections 75 and 76 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (CCPD) is mandated to take steps to safeguard the rights and facilities made available to persons with disabilities and to redress their grievances related to the deprivation of their rights and non implementation of laws, rules bye-laws etc. made by the appropriate Government for their welfare.
- 4.1.2 The office of CCPD receives complaints that relate to a range of issues like non-implementation or wrong implementation of reservation in employment/education, unfair selection, promotion, transfers, denial of service benefits and other service related matters; denial of admission, improper infrastructure and facilities for education, writing of examinations, harassment, accessibility-related issues, denial of banking facilities, preferential allotment of land, etc. A large number of organizations and persons with disabilities also sought clarifications on various issues related to persons with disability. In case of violation of any provision of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 or of any law, rules and regulations etc. made for the benefit of persons with disabilities, the office takes up the matter with the concerned authorities and resolves it either through conciliation/advice or quasi judicial proceedings that are concluded by passing orders with appropriate direction/advice to the concerned authorities.
- 4.1.3 The office has developed a comprehensive format of notice to show cause, which gives brief facts of the complaint, the position of law, the violation committed and also the course of remedial action by the respondent Organizations. This has helped in exercising the quasi-judicial powers vested with the CCPD for the redressal of grievances relating to the rights of persons with disabilities. The CCPD also on his own initiative registers complaints/cases against establishments, whose actions are in violation of statutory provisions and administrative arrangements meant for persons with disabilities.
- 4.1.4 Interventions of the office of CCPD have resulted in increased awareness and understanding about various provisions of the law, the responsibilities of the establishments, attitudinal and behavioral changes towards PwDs and about the mechanism for grievance redressal. The observations and directions of the CCPD have also been instrumental in bringing about major changes in policies viz. The National Insurance Company Limited has amended its guidelines for providing scribe to candidates with disabilities (VH), KVPY has decided to include empowerment initiative for persons with disabilities from 2013 onwards, Kendriya Vidhyalaya Sanghathan amended its admission guidelines, Department of Personnel & Training has amended the format of disability certificate, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare amended the definition of family by including the dependent disabled brother in the definition of family without any age limit.
- 4.1.5 Office of the CCPD since its inception in October 1998 till 31.03.2021 took up **27387** matters (excluding matters taken up in Mobile Courts) either on its own initiative or on the basis of complaints/representations received in the office. In the year **2020-21**, **797** cases were registered as new cases including of Mobile Courts/ Review Meetings. In addition to the fresh cases registered during **2020-21**, **106** pending matters from previous years were also carried forward for taking appropriate action.
- 4.1.6 **Online Hearings** : Due to Covid prevalence in the country for the first time all cases were heard and disposed of online through video conferencing. In the year 2020-2021 cases were disposed of online. The work of CCPD office was not stalled despite adverse circumstances in comparison to other Court.

4.1.7 Year-wise number of cases registered and disposed by the O/o of the Chief Commissioner since its inception is given in Table 4.1.

Table 4.1 Grievance Redressal Cases, Year-wise

Year	Matters received & taken up including suo-motu in office)	Complaints registered in Mobile Courts	Total cases registered during the year	Backlog of previous years	Total cases	Cases Disposed off	Cases Disposed (mobile court)	Total Disposed	Carried forward
1998-99	65	Nil	65	0	65	12	Nil	12	53
1999-00	476	Nil	476	53	529	355	Nil	355	174
2000-01	944	Nil	944	174	1118	803	Nil	803	315
2001-02	2386	2200	4586	315	4901	1331	2200	3531	1370
2002-03	427	Nil	427	1370	1797	1409	Nil	1409	388
2003-04	534	Nil	534	388	922	718	Nil	718	204
2004-05	970	Nil	970	204	1174	977	Nil	977	197
2005-06	1413	144	1557	197	1754	1333	144	1477	277
2006-07	1576	366	1942	277	2219	1401	366	1767	452
2007-08	1178	3941	5119	452	5571	680	3941	4621	950
2008-09	1161	3591	4752	950	5702	1103	3580	4683	1019
2009-10	931	Nil	931	1019	1950	1070	1	1071	879
2010-11	993	Nil	993	879	1872	1238	2	1240	632
2011-12	1065	05	1070	632	1702	714	8	722	980
2012-13	1190	Nil	1190	980	2170	1023	1	1024	1146
2013-14	1216	Nil	1216	1146	2362	1155	2	1157	1205
2014-15	2164	32	2196	1205	3401	1842	31	1873	1528
2015-16	2138	63	2201	1528	3729	2340	31	2371	1358
2016-17	1659	88	1747	1358	3105	1498	98	1596	1509
2017-18	1762	10	1772	1509	3281	1528	20	1548	1733
2018-19	1510	20	1530	1733	3263	1656	16	1672	1591
2019-20	832	00	832	1591	2423	1194	05	1199	1224
2020-21	797	00	797	1224	2021	1901	14	1915	106
Total	27387	10 460	37847			27281	10460	37741	

CHAPTER 5

YOGA DIWAS

The idea of International Day of Yoga was first proposed by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Mr. Narendra Modi in his speech at the UNGA on 27 September 2014. Yoga is an invaluable gift of India's ancient tradition. It embodies unity of mind and body thought and action restraint and fulfillment harmony between man and nature a holistic approach to health and well-being.

On this occasion, the theme for Yoga was “Yoga at Home and Yoga with Family”. Due to Covid-19 pandemic situation, this year Office of CCPD could not witness the celebration of International Yoga Day.



Dr. Sanjay Kant Prasad and Shri Rakesh Kumar Rao, Dy. Chief Commissioners, O/o CCPD, (Divyangjan) alongwith staff members , DEPwD, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment , Govt. of India attended Yoga Day Celebration on 21st June 2019 at CCPD Premises



Officers/Staff Members of the O/o CCPD during Yoga Day Celebration on 21st June 2019 at CCPD Premises

CHAPTER 6

HINDI PAKHWADA

The Hindi Pakhwada is being celebrated during 16-30 September 2020. During the fortnight several programmes on the promotion of Hindi, like- poetry, speech, debates, essay writing etc. were conducted. This year 2020 hit the society due to pandemic situation and everyone was bound to work from home. To keep up the spirit of encouraging the use of Hindi language, all staff were asked to do official work in Hindi.

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हिन्दी पखंवाडा

HINDI PAKHWADA

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CHAPTER 7

VIGILANCE AWARENESS WEEK

Vigilance Awareness Week 2020-2021 is being observed by the Office of Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India on 29th October, 2020 with the theme “Eradicate Corruption-Build a New India” “भ्रष्टाचार मिटाओ-नया भारत बनाओ”.

Due to Covid-19 pandemic situation, this year Office of CCPD could not witness the celebration of Vigilance Awareness Week.

CHAPTER 8

RECOMMENDATIONS OF 17TH NATIONAL REVIEW MEETING

Recommendations:

1. Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Act, 2016 being a Central Act, working and functioning of the office of the State Commissioner should be uniform throughout the country. There should be a standard administrative structure of office of State Commissioner of all States in the country. Its size and number of officials may vary depending upon the size and need of the State. Office of CCPD will help in developing a standardized common protocol for functioning of State Commissioners;
2. The procedure of taking up complaints/grievances of persons with disabilities and the manner of their disposal should also be uniform. All offices of State commissioner should follow/adopt the procedure prescribed under Rule 38 of RPwD Rules, 2017. The format of notices or summons, requisitions and issuance of commission for examination of witness or documents should be uniform in all States.
3. A Whatsapp group of State Commissioners should be generated, whose group admin should be either CCPD or his sub-ordinate officer, so that the best practices and remarkable judgments could be shared.
4. A one day workshop of State Commissioners may be convened by the Office of CCPD to develop a uniform format for notices, summons, requisitions and issuance of commission for examination of witness or documents.
5. The State Commissioners need to take proactive role in ensuring the implementation of Accessible India Campaign in association with the concerned Department of State Government.
6. The State Commissioners in association with General Administration Department and Department dealing with empowerment of PwDs of the State/UTs may take steps to ensure the implementation of the provision of reservation for PwDs and maintain the data of employees with disabilities in State Government/UT Administration establishments;
7. There is a greater need for liaison on the part of State Commissioners with all State Departments and for holding sensitization workshops about the rights and entitlements of PwDs and protection available under RPwD Act, 2016.
8. The State Commissioners need to take steps to popularize the schemes and programmes of the Central and State Governments for the empowerment of PwDs and also the Early Intervention Centres being set up at seven National Institutes and seven Composite Regional Centres.

CHAPTER 9

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 2016 BY STATES/UTs

9.1 Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non-deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	All the Departments under A & N Administration is strictly adhering the provision of section 3 of RPwD Act, 2016 and ensuring the implementation of the same.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	All the Departments under A & N Administration is strictly adhering the provision of section 4 of RPwD Act, 2016 in order to protect and ensure the inherent worth, dignity and integrity of women and children with disability.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities' access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Yes, all the effective measures had been ensured in order for the implementation of section 5 of RPwD Act, 2016.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Through A & N Administration effective measures had been taken to protect the PwD's from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Regular follow-up for the set subject is done through the constituted committee in all the Departments under A & N Administration.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Pertains to Police Department. However the Department of Social Welfare will be taking special care and protection of Divyangjan in coordination with Department of Health Services and other line Departments too.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	There is none of such cases had been reported in these islands till date.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Effective sensitizations measures had been ensure on this subject.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	Yes, in A & N Islands access free mode of election is conducted to protect the rights and privileges of PwD's.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Yes, in A & N Islands special courts and public prosecutors had been designated by strictly adhering to the provisions of section 84 & 85 of RPwD Act, 2016.

13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	In A & N Islands the same ensured in the form of 'Limited Guardianship' as per section 14(1) of the RPwD Act, 2016.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Yes.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Yes.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities'(CwDs).	Yes, same the inclusive pattern adopted for CwDs in all School under A & N Administration.
17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Section 16	<p>Yes.</p> <p>Yes, being made as per the request.</p> <p>Had been made same through all the Departments under A & N Administration so that, the inherent rights of privileges of CwD's/PwD's are protected and preserve.</p> <p>Yes, augmentative modes of imparting education to CwD's/PwD's through concerned Department under A & N Administration.</p> <p>The same is achieved through early intervention programmes and needful coaching and teaching is provided to such CwD's/PwD's through special educators.</p> <p>In this regard concerned department is in full swing of execution, implementation and monitoring of the same.</p> <p>State Institute of Education under Education Department has been appointed with PSRT in various schools for taking to detect specific learning disabilities in children at the earliest and take suitable pedagogical and other measures to overcome them.</p> <p>Free education is provided to all Divyangjan.</p> <p>Free bus pass issued to PwD salong with their attendants and children with Disabilities having high support needs.</p>
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Yes, the same is being adopted in A & N Islands.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	Yes, the same is facilitated and imparted through concerned Departments under A & N Administration.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	Strictly adhering to the provisions of section 34 of RPwD Act, 2016 all the Departments under A & N Administration is abiding the same.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Under A & N Administration all the Departments are strictly abiding to the norms stipulated by Govt. of India.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Every Department under A & N Administration were maintaining the same in the form of roaster.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Yes, all the Departments under A & N Administration had been appointed Grievances Redressal Officers to look after the grievances and Redressal of the issues meant with Persons with Disabilities.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An amount of Rs. 2500/- is being paid monthly to Divyangjan without any income ceiling. All the health care facilities are provided free of cost irrespective of the patients. Provision of separate queue for the disabled in the hospitals and therefore given priority in treatment and consultations. Surveys, investigation and research on occurrence of disabilities will be undertaken in due course of time especially the birth defects. Screening of all children once in a year will be undertaken in the current FY through department of school education and the RBSK, NHM.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsor awareness campaigns and pre-natal, care of mother-child are ongoing. • Public awareness through village level and anganwadi workers is ongoing and are to be strengthened. • Awareness of disability through electronic and print media is ongoing and are to be strengthened. • Medical facilities for emergency treatment and procedures, sexual and reproductive health care are done free of cost. • Comprehensive proposal shall be mooted to the Ministry, GOI for extension of benefit of unemployment allowance to PwDs. • In Chief Pay and Accounts Officer, the Pay and Accounts Officer-IV has been nominated as Grievance Redressal Officer. • No scheme of extension of unemployment allowance to PwDs for being unemployed more than 2 years is implemented by the Employment Exchange, Port Blair. However, as required under Section 24, a comprehensive proposal shall be mooted to the Ministry, GOI after obtaining due approval from A and N Administration for extension of benefit unemployment allowance to PwDs in the A and N Islands.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	All Govt. Servants including PwDs of the UT Administration are covered under the Insurance Scheme for the Government.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department is maintaining a disabled home wherein they are being provided with all required facilities including medical treatment. • They are also provided with the facilities of education. • The services of Care Takers are also deployed in the centre for providing support for the day to day activities. • The DHS is providing medical Rehabilitation to Hospital inmates and also act as consultant to the District Disability centre at Port Blair.
28	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The reporting of microcephaly under zika virus disease program is ongoing and research on birth defects will be undertaken in near future. • The school Health Program named as RBSK of GoI under NHM is providing services for early diagnosis of Disabilities among children. The communicable diseases which may lead to disabilities also been taken care of by routine reporting system such as microcephaly arise due to Zika virus infection.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International day for Divyangjan is being celebrated every year for PwDs. • Para Olympics sport meet is being conducted from time to time for PwDs.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports activities for children with special needs and PwD teachers are organized in school, zonal and state level every year. • Special games and sports at state level are conducted for them.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under RTE norms free education is given to all category of students from age 6-14 years • In Andaman and Nicobar Islands, all students are provided free elementary education. • Free special education is provided for children with disabilities at Vocational Rehabilitation Centre.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Institute of Higher Education has already given directions to reserve 5% seats for the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBDs). • This Institute is extending the seat reservation and age relaxation to PwDs as per the policy of GoI/Pondicherry University norms. • 5% seats are reserved for students with Disabilities; age relaxation is as per Pondicherry/University Rules.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posts have been identified and furnished to expert committee for approval. • Appropriate government and local authorities are advised to give reservation of 4% to PwDs. • Vacancies have been identified and submitted to expert committee.
34	<p>1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs.</p> <p>i) Blindness and low vision – 1%</p> <p>ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%.</p> <p>iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%.</p> <p>2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The reservation roster as per reservation policy is maintained by the department. However, the IT cadre posts are accounted for in different departments similar to AC Cadre staffs. • Reservation is provided. Once posts are identified by the expert committee and notified by the nodal department i.e. Social Welfare department the reserved posts shall be divided according to the recommendations of committee w.r.t. the specific posts. Shall be followed in to. • The department is taking due cares while filling up of vacancies. • Reservation Roster has been prepared post-wise duly vetted by Tribal Welfare Department (Nodal Deptt) and being maintained. • Since the post sanctioned to this Institute is already identified post, constitution of committee is not required. • Reservation is provided. Once posts are identified by the expert committee and notified by the nodal department i.e. Social Welfare department the reserved posts shall be divided according to the recommendations of committee w.r.t. the specific posts. Shall be followed in to. • The department is taking due cares while filling up of vacancies. • Reservation Roster has been prepared post-wise duly vetted by Tribal Welfare Department (Nodal Deptt) and being maintained. • Since the post sanctioned to this Institute is already identified post, constitution of committee is not required. • Categories:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Blindness or low vision 2. Hearing impairment 3. Locomotor disability or cerebral palsy (includes all cases or Orthopedically handicapped person)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5% for each of the three (03) categories. However, the reservation of 5% shall be equally distributed between persons with the categories of Disabilities for Whom the post has been identified. • This Directorate has given appointment to persons with Disabilities (Physically Handicapped persons) out of the total vacancies occurred under Direct recruitment. • This Directorate had submitted the detailed quarterly return to the employment exchange. • 04% of total vacancies are reserved for physically challenged candidates. Selection is done on the merit basis. However, this 04% will be divided among all categories of disabilities henceforth. • The Directorate of Social Welfare has passed the information to all the Departments that the Persons with Disabilities are being entitled for 4% reservation in Government establishments.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advisory issued to all private sectors to provide incentives to employees.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A separate Employment Exchange is already providing the services to Persons with Disabilities.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The appropriate government and local authorities has already directed to give reservation in respect of allotment of land and housing on concessional rates. • Hospitals and some guest houses are already provided with barrier free access. The new public buildings constructed by APWD are being provided with barrier free access. In existing building, barrier free accesses are being provided in phased manner.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The appropriate government and local authorities has already directed to give reservation in respect of allotment of land and housing on concessional rates. Hospitals and some guest houses are already provided with barrier free access. The new public buildings constructed by APWD are being provided with barrier free access. In existing building, barrier free accesses are being provided in phased manner.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sensitization programmes and awareness campaigns are being organized from time to time for Divyangjan. Circular was issued to all the health institutions for sensitization of staffs for Issues related to the Divyangjan.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under Accessible India Campaign the work for accessibility is under progress by the executive agency. Timelines affirmed in Supreme Court by Andaman and Nicobar administration. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> In Phase I, Completing accessibility audit of at least 25 to 50 most important government buildings and making them fully accessible. (25 buildings identified at Port Blair). In Phase II, making 50% of all the govt. buildings of National capital and all the state capitals fully accessible (25 buildings identified at Port Blair). In Phase III, completing the accessibility audit of 50% of govt. buildings and making them fully accessible in 10 most important cities/towns of states not covered in targets (I) and (II). (20 buildings identified in Andaman and Nicobar Islands). In phase – 1 entire expenditure is met by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. In phase II and Phase III as per scheme guidelines, every department has to use their own funds. The progress is closely monitored by the Supreme Court and timeline to be adhered. The state portal https://andaman.gov.in and website of NIC www.and.nic.in has been made accessible by Divyangjan as per GIGW guidelines. The APWD A&N Islands has been requested to create facilities for the Divyangjan in the health institutions has been asked to cooperate with the NGO appointed by GOI for Accessible India Campaign.

41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All STS buses have been made divyang friendly by providing additional footsteps to ease the accessibility for boarding and de-boarding of Divyangs. • The Department of Transport is purchasing fully ready built buses directly from the manufacturer in which the standard norms and provisions for disabled passengers are being maintained as per Bus Body Code AIS 052. • Hand rails are provided in every STS bus for the secure/safe journey of disabled persons. • Ramp has been provided in all bus Terminals. • Free travel in public transport buses along with one attendant for divyang with 40% and above disability. • In every STS bus, 1st two seats are kept reserved for divyangs. • PA systems have been installed in all Bus Terminus for forecasting the Scheduled departure and arrival of buses. • Digital Passenger Information Systems are being installed in all Bus Terminuses. • PA Systems have been installed in all Bus Terminuses for forecasting the scheduled departure and arrival of buses. • The Transport Department website transport.and.nic.in is developed by NIC as per the guidelines for Indian Govt. websites and hosted in the NIC server. • The documents uploaded in the Departmental website are OCR based pdf format.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	<p>The action taken report of Andaman and Nicobar Administration are as under:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • User friendly Website has been provided for persons with Disabilities. • The State portal https://andaman.gov.in and website of NIC www.and.nic.in in have provision of converting the contents into audio as per the GIGW guidelines for accessible by Divyangjan. The following information are made available online for easy access to all persons:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mobile application on Andaman Tourism. 2. Revamping of Tourism website under the URL: www.andaman.gov.in 3. Installation of WIFI at Rajiv Gandhi Water sports complex and RGWSC has been made free WIFI zone under the Prime Ministers Digital India Project. 4. Online registration for tourists and tickets for sound and light show at Ross Island and Cellular Jail has been made computerized through Single Window System. 5. Tourists Information Centre at Airport and Cellular Jail has been connected with Single Window System at Directorate of IP and T Building. 6. Website for Information and Publicity Division and made available the website under the URL:www.andsswland.nic.in/doip. 7. Releases and allotment of Govt. Advertisements, press releases through online to the local media. 8. Online Telephone Directory of A & N Administration. 9. The work of computerization of Gazettes of all departments is under process. 10. Online registration & renewal of Bed and Breakfast scheme is posted in the internet at URL: http://db.and.nic.in/bnd. 11. Dynamic website of Andaman Tourism under the URL of www.andmantourism.gov.in 12. Online registration of Parasailing activities in A&N Island is under construction. 13. E-tourist a portal through tourist can book their advance tickets for visiting sound and light shows at Cellular Jail and Ross Islands.

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43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	<p>The compliance report of Andman and Nicobar Administration are as under:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under ADIP scheme PwDs are being provided with assistive devices at free of cost viz Hearing aids, Wheel chairs, Crutches, Elbow crutches, Walking sticks, Walkers etc. • A total of 07 assessment camp was conducted by NIEPMED from 2nd Sept to 12th Sept 2014. The following cases were assessed and the Aids/Appliances delivered during the month of December 2014. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aids and Assistive Devices for Visually Impaired: 33 • Mental Impairment Kits: 29 • Mobility Aids: 51 • Aids and Assistive Devices for Leprosy Cured: MCR Chappals are provided to them, dressings with antibiotics for ulcer patients, Planning surgery for correctable deformity shortly. • Cochlear Implants: Nil • Aids and Assistive Devices for Hearing Impaired: 82
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Adherence of the Building norms is being maintained and the Government buildings are being designed Divyang friendly.

45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Status of Sanction/Progress in Phase - I			
		Status	Unit	Buildings	Department
		Work Completed	23	Directorate of Transport Bhawan	Transport Department
				Electricity Department (Vidhyut Bhawan)	Electricity Department
				Directorate of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Service,	AH&VS
				Directorate of Industries, Middle Point	Industries Department
				Directorate of Labour Commissioner and D.E.T building	Labour Department
				Nirman Bhawan (APWD)	APWD
				Directorate of Fisheries building, Port Blair	Fisheries Department
				Directorate of Education (ShikshaSadan), Junglighat	Education Department
				Directorate of Principal Chief Conservator of forests (PCCF)	PCCF
				Directorate of Agriculture, Haddo	Agriculture Department
				Directorate of Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Building	Civil Supplies Department
				Directorate of Social Welfare	Social Welfare Department
				Office of Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman	DC, Office South Andaman
				Secretariat, Port Blair	Secretariat
				Police Head Quarter Building at Atlanta Point	Police Department
				Directorate of Health Service	Health Department
				Directorate of Tribal Welfare	Tribal Welfare Department
				District and Sessions Court Building, South Andaman	District & Sessions Court Building, South Andaman
				Balika Niketan	Social Welfare
				High Court Building, S/ Andaman	High Court
				Andaman Lakshadweep Harbour Work Main Building	ALHW

				Port Management Building	Port Management Department
				Directorate of Tourism, Information and Publicity, S/Andaman	Tourism Department
				District and Sessions Court Building, South Andaman	District & Sessions Court Building, South Andaman
		Revised estimate sent to Ministry, and Ministry has released an amount of Rs. 65,07,155/- on 27.03.2021	02	Directorate of Rural Development Building	Rural Development Department
				Directorate of Shipping Services	Shipping Department
		Status of Sanction/Progress in Phase - II (Total Buildings - 25)			
		Status	Unit	Buildings	Department
		Work Completed	10	NIC Building	CPWD
				Vocational cum Rehabilitation (VRC)	CRC (This building has been renovated and handed over to Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment on temporary basis for running the CRC).
				One Stop Centre	Social Welfare Department
				S.S school Junglighat Girls Sr. Sec. School S.S.S School Line Govt. Boys School, Middle Point Tagore College	Education Department
				ANCOL (90% completed)	ANCOL
		Work in Progress	09	Ayush Building	Directorate of Health Services
				ITI Dolly Gunj, 90	Labour Department
				ANTRI, 60%	Tribal Welfare
				DBRAIT Auditorium, 50% DBRAIT College, 10%	DBRAIT
				S.S.S Model School, 90% S.S.S Haddo, 25% RBV School, 50 S.S.S Garacharma	Education Department
				Abbhudaya Complex, 95%	Social Welfare Department
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46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ramps have been provided at ticketing counters of Shipping Services Transport Services, Tourism Department several schools State Library. 																																																						
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two employees of Department of Social Welfare have been trained in making of artificial limbs and callipers through National Institute of Orthopaedic Handicapped (NIOH), Kolkatta. 																																																						

48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Directions have been issued to all Departments to conduct social audit of their schemes to ensure that the schemes meet the requirements and concern of persons with disabilities.
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Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions: (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Director of Social Welfare has been designated as Registering Authority.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	It is affirm that no individual has established any institutions for Persons with Disabilities without a certificate of registration. The Administration has been received one application for certificate of registration of institution under RPwD Act.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	The UT Advisory Board on Disability has been notified vide Notification No. 140/2019/F No.12-05/DSW/WP/Civil No. 116-1998/2013 PF-II dated 05.08.2019.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	All the three Dy. Commissioners of all the three Districts viz South Andaman, North and Middle Andaman and Nicobar District in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands have vide Office Order No. 1071 dated 14.08.2019, 696 dated 08.08.2019 and 380 dated 08.08.2019 respectively constituted the District level Committees on disability.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p>	<p>The Director of Social Welfare has been designated as Commissioner (Disabilities) for A & N Islands.</p> <p>Name of the Commissioner's : Shri Prateek Raj Yadav Directorate of Social Welfare Goalghar, Port Blair-744101 Whatsapp No/Mb. No: 03192-233356 Fax No: NA E-Mail: directorsw4@gmail.com</p> <p>A Disability Cell is working under the Welfare officer (Handicapped) under the supervision of Nodal Officer (Disabilities) at Directorate of Social Welfare to assist the State Commissioner (Disabilities) in related matters of Divyang persons.</p>

iii) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :	No such registered NGOs has yet applied for Grant-in-Aid, however an only NGO namely SAHARA Association has been registered under the RPwD Act, 2016.
iv) Summary for initiatives taken by the State/ Uts for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:	A&N RPwD Rules, 2019 has already been notified under the RPwD Act, 2016 for successful implementation of all the provisions of the RPwD Act.
v) Number of complains filed by the complainants before State Commissioner	Three

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	The UT Administration vide notification No.F.No. 12-252/2019-Legal dated 23.08.2019 has designated the Court of Additional District & Session Judge, Port Blair and Additional District & Session Judge, Mayabunder as the Special Court to try the cases instituted under the said Act.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	The Administration has vide Notification No.F.No.5-85/2015-Legal dated 23.08.2019 appointed Special Public Prosecutor to defend the cases instituted under the "The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	State Govt. has not constituted any State Fund.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	So far the Administration has not come across any incident where in any person have been found contravening the provisions of the Act. As and when reports are received, action has deemed under section 89 will be executed.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack?	Shall be complied with. As per the Act as the UT Administration is without legislature all Acts and Rules of GOI are followed.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	Rules have been framed vide Notification No. 145/2019/F.No.8-17/ DSW-2016 dated 08/08/2019.

9.2 ANDHRA PRADESH:

Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	Government have issued orders for establishing Grievance cells in Collectorates.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	The officers of Women & Child Welfare Department have been sensitized to take all possible steps in this regard.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Government of Andhra Pradesh is running 20 Hostels, 4 Homes and 6 Residential Schools for Persons with Disabilities.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	The staff of village secretariats and ward secretariats have been sensitized in this regard.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	-
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Disaster Management Department has been requested to extend all necessary support to Persons with Disabilities while taking rehabilitation measures.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	-
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	The Government Hospitals are extending such support.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	IEC material, voter slips and dummy ballot papers were printed in Braille and provided to visually impaired persons in General Elections 2019. All polling stations have been provided with ramp and railing.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Special courts have been designated
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	---
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Under Process
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	The village level secretariat staff are appointed for taking community mobilization and social awareness.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs). Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	Bhavita centers have been established under Samagra Shiksha
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	---

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	AP State Skill Development Corporation is providing vocational Training and Up gradation of Skills and Employment to PwDs. Government is providing subsidy matching bank loan under Economic Rehabilitation Scheme.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	Government issued orders providing 4% reservation in Government jobs for Persons with Disabilities.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	---
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Record of online data is maintained for the disability certificates issued and the pensions sanctioned.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Government issued orders in this regard.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Rs.3000/- per month is being paid as pension to each Person with Disability in the State.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Andhra Pradesh General Life Insurance scheme is being implemented for State Government employees including employees with disabilities.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Andhra Pradesh Differently Abled & Sr.Citizens Assistance Cooperation is providing aids and appliances for all categories of disabilities.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Caliper centers and artificial limb centers are functioning under APDASCAC. Government is also encouraging NGOs in this regard.

29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	-
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	District level and State level sports competitions are conducted for Persons with Disabilities. Talented sports persons are encouraged with cash awards. Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh is extending skill development for persons with disabilities in sports.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Education Department is ensuring the education for children with special needs.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Under process
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Yes, Government is taking all necessary steps.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	Government issued G.O.Ms No.2 of Department for Women, Children, Differently Aabled & Sr.Citizens (Prog-II) Dt:19-02-2020.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Under process
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Yes
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.	Under process

	iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	
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Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	Under process

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Yes
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	Yes
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	APSRTC provided ramps and wheel chairs at bus stations and introduced low floor buses in major cities.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	Andhra Pradesh Differently Abled & Sr.Citizens Assistance Corporation is providing laptops and touch phones for Persons with Disabilities.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	-
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Municipal Administration Department issued orders accordingly.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Yes
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Yes
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Yes
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Yes

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Government appointed.

50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	Yes
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State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	Under process
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	Under process

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile , Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p>	<p>Dr. Kritika Shukla, IAS, DIRECTOR (FAC), Welfare of Differently Abled, Transgender and Sr. Citizens is ex-officio State Commissioner under RPwD Act 2016. O/o Director, Welfare of Differently Abled, Transgender and Sr. Citizens, Rajanarendra Building 1st Floor 74-14-2, Yanamalakuduru Road, Krishna nagar, Vijayawada. Whatsapp: 8374-032888 Telephone No: 0866-2973602 Mobile: 8374032888 E-mail: dwdascap@gmail.com</p> <p>ii) Under process</p> <p>iii) -</p> <p>iv) -</p> <p>v) -</p> <p>vi) Efforts have been made for recruitment of backlog vacancies. Grievances Redressal cells have been established at District level.</p> <p>vii)</p> <p>a-5</p> <p>b--</p> <p>c-5</p>

d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:	d-5
e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	e-5
f) Number of cases pending:	f-
(viii) Details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature: Year:- Status of Preparation :- Laying it before State Legislature:-	viii) yes

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Government issued orders vide G.O.No. 43 of Department for Home (COURTS.A) Dt:22-02-2019.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Government issued orders vide G.O.No. 43 of Department for Home (COURTS.A) Dt:22-02-2019.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Under Process

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act -Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	----
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act- Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	-----

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act.	Under Process

9.3 ARUNACHAL PRADESH

NOT SUBMIT

9.4 ASSAM

Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	The Social Welfare Department, Assam has been implementing various schemes to ensure equality and non-discrimination to the Persons with Disabilities (PwD), such as scholarships to students with disabilities, monthly pension scheme to every person with disability, rehabilitation grants to persons with disabilities etc. Disability allowance @Rs 1000 per month is being paid to employees of the state government who have disabilities. Constant Attendant Allowance @Rs 3000 per month is being paid to PwD who are employees of the state government and in need of high support. 1419 school and college students with disabilities and 45 students with disabilities studying in Medical and Technical courses were provided scholarships in 2020-21.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Various schemes are being implemented for Persons with Disabilities, such as, scholarships to students with disabilities, monthly pension scheme to every person with disability including children and women with disabilities, rehabilitation grants to persons with disabilities etc. so that they can enjoy their rights equally with others. All the above mentioned Schemes are inclusive of Women and Children Respecting their views to be treated equally with others. State Govt. women employees with disabilities are paid Rs 1000/- as child care allowance in addition to the disability allowance.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	The Social Welfare Department has been implementing various schemes for the PwDs to empower them with their unique abilities. Some of the schemes are - scholarships to students with disabilities, monthly pension scheme to every person with disability including children and women with disabilities, rehabilitation grants to persons with disabilities etc.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	4 nos. of Regional Rehabilitation Centres (RRCs) are currently functional in the following locations: a) MMCH, Guwahati b) AMCH, Dibrugarh c) SMCH, Silchar d) Goalpara Civil Hospital The District Legal Service Authority of the district organizes camps to sensitize the people in this regard.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Social Welfare Department has taken up the matter with various Departments to create a mechanism throughout the State to provide protection of the PwDs from abuse, violence and exploitation.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	The State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA) has brought out a publication for awareness generation among PwDs on tackling natural and other disasters. This publication is also available in Braille Script for visually impaired.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Sensitization programmes are taken up time to time at the district level in associations with Integrated Child Protection Society (ICPS), Assam State Commission for Protection of Child Rights and other stakeholders so that the rights of a child with disability are protected.

10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Awareness among PwDs regarding their reproductive rights, among other rights, is being created through NGOs.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	During Assam Assembly Election- 2021 the state Election Department sought to ensure that minimum facilities for voters with disabilities are available at polling stations. An exercise for comprehensive mapping of PwDs against polling stations was done by field functionaries of Social Welfare Department at District levels in consultation with Booth Level Officers so as to facilitate easy casting of votes by PwD. Also, during training of Polling Personnel special focus was laid on facilitation of PwD voters.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	The scope and extent of providing legal aid to PwD through the Legislative Department/ State Legal Services Authority is being examined.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	The State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities has written to the Assam State Legal Services Authority and to the Deputy Commissioners of the Districts to ensure implementation of the provisions under this Section.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	The Deputy Commissioners of all Districts have been asked to form Local Level Committees (LLCs) for taking up the issues of local Guardianship for people with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	State Legal Service Authority organizes camps time to time to create awareness on legal capacity.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to CWD's. Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	In the context of Right to Education Act- 2009, implemented from 1st April, 2010, the Government of Assam as well as Sarva Siksha Abhijan Mission, Assam has undertaken various strategies for providing quality education and other basic facility to the Children With Special Needs (CWSN) in the age group of 6-18 years with an inclusive environment. SSA, Assam aims to provide inclusion to all children. It is also trying to support a wide range of approaches, options & strategies for education of the children with special needs. The Inclusive component provides support for various student oriented activities which include identification and assessment of CWSN, provision of aids, appliances, corrective surgeries, Braille books, large print books and uniforms, therapeutic services, development of teaching-learning material (TLM), assistive devices & equipments, environment building and orientation programme to create positive attitude and awareness about nature and needs of CWSN, purchase/ development of instructional materials, in-service training of special educators and general teachers on curriculum adaptation, stipend for girls with special needs etc.

		<p>Achievements during 2020-21:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 135 assessment camps conducted. • Aids and appliances (Wheel chair, Tricycle, Crutch etc.) were distributed to 3388 numbers of CWSN. • Hearing Aids were provided to 2113 numbers of CWSN. • Training on Inclusive Education were provided to 82938 numbers of School Management Committee (SMC) members. • Transport allowances were provided to 15885 numbers of CWSN. • 603 IE functionaries were trained on Inclusive Education RPWD Act 2016 and AFA Tool in collaboration with Shishu Sarothi, Vaani, CBM India Trust, NIEPVD and Pratham. • Stipend provided to 20186 numbers of girls CWSN. • 4114 CWSN under HBE were provided allowance for buying nutritious food etc. • 9825 parents were trained on Disability. • 433 nos. of Visually Impaired children were provided Braille Books. • 20516 Individualized Education Programs(IEP) were developed. • 4523 Nos. of CWSN received Disability Certificate. • 20250 schools have CWSN enrolled • 29005 numbers of CWSN were provided Therapeutic Intervention. • 320 numbers of TLM kits received by CWSN from other sources. • 131 Wheel Chairs were distributed to orthopedically impaired children.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	<p>In Assam at present only Centrally Sponsored adult literacy programme namely Padhana Likhna Ahhiyan (PLA) is on process. There is no special measure to be taken for participation of PwD in the CSS programme PLA. In any PwD illiterate may be included in the literacy programme. There is no bar for inclusion of PwD illiterates in the Scheme.</p> <p>The Education Department has proposed a special literacy programme in Tea Garden /Ex Tea Garden areas, riverine areas, other disadvantage areas where the special measure for inclusion of PwD illiterates may be taken.</p>

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<p>Alongwith other different schemes, the Social Welfare Department has created a scheme called “Deen Dayal Divyangjan Pension” for the PwDs under which monthly pension of Rs.1,000/- has provided to each of the PwDs irrespective of age. It is considered to be one of the most beneficial schemes for all the persons with disabilities. During 2020-21, 1,60,612 nos. of persons with disabilities received Disability Pension @ Rs. 1000/- per month under this scheme.</p> <p>Moreover, there has also been a rehabilitation scheme called “Deen Dayal Divyangjan Punorsansthapon Achoni” under which an unemployed youth/person with disability is provided a one-time-grant amount of Rs. 20,000/- for rehabilitation.</p>

		Furthermore, Directorate Employment & Craftsmen Training, Assam follow all norms relating to admission of PwD candidate in Industrial Training Institute (ITI) of the state. It is also to be stated that the construction of Divyang ITI, Dibrugarh exclusively for PwDs is under process which will certainly give Impetus to the PwDs. The Assam Gramin Vikas Bank and the Assam Cooperative Apex Bank are the state channelizing agents of the National Handicapped Finance Corporation Limited to provide soft loans to PwD.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	The Personnel Department, Govt of Assam has issued an Office Memorandum for reservation of posts for persons with Benchmark Disabilities and other Concessions, vide No ABP. 180/2017/105 dtd. the 7th January 2019. Further, all the Administrative Departments have been instructed to immediately take necessary steps for the implementation of all the specific provisions under this Section.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	All the Administrative Departments have been instructed to immediately take necessary steps for the implementation of all the specific provisions under this Section and inform the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, accordingly. In this regard by Social Welfare Department a DO letter has been issued vide No SWD. 428/2017/205 dtd 9th January 2020.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	All records as for the PwD in relation to the matter of employment registration, recruitment, placement and training programmes are maintained appropriately in all the Employment Exchanges of the state as well as centrally in the Directorate of Employment & Craftsmen Training, Assam.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Matter regarding appointment of Grievance Redressal Officer at each Govt. Department has been communicated to all Heads of the Departments and accordingly the departments have appointed the Grievance Redressal Officer to look into the complaint related matters of PwDs.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	The concerned departments have been requested to formulate schemes and programmes including provisions of loans at concessional rates, vocational training etc. Other health related campaigns like immunization, survey through health and Anganwadi Workers etc are already in force to prevent occurrence of disabilities.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Disabled government Employees are covered by the Insurance Scheme as available to all Government Employees.

27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Rehabilitation grant with an amount of Rs.20,000/- per beneficiary as per district target under the scheme, "Deen Dayal Divyangjan Punorsansthapon" has been provided to person with disabilities for self-employment and rehabilitation. During the year 2020-21, 1,033 nos. of beneficiaries were benefitted from this scheme.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	The Social Welfare Department is developing diagnostic tools in Assamese for ascertaining Special Learning Needs of children studying in Government Schools, which is under process.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	<p>a) 3 (three) nos. of VI-I (Visually Handicapped) employees working as Drama Artist at LKRB State Music College under Directorate of Cultural Affairs, Assam</p> <p>b) 2 (Two) nos. of VH (Visually Handicapped) employees working as Accompanist at LKRB State Music College under Directorate of Cultural Affairs, Assam</p> <p>c) 1 (One) OL (One leg) employee working as Gd-IV at the Directorate (Head Quarter)</p> <p>d) 2 (Two) nos. of LV (Low Vision) employees, 1 (One) OA (One Arm) employee and 1 (One) OL (One Leg) employee; totalling 4 (Four) nos. of employees working as Gd-III at various Cultural Centres.</p> <p>In total, 10 (Ten) nos. of PWD employees of various disabilities are involved in diverse recreational activities and having a cultural life under the Directorate of Cultural Affairs, Assam.</p>
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	<p>As per the Integrated Sports Policy of Assam, 2017-18, which has come into force from 1st January, 2018, it is proposed to develop affirmative programmes for specially abled to enable them to take sports with confidence, realize their potential and also to provide appropriate opportunity to focus on Sports.</p> <p>Accordingly, Sports & Youth Welfare Department had successfully conducted the State Level Divyangjan Sports Meet (Special and Paralympics) for last 3 years viz. for the years 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21, in association with Paralympic Association, Assam and Special Olympic Bharat, Assam Chapter.</p> <p>In the last year, 2020-21, the event was organized from 18th to 19th February, 2021 at Sarusajai Sports Complex, and Marlin Aquatic Complex, Sarusajai, with 280 participants from 20 Districts, in association with both the organization in a befitting manner, in the disciplines of Swimming, Badminton, Power lifting, Bocee, Football, Athletics etc. in the categories of Paralympics and Special Olympic. The Officials, Technical Officials, Sports Persons, Coaches, Physical Instructors under the establishment of Directorate of Sports & Youth Welfare, Assam were engaged for smooth conduct of the event.</p> <p>Financial Assistance:</p> <p>i) As per Budget announcement of then Finance Minister, Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma, for the year 2020-21, a scheme named "One Time Incentive to 1000 National/ International Medal Winners" was adopted and under the said scheme 42 para athletes are awarded with the incentive of Rs. 50,000.00 each for their outstanding performance in National and International level Sports Tournaments. However, Rs. 19,000.00 each is already disbursed to the beneficiaries during 2020-21 and the rest Rs.31,000.00 will be disbursed in the current financial year, 2021-22.</p>

		ii) Under the annual Grants-in-Aid scheme, Rs. 1,00,000.00 was sanctioned to the association named Sports Academy for differently-abled. However, Government approved FOC for 50% of the sanctioned amount and accordingly Rs. 50,000.00 is disbursed to the association during the ear 2020-21. Procedure for disbursing the rest Rs. 50,000.00 is under process during the financial year, 2021-22.
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Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	The State Govt. is providing free education to children with benchmark disabilities up to the age of 6-16 years. Scholarships are being provided to students with disability. The quantum of scholarship is in the process of being enhanced.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Department of Higher Education (Technical) Govt of Assam, along with the Department of Education has been implementing the provision under this Section in all Higher Educational Institutions.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Posts were identified under the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995. The process of identification of posts under the RPwD Act, 2016 is being initiated.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	A notification vide no. ABP.180/2017/105, dated 07-01-2019 has been issued by Personnel Department, Govt. of Assam giving effect to 4% reservation for Person with Disabilities in Government jobs and making allowance for upper age relaxation for PwD candidates. Special Recruitment drive for filling up 355 backlog vacancies in Grade III category in the state government has been completed. Interviews for 511 nos. of Grade IV posts under various Govt. departments were held and results are currently being awaited.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Data not provided by Govt.

36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Vide Notification No.GLR(RC)110/98/179, dated 21-01-2000 the following District Employment Exchanges (in addition to the existing Special Employment Exchanges) have been notified as Special Employment Exchanges under Sec 34 of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 with jurisdiction over the following districts of Assam:- these are District Employment Exchanges of Nalbari, Barpeta, Dhubri, Goalpara, Kokrajhar, Bongaigaon, Darrang, Sonitpur, Lakhimpur, Dhemaji, Nagaon, Morigaon, Jorhat, Sivsagar, Golaghat, Tinsukia, Dibrugarh, Cachar, Karimganj, Hailakandi, N.C Hills and Karbi Anglong.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres	The matter of ensuring reservation in individual benefit schemes has been taken up with concerned Departments. Letter has also been issued by the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Assam to concerned Departments to take immediate action. Benefits are being extended to PwD under PMAY (G). Benefits of employment under MGNREGA are also being provided to PwD category.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	In keeping with the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities) Notification dtd 11th March 2019, 'the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Amendment) Rules 2019', the Appropriate Authority as per Sub-Section (1) under Section 38, of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016' and the District level Assessment Board as per Sub- Rule (3) of Rule 14 A, have been notified by Social Welfare Department, vide Notification No. SWD.428/2017/200 dtd 6th January 2020 and No SWD.428/2017/201 dtd. 6th January 2020 respectively.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Massive awareness generation exercise among the public and sensitization of officials on rights of persons with disabilities has been launched in August 2019 through NGO Shishu Sarothi. Grants in Aid is provided to different voluntary organisations to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	GoI has already notified the same.

41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	<p>There are facilities for PWD at bus stations such as ramps, wheel chairs, signage for Persons with Disabilities, etc. Seat Reservation facilities, signage both audio-visual and by default, the Kneel – down feature available in some of the vehicles of the Corporation. Other facilities such as:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bus doors are atleast 1200 mm wide. 2. Apparatus such as hydraulic lift or pull-out/ foldable ramp at the entrance of the bus. 3. Low floor buses. 4. Kneel down feature in some of the buses. 5. Handrails and/ or stanchions at the entrance of the bus. 6. Footlights at the entrance of the bus. 7. Atleast two (2) passenger seats in case of Mini & Midi buses. 8. Atleast four (4) passenger seats in case of other buses designated as priority seats for PWD. 9. Signage indicated seats designated to disabled. 10. Space for wheelchairs at an appropriate position without preventing other passengers from getting on or off in all buses. 11. Wheel stoppers and wheelchair safety belts. 12. Priority seats with appropriate facility for securing the crutches, canes, walkers, etc. 13. Audio/ Visual or Audio – Visual Information System permitting driver or recorded or digitised human speech/ visual messages in some buses. 14. Controls adjacent to priority seats with auditory and visual indications for requesting stops in some buses. 15. Reader boards inside buses show the name of the next stoppage, etc. <p>Concessions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) For persons with minimum degree of disability of 40% and above is entitled to avail 100% free transportation in all ASTC owned Vehicles/ Buses. ii) For ‘Divyangjans’ suffering from 80% or more disability, then the Divyangjan along with his/ her Escorter/ Assistant will be entitled for 100% free transportation in ASTC owned Vehicles/ Buses, as per HO Notification No. ASTC/HO/DGM/Disability/2018/51/1032, dated: 21/03/2020. <p>Retrofitting of Vehicles: Seat Reservation system with appropriate facility for securing the crutches, canes, walkers, etc. Portable device for getting on and off for Persons with Disabilities.</p> <p>Personal mobility assistance: In all major stations all over Assam, Wheelchair, Ramps etc. is available.</p>
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	<p>“E-prastuti” is an initiative by Govt. of Assam under which Standardized Websites Framework (SWF) has been developed. Using the framework 204 standardized websites were developed for Govt. departments and its sub-organizations.</p> <p>The websites developed under e-Prastuti are fully GIGW (Guidelines for Indian Government Websites) Complaint. These websites are also Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.00 compliant (Level A & AA).</p>

43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department/Industries Department and Science &, Technology Department asked to follow up and take necessary steps. A letter by Social Welfare Department, Assam in this regard has been issued vide No. SWD.428/2017/203, dated 06/01/2020.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	To create barrier free environment in various public buildings, construction is going on under Accessible India Campaign. Under PHASE-I, 24 no. of Govt. buildings are access audited and 60% of construction work is completed. Under PHASE-II, 62 no. of Govt. buildings are access audited for preparation of plan and estimate.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	<u>Under Accessible India Campaign (Phase-I)</u> , 25 nos. of Govt. institutions have been access audited by “Shishu Sarothi, Guwahati-16”, out of that PWD Building Division, Assam has prepared Plan & Estimate for 24 nos. of institutions. Thereafter, Administrative Approval have been received from Government for aforesaid institutions and submitted to PWD Building Division, Assam for floating of tender and action taken as per norms. <u>Under Accessible India Campaign (Phase-II)</u> , Out of 62 nos. of Govt. institutions, all institutions have been access audited by “Shishu Sarothi, Guwahati-16” and 47 nos. of Access Audit report have been forwarded to PWD Building Division, Assam for preparation of Plan & Estimate.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Partially implemented.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	A plan to train up 200 employees and other persons in Sign language has been taken up during the last financial year 2019-20 so as to create a pool of sign language interpreters across the state to assist public authorities in communication with persons with hearing impairment. The first phase of training is started in October, 2019.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	The Social Welfare Department, Assam has been implementing various schemes for welfare of the persons with disabilities with availability of funds as per annual budget. The utilization certificates for the expenditures incurred against the schemes are regularly furnished to the Govt. All the records of transactions made against the schemes are properly maintained and periodical audit is done through the office of the Accountant General, Assam.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	The Director of Social Welfare, Assam has been notified as the competent authority for the purpose of registration of institutes working for PwDs vide no SWD.53/2017/80 dated 14th April 2017.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	Grants in Aid is provided only to the registered institutions under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	The State Advisory Board has already been constituted vide Social Welfare Department notification no. SWD.296/2017/10 dated 7th June, 2018 and was functional under RPwD Act, 2016.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	The District Level Committee for Disabilities has already been notified comprising members under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner of the districts.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile , Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details:</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year:</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p>	<p>Shri Debeswar Borah, ACS Independent Charge Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Latakata, Basistha, Guwahati Assam -781029 Mobile No : +91-9476570329 Telephone: 0361- 2999858 Email : commdisabilityassam@gmail.com</p> <p>(ii) Yes, constituted vide Social Welfare Department notification no. SWD.296/2017/10 dated 7th June, 2018 and was functional under RPwD Act, 2016.</p> <p>(iii) Staff details: 1. Senior Assistant: 01 no. 2. Junior Assistant: 03 nos., Vacant: 01 no. 3. Computer Operator: 02 nos. 4. Driver: 01 no. 5. Grade-IV: 04 nos., Vacant: 01 no.</p> <p>(iv) Nil - as no fund is sanctioned from Govt. of Assam during last financial year i.e. 2020-21.</p> <p>Year 2018- 19 : Number of inspections - 5 nos. Year 2019- 20 : Number of inspections - 5 nos. Year 2020- 21 : Number of inspections - 16 nos.</p> <p>1) For effective implementation of provision of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 communications have been made frequently with all related Govt. Departments. 2) Awareness and sensitization of the RPwD Act, 2016 among Govt. officials of different Departments in the month of January, 2021. 3) Special efforts were made for clearing backlog in recruitment of persons with disabilities in government jobs. Interviews for 511 nos. of Grade IV posts under various Govt. departments were held and results are currently being awaited. 4) Disability Pension @Rs. 1000/- per month has provided to almost 1,60,612 nos. of persons with disabilities.</p>

		<p>5) Work on implementation of Unique Disability ID (UDID) project has been started from the month of July, 2019. 27,541 nos. of UDID cards generated during the last financial year.</p> <p>6) Awareness and sensitization of the RPwD Act, 2016 among Govt. officials of different Departments in the month of January, 2021.</p>												
	<p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p> <p>(viii) Details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature:</p> <p>Year :-</p> <p>Status of Preparation:-</p> <p>laying it before State Legislature:-</p>	<p>(a) 6</p> <p>(b) 1</p> <p>(c) 7</p> <p>(d) 3</p> <p>(e) 2</p> <p>(f) 4</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>Status of Preparation</th> <th>Laying it before State Legislature</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2018-19</td> <td>Prepared</td> <td>Forwarded to the State Legislature</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2019-20</td> <td>Under Process</td> <td>--</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2020-21</td> <td>Under Process</td> <td>--</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Year	Status of Preparation	Laying it before State Legislature	2018-19	Prepared	Forwarded to the State Legislature	2019-20	Under Process	--	2020-21	Under Process	--
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Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Government has notified, vide no JDJ/77/2017-ESSTT-JUDI-Judicial/ 6-A dated 19th August 2017, for each district, the 1st Additional Sessions Judge where one or more Additional Judges are there in the district, and, where there is no Additional Sessions Judge, the Sessions Judge of the District, as Special Court to try offences under the RPwD Act 2016.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	In terms of Section 85 (1) of the RPwD Act, government has, vide no JDJ/77/2017-ESSTT-JUDI-Judicial/ 7-A dated 19th August 2017, specified the Public Prosecutor of each district as Special Public Prosecutor for conducting cases under the Act before the Special Court.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Provision is being made under Rule 33 of The Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Assam) Rules 2019, that there shall be constituted a fund to be called 'The Assam State Fund for Persons with Disabilities'. As laid down in the State Rules, a Corpus Fund with an initial subscription of Rupees Five crores is being created by the State Government.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	Nil
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	Nil

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	‘The Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Assam) Rules, 2019’ duly approved by the Cabinet has been published in the official Gazette vide Notification no. 428/2017/197 dtd 27th December, 2019.

9.5 BIHAR**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	<p>There is no discrimination on ground of disability. Measures for providing reasonable accommodation to PWDs have been taken. This includes giving reservation and priority under government PWD housing schemes and concessions in land allotment for housing purposes.</p> <p>In addition rule based on Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 named ‘Bihar Divyangjan Adhikar Niyamavali, 2017’ (Bihar Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017) notified to ensure equality and non-discrimination to the Persons with Benchmark Disability(PWBD).</p> <p>27 existing Homes run by Govt and 53 Homes run by NGO which are registered under RPwD Act, 2016 working for PwD.</p>
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	The social welfare officers have been directed to ensure that the women and children with disabilities enjoy their rights equally with others. Such people are being made aware and sensitized about their equal rights as well as special rights provided under this Act.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Steps have been taken and the NGOs are also being involved for ensuring general community life for the PWDs.

6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Measures have been taken to protect persons with disabilities. NOC from the social welfare department is mandatory for making any PWDs to be subject of any research.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Measures have been taken. PWDs are encouraged to report any such incident committed against them to the local administrative or police authorities for immediate remedial action. Workshops and seminars are organized, leaflets and other materials distributed to sensitize the officials about the PWDs. District Legal Services Authority is requested to provide free legal aid to PWDs. 14 Legal Service Clinics are functional. 'Bihar Divyangjan Adhikar Niyamavali, 2017' (Bihar Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017) prescribes procedure to be followed by the Executive Magistrate. For rehabilitation, coordinated effort is made by the State Government, Bihar State Legal Services Authority ("BLSA") and also with the State Disability Commissioner as per need. Steps have also been taken for implementation of NALSA (Legal Services to Mentally ill and Mentally disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015 which carries out sensitization of judicial officers among other activities, through BLSA.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Standard Operating Procedure formulated by the government in line with the guidelines of National Disaster Management. This has special provision regarding protection and safety of PWDs in situations of risk, armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters. State Disaster Management Authority and District Disaster Management Authority have provisions for inclusion of safety of PWDs. Disaster Management Act, 2005 also followed by the State for safety and protection of PwD. Training programmes, and workshops are conducted and training modules, information, education and communication are provided for capacity building towards disaster risk mitigation and management. Records are being compiled of persons with disabilities in the districts with the help of voter list from Election Commission and the support of the State Disability Commission.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	This provision is being implemented.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Reproductive rights are enforced for everyone along with PWDs. Family planning procedure mandates free and informed consent of every individual.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	This provision is implemented. Election department ensures that all polling stations are accessible to PWDs and are on the ground floor. Apart from Assured Minimum facility; there is a provision for PWDs to keep assistant above 18 years, ramp/railings at every voting centre, shade, Fingerspelling Alphabet Signage, waiting room and so on. To facilitate voting in general elections, 2019, 505 Foldable wheelchairs were made available to districts and additionally 1010 Foldable wheelchairs were made available to districts in Bihar Legislative Assembly election, 2020. Epic, voter slips, Ballot papers, EVM Machines were provided in Braille. Specially made Sign language related poster & banners provided for general election, 2019 and for Bihar Legislative Assembly election, 2020 for publicity. Accessible Observer for PwDs was also appointed at District level for visits to voting centres.

		<p>Facility of Postal Ballots were provided to PwDs and Senior Citizens above 80 years of age during Bihar Legislative Assembly election, 2020</p> <p>Sensitization and awareness generation among PwDs voters was done through PwD Icons and also for PwD App developed by Election Commission of India.</p> <p>38 PwD Managed polling stations were established during Bihar Legislative Assembly election, 2020.</p> <p>Almost 60,000 Volunteers (Jeevika Didi, Block resource Centre Staffs, Vikas Mitra, Scout & Guide Volunteers, ASHA and Anganwadi Workers) were deputed for the ease and accessible election to PwDs.</p> <p>To ensure the Rights to cast Vote to PwD voters, Questions concerning to PwD were incorporated in the survey format – KAP Baseline survey conducted before Bihar Legislative Assembly election, 2020 and post election KAP Endline Survey.</p> <p>Yes, Accessible polling stations with assured minimum facilities such as Signage, help desk, ramps, toilets, drinking water, lightning, Presence of ramp and wheelchair, etc are available for PwD voters.</p> <p>Besides, ECI is also appointing Accessibility Observers for ensuring AMF on booths for PwDs.</p> <p>Option of Postal Ballot facility has been extended to the electors who are marked as Persons with Disabilities (PwD)</p>
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	<p>For access to justice there is no discrimination on grounds of disability. Legal aid provided to PwDs. 14 Legal Service Clinics is functional in DLSAs of Bihar. Such Legal Clinic are manned with PLV and Panel Lawyers of DLSA who are sensitizing and providing legal services on issues related to also mental illness. A panel of 50 lawyers for 37 districts exists. For access to justice at sub-divisional level as well, such panel exists. Apart from this, 21 Alternate Dispute Resolution Centres are being constructed. Digitization of documents in accessible format (Mangal Unicode) is being accomplished. 1 integrated State Govt. website and 44 public documents identified made accessible following GIGW to be launched soon.</p> <p>State Disability Commissioner also coordinates with BLSA in different districts of Bihar for carrying out the activities of NALSA (Legal Services to the Mentally Ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme. Apart from this State Disability Commissioner has been organizing mobile courts to ensure access to justice without discrimination to PwDs.</p>
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Right to property Law provide no discrimination on ground of one's disability.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Manner of providing support of a limited guardian are being implemented in accordance with State Government Rules so notified.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	<p>Officials are working for community mobilization and for creating social awareness to support PwDs.</p> <p>Directorate of Empowerment of Persons with Disability has already been created and 40 Assistant directors are being appointed for the dedicated efforts to disability empowerment.</p>

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	<p>Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs)</p> <p>Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16</p>	<p>All children with disabilities get admitted in schools (Zero Rejection Policy) and there is provision of education and opportunities for sports and recreation activities equally with others. CWSN are kept and taught in inclusion in schools, including those under KGBV (Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya) Scheme.</p>
18	<p>Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.</p>	<p>The process of making building, campus and various accessible facilities is going on and 82.03% schools have been made barrier free.</p> <p>Reasonable accommodation is provided as per need of children with special needs. For this resource centre, day care center have been established in each district. Educational facilities provided by them include Braille books and equipment, free of cost.</p> <p>Residential/non residential bridge courses are the means to accommodate CWSN.</p> <p>For severe and profound category of CWSNs, home based education facility is being provided to them, including daily life skilling. Assessment camps are organized every year to assess individual need of CWSN and assistive device are made available to them free of cost. CWSN, especially hearing impaired, visually impaired and orthopedically handicapped, provision of surgical correction is in practice. During last academic session, 192 CWSN availed of this facility.</p> <p>Bihar Education Project Council has made initiative to detect specific learning disabilities in children at the earliest and to devise suitable pedagogical and other measures to overcome them. Reader allowance facility for 10 months a year is made available to CWSN.</p> <p>Education to blind PwD is imparted in Braille as well with the support of Braille slate, Brailier, tactile books. Education to deaf PwD is provided through sign language as well. For deaf and blind PwD, education is imparted as per Individual Education Plan (IEP).</p> <p>Identification Camp is organized in each district extending to all blocks to identify CWSN child and to introduce early intervention with suitable pedagogical and other measures.</p> <p>First survey of school going children for identifying CWDs was completed in 2017 and again in 2019 is being conducted and is in progress.</p> <p>To support inclusive education available professionals and staff right from school level are provided regular training on various disabilities. 74 Resource centers and 37 Day care centers are functional in all districts of Bihar. Additionally, 5 artificial limb centers by empowering PWDs contribute to the educational rehabilitation of CWSN child.</p> <p>Braille Language is being promoted as augmentative and alternative mode to supplement the use of one's own speech to fulfill the daily communication needs of persons with speech, communication and language disabilities and enable them to participate and contribute to their community and society. Braille books, assistive devices, ICT materials, aids and appliances are provided free of cost to needy CWSN. Students with disability are provided with scholarships in appropriate cases.</p>

A close monitoring system for attainment of goals prevails in KGBV and in general schools comprehensive and continuous evaluation (CCE) is in progress. CWSNs tracking has been started while passing class 8 to getting admission in class-9. As per IEP and CCE, certain adaptations are made to facilitate the particular CWSN to attain her/his goal.

Transport/escort allowance facility is made available for 10 months a year to children with benchmark disabilities having high support needs.

There is no discrimination against PwDs on the grounds of impairment in ongoing Adult Education programmes sponsored by the State, like the Mahadalit, Dalit, Alpasankhyak, Atipichhara warg akshar Anchal Yojna.

All the primary, upper primary, secondary and sr. secondary schools are endeavouring to provide Inclusive Education to CWD's. Their teachers are being trained regularly by special educators phase wise to meet the challenges.

16 (i) Zero rejection policy for CWSN is in vogue. Each and every school (of Bihar Govt. and aided schools) is bound to abide by the rules.

16 (ii) Educational buildings are being constructed with campus and other facilities accessible.

16(iii) Reasonable accommodation according to the need of CWSN is provided. SPARSH for blind CWSN, Gamak Utkarsh for CP, Manovikas for intellectual disability, and Vanivikas for speech impaired CWSN. But in 2020-21, it could not be possible due to covid-19.

16(iv) During the year 2020-21, close contact was prohibited by the government owing to COVID-19 individualised support was provided through tele-education/digital education by our 1000 resource teachers/special educators/ Rehabilitation professionals. All together 9219 CWSN of class-V to XII (from mild to moderate category) got benefitted. In addition to this following allowances/ aids & appliances were given away to CWSN to ensure Inclusion-

Discription	No. of CWSN
Reader Allowance(I to VIII)	1000
Reader Allowance(XI to XII)	45
Aids & Appliances(I to VIII)	5035
Aid & Appliances (XI to XII)	519

16(v) CWSN who are blind and deaf both, they are being taught in most appropriate language by the resource teachers who are well trained in the said field. Besides all working special educators are being imparted in service training in cross disabilities to support different categories of CWSN.

16(vi) Identification camps are organized by district unit to detect specific learning disabilities to make them available aids & appliances, assistive devices, need for surgical correction etc. Detected CWSN with specific learning disabilities get support of our special educators. During the year 2020-21, 387 identification camps were organised with special care and Corona protocol to access the individual needs of CWSN and to take measures to redress them with appropriate Aids & Appliances.

	<p>16(vii) Monitoring and evaluation to assess achievement by CWSN is done by Resource Teachers and by district level officers and randomly by State Level Officials. Evaluation, adaptation of question papers, extended time period as per rule and other supports are made available to them. During the session 2020-21, monitoring of tele- education was done. Evaluation to assess the achievement was also completed. It was found highly impressive.</p> <p>16(viii) During 2020-21, 7826 eligible CWSN of elementary classes were given away escort allowance (each CWSN @3,000/- Rs.) and 411 CWSN of secondary classes were given away transport allowance at the rate of Rs. 1000/- each.</p> <p>17(a) Under Samagra Shiksha, survey is conducted every year for identifying CWSN and ascertaining their special needs but in 2020-21, it couldn't be possible due to pandemic.</p> <p>17(b) N.A.</p> <p>17(c) N.A.</p> <p>17(d) Under Samagra Shiksha, professionals get training on the issues of CWSN and their education to support inclusive education at all levels of school education.</p> <p>17(e) Presently 74 resource centers are functional in all the 38 districts to support at all levels of school education.</p> <p>17(f) To promote the use of appropriate augmentative and alternative modes, by now Braille is used to participate and contribute to their community and society.</p> <p>17(g) Besides free text books, Braille books, other learning materials and appropriate assistive devices to CWSN with benchmark disabilities free of cost up to the age of eighteen years are provided. During 2020-21, distribution data are as follows</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Description</th> <th>No.of CWSN</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Braille Books (elementary)</td> <td>914</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Assistive Devices (elementary)</td> <td>2249</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Equipments, TLM (Secondary)</td> <td>38</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>17(h) During 2020-21, only 6470 girls (CWSN) in elementary and 450 girls (CWSN) in secondary (CWSN with benchmark) have been given away stipend @ Rs. 200/- per month to each upto maximum 10 months.</p> <p>17(i) Suitable modifications are made in the curriculum as per need. Modifications in the examination system to meet the needs of CWSN such as extra time, facility of scribe, exemption from second language have been made.</p> <p>17(j) N.A.</p> <p>17(k) For monitoring and assessment of inclusive education an app has been developed called 'DIVYA' which is under trial.</p>	Description	No.of CWSN	Braille Books (elementary)	914	Assistive Devices (elementary)	2249	Equipments, TLM (Secondary)	38
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Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	Mukhya Mantri Swarozgar awam shiksha yojna with provision of loan for self employment and education is implemented for PwDs. Instruction qua non discrimination in government employment has been given. Equal opportunity Policy is being followed in government and private establishments. Special Employment Exchange for PwD has been established.

20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	General Skill training scheme is being implemented under the Bihar Kaushal Vikas Mission and there is no discrimination on ground of disability. PwDs are given priority in enrollment of skill training scheme.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	
23	<p>Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer:</p> <p>i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer.</p> <p>ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints.</p> <p>iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.</p>	<p>Industry Department, Bihar Govt. vide its letter no. 3553, dated: 09.12.2020 has notified implementation regarding implementation for Equal Opportunity policy for PwDs and other provisions for the PwDs.</p> <p>Instruction in regard to non-discrimination of PwDs in government employment has been issued under General Administrative Department resolution. Equal opportunity Policy notified vide 667 dated 01.08.2019, registered with the State Disability Commissioner vide 877 dated 02.08.2019.</p> <p>All government and private establishments do maintain records. Employment exchanges also maintain records in respect of PwDs. Special Employment Exchanges are functional.</p> <p>Grievance Redressal Officer in General Administration Department has been appointed. No discrimination is made against PwD by Public Grievance Redressal Officer. Bihar Government Servant Grievance Redressal Rules, 2019 notified. District Level committee on disability have been established.</p> <p>Training Camps are also organized for vocational training and self-employment assistance to PwD. Under Recruitment, Training and Deployment plans, PwD are trained and provided authentication certificates.</p> <p>Additionally, the Bihar Skill Development Mission (BSDM) runs a unique skill training programme by the name of "Kushal Yuva Program" which endeavours to enhance the employability Skills through which soft skills training comprising of life skills, communication and behavioral skills, literacy/basic knowledge, basic computer literacy is provided. PwDs' are provided the benefit of 5 years age relaxation under eligibility criteria for admission in this programme.</p> <p>Regional exhibition/fair ('Saras Mela') provides a platform to the PwD to market their products.</p> <p>No discrimination is made against PwD in any plans/schemes run by the State.</p> <p>Yes, National Grievance Redressal System for filing complaint is already functional where grievance is redressed within the defined time limit.</p> <p>Election Department, Bihar has also nominated Grievance Redressal Officer in the office of CEO Bihar. Details of PGRO is – Shri Mithilesh Kumar Sahu, Joint Chief Electoral Officer, Mob- 8544429904.</p> <p>To redress the grievances of CWSN or their parents/guardians, a nodal officer in each district has been notified. District Nodal Officers maintain a register of complaints.</p>

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Bihar Disabled pension scheme-Rs. 400/- per month as Social Security pensions for PwDs is in operation- Notification no-2437 date-24.04.2018.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	State government is implementing a comprehensive scheme "Sambal" for providing social welfare and security measures for persons with disabilities. Provisions of aids and appliance, medicines and diagnostic services and corrective surgery free of cost to PWDs. A general scheme of unemployment allowance is under consideration. State Government has made provisions for shelter home such as Ashiana for mentally retarded women and Saket for mentally retarded men. The marriage incentive scheme is being implemented. Scholarship Scheme is being implemented. So far as 101 Social care service centres named as Buniyad Kendra - 38 district level and 63 sub-divisional level has been established for providing localized integrated one point solution for all the social security and social welfare services as well as rehabilitation services to PWDs. The Centre provides high quality Physiotherapy services, Speech & Hearing assessment as well as therapy intervention, Eye screening, Counselling services, Focal Point for distribution of Assistive devices, Early Intervention services to CWSNs, UDID, Assessment of disabilities for Certification etc. The Nodal Officers have been designated to look after the issues related with PWDs. More over 38 Mobile Outreach Therapy Van (MTV) named 'Sanjeevni Seva' equipped with modern equipments related to the therapeutic and assessment services to PwDs of the outreach remote areas. A monthly roaster basis outreach services have been rendered in the districts through Mobile Outreach Therapy Van to cater the need of PwDs in remote areas. These MTVs are also being used for the purpose of Disability Certification in the camp as well as regular basis.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Government establishments have well established insurance schemes. Rehabilitation measures are being undertaken on need based. 74 educational resource centers have been established comprising all districts of Bihar. Resource centers are equipped with equipments to give therapy services, impart daily life skills/ development services and academic support to CWSN. In addition to this, 5 artificial limb centers are working to cater to the needs of children with OH for their educational rehabilitation. BLSA coordinates with the State for rehabilitation of the mentally ill patients, implementation of NALSA (Legal Services to the mentally ill and Mentally Disabled Persons) Scheme, 2015. Age relaxation for PwDs given for "Kushal Yuva Program" which is run to enhance the employability Skills. Health facilities for PwD are available at every Medical College Hospitals, District hospitals, sub-divisional hospitals. Referral Hospitals and Primary Health Centres. Health facilities regarding mentally ill persons are available at Bihar Institute of Mental Health and Allied Sciences (BIMHAS) Koilwar, Bhojpur.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Research and development for enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation are initiated and promoted through individual and institutional measures. NOC mandatory for conducting research activities on PWDs. NGO'S have been involved in implementation of educational rehabilitation programmes.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	

		As per need, demand and proposal, financial assistance is made available to grassroots non-government organization for promoting Inclusion. Children with special needs take part in sports activities, including through camps.
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Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Free inclusive education are being provided to CWSN. Special schools are also functioning to meet the needs of CWSN. Book and learning materials are being made available free of cost to CWSNs. Zero rejection policy in admission is in practice and is followed by govt. and govt. aided schools. A child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 yrs is entitled to get free education in a neighborhood school. This is monitored by the officials.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	The State Government issued a Resolution no-7162 dated-31.05.2018 permitting 5% reservation in educational institutions. The PwDs are being given an upper age relaxation for admission in educational institutions. The State Government issued a letter no-12444 dated-12.09.2016 relaxation in examination fees those who are PwDs.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	The State Government has notified 4% reservation for PwDs in all the post and in service of the State Government. If it is found that particular position is not suitable for PwDs, then same reservation of PwDs will be given in another equivalent post to compensate and this aspect will be reviewed by a committee headed by Chief Secretary. General Administrative Department, Bihar Govt., vide its resolution no. 962, dated: 22.01.2021 and vide letter no. 7151, dated: 15.07.2021 has communicated to all concerned departments.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	The State Government (GAD) issued a Resolution no-13062 dated-12.10.2017 permitting 4 % reservation. General Administrative Department, Bihar Govt., vide its resolution no. 962, dated: 22.01.2021 notified category wise reservation for each category of PwDs.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Except the incentive provided by The Central Government, State Government provides following incentives. I. Pre-employment training, Post-employment training, Customized training as per the need of private employers of having 5% PwDs employees is being given. II. All such premises of private employers if employing 5% of their employees as PwDs, their premises can be made accessible and disable friendly.

		<p>III. Suitable assistive devices can be provided to the private employers, employing 5% PwDs of their work force to enhance the capacity & working efficiency of PwDs employees.</p> <p>Department of Social Welfare, Government of Bihar is organizing pre-employment meeting with employers of such organization who intend to employ 5% PwDs of their work force and also who has engaged 5% employees as PwDs to ascertain the need and sustainability of their employees.</p>
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Special Employment Exchange is established and functioning. Guidance, including vocational guidance is also provided to PwDs periodically.
37	<p>Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:-</p> <p>i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%.</p> <p>ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.</p> <p>iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.</p>	<p>State has notified it vide the Directorate of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Social welfare Department Bihar, Order No. 668, dated: 01.08.2019.</p> <p>The Divyangjan Samooch, namely the Disable Person organisations and the Disable Person Groups, formed at Panchayat, block, sub-division and district levels and networked at the state level, at the initiative of the State Commissioner Disability, Bihar, emerged as practical solution in this regard.</p> <p>Review of the implementation of the provisions is an essential part of the District wise (or even Block level) Review -cum- Mobile Courts organized by The State Commissioner Disability, Bihar.</p>

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	<p>Schemes such as Bihar Nishaktjan Pension Yojana, Aid and Appliances distribution scheme and Mukhyamantri Nishaktajan Vivah Protsahan Anudan Yojana etc are being implemented.</p> <p>Nodal officers to look after disability matters have been appointed. Authority, to whom any person with benchmark disability in need of high support, may apply notified vide order no- 669 dated 01.08.2019. An assessment board has been constituted in every district headed by the Civil Surgeon in concerned Sadar hospitals/superintendent/CMO in all medical college hospitals with an orthopedic surgeon, an eye specialist, a pediatrician and a general physician having qualification of MBBS and MD or MS in their respective field. State Disability Commissioner has been appointed as the authority to whom PwD in need of high support may apply.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bihar Government has notified Bihar Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rule, 2017. The chapter VI of Bihar Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rule, 2017 mandates issuance of Disability Certificate within a month from the date of receipt of the application.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The State Government has notified certifying authorities for the purpose of section 57 & section 38. (1) of THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 2016 and UDID portal www.swavlambancard.gov.in – the online platform for Disability Certification and Unique Disability ID card generation vide notification no. 513 date 12.06.2019.
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Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Awareness campaigns are being conducted. Mobile Courts are conducted by the state commissioner for disability to ensure right of PWDs. Education, Health and Labour departments are included in sensitization programmes
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	This formulation of standards rests with central government and standards of accessibility thus formulated will be implemented.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	2 seats are reserved in buses for PWDs. Ramps have been provided and free concessional bus pass are made available to PWDs. 219 out of 440 govt. owned buses made accessible.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	Awareness programmes are being conducted to make available universally designed electronic goods and equipments. Integrated State Govt. website and 44 public documents identified made accessible following GIGW to be launched soon.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Measures have been taken to promote development production and distribution of universally designed consumer products and accessories for general use of PWDs
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Building Construction Department is following the National Building Code and thus incorporated the accessibility norms and barrier free environment conditions.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	It is being implemented. Various building, i.e. PMCH, A.N. Medical college, Hon'ble Patna High Court, Secretariat has been made.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	It will be implemented by incorporating the standards of accessibility for physical environment by the Central Government.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Need based analysis is being undertaken to formulate plans for recruitment, induction, sensitization, orientation, and training of suitable personnel to undertake various responsibilities under this Act. Training on "Reservations in Govt. services" has been incorporated in the training programme organized by the B.I.P.A.R.D., Patna.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	The new schemes and programmes thus adopted will be incorporated within the social audit ambit to negate any adverse impact upon the PWDs if so exists and need of the requirements and concerns of PWDs.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	State Commissioner for PWDs is appointed as a competent authority. Grants provided to the eligible to institutions as decided by the Committee headed by the Development Commissioner, Bihar. The Suitable institutions are screened by the Social welfare department from the list forwarded by the District Authorities.

50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	State Disability Commissioner registers the institutions working for PWDs and issue registration certificate accordingly. Provisions of Sections 52 -54 are being followed. Financial assistance is granted to the registered institutions to provide services and to implement schemes and programmes.
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State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	Constitution of State Advisory Board has been notified vide letter no-1520 dated-23.10.2017.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	A provision for District Level committee has been made through notification no-1822 dated-19.12.2017, RPWD Rule, 2017 and District level committees have been constituted.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response								
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p>	<p>Dr. Shivaji Kumar Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) Office of the State Commissioner Disability, Sinchai Bhawan Campus, Old Secretariat, Patna-800015, Phone No.-0612-2215041 (O), E-mail-scdisability2008@gmail.com, Website-scdisabilities.org,</p> <p>(ii) The State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner has been constituted as per section 79(vii).</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>(v) Financial Year</th> <th>No. of Inspections</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2018-19</td> <td>24</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2019-20</td> <td>28</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2020-21</td> <td>16</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Details regarding the specific works under these points as well as regarding other initiatives and innovative measures is noted in the Annual report of the SCD, Bihar- 2020-21.</p> <p>--</p> <p>--</p>	(v) Financial Year	No. of Inspections	2018-19	24	2019-20	28	2020-21	16
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b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):	---
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e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	--
f) Number of cases pending:	---

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	As per the Law Department, Bihar Government, Notification No.-7369 Dt.-14.10.2019, the Court of the Junior most Additional District and Session Judge in each Sessions Divisions of Bihar is Designated as Special Court of the purpose of trial of all offenses under the RPwD Act 2016.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	As per the Law Department, Bihar Government, Notification No.-5348 Dt.-08.08.2019 and No.-9252 Dt.-31.12.2019, Special Public Prosecutor has been specified for every Special Court as required under the RPwD Act 2016.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities : (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	State Fund for PwDs is constituted and is operational under the Chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Govt. of Bihar.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	Suitable instructions to implement the provisions of the section have been issued to all concerned departments and authorities, having the detailed provisions, the required necessary actions, designating a nodal officer to overview this, and the reporting procedure. Awareness regarding these provisions are being spread among the Administrative and police authorities so those may be further sensitized to implement the provisions of this act.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	Suitable instructions to implement the provisions of the section have been issued to all concerned departments and authorities, having the detailed provisions, the required necessary actions, designating a nodal officer to overview this, and the reporting procedure. Awareness regarding these provisions are being spread among the Administrative and police authorities as well as among the Persons with Disabilities through the newly formed Divyangjan Samooh, namely the Disable Person Organisations and the Disable Person Groups, formed at Panchayat, block, sub-division and district levels and networked at the state level, at the initiative of the State Commissioner Disability, Bihar for not availing fraudulent benefits under this Act, 2016.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	In exercise of the powers conferred by section 101 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 Bihar Government has notified Bihar Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rule, 2017

9.6 CHANDIGARH:**NOT SUBMIT****9.7 CHHATTISGARH:****Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	The Equal Opportunity Policy is being formulated by the State Government of Chhattisgarh for PwDs.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Action is being taken by the Department of Women and Child Development in relation to the use of their rights and proper support to PWDs women and children alike.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Persons with disabilities are being supervised in relation to the right to live in the community and access to personal essential support.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Chhattisgarh State Committee for Disabilities Research has been constituted under Order No. F3-85 / 2018/26 dated 04.12.2018 of Government Social Welfare Department, Ministry, Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal Nagar District-Raipur.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	For the purpose of dealing with complaints under Section 7 of the RPwD Act, the procedure provided in Section 143 to Section 143 of the Executive Magistrate Criminal Procedure Code 1973 (2 of 1974) has been provided in Rule 7 of Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Department of Revenue and Disaster Management Chhattisgarh and all the District President DDMC Chhattisgarh write Official letter by SC PWDs to give Direction for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergency and natural disasters, and the Provision has been made in rule 8 of Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Yes, the Provision has been made in rule 9 of Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019.

10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Action is being taken by the Department of Health and Family Welfare Chhattisgarh under the provision in Rule 10 of Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	Action is being taken by the State and District Election Officers Chhattisgarh to provide access to polling Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Yes, the Provision has been made in Rule 12 of Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2019.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Legal assistance is being provided by the State Legal Services Authority of Chhattisgarh to the PWDs to get the right to property as well as equality to others.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	The National Trust (Autism,Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disability Welfare of Persons) Act 1999 provides the procedure to be followed.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	The Chhattisgarh Government Social Welfare Department has appointed a Nodal Officer to develop social awareness towards the Persons with Disabilities. (Divyangjan)

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs). & Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Inclusive education program is being conducted for Persons with disabilities children under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan. 2. Under the social welfare department of Chhattisgarh artificial limbs, assistive devices are provided free of charge to Persons with disabilities children students/girl students and general disabled persons who hold the prescribed disability certificate. Free education/housing and rehabilitation facilities are being provided to the Persons with disability students. 3. Office of Directorate of Higher Education, Chhattisgarh Indrawati Bhawan Nava Raipur, letter number 153 dated 16.12.2019 has been issued to all universities/colleges in the state for the implementation of guidelines for conducting written examination in respect of candidates with benchmark disabilities. 4. The Disability Scholarship Scheme is operated in the state, under which scholarship is being provided by the Department of Social Welfare Chhattisgarh to eligibility and room wise scholarships for primary, pre-secondary, higher secondary and college-educated Person with disabled students. For obtaining pre-matric scholarship, the maximum annual income of the parent/guardian or the applicant has been fixed at Rs. 2 lakh and for parent matriculation, the maximum annual income of the parent/guardian or the applicant has been fixed at Rs. 2.50 lakh per month and no income limit has been fixed for pre-secondary level scholarship. In the year 2020-2021, a total of 3,559 beneficiaries have been benefited by spending 59.27 lakhs against the allocation of 252.00 lakhs received under the Disability Scholarship Scheme.

		<p>5. The reading allowance is provided to the visually challenged students as per the room. In order to provide education of the visually and hearing impaired persons up to higher secondary level in the state itself, special schools are being run by the Social Welfare Department in Government Sight and Hearing Disabled Higher Secondary School, Raipur, Bilaspur and Jagdalpur.</p> <p>6. Braille script books and hearing aids have been provided free of charge to the visually impaired students studying in primary and secondary level schools. Government Braille Press is operated in Bilaspur to provide Braille course material by the Department of Social Welfare Chhattisgarh Braille text books are being made available to the visually challenged students and general schools under the Integrated Education Scheme from Braille Press.</p> <p>7. Letter has been issued by the Ministry of Women and Child Development Department, of Chhattisgarh Mahanadi Bhawan, Naya Raipur, order no. 1804 dated 03.04.2018 for early identification of Persons with Disabilities and providing services for them.</p> <p>8. Every school are doing Monitor participation, progress in terms of attainment levels and completion of education in respect of every student with disabilities.</p> <p>9. Yes Provide transportation facilities to the children with disabilities and also the attendant of the children with disabilities having high support needs.</p>
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Chhattisgarh Government School Education Department and Women and Child Development Department are taking action to identify and survey the school going children of age group of 6 to 18 years and provide them inclusive education.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<p>1. Under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana have been identified 22 courses. for vocational training and self employment of PWDs.</p> <p>2. Under Chief Minister Skill Development Scheme Persons with Disabilities is being imparted.</p> <p>3. Directorate of Employment and Training Chhattisgarh According to Raipur's letter No.2893 dated 28.03.2018, special employment office has been established for the PwDs in Civil line Raipur, near the old police headquarters, Raj Bhawan, from March 2015.</p> <p>4. Persons with disabilities are constantly encouraged for employment and self-employment through Special Employment Office Raipur and all the 27 District Employment and Self-Employment Guidelines of the State.</p> <p>5. Separate record of registration of Person with Disabilities in all employment offices (data is being maintained)</p>
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	Chhattisgarh Government give direction to all department establishment shall ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.

21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	A provision has made in relation to the policy of publication of equal opportunity policy in each establishment Rule 18 of the Chhattisgarh Rights of Person with Disabilities Rules, 2019.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Separate record of registration of Person with Disabilities in all employment offices (data is being maintained)
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Yes, Grievance Redressal Officer has maintained register of complaints. Grievance redressal officers have been appointed in 23 departments of chhattisgarh, the rest are under process.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Govt. of Chhattisgarh and local authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Under process.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Chhattisgarh As per letter no. 1315 dated 26.07.2018 of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Department, Naya Raipur, necessary free health care facilities are being provided to all PwDs. Necessary training is being provided to all the staff in Primary Health Centers, and necessary publicity is being done under the National Veterans Program. MCH in the state A wing pregnant mothers are examined and taken care of in collaboration. In order to rehabilitate the PwDs socially under the social welfare department, the PwD (Disabled) Marriage Incentive Scheme is being operated, according to which, according to the eligibility of the Divyang to marry the Divyang, Rs. 1,00,000/- 50,000/- on the marriage of Divyang with a normal person. There is a provision to give lump sum financial assistance to the married couple.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	State Government shall constitute committee for accessible easy and independent livelihood for PwDs provision has been made in rule 25 of Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of PwDs to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	State level committee have been under Process for take measures to promote and protect the right of PwDs to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	State Level committee have been under Process to promote and protect the right of PwDs to participate in sports activities.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Yes, Appropriate Govt. and local authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 year age shall have right to free education in a neighbourhood school.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Government of Chhattisgarh Skill Development Ministry of Technical Education and Employment Department Mahanadi Bhawan Naya Raipur under letter number 42 dated 07.08.2018 Reservation in 5 percent seats and 5 in admission for PwD in all government higher education institutions and other education institutions receiving government assistance. Otherwise age relaxation is under process.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Government of Chhattisgarh General Administration Department Ministry Mahanadi Bhawan Attal Nagar Nava Raipur District-Raipur Circular No. F 13-2/2018 /AP/1-3 dated 22.05.2020, to all the departments of the Government, under the provisions of the RPwDs Act 2016 A circular has been issued to identify all categories of PwDs posts for reservation of persons with disabilities in direct recruitment.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	1. Chhattisgarh Government General Administration Department Ministry Mahanadi Bhawan Attal Nagar Nava Raipur Circular No. F 13-2/2018/AP/1-3 dated 29.08.2018, First, Second, Third and Class IV posts in government services by the state government 7 percent reservation for PwDs in appointment of (a) 2 percent blind and low vision, (b) 2 percent deaf and hard of hearing power (c) 2 percent Locomotor Disability with cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy. (D) 1 percent autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disabilities and mental illness, and (e) polygamy among persons identified under section A to section D, including deaf, blindness among the posts identified for each disability, Reservations have been prescribed for PwDs. 2. 7% reservation for PwDs in Circular No. F 13-4/2019/AP/1-3 Atal Nagar Raipur, dated 05.03.2019 – of General Administration Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, Mahanadi Bhawan, Attal Nagar District Raipur – 100 points Instructions have been issued regarding determination of reservation points in reservation roster. Instructions have been issue to all departments in this regard.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Provision for issuing instructions by preparing an action plan within one year to encourage the private sector planners licensed from all departments of Government, who have employed at least 5 percent of the total human resources to the PwDs Chhattisgarh has been made in Rule 32 of Chhattisgarh RPwDs Rules 2019.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Directorate of Employment and Training Chhattisgarh According to Raipur's letter number 2893 dated 28.03.2018, special employment office has been established for the PwD in Civil line Raipur near the old police headquarters, Raj Bhawan, from March 2015.

37	<p>AAppropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:-</p> <p>i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%.</p> <p>ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.</p> <p>iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.</p>	<p>(A) SCPWDS Office has issued letter to various Departments of Chhattisgarh for-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. 2. priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes – 5%. 3. Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centers, and production center – 5%. <p>(B) Directorate of Industries, CG According to Raipur’s letter no. 8667 dated 09.05.2018, action is under process to reserve 5 percent of the seats in all poverty alleviation and other development schemes/ programs for the PwDs and 5 percent of the land in concessional rates for the PwDs.</p>
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Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	Chhattisgarh According to the order number F3-85/2018/26 dated 04.12.2018 of the Ministry of Social Welfare Department, Ministry of Social Welfare, Atal Nagar District – Raipur, the State Government, using the powers conferred in sub-section 1 of Section 38 of the RPwDs Act 2016. The persons with disabilities who themselves feel the need for more support or any person or organization for their cause, Joint/ Deputy Director Social Welfare, have been declared as authority to follow the process of applications related to providing more support.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	The rights of PwDs and the provisions contained in the Act are being disseminated through print media and electronic media and social media.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	Specific Public Bus Transport Board issued by the Government of India notified Harmonized Guidelines and Space Stands for Persons with Disabilities and Government of India in relation to timely transportation related information and notifications for timely accessibility by the State Government & SCPWDS Regarding access to transportation of PwDs under the provision of the code and Indian Building Code 2016 Instructions have been issued to the Panchayat and Rural Development Department, Public Works Department, Public Health Engineering Department, Urban Administration and Development Department, Housing and Environment Department, and Transport Department of Chhattisgarh.

41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	By the State Government & SCPWDS Regarding access to transportation of PwDs under the provisions of the Code and Indian Building Code 2016 Instructions have been issued to the Transport Department.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	All the departments have been directed by the State Commissioner of Disabilities, Chhattisgarh to make information and communication technology accessible to the PwDs as per the instructions of the Suganya Bharat Abhiyan run by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, New Delhi, Government of India.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Chhattisgarh Govt. is being followed promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	The Government of India will review from time to time by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment New Delhi based on the latest scientific information and technology related access standards, which will be followed by all departments of the Government of Chhattisgarh in respect of Provision has been made in Rule 37 of Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Under the Social Welfare Department, access audit of 503 buildings has been done to identify the total 413 buildings in the state. Ramps, railings, check tiles etc. 2. Along with the buildings, the website is also being made uninterrupted due to which 94 departmental websites have been identified in the state and 81 websites have been accessible.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	In order to ensure the accessibility of all departments of the state government which provide any type of services, a provision has been made in Rule 39 of Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019 in relation to framing of rules in the next two years.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	For the implementation of the Act by Chhattisgarh Social Welfare Department and State Commissioner of Disabilities Chhattisgarh for inclusion of the subject related to disability in all academic courses/ training of the officials appointed in senior posts and school college teachers, etc. to develop human resources for the purpose of the RPwDs Act. All departments have been documented in this regard.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	All the departments of the Government of Chhattisgarh will be auditing the schemes/programs being implemented for the PwD by the person/ organization/organization/experts authorized by the Government of Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities rules 2019.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to such Institutions.	Chhattisgarh As per Order No. F3-85/2018/26 dated 04.12.2018 of Ministry of Social Welfare Department, Ministry of Social Welfare, Attal Nagar District – Raipur, the Commissioner/Governing Society, using the powers conferred by the State Government in Section 49 of the RPwD Act 2016 Directorate of Welfare, Chhattisgarh has been appointed as the officer of the authority. Under the powers conferred by the State Government under Section 49 of the RPwD Act 2016, the Commissioner / Director Social Welfare Directorate has been appointed as the officer of authority.

50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered Institutions.	Grants for hostel beneficiaries are being sanctioned to voluntary institutions for teaching-training, education and rehabilitation. Grants are provided for maintenance, education-training, medical and rehabilitation of residents of voluntary organizations. Governmental grants are given to voluntary organizations for conducting education-training and rehabilitation programs for persons with disabilities. 12 voluntary institutions have been given departmental recognition till the end of December in the year 2018-19 and 12 in the year 2019-2020. As a result, the number of recognized institutions under the department is 203.
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State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	Chhattisgarh As per Order No. F9-31/2018/1/5 dated 19.06.2018 of Government Social Welfare Department, Mantralaya Mahanadi Bhawan, Naya Raipur, under the provisions of the powers conferred by the State Government in Section 66 (2) of the RPwD Act 2016. Chhattisgarh State Disability Advisory Board has been constituted.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	Chhattisgarh As per Order No. F3-85/2018/26 dated 04.12.2018 of Government Social Welfare Department, Mantralaya Mahanadi Bhawan, Atal Nagar District – Raipur, the State Government is exercising the powers conferred by Section 72 of the RPwD Act 2016. District level committee has been constituted for this.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p>	<p>Smt. Reena Babasaheb Kangale, (IAS) Additional Charge State commissioner Persons with disabilities (Divyangjan) Chhattisgarh, Zila Panchayat parisar G.E. Road Durg (C.G.) Pin Code – 491001 Whats-up No./ Telephone No./ Mobile No.- Office no. – 0788-2325470 Smt. Reena Babasaheb Kangale (IAS) (SC) – 9407916111 Smt. Archana Yadav (AC) – 7987069230 D. E-mail:- commpwd.cg@gmail.com</p> <p>ii) Rule 90 of the Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019 has made a provision for the formation of a State Advisory Committee to assist the State Commissioner, PwD.</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers & Staff provided to assist State Commissioner given below- Asstt. Commissioner – 02 Post Steno. – 01 Post Accountant – 01 Post Clerk (AG-3)- 01 Post Driver – 01 Post Peon – 02 Post To provide better facilities lap top, furniture and other office equipment is sufficient.</p>

<p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/Uts for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p> <p>(viii) Details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature:-</p> <p>Year:-</p> <p>Status of Preparation:-</p> <p>Laying it before State Legislature:-</p>	<p>---</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the office of Commissioners, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last three financial year:</p> <p>Year 2018-19: No. of inspections 29</p> <p>Year 2019-20: No. of inspections 25</p> <p>Year 2020-21: No. of inspections 10</p> <p>vi) A letter has been issued by the State Commissioner of PwDs Chhattisgarh for action to various departments for implementation of the RPwDs Act 2016.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State commissioner PwDs Chhattisgarh has been send proposal to state government for (1) Regarding providing unemployment allowance to the PwDs. (2) For PwDs- Promotion of employment in private sectors. • State Commissioner of PwDs- Chhattisgarh has held a meeting regarding the review of implementation of the Disability Rights Act 2016 from various departments by video conference. • State Commissioner of PwDs Chhattisgarh has disposed of cases of PwDs by setting up camp courts/ by video conference. <p>(vii)cases handled as per section 79 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>(a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before State Comm.: 39</p> <p>(b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto) : 03</p> <p>(c) Total no. of cases : 42</p> <p>(d) Number of cases disposed off with directions and positive outcome: 34</p> <p>(e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received : 34</p> <p>(f) Number of cases pending: 08</p> <p>(viii) Details of preparation of Annual Reports of State Commissioner Disabilities Chhattisgarh Office last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature:</p> <p>Year :- 2018-19</p> <p>Status of Preparation:- 03-07-2019</p> <p>Laying it before State Legislature:- 19-07-2019</p> <p>Year:- 2019-20</p> <p>Status of Preparation:- 18-08-2020</p> <p>Laying it before State Legislature:- 23.12.2020</p> <p>Year:- 2020-21</p> <p>Status of Preparation :- 24-01-2021</p> <p>Laying it before State Legislature:- 05-03-2021</p>
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Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a Session Court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Chhattisgarh Special Court has been constituted for the purpose of providing speedy trial to the PwDs under the notification dated 09.10.2018 of the Ministry of Law and Legislative Affairs Department, Mahanadi Bhawan Nava Raipur of Chhattisgarh.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Rule 94 of the Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019 provides for the appointment of a Special Public Prosecutor by the Government of Chhattisgarh law and Legislative Affairs Department.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities : (Section 88):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Yes, Chhattisgarh State Government to constitute a State Funds for PwDs.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	----
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	----

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD Rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	The Chhattisgarh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019 has been notified by the Chhattisgarh Gazette (Extraordinary) dated 04 January 2020 Notification No. F7-58/2018/26.

9.8 DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI and DAMAN & DIU**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	Covered under Rule 3 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021. No person with disability is discriminated on the ground of disability. No person is deprived of his or her personal liberty only on the ground of disability.

4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	The UT Administration is ensuring that women and children with disabilities shall have rights on an equal basis to freely express their views on all matters affecting them.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	The Persons with Disabilities shall not be obliged to live in any particular living arrangement and they shall be given access to a range of in-house, residential and community support services. Agencies viz. Children Home, Senior Citizen Home, One Stop Centre, Open Shelter Home, Specialized Adoption Agency, Creche Centre etc. are operational. A Special School for Handicapped Children is run under Indian Red Cross Society.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Steps are taken by the UT Administration to protect persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment by ensuring that no person with disability shall be a subject of any research without his or her free and informed consent obtained through accessible modes, means and formats of communication.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Covered under Rule 6 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons With Disabilities Rules, 2021. For the purposes of dealing with the complaints under section 7 of the Act, the Executive Magistrate shall follow the procedure provided in sections 133 to 143 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974).
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	There is no armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters in the UT.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Provisions of the Act are enough to safeguard the rights of Persons with Disabilities.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	UT Administration shall ensure that no person with disability shall be subject to any medical procedure which leads to infertility without his or her free and informed consent.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	UT Administration has initiated steps for ensuring accessible voting facilities to PwD Voters. Orientation-cum-Training Programmes are organized for the persons with disabilities. Separate vehicles are provided to the PwDs to reach the polling booths and to send back them to their homes. Wheel chairs are provided to PwDs while casting vote. Volunteers are kept at polling booths to take disabled persons inside and outside of the polling booths. Brail Ballot Papers are provided to the blind persons with proper guidance.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	The District and Session Court is dealing with offences against PwDs in the UT. Further, the State Commissioner for PwDs deals with all grievances related to PwDs.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	The legal capacity of persons with disabilities is strengthened as per Section 14 of the RPwD At, 2016 by provision of Limited guardianship.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Covered under Rule 7 of the Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021 wherein the District Court has been designated as the authority to grant limited guardianship.

15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Covered under Rule 9 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021 wherein the State Legal Services Authority shall, in close consultation with the UT Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, formulate timely plans and effective strategies to mobilize community and create social awareness to support persons with disabilities in exercise of their legal capacity.
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Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs). & Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	Covered under Rule 10 and 11 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021. Special teachers are appointed for CWDs under Sarva Siksha Abhiyan (SSA). A Special School for Handicapped Children is run and managed by Indian Red Cross Society. Aids and appliances are also provided in the School.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	A scheme of Adult Education (Padhna Likhna Abhiyaan) has been implemented in the UT to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	The Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribes, OBC & Minorities Financial and Development Corporation Ltd., Silvassa is providing loan to SC/ST, OBC & PwDs at concessional rate of interest i.e. loan upto 5 lakh rate of interest is 8% and above 5 lakh rate of interest is 10% and 1% rebate in interest given to women beneficiaries. The Corporation has implemented GAAY Scheme. Under the scheme, a loan is provided to the eligible beneficiaries including PwDs. The Corporation is also providing training for skill development for Mushroom Farming, Honey Bee Farming etc. to the beneficiaries including PwDs.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	Covered under Rule 12 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.
21	Covered under Rule 12 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.	Covered under Rule 12 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Covered under Rule 13 of the Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Covered under Rule 14 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 is implemented in the UT. The Dadra & Nagar Haveli Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021 has been notified in the official gazette of the UT. Early detection & prevention of disabilities is being done through screening centre in the district hospital for identification and necessary treatment through "District Early Intervention Centre". Therapeutically services such as occupational therapy, speech hearing therapy, psychological counseling, physiotherapy and supportive services to promote educational vocational and employment are provided in the Centre.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Insurance Schemes viz. Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana, Sanjeevani Swasthya Bima Yojana etc. exists in the UT.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	The District Disability Rehabilitation Centre is run under Indian Red Cross Society.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Under the programme of Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities, a service delivery system is created for providing comprehensive rehabilitation service to the Persons with Disabilities in rural areas. The focus at grass root level is early detection & intervention, prevention of disability, survey & information dissemination service at Gram Panchayat level is carried out through camps approach. Institutional bases services are provided through District Disability Rehabilitation Centre and Special School for Handicapped Children.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	The PwDs are encouraged to have a culture life and to get recreational facilities. They are also encouraged to participate in a wide variety of cultural activities and events.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	The PwDs are participating in sports activities and are being encouraged by the concerned department through awards.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Covered under Rule IO of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021. Free education is provided to all children including children with benchmark disabilities between 6- 18 years age in Government/Government Aided Schools.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Admission is being given to all including PwDs in Government Higher Education Institutions.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. viii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Covered under Rule 15 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.

34	<p>1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs.</p> <p>i) Blindness and low vision – 1%</p> <p>ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%.</p> <p>iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%.</p> <p>2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.</p>	Covered under Rule 18 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	The scheme of Government of India providing incentive to Private Employers for employing PwDs under SIPDA Scheme shall be promoted among the industries in the UT.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	One Employment Exchange has been established in the UT. Instructions have already been issued to the industries to furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to the Employment Exchange. The Administration has been organizing job fairs on regular intervals.
37	<p>Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:-</p> <p>i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%.</p> <p>ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.</p> <p>iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.</p>	The policy guidelines shall be issued to the concerned departments for implementation of Section 37 of the RPwD Act, 2016.

Registration of Institution for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions: (Section 49-55):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to such Institutions.	Covered under Rule 29 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered Institutions.	Registration of institutions other than Central Government Institutions and appointment of Appellate Authority is covered under Rule 29 and 30 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee: (Section 66-72):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	Covered under Rule 39 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	Covered under Rule 48 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summary for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p>	<p>Smt. Pooja Jain, IAS UT Commissioner for PwDs has Additional charge. Lekha Bhavan, Third Floor, Behind Secretariat, Silvassa - 396230. Dadra and Nagar Haveli Telephone No. 02602632027 Email : sw-dnh@nic.in</p> <p>(ii) As number of persons with disabilities is very less in this small UT and the UT Commissioner for PwDs has additional charge, there is no state Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under Section 79(vii).</p> <p>(iii) Not applicable in view of Point No. (ii) above.</p> <p>(iv) Rs. 50.00 lakh was disbursed to the NGO Indian Red Cross Society, DNH working for Persons with Disabilities during the last financial year.</p> <p>(v) All the relevant reports regarding funds are being sought from the NGO Indian Red Cross Society for inspection of the UT Commissioner, Disabilities.</p> <p>(vi) The RPwD Act, 2016 has already been successfully implemented in the UT. Major Achievements The PwDs are getting access to inclusive education, vocational training and self employment without discrimination. Buildings, campuses and various facilities are accessible to the PwDs. Special needs of PwDs are addressed.</p> <p>(vii) No case was handled as per Section 79 of the RPwD Act during the last financial year.</p> <p>(a) No complaint was filed.</p> <p>(b) No case has been taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (Suo Motu).</p> <p>(c) Nil.</p> <p>(d) Not applicable in view of Point No. (c) above.</p> <p>(e) Not applicable in view of PointNo. (c) above.</p>

	f) Number of cases pending; (viii) Details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature:- Year:- Status of Preparation:- Laying it before State Legislature:-	(f) Not applicable in view of PointNo. (c) above. Covered under Rule 58 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.
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Special Court: (Section 84-85):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a Session Court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli is a single district UT. The District and Session Court exists to try offences under this Act.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Due to negligible population of PwDs in he UT, Special Public Prosecutor is yet to be appointed.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities : (Section 88):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Covered under Rule 59 of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2021.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act – Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of the Act, or of any rule made thereunder shall be punishable with fine.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	Whoever, fraudulently avails or attempts to avail any benefit meant for persons with benchmark disabilities, shall be punishable with imprisonment or with fine.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD Rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	Yes.

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Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	<p>The Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules (DRPwD) 2018 have been notified in Delhi e-gazette vide notification No. 82/1153/RPwD Act 2016/AD-III/DSW/2017/33121 dated 27th December 2018 published on 28/12/2018.</p> <p>In Delhi RPwD rules 2018, various provisions–Rules 3, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12, 19, 20 have been made for ensuring life with dignity and equality of the Persons with disabilities.</p> <p>The Rule 3 of the Delhi RPwD Rules 2018 provides for ensuring non-discrimination of PwDs at work place and mechanism of grievance redressal in case of complaint of discrimination.</p> <p>Grievance Redressal Officers (GROs) have been appointed by most of the departments under Rule 14 of the DRPwD Rules 2018. A total 216 GROs have been appointed by the respective establishments of GNCT of Delhi till now.</p> <p>The liberty of the Person with Disability to take decisions is protected by the provision of limited guardianship under Rule 7 of DRPwD Rules 2018 to be granted by the District Court only in cases of incapacity of the Person with disability to take legally binding decisions. Only those PwDs with intellectual disability and mental illness who are found abandoned and unable to fend for themselves are housed in the State run homes, under orders of the court or child welfare committees as the case may be, in order to protect and nurture them.</p> <p>Reasonable accommodation/ accessibility of PwDs is being ensured by Rule 3 and Rule 20 of the Delhi RPwD Rules 2018.</p> <p>Besides O/o SCPD, Delhi has issued Circular among the Head of Departments with the advise to make their staff aware about the provisions of RPwD Act & ensure Right to equality, Life with dignity and Respect for integrity to PwDs equally with others and also ensure reasonable accommodation and appropriate barrier free and conducive environment for PwDs.</p>
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	<p>Delhi Commission for Protection of Child Right (DCPCR) has informed that they have taken number of measures to ensure that Children enjoy their rights and freely express their views equally with others viz Grievance Redressal Committee.</p> <p>Department of Social Welfare runs institutions for the abandoned and destitute women and children with intellectual disability in Asha Kiran Complex and for abandoned and destitute women with treated mental illness at Nav Kiran I and II Half way/ Long stay Homes, where they are provided facilities for residential care and recreation. The Policy guidelines framed by the Deptt of Social Welfare and circulated to all concerned Departments, for reservation of 5% in allotment of land, housing and poverty alleviation development schemes etc allows for priority to women with benchmark disability. The Department runs seven special schools to cater to children with disabilities (5 for hearing impaired, 1 for visually impaired and 1 for intellectually disabled).</p>

5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	<p>The right to live in the community of PwDs is protected by various provisions of the Delhi RPwD Rules for providing access to education, reasonable accommodation and non-discrimination. Only those persons with intellectual disability and mental illness who are unable to fend for themselves and are abandoned are housed in state run homes under proper orders of the court or Child Welfare Committee as the case may be.</p> <p>The residents of state run homes are housed therein due to their being abandoned or their families not being traced. All efforts are made to trace their families of residents of homes with intellectual disability and of residents of half way/ long stay homes for persons with mental illness have been restored to their families after due orders from the concerned courts or child welfare committees as the case may be.</p> <p>The Persons with Disabilities are provided financial assistance to the tune of Rs 2500/- per month to support their sustenance. NGOs providing services to PwDs including day care and residential services are provided grants in aid under the Delhi Grant Rules 2008. 6 NGOs have been given grant under the Delhi Grant Rules in the year 2019-20 amounting to Rs 15,83,594/-. The grant under delhi grant scheme could not been released in the year 2020-21 due to COVID 19 pandemic and is being taken up in current FY 2021-22.</p> <p>NGOs are also recommended for grant in aid under DDRS scheme of the Govt. of India.</p>
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	<p>The Delhi RPwD Rules 2018 have provided for constitution of the State Committee for Research on Disability. The State Committee for Research on Disability has been constituted vide order dated 29/11/2019. Two meetings of the committee have been held in the year 2020-21.</p> <p>Besides, after intervention of O/o SCPD, Delhi Police has issued Circular among their Spl. CPs, Joint CPs, Addl. CPs, DCPs to take necessary action to make IOs aware of Provisions of RPwD Act.</p>
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	<p>The Executive Magistrate is empowered under Rule 6, Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018 to take action for protection of PwDs from abuse, violence and exploitation. The terms & conditions for issue of registration certificate to NGOs/institutions working for welfare of PwDs include protection clauses.</p> <p>The Procedure for reporting is covered under Rule 6, Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018. The terms & conditions for issue of registration certificate to NGOs/institutions working for welfare of PwDs include protection clauses.</p> <p>The Deptt. of Social Welfare runs Homes for persons with intellectual disability and treated mental illness where they are admitted as per orders of the court or child welfare committee as the case may be for their rehabilitation.</p>
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	<p>Though this provision has been earmarked to State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA), it is to be noted that the Deptt of Social Welfare has taken steps for protection of PwDs during the COVID 19 Pandemic disaster situation. SOPs were issued to state run institutions and NGOs to protect the residents from the pandemic,</p>

		<p>State commissioner disability was designated as the Nodal officer for COVID related issues concerning PwDs and Distt Social Welfare officers were designated as the nodal officers at the district level. Steps were taken to assuage and help PwDs stuck during lockdown or facing difficulties in accessing medical help, rations etc by the State Commissioner's office, Advisory committee attached with the SCPD, NGOs and District Social Welfare Officers. PwDs were also helped to go to their home states through special trains, during lock down, in collaboration with DDMA.</p> <p>Recently, State Commissioner for PwD personally visited O/o District Magistrates of GNCTD to check various aspects and to brief role & responsibility of District Magistrate/ District Disaster management Authority as mandated in RPwD Act. They were thoroughly briefed about the provision of Section 8(3) of RPwD Act.</p>
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	<p>Deptt of Social Welfare runs homes for abandoned children with intellectual disability at Asha Kiran Complex, where they are kept only by the orders of the child welfare committee. All efforts are made by the Department to reunite them with their families, including publication of their photos in the newspapers.</p> <p>DCPCR vide his letter dated 15.01.2021 intimated that no such grievance received at their end during the period.</p>
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	O/o SCPD had instructed the Health & Family Welfare Department to adhere to Section 10 and ensure access to information about reproductive health and family planning in true letter and spirit.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	<p>Details of facilities for Accessible Election for PwDs Electors.</p> <p>(i) Volunteers:- Volunteers less than 18 years were provided by the Directorate of Education, GNCT of Delhi. These volunteers were deputed in General Lok Sabha Election-2019 and Delhi Legislative Assembly Election -2020 to facilitate the PwD Electors and Senior Citizen 80+ years. The training to the said volunteers was provided by the PTDDUNIPPD District wise in co-ordination with Returning Officers.</p> <p>(ii) Wheel Chairs:- Wheel Chairs facility was provided to the PwD/ Senior Citizen 80+ years Electors on the day of poll in General Lok Sabha Election – 2019 and Delhi Legislative Assembly Election-2020.</p> <p>(iii) Provision of Ramps:- A ramp of slope 1:10 or less was provided the polling station to facilitate the PwD (Persons with Disabilities) voters in the polling stations where permanent ramps were not available temporary ramps were arranged.</p> <p>(iv) Toilet:- Toilets for Male, Female & PwDs electors were provided at Polling Stations.</p> <p>(i) Accessible toilets were made available separately as far as possible for male/female and PwD voters at all the polling stations.</p> <p>(ii) Mobile Toilets:-Where Accessible toilets were not available, Mobile toilets were arranged at polling locations PwD voters.</p> <p>(v) Provision for Creche for children:- There should be proper arrangement for crèche at each polling station for children accompanying the lectors. One trained attendant should be deployed to take care of these children.</p>

	<p>(vi) Pick and Drop Facility:- In General Lok Sabha Election-2019 and Delhi Legislative Assembly Election – 2020, Pick and Drop facility was provided to Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) and Senior citizen 80+ years voters who are marked in Electoral Roll and opted for this facility through Pick and Drop App, CEO, Delhi.</p> <p>Other facilities for Accessible Election</p> <p>During the General Assembly Election 2020 the O/o CEO, Delhi provided the Braille materials to the visually impaired Voters to give the equal opportunity about their rights as per RPwD Act. The material was like Dummy Braille Ballot Sheets, Electoral Photo Identity Card (EPIC) in Braille to the registered electors. Posts in Braille to the registered electors. Posters in Braille, Voter slip Braille & Voter facilitation Guides in Braille. National Association of Deaf (NAD) has designed for the poster for communication in Indian Sign Language for Deaf and hard of Hearing Voters for Accessible Elections of the size 2.5' x 5' for proper visuals for awareness at Schools, Polling Booths, Delhi Metro and Delhi Transport Corporation Buses.</p> <p>Dummy Braille Ballot sheets:- As per guidelines of Elections Commission of India vide letter dated 28.06.2018, In General Lok Sabha Election- 2019, 20 Braille experts were deputed which were authorized by State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities for random checking of Braille Ballot Sheets.</p> <p>In Delhi Legislative Assembly Election – 2020, district wise 2 to 3 Braille experts were deputed which were authorized by State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities to check the master copy of Braille Ballot Sheets at the printing stage.</p> <p>(vii) KIT FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED VOTERS:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Voter Assistance Guide (General and in Braille) 2. Photo Voter Slip (General and in Braille) 3. Poster 3 containing Do's and Dont's (in Braille). 4. Poster 4 containing guidelines how to cast your vote (in Braille). 5. Two Steps Stools for dwarf and Magnifying glasses were provided to low vision electors. <p>(viii) Sign Language Interpreters:- Sign Language Interpreters were provided by Association of Sign Language Interpreters (ASLI) who have been deployed at the Top locations where more number of Hard of Hearing voters are registered.</p> <p>(xi) Sign Language Video:- For sensitization of Deaf and Hard of Hearing voters in Indian Sign Language a video has been created by NAD/ASLI and same has been uploaded in Social Media (Twitter, Facebook, Youtube, Whatsapp, Website), website of CEO, Delhi.</p> <p>(x) Sign Language Poster:- Sign Language Poster for Deaf and Hard of Hearing were distributed in their Kit.</p> <p>(xi) Queue Management:- As per Assured Minimum facility issued by Election Commission Of India (ECI) dated 16.03.2019, In every Polling station three queues were made one queue for make voters, one for ladies voters. Senior citizens, PwD electors were given to the preference without queue.</p>
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		<p>(xii) The State Steering Committee on Accessible Election (SSCAE) headed by CEO, Delhi who will be the chairperson of the committee and District Monitoring Committee on Accessible Election as per direction of ECI dated 28.08.2018 have been constituted to make the entire electoral process accessible and inclusive for all persons with disabilities. Accordingly State coordinator and District coordinator have been appointed for inclusion for Persons with Disabilities for Accessible election in Electoral Process of Delhi.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To ensure that Polling Station wise mapping PwD Electors is carried out in the State and date is maintained and updated regularly. 2. To ensure that PwDs who are not enrolled are identified and facilitating their enrolment in the electoral roll. 3. To create an enabling barrier-free environment for efficient and effective electoral participation of persons with disabilities (PwDs) in the State/UT. 4. To ensure that action is taken on the various directions issued by the Commission regarding inclusion of PwDs in the electoral process. 5. To ensure that training for election functionaries include a component on sensitizing them on special needs of PwDs, and prepare a module on the same and share with the districts. 6. Plan special camps for enrolment and sensitization of PwDs in the State. 7. Develop modules for capacity development of CSOs in consultation with Districts and share with the Districts. 8. Assess recommendation of DMCAE on further steps to be taken to enhance the electoral participation of PwDs and appointment of State Icons from among PwDs. 9. Facilitate exchange of good practices among districts. 10. Recommends steps that can be further taken to enhance the electoral participation of PwDs to the commission. 11. Give periodic reports to Commission. 12. Any other recommendation that the Committee may like to make.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	<p>Special Courts and Public Prosecutors have been designated for dealing with offences against PwDs in NCT of Delhi.</p> <p>Further, the State Commissioner for PwDs, GNCTD deals with all grievances related to PwDs. As per requirement of Cases, hearings are also being given to settle the matter.</p>
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	<p>The legal capacity of persons with disabilities is strengthened as per Section 14 of the RPwD Act, 2016, by provision of Limited guardianship.</p> <p>Rule 7 of the Delhi RPwD Rules provides for procedure for according limited guardianship to assist the PwD to make legally binding decisions by the Distt & Sessions court after due process.</p> <p>Besides, Local Level Committees have already been constituted in each Revenue District of NCT of Delhi under chairpersonship of District Magistrate for appointment Legal guardians for PwDs covered under National Trust Act..</p>

14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Yes, it has been incorporated at Rule 7 of the Delhi RPwD Rule 2018.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Covered under Rule 9 of the Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018 wherein the Dy. Commissioners of the Department of Revenue, GNCTD have been designated as the authorities to create social awareness.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	<p>Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs)</p> <p>Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16</p>	<p>This provision is covered under Rule 10 and 11 of the Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018. Section 31(1) of RPwD Act 2016 mentions that the child shall go to a neighborhood school or special school of his / her choice.</p> <p>The Social Welfare Deptt runs 7 special schools for Children with disability, 5 for children with hearing impairment, one for children with intellectual disability and one for children with visual impairment where in 1379 are studying, where children are provided facilities for education, sports and recreation activities.</p> <p>All children studying in schools of Deptt of Social Welfare already are identified as having special needs. The survey is to be conducted by other agencies/ Deptts providing inclusive education.</p> <p>Directorate of Education informed that in its aim to conduct survey of school going children in every five years for identifying children with disabilities, DoE organises zone-wise Enrolment drive for out of school Children with Special Needs along with their regular students (peers of CWSN). To ensure the admission of the out of school CWD & to create community awareness with respect to the enrolment of CWD in the regular education system in the Govt. schools Enrolment Drive (including activities like play, pamphlets, posters, banners, rallies) is organised.</p> <p>Directorate of Education, Government of NCT of Delhi is also taking steps for promotion of inclusive education and setting up 30 model inclusive schools in Delhi. A Handbook on barrier free access to schools has also been issued by the Directorate of Education, Government of NCT of Delhi. Sensitization programmes for staff on inclusive education are undertaken from time to time. 3% quota is allocated to children with disabilities in EWS category for admission in private aided schools</p> <p>The tactile diagram books free of cost for persons with visually impairment have been provided to the blind students from Ist to XIIth through Inclusive Education Branch (IEB) of the Directorate of Education.</p>
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	DoE is making continuous efforts to promote, protect and ensure participation of persons with disabilities in adult education and continuing education programmes equally with others.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<p>Delhi State SC/ST/OBC/ Minorities/ Handicapped Finance Development Corporation, GNCTD is the channelizing agency for National Handicapped Finance Development Corporation (NHFDC) to provide concessional loans to PwDs for facilitating vocational training & self-employment.</p> <p>Residents with intellectual disability in Asha Kiran Complex are being provided vocational training in ten trades.</p> <p>Products manufactured by the residents with intellectual disability are marketed through exhibitions, Diwali Mela etc.</p>
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	<p>Covered under Rule 12 of the Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018. Most of the Department of GNCT of Delhi have registered EOP in this regard.</p> <p>The office of SCPD vide various letters from time to time had already communicated/ instructed to all Departments under GNCTD to implement Section 20. Besides, a lot of grievances related to job advertisements/ results/ appointments have been resolved through User departments/ DSSSB after intervention of this office.</p> <p>Employment Deptt has informed that the website of the department is not functional due to the ongoing process of migration of physically sever to the cloud servers by the NIC due to the prospects of security threat, as such the equal opportunity policy could not be published on the website of the department to enable it wide publicity. Moreover, the online registration of jobseekers and the notification of the vacancies by the employers including for the PwD candidates is being held up temporarily till the completion of the migration of the server. However with respect to the job fairs conducted by the Department before the pandemic COVID-19 hit the city, all the concerned employers were sent e-mails to provide equal opportunities to the PwD Candidates besides being verbally instructed to this effect on the day of the fair itself. Now as the Delhi Government has recently launched a job fair portal "jobs.delhi.gov.in" through the Hon'ble CM of Delhi for the benefits of the those affected i.e. the jobseekers who rendered jobless and the businessmen who were left out of business, by the unprecedented crisis created by the COVID-19 pandemic, efforts are being initiated to instruct the employers not to discriminate with PwD Candidates and provide equal opportunity to them in r/o job in addition to the registration of equal opportunity policy.</p>
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	<p>SCPD took the initiative with all the Departments of GNCT of Delhi and Private establishments to register Equal Opportunity Policy (E.O.P) with the office of SCPD in respect of their department/ establishments and their subordinate offices. 01 Government Departments and 06 private establishments registered E.O.P with the Office of SCPD w.e.f April, 2020 to March, 2021. In total so far, 1439 Government Departments including their subordinate offices and 37 private establishments registered E.O.P with the Office of SCPD w.e.f. December 2017 to March, 2021.</p>
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	<p>Covered under Rule 13 of the Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018 which specifies the information required to be maintained and the same is being maintained.</p>

23	<p>Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer:</p> <p>i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer.</p> <p>ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints.</p> <p>iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.</p>	<p>Covered under Rule 14 of the Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018. The Office of State Commissioner for PwDs, Government of NCT of Delhi is monitoring the appointment of Grievance Redressal officers by Government establishments in NCT of Delhi. A total 216 Grievance Redressal Officers (GROs) have been appointed by the departments/organizations of Govt. of NCT of Delhi & their subordinate offices till date.</p>
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Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	<p>Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.</p>	<p>Govt. of NCT of Delhi is implementing Scheme of Financial Assistance to Persons with Special Needs. An assistance of Rs.2500/-p.m. is being provided to persons with benchmark disabilities from birth till death. State Illness Assistance Fund provides assistance to the poor patients, who are suffering from life threatening illnesses for their treatment in the Govt. Hospitals. The fund is managed by the Society known as Delhi Arogya Nidhi (DAN). All hospitals including private hospitals and nursing homes functioning in the National Capital territory of Delhi have been directed to provide full medical treatment to the victims of acid attack including medicines, food, Bedding and reconstructive surgery, vide Circular dtd 25/8/2015, issued by the Directorate General of Health Services, GNCT of Delhi, In charge, Delhi Arogya Kosh/ Delhi Arogya Nidhi, has been appointed as Nodal Officer for dealing with matters related to acid attack victims, vide office order dtd 16/2/2017 issued by Directorate General of Health Services, GNCTD. The Nodal officer is to take all actions required like issuing directions to hospitals for free treatment, coordination with various Departments/ branches/ agencies and shall file action taken report/ status report related to acid attack victims to the Hon'ble Court or any other agency as may be required in the case. The Nodal officer is also to reimburse the medical expenditure incurred on the treatment of acid attack victims.</p> <p>A proposal for providing double the amount of financial assistance to PwDs with high support needs is under consideration</p>
26	<p>Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.</p>	<p>All permanent employees are covered under DGEIS and contractual employees under ESI.</p> <p>This office vide letter dated 20.07.2020 had already communicated to Finance Department to implement Section 26 and compliance thereof. Finance Department has informed that Govt. of NCT of Delhi follows all Govt. of India instructions/guidelines for its employees.</p>
27	<p>Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.</p>	<p>Govt. of NCT of Delhi implements the "Delhi Grant Scheme 2008" through which eligible NGOs are provided grants-in-aids for undertaking rehabilitation programmes for PwDs. Residents of State run homes for persons with intellectual disability are provided with health care, education and skill development as per their capacity.</p>
28	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.</p>	<p>The component of the SIPDA Scheme of GOI is dealing with research and development of products & technology for PwDs, which can be availed for this purpose.</p>

29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	PwDs are encouraged to have a cultural life and to get recreational facilities. Residents staying in homes for persons with mental disabilities being run by the Department of Social Welfare, and the students of special schools of the Deptt are encouraged to participate in a wide variety of cultural activities and events including dance, drama, music competitions etc. Directorate of Education is also taking all necessary steps to ensure participation of Children with Disabilities in cultural and recreational activities at school.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	The Department of Social Welfare promotes participation of its residents with intellectual disability in Special Olympic events and also in para athletic events. Our residents and students have won medals at National and international events. Directorate of Education is also taking all necessary steps to ensure participation of Children with Disabilities in sports activities.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Directorate of Education provides the following measures to promote and facilitate inclusive education for children with disabilities:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Admission throughout the year for children with disabilities 2) No rejection policy in admission 3) Enrolment drive for out of school children. 4) Admission in age appropriate class and relaxation in upper age at entry level classes. 5) Services of Special Education Teacher 6) Services of Attendant/Helper to children with severe disabilities. 7) Specialized Teaching Learning Materials 8) Financial Assistance to children with disabilities including Escort allowance, Transportation allowance, Reader allowance, Therapeutic Allowance, Top-up scholarship, & Girls stipend. 9) Weekly meeting of parents of children with disabilities and Special Education Teachers 10) Development and implementation of Individualized Education Plans (IEP) for Children with disabilities. 11) IEP review meetings with different subject teachers, EVGCs, class teachers, parents etc. 12) Annual medical assessment camp for identification and assessment of children with disabilities 13) Distribution of free aids and appliances to children with disabilities 14) Counseling of parents of children with disabilities 15) Free Braille books to Children with Blindness 16) Scribe facility to children with blindness 17) Financial Assistance for large print books to children with low vision 18) Orientation of principal, Educational administrators, parents/guardians etc, 19) Exposure visits of Children with Disabilities and their peers. 20) Free textbooks and uniform 21) Barrier free and accessible environment 22) Annual identification and assessment camp for children with Intellectual Disability and Specific Learning Disability.

		<p>23) Orientation/Training of teachers on Inclusive Education through SCERT.</p> <p>24) Resource room/centre in each school and district.</p> <p>25) Different subject options for Children with disabilities studying in class IX & X</p> <p>26) Different exemptions and concessions provided by CBSE to Children with Disabilities studying in Class X are extended to children with disabilities studying in lower classes also.</p> <p>Department of Social Welfare also runs seven special schools, five for hearing impaired, one for intellectual disability and one for visually impaired.</p>
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	<p>Department of Higher Education had already instructed to adhere to Section 32 and recently, department has registered their EOP with the O/o SCPD and ensured that they will comply provisions of RPwD Act 2016.</p> <p>However, it is to be mentioned that according to the information available, Delhi University is already extending 5% reservation to PwDs.</p>
33	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:-</p> <p>i) Identify posts for PwDs</p> <p>ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose.</p> <p>iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.</p>	<p>The Social Welfare Department has circulated letter of DEPwD, GOI containing guidelines to constitute Expert Committee to all the stakeholders and requested to constitute Expert Committee at their departmental level for identification of posts suitable for PwDs. The DSW has constituted its expert committee for this purpose.</p> <p>Recently, Ministry of SJ&E, GOI vide notification dated 04-01-2021 had notified Identification of Posts suitable for PwDs and O/o SCPD Delhi has instructed to Recruiting Agency i.e. DSSSB to adhere with the said notification in true letter and spirit.</p>
34	<p>1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs.</p> <p>i) Blindness and low vision – 1%</p> <p>ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%.</p> <p>iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%.</p> <p>2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.</p>	<p>This provision is covered under Rule 15, 16, 17 and 18 of the Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018.</p> <p>O/o SCPD has already requested all the Pr. Secretaries/ Spl. Secretaries/ Addl. Secretaries/ HoDs, Govt. of NCT of Delhi and the Corporations to provide the information relating to appointment of persons with disabilities against reserved vacancies. It was also requested to conduct special recruitment drive to fill up the backlog of reserved vacancies. A Suo-Motu cognizance in the matter was taken up with 11 major departments of NCT of Delhi. The State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities recommended to compute the correct backlog of reserved vacancies and send a requisition to the recruiting agency for special recruitment drive for filling up the backlog reserved vacancies for persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Besides, O/o SCPD is taking care of the grievances relating to reservation in vacancies for PwDs and remedial action is being enforced through User Departments/ Recruiting Agencies.</p>
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	There is already a scheme of Government of India for providing incentive to Private Employers for employing PwDs under SIPDA Scheme, which can be availed.

36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Two special employment exchanges for PwDs have been established since 1999. Online portal has been developed by NCT of Delhi for registration of candidates for employment including PwDs. The Department of Employment, GNCTD has been organizing job fairs since 2015 on regular intervals. The last such job fair for unemployed persons with disabilities was organized on 17-18th March 2017.]
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	Department of Social welfare had already issued Policy guidelines in this regard to all stakeholders under Section 37 of the RPwD Act vide letter No.F.-82/1222/AD-III/DSW/2018-19/896-923 dated 09.04.2019.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	Department of Social Welfare has informed that the matter of preparing scheme for consideration of PwDs with high support needs is under way.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Office of State Commissioner for PwDs, GNCTD had undertaken awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes on the provisions of the RPwD Act and held workshops/ meetings with District Magistrates in the Premises of District Magistrate Offices to sensitize functionaries/authorities working for welfare of PwDs viz. MCDs, PWD, Labour, Social welfare, Police, Health, Education, NGOs, etc. The officers/officials of GNCTD are being sensitized through UTCS trainings.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	NA, Pertains to GOI. Moreover O/o SCPD has already instructed to all departments to adhere with the standards laid down by the GOI.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	The GNCT of Delhi is already facilitating easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs. As such a total No. of buses 17881 (Govt: 3764, Private: 14117) Total no. of buses made accessible for PwDs 4319 (Govt: 3764, Private: 555). Besides, 845 Number of buses work in progress (Govt: 400, Private: 445).

	<p>Besides accessible Buses, there are about 2000 Stainless Steel Bus Queue Shelters, which are PwD friendly.</p> <p>DELHI METRO:</p> <p>AT STATIONS</p> <p>Wheel Chair Bound Commuters</p> <p>Wheel chairs have been provided at all the Metro Stations for facilitating the differently abled persons.</p> <p>Lifts have been provided with wide access doors to facilitate wheel chair bound commuter to reach from ground to train, negotiating ground to concourse and concourse to platform levels.</p> <p>Wide Automatic Fare Collection (AFC) gates are provided to allow such commuter to pass through.</p> <p>Ramps have been provided wherever there is change in grade.</p> <p>Lifts have been provided with</p> <p>Mirror at the rear face so that the wheel chair bound commuter can see if any commuter is waiting outside.</p> <p>Handrail at suitable height provided inside car to hold.</p> <p>Control buttons are provided inside and outside the car at a height convenient for commuter on wheel chair to ensure easy access.</p> <p>In case of emergency, a telephone button is provided to communicate with Customer Care Centre.</p> <p>Platforms are sloped away from the platform edge to avoid rolling of wheel chair towards the track.</p> <p>Toilet provided at each station to suit wheelchair bound commuter's need.</p> <p>Visually Impaired Commuters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Tactile path provided from Entrance to Ticketing counter and then to the coach via lifts and warning strip provided at the platform. (ii) Braille lift buttons provided inside and outside the lift. (iii) Travel related announcement at station to facilitate visually impaired commuters. (iv) CHIME and audio indications for train arrival at stations. <p>Hearing Impaired Commuters</p> <p>Directional, information and statutory signage is provided at the stations.</p> <p>Publicity/ Awareness</p> <p>Publicity materials have been kept at stations duly providing information on the facilities available at Metro Stations for differently able persons.</p> <p>INSIDE TRAINS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Spacious (wide) train doors. (ii) Earmarked space with railing/belt provided inside the coach for wheel chair bound commuters. (iii) Seats have been reserved for physically challenged/senior citizens in each car. (iv) Door closing audio/visual indication. (v) Next stations and station arrival with correct side platform announcements. (vi) Dynamic display inside trains giving travel related information.
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		<p>(vii) Train Operators are courteous, trained and willing to render all possible assistance to physically challenged passengers.</p> <p>AT PARKING DMRC has issued following instructions to all parking contractors:-</p> <p>(i) One parking space suitable for differently abled persons near DMRC staff parking has been provided.</p> <p>(ii) If more such vehicles come, then parking shall have to be provided on priority basis.</p> <p>(iii) Proper records of differently able persons using parking on day to day basis is being kept by the respective parking contractors and the details are submitted by them on monthly basis to DMRC for review.</p> <p>OTHER POINTS</p> <p>(i) DMRC station staff is trained and willing to render all possible assistance to differently able persons.</p> <p>(ii) Visually impaired/Differently abled passengers can contact DMRC's 24x7 helpline NO. 155370 in case any assistance is required. However, all the services related to Registration and Driving Licenses are made on-line and applicants/PwDs are to appear at the scheduled time before the concerned Registration Authority/ MLO for disposal of their applications.</p>
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	<p>Matter pertains to GOI, Bureau of Indian Standards(BIS), the National Standards Body of India.</p> <p>Besides, O/o SCPD had instructed the Information & Technology Department to adhere to Section 42 in true line & spirit and make website of offices easy accessible for PwDs.</p>
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	O/o SCPD had instructed the Industries Department to adhere to Section 43 and to promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	<p>All agencies have to observe Harmonized guidelines and space standards for barrier free built environment for persons with disabilities and elderly persons, 2016 issued by Ministry of UD, GOI.</p> <p>Besides, SCPD took suo-motu cognizance regarding inaccessible built environment and transportation, worship places, hotels & restaurants, markets and cinema halls etc. in NCT of Delhi with the concerned departments/ authorities to make Delhi barrier free for persons with disabilities. In these cases, the concerned authorities/departments were recommended that the existing built environment meant for public use in the NCT of Delhi be made fully accessible to persons with disabilities as mandated in the Act, the Rules and the Guidelines and all the new construction and transportation be ensured in accordance with the Harmonised Guidelines and Space Standards for Barrier Free Built environment for persons with disabilities and elderly persons issued by Ministry of Urban Development.</p>
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	The Govt. of India has released funds to the tune of Rs 13.94 Cr under Accessible India Campaign to the Deptt of SW GNCT of Delhi, in 2017 and 2018, which has been released to PWD and DJB for retrofitting of 19 public buildings to provide accessibility. Further, PWD and Municipal Corporations are also taking steps for providing barrier free environment through retrofitting. The status of 18 buildings under PWD is enclosed. As reported by DJB, tendering process is underway for its Headquarters building.

46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	O/o SCPD had instructed all departments including all establishments Government as well as Private to adhere to Section 46 to provide services in accordance with the rules on accessibility, formulated by the Central Government under Sec. 40, within the period of 2 years from the date of notification.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Govt. of NCT of Delhi is imparting training and awareness to various government functionaries through Union Territory Civil Services on the provisions of the RPwD Act and State Rules.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Department of Social Welfare informed that social audit shall be inbuilt into schemes and programmes being formulated for persons with disabilities.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	This provision is covered under Rule 21 of the Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018, wherein Joint Director (Technical), DSW has been designated as the competent authority for this purpose.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	Department of Social Welfare informed that Registration of institutions other than State or Central Government Institutions and appointment of Appellate Authority is covered under Rule 22 and 23 of the Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018. Financial assistance to Registered applicant eligible organizations is provided under the Delhi grants Scheme 2008 and proposals of eligible NGOs are also forwarded with recommendation to the Government of India for grant of assistance under appropriate central grant schemes.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	State Advisory Board has been constituted. First meeting of the board was held on 01.04.2021.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	The District Level Committees have been constituted in all Revenue Districts of GNCTD under the Chairmanship of District Magistrate.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p>	<p>Shri Ranjan Mukherjee, VSM Independent Charge. O/o State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, GNCTD, 25-D, Mata Sundari Road, New Delhi-110002. Contact No: 23216001-04 E-mail: comdis.delhi@nic.in</p> <p>ii) The Social Welfare Department, GNCTD has constituted the Advisory Committee to assist the SCPD u/s 79(7) of RPwD Act, 2016 vide its order dated 03.06.2019 which comprise of the following members:</p>

		<p>Dr. Anil Aneja; Ms. Merry Barua; Ms. Rajeshwari; Dr. Raman Khanna; Sh. Parag Namdeo</p> <p>The tenure of the above members is for a period of 3 years from the date of constitution of the committee.</p>
	<p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year:</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summary for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p>	<p>----</p> <p>iv) Could not be released for the year 2020-21 due to COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>v) 2020-21 - Nil 2019-20 - Nil 2018-19 - 03</p> <p>vi) The post of State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities was lying vacant upto 27/01/2021. However following initiatives have been taken by the O/o SCPD during the period:</p> <p>(i) Caregivers for PwDs were included in the list of essential services for e-pass during lockdown.</p> <p>(ii) A number of PwDs who were stuck in Delhi during lockdown, were helped to go back to their hometowns. Similarly, the PwDs, who were stuck outside Delhi, were helped to return to their homes in Delhi.</p> <p>(iii) Exclusive Vaccination Centres for PwDs were setup in all revenue districts of NCT of Delhi.</p> <p>357</p> <p>02</p> <p>519</p> <p>292</p> <p>08</p> <p>227</p>

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Vide its notification dated 19.08.2019, Department of Law, Justice & Legislative Affairs, the Court of Additional Sessions Judge-02 in each district within the jurisdiction of Delhi has been designated as Special Court to try the offences under RPwD Act, 2016.

85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Special Public Prosecutors designated by the Deptt of Home, GNCTD vide notification No. F.No.8/237/2019/HP-II/4610-4623 dated 28.11.2019.
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State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	This provision is covered Under section 88 of the Rights of persons with disabilities Act 2016 and Rule 52 of the Rights of persons with disabilities Rules 2018. Department of Social welfare intimated that a Society is to be registered to manage the State Fund. Memorandum of Association, Objectives, Rules & Regulations have been framed and registration of the Society is being looked into.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	No such penalty has been imposed so far.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	No such penalty has been imposed so far.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	The Delhi Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018 have been notified in Delhi e-gazette vide notification no. 82/1153/RPwD Act 2016/AD-III/DSW/2017/33121 dated 27th December 2018 published on 28/12/2018.

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Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	As per the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Notification No. GH/SH0/APG/102017/88013/CHH-1 Date.03/12/2019 to The Gujarat Rights Of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2019 Provision has been made in Rule-3 and steps taken for equality.

4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	-do-
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	-do-
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	-do-
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	-do-
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	-do-
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	-do-
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	-do-
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	-do-
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	-do-
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	-do-
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Yes the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Notification No.GH/SH/ APG/102017/88013/CHH-1 Date.03/12/2019 to the Gujarat Rights Of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2019 Provision has been made as per rule no.6 and Action taken for limited guardianship.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Yes

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs).	The guidelines for the inclusive schools have been developed through a long consultative process. The guidelines capture the key objectives, strategies and interventions to overcome the three main barriers-Physical, Attitudinal and Instructional for creating the inclusion in schools, main processes and expected outcomes of the schools.
17	Measures to be taken by Appropriate Government and Local Authorities for purposes of section 16.	I) Admit them without discrimination and provide education and opportunities for sports and recreations activities equally with other: Identification and enrolment of CwSN: In the year 2019-20 a total of 88,086 CwSN are identified in the survey out of which 75,707 are enrolled in Govt. Out of the total CwSN in school, 44319 of them are boys and 31388 are girls. there are more students of disabilities like locomotor disabilities, low vision, intellectual disabilities, and specific learning disabilities

	<p>(ii) Strengthening the resource support team:</p> <p>Special teachers for CWSN have been recruited in all the blocks across the state. 1060 special teachers have been deployed who are trained to provide special education to special children and home education to children with disabilities at home. On-line training has been given to enhance their capacity.</p> <p>Assessment Camps:</p> <p>Assessment and Medical - Certificate camps of CWSN were organized at block level with the coordination of the Social Deface Department, Civil hospitals / Surgeon across the state. SSA has organized Assessment camps for children with special need in 287 blocks.</p> <p>Celebration of World Disabled day:</p> <p>The World Disabled Day was celebrated on December 2019 at block and cluster level in Gujarat, for generation of awareness about the issues related to education of children with special needs. Competitions for development of posters, rallies, dramas, songs, poems, Braille reading, and writing were organized during the week-long celebrations. With the fund of GOG and Wall painting at school level about the various schemes for CwSN activities was done form SS budget. Total 287 blocks were covered.</p> <p>Sensitization for creating inclusive school environment:</p> <p>Regular trainings are being organized for the purpose to develop capacity of project staffs, regular teachers, SMC members and parents. To make the peers oriented on inclusiveness, the joint picnics, cultural activities, exposure visits, sports etc are organized at school level.</p> <p>Development of In-school Resource Rooms at Cluster Level-</p> <p>In the year 2019-20, under the leadership of the State Project Director and with rounds of discussions with the Resource teachers and the coordinators, it was felt that more intense support is required to be provided to the students so that they actually achieve the best of their potential. For that, it was felt that there is a need to select one school in each cluster where the special educator can be stationed maximum number of days in a week, and which has an integrated resource room. These should be schools where an additional room is available that can be converted into a resource room and has a substantial number of enrollments of the CwSN. So, each special educator would be provided the responsibility of one cluster and he/she would be stationed in the model inclusive school and would also provide support to the neighborhood schools of the same cluster.</p> <p>As per PAB 2019-20, the budget for 200 Inclusive schools was approved to establish the In-School Resource Rooms. During the reporting period a total of 149 schools the refurbishment of resource rooms was completed and in the rest of the schools the refurbishment is under process. In addition to this, the state has procured and distributed Disability-wise Teaching Learning Materials (TLM), ICT equipment's like- NDVA software, Desktops, Printers, Pend drives etc., Stationery materials, music and sports equipment's through a consultative process with the experts of different disabilities.</p> <p>(iii) Resource rooms are the set up created at the block resource centers for supporting the additional activities required to be ensured to support the overall development of the CwSN.</p>
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		<p>These resource rooms are well equipped with the learning and therapy equipment so that the children of disabilities can be brought there and provided specialized support. The support is extended by the resource teachers and therapists. Tie-ups are specialized with therapists like occupational therapists, speech therapists, physiotherapists and they visit the centers and provide the services based on a mutually decided schedule. Presently there are 287 resource rooms. These resource rooms are equipped with equipment like group hearing systems, sports instruments, therapy equipment, Kit for the visually impaired, speech kits, etc. The students visit the resource center at least 4-8 times a month and get specialized additional inputs that are required for them to move towards more independent life.</p> <p>(iv) Aids and Appliances provided to the students:</p> <p>During the reporting period, ALIMCO has provided support in the assessment of the needs of the students based on which the aids and appliances have been distributed. A total of 25855 CwSN has received the aids and appliances as per the assessments conducted in the assessment camps.</p> <p>Stipend for Girls</p> <p>Stipend for Girls has been provided to CwSN girls for attending school through School Management committees. 7805 girls have been provided Stipend for Girls facilities during the year.</p> <p>v) The state has provided blind or deaf both persons with brain Script books and also provide hearing Equipment and sign language.</p> <p>Corrective surgeries</p> <p>During the reporting period, a total of 144 CwSN had underwent corrective surgeries for various disabilities with the financial support provided by Samagra Shiksha, Gujarat.</p> <p>Development of Divyaan Application: Data collection and management has been one key challenge that the special educators have been facing. They had to resend the data many times and were also not able to best use the collected data in proper planning. A monitoring app called Divyaan application has been developed that will be used on the tablets given to each Special Educator for recording and then accessing the data of the total number of identified CwSN of the cluster (disability wise), enrolment, attendance, aids and appliances provided, UDIDs issued and the learning level of the students too. The application would organize data at one place and the reports generated would support the decision making at different levels. The application would be implemented from the beginning of the next session.</p> <p>Transport and Escort facilities. Transport and Escort Allowances are provided to the students to minimize the barrier of distance and travel to the schools and resource rooms. During the reporting period, the transport and escort allowance has been provided to the 16788 children.</p>
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	<p>Rationalization of Special Educators and Cluster Allocation:</p> <p>For providing resource support to CwSN, the existing Special Educators (SE) appointed under SSA and RMSA were rationalized. These SEs are deployed each at cluster level and are operating in an itinerant mode, covering a group of schools where CwSN are enrolled.</p>

		<p>Online training through the CHETNA Mobile Application-</p> <p>To aware and build the capacities of all special educators on inclusion towards CwSN by learning practical tools, techniques and best practices, Samagra Shiksha has developed a Mobile based Learning Program on CwSN in Gujarati language. In phase 1, 1071 Special Educators of Elementary Classes (1-8) were trained.</p> <p>Workshop for strengthening the efforts of inclusion and empowerment of Divyang children, by Samgra Shiksha, Gujarat:</p> <p>On September 17, 2019, a state level workshop was conducted with the support of UNICEF to discuss new programme elements and strengthening inputs with the 1200 resource teachers and district coordinators of IE-CwSN and with select Head teachers of the inclusive schools.</p> <p>The workshop was graced by Hon'ble Education Minister, Shri Bhupendrasinh Chudasama, Mr. Vinod Rao, Principal Secretary, Shree P. Bharati, SPD, and other eminent personalities.</p> <p>More over take care of to educate adult also.</p>
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Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	“Bankable loan subsidy scheme” was initiated by labour and employment department with the Resolution dated 26th May 2015. Pass out Trainees and PWD's both can avail the benefit of this scheme.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	Yes
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Under process
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Yes
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	As per order No. MKM/PWD/ACT/2020/ 93,Date.10/01/2020 The District Social Security Officer has been appointed as Grievance Redressal Officer in all the districts and they are execute work as and when Required the majority. department has appoint grievance redressal officer in their department.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	The following schemes regarding Social Protection are implemented by the Director Social Defence Department.

		<p>(1) Insurance scheme in this scheme, if person have physically handicapped identity card for free travel in Gujarat State transport bus, and die in accident or become permanently disabled. If the persons loses both hands, legs or limbs in an accident Rs.100000/- is given as insurance benefit.</p> <p>(2) Scholarship to disabled Student In this scheme disabled student, whose disability is 40% or above and who obtained 40% or more marks in annual examination are given Rs.1000 for std. 1 to 7 and for 8th Std and above Rs.1500 to 5000 as a scholarship.</p> <p>(3) Prosthetic aid and appliances for disabled Under this scheme disabled persons having a disability more than 40% are provided assistance of appliances at maximum cost of Rs 20, 000 each for getting tri-cycle, sewing machine, musical instrument, callipers, boots etc.</p> <p>(4) Disable marriage scheme In this scheme assistance is provided to disable persons for his/her marriage. If both husband and wife are disabled they get Rs.100000/- and if one persons is handicapped he/she gets Rs.50000/-</p> <p>(5) Polio assistance In this provided to polio affected children / persons for undergoing operation and for medicines, appliances etc.</p> <p>(6) Niramaya health insurance : In this scheme disabled persons gets Rs.10000/- insurance. The premium amount is paid by the State Government.</p> <p>(7) Sant surdas This is a financial assistance scheme for the disable persons of the age group between 0 to 17 years. Having more than 80% of disability and registered in the BPL list. In this scheme monthly pension of Rs.600/- is Provided to disable persons.</p> <p>(8) Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension scheme This is a financial assistance scheme for the disable persons of the age group between 18 to 79 years. Having more than 80% of disability and registered in the BPL list. In this scheme monthly pension of Rs.600/- is Provided to disable persons.</p> <p>(9) free Transportation in GSRTC bus Under this scheme free travelling facility is provided to disabled persons. The benefit of free Transportation scheme is provided in all types of buses of GSRTC.</p> <p>(10) Electric Scooter Under this scheme, an E-Scooter is given to disabled person whose age limit is between 18 to 50 and locomotors Disability percentage is more than 40%.</p>
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Every employee of the Government of Gujarat State (including disabled employees) is covered under the group insurance scheme.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	A total of 21 government organizations and a total of 132 voluntary organizations for the disabled are given grants under the Grant-in-Aid Code to take care of their rehabilitation.

28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	On hand
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	Yes
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	Yes

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Yes
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Inclusive Education for Persons with Disabilities (IEDSS) at the secondary level is functioning in the state under the “Samagra Shiksha Yojana” by the Ministry of Human and Development, Government of India, providing compulsory and quality education to all disabled children in the age group of 18 years. Accordingly (IEDSS) in the year 2019- 20, a total of 10737 disabled students are given scholarships of Rs.600/ - per annum from their own funds.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	i) Yes ii) Yes iii) Yes
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy-1%. iii) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	Under process

35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Under process
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	At present Pwd's special cell is being functional in all 46 employment exchange of Gujarat.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5%. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concessional rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	i) Department of Urban Development and Urban Housing, Resolution No: GHB / 122017/2013/th, date: - 11/12/2019. ii) They given 5% reservation in housing. As per Resolution of state government, Revenue department, Resolution: JMN-3999-338-A, date: - 20/04/200. The state government allot land to disabled personas for various purpose like for home, to start business to establish industries e.t.c. iii) As per Resolution of state government, Revenue department, Resolution no.jma.no.392003 - date: 06-06-2003.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	Yes

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Disability welfare schemes are disseminated from the publicity grant by the Social justice and Empowerment Department to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	Yes

41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	In the year 2019-20 for the scheme of free travel in ST bus by the Social defence Department in the field of Divyang welfare. A provision of Rs. 3365 lakhs has been made in which expenditure of Rs.257177. The equipment assistance to the disabled person, provision of Rs. 104 lakh was made during the year 2019-20 and at a Expenditure of Rs. 131.20 lakh, was made for equipment assistance 10322 beneficiaries. And get Assistance.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	Yes
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Under Process
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	yes
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	All public building to be made accessible for pwds within 5 Year as per the public worker department Number of Barrier Free Non-Residential Buildings in the year 2019-20 - 1775, Slope - 965, Toilet - 7867, Special toilet - 916, Lift - 286, Braille signs in elevator - 203 Directional information in building, Signage on identification notice - 859, State Facilities were made available by the Roads and Buildings Department in 33 districts.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Under process
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Yes
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Under process

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	The Department of Social Justice and Empowerment has issued a notification of the Secretariat No. G / L / APG / 102017/2881657 / CHH-1 dated 03/12/2017 authorizing the Director Social Security to give registration to organizations, and a total of 15 voluntary organizations grant- Grants are provided under in-code.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	The Department of Social Justice and Empowerment has issued a notification of the Secretariat No. G / L / APG / 102017/2881657 / CHH-1 dated 29/06/2017 to the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment have been authorized as the Appellate Authority to grant registration to institutions.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	The Department of Social Justice and Empowerment Gandhinagar Resolution No.: Apg / 10/2017/281655 / Ch-1 dated. 17/5/2017 State Advisory Board has been constituted
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	Department of Social Justice and Empowerment Gandhinagar Resolution No.: Apag / 10/2017/2881655 / Ch-1 dated 03/6/2017 District level committee has been formed

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response																						
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p>	<p>The office of the Commissionier for Persons with Disabilities was started as an independent office from the year 1998 and Commissioner is independent.</p> <p>Under Process</p> <p>Separate office with court room, staff has been sanctioned to assist the State Commissioner details of staff.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sl.No</th> <th>Designation</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td> <td>Commissioner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.</td> <td>Dy. Commissioner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3.</td> <td>Legal Advisor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4.</td> <td>Gujarati Steno Grade -1 (class -2)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5.</td> <td>English Steno Grade - 2 (class -3)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6.</td> <td>Gujarati Steno Grade -1 (class -3)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7.</td> <td>Clerk</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8.</td> <td>Clerk cum typist</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9.</td> <td>Driver</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10.</td> <td>Peon</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Infrastructural facilities include a court room, (400 square feet), a modern courthouse where court cases are conducted, as well as a projector, and a net facility.</p> <p>(IV) Rs.53.34 Crore in F.Y.18-19.</p> <p>Inspection are carried out by Director of social defence. Year 206-17 : Number of Inspections : - 132 Year 2017-18 : Number of Inspections :- 132 Year 2018-19 :- Number of Inspections :- 132</p>	Sl.No	Designation	1.	Commissioner	2.	Dy. Commissioner	3.	Legal Advisor	4.	Gujarati Steno Grade -1 (class -2)	5.	English Steno Grade - 2 (class -3)	6.	Gujarati Steno Grade -1 (class -3)	7.	Clerk	8.	Clerk cum typist	9.	Driver	10.	Peon
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vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/Uts for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:	<p>Most of the Government buildings in the state has been made barrier free, besides all the new buildings are constructed keeping in view the facilities for the disabled.</p> <p>The recruitment agency of the state like subordinate Gujarat Service Selection Board Gujarat, Gujarat Public Service Commission, and panchayat seva pasandagi mandal asked to verify all government upcoming selection as per the PWD Act 2016, giving 4% reservation to the disabled. This resolution has been passed by urban development and housing department compelling to give the benefit of reservation up to 5 % for their housing scheme</p> <p>In addition to this, the concerned departments have been compelled to abide by the provisions made under 'THE RIGHTS OF PERSON WITH DISABILITIES ACT-2016' wherever the disabled are feeling difficulties.</p>
vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:	(vii) F.Y.18 – 19 :- 98 cases
a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:	(a) 94 08 last year opening 102 total
b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):	(b) 0
c) Total number of cases:	(c) 102
d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:	(d) 98
e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	(e) 0
f) Number of cases pending:	(f) 4
viii)Details of preparation of annual Reports of Last three financial Year and its laying before the state Legislature: Year :- Status of Preparation : Laying it before State Legislature :-	(viii)16-17 17-18 18-19 Finalised Nil

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Notification legal department sachivalay Gandhinagar, No.GK/48/2017/SPC/ 102017/UOR-10/D dated the 21st july, 2017.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Process going on

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities : (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Department of Social Justice and Empowerment Gandhinagar Resolution No.: Apag / 102018/11810 / Ch-1 dated 04/4/2018 Divyang Fund has been formed

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	Nil
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	Nil

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Notification No. of the Secretariat No.GH/SH/APG/102017/88013/CHH-1 has been issued The Gujarat Rights Of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2019 from 03/12/2019.

9.12 HARYANA**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	This has been ensured through notification no. 22/10/2013- 1GSIII dated 25.04.2018 issued by the O/o the Chief Secretary, Haryana. The Technical Education Department provides barrier free built environment for disabled and elderly person (as per Chapter VI) of Approval Process Handbook)
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	The Technical Education Department, Govt. of Haryana Establishment of Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) (as per Section 4 All India Council for Technical Education (Gender Sensitization, Prevention and Prohibition of Sexual Harassment of Women Employees and Students and Redressal of Grievances in Technical Institutions) Regulations, 2016 vide No. F. AICTE.WH/2016/01 dated 10th June, 2016.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	The Social Justice & Empowerment Department provides grants-in-aid to NGOs that work for the education and health care of persons with disabilities. The State Government has also instituted awards for recognizing commendable work done for and by Persons with Disabilities. The Technical Education Department provides barrier free built environment for disabled and elderly person (as per Chapter VI) of Approval Process Handbook)

6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	The provision has been incorporated under section-4 of the Haryana Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2019.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	As per notification no. 66/C.A.49/2016/S.84/2018.- the Governor of Haryana, after concurrence of the Chief Justice of the Punjab and Haryana High Court has specified the court of 2nd Additional Sessions Judge, and if there is only one court of Additional Sessions Judge, then Additional Sessions Judge in each district to be a Special Court to try offences, under the said RPwD Act, 2016. In Technical Education Department Instructions issued by the State Government/Central Government are followed.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	As informed by the O/o Department of Revenue and Disaster Management vide memo no. 20225-ER-DMC-CBO- 2018/22938 dated 31.12.2018, instructions have been issued to all the Deputy Commissioners in the State with the directions to ensure the inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in disaster management activities as defined under clause (e) of section 2 of Disaster Management Act, 2005 for the safety & Persons with Disabilities. During the period of COVID- 2019, the Disaster Management Committee of State of Haryana provided help to needy PwDs. Special Vaccination Camps of PwD were also convened at various places. In Technical Education Department Instructions issued by the State Government/Central Government are followed.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Vide memo no. 8382 dated 26.03.2019, Women & Child Development Department, Haryana has informed that instead of separating disabled children (except children in need of care and protection) from their parents, instructions have been issued to District Programme Officer, Haryana to give benefits to disable children as per Child Protection Services Norms (Sponsorship, Foster Care, Need any help of CCI etc.). However, latest detail information is still awaited. In Technical Education Department Instructions issued by the State Government/Central Government are followed.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	As informed by Director General, Health Services, Haryana vide memo no. 3PM/2019/12117 dated 24.07.2019 the RPwD Act, 2016, Haryana Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017 and Guidelines 2018 has been circulated to all Civil Surgeons of the State with directions to implement the same in letter and spirit. In addition to this one day training for all Civil Surgeons was also conducted to impart the salient features of this Act including section 10 i.e. Reproductive rights of PwDs and till furtherance of this, the instructions to implement the Act have been issued from time to time. However, latest detail information is still awaited.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	The office of Chief Electoral Officer, Haryana vide letter no.2018/5ae-6666, dated 26-12-2018 has informed that: - 1. Booth wise PwDs have been identified by the concerned Booth Level Officers (BLOs). About 14878 PwDs (different categories) registered voters have been identified in the State. Records of PwDs are kept in data base and category wise lists are being prepared by the District Election Officers (DEOs)/Electoral Registration Officers (EROs).

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Lists of PwDs have been prepared and the same have been made available to the BLOs. They have been strictly instructed not to mark in the electoral roll to maintain the privacy. 3. Instructions for PwDs as prepared by ECI will be displayed outside the polling station through DEOs/ROs 4. Voter guide, voter slips and voter ID cards of visually impaired electors will be got prepared at the time of election in accordance with infrastructure and availability of manpower. 5. To fulfil the requirement of wheelchairs for PwDs voters, action will be taken with the help of departments concerned i.e. Social Justice & Health at appropriate time. Apart from this, the department of Health has also been requested to arrange the wheelchairs for PwDs. 6. To facilitate the PwD voters, social workers from NYK, NSS and NCC etc. would be appointed and appropriate action would be taken with the help of such volunteers. 7. At the time of elections proper voters guide for PwD voters especially catering to their needs would be provided. 8. All minimum basic facilities are available at each polling station to help PwD voters, which are as under: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Ramps are available at each and every existing and proposed polling station. B. Braille facilities are provided at appropriate time as per past elections. C. Proper accessibility to the polling station is available. D. Proper parking facilities are available at polling stations. 9. To facilitate and sensitize the PwDs, proper training would be given to the polling officials at the time of election. 10. Special care is taken to ensure ethical voting involving PwDs. 11. The SCPD, Haryana has again requested Election Commission, Haryana to ensure compliance of all Rights of PwD Electorates in Gram Panchayat and Municipal Elections. 12. SCPD Haryana took SUO MOTO COGNIZANCE of PwD electorate in Municipal Corporation Election, Panchkula upon which an enquiry was also conducted and the concerned officials responsible for their lapses were warned. 13. Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Haryana has written to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DISHA Sirsa, State Nodal Agency of National Trust vide letter no. 2338 dated 28.01.2019 and reminder letter no. 6380-81 dated 03.04.2019 for the purpose of registration of new voters/electors with disabilities for the General Elections in the country. 2. All Deputy Commissioners in Haryana State vide letter no. 2245-66 dated 28.01.2019 and 6333-54 dated 03.04.2019 for the purpose of giving special heed to the security of persons with disabilities in sensitive and ultra sensitive election booths in the State. 3. As per memo no. 12/8-2015 IED-SS(2)-1582 dated 19.04.2019 from HSSPP, there are 2064 wheelchairs/tricycles issued to divyang students studying in Govt. School in As per memo no. 6312 dated 31.01.2019 Indian Red Cross Society, Haryana have issued directions to all District Red Cross Society in Haryana for the provision of wheelchairs. Haryana State.
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12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SCPD Haryana conducts regular Court through video conferencing on every working day for the redressal of the grievances of PwDs and more than 250 cases have been decided w.e.f. 01.01.2021 till 21.09.2021. Due to awareness, more than 500 new cases have also be instituted. 2. District Level Committees have been constituted in all 22 Districts which conduct their monthly meeting for the redressal of the grievances of PwDs. 3. The Additional Chief Secretary, Administration of Justice Department vide memo no.21/145/2018-2JJ (II), dated 14- 12-2018 has informed that vide notification no. S.O.66/C.A.49/2016/ S.84/2018 dated 09.10.2018 special court have been formed to ensure that PwDs have access to justice without discrimination. In Technical Education Department Instructions issued by the State Government/Central Government are followed.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	<p>Through more than 75 awareness camps all over State of Haryana conducted by SCPD Haryana physically as well as virtually has made aware not only to PwDs, their parents, NGOs and Govt. officers that the PwDs have also equal rights in the inheritance/ownership of property and any discrimination with them is punishable offence.</p> <p>Four FIRs have also been lodged against the accused persons who tried to took possible possession of properties of PwDs during the year 2021 so far.</p>
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	<p>This has been ensured through the point of limited guardianship under section 4 of Haryana Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2019 and vide notification No. 653- SW(4)-2020 dated 21st August, 2020 State Govt. notified instruction regarding guardianship. In Technical Education Department Instructions issued by the State Government/Central Government are followed.</p>
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	<p>Through more than 75 awareness camps all over State of Haryana conducted by SCPD Haryana physically as well as virtually has made aware not only to PwDs, their parents, NGOs and Govt. officers that the PwDs have also equal rights in the inheritance/ownership of property and any discrimination with them is punishable offence.</p> <p>Four FIRs have also been lodged against the accused persons who tried to take possible possession of properties of PwDs during the year 2021 so far.</p>

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	<p>Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs).</p> <p>Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16</p>	<p>Haryana School Shiksha Pariyojana Parishad informed that vide memo. no. 12/8-2015/IED-SS(2)-5106 dated 05.07.2021, they have taken appropriate measures which are as under:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That all District Education Officers/District Project Coordinators has been directed that no divyang student be denied admission in school without any discrimination irrespective of their disability. Regarding sports and recreation activities are concerned in this regard, it is intimated that HSSPP celebrate every Saturday as a Bag Free Day.

		<p>All general students along with divyang students participate in sports and recreation activities on that day. HSSPP also conducts various activities such as inclusive Adventure Camps, Block, Districts and State Level Sports Activities, participation in Anjali Festival etc. for divyang students, wherein the opportunities to show their hidden talents are provided. During the year 2020-21, Department has conducted inclusive Adventure Camps for Divyang Students at Mallaha (Pinjore) and Manali with general students.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Parishad has already made Shiksha Sadan Building barrier free by constructing of ramps, placing of wheel chairs, Tactile tiles, Sign board, reflecting tap in each stair, Disabled friendly toilets (DFT) etc. However, guidelines has also been issued to Director Secondary Education (DSE), Director Elementary Education (DEE) and Executive Engineering to make schools building and office building under their control to make barrier free. It is further mentioned that, ramps have been made in 7333 Govt. schools and CWSN toilets are made in 8986 schools. 3. Since, HSSPP, Panchkula provides facilities related to inclusive education, therefore providing accommodation does not come in the preview of HSSPP. 4. Haryana School Shiksha Pariyojna Parishad promotes inclusive education in all Govt. Schools in Haryana. Divynag students get enrolled in schools without any discrimination. Resource teachers provide resource support to divyang students as well as general teachers, who taught divyang students in their school or class. Special Teachers also provide home based education to divyang children, those are unable to attend school. Time to time department also conducts various type of programme for divyang students, in which digvyang students take part with general students. Department has also provide Teaching Learning material (TLM) and other appliances, which is necessary for academic area of divyang children. Department also conduct various exposure visit to divyang students along with general students. Resource teacher and general teachers always provide suitable environment to divyang students, where he/she can perform with general students. 5. HSSPP has appointed special educators in three categories i.e. Mental Retardation, Visual Impairment and Hearing Impairment. These special educators provide resource support to divyang students as per their need and requirement. These special educators also modify the lesson/syllabus according to need and requirement of divyang student in appropriate language/modes, which students can understand with the help of general teachers. Time to time various training programme are being conducted by the department for special educators as well as general teachers such as training on deaf blindness, Autism, Braille language etc. 6. HSSPP has appointed special educators in 119 blocks in Haryana. These special educators visit schools as per their coverage plan. During their visit, if any general teacher identifies any problem such as writing problem (Dysgraphia), problem to understand of numbers (Dyscalculia), reading problem (Dyslexia) etc in any student, then special educator makes assessment of that student.
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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. That MHRD, GOI has approved 673 posts of special educators in three categories i.e. Mental Retardation, Visual Impairment and Hearing Impairment in Haryana at primary and upper primary level. Presently, 359 special educators are working in HSSPP, Panchkula under IED under Samagra Shiksha. These Special Educators are registered under Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), New Delhi and they are professionally trained in teaching with divyang. Presently, 7 physically handicapped special educators are working at primary and upper primary level as per their reservation quota in the categories of Physical Handicapped, Visually Impairment & Hearing Impairment. Department also conducts various in-service teacher training programme on various disabilities for special educators such as training on deaf blindness and autism, training in Braille language etc. 12. Every year, Department conducts various training programmes for special educators and general teachers such as training on curriculum adaptation, training programme on across the disabilities etc as approved by MHRD, GOI. In these training teachers learn how to modify lesson/curriculum as per the need and requirement of divyang students studying in their respective schools and provide his/her educational as well as social support. 13. That department has established 119 IED Resource Centers in Senior Secondary School at block level in Haryana. These resource centers are fully furnished and run under the supervision of BRC-cum-Principal of IED. These resource centers are hub, where all resource support services are provided to divyang students studying in classes 1st to 12th in Government Schools. 14. That the emphasis is given to the teachers to use Braille for teaching blind students and sign language among the hearing impaired students for their use in communication so that they may contribute maximum to the society. 15. That department provides Braille books and large print books to students having blind and low vision free of cost. Department also provide Teaching Learning Material (TLM), assistive devices to divyang students as per his/her needs. These Braille and Large print books & other TLMs are provided by National Association for Blind, Bahadurgarh (HR), National Institute for Empowerment for Persons with Visual handicapped, Dehradun and National Institute for Empowerment for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Secunderabad, National Institute for Empowerment for Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPID), Tamilnadu and ALIMCO Kanpur. 16. That every year, Department conducts medical assessment camps for divyang students. During the medical assessment camps, scholarship forms of divyang students are filled up by the representative of Social Justice & Empowerment Haryana. Department also provides different allowances i.e. escort allowance, transport allowance, reader allowance, girl stipend, home based allowance etc. 17. That SCERT, Gurugram is the Institute , where all research related to education made in the State of Haryana for improving the learning of students.
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		In Technical Education Department NOC has been granted to Mahagyani Rishi Ashtavakra Kendra at Govt. Polytechnic, Sector-26, Panchkula (for Speech and Hearing Impairment candidates)
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	<p>Vide memo no. 12/1-2019 LC dated 28.11.2019, Secondary Education Department, Haryana informed that former Centrally Sponsored scheme of Adult Education, "Saakshar Bharat" has been discontinued on 31.03.2018 and as per objectives and targets of that scheme, schedules castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs) minorities, other disadvantaged groups were special focused groups apart from women in order to provide opportunities for adult and continuing education.</p> <p>Newly proposed Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Adult Education, "Padna Likhna Abhiyan" is under consideration of the Govt. of India.</p> <p>As per draft National Education Policy, 2019, Adult Education Centres (AECs) will be included within school complexes to facilitate a beneficial sharing of material and human resources.</p> <p>Recently, guidelines have been issued to complete the disabled friendly toilets and ramps in all Govt. Schools latest by December, 2019 to make school building barrier free.</p> <p>The department is determined to implement Section 18 of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 in letter and spirit as per guidelines which are to be issued by the Govt. of India in respect of proposed new adult education programme.</p>

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<p>Haryana Backward Classes & Economically Weaker Sections Kalyan Nigam vide letter No.HBCKN/2439 dated 22.06.2021 informed that the Nigam provides loans to the maximum number of eligible Persons with Disabilities for their self-employment in different schemes with the finance from National Handicapped Finance & Development Corporation. During the financial year 2020- 21, the Nigam provided self-employment to 1385 persons with Disabilities with loans worth Rs.1370.57 lakhs.</p> <p>Further, Directorate of Skill Development & Haryana Industrial Training, Panchkula vide letter no. 26556 dated 31.12.2018 informed that as per mandate of Post-Matric Scheme, Scholarship is given to the divyang students by Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Haryana. In order to implement this scheme, this department has issued the instructions to all sub-offices vide letter no. 23814-5, 25783-84 dated 26.11.2018 & 19.12.2018 and reservation is being given on the basis directions by D.G.T., Govt. of India.</p> <p>In Technical Education Department, Instructions issued by the State Government/Central Government are followed.</p>
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. State of Haryana has opened 2000 retail stores during the month of August, 2021 in which preference has been given unemployed PwDs. 2. State of Haryana has decided to open 1 Vita Booth at the gate of every Govt. School which shall be allotted to a self help group consisting 14 persons including 7 PwDs.

		<p>3. The long pending issue of deemed date promotion to PwD employees has been implemented by more than 40 Departments of State upto 21.09.2021 and process in pipeline in rest of Departments/PSUs.</p> <p>4. Instructions have been issued vide notification no. 22/10/2013-IGSIII dated 25.04.2018 by the O/o Chief Secretary, Haryana with regard to non-discrimination against any person with disability in any matter relating to employment.</p> <p>5. Directorate of Skill Development & Haryana Industrial Training, Panchkula vide letter no. 26556 dated 31.12.2018 informed that instruction issued by Chief Secretary to Govt. of Haryana are being followed by this department in letter & spirit during the recruitment of divyangjan.</p>
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	<p>This has been covered in the instructions issued by O/o Chief Secretary, Haryana vide notification no. 22/10/2013- IGSIII dated 25.04.2018. Further, the Director of Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes Department, Haryana vide letter no. 38989 dated 18.12.2018 has informed that they are providing equal opportunity for PwDs as per lending policy.</p> <p>Directorate of Skill Development & Haryana Industrial Training, Panchkula vide letter no. 26556 dated 31.12.2018 has informed that rights of these employees are given due consideration as per instructions issued by Chief Secretary to Govt. of Haryana from time to time.</p> <p>The Department of Horticulture, Haryana vide memo no. 9572 dated 02.04.2019 has informed that instructions to notify equal opportunity policy for PwDs have been issued vide memo no. 3726-62/E-V, dated 04.02.2019 and letter no. 3763-67/E-V, dated 04.02.2019 to all the field offices and Head Office Establishment respectively.</p> <p>The Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Haryana vide letter no. 671-726 dated 11.01.2019, 4766- 4821 dated 07.03.2019 and 9714-66 dated 27.05.2019 has written the letters to all departments for compliance of this section.</p> <p>Police Department, Haryana vide letter no. 3989 dated 15.04.2019 has informed that Police, Home Guard and Fire Services Departments have been exempted from 3% vertical reservation provided to physical handicapped persons by the State Government in Group A to D categories vide no. 22/92-2005-3GSIII dated 22.12.2005.</p> <p>In Technical Education Department, Instructions issued by the State Government/Central Government are followed. Many Companies have also framed equal opportunity polices which have been registered by SCPD Haryana.</p>
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	<p>All departments of the State Government are being instructed to comply with this provision. As informed by Director of Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes Department, Haryana vide letter no. 38989 dated 18.12.2018, record of PwDs beneficiaries is maintained at District level.</p> <p>As informed by Directorate of Skill Development & Industrial Training, Haryana vide letter no. 26556 dated 31.12.2018, the matter is in process.</p>

		<p>Department of Horticulture, Haryana vide memo no. 9572 dated 02.04.2019 has informed that instructions has been issued vide memo no. 3726-62/E-V, dated 04.02.2019 to all field offices and vide Endst. letter no. 3763-67/E-V, dated 04.02.2019 to Head Office Establishment and Register maintained by all the Establishment Assistant.</p> <p>Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Haryana vide letter no. 671-726 dated 11.01.2019, 4766- 4821 dated 07.03.2019 and 9714-66 dated 27.05.2019 has written the letters to all departments for compliance of this section.</p> <p>Police Department, Haryana vide letter no. 3989 dated 15.04.2019 has informed that compliance is being made in letter and spirit.</p> <p>In Technical Education Department, Instructions issued by the State Government/Central Government are followed.</p> <p>Many Companies have also framed equal opportunity polices which have been registered by SCPD Haryana.</p> <p>The notices have been issued to various Departments, Universities, PSUs and Companies to submit their equal opportunity policy at the earliest with SCPD Haryana for the registration.</p>
23	<p>Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer:</p> <p>i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer.</p> <p>ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints.</p> <p>iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> GRO have been appointed by Director, Higher Education, Director, Secondary Education, Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam, Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam, HPGCL and many other Departments, Universities, PSUs, etc. and the process is in pipeline in other establishments. All GROs have been directed to comply with the rules as framed by Govt. of India 2017 and State of Haryana in 2019. It has also been directed to GROs that in case he unable to redress the grievances of PwDs he should automatically refer the matter to DLC of concerned District.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	<p>Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Haryana is providing Disability Pension and Financial Assistance of Rs.1650/- pm to Non-school going disabled children in the State through HSSPP through DBT. The Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Haryana is providing disability pension @Rs.2250/- pm to all PwDs having disability of 60%. State of Haryana has decided to open 1 Vita Booth at the gate of every Govt. School which shall be allotted to a self help group consisting 14 persons including 7 PwDs. State of Haryana has opened 2000 retail stores during the month of August, 2021 in which preference has been given unemployed PwDs. State of Haryana provides free bus pass facility to 100% disable persons alongwith his escort. 5% reservation has been provided in all the schemes of poverty alleviation including the allocation of plots/houses by HSVP and Housing Board Haryana. SCPD Haryana has sought information from various Departments of Haryana, which shall be submitted as and when those are received.

26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	“Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee Durghtana Sahayta Yojana” has been discontinued after 31st March, 2020 vide Notification No. 1118-SW(4)-2020 dated 31st December, 2020.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The State Govt. had established the State Institute for Rehabilitation, Training and Research (SIRTAR) in 2007 with the objective of providing education and rehabilitation services to children with special needs. This institute runs courses on special education which are approved by Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) and also provides day care and hostel facility to 150 Children With Special Needs (CWSN). ii) The Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Haryana is in the process of establishing a Life-Long Care Home for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities in Ambala district. iii) Various NGOs in Haryana are running rehabilitation facilities for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities. iv) One rehabilitation hostel sufficient for 200 PwDs is under construction by State of Haryana in Ambala City which hopefully shall be in running condition w.e.f. 01.01.2022.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	This function has been assigned to State Institute of Rehabilitation, Training and Research (SIRTAR), Rohtak.
23	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Haryana has established a Disabled Friendly Park - through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in order to provide an inclusive play environment to Children with Disabilities. ii) The Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Haryana organizes International Disability Day on 3rd December of every year, in which Persons with Disabilities are honoured for their achievements in various activities and State awards are also distributed so that other PwDs can be motivated. In the year 2020 SJE Department has also organized painting competition on the occasion of World Disability Day at Kurukshetra in collaboration with Department of Social Justice & Empowerment. iii) The HSSPP has conducted tours for Manali and Pinjore of PwD students alongwith able bodied during the year 2021. <p>Every year, School Education Department conducts sports and cultural activities for disabled students at block, district & State level by including non-disabled students with the divyang students Summer & Winter inclusive adventure camps, excursion tour etc. are also organized. Further, Anjali Festival was organized at Bhubaneswar (Odisha) in the month of November, 2018 where divyang students studying in Govt. schools of Haryana had participated and won 1st position in making balance toys in science workshop and 2nd position in classical dance.</p>
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	<p>As per letter no. Sports-award-2018/36952 dated 31.12.2018 of Director, Sports and Youth Affairs, Haryana:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The State government has made Haryana Outstanding Persons (Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules, 2018 to give government jobs to outstanding sportspersons who have brought laurels to the country. The rules cover Persons with Disabilities along with the other sportspersons.

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The state government has given 4 % reservation in group A, B & C posts and 10% reservation in Group 'D' posts to the sportspersons including the sportspersons with disabilities. 3. Sports Gradation Certificates are issued to the sportspersons with disabilities in order to enable them to apply for jobs and admissions in educational institutes. 4. Cash awards are given to sportspersons with disabilities for their achievements in various sports tournaments. 5. Scholarship is given to sportspersons with disabilities for their achievements in various sports tournaments. 6. Bhim Award is given to the sportspersons with disabilities for their achievements every year. 7. An amount of Rs.50,000/- per month is given to the Arjun awardees including persons with disabilities. 8. Rs.5 lacs per player was provided by State of Haryana for the preparation for Tokyo Para Olympic. 9. Equal cash award service of Rs.6 crores for Gold Medalist, Rs.4 crores for Silver Medalist and Rs.3 crore for Bronze Medalist and other facilities are also being provided to para award winners at par with able bodied players. 10. Khelo India event for Para Players is being organized during year 2021 in Sonapat Haryana for which para players are being prepared at large scale by providing every facility to desirous para players. 11. State Level Paralympics Athletics Tournament is organized by the department every year. 12. The facility of free travelling in Haryana Roadways buses provided to the Arjuna and Bhim awardees, Olympians and medal winner in Asian/Common Wealth Games. 13. Sports infrastructure is being developed in the state for which sufficient funds are provided in the budget. Ramps have been provided in stadiums/play fields for Persons with Disabilities.
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Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	<p>The Director Elementary Education, Haryana vide email dated 02.01.2019 has informed that –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In Government schools of the State, all kinds of charges and funds have been discontinued since April 2010, at elementary level. The grants for free school uniform, free school bag and stationery are being sent to School Management Committees. 2. Now, no child is liable to pay any kind of fee or charges or expenses which may prevent him or her from pursuing elementary education. Various scholarships are also being provided to the children studying in govt. and aided schools. 3. Children suffering from disabilities/multiple disabilities covered under National Trust Act, have been included in disadvantaged group in Haryana Rules. All the provisions are being made for their education. 4. Provision of cooked Mid-Day Meal is also in place in all the govt. schools.

		<p>5. The facility for free education is not available in any private or special private school.</p> <p>The process of notification of neighbourhood schools has been completed in all 22 Districts. Access of schools in Haryana is within a limit of 1 kilometre for Primary and 3 kilometres for Upper Primary schools. Transport facility has been provided wherever demanded by the District Elementary Education Officer (DEEO) concerned.</p> <p>Vide endst. no. 12/8-2015 IED-SS (2)- 34716-26 dated 25/28.01.2019, Haryana School Shiksha Pariyojna Parishad informed that as per the provision made under rule 7 of chapter 3 of notification dated 15th June, 2017 issued by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment Department of Disabilities, Govt. of India, District Project Coordinator of each district is hereby nominated as Nodal Officer in District Education Offices under the overall supervision of District Education Officer regarding to settle the issues of admission in school and providing various facilities to divyang students in their respective districts. Assistant Project Coordinator dealing with Inclusive Education for divyang students of each district is hereby given this mandate and will support DPCs for this work.</p> <p>In Technical Education Department NOC has been granted to Mahagyani Rishi Ashtavakra Kendra at Govt. Polytechnic, Sector-26, Panchkula (for Speech and Hearing Impairment candidates).</p>
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Matter is under active consideration. In Technical Education Department instructions issued by the State Government/Central Government are followed.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	The State of Haryana has adopted this issue by Govt. Of India vide notification dated 05.01.2021 and earlier to that vide notification no. 130- SW(4)/2017 dated 03.02.2017 State Government has adopted the job identification list of Govt. of India (GoI) notified in year 2013, if any further amendments in identification is made by GoI shall be adopted by the State Govt.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	<p>This has been implemented by means of instructions issued by O/o Chief Secretary, Haryana vide notification no. 22/10/2013-IGSIII dated 25.04.2018, notification no. 22/116/2018-IGSIII dated 26.10.2018 and notification no. 22/106/2018- IGSIII dated 01.05.2019.</p> <p>In Housing Board Haryana 4% reservation policy for PwDs is implemented.</p> <p>i. One person of low vision i.e. Sh. Manjeet, Clerk. ii. Sh. Mahabir, Clerk and Sh. Ram Mehar, Peon both have 70% Orthopedically Disability. iii Nil</p>
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Vide memo no. 1483(A)-SW(4)-2019 dated 04.11.2019, the Administrative Secretary of Skill Development and Industrial Training Department, Haryana, Electronics & Information Technology

		Department, Haryana, Industries & Commerce Department, Haryana and Labour Department, Haryana have been requested to implement the aforesaid section. Action to be taken by State Govt. as stated by Technical Education Department.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Vide letter no. 20247 dated 25.10.2019, Employment Department, Haryana has been requested to implement the aforesaid section.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	Vide memo no. 1483-SW(4)-2019 dated 04.11.2019 the Administrative Secretaries of Revenue & Disaster Management Department, Haryana Shahari Vikas Pradhikaran, Housing Board, Haryana State Industrial & Infrastructure Development Corp. Ltd., Urban Local Bodies, Haryana State Agricultural Marketing Board and Development & Panchayat Department are requested for implementation of aforesaid section.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	Health Department has formed Committees in all 22 Districts for PwDs having high support needs during the year 2021.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	SCPD Haryana himself has conducted more than 75 awareness camps in 20 out of 22 Districts of State w.e.f. 15.01.2021 to 15.09.2021 and many more have been planned upto 31.12.2021. Apart from this, it is submitted that all District Social Welfare Officers (DSWOs) have been directed to undertake activities of creating awareness on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. For this purpose the department of Social Justice and Empowerment has taken the following steps:- 1) The department had allocated Rs.10,000,00/- for the year 2017-18 to all DSWOs, vide Memo no. 5365-85/JD/SJE/2018 dated 03.04.2018, for spreading awareness amongst the public about the mandate of the RPwD Act, 2016 and the rights of children with different abilities.

	<p>2) The Director, Social Justice & Empowerment Department has requested the NGOs vide letter no. 5413-19/H-3/DW/SJE/2017 dated 03.04.2018, to spread awareness among the parents of the children with different abilities through print media, TV and radio as defined under section 39 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.</p> <p>3) The department has requested the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Panchkula vide memo no. 5412/DW/SJE/2018 dated 03.04.2018, to hear the grievances of the parents of the children with different abilities in case there is any problem under clause 39 of the RPwD Act, 2016.</p> <p>4) The department has requested the Director, Public Relations Department, Haryana vide letter no. 7032/DW/SJE/2018 dated 16.04.2018 for publicizing the provisions of the RPwD Act, 2016 through electronic and print media.</p> <p>5) The State Institute for Rehabilitation, Training and Research (SIRTAR), Rohtak was established as an autonomous body by the Government of Haryana in 2007 with the objective of providing education and rehabilitation services to children with special needs. At present, there are 150 children here, of which 100 are day scholars and 50 are hostellers who are intellectually disabled children that live in the SIRTAR campus. This institute also runs education degree courses in special education - B.Ed, D. Ed. (special education, MR) and P.G. Diploma in Rehabilitation Psychology, for those who want to become special educators. These courses are approved by the Rehabilitation Council of India. It has organized three camps from 29.03.2018 to 31.03.2018 for awareness on the RPWD Act, 2016, which were attended by 300 Asha Workers/Anganwadi Workers.</p> <p>6) The department has sanctioned Rs. 9.55 lakh for the year 2018-19 to all DSWOs for spreading awareness amongst the people about the mandate of the RPwD Act, 2016 and the right of the children with different abilities through print media, T.V., Radio, etc.</p> <p>7) The department has directed all DSWOs, vide letter no. 15450-71/DW/SJE/2018 dated 14.08.2018 and vide letter no. 17330-51/DW/SJE/2018 dated 12.09.201 to send the status report about the utilization of amount which was sanctioned to spread the awareness among the people about the mandate of the RPwD Act, 2016 and the right of the children with different abilities through print media, T.V., radio, etc. In compliance of which all DSWOs have submitted their status reports.</p> <p>8) The Social Justice & Empowerment, Haryana has made a scheme "Financial Assistance to Non-school Going Disabled Children Scheme" to provide financial assistance to such disabled children who are below 18 years of age.</p> <p>Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Haryana in collaboration with Mahatma Gandhi State Institute of Public Administration (MGSIPA), Punjab, Sector 26, Chandigarh has provided sensitization training to all District Social Welfare Officers & officials from State Headquarter on the RPwD Act, 2016 and Maintenance and Welfare of Parents Senior Citizen Act, 2007.</p>
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40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	<p>State of Haryana conducted virtual camp for Civil Engineers of Haryana for accessibility construction during the month of September, 2021.</p> <p>Harmonized Guidelines and Space Standards for Barrier Free Built Environment for Persons with Disability and Elderly Persons are being followed by the State Government. The Social Justice & Empowerment Department has asked all departments concerned to prepare a comprehensive action plan in order to make infrastructure pertaining to the department disabled friendly.</p>
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	<p>State Transport, Haryana vide memo no. 53/SPA-1/Tech dated 02.01.2019 has informed that the Grab Handles have been provided in approximate 3500 buses of Haryana Roadways out of total 3944 buses for easy accessibility for physically challenged persons.</p> <p>Seats no. 7, 8 & 9 are marked for disabled persons.</p> <p>Free Travelling facility has been provided to 100% handicapped person as per Govt. Notification no. 21/3/79-4T dated 21.02.1991.</p> <p>The proper provision of toilets and ramps have made at major 45 bus stands in the State. 25 new bus stand buildings have been made easy accessible to the physically challenged persons.</p>
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	<p>State Government has issued instructions to departments to make their websites accessible as per GIGW and WCAG norms/guidelines issued by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology. In addition to this, 75 websites in Haryana State Govt. has been made accessible till now.</p> <p>Various NGOs have been persuaded to provide electronic equipments to PwDs and many such distribution programs are under pipeline.</p>
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	<p>Awareness camps physical as well as in virtual mode have so far been conducted w.e.f 15.01.2021 till 15.09.2021 and many more m.</p> <p>On every Tuesday special teachers of State of Haryana are provided awareness on RCIF 1992, National Trust Act., 2007 on every Tuesday virtually by SCPD Haryana from 9.30 am to 10.45 am.</p> <p>Camps are also held oftenly by HSSPP at frequent intervals in the State for assessment of disability and distribution of aids and appliances to persons with disabilities through ALIMCO.</p>
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	<p>State of Haryana conducted virtual camp for Civil Engineers of Haryana for accessibility construction during the month of September, 2021.</p> <p>State Government has issued necessary directions to all departments to follow the Harmonized Guidelines (HG) and Space Standards for Barrier Free Built Environment for Persons with Disability and Elderly Persons while considering building plans and issuing completion certificates.</p>
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	<p>SCPD Haryana has decided various cases against banks and many other holders of Public establishments to make their Divyang and action taken report has also been submitted accordingly.</p>

		State Government has issued necessary directions to all departments concerned to follow mandatory technical standards for barrier free access that govern the approval of design for buildings. In addition to this, departments have been requested to formulate and publish an action plan for providing accessibility in their infrastructure.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Gurugram and Faridabad both districts have been identified for construction of accessible public buildings till 21.12.2021 in first phase and rest of 20 districts shall be taken in the second phase w.e.f. 01.01.2022.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	State of Haryana has decided to establish Har Hit Retail Stores in which PwDs have been granted preference and for that purpose training camps have been arranged in all 22 Districts of State of Haryana. Higher Education Department, Haryana is being requested to start new courses for Sign Language Interpreters (SLIs), in Colleges and Universities to be able to feed the requirement of hearing impaired students. School Education Department has established 119 Integrated Education for the Disabled (IED) Resource Centers at block level for divyang students. They have also appointed 385 special educators for providing support services to divyang students studying in schools.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	District level committees have been constituted under the Chairmanship of DCs in all 22 Districts of Haryana in order to conduct inspections of NGOs which are working in the sector of disability and receiving grant-in-aid from State and Central Government.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	The State Government has appointed Deputy Commissioners of respective districts as competent authority for the registration of institutions for PwDs and recommendation of grants to such institutions.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	State Government is providing grant-in-aid to registered institutions after getting necessary recommendation from respective Deputy Commissioners.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	Vide notification no. 1159-SW(4)-2018 dated 02.08.2018, State Advisory Board has been constituted.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	Vide notification no. 961-SW(4)-2019 dated 22.07.2019 and as mandated by section 13 of the Haryana Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2019, the Social Justice & Empowerment to Govt. of Haryana has constituted a District Level Committee on disability to perform the various functions.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p>	<p>Shri Raj Kumar Makkad, Independent charge Antyodaya Bhawan, Opposite Kothi No.9, Sector-6, Panchkula, Contact No: 94160-58227, 0172- 2929467, No fax, Email: scpd.sje-hry@nic.in adv.rajcumarmakkad@gmail.com).</p> <p>(ii) No.</p> <p>(iii) Two Clerks, One Peon and one Chowkidar-cum-Sweeper has been provided temporarily. A dilapidated building as office has also been provided at the address given above. Despite of repeated demands neither the requisite staff has been provided nor the pay and perks have been granted as per Rule 34 of RPwD Rules, 2017.</p> <p>(iv) The information has been sought from Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Govt. Of Haryana but despite of reminders no such detail has been provided till today.</p> <p>(v) 2019-20, no data available. 2020- 21, no data available. 2021-22, 5 inspections (Voluntarily without having any data from the Department).</p> <p>(vi) (a) More than 75 camps convened in 20 out of 22 Districts so far w.e.f. 15.01.2021 to 21.09.2021. (b) More than 200 cases so far have been decided by SCPD, Haryana during the aforesaid period. (c) 3% reservation in promotion has been granted by about 40 out of 81 Departments of State of Haryana due to intervention of SCPD, Haryana. (d) Some Departments have started providing 4% reservation in recruitment. (e) HPSC had to re-schedule its examination process after correcting its mistake of granting 4% reservation to PwD in September, 2021. (f) The process of UDID cards has been accelerated in the State by providing practical training to concerned staff at Medical officers and information to this effect has been ensured by involving Anganwadi and Asha workers by way of leaflets/pamphlets. (g) Various buildings have been renovated accessible for PwDs as a result of visits of SCPD, Haryana. (h) Artificial limbs have been distributed to more than 10,000 PwDs with the help of Alimco and NGOs. (i) Online through video conferencing Court facility has been initiated by SCPD, Haryana.</p>

		<p>(i) Increase of awareness among the PwD due to repeated visits of SCPD, Haryana not only State of Haryana has framed various new schemes meant for PwDs like Har-Hit Sale Store, Vita Milk sale outlets, special vendor licenses to PwDs but also DLCs have become active and moreover the number of cases of being filed in the Court of SCPD Haryana have increased manifold.</p> <p>(j) Some FIRs have been lodged against the fraudulent persons availing the benefits of PwDs.</p> <p>(k) On the occasion of 26th January and 15th August, 2021, various PwDs have been honoured publically in the presence of SCPD, Haryana, CM and other Ministers.</p> <p>(l) Para players have been granted equal status and rewards by State of Haryana since 2020 till date.</p>
	<p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p>	<p>(a) The number of cases filed during the financial year (01.04.2020 to 31.03.2021) was 50.</p> <p>(b) 2 cases were taken Suo Moto during the aforesaid period.</p> <p>(c) No proper data was got availed to present SCPD for the last financial year.</p> <p>(d) No proper data is available regarding the cases disposed off by the prevision SCPD during the financial 2020-21, however --(viii) No proper data is available for last three years.</p>

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	This has been complied with through the notification no. S.O.66/C.A.49/2016/S.84/2018 dated 09.10.2018 of the Administration of Justice Department - In exercise of the powers conferred by section 84 of the Right of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (Central Act 49 of 2016), the Governor of Haryana, after concurrence of the Chief Justice of the Punjab and Haryana High Court hereby specifies the court of 2nd Additional Sessions judge, and if there is only one court of Additional Sessions Judge, then Additional Judge in each district to be a Special Court to try offences, under the said Act. Further vide letter No.23936 dated 10.12.2018 and 4754 dated 07.03.2019, Home Department, Haryana has conveyed regarding the appointment of Special Public Prosecutor under section 85 sub section (1) of the RPwD Act, 2016, however, not even a single case has been filed by any PwD within the State of Haryana till to date as there is lack of awareness at all levels.
4	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	No special public prosecutor has been appointed in any Court within the State of Haryana.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	No such fund has been created in the State of Haryana.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	Home Department Haryana has been requested vide letter no. 23936 dated 10.12.2018 and dated 07.03.2019 to do needful in this matter. The reply is awaited. SCPD, Haryana has imposed the aforesaid fine in some of the cases.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	Home Department Haryana has been requested vide letter no. 23936 dated 10.12.2018 and dated 07.03.2019 to do needful in this matter. The reply is awaited. SCPD, Haryana has directed the concerned Police officials to lodge FIRs against some of such accused persons and even some FIRs have been lodged.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	Haryana Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2019 has been notified vide notification no. 343-SW(4)-2019 dated 28.02.2019, however, the same do not completely meet out the requirement of RPwD Act., 2016 at many sections of the Act. are still untouched in the Rules, 2019 which require amendment.

9.13 HIMACHAL PRADESH

NOT SUBMITTED

9.14 JAMMU & KASHMIR

NOT SUBMITTED

9.15 JHARKHAND

Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	Action is always being taken and direction issued to concerned offices.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others	Necessary measures are being taken in this issue.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Necessary steps are being taken by state Govt.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Necessary measures are being taken by State Govt.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Necessary measures are being taken by State Govt.

8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Necessary measures are being taken by State Govt.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Rule will be amended because this point has been left.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Health and family welfare is doing pivotal role in this issue.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	State election office is proactive in this issue. Polling percentage of PwD is more than 90 percent in several districts of Jharkhand.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Govt. always takes necessary steps to access to justice by Persons with disability.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Necessary measures are being taken as per necessity for legal capacity on an equal basis with others along with right to inherit property.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	It has been included in state Rule.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Office of the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities has been authorized by Dept. for community mobilization and social awareness.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs).	Direction has been issued to concerned Dept for taking necessary steps. Letter has been issued to Department of School Education and literacy Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no- 510, date- 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	Letter has been issued to Department of School Education and literacy Development Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no- 520, date – 03.09.2020 Report Awaited. Although necessary steps are being taken by Concerned Dept. of State Govt.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	State Govt. previous facility to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	Letter has been issued to Department of Tourism Arts Culture Sports and Youth affairs Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no- 512 date- 03.09.2020. Report Awaited. Letter has been issued to Department of Higher, Technical Education & Skill Development Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no – 514, date- 03.09.2020. Report Awaited.

20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	Letter has been issued to Department of Personnel, Administrative Reforms & Rajbhasa Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-511, dated 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	State Govt. has notified rule 2018 in which it has been mentioned and separate policy will be framed.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Letter has been issued to Department of Personnel, Administrative Reforms & Rajbhasa Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-511, date-03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Action has been taken. Several Departments has notified and informed to Office of SCPD, Jharkhand.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Steps have been taken. JSLPS Jharkhand has developed scheme for the development of economic capacity for Persons with Disability.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Letter has been issued to Department of Personnel, Administrative Reforms & Rajbhasa Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no- 511, dated 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no- 513, dated – 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-513, date- 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-513, date- 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-513, date- 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-513, date- 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Reservation in Higher Education has been notified vide letter No. 2249, dated 03.04.2018.

33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Letter has been issued to Department of Personnel, Administrative Reforms & Rajbhasa Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-511, dated 03.09.2020 Report awaited. Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-513, date- 03.09.2020 Report awaited.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	Reservation in Higher Education has been notified vide letter No. 2249, dated 03.04.2018. Letter has been issued to Department of Personnel, Administrative Reforms & Rajbhasa, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no.-511, dated 03.09.2020. Report awaited.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Letter has been issued to Department of Personnel, Administrative Reforms & Rajbhasa Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-511, date- 03.09.2020. Report awaited. Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-513, dated 03.09.2020 Report awaited.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Letter has been issued to Department of Personnel, Administrative Reforms & Rajbhasa Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no- 511, date- 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	Letter has been issued to Department of Personnel, Administrative Reforms & Rajbhasa, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-511, date 03.09.2020. Report Awaited. Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-513, date- 03.09.2020 Report awaited.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	Action are being taken as per necessity and complaints are being registered.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Awareness camps as well as Mobile Courts are regularly organized.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	N/A
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	Letter has been issued to Department of Transport, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-515, date- 03.09.2020 & letter no-76, date- 20.08.2009. Report awaited. Letter has been issued to Divisional Railway Manager Jharkhand vide this letter no – 519, dated – 03.09.2020 Report Awaited.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	Letter has been issued to Department of Information and Public Relation, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-516, date- 03.09.2020. Report awaited.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs	Letter has been issued to Department of Food, Public Distribution & Consumer Affairs, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter no-517, dated-0309.2020. Report awaited.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter No.513, dated 03.09.2020. Report awaited.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Letter has been issued to Department of Urban Development & Housing, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter No.513, dated 03.09.2020. Report awaited.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	N/A
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	i) Letter has been issued to Rehabilitation Council of India vide this letter No.509, dated 03.09.2020 Report awaited. ii) Letter has been issued to All Universities of Jharkhand vide this letter No.508 dated 03.09.2020. Report awaited.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Letter has been issued to Department of Women, Child Development and Social Security, Govt. of Jharkhand vide this letter No.534, date 28.08.2019.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Competent Authority has been notified. Directions to Social Welfare has been declared.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	Registration of organization is being provided.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	State Advisory Board has been constituted.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	District Level Committee on Disability has been constituted.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile , Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/Uts for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p>	<p>Shri Satish Chandra Independent Charge State Disability Commissioner, Engineers' Hostel-II, Ground Floor, HEC, Dhurwa, Ranchi- 834004 Tel: 0651-2401825 E-mail:sdcjharkhand@yahoo.com/ jharkhandsdc@gmail.com</p> <p>ii) State Advisory Board to assist State Commissioner has been constituted.</p> <p>iii) Officers and Staff List:- (1) Philip Lakra (Under Secretary) (2) Smt. Neelam Parsad, Lady Supervisor (Deputation Basis) (3) Sharda Kumar Tiwari, Peon. (Deputation Basis) (4) Rakhi Kumari, Computer Operator (Contract Basis) (5) Jyoti Devi, Peon (Contract Basis) Other essential infrastructural facilities:- (1) Four Computers with printer. (2) One Photo Copier Machine (3) Two Telephones with Fax.</p> <p>iv) 10786000/-</p> <p>v) Year Number of inspections 2017-18:- 09 2018-19:- 16 2019-20:- 8 2020-21:- 5</p> <p>(vi) N/A</p> <p>vii) (a) 601</p>

b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):	(b) 24
c) Total number of cases:	(c) 496
d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:	(d) 296
e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	(e) 40
f) Number of cases pending:	(f) 160

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Letter No.1900, dated 27-09-2019 has been issued by Law Department.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Under presses by Law Dept.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	State fund is being constituted.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act -Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	N/A
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act- Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	N/A

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	Rights for Persons with Disability Rule has been notified.

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Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	As per the provisions of section 3 of RPwD Act-2016, the Govt. of Karnataka took necessary steps to ensure that the persons with disabilities enjoy the right to equality. The Govt of Karnataka is implementing large number of schemes to bring the PwDs to main stream of life.

4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Conducted several training sessions, awareness campaigns and promotion materials to fulfill these aspects.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Yes, necessary steps taken to provide Persons with disabilities access to a range of n house residential and community support services.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Conducted several training sessions to create awareness among the Police personnel and field level officials to create awareness about the Rights of PwDs and conducted several campaigns and promotion materials to full fill these aspects across the State.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Conducted several training sessions; awareness campaigns and promotion materials among the general public as well as Govt. officials about the provisions of RPwD Act -2016 to this effect to minimize the violation and exploitation.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Sensitization training related to development of attitude and behavioral changes, way of treatment to inculcate / follow by crew members with PwDs and other humanitarian trainings are conducted. A total number of 1959 employees have been trained on sensitization. During this Covid 19 pandemic, PwDs who visited Composite Regional Rehabilitation Centre to receive clinical services were provided masks to safeguard themselves. Encouraged active participation of PwDs in these efforts.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Yes, Counselling and encouraged parents\ carers to support their children with disability by keeping them within their home itself.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Priority Desk: Priority desk is set up at registration and OPDs in all hospitals and public places. PwDs need not stand in the queue to seek the services along with others. Posters/ charts are displayed. Handouts/ other information is provided to all in majority of public places.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	Information has been provided through Electronic Media and newspapers about the provisions of reasonable facilities for PwDs in all booths. All booths are provided with accessible facilities for people with disability to enable them to vote independently.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Government of Karnataka vide notification No: OE 124 PPE 2019 Date: 23-10-2019, has designated 32 Special Courts and Public Prosecutors for conducting the cases of PwDs in all districts Courts of the state.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	The Government of Karnataka has designated 32 Special Courts as per section 84 & 85 of RPwD Act 2016. These Special Courts will enable the legal services to protect the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. These Special Courts will ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy Right to legal services on an equal basis with others along with right to inherit property.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Government of Karnataka vide State Rules No.WCD-209 PHP 2017 (Part-2), Dated: 30-09-2019 has issued concept of limited guardianship.

15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	<p>Since inception (Mar -2017), CRC has conducted 95 training programs for parents and community members by providing awareness and sensitization to 5922 persons. In addition Medico social workers are creating awareness in field practice areas.</p> <p>Employees State Insurance Corporation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Total 70475 persons screened from 0- 18 years and 19 years onwards. 2) Total 1090 persons got mobility aids. 3) Counselling done to 935 beneficiaries. 4) Total 1868 persons participated in Rehabilitation Training. <p>ESIC facilities are provided under their department Schemes.</p>
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Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	<p>Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs) & Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16</p>	<p>During the year 2020-21, following programmes implemented towards inclusion education to CWDs to promote the education of children with disability.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Escort allowance to students with cerebral palsy visual impairment (blindness) disability and muscular dystrophy disability has been given to the parents / guardians of CWDs with severe disabilities. 2. Transport allowances to students with locomotor, cerebral palsy intellectual disability and muscular dystrophy disability has been given to the CWSN to come to attend the regular classes. 3. 204 school readiness centres have been established at block level to give therapy services to needy CWSN children. Physiotherapy was provided to needy children at home covered through Home Based Education and also to CWSN who were enrolled in regular schools at SRP center. 4. Physiotherapists services have been hired at block level. A total of 204 [jusoptjera[osts are jored as therapists with work and honorarium. 5. Stipend of Rs. 200/- grven to girls with special needs to promote girls education. 6. Reader allowance of Rs. 200/pm for IO months is given to children with visual impairment. 7. 816 block inclusive education resource teachers (BIERTs) are appointed for teaching CWSN children. Qualified teachers are recruited as BIERTs from the Government and vacant posts are filled through contract basis.
18	<p>Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.</p>	<p>Samagra Shikshana: 81014 students have been enrolled from class 1 to 10. Elementary class rooms – 709476 Secondary class rooms - 101144 Higher Secondary Class Rooms - 40739 Schools with toilets for CWSN - 11520 CWSN toilet units - 44740 Ramps - 25816</p>

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	<p>ESIC, Bangalore (Rajajinagar); All the buildings are accessible for CwDs, accessible toilets, ramps and railings, lifts are available in hospital and college buildings and also providing Medical/Technical education and opportunities for PwDs.</p> <p>Provided support as per the needs and requests received.</p>																				

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	50% fees exemption is given during training programmes. 5% reservation is earmarked in each scheme by all Departments in the State. In every District, one officer has been nominated to Co-ordinate all the matter related to training programmes.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	Necessary circulars and guidelines were issued and in some instances suo motto cases were registered by the State Commissioner for ensuring justice.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Yes, all the Govt. and private establishments are sensitized, training and round table consultations were held to full fill the mandatory requirement. The office of the State Commissioner for RPwD Act. is in the process to speed up the implementation of Equal opportunity policy in the state.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Yes, This is being enforced in the state.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Yes, Most of the Departments have appointed Grievance Redressal Officer for PwDs and District Level Committee reviews the progress periodically.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	<p>RBSK: Total 13 DEIC's are established in the State of Karnataka. 1) 47834 persons are screened from 0- 18 years and 0-19 years onwards. 2) Total 20 district level facilities are established with audiologist's. 03 posts of audiologists are under recruitment process at district level. 3) 10 district level facilities are approved for new centers for the year 2020-21. 4) Total 2,496 ear surgeries performed. 5) Total 14,228 persons referred for rehabilitation services, out of which 5,816 beneficiaries are fitted with Hearing Aids during the FY 2019-20. 6) Total 162 children are identified who need cochlear implant surgeries. NPPCD: As per the programme guidelines, 07 levels of training were conducted in 12 districts during the FY 2016-17. In the remaining 18 districts training will be conducted during the year 2020-21. 8) Medical and Surgery Cases under RBSK for the FY 2019-20 is 247529 and 2569 respectively. 9) Total 86220 free spectacles are provided to children for the FY 2019-20. 10) Total 51 staffs participated in Rehabilitation Training.</p> <p>NPPCD Audiogram faculty are available in hospitals. Total audiogram done 1286 and impedance audiology -326</p> <p>In Gangavathi and Kushtagi new centres to be established and therapies done in 10 sessions & issued 85 hearing aids. In Gangavathi, Kushtagi, Koppal total 70 children need cochlear implant surgeries.</p> <p>NLEP: 1. There are 12527633 (District wise details) persons screened from 0-18 years and 0-19 onwards. 2. There are 34528886 (District wise details) persons screened from >18 years and 19 onwards. a) MCR footwear distributed to 5652 beneficiaries. b) Self-Care kit distributed to 1802 beneficiaries. c) Reconstructive surgeries done to 64 beneficiaries. 68 Persons have landed up in Gr II Deformity due to Leprosy. MO's- 1356 Health Supervisor 1564 ASHA - 18461</p> <p>NMH\DMHP: 1) Total 58297 persons were screened from 0-18 years and above 19 year in Public Health Institutions.</p>

		<p>2) Total 10,55,432 persons are benefitted through Psychologist/ Psychiatrist/ Counselors and other Support staff in the State for mentally ill persons.</p> <p>3) Mental Health Training and Sensitization- 58027.</p> <p>4) Total 1,78,565 PwDs helped to get UDID cards.</p> <p>NTEP: Total 10347 persons screened from 0-18 years. Total 14766 persons screened above 19 years.</p> <p>Total 6102 = Junior Health assistant M/F (ANMs), Anganawadi Supervisor (AWW Supervisor) and Child Development project Officers (CDPO).</p> <p>ESIC:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Total 70475 persons were screened from 0- 18 years and 19 years onwards. 2) Total 100 surgeries are conducted. 3) Total 6 Reconstructive surgery was conducted. 4) Total 1090 persons got mobility aids. 5) Total 3 children are identified who are benefitted with cochlear implant surgeries 6) Total 61 children are identified who are benefitted by Bera Test 7) Hemophilia-10 Thalesemia-9 Sickel Cell- 1 8) Physiotherapy done to 1106 beneficiaries. 9) Counselling done to 935 beneficiaries. 10) Total 1868 persons participated in Rehabilitation Training.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Insurance facility is provided under Niramaya scheme.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	The State of Karnataka has set up a special home called 'Manasa Kendra' to care for mentally ill persons as per the direction of the Karnataka High Court[13]. These Homes are set up in five districts in Karnataka, namely, Bangalore, Belgaum, Bellary, Raichur and Shimoga. Meeting with District Disabled Welfare Officers are conducted and given orientation about disability Act on 30-09-2019.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Presently the State is working with NIMHANS Bangalore, All India Institute of speech and Hearing-AIISH, Mysore and Composite Regional Center-CRC, Davanagere and host of NGOs for these purpose.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	Transport The Sate of Karnataka periodically has also issued other kinds of benefits to PwDs such as free bus passes, special disability awards, promotion of cultural activities and sports. With a view to make public transport accessible to persons with disabilities free bus passes are granted to blind persons in all the KSRTC and BMTC buses. This facility was recently extended to the Volvo buses run by the State. Persons with disability other than visual impairment are eligible to receive bus passes at a concessional rate. The State also provides for the issuance of an original identity card as proof of their disability. This ID card can be utilized for obtaining:

		Free bus pass, Concessional rate of train fare, Concessional rate of airfare, Income tax Exemption, Special Government Schemes, Preferential allotment of sites under Rajiv Gandhi Swarna Rojgar Yojana. Housing For the issuance of this ID card, a Medical Board capable of issuing such a certificate is constituted at every District and Taluk Level. Distributed hearing aids, TLM Kits at camps.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	All Paralympic sports disciplines are operational in the State of Karnataka. 1) Total 3111 persons are playing National Level sports and got 277 medals/ laurels during the FY 2019-20. 2) Total 182 persons are playing International Level sports and got 24 medals/ laurels during the FY 2019-20. 3) Total 110 persons are playing in Olympic/ World meet and got 6 medals/ laurels during the FY 2019-20. 4) One PwD got award for National sports to the state sports PwDs.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Please refer Sl. No 17 & 18 for information.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Notification Number ED 18 vividha 2019 dated: 16-02-2019, it is suggested that all Government and grant in- aid educational institutions, Department of Higher Education and Universities offer a minimum of 5 percent reservation for persons with disabilities and a five-year concession in the age for educational entry. Notification is issued to reserve at least 5% seats for PwDs in all aided and un-aided Educational Institutions.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	The posts to be filled by Persons with Disability shall be identified by the Committee of experts headed by the Secretary to Government, Women and Child Development Department and the members as notified by the Government from time to time.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%.	Govt. of Karnataka has issued Notification No: DPAR 149 SRR 2020 dated: 25-09-2020 to reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. The horizontal reservation provided to persons with disabilities in Karnataka is on a 20-point roster scale wherein points 4, 44, 64 and 84 in Groups 'A' and 'B' are reserved for persons with disabilities with point 4 reserved for the visually impaired, point 44 for the hearing impaired and point 84 for persons with orthopedic and other disabilities. F

	iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	or Groups 'C' and 'D' reservation is provided to persons with disabilities at roaster points 4, 24, 44, 64, and 84 with point 4 and 24 reserved for persons with Visual Impairment, point 44 for Hearing Impairment, point 64 for orthopedically handicapped persons and point 84 for other types of disability.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Yes, Steps are taken to evolve specific schemes.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Yes, All the Departments are notifying vacancies to Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC). Presently we are conducting sensitization programmes to various establishments so that they can voluntarily comply on this. NGOs facilitate employment in private establishments.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5%. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation; A total of 11 Physically challenged persons are facilitated with setting up of Business/ Enterprise. In the area of housing, RDPR has issue circular No RDPR 223 ZP 2018 Dated: 28-05-2019 and Dept. of Urban Development has issued circular No: UDD 25 PNG 2018 Dated: 07-06-2019 directing the Karnataka Housing Board to provide for a 3% reservation for persons with disabilities in all housing schemes initiated for the poor, impoverished, slum dwellers and economically weaker sections of the society. The reservation includes housing schemes such as Ashraya, Grama Navagrama, and the Rajiv Gandhi Village Housing Scheme. The reservation for PwDs in the Navagrama Scheme and Ambedkar Housing Scheme for the homeless has been increased to 5% for persons with disabilities.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	----

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	In the year 2019-20 there are 11262 complaints received and Total 11262 complaints are disposed off. 1) Administrative Training Institutions conducted awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to create awareness among officers about RPwD Act 2016

		2) MESCOM has training programs of various kinds, necessary information /training was given to PH candidates. BMTC- Two awareness campaigns and sensitization programs have been conducted.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	Yes, Harmonized Guidelines issued by Government of India is being followed in Karnataka.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	Yes, Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation 1. 113 buses which have low floor have been provided within built ramps. 2. In order to facilitate easy entry and exit of passengers with limited mobility to buses having high floor, wheel chairs and portable ramps have been provided in major and taluk level bus stands. Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation – Ramps are provided in 1127 buses for the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs. During the year 2019 -20 total 73.00 lakh funds received from GOI towards accessible India Campaign and funds are yet to be utilized Necessary allowances as per the State Government norms have been provided. Total 19 existing establishments were upgraded with standards of accessibility norms. Total 19 essential services such as all primary health centers, civil hospitals, schools, railway stations and bus stops were provided with space. 6603 Buses are ITS enabled having audio alert system where announcement of bus stops is made both in English and Kannada on geographical location during operation along with in-bus LED display
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	Wide IEC activities with respect to the concerned programs (National Mental Health Program, National Leprosy Eradication Program, Revised National TB Control Program, National Deafness Control Program, National Blindness Control Program, National Fluorosis Control Program, National Iodine Deficiency Control Program) are done through audio, print and electronic media. As and when requests are received, the necessary equipments are provided.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Yes, Provides as per the rules of State Government.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation a) Facilities provided for PwDs in all 36 buildings of BMTC. b) BMTC has been initiatives to make all its buildings PwD friendly. Following additional facilities are proposed in the TTMCs buildings under “Accessible India Campaign” of Central Govt. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tactile flooring • Dedicated parking • PwD's friendly reception counter • Information Boards • Accessibility to cafeteria
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Yes, All the newly constructed buildings, government run guest houses, important historical places are accessible for PwDs with accessible toilets, ramps, railings and lifts available in all the major buildings.

46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	This is being followed			
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	At present there is 02 special teacher's training centres which is imparting Diploma in special education in visual impairment and Diploma in Special Education speech and hearing is being conducted at Mysore. There are 06 private training centers which are providing special education through non-Governmental organizations.			
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	1	Schemes	Funds allocated in lakhs	No. of Beneficiaries
		2	Scholarships; educational	596.00	21973
		3	Marriage incentives	463.50	927
		4	Disability Pensions	106018.44	934957
		5	Unemployment Allowance	0.60	4
		6	Aids and appliances	175.41	4734
		7	Grant in Aid to Voluntary Organizations	5257.55	9810

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response			
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	District Disabled Welfare Officers of Department for the Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens are the competent authorities to undertake the joint inspection of the institutions and issue the registration certificate in the State of Karnataka. The District Disabled Welfare Officer shall be the competent authority for the purpose of Chapter IX of the Act.			
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	1	Grant -in-aid to NGOs institutions	1676.00 lakhs	176 NGOs

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response		
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	Government of Karnataka vide notification No: WCD 70 PHP 2017 Dated: 13-03-2018 has constituted State Advisory Committee as per section 66. Virtual meeting of State Advisory Committee has also been conducted on 17-07-2020		
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	Yes, Government of Karnataka vide notification No- WCD 145 PHP 2019, Dated: 22-10-2019 has issued to constitute District level Committee on disability as per under section 72 and the District Level Committees are functional in all Districts.		

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response				
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p>	<p>Independent State Commissioner has been appointed by the Govt. of Karnataka to implement the RPwD Act 2016. Shri. V.S. Basavaraju, State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, No-55, KSDB Building, Risaldhar Street, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore Ph: 080-23462625 (What's-app No is- 9980489994) E-mail scdkarnataka@gmail.com</p> <p>ii) Government of Karnataka vide notification No:WCD 182 PHP 2018, Dated: 28-12-2018 has issued to formulate Commissioner's Advisory to assist the Sate Commissioner as per under section 79(ii).</p> <p>iii) Assistant Commissioner- 01 Section Officer-01 Stenographer -02 FDA -02 SDA -02 Typist -0 I Driver -0l Group D-03</p> <p>iv)</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="727 1031 1239 1104"> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Grant –in-aid to NGO institutions</td> <td>1676.00 lakhs</td> <td>176 NGOs</td> </tr> </table> <p>v) Inspections conducted for past three years by the office of the State Commissioner.</p> <p>1) 2017-18 - 15, 2) 2018-19 - 25 3) 2019 -20 - 40 4) 2020-21 - 12 (due to covid-19 not able to cover the state)</p> <p>Regular Training, Workshops, Meetings are conducted both at the State and District level to sensitize officials on the provisions of RPwD Act 2016.</p> <p>vii) 83 Cases are handled as per section 79 of the RPwD Act during last financial year</p> <p>There are 2817 complaints filed before office of the State Commissioner.</p> <p>There are 02 cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (Suo Motto). (22 New cases + 36 old cases) total 58 19 cases disposed off with directions and positive outcome. 39 cases are pending. Three years Annul Reports (recommendations) has been prepared and submitted before the Legislature.</p> <p>Yes,</p> <p>Annual Report of this office is being published annually and laid before the State Legislature through proper channel</p>	1	Grant –in-aid to NGO institutions	1676.00 lakhs	176 NGOs
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Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Yes, Government of Karnataka vide notification No:OE 124 PPE 2019 Dated: 23-10-2019, has issued to designated Special Public Prosecutor for the hearing of cases of PwDs in all District Courts of the State.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Yes, As per section 40 of the Karnataka State Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019, Special Public Prosecutor has been appointed.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Not yet

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	Nil
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act- Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	Nil

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	The Department of Women and Child Development and Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens has issued Notification No; WCD 209 PHP 2017 (Part-2) Date: 30-08-2019 notifying the Karnataka State Rules for implementing the RPwD Act-2016.

9.17 KERALA

NOT SUBMITTED

9.18 LAKSHADWEEP**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	Yes

4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Yes
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Yes
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Yes
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Yes
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Yes
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	No
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Yes
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	Yes
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Yes
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Yes
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Yes
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Yes

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs)	Yes
17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The all children with Disabilities admitted without any discrimination and also provide education and opportunities for sports and recreation activities equally with others. ii) That almost all institutions have been provided with ramps and other emergency access for facilitating the Divyangjan. iii) It is provided reasonable accommodation according to the individual's requirements. iv) Every School has an appointment for a special education teacher in order to give them all the support they need. v) The Sign Language has not yet taken effect in this UT.

18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Yes
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Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	Yes. The matter to be examined with ITI Principal, Kavaratti for taking necessary action
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	Yes. The department of SWTA has already issued an matter to be examined with ITI Principal, Kavaratti for taking necessary action. The department of SWTA has already issued an Equal Opportunity Policy.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Yes
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Yes
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Yes. The SWTA Department issue of the Circular is with the approval of the Secretary (SWTA), vide letter No.14/11/2018-SWTA/704 Dated 25/9/2018, all Departments/ Establishments/Institutions under the Lakshadweep Administration are to appoint a Nodal Officer in their respective establishments.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Yes. The Lakshadweep Govt has almost implements the RPwD Act 2016 regarding social security measures for Persons with Disabilities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The U.T. of Lakshadweep Administration has already provided disability pension to all categories of Divyangjan persons except PwDs Govt. employees. The department of Social Welfare and Tribal Affairs has conducted "SMART UTSAV" for PwDs from 2017 to up lift the confidence in their to deal with physical and emotional difficulties. The Department appointed one each MRW (Multiple Rehabilitation worker) in all Islands of Lakshadweep for the Welfare of PwDs The Department has also appointed Nodal Officer to see the grievance of PwDs in all Departments under the UT Administration and also appointed as Island wise Liaison Officers for the welfare of Divyangjan.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Yes. The UTLA has already distributed the Health Insurance cards for all non-government employees.

27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Yes
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Yes
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	Yes
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	Yes. Department of Sports and Youth Affairs of Lakshadweep is taking care of Divyangjan also sports field.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Yes
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Yes
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Yes
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	The UT Administration issued the notification for increasing the reservation quota from 3% to 4%.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs	The Direction already passed to concerned department to 5% reservation in contract appointment of all developmental schemes.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Yes

37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	Yes
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Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	Yes

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Yes
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	Yes
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	Yes
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	No
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Yes
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Yes
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Yes
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Yes
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Yes
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Yes

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Yes
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	Yes

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	Yes, the U.T Administration has already been constituted the State Advisory Board on PwDs in the approval of Hon'ble Administrator. The first meeting was held on 24th December 2019.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	Yes. In this UT having only one District. So need shall constitute for District level committee.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile , Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p>	<p>At present there is no Independent State commissioner in this UT. The Director SWTA is holding additional charge of the State Commissioner of Divyangjan. Shri Lekh Raj. DANICA Office Address: Office of the State Commissioner for PwDs. UT of Lakshadweep, Kavaratti. 682555. Mob.No: 9687823230 Office No: 04896262517 Email ID: lk-dsrv@nic.in</p> <p>ii) This tiniest UT's has submitted a proposal for sanction of 11 Nos of various posts for Strengthening of office of State Commissioner for Disabilities vide this Administration's letter No. 14/3/2015-SWTA dated 22/4/2016 and subsequent reminders dated 29/11/2016, 7/2/2017, 8/9/2017, 26/2/2018 and 17/9/2018 has not been materialized so far.</p> <p>iii) Nil</p> <p>iv) ----</p> <p>v) Yes.</p>

vi) Summary for initiatives taken by the State/Uts for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:	vi) The Department has initiated all effort to implementing RPwDs Act,2016 in its right way.
vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:	----
a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:	----
b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):	----
c) Total number of cases:	----
d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:	----
e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	----
f) Number of cases pending:	----

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	The UT Administration has designated the Hon'ble Court of District and Sessions at Kavaratti as the Special Court for speedy trial for their case vide letter F.No. 14/8/2018 with the approval of Hon'ble High Court of Kerala.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	The UT Administration has designated the Hon'ble Court of District and Sessions at Kavaratti to designate the Public Prosecutor of the Lakshadweep Administration as the Special Public Prosecutor vide letter F.No. 14/8/2018 dated 31/10/2019 with the approval of Hon'ble High Court of Kerala.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Most of the funds in the Social Welfare Department are allocated for the empowerment of Divyangjan. However, proposal to create State fund for Divyangians being initiated.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	Yes
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act- Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	Yes

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	In terms of Section 101 of the Act the UT Administration has already framed and published the Rules for RPwDs the videnotification F.No. 27 13/2017 -SWTA dated 22/11/2017 and Published Rules for RPwDs Act, 2016, in Lakshadweep Gazette.

9.19 MADHYA PRADESH

Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	Instructions are given to all the departments of the State to take the necessary actions regarding this and further to this a reminder via letter number 149, dated 11.05.2020 has also been circulated to all the departments of the state to take the needful information as soon as possible.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Instructions are given to concern department (Women and children developemnt) by Letter no. 319, dated 28.08.2018 to take the necessary actions as per the RPWD act 2016.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Instructions are given to all the departments of the State by Letter no. 142, dated 22.03.2018 to take the necessary actions as per the RPWD act 2016.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	As per the instructions given by Letter no 139, dated 13.08.2018, Police department has issues necessary instructions to different sections under Police department to take the necessary actions as per the RPWD act 2016. For effective implementation of this section of the Act Revenue Department have issues necessary instructions to all the commissioners and Collectors of the State via letter number 8658, dated 20.12.2018 For effective implementation of this section of the Act Social justice and disabled welfare department has formed a research committee via order number F -7/2017/26-2, dated 23.04.2018. Further to this a reminder via letter number 149, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to all the departments of the states to take the needful information's as soon as possible.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	As per the instructions given by Letter no 139, dated 13.08.2018, Police department has issues necessary instructions to different sections under Police department to take the necessary actions as per the RPWD act 2016.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	During Covid 19, letter number 1627, dated 19 April 2021, was issued to ensure compliance of the National Disaster Management Comprehensive Disability Inclusive Guidelines for the safety and security of persons with disabilities.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	-----

10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Instructions are given to all the departments of the State by Letter no. 142, dated 22.03.2018 to take the necessary actions as per the RPWD act 2016.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act Social justice and disabled welfare department has issues instructions to all Collectors of the State via order number f-2/2018/1201/26-2, dated 27.08.2018. For effective implementation of this section of the Act Chief Election Commissioner has issues necessary instructions to all the concern departments of the State via order number 10934, dated 7.9.2018 For effective implementation of this section of the Act all the necessary facilities were provided by State government.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Instructions are given to all the departments of the State by Letter no. 142, dated 22.03.2018 to take the necessary actions as per the RPWD Act 2016. For effective implementation of this section of the Act Directorate Social Justice and Disabled Welfare has issued letter number 297, dated 28.8.2018 to Law department. Further to this a reminder via letter number 137, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to law department to take necessary action regarding this as soon s possible.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Social Justice and Disabled Welfare Department have issued necessary instruction to all districts Collector of the State via letter number 314, dated 20.02.2018. Further to this a reminder via letter number 137, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to law department to take necessary action regarding this as soon as possible.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	do-
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Social Justice and Disabled Welfare Department has appointed Nodal officer for disseminating collective participation, social awareness and legal right amongst PWD's via order dated 10.04.2018.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken towards Inclusive Education to Children with Disabilities (CWDs). Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for the purpose of Section 16	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For effective implementating of this section of the Act School Education Department has issues necessary instructions to all districts Collectors of the state via letter number 6120, dated 22.09.2018. 2. For effective implementating of this section of the Act Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan has appointed "District Education Officer" as a nodel officer via order number 1829, dated 3.11.2018. 3. For effective implementating of this section of the Act School Education Department has issues necessary instructions to all districts Collectors of the state via letter number 6120, dated 22.09.2018.

18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act Social Justice and Disabled Welfare Department has issued necessary instructions to School Education Department via letter number 1528-162, dated 22.11.2018. Further to this a reminder via letter number 135, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to school education department to take necessary action regarding this as soon as possible.
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Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act Social Justice and Disabled Welfare Department has issued necessary instructions to Technical Education Department via letter number 1532-162, dated 22.11.2018.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act Revenue Department have issues necessary instructions to all the Commissioners and Collectors of the State via letter number 8658, dated 20.12.2018. For effective implementation of this section of the Act necessary instructions were issue to all the Departments via letter number 142, dated 22.03.2018. Further to this a reminder via letter number 149, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to all the departments of the state to take the needful information as soon as possible.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Yes.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Yes.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act Law department, Jan Abhiyan Parishad, Statistical Department, Social Justice Department, Parliamentary Affairs Departments, Tribal Department, Measurement units standards and services, power generating company limited, chief engineer technical, institutional finance department etc has appointed redressal officer in their respective department. Further to this a reminder via letter number 149, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to all the departments of the state to take the needful information as soon as possible.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act different schemes are running successful by the Department. For effective implementation of this section of the Act Revenue Department have issues necessary instructions to all the Commissioners and Collectors of the State via letter number 8658, dated 20.12.2018. Further to this a reminder via letter number 149, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to all the departments of the state to take the needful information as soon as possible. Report of Actions taken by the concern department for effective implementation of this section of the Act is sent to Social Justice Department via letter number 739, dated 05.05.2018

26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Instructions are given to HOD's of all the departments of the State by Letter no. 323, dated 28.08.2018 to take the necessary actions in this subject as per the RPWD act 2016 and also several group schemes are running for person with disabilities.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	In ordinance for this section of the Act, All the districts have Deen dayal rehalabitation centres, we have 20 government institutes , 38 Ngo's running from Budget, 26 Ngo's running from (Nirashit Nidhi), 30 Ngo's running from Central grant, Different schemes like Mukhya Mantri Aarthik sahayta Yojana, Swarojgaar yojana are running for effective implementatoin of this section of the Act, also report of work done by Panchayat Gramin Vikas is given via letter no. 7263, dated 29.09.2018. Further to this a letter number 147, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to Industry, policy and investment departments of the state to take the needful information as soon as possible.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Instructions are given to all the departments of the State by Letter no. 142, dated 22.03.2018 to take the necessary actions as per the RPWD act 2016.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	Report of action taken by concern department is given via letter no. 2165, dated 07.09.2018.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	Instructions are given to Sports and youth welfare department via letter number 226, dated 04.07.2018 to take necessary actions in this specific subject according to the provisions of RPWD act 2016 for effective implementation of this section of the Act.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act necessary instructions are given by Rajya Shiksha Kendra to all district collectors via letter no. 6120, dated 22.09.2018. For effective implementation of this section of the Act necessary actions are taken by general administrative department via orders dated 03.07.2018. Further to this a reminder via letter number 135, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to School Education Department to take necessary action regarding this as soon as possible.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	For effective implementatoin of this section of the Act State has reserved 5 percent seats for person with disabilities.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	For effective implementatoin of this section of the Act necessary actions were taken by concern departments and the notification was released, details of the notification are as follows - 1. Social justice and disabled welfare department notification dated 09.10.2018. 2. Education Department notification dated 28.04.2018 3. Aayush Department notification dated 17.06.2019 4. Labour department notification dated 10.01.2019 5. Law and order department notification dated 26.07.2019

		<p>6. General Administration department notification dated 01.06.2019</p> <p>7. Planning and strategy department notification dated 22.07.2019</p> <p>8. Revenue department notification dated 26.07.2019</p> <p>9. Public relation department notification dated 22.07.2019</p> <p>10. Technical, skill development and employment department notification dated 26.07.2019</p> <p>11. Forest department notification dated 26.07.2019</p> <p>12. Farmer welfare and agriculture development notification dated 26.07.2019</p> <p>13. Environmental development notification dated 28.12.2018</p> <p>14. Cooperative department notification dated 22.07.2019</p> <p>15. Energy department notification dated 14.10.2019</p> <p>16. Panchayat and rural development department notification dated 14.10.2019</p> <p>17. Urban Administration and Development department notification dated 14.10.2019</p> <p>18. Department of Commercial Tax notification dated 20.10.2019</p> <p>19. Department of Industry Policy and Investment Promotion notification dated 20.12.2019</p> <p>20. Department of Health and Family Welfare notification dated 20.12.2019</p> <p>21. Department of Food and Civil Supplies notification dated 20.12.2019</p> <p>22. Public Health Engineering department notification dated 20.12.2019 Further to this a reminder via letter number 149, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to all the departments of the state to take the needful information as soon as possible.</p>
34	<p>1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs.</p> <p>i) Blindness and low vision – 1%</p> <p>ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%.</p> <p>iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%.</p> <p>2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.</p>	<p>Madhya Pradesh Government General Administration Department Reservation Cell's order number F8/4/2001/Ap/A (Part), dated 03/07/2018, there is a reservation of 6 percent for Divyangjan in short recruitment.</p>
35	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.</p>	<p>Necessary actions have been taken in this specific subject and Industrial Department have created a policy regarding this specific subject via order number f 16-18/2018/a/11, dated 28.08.2018.</p>
36	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.</p>	<p>Instructions are given to departments, of the State by Letter no. f/8/4/2001/a.pra./1/(part) dated 03.07.2018 to take the necessary required actions in this subject as per the RPWD act 2016 and letter send to janshaktiniyog on No.1529-162, Dated 22.11.2018</p>

37	<p>Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:-</p> <p>i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%.</p> <p>ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.</p> <p>iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.</p>	<p>Instructions are given to HOD's of all the departments of the State by Letter no. 323, dated 28.08.2018 to take the necessary actions in this subject as per the RPWD act 2016.</p> <p>2. For effective implementation of this section of the Act Revenue Department have issues necessary instructions to all the commissioners and Collectors of the State via letter number 8658, dated 20.12.2018.</p> <p>3. Further to this a reminder via letter number 149, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to all the departments of the state to take the needful information as soon as possible.</p>
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Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	For effective implimentating of this section of the act rectified rules has came into force on 20.10.2018.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	State level workshop, divisional level workshop in collaboration with various Ngo's was organized and awareness camps are been organized.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act, 981 buses are made barrier free and seats are reserved for person with disabilities and also necessary instructions were given to corporate companies like Ola and Uber by transporation department via letter dated 04.07.2018. Further to this a letter number 147, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to Industry, policy and investment departments of the state to take the needful information as soon as possible
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	Transport department have made amendment on their notification dated 24.11.2016 and 50% rebate has been announced for person with disabilities while travelling through bus.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	In ordinance for effective implementation of this section of the Act 28 websites are already made accessible to person with disabilities. Further to this a letter number 147, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to Industry, policy and investment departments of the state to take the needful information as soon as possible.

43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	MPMSME Department have taken necessary actions in this specific subject and created a new revised scheme via order number 216, dated 04.07.2018
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	In ordinance for effective implementating of this section of the Act it is made mandatory that all the public buildings has to be barrier free for person with disabilities.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act Social justice and disabled welfare department has written letter no. 1526, dated 22.11.2018 to concern department to take necessary actions . We already have made 60413 district level building barrier free.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	For effective implementation of this section of the Act Social justice and disabled welfare department has written letter no. 1526, dated 22.11.2018 to concern department to take necessary actions . We already have made 60413 district level building barrier free. Further to this a reminder via letter number 135, dated 11.5.2020 has also been circulated to School Education Department to take necessary action regarding this as soon as possible.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	In ordinance for effective implementation of this section of the Act various RCI registered courses are run by NGO's
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	In ordinance for effective implementation of this section of the Act various schemes are running at district level and regularly social audit is processed by AGMP department.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Instruction issued dated 12.11.2018
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	In ordinance for effective implementation of this section of the Act Instruction issued on dated 12.11.2018 & Instruction given to all district Collector,Ceo,Joint /Deputy Director Social Justice & Disabled persons regarding Registration,grant and appalled of institution on dated 07.04.2018. No actions has to be taken. In ordinance for effective implementation of this section of the Act 38 Ngo's are receiving 100 percent grant from State government , 26 other Ngo's and 27 Den Dayal rehabilitation centres are receiving grants from Nirashit Nidhi fund.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	In ordinance for effective implementating of this section of the Act State Advisory Board has been consituted on dated 19.04.2018
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	In ordinance for effective implementating of this section of the Act District-level Committee on disability is already formed.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/Uts for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains field by the complaints before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p> <p>gi) Details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature: Year :- Status of Preparation:- laying it before State Legislature:</p>	<p>Shri Sandeep Rajak Commissioner Disability Madhya Pradesh, Community Hall, New Market, T.T.Nagar, Bhopal. Mobile Number 9425139344 Office Telephone Number, 0755-2773008 Email: comm-pwds@mp.gov.in</p> <p>No</p> <p>Shri Sandeep Razak, Commissioiner Shri Sunil Sharma, Assistant Director Smt. Bharti Pantawne, Assistant Grade 2 Shri Bhagwan Das Raikwar, Grade 3 Kumari Karuna Nashine, Grade 3 Shri Mangleshwar Adyalkar, Grade 3 Shri Hargovind Rajak, Grade 3 Shri Abhijeet Singh, Grade 3 Shri Arun Kumar Tiwari, and Shri Pawan, Peon</p> <p>State aided institution 38, grant/aided institution 26 from district destitute fund, information about total supply amount is not available.</p> <p>Year 2018-19 Number of total inspections-33 Year 2019-20 Number of total inspections-76 Year 2020-21 Number of total inspections-27</p> <p>—</p> <p>02</p> <p>188</p> <p>55</p> <p>133</p> <p>2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21</p> <p>2020-21 is in process</p>

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	As per the section 84 of the Act special courts has already notified, M.P. State law & Legislative affairs Department has appointed By Notification No. 17(E)47/2017/21-B(i) 4896/2017 Dated 08/12/2017 special public prosecutor, by Dy Director General/District prosecution officer/internal District prosecution officer in every session for the conduct of pitch cases and law department has issued a order dated 07.09.2018 for appointment of Special Public Prosecuter.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Yes.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	State fund with Rs 25 crores has also been constituted for welfare and rehabilitation of PWDs Via order number 4-7/2017/26-2 dated 20.04.2018

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st Violation and for subsequent Violation and for subsequent Violation Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lacks.	---
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lack.	----

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	YES, Rules have been enacted dated 25 January 2018.

9.19 MAHARASHTRA**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	That, vide Government Resolution dated 20.02.2019, the policy named “MAHARSHRA STATE POLICY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITY-2018” has been framed and it has come into force w.e.f. 20.02.2019. (Hereinafter called as “The State Policy.”) The State Policy demarcates equality, non-discrimination, non-deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.

4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	That, vide Government Resolution dated 20.02.2019, the policy named “MAHARSHRA STATE POLICY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITY-2018” has been framed and it has come into force w.e.f. 20.02.2019.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	As regards Section 4 and 5 of the Act, 2016, the measures to be taken are embedded in the said State Policy, conferring equal rights to women with disabilities with others in the following manner :- a) The State Government and the local authorities shall endeavor to protect and safeguard women and children with disabilities from desertion, neglect, inhuman treatment. b) The State will provide additional pre-natal and post-natal leave to women employees with disabilities along with necessary facilities. c) The State will endeavor to give preference to register complaint at police stations to women with disabilities, arising out of atrocities at work place and in families against insult, harassment, misbehavior, sexual assault, abuse, violence, exploitation, etc. Moreover, Women and Child Development Department has framed and launched “Women Policy 2014” & “Child Policy 2014”. After enactment of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, said department has included actions required to be taken by State government for the welfare of women with disabilities and Children with disabilities. Said inclusion took place vide Government Resolution dated 30th July, 2019.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Vide Circular dated 29.07.2019; the Home Department of the State has issued directions to all police machineries to give special treatment to PwDs, in case of abuse, violence and exploitation, etc. In furtherance thereof, the State Commissioner has also issued certain guidelines to the Director General of Police regarding Accessible Police Stations for Women and Children with Disabilities.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	As per Clause (ii) of sub section (2) of Section 6 of the Act, 2016, the State Government has constituted a Committee for Research on Disability vide Government Resolution dated 03.11.2018, to prevent inhuman treatment against PwDs in case of medical procedure.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	The State Government has prepared and enforced ‘Maharashtra State Disaster Management Plan, 2016’. In which Strengthened disability-inclusive disaster risk reduction planning and Strengthened implementation of measures on providing timely and appropriate support to persons with disabilities in responding to disasters are targeted. During the pandemic situation arisen on account of Covid-19, the State Government has taken initiatives in following manner - a) Vide letter dated 18.03.2020, the State Commissioner issued SOP for prevention of spreading said disease. b) Made available telephone / mobile numbers of experts to release their stress occurred due to Covid-19 vide letter dated 26.03.2020. c) The State Commissioner, vide letter dated 26.03.2020, has made available important contact numbers of Divisional Commissionarate, Police Commissionarate, District Superintendents of Police, Helplines, Railway, District Collectors, etc. in case of emergencies. d) Vide letter dated 26.03.2020, the State Commissioner has informed to all Divisional Revenue Commissioners to make available necessary food kits, medicines, community kitchens, etc. for persons with disabilities, who are unable to move.

		<p>e) Vide letter dated 28.03.2020, the State Commissioner has asked its subordinate officers to provide all important contact numbers to all persons with disabilities, in case of emergency.</p> <p>f) As per directions of the Central Government, the State Commissioner has appointed District Collectors as Nodal Officers, vide letter dated 28.03.2020.</p> <p>g) Vide letter dated 24.04.2020, the State Commissioner has instructed to the State Project Director, Help and Rehabilitation (Disaster Management Department), Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai to make available accessible 24 × 7 helpline with sign language and video calling facility.</p> <p>h) Vide letter dated 22.05.2020, the State Commissioner has informed to all concerned District Collectors to implement SOPs issued by the United Nations Organizations (UNO).</p> <p>i) The State Commissioner, in his dual capacity as Director of Disability Welfare as well as State Commissioner, has issued SOPs to run online classes in special schools and training centers and still it is continuing.</p> <p>j) Pune Zilla Parishad had distributed Rs. 202.28 lakhs, through direct benefit transfer, towards advanced pension for three months. The beneficiaries were 5067.</p> <p>k) The Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation, Pune had distributed Rs. 339.55 lakhs, through direct benefit transfer, towards advanced pension for three months. The beneficiaries were 2927.</p> <p>l) The Grampanchayat Walva, Dist – Sangli had paid Rs. 1000/- to each disabled person for purchase of necessary commodities.</p> <p>m) The Malegaon Corporation, Dist- Nashik had distributed Rs. 104.16 lakhs, through direct benefit transfer, towards advanced pension for three months. The beneficiaries were 868.</p> <p>n) The Chandrapur Municipal Council had distributed Rs. 06.59 lakhs, through direct benefit transfer, towards advanced pension for three months. The beneficiaries were 879.</p> <p>o) The Ichalkaranji Municipal Council, Dist- Kolhapur had distributed Rs. 08.92 lakhs, through direct benefit transfer, towards advanced pension for three months. The beneficiaries were 829.</p> <p>p) Time to time review has been taken by the State Commissioner through video conferencing, regarding financial assistance provided by local bodies.</p> <p>q) During pandemic, 12569 disabled persons have registered under MANREGA.</p> <p>r) Vide Government Resolution dated 21.04.2020 and 11.06.2020, the Government of Maharashtra had exempted all disabled employees from their compulsory office attendance.</p> <p>s) Vide Circular dated 15.06.2020, the State Commissioner has issued direction to start E-learning facilities in respective special schools and training centers.</p>
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Yes, Vide Circular dated 30.07.2019, the Women and Child Development Department of the State has issued guidelines to all concerned to take special and preventive measures for women and children with disabilities in this regard.

10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	In the said State Policy, the Government will ensure proper care of disabled women who conceive and She will deny permission for abortion without her free consent. The Government will also deny for any medical treatment to her without her free consent.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	Yes, however due to pandemic situation arose on account of Covid-19, no elections held.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	The State Policy also provides suitable support measures for persons with disabilities specially those living outside family and those disabled requiring high support for exercising legal rights. Further, vide Government Resolution dated 03.03.2018, the State Government has established eleven Special Courts in eleven Districts with suitable infrastructure for persons with disability.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Yes, Vide Circular dated 30.07.2019, issued by Revenue and Forest Department of the State provides equal status to PwDs to own or inherit the property.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Yes, It is introduced in proposed State Rules.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	In the State, there are 36 districts. In these 36 districts, Medical Social Worker and Counseling Assistants are already working for the said purpose. They are assigned duties and responsibilities in their respective districts to mobilize the community and create social awareness to support disabled persons in exercise of their legal capacity. Moreover, a separate wing in the name and style as "DISABILITY – LEGAL ADVISE AND GUIDANCE CENTRE" is functioning at each district.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	<p>Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's.</p> <p>Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16.</p>	<p>As per the said State Policy, the State will give first preference to Inclusive Education to children with special needs. The Government will also arrange programs and give training to teaching staff in all aided, unaided special school, normal schools and vocational training centers. The government will take assistance from NGO's and Parents as volunteers for the said purpose. At present, the State Government runs 850 aided and around 729 unaided special schools and training centers.</p> <p>The Government is implementing Inclusive Education Program for Children with disabilities through School Education Department in the State since 1978. This scheme is being controlled and monitored by the Director, Primary Education and the Director, Secondary Education. Presently, it has been renamed as SCHEME OF INCLUSIVE EDUCATION FOR DISABLED AT SECONDARY STAGE (APANG SAMAVESHIT YOJANA (SECONDARY LEVEL)) i.e. (IEDSS) since 2009. Under said scheme, around 20 lakhs Children with Special Needs (CWSNs) have been intervened and out of these 15 lakhs student between the age group of 06 to 14 have been admitted in the normal schools at primary level. Since, said scheme was applicable at primary level, it was necessitated to make it applicable at secondary level.</p>

		<p>Therefore, with effect from 31.08.2009 and as per the directions and policy of the Government of India, the said scheme has been made applicable at secondary level. As per the State Government Policy vide Government Resolution dated 31.08.2009, following directions have been issued under said scheme:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> This scheme will be applicable for the CWSNs above the age of 14 years. This scheme covers Secondary Inclusive Education up to standard 12. The State Government will incur expenses of Rs.3000/- per year per disabled student. Rs.200/- shall be provided to disabled girl students. Free Uniform, reading allowances for blind students, aid and appliances to be provided to severe disabled students with free of costs, free residential accommodation, special educators, and security with caretakers, etc.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes to ensure equality with others.	The State Government is implementing a scheme of adult education and continuing education programs equally with others in the State.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<p>Vide Government Resolution dated 29.07.2004, the State Government has started Special Employment and Self-employment Centers in all 36 districts. The concerned special cell enroll names and qualifications of the disabled and maintain registers in this regard and also recommend them wherever there is a vacancy.</p> <p>The State Government has started following schemes and programs for extending loans at concessional rates to facilitate vocational training & self-employment of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Financial Assistance for Rehabilitation of trained disabled. Scheme of Seed Capital – The State Government provides financial assistance up to Rs.1,50,000/- for their Small Scale Industry. Out of which Subsidy at the rate of 20 % of said total project expenses or Rs.30,000/-, whichever is higher is being provided. And rest of 80 % funds will have to be raised by the concerned disabled person from Nationalized Bank in the nature of loan. Said 80 % loan amount is being provided at prevailing rate of interest. Maharashtra State Handicapped Finance Development Corporation - Under said scheme, the Government has established “Maharashtra State Handicapped Finance Development Corporation” an undertaking, through said financial institution, following schemes are framed and functioning for the rehabilitations of persons with disabilities. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Direct Personal Loan Scheme. Fixed period Loan Scheme. Women Empowerment Scheme. Micro fund Scheme. Educational Loan. Vocational Education and Training Loan Scheme.

		<p>vii) Self-Employment Scheme for Mentally ill, Cerebral Palsy and Autism.</p> <p>viii) Scheme for Financial Assistance to the parent organization of Mentally Retarded persons.</p> <p>ix) Loan Scheme for Construction under Self-Employment.</p> <p>x) Loan Scheme for NGOs working in the field of disability.</p> <p>xi) Loan Scheme for aid and appliances for disabled persons.</p>
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	The State Government has issued various guidelines from time to time to its sub-ordinate offices. In the State Policy, said provision is also incorporated.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notifies Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	<p>The State Government has framed and brought into force a “STATE POLICY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, 2019”, vide Government Resolution dated 20.02.2019, in which, equal opportunity policy for PwDs is enshrined.</p> <p>As far as private establishments are concerned, the proposals for enrollments of Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs are receiving from them and enrollment process is being carried as per the rules framed by the Central Government vide Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017.</p>
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	The State Government has issued time to time guidelines to its every establishment for maintaining records of PWDs with their respective departments.
23	<p>Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer:</p> <p>i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer.</p> <p>ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints.</p> <p>iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.</p>	<p>Vide letter dated 31.07.2019, the Chief Secretary of the State has instructed to all Heads of Administrative Departments to appoint ‘Grievance Redressal Officer’ in their each and every establishments. The State Commissioner has also informed the same to all concerned. Almost departments and its allied offices have issued Government Resolutions, Circulars, etc. in this regard.</p>

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	<p>The State Government has already included measures for social security and healthcare in the State Policy. Pursuant to the said State Policy, various departments of State Government will formulate schemes as per prevailing procedure and rules.</p> <p>Further, the State Government runs pension scheme under National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) for disabled viz. Indira Gandhi National Disabled Pension Scheme. Those persons with disabilities, who are not covered under National Scheme, are covered under State sponsored Sanjay Gandhi Niradhar Yojana Scheme.</p>
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Since 1982, the State Government is running Group Insurance Schemes (“GIS”) for all its employees. In said scheme, all employees including employees with disabilities of the State are covered.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	<p>The State Government has started following schemes and programs for loans at concessional rates to facilitate vocational training & self-employment of PWD’s.</p> <p>a) Financial Assistance for Rehabilitation of trained disabled.</p>

		<p>b) Scheme of Seed Capital – The State Government provides financial assistance up to Rs.1,50,000/- for their Small Scale Industry. Out of which, Subsidy at the rate of 20 % of said total project expenses or Rs.30,000/-, whichever is higher is being provided. And rest of 80 % funds will have to be raised by the concerned disabled person from Nationalized Bank in the nature of loan. Said 80 % loan amount is being provided at prevailing rate of interest.</p> <p>c) Maharashtra State Handicapped Financial Development Corporation - Under said scheme, the Government has established “Maharashtra State Handicapped Financial Development Corporation” an undertaking, through said financial institution, following schemes are framed and functioning for the rehabilitations of persons with disabilities.</p> <p>i) Direct Personal Loan Scheme. ii) Fixed period Loan Scheme. iii) Women Empowerment Scheme. iv) Micro fund Scheme. v) Educational Loan. vi) Vocational Education and Training Loan Scheme. vii) Self-Employment Scheme for Mentally ill, Cerebral Palsy and Autism. viii) Scheme for Financial Assistance to the parent organization of Mentally Retarded persons. ix) Loan Scheme for Construction under Self-Employment. x) Loan Scheme for NGOs working in the field of disability. xi) Loan Scheme for aid and appliances for disabled persons.</p> <p>Local bodies in the State (urban & rural) have undertaken rehabilitation schemes for Persons with Disabilities from their own fund (5% earmarked for disabled).</p>
28	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.</p>	<p>The Government of Maharashtra through aided institutions have initiated following researches for the purpose of designing and developing new assistive devices, teaching aids, etc. as mandated under Section 28 of the PWD Act.</p> <p>a) KAMAYANI RESEARCH AND TRAINING SOCIETY PUNE.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institution has carried out a pilot study of 09 districts of State Of Maharashtra regarding status of mentally challenged in rural areas. • A study on attitude of public towards mental retardation in urban areas. • An exploratory study on the marriages of mentally challenged about their success and failure. • A follow up study on Occupational and Vocational Rehabilitation of mentally challenged adults. • An exploratory study on causes of mental retardation. • A study of behavioral patterns of mentally challenged children. • A study of personality development of elderly mentally retarded females. • A study of factors affecting the personality of Mongolian children. • A case study of response of mentally challenged children to different media of communications. • An exploratory study on the problems of elderly mentally challenged persons. • Urban slum services for the mentally challenged. • A perspective study of relationship between mentally challenged and its siblings.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study of children having speech problem. • Study on types of mentally challenged children taking admission in schools. • A socio-economic study of school dropout students. <p>b) BALKALYAN SANSTHA, PUNE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working as recreational and cultural center for differently abled children. • Inspiring number of activities such as swimming, dancing, music, art, craft, sports, indoor games, gymnastics, etc. <p>c) ETC CENTRE, RUN BY NEW MUMBAI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, MUMBAI.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing various therapies like dancing, music for individual developments of differently abled children. • Group development therapy. <p>d) DISTRICT REHABILITATION CENTRE, VIRAR, (PROJECT BY GOVT. OF MAHARASHTRA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is govt. agency working in the State of Maharashtra. • It develops various assistive devices like Jaipur Foot, Calipers and Hearing aids as per individual requirements. • It arranges various camps in all over Maharashtra with experts and provides assistive devices to the disables as per their requirements with free of costs. <p>e) CHUNOUTI PROJECT IN MDC HOMES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Commissionarate has created group of certain special schools meant Intellectual Disabled Students, for the purpose of conducting training of special educators. Accordingly, 3 batches have been formed containing special schools from various districts of the State. In view thereof, the Commissionarate has appointed Jay Vakeel Educational and Research Institute, Shivadi, Mumbai, as Nodal Agency for the purpose of online education under Disha Project. This project is State sponsored programme and it is different from Disha Project run by the Central Government. • Under the said project, an Individual Educational Plan of Intellectually disabled student is being developed through special educators. • This project is being implemented for the age group of 03 to 18 of Intellectually disabled student. • Involvement of parents of Intellectually disabled student is in said project.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	During pandemic situation, through special schools funded by the State Government, various cultural activities and training in various arts, forms for Children and persons with disabilities have been arranged online.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	During pandemic situation, as there were restrictions throughout country, State Annual Sports for the year 2020-21 have been postponed.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	<p>The State Government is providing free education to children with benchmark disability through its 850 special schools funded by the State Government. Presently, in normal schools 298439 and in special schools and workshops, 64624 students with disabilities are taking education. These children with disabilities are being provided books and uniforms and other educational material free of costs. Special schools provide free books and equipment to children with disabilities and also to children studying in inclusive education are provided through SarvaShikshaAbhiyan (SSA).</p> <p>During pandemic situation, no schools were allowed to open. However all the school authorities were running online special education for students with disabilities. The State Government has endeavored that no child with benchmark disabilities between the age group of 06 to 18 yrs shall be deprived of from the special education.</p>
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	The Government of Maharashtra through its Higher & Technical Education Department has issued Government Resolution dated 25.06.2018 reserving 5% seats to student with benchmark disabilities in higher and technical education.
33	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:-</p> <p>i) Identify posts for PwDs</p> <p>ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose.</p> <p>iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vide Government Resolution dated 02.02.2021, the Social Justice and Special Assistance Department has constituted Post Identification Experts' Committee as per mandate of RPWD Act, 2016. • Vide Office Memorandum dated 04.01.2021, issued by the Central Government in respect of Post Identification, all the State Government establishments have identified posts for PwDs. • The State Government takes periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.
34	<p>1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs.</p> <p>i) Blindness and low vision – 1%</p> <p>ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%.</p> <p>iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%.</p> <p>2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the Government Resolution dated 29.05.2019; the State Government has issued comprehensive guidelines for reservation of 4% post in government and semi-government establishments. • The State Commissioner has taken periodical review of all administrative departments through video conferencing, for the implementation of said for reservation in direct recruitment and promotion as per Act.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	For implementation of the said provision of the Act, proposal is under consideration with Industries Department of the State Government.

36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vide Government Resolution dated 29.07.2004, the State Government has started Special Employment and Self-employment centers in all 36 districts. The concerned special cell enrolls names and qualifications of the disabled persons and maintains registers in this regard. The Special Cell also recommends them wherever there is a vacancy. These centers are in force. The State Commissioner has taken periodical review of concerned administrative department of the State Government, through video conferencing, for the implementation of said provisions and asked them to provide information to concerned employment exchanges.
37	<p>Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:-</p> <p>i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%.</p> <p>ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.</p> <p>iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.</p>	<p>a) The “STATE POLICY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES” includes the said provisions. Vide Government Resolution dated 25.06.2018, the Rural Development Department and vide Government Resolution dated 10.05.2018, the Government has reserved its 5 % funds for the welfare of Disabilities in their respective local bodies.</p> <p>b) The State Commissioner has taken periodical review of concerned administrative departments of the State Government, through video conferencing, for-</p> <p>a) To give priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes -5% and issue government resolution / circular in this regard.</p> <p>b) To give priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes -5% and issue government resolution / circular in this regard.</p> <p>c) To give priority to reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, setting up of occupation, Business, enterprises, Recreation center, and Production center -5 % and issue government resolution / circular in this regard.</p>

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	The said provision has already been included in the said State Policy.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are 36 districts in the State. In these 36 districts, Medical Social Worker and Counseling Assistants are deployed for the said purpose. They are assigned duties and responsibilities in their respective districts to mobilize the community and create social awareness to support PWD's in exercise of their legal capacity. Moreover, a separate wing in the name and style as “DISABILITY – LEGAL ADVISE AND GUIDANCE CENTRE” is functioning at each district level.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vide letter dated 28.08.2020, the State Commissioner has directed all the Chief Executive officers of ZillaParishads to establish “DISABILITY – LEGAL ADVISE AND GUIDANCE CENTRE” at level of all PanchayatSamities within tahasils. 																																																				
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41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	The State Government has 75 websites have already been made accessible and the Director General of Information and Public Relations (DGIPR) of the State Government have ensured to make accessible rest of all Government websites by the end of June, 2020. But said process has been delayed due to Covid-19.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	----
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	The Commissioner of Development of Industries has issued instruction to all concerned vide letter dated 30.07.2019 to ensure development, production and distribution of universally designed products and accessories for General use of PwDs.
44	Establishment mandatorily to adhere to building norms and ensure that building designs is friendly for PwDs.	The Urban authorities, State Agencies have modified their Development Control Rules (DCR) and building bye-laws, to include accessible standards in the public buildings. Completion Certificate or Occupation Certificate of building is issued only after provision of accessibility norms.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	The Central Government has already given a target to the State Government under Accessible India Campaign (AIC) to make disabled friendly public buildings in 10 notified cities by July, 2022. The accessible work under progress.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	As per section 42 and 46 of the Act, the Government is required to ensure access of information and communication technology to PwDs. In this regard, under Accessible India Campaign (AIC), Information and Technology Department of the State has developed 75 public websites accessible. The Publicity Dept has issued Circular dated 29.07.2019 to work out all public website under accessible domain for PwDs.

Sr. No.	Name of Transporting Authority Number of Buses	Number of Buses		Number of Disabled Friendly Buses		No. of buses, in which work of accessibility in progress		Percentage
		Govt.	Private	Govt.	Private	Govt.	Private	
1	Pune Mahanagar Parivahan Mahamandal, Ltd. (PMPML)	1382	653	479	653	400	565	55.63
2	New Mumbai Municipal Transport, (NMMT)	458	-	157	-	-	-	34.28
3	The Bruhanmumbai Electric Supply and Transport Undertaking (BEST)	3276	-	25	-	50	-	02.28
4	Thane Municipal Transport, (TMT)	467	-	140	-	-	-	29.98
5	Kalyan Dombiwali Municipal Transport, (KDMT)	118	-	68	-	-	-	57.63
6	Meera-Bhayindar Municipal Transport, (MBMT)	58	-	05	-	-	-	8.63
7	Solapur Municipal Transport, (SMT)	203	-	80	-	35	-	39.40
8	Vasi-Virar Municipal Transport, (VVMT)	30	119	30	119	-	-	100
9	Nagpur Transport Department	237	150	170	150	173	142	82.68
10	Kolhapur Municipal Transport, (SMT)	203	-	80	-	35	-	39.40
	Total	6432	922	1229	922	693	707	29.24

Maharashtra State Transport Corporation –
That Maharashtra State Transport Corporation has provided ramps, user friendly toilets, braille signboards at various places of Bus Stations in the State. The said Corporation is also constructing bus Post at Panvel facilitating disabled accessible feature.

47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Commissionerate for PwDs has conducted hundreds of webinars in the State to make aware of provisions of Act, 2016 for sensitization and awareness amongst PwDs. 2. The Government has arranged State level Training Program on 11.01.2020 about the sensitization and awareness as well as duties and responsibilities amongst officers of the State towards PwDs. 3. The Commissionerate has proposed a Training Module to the Government to include it in Government Training Program. 4. The Commissionerate has also proposed to the Education Department, Higher and Technical Education Department and Medical Education Department to include curriculum on disabilities.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Vide Government Resolution dated 31.07.2019, the Planning Department of the State has issued Guidelines for the Study & Assessment of the State Level and District Level Schemes. As per section 48 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, after considering basic needs of persons with disabilities, it will be necessary that the Additional Director, Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Mumbai for the State Level Schemes and Deputy Commissioner (Planning) and District Planning Officer for district level schemes to make study assessment in factual aspect of these schemes meant for persons with disabilities and whether the persons with disabilities are availing benefits of said various government schemes. Also, it will be compulsory to include recommendations made on the basis of study assessment of these schemes for requisite modifications or to launch independent schemes, after considering needs of the persons with disabilities.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	The State Government vide Government Resolution dated 06.03.2018 has appointed the Commissioner for persons with disabilities as a Competent Authority and the Minister for Social Justice and Special Assistance Department as Appellate Authority for the purpose of these provisions.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Vide Government Resolution 27.02.2018 and 11.09.2018, the Government has constituted State Advisory Board on disability. Business rules of said board have been framed vide Government Resolution dated 27.02.2018. The said Board, in its first meeting, convened on 11.09.2018 made certain recommendations to the Government. Second meeting of Board 29.05.2019. Since, inclusion of Non-official members of Board is in process and due to pandemic situation, no meeting of the board held thereafter. As per old enactment, vide Government Resolution 23.09.1999 District level Committee has been formed. The said committee will be continued until formation of new committee as per new enactment. To that effect, vide Government Circular dated 01.02.2021, extension has given to above said committees.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p>	<p>Smt. Prerna Deshbhratar, IAS Independent Charge Office of the The Commissionerate for Persons with Disabilities, Maharashtra State, 3 Church Road, Pune 411 001. Tel. No.020-26122061 / 26126471 Fax No.020-26111590 E-mail- commissioner.disability@maharashtra.gov.in</p> <p>Vide Government letter dated 03.05.2018, the Government has constituted Advisory Committee for Commissioner.</p> <p>Deputy Commissioner – 1, Assistant Commissioner – 1, Inspector Gazetted – 5 Account Officer – 1, Law Officer – 2, Other – 24 Clerical Staff.</p> <p>Grant-in-aid of Rs.466.9205 Cores was disbursed by State Government to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year 2020-21.</p>

<p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summary for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016, so far and major achievements:</p>	<p>Due to pandemic situation, as there were restrictions, the inspections were affected. But some sorts of inspections have been done such as of Mentally Deficient Children's Homes, DDRCs, Central sponsored projects, etc.</p> <p>Summary for Initiatives and best practices :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Under Section 80 and 82 of the Act, 2016, the State Commissioner scrutinizes the grievances of PwDs through its Legal Cell. 2. On its scrutiny, if the State Commissioner thinks it fit, holds early hearing in the matter, calling say and explanation of the opposite parties. 3. For the convenience PwDs and opposite parties, the State Commissioner conducts hearings through Video Conferencing, despite attending the office of the State Commissioner. 4. On final hearing through Video Conferencing, the State Commissioner declares verdict in the matter. 5. Vide letter dated 26.03.2020, the State Commissioner has informed to all Divisional Revenue Commissioners to make available necessary food kits, medicines, community kitchens, etc. for persons with disabilities, who are unable to move. 6. As per directions of the Central Government, the State Commissioner has appointed District Collectors as Nodal Officers, vide letter dated 28.03.2020. 7. Time to time review has been taken by the State Commissioner through video conferencing, regarding financial assistance provided by local bodies. 8. During pandemic, 12569 disabled persons have registered under MANREGA. 9. Directed all the administrative departments to appoint Grievance Redressal Officers u/s. 23. 10. The State Commissionerate has specifically recommended to the State Government, a new staffing pattern for the Commissionerate for the effective implementation of provisions of Act, 2016 and relevant rules and regulations. <p>Achievements :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The State Commissioner is acting in dual capacity, 2. Accessibility of friendly police stations, tourism centers, public places and auditoriums, offices of public utility services, websites and web-based IT services. 3. Newly under consideration of schemes:- Early Detection and Intervention and Prevention, Cornea Collection Center, Cochlear Implantation, State DDRCs in all districts, Rehabilitation Homes for Mentally cured Patients, Experts at Door-steps, Half-way Homes, etc. 4. Conducting Awareness and Sensitization Campaign for PwDs in the State. 5. Almost Departments have appointed Grievance Redressal Officers. 6. Provided Mental, Economic, Social support to PwDs during pandemic. 7. Hundreds of webinars have arranged to encourage PwDs during pandemic on various schemes, medical treatment, awareness of provisions of Act, early intervention, etc. 8. Online hearing under Grievance Redressal Forum conducted at Commissionerate level.
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	<p>vii) Cases handled as per Section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act, 2016, during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before the State Commissioner:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed off with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p>	<p>9. E-Quasi-Judicial Court started.</p> <p>10. Vide Government Resolution dated 01.02.2021, the Government has extended the financial limit upto Rs. 1,00,000/- for the purchase of aids and appliances to employees with disabilities in government establishment.</p> <p>Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year (2020-21):</p> <p>1. Number of complains filed before State Commissioner:500.</p> <p>2. Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suomoto):04.</p> <p>3. Total number of cases:32.</p> <p>4. Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:22.</p> <p>5. Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:14.</p> <p>6. Number of cases pending:05.</p>
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Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial, State Government shall specify for each district a Sessions Court to work as a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Vide Government Resolution dated 03.03.2018, the Government has constituted 11 Special Courts in 11 districts equivalent to District Judge. The Government has also created requisite 55 staff and made available budgetary allocation for the same.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	An appointment of Special Public Prosecutor is under process.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities : (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	The State Government has drafted proposed State Rules as per Section 101 of the Principal Act and it will be published on Maharashtra Government's website calling thereby suggestions and objections from the stake holders. In said draft Rules, constitution of 'Maharashtra State Funds for Persons with Disabilities' has been proposed. Hence, formation of the State Disability Fund under Section 88 of the Act, 2016, is under process.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	The State Government has already established 11 Special Courts in 11 districts in the State to deal issues / matters arising out of these penal provisions.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act, Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD Rules for carrying the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	The State Government has drafted proposed State Rules as per Section 101 of the Principal Act and it is in process and it will be notified shortly.

9.21 MANIPUR:**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	Necessary steps are taking up.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Necessary steps are being taken.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Necessary steps are being taken.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Necessary steps are being taken.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Yes
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk from armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	No Information
9.	Steps taken to ensure implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from his/her parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Yes
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Yes
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	Yes
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Necessary steps are taking up by Manipur Legal Services Authority.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	No information
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of implementation.	No
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Necessary steps are taking up.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken towards Inclusion Education to CWD's.	Necessary steps are taking up by the Education Department. Special Teachers have been appointed.
17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16.	Necessary steps are taking up by the Education Department.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes to ensure equality with others.	No information submitted by concerned.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	State Govt. has introduced a scheme for "Self Employment Loan with Subsidy to the Persons with Disabilities along with Skill Training" on 3rd December, 2017.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	State Govt. has taken necessary steps.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notifies Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Not yet.
22	Measures taken to ensure records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	--
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filing complaints with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	State Commissioner (Disability) advised to all Govt. Establishments to appoint Grievance Redressal Officer.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	State Govt. is implementing the following schemes: 1. Unemployment Allowance to the educated unemployed PwDs 2. Marriage Incentive Award. 3. Care Giver Allowance to the PwDs with high support needs. 4. Scholarship to the students with disabilities. 5. Free Travel & Concession to PwDs 6. Self Employment Loan with subsidy to the persons with disabilities along with skill training.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Not yet

27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Necessary steps are taking up.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Not yet.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	State Govt. Art & Culture Department is providing funds to the organizations for the purpose.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	State Govt. in association with other organizations working in the field of disabilities organized Annual Sports Meet, training sessions etc for persons with disabilities.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	State Govt. is providing free education.
32	Government Higher Educational Institutions to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	3% is prevailing. State Govt. is yet to notify for 5% seats for PwDs.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute an expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified posts not later than every 3 years.	Necessary steps are being taken up by the State Govt.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	3% is prevailing. The State Govt. is yet to notify 4% reservation of the PwDs.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Nil
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	No Information

37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark disabilities for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	(i) Not yet. (ii) State Govt. notified not less than 5% reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes with priority to women with benchmark disabilities vide letter dt. 26th July, 2017. (iii) State Govt. notified preferential allotment of land in favour of persons with disabilities at concessional rate vide OM. Dated 8th March, 2007.
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Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high supportive devices. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high supportive devices.	No Information

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	State Govt. is conducting awareness camps from time to time.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	State Govt. notified "Imphal Municipal Council Building Bye Laws, 2013 wherein Standards of accessibility for PwDs are laid down for all private and public buildings.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate easy accessibility of transportation services for PwDs.	Necessary steps to be taken up.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	State Govt. is yet to formulate suitable schemes.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Necessary steps to be taken up.
44	Establishment mandatorily to adhere to building norms and ensure that building designs is friendly for PwDs.	State Govt. notified "Imphal Municipal Council Building Bye Laws, 2013 wherein Standards of accessibility for PwDs are laid down for all private and public buildings.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	50 Public Buildings are to be made accessible for PwDs under Accessible India Campaign.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	--
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Necessary steps to be taken up.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Necessary steps to be taken up.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Appointed Director, Social Welfare Deptt., Govt. of Manipur as competent authority.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	167 institutions.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	Constituted vide Govt. orders No.10/11/2017-S(SW) dt. 1st Sept. 2018.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	4(four) Districts have constituted District Level Committee.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile , Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016, so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per Section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act, 2016, during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before the State Commissioner.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed off with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p>	<p>Shri Th. Dilipkumar Singh, Independent Charge Old High Court Complex, North AOC, Imphal. Contact No: 897440156, Email: scpdmanipur@gmail.com</p> <p>Necessary steps to be taken up.</p> <p>LDC (1 No.) Multipurpose Rehabilitation Worker (1 No.) Driver (1 No.) Grade-IV (1 No.) IV. NIL</p> <p>V. Year 2017-18: Number of Inspections 09(Nine) Year 2018-19: Name of Inspections 11 (Eleven) Year 2019-20: Name of Inspections 12 (Twelve) ---</p> <p>(a) 3 (three) (b) Nil (c) 3 (three) (d) 2 (two) (e) 2 (two) (f) 1 (one)</p>

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial, State Government shall specify for each district a Sessions Court to work as a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Necessary steps to be taken up.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Not yet.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Necessary steps to be taken up.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	Nil
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act, Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	Nil

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD Rules for carrying the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	Notified vide Notification dated 20th June 2020.

9.22 MEGHALAYA**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality, non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	The State Government has taken action on various provisions of the Act viz. 4% Reservation of posts for PwDs, 5% Reservation in Higher Education, Constitution of Expert Committee, etc. Under Social Welfare Department various schemes was implemented for the welfare and empowerment of Persons with Disabilities viz. Educational scholarship, Pension scheme, Unemployment Scheme Allowance, Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations, Assistance to Physically disabilities for Vocational Training/Self employment & Token relief Grant.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Women & children are given priority in ensuring their rights through related schemes The Meghalaya State Commission for Women, Shillong takes up issues and complaints regarding cases of women with disabilities and most of them with mental disabilities. The Commission have taken up these cases judiciously and followed up on each case with the concern authorities for necessary intervention.

		<p>The State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, Shillong takes up on implementing Section 4 of the RPWD Act, 2016 regarding Children with Disabilities in line with able bodied children.</p> <p>Certain NGOs has employed Women with Disabilities in the school in which they can enjoy their rights equally with others. The Inclusive Children's Parliament in the school is a platform for all the children in the school to freely express their views on all matters affecting them.</p>
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	<p>Under Accessible India Campaign identified Govt. buildings are being made accessible to Persons with Disabilities and some of the buildings are in a stage of completion, in respect of retrofitting & modification of all identified Government buildings with the purpose to make them Barrier Free/ Accessible for persons with disabilities all over the State. The Office of the Chief Engineer P.W.D. (Buildings) and Health Engineering Wing and Water Resources are the Implementing Agencies.</p> <p>2. Under the State Resource Centre on Disability Affairs, the following services are being provided for the benefit of persons with disabilities: Door step deliveries of UDID cards to persons with disabilities with the help of Multipurpose Rehabilitation Workers and Community Based Rehabilitation Workers.</p> <p>Community support of Multi- purpose Rehabilitation Workers & Community Base Rehabilitation Workers.</p> <p>Rehabilitation services and distribution of Aids/Appliances.</p> <p>NGOs are also funded for the services through Social Welfare Department.</p>
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	<p>As and when cases arise.</p> <p>The State Government has notified the Committee for research on Persons with Disabilities for the purpose of granting permission for research on any persons with disabilities vide Notification No.SW(S)9/2017/231, Dt. 30.07.2018 (Annexure – II)</p>
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	<p>Awareness and sensitization of the public and stakeholder to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation were held in different districts.</p> <p>Police Department takes up cognizance of offences under Section 7(a) of the Right of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 whenever the complaints are filed.</p> <p>The Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority, Shillongtake steps to ensure that Persons with Disabilities are being provided with the right to protect against any abuse, violence and exploitation without discrimination on the basic of disability.</p> <p>The District Legal Services Authorities take steps in organizing awareness programmes to make them aware of their rights & entitlements and to know the availability of the resource mechanism and to know how to access these mechanisms even in rural communities. The District Legal Services Authorities also take steps in creating awareness programme on Disabilities for the inmates in Jails.</p> <p>The Social Welfare Department has set up One Stop Centre in all 11 (eleven) districts for any domestic violence.</p> <p>Several Organizations apart from the Government departments have also taken up series of issues for protection from abuse, violence and exploitation.</p>

8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk during armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	<p>Issues related to Rights of Persons with Disabilities have been incorporated in chapter 15 of the State Disaster Management Plan 2016.</p> <p>State level workshop on Rights of Persons with Disabilities has been conducted for officials from related departments and Non-Government Organizations.</p> <p>Training by the District Disaster Management Authority had been conducted. Awareness and sensitization programmes were also conducted in collaboration with the District Disaster Management Authority in districts on regular interval so that persons with disabilities and other agencies involved are aware and sensitized on the subject matter.</p>
9.	Steps taken to ensure implementation of the provisions that no child with disabilities is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	<p>At present, the Social Welfare Department has opened 2 (two) Special Unit for Children with special needs for boys and girls at Mawkasiang, New Shillong in the premises of Observation Homes.</p> <p>The Child Welfare Committee under the Juvenile Justice Act in every district handles cases related in children in need of care and protection including persons with disabilities.</p>
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Sexual and reproductive health care for women is provided in designated maternity and child health hospitals of the State.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	<p>The Election Commission of India launched “ Accessible Election” during the Elections to the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly , 2018 and in keeping with the spirit of the ECI, the following arrangement for persons with disabilities were also made available in subsequent Lok Sabha Elections 2019 and other Bye Elections in 2019.</p> <p>All Polling Stations were made accessible with provision of ramps and wheelchairs were made available on demand for locomotors persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Braille EPIC Cards, Braille Dummy Ballot papers for the ease of visually impaired voters in all 3167 Polling Stations of the states was introduced.</p> <p>Magnifiers, magnifying glass were also made available in all above Polling Stations.</p> <p>Proactive steps were taken to ensure extensive and hands on Training for all Booth Level Officers (BLOs) & Polling Officials in all 11(eleven) Districts on Accessible Elections in general, and on sign language in particular, in collaboration with the Meghalaya Deaf Association (MDA)</p> <p>PwD centric Sign Language creatives and audio- visual materials were also extensively deployed and creatively used to motivate persons with disabilities which were widely shared on Social media, Local TV Channels and FM Stations.</p> <p>In the enrolment drives , all eligible PwDs were mapped , which resulted in highest ever focus , participation and enrolment of PwDs, amounting to 4686 total PwDs enrolled, with 2540 male and 2146 female.</p> <p>For the very first time, in the State’s Electoral history, enthusiastic Poll Volunteers from amongst future voters were drawn from amongst the state’s Leading Youth Organisations, Meghalaya Bharat Scouts & Guides, NYK & NSS were actively trained and successfully and widely deployed to assist and facilitate PwDs electoral participation and to ensure priority PwD voting under the campaign # GoAssist</p>

		In collaboration with NIC & Commissioner of Disabilities, a Unique Meghalaya Sign Bank App was developed , which incorporated 114 Election terms accompanied with short instructional videos, in sign language for sensitizing and training BLO's & Polling Officials with a view to facilitate and maximize electoral participation of persons with disabilities. Election Department ensures that all persons with disabilities are inclusive in the election process.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	The Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority has taken steps to ensure that persons with disabilities are being provided with the right to access any Court, Tribunal or Authority by way of conducting awareness programme. Notification of a session court to be a Special Court in all Districts and appointment of Special Public Prosecutor are in place.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	The Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority has taken steps in providing legal services to any persons including persons with disabilities by setting up of Legal Care and Support Centers at the village level and blocks manned by the para Legal Volunteers for the benefit of such persons. Further, if any such kind of issues arises in any district, the Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority/ District Legal Services Authority provides legal aid/ services with the help of the Panel Lawyers.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Awareness had been generated. The State Government has notified the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities as the designated authority to provide support of a limited guardian to take legally binding decision vide No.SW(S)9/2017/Pt/141 Dt 22.09.2017
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	The State Government has notified the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities as the 'Authority' to mobilize the community and create social awareness to support persons with disabilities in exercise of their legal capacity vide letter No. SW (S) 9/2017/452 Dt.11/08/2020. The District offices of the Department of Social Welfare are incharge of Disability affairs and organise camps/Awareness programme at the District level

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken towards Inclusion Education to CWD's. Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	Progress made in Inclusive Education (IE) 2020-21. 7741 CWSN identified under IE and 344 SEN identified under IEDSS. 4815 under IE and 166 under IEDSS enrolled in School (UDISE) 1497 CWSN covered under HBE 716 CWSN covered under SRP 20 Special Educators under IEDSS and BRPs on IE 14 IE Volunteers and 26 teachers from Mary Rice and Dwar Jingkyrmen attended the 2-days orientation Programme on CAI Training, organised by NIEPID, Secundarabad at Shillong. 1100 Principals, Education administrators, parents/guardians etc were oriented on Inclusive Education entitlements and benefits.

		<p>78 Special Educators were given In-service Training.</p> <p>84 parents and guardians at Shillong and 32 parents and guardians at Ri-bhoi were oriented by NIEPID on the use of TLM Kits.</p> <p>975 girls CWSN at the Elementary level and 59 Girls SEN at the Secondary and Higher Secondary level were provided with stipend.</p> <p>During 2020-21, Assessment Camps though arranged for conducting in March 2021, but the same had to be postponed due to imposition of lockdown and ban on mass gathering.</p>
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes for maintaining equality with others.	<p>The matter has been taken up as per vide Govt. Notification Memo. No EDN.99/99/Pt/675-A, Dt.10.07.2017.</p> <p>Under Accessible India Campaign, building campus in Government Schools has been made accessible.</p> <p>Reasonable accommodation according to the individual's requirements has been taken up by the Special Educators/ Block Resource Persons on Inclusive Education under SSA.</p> <p>Taken up with the support of the Special Educators placed at Special Educators Placed at Block level, who visited schools.</p> <p>School with enrolled hearing impairment are being covered by the Special Educators, Braille textbooks are also being provided.</p> <p>Functional Assessment for enrolled CWSN is being conducted at Block level to identify children with Specific Learning Disabilities by BRP on IE and Special Educators.</p> <p>Quarterly assessment is being taken up by the BRP on IE/Special Educators to monitor the attainment level of CWSN based on their competencies level.</p> <p>Transport/Escort allowances are being provided to all enrolled CWSN</p>

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate schemes and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rates to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Social Welfare Department provides funds to NGOs for running Vocational training for Persons with Disabilities. The scheme National Handicapped Finance Development orporation (NHFDC was launched towards the end of year 2010. In Meghalaya Cooperative Apex Bank Ltd is the State Channelizing Agency. On records, there are 302 beneficiaries and an amount of Rs. 5.17 crore was sanctioned till date since 2011. Under MSSDS project, Skill Development Training Programme exclusively for persons with disabilities for self-employment was started on March 2018 to impart skill training leading to micro-enterprise. Bethany Society is the implementing agency. 100 persons with disabilities were trained under 8 (eight) NGOs. The trade offered are Natural farming, Preparation of Vermi compost, Mushroom cultivation, low cost poultry, piggery and handicrafts. The Director of Commerce & Industries has made provision in the Meghalaya Industrial Investment & Promotion Policy, 2012 that enterprises promoted and managed by "Women Entrepreneur" & "Physically Challenged" will get additional 10% on the State Central Investment Subsidy subject to a ceiling of 5.00 lakhs. Physically challenged persons will pay only 50% of the applicable lease rent if allotted land/shed/shop in Industrial Area/Industrial Estate/Growth Centre.

20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	4% reservation for persons with disabilities and maintenance of roster for persons with disabilities has been notified.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	The matter is under process.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	All establishments have been asked to maintain records of persons with disabilities and compliance.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	53 (Fifty three) departments have appointed grievance redressal officers (GROs). Total no. of GROs appointed is 90.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particular	Response																								
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	<p>Under Social Welfare Department</p> <p>(a) Students with Disabilities are being provided with scholarship for undergoing studies up to the University level. The rates of scholarship vary according to the level of Education, Hostellers and Day Scholars. Reader's allowance is also given to visually impaired students from Class-IX onwards.</p> <p>Rate of Scholarship for different courses of study are detailed below:-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Type of Course</th> <th>Rate per month for day scholars</th> <th>Rate per month for hostellers</th> <th>Reader allowance for visually Impaired</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Pre Primary standard upto class V</td> <td>Rs. 250/-p.m</td> <td>Rs. 350/- p.m</td> <td>--</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Class VI to Class X</td> <td>RRs. 350/- p.m</td> <td>Rs. 450/- p.m</td> <td>Rs. 200 p.m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Class XI, XII, B.A/B.Sc/B.Com, etc</td> <td>RRs.450/-p.m</td> <td>Rs.550/- p.m</td> <td>Rs.250/- p.m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B.E/B.Tech/MBBS/LLB/B.Ed/Diploma in professional and Engineering studies etc/ In -Plant Training</td> <td>RRs.600/-p.m</td> <td>Rs.700/-p.m</td> <td>Rs.350/-p.m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M.A/M.Sc/M.Com/LLM/M.Ed. etc</td> <td>RRs.700/-p.m</td> <td>Rs.800/-p.m</td> <td>Rs.350/-p.m</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>(b) Vocational Training is imparted to the persons with disabilities through Voluntary Organizations in different trades. The duration of the training period is for one year. During the training period a stipend of Rs.1500/- each per month is provided.</p> <p>The objective of the scheme is to enable the persons with disabilities to stand on their own feet by taking up self-employment venture in the trade they have been trained. On completion of the training, a Token Grant of Rs.5000/- is provided to the passed out trainees for purchase of machines, tools, raw materials to enable them to start self-employment venture.</p> <p>(c) Grant in aid to Voluntary Organisations: Financial Assistance is being provided to NGOs working in the field of disability for running Vocational Training Centres, conducting sensitization programme etc. So far 1108 Nos of beneficiaries have benefited.</p>	Type of Course	Rate per month for day scholars	Rate per month for hostellers	Reader allowance for visually Impaired	Pre Primary standard upto class V	Rs. 250/-p.m	Rs. 350/- p.m	--	Class VI to Class X	RRs. 350/- p.m	Rs. 450/- p.m	Rs. 200 p.m	Class XI, XII, B.A/B.Sc/B.Com, etc	RRs.450/-p.m	Rs.550/- p.m	Rs.250/- p.m	B.E/B.Tech/MBBS/LLB/B.Ed/Diploma in professional and Engineering studies etc/ In -Plant Training	RRs.600/-p.m	Rs.700/-p.m	Rs.350/-p.m	M.A/M.Sc/M.Com/LLM/M.Ed. etc	RRs.700/-p.m	Rs.800/-p.m	Rs.350/-p.m
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Class VI to Class X	RRs. 350/- p.m	Rs. 450/- p.m	Rs. 200 p.m																							
Class XI, XII, B.A/B.Sc/B.Com, etc	RRs.450/-p.m	Rs.550/- p.m	Rs.250/- p.m																							
B.E/B.Tech/MBBS/LLB/B.Ed/Diploma in professional and Engineering studies etc/ In -Plant Training	RRs.600/-p.m	Rs.700/-p.m	Rs.350/-p.m																							
M.A/M.Sc/M.Com/LLM/M.Ed. etc	RRs.700/-p.m	Rs.800/-p.m	Rs.350/-p.m																							

	<p>(d) Financial Assistance to Students with Disabilities- Students with Disabilities is being provided with financial assistance in the form of book grant, uniform grant, conveyance allowance and unemployment allowance. During 2020-21, the number of beneficiaries is 859.</p> <p>(e) Aids and Appliances such as wheelchair, hearing aids, crutches, white cane, artificial limbs, callipers, braces, splints etc., are being provided to persons with disabilities by the State Resource Centre on Disability Affairs, Civil Hospital, Shillong which is the implementing agency for Scheme of Assistance to Persons with Disabilities for purchase/fitting of aids/appliances.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under SarvaShikshaAbhiyan (SSA), aids and appliances are being provided to children with special need (CWSN) through the Artificial Limb Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO) and other agencies. <p>(f) Under Chief Minister Social Assistance Scheme, persons with disabilities are being provided financial assistance in the form of pension @ of Rs 500/- per month. So far, 11695 persons with disabilities have been benefitted.</p> <p>(g) The Social Welfare Department in collaboration with Sanker Charitable Trust has set up aHalf Way Home for rehabilitation of mentally ill persons.</p> <p>(h) Under SRC, Meritorious Scholarship is given to Students with Disabilities from the level of class XI onward. The rate ranges from Rs. 2000/- to Rs. 5000/-.</p> <p>Under Health & Family Department</p> <p>(a) Persons with disabilities are given priority with regard to attention and treatment to them in all Government hospitals. Survey and investigation are being conducted and at present the Leprosy Case Detection Campaign (LCDC) is implemented with effect from 12th -27th November, 2018 to detect hidden cases for early treatment, thereby preventing disabilities and deformity.</p> <p>(b) Ulcer Care Kits, Micro Cellular Rubber (MCR) footwear and Physiotherapy are provided to persons with disability.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Locomotor disabilities are prevented through the department of orthopaedic in collaboration with the District Resource Centres either by reconstructive surgery alongwith fitting and fixing of calipers and therapeutic services. • 4 (four) Early Diagnostic & Intervention Centres (EDIC) attached to Civil Hospitals of Shillong, Jowai, Nongstoin and Tura have been established where the Assessment & Evaluation of hearing is being conducted on regular basis. • Under the Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) programme, Early detection of disabilities is provided at health facilities and also at home through home-based new born care. <p>(c) Screening of all children above the age of two years is done through the Leprosy Case Detection Campaign (LCDC). Under the Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram programme, children are screened from age group of 0- 18 years</p> <p>(d) Training of staff at the Primary Health Centres viz...Accredited Social Health Activist (ASHA), Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery (ANM's), Staff nurse, Medical Officers is being imparted on an annual basis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The State Resource Centre on Disability Affairs provides training to Doctors and staff at PHCs /CHCs.
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		<p>(e) Awareness campaign is being conducted with regards to health, hygiene, sanitation through pamphlets, posters, health talks at village level and through All India Radio and Doordarshan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under the Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) programme, awareness was created for health, hygiene and sanitation. Other awareness campaigns are being held like the importance of nutrition for mother and children, ante-natal and post-natal checkup. <p>(f) Measures for pre-natal, perinatal and post-natal care of child and mother are taken care of by designated Medical Child Health(MCH) hospitals.</p> <p>(g) The public through pre-school, schools, PHC, village level workers and Anganwadi workers are being educated about Leprosy- signs and symptoms, free treatment with Medical Child Health.</p> <p>(h) Information of various programmes were printed and circulated for educating the public. The health teams also created awareness campaigns through public talks, Information, Education and Communication (IEC), Poster, Health melas and Inter Personal Communication (IPC).</p> <p>(i) Health care during the time of natural disasters and other situations at risk is being brought to the notice of the Disaster Management Authorities to both district and state level.</p> <p>(j) Treatment for disabilities and deformities are done through Reconstructive Surgery, provision of aids and appliances and therapeutic treatment.</p> <p>(k) Sexual and reproductive health care for women is provided in designated maternity and child health hospitals of the State.</p>
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	As reflected in the Meghalaya State Policy for the Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (MSPEPD), the Government shall endeavour to extend Insurance schemes to within limit of its economic capacity.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	The State Resource Centre on Disability Affairs has established 4 (four) District Resource Centre on Disability Affairs which provides rehabilitation measures to persons with disabilities viz. Physiotherapy, Occupational therapy, fabrication of prostheses and orthoses, Audiology and Speech therapy, Counseling etc. Mental ill but cured persons are being rehabilitated. Half way home has been set up.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	The North Eastern Hills University in collaboration with NEIGRIHMS has conducted research among the Hearing Impaired individuals of Dymmiew Massar Village under Pynursla Block, East Khasi Hills District. Research study has been initiated to find out reasons for Hearing Impairment.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	The Department of Arts and Culture provide financial assistance such as production of Folk Literature for writers and budding authors in Khasi and Garo Languages. Students are trained in different skills such as Khasi, Jaintia and Garo folk song, dance and percussion, guitar, piano and choir song. The Department of Social Welfare also provide fund for organised Talent Hunt for persons with disabilities.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	Sports department has incorporated in the draft Sports Policy to facilitate the persons with disabilities to participate in various sports and games.

		<p>State has approved setting up of sport complex for persons with disabilities.</p> <p>The State Government has allotted 50 acres of land for centre for disability sports at Umsawli, Shillong. The land has been handed over to the Ministry on 5.11.2018 and State has approved setting up of Sport Complex for persons with Disabilities.</p>
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Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	The matter has already been implemented under SSA as per RTE Act 2009.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reservation of 5% seats for admission in all Meghalaya Government Educational Institutions and other Educational Institutions receiving aid from the Government of Meghalaya has been notified vide No EDN/99/99/Pt/675Dt 10.07.17. An upper age relaxation of 5 (five) years for admission in institutions of higher education to persons with disabilities has also been notified vide No.EDN.99/1999/Pt/678 Dt.27.11.2018. Reservation to the 2years D.El EL ED course for the pre-service teacher trainees is 5% for Persons with Disabilities.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified posts not later than every 3 years.	<p>Expert Committee for identification/review of posts has been reconstituted vide letter No.SW(S)130/2017/10-A Dt 28.09.2017.</p> <p>A subcommittee for identification/review of posts has been reconstituted vide letter No.SW(S)130/2017/11 Dt. 28.09.2017.</p> <p>Will be reviewed after every 3 years as per provision of the Act.</p>
34	<p>1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs.</p> <p>i) Blindness and low vision – 1%</p> <p>ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%.</p> <p>iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%.</p> <p>2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reservation of 4% of posts for persons with disabilities was notified by Personnel Department vide OM No.PER(AR)150/88/534 Dt 07.08.2017.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	The matter is being taken up by concern department.

36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	A special cell for Persons with Disabilities is functioning under Divisional Employment Exchange, Shillong. The office of the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities has also taken up with Employment & Craftsmen Training to set up a special cell for persons with disabilities in all the districts vide letter No. CPWD/AR/Pt-II/2005/260 Dt. 4.12.2019.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	The matter has been taken up with Revenue Department. The C&RD Department is striving to provide at least 5% reservation to the Persons with Disabilities in the implementation of the Poverty Alleviation Programmes, viz. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) and National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) 50 acres of land has been allotted for setting up of a Centre for Disability Sports. The land has been handed over to the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPWD), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment on 5.11.2018.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration, government may provide Pwds with high supportive devices. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high supportive devices.	The State Government has notified the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities as the 'Authority' for the purpose of this Act vide letter No. SW(S)9/2017/453 Dt.11/08/2020. The Committee for High Support Need is being constituted in all 11 district and DMHO as chairperson vide No.HSM/GEN/Disabled/9/13/2019/Pt.III/12801, Dt. 22.07.2020.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	State and District Level Sensitization workshops on Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 for Government officials, NGOs for the welfare of persons with disabilities have been organized by the Office of the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities in collaboration with Department of Empowerment of persons with disabilities, National Institutes, Social Welfare, State Resource Centre on Disabilities Affairs, Civil Hospital, Shillong and NGOs. Awareness/ Sensitization is supported and promoted through the District Offices and Field Workers.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under Accessible India Campaign, identified and access audited Government buildings have been made accessible as per the Harmonised Guidelines and Space Standards for Barrier Free Built Environment for Persons with Disabilities and Elderly Persons, February 2016, issued by Ministry of Urban Development Government of India is being followed and adopted. The same is being provided in Section E of the Meghalaya Building Bye Laws 2011.

41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 37 Midi buses of Ashok Leyland are accessible to persons with disabilities. Seats have been reserved for Persons with Disabilities in these buses and manual assistance is being provided.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under Accessible India Campaign, 35 (Thirty five) websites of the Govt of Meghalaya have been selected by the Ministry to make them accessible to the persons with disabilities. Ernet India (empanelled agency by the Ministry) has developed 31 websites. • Visually Impaired Persons had been appointed in the Government Press for translation of materials to Braille.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	The State Resource Centre on Disability Affairs (SRCDA), Civil Hospital, Shillong, provides aids and appliances free of cost to persons with disabilities like Hearing aids, Prosthetic and orthotic appliances etc.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Periodical instructions are being issued to the Building Divisions to incorporate all the features as per guidelines for Barrier Free Built Environment for the PwDs in all the execution of works/ construction of Buildings. • Accessibility standards are being incorporated in the drawings to make the buildings user friendly for persons with disabilities.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effort to make public building accessible to persons with disabilities has been taken. (i) Under AIC-I, 24 buildings have been identified. Work is under process to make these buildings accessible. (ii) Under AIC-II, 51 buildings in the state capital have been identified. Access Audit has been completed and estimates framed for making the building accessible to persons with disabilities has been forwarded to the concerned department for necessary sanction. (iii) Under AIC-III, 61 buildings in 9 identified cities of the State have been selected. Access Audit was completed on 12.12.2019 and reports of the same has been prepared and forwarded to the concerned departments for preparation of Budget Estimates.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meghalaya Urban Development Authority is complying with the provisions of this Act.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effort to create human resource development has been taken up by various departments. Education department conducts foundation courses in special education (FC-SEDE) for the elementary school teachers to equip them with basic competencies, knowledge, understanding, attitudes and skills to enable them to cater to the specific educational needs of children with disabilities. • Sensitization programmes for in-service school teachers to promote integration of students with disabilities to normal schools. • Short-term trainings on Inclusive Education are being imparted to general teachers under SSA. • The Multipurpose Rehabilitation Workers (MRWs) and Community Based Rehabilitation Workers (CBRWs) are given regular training on identification and prevention of disabilities. • Training of doctors and staff at the primary health centres viz., Accredited Social Health Activist (ASHA), Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery (ANM's), staff nurse, medical officers is being imparted on an annual basis.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous Rehabilitation Education Programmes for rehabilitation professionals are conducted regularly in collaboration with the National Institutes under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DePWD), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and other institutions as well.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Audit had been conducted for a few schemes

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	The Government has notified Director, Social Welfare as the Competent Authority to issues Certificate of Registration of Institution for Persons with Disabilities vide Notification No SW(S)9/2017/158 Dt 12.09.2017.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	The Commissioner & Secretary, Social Welfare Department has been notified as the Appellate Authority vide No.SW(S)9/2017/234 Dt. 20.08.2018

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	The State Advisory Board has been notified vide No.SW(S)9/2017/176 Dt 11.10.2017 and No.SW(S)9/2017/225 Dt 07.06.2018. The first State Advisory Board meeting was held on 30th June, 2018 and the second SAB meeting was held 30th June, 2020.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	District Level Committee on Disability has been constituted in all 11 (eleven) districts vide notification No.SW(S)9/2017/177 Dt 11.10.2017.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints field by the complainants before State Commissioner.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p>	<p>The State Government has notified Smt. S.B.Marak, MCS Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities as State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities to monitor implementation of the Act vide No. SW(S) 87/2016/Pt/24 Dt. 21.02.2019.</p> <p>Smt. S.B.Marak, MCS, Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Meghalaya, Shillong, Lower Lachumiere, Temple Road, (O) – 0364-2506521. (M) - 917005711584 cpwdmeg@gmail.com</p> <p>Yet to take up.</p> <p>(i) Details of officers and staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential infrastructural facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (two) _ Asstt. Commissioners for Persons with Disabilities. • (one) –Private Secretary • (one) – LDA • (two) – DEO on contractual basis • (one) – Process Server • (one) – Driver • (one) – Chowkidar • (one) – Cleaner <p>Rs. 13,72,800/- to 1108 beneficiaries.</p> <p>Year 2018-2019: Number of inspections -17 Year 2019-2020: Number of inspections -17 Year 2020-2021: Number of inspections -13</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monitoring in the Implementation of Accessible India Campaign in the State. 2. Development of the second edition of the Meghalaya Sign Bank. 3. Sensitization & Awareness programme on Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. 4. Observation of International Day for Persons with Disabilities, 2020. 5. Inspection of NGOs <p>11</p> <p>9</p> <p>2</p>

c) Total number of cases:	11
d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:	7
e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	7
f) Number of cases pending:	4
g) Status of Preparation:- Laying it before State Legislature	Year 2017-2018: 13th September, 2019 Year 2018-2019 : 19th March, 2021 & Year 2019-2020

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial, State Government shall specify for each district a Sessions Court to work as a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Every Court of Session has been notified to be a Special Court in every district for trial of offences under Sec-84 of the Act vide No.LL(B)35/99/269 Dt 31.07.2017.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Special Public Prosecutors have been appointed in 6 (six) districts of East Khasi Hills, Shillong, West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin, South West Khasi Hills, Mawkyrwat, East Garo Hills, Williamnagar, West Jaintia Hills, Jowai and Ri-Bhoi district, Nongpoh for conducting cases in every district vide Notification No.LL(B).35/99/311 Dt. 21.11.2018.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	The matter will be taken up

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act -Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations a Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	Act has been notified & adopted by State Government
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	The State Government is providing awareness with regards to offences and penalties during sensitization of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	The Meghalaya Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rule, 2017 was notified on 29th December 2017 and published in The Gazette of Meghalaya on 2nd January 2018.

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Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	Actions taken
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Actions taken
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in-house, residential and community support services.	Preferential allotment of house site in the New House Site Plan is given to disabled persons provided he/she is the head of the family having no house site for his/her own.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Actions taken
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Actions taken
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Actions taken
9.	Steps taken to ensure implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Actions taken
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Actions taken
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	Commissioner for PwDshas been appointed as Nodal Officer for inclusive and accessible electoral processes vide No. H. 11021/1/2016-CEP dt: 11/06/2018.
12.	Steps taken to ensure justice by persons with disability.	Yes
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Yes
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of implementation.	The Director, Social Welfare Department has been appointed as Limited Guardian vide No.B.13016/58/2017-SWD dt: 18/11/2018.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Yes

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken towards Inclusion Education to CWD's.	Inclusive Education for the Disabled Students in the State (IEDSS) is implemented by the Government of Mizoram. Integrated Education for Disabled Children (IEDC) which is centrally sponsored scheme is also implemented in Mizoram since 1985 which ensures that every child with a Disability has access to free education.

17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	<p>Actions taken</p> <p>Actions taken</p> <p>Actions taken</p> <p>Actions are being taken</p> <p>Hearing impaired children are allotted front row seats in the classroom at the left side of the teachers. Visually Impaired children are also allotted front row seats.</p> <p>Actions are being taken</p> <p>Actions are being taken</p> <p>CwDs are given transport allowance.</p>
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Actions are being taken

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate schemes and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide economic rehabilitation and self-employment to disabled persons, Financial assistance of `2,450/- (one time assistance) for petty business, etc. and `4,000/- (one time assistance) for pig/poultry rearing is given by State Government as Grant-in-Aid. There are 3 (Three) Training Centres for the Specially abled persons run by Social Welfare Department, viz:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Female Training Centre, Aizawl. Male Training Centre, Aizawl. Female and Male Training Centre, Lunglei. Sewing Machines, Treadle Machines and Cobbler Tools are given at free of cost to the trainees after completion of 1(One) year training.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	Actions taken
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Actions taken
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Actions taken
23	<p>Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of filing complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee. 	Grievance Redressal Officers are appointed by all Government Departments.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reimbursement of hearing aid can be applied to Employees of the Government of Mizoram who entered Government service under the disabled quota and having authentic hearing impaired certification from the authorities appointed by the Govt. of Mizoram. Educated Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) who are registered in the Employment Exchange but not getting employment for more than 2 (two) years are given unemployment allowance by the State @ ₹3000/- per year per person. Disability pension is given to severely disabled/totally bed ridden @ ₹350/- per month Steps are also taken on prevention of disabilities, identification & certification of disabilities and rehabilitation.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	'Integrated Education for Disabled Children' (IEDC) under CSS has been implemented in all the Districts of Mizoram since 1985 i.e free education till he attains the age of 18 years & integration of CwDs in the normal schools.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	All Government institutions of higher education and other higher education institutions receiving aid from the Government reserves not less than 5% seats for Persons with benchmark disabilities.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified posts not later than every 3 years.	Action taken
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% of total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	State Government notified 4% reservation under the Government of Mizoram for Persons with Disabilities in respect of all categories of posts in Group 'A','B','C' and 'D' under the Government which was recently revised on 18th April, 2017 Vide Government Notification No. A. 12027/2/2017 – P & AR (GSW) dt: 18/04/2017.

35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentives to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	N/A
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Actions taken
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark disabilities for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark disabilities for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rates for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	Actions taken

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration, government may provide Pwds with supportive devices. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of supportive devices.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Director, Hospital & Medical Education was appointed as the Authority to whom a person with benchmark disability can apply for high support needs vide Notification No. J. 11018/14/2014-HFW.141 dt: 09/08/2019. Assessment Board has been constituted

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awareness Campaign have been conducted by Commissioner for PwDs in various Districts/places within Mizoram
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Aizawl Municipal Council (AMC) ensure that all public buildings strictly follow the AMC Building Regulations, 2012 especially in respect of barrier free environment.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation for PwDs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Government servants having minimum 40% of disability are given Transport allowance at the minimum of `1,000/- p.m vide Government Free travel concession in MST buses to the bonafide blind persons (both eyes), physically disabled persons, mentally retarded persons provided that they are not Government servants and have no Government servants in their families. Special concession in fare upto 50% is given to Persons with Disabilities for travelling in city buses in Aizawl and Lunglei on production of I.D Card issued by Social Welfare Department.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport allowance at various rates depending on the pay scales of the employees is given to physically handicapped Government employees viz. Blind and/or Orthopaedically handicapped employees with minimum of 40% permanent/partial disability of either upper or lower limbs OR 50% permanent/partial disability of both upper and lower limbs together as certified by appropriate Medical Authorities • Government servant with Disabilities are allowed to purchase travel ticket for self and Attendant/ Escort at concessional rates, if any, offered by Railways/ Airlines while on tour (domestic/foreign).
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	N/A
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for general use of PwDs.	Actions taken
44	Establishment mandatorily to adhere to building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	The Aizawl Municipal Council (AMC) ensure that all public buildings strictly follow the AMC Building Regulations, 2012 especially in respect of barrier free environment.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	The State Government has implemented the SIPDA Scheme and Accessible India Campaign under which a total of 59 buildings have been retrofitted with ramps, toilets and lifts for wheelchair users. Buildings have been identified for Phase II of the Accessible India Campaign and release of fund from the Central Government is awaited.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Actions to be taken
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Actions being taken
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Actions taken

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Director, Social Welfare & Tribal Affairs has been appointed as competent authority for issue of certificate of registration in respect of Institutions for PwDs.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to the Registered Insitutions.	Secretary, Social Welfare Department has been appointed as Appellate Authority to whom appeals against the order of competent authority refusing or revoking the certificate of Registration of Institution can be made.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	The State Advisory Board on Disability was constituted vide Government Notification No. B. 13016/58/2017-SWD/Ptdt: 22/02/2018 for a period of 3 (three) years. Action taken to re-constitute.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	The District Level Committee was constituted vide Government Notification No. B. 13016/58/2017-SWD/Ptdt: 22/02/2018 for a period of three years. Action taken to re-constitute.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile , Fax, E-Mail etc..</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/Uts for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p> <p>g) Details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature year:-</p>	<p>Independent charge</p> <p>The Advisory Committee was constituted vide Government Notification No. B. 13016/58/2017 – SWD/ Ptdt: 16/11/2017 for a period of 3 (three) years. Action taken to re-constitute</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assistant Commissioner 2. Research-cum-Prog. Asst. 3. Assistant 4. UDC-cum-Cashier 5. Sign language interpreter 6. LDC-cum-Computer operator 7. IV Grade 8. Driver <p>N/A</p> <p>7 nos.</p> <p>---</p> <p>1 nos.</p> <p>1 nos.</p> <p>0 nos.</p> <p>1 nos.</p> <p>1 nos.</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Annual Report for the year(s) 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019 was prepared and laid before the State Legislative Assembly.</p>

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a Session Court to work as a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Law & Judicial Department, Govt. of Mizoram after taking approval from the Chief Justice, Guwahati High Court had designated various Courts in Mizoram to try offences under the RPWD Act, 2016.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	As required under Section 85 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, Addl. Public Prosecutors are also appointed as Special Public Prosecutors for the purpose of conducting cases falling under the Act.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Finance Deptt. Has been requested to provide State Fund for PwDs.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
89	For Contravention of Provisions of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	No such case has arise
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	No such case has arise

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD Rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	RPwD Rules, 2017 was notified vide Govt. Notification No.B.13016/58/2017-SWD dt: 17th April, 2018

9.24 NAGALAND:**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	4% Reservation notified and strictly being monitored by the O/o the State Commissioner, Nagaland. Several cases filed by the Court of the State Commissioner, Nagaland, against departments violating the provision with positive outcomes. Heads of Departments asked to provide reasonable accommodation for disabled employees in specific cases with positive action taken.

4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely expresses their views equally with others.	Action is being taken in Education, Skill Development and Social Security
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in- house, residential and community support services.	Steps being taken to set up Rehabilitation Centres and other Community Support Service Centres
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Special Courts/Special Prosecutors set up
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Special Courts/Special Prosecutors set up to fast-track cases of abuse, violation and exploitation of persons with disabilities. Court of the State Commissioner, Nagaland, actively monitors all cases involving persons with disabilities.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situations during armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	0/o the State Commissioner, Nagaland, is collaborating with the Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority to revamp Disaster Operation Plans to ensure that Recue, Relief and Rebuilding processes are made fully disability inclusive. Disability inclusive training manuals are being brought out and training/workshops for all disaster personnel and other stakeholders will be incorporated into the Nagaland State Disaster Management processes.
9.	Steps taken to ensure implementation of the provisions so that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Action yet to be taken
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Under process
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	Steps taken to make election process accessible: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special camps held to enrol eligible voters with disabilities • Directives issued for polling stations to be made accessible with ramps, accessible table heights, volunteers to assist voters with disabilities, accessible toilets, etc • Ballot papers made available in Braille for persons with visual impairment • Postal ballots made available for voters with disabilities unable to go to the polling stations
12.	Steps taken to ensure to justice by Persons with disabilities.	Special Courts/Special Prosecutors set up; training/workshops being held for the legal services
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Action yet to be taken
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of implementation.	Rules yet to formulated
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Under process

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's. Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	Sections 16 notified
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Under Process

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rates to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	Action yet to be taken
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	4% Reservation notified and strictly being monitored by the O/o the State Commissioner, Nagaland. Several cases filed by the Court of the State Commissioner, Nagaland, against departments violating the provision with positive outcomes. Heads of Departments asked to provide reasonable accommodation for disabled employees in specific cases with positive action taken
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/ Private) notifies Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Under Process
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Section 22 of RPwD Act 2016 notified.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filing complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Section 23 of R.PwD Act 2016 notified and appointed.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Disability Pension Scholarship for disabled students Total beneficiaries: 6356
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Action yet to be taken
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Measures initiated
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Not yet initiated

29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	Yes, Steps being taken
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	Para-Sports Committee set up to promote & protect rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Section 31 notified
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Not yet notified
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified posts not later than every 3 years.	Expert committee constituted Posts for PwDs identified
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	Section 34 notified
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentives to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Action yet to be taken
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Notification for Notice of Vacancies issued
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark disabilities for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark disabilities for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concessional rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	Under Process

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration, government may provide Pwds with high supportive devices. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high supportive devices.	District Level Assessment Boards constituted

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particular	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Action being taken
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	Notified
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	Notified
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	Action being taken
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for general use of PwDs.	Action being taken
44	Establishment mandatorily to adhere to building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Notified
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Under Process
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Under Process
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Action being taken
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Action yet to be taken

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particular	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Appointed
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered Institutions.	Financial assistance being given to selected registered institutions/ organisations annually.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	State Advisory Board appointed
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	District Level Committees on Disability constituted

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile , Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p>	<p>Ms Diethono Nakhro Independent Charge O/o State Commissioner for PwDs New Secretariat Road (Opp State Civil Secretariat complex) Kohima - 797004: Nagaland +91 8258953837 +91 6009952830 scpdnagaland@gmail.com https://scpd.nagaland.gov.in/ https://twitter.com/scpdnagaland</p> <p>(ii) Advisory Committee to assist the State Commissioner constituted on 19" March 2021</p> <p>(iii) The Office of the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities functions with the following staff: 1. Programme Officer 1 (One) 2. Programme Coordinator 1 (One) 3. LDA 1 (One) 4. 4 Grade Staff 2(Two) 5. Driver 1 (One) 6. Legal Consultant I (One)</p> <p>(iv) Rs. 8.50 lakhs (Rupees Eight Lakhs and Fifty Thousand) only disbursed as Grant-in-Aid to NGOs working with persons with disabilities during the last financial year</p> <p>(v) Number of inspections carried out during last three financial years: 2018-19 - NIL 2019-20 - 3 (Three) 2020-21 - 5 (Five)</p> <p>1. The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 was adopted by the Nagaland State Government on 27 September, 2018. 2. The State Advisory Board on Disability was constituted by the State Government 26th October, 2018 to exercise the powers conferred on and to perform the function assigned to it under the provisions of Section 66 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.</p>

	<p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints field by the complainants before State Commissioner.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p> <p>g) details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature.</p> <p>(viii) Details of Preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature:</p> <p>Years:-</p> <p>Status of Preparation:-</p> <p>Laying it before State Legislature:-</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. 4 % reservation of posts for Persons with Disabilities in government jobs was notified on 13th August 2019 and Expert Committee was constituted for the task of identification of posts for disability reservation. 4. Notification issued on 28October 2019 designating the Sessions Court in each district ofthe State ofNagaland as Special Court for the purpose ofproviding speedy trial for offences committed against Persons with Disabilities. Public Prosecutors, Additional Public Prosecutors and Assistant Public Prosecutors in Nagaland designated as Special Prosecutor for the purpose ofconducting cases in these Special Courts on 11th October 2019. 5. Re-constitution ofDistrict-Level Committees under Section 72 ofthe Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 notified on 20" February, 2020. 6. The Nagaland Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019 was notified on 21 February 2020 7. Sections 16 & 31 ofRPwD Act (Inclusive Education) was notified by Department of School Education on 30 March, 2020. 8. The provisions for Reservation of Identified Posts for Persons with Benclmlark Disability were notified by Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms on 13August 2020. 9. Identified posts for disability categories A, B and C were published on 13th August 2020 10. Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner constituted on 19 March, 2021. <p>(vii) Cases handled during last financial year:</p> <p>Complaints filed by complainants:</p> <p>Suo Motu cases:</p> <p>Cases disposed:</p> <p>Compliance report received:</p> <p>Pending:</p> <p>4 (Four)</p> <p>3 (Three)</p> <p>1 (One)</p> <p>2(Two)</p> <p>2(Two)</p> <p>2(Two)</p> <p>(viii) Annual Reports: 2018-19:</p> <p>2019-20:</p> <p>2020-21:</p> <p>No details</p> <p>Prepared and Submitted</p> <p>Prepared and Submitted</p>
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Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specify for each district a Sessions Court to work as a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Special Courts designated
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Appointed

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Under Process

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
89	For Contravention of Provisions of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	Nil - no cases taken up yet
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act- Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 Lakh.	Nil - no cases taken up yet

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD Rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	Yes - notified

9.25 ODISHA**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	The Government of Odisha is implementing an umbrella scheme namely "Bhima Bhoi Samarthya Abhiyan" (BBSA) for providing a wide range of rehabilitation and welfare services to the PwDs throughout the State.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	The State Government is ensuring that in all schemes and programmes for women and children, women and children with disabilities are included to ensure that they enjoy their rights equally with others.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	The Government of Odisha ensures that the PwDs shall have the right to live in the community. The Government under 'Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana' is already providing Pucca houses to PwDs on priority basis. Marriage incentive to 400 couples/ year is also provided for solemnization of marriage between a non-disabled person and a person with benchmark disability.

6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	At the district level, the District Level Committee on Disability headed by Collector have been constituted. Designated Courts with provision of Special Public Prosecutors are functioning to deal with the cases of aggrieved PwDs.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	All Collectors have been instructed to take appropriate measures for protection of PwDs from abuse, violence and exploitation as and when situation warrants. Awareness camps on punitive measures for violation of the rights of PwDs have also been organized in all Districts for sensitization among the people.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Odisha State Disaster Management Plan ensures that PwDs shall have equal protection and safety in situations of risk, armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters. Odisha State Disaster Management Authority is also ensuring special safety arrangements for PwDs during disasters.
9.	Steps taken to ensure implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	The Government of Odisha ensures that Children with Disabilities (CwD) shall not be separated from his/ her parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court if required in the interest of child.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	The Government of Odisha through Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) ensures that reproductive rights of PwDs are protected.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	All Collectors were requested to identify barriers in inclusion of PwD electors in the electoral process and suggest strategies for enhancing the participation of PwDs in electoral process. For making elections accessible the State Government made the polling booths accessible, provided wheel chairs, Braille scripts to polling stations for visually impaired. During the General Election 2019 all the above facilities were provided to all the polling booths of the State.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Special Courts have been notified to hear cases filed by PwDs & its speedy disposal in each district. Special Public Prosecutors in all districts have also been appointed for taking up the cases of aggrieved PwDs.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	The Government of Odisha ensures that PwDs enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others including right to inherit property.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Rules for Limited Guardianship of PwDs have been made in the Odisha Rights of Persons with Disabilities, 2018.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	District Social Security Officers have been entrusted the job in respect of their Districts.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's. Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	The Government of Odisha through Odisha School Education Program Authority (OSEPA) ensures that CwDs are included in the normal education system of the State.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	The State Government ensures representation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equally with others.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	A Special Industrial Training Institute and a Vocational Training Centre are functioning in the State to impart skill development and self-employment to PwDs. The Vocational Training Centre is supporting marketing of the products made by PwDs. The State Government has also empaneled 42 training partners throughout the State to impart skill training to PwDs from January 2019. The State Government is promoting formation of Self-Help Groups for PwDs in the state with one-time assistance of Rs. 50,000/to each group. The Government is facilitating for DRI loans to the eligible PwDs.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	All establishments in the State have been requested to notify equal opportunity policy for PwDs under intimation to State Commissioner for PwDs and adhere to it. The equal opportunity policy for PwDs ensures that PwDs are not discriminated against in case of employment on the basis of their disability.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/ Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	All establishments have been requested to notify equal opportunity policy for PwDs under intimation to State Commissioner for PwDs and adhere to it. All colleges/ Universities have been instructed to establish an "Equal Opportunity Cell" in their premises.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	All establishments have been requested to maintain records of PwDs and compliance of Sec 21. The Government of Odisha is following up and regularly monitoring the issue from time to time to ensure early action by all estab.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	All Departments have appointed Grievances Redressal Officers to maintain the data and grievances of PwDs as mandated under provisions of RPwD Act.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	All eligible PwDs are covered under Madhu Babu Pension Yojana for Social Security. The Health and Family Welfare Department included the PwDs under Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana for Health insurance. Under the scheme the PwDs are eligible for free treatment in Government Hospitals and other referral hospitals.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Group Insurance Schemes of the State Government insures Employees with disabilities in both Govt. and Local Authorities.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	The State Government along with Local Authorities have formulated several rehabilitation schemes for PwDs. The State Government has also extended 5% reservation in all welfare schemes implemented in the State for the PwDs. Besides this, special scheme for skill training, promotion of Self-Help Groups, individual and group selfemployment and provision of physical rehabilitation including surgery, therapy and fitment of aids and appliances are taken up in massive scale.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	The Government of Odisha has constituted a Committee for Research on Disability and in addition to it promotes research on disability by other institutions. The Government of Odisha instituted two State Awards (one for individual and one for institution) for Best Applied Research or Innovation or Product Development in improving life of PwDs. It is also taking appropriate steps for initiating research & development on issues enhancing habilitation & rehabilitation.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	The State Government is promoting and protecting the rights of PwDs to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	The Government of Odisha is undertaking appropriate measures to promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sporting activities. The Sports and Youth Services Department has been implementing Special Award schemes for successful sports persons with disabilities. Further, the State Government is awarding state awards to eminent sports persons.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	The State Government has recognized 102 special schools and one special college to educate children with disabilities. Measures for inclusive education is also pursued on priority to ensure right to free education in a neighborhood school.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	The Government of Odisha has notified that 5% of seats in all Government/ Government aided educational institutions shall be reserved for PwBDs.

33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of PwDs for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified posts not later than every 3 years.	Most of the establishments have identified posts for reservation in favor of PwBDs. Government of Odisha has initiated the process of review and updation of list of posts identified for PwDs.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	The Government of Odisha has issued a resolution for reservation of 4% of posts for PwBDs in Government jobs in accordance with the provisions made in RPwD Act, 2016.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentives to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	The Government of Odisha has issued Industrial Policy Resolution, 2015. According to this resolution, all new and existing industrial units undertaking E/M/D in MSME and priority sector which employ skilled and semi-skilled PwDs as regular employees are to get 100% reimbursement of expenditure on account of contribution towards ESI and EPF Schemes for a period of 5 years.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	The Government of Odisha has already established special employment exchange for PwDs even before the enactment of RPwD Act, 2016.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark disabilities for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark disabilities for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concessional rates for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	All concerned Departments have issued notifications for reservation of 5% of all beneficiaries for PwDs in all welfare schemes being carried out by them with priority to Women with Disabilities.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide PwDs with high supportive devices. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high supportive devices.	The Government of Odisha under Bhima Bhoi Samarthya Abhiyan is providing support to eligible PwDs to enable them to undertake day to day basic activities.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	The Government of Odisha is conducting, encouraging, supporting and promoting awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes throughout the State to ensure that the rights of PwDs are protected
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	This comes under the domain of the Central Government.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	The State Government has decided that all new buses purchased by Odisha State Road Transport Corporation as well as by private owners shall comply with the new provisions for accessibility of PwDs as per the harmonized guidelines issued by Ministry of Urban Transport, Govt. of India. The State Government has also extended concession in Bus Fare to different categories of PwDs. The concession in deserving cases along with their accompanying person is up to 100%.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	The Government of Odisha ensures that Government websites are to comply with GIGW guidelines issued by Government of India. In case of important websites work taken up for making them accessible in first phase.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for general use of PwDs.	The Government of Odisha have sanctioned and released an amount of Rs. 200/- per month to each PwD having degree of 60% or more disability along with Disability Pension amount as support for procurement of rice.
44	Establishments mandatorily to follow building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	The Government of Odisha has formulated the Odisha Special Planning Authority and Regional Improvement Trust Common Planning and Building Standard Rules, 2017 under which no completion certificate or occupation of building shall be provided unless the building is accessible to the PwDs.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	The Government of Odisha under Accessible India Campaign is making the buildings accessible in the State. The Government is identifying, retrofitting and making all efforts to make all buildings accessible.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	The service providers are being sensitized on this to comply with the provisions of the Act.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	In Odisha, institutions have been recognized for running rehabilitation and educational programmes and to develop trained manpower for rehabilitating PwDs.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General Schemes and programmes.	Regular review and audit of all welfare programmes are being undertaken at different levels.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	The State Government has appointed Director, Department of Social Security & Empowerment of PwDs (SSEPD) as the Competent Authority and Secretary, SSEPD Department as the Appellate Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.

50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered Institutions.	The State Government is granting certificate of registration to eligible institutions other than State or Central Government Institutions. The State Government is also granting financial assistance to these registered institutions to provide services and to implement the schemes and programmes in pursuance of the provisions of the RPwD Act, 2016.
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State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	The Government of Odisha has already constituted the State Advisory Board on Disability.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	District Level Committee on Disability in all districts have already been constituted. Regular meetings are being held at District level.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, WhatsApp No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p>	<p>Smt. Sulochana Das Independent Charge SIDR Building, Capital Hospital Campus Unit 6, BBSR, Odisha, Tele No: 0674-2390006, Tollfree: 18003456737, Email Id: scpdorissa@gmail.com/scpdodisha@gmail.com</p> <p>The proposal has been processed.</p> <p>Officer on Special Duty, Part time on Deputation from Govt. Odisha Registrar (Retd. Judicial Officer, Contractual Private Secretary, Contractual Personal Assistant, Contractual Legal Assistant, Contractual outsourcing Computer Programmer, Contractual Junior Steno, Contractual Junior Clerk, On deputation Sign Lanaguage, Contractual</p> <p>---</p> <p>2018-19 = 06 2019-20 = 09 2020-21 = 05</p> <p>Yes</p>

a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before State Comm.:	305
b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):	14
c) Total number of cases:	319
d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:	33 (out of 319 cases)
e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	Almost all.
f) Number of cases pending:	710
g) Status of preparation of laying it before State Legislature	2018-19 : Submitted to SSEPD Department 2019-20 : Submitted to SSEPD Department 2020-21 : Under process of submission

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial, State Government shall specify for each district a Session Court to be designated as a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	The State Government has specified a sessions' court in each district.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	A Special Public Prosecutor has also been appointed in each district for speed trail of offences under this Act.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	A corpus of Rs. 2 crores have been earmarked for State Fund for PwDs.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provisions of this Act–Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	The Government of Odisha will take up the issues as and when the situation warrants.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act–Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	The Government of Odisha has constituted three Appellate Medical Boards and before allowing major benefits including employment, admission to higher/ professional education certificates of all applicants are being verified by the Boards to eliminate the fraudulent/ unfit ones.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	The State Government has already framed and notified the Odisha Rights of Persons with Disability Rules, 2018 on 25.06.2018 for carrying out the provisions of the RPwD Act.

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Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	For upliftment of the status in the society, various welfare scheme were implemented in UT of Puducherry and
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	The Union Territory of Puducherry Commission for Protection of Child Rights (UTPCPCR) is taking all measures to ensure that children enjoying their rights and freely express their views with others. Being the advisory and monitoring authority, this commission is taking all the measures to ensure the rights and protection of the children is followed as per Acts and Rules.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in-house, residential and community support services.	Directorate of Social Welfare is running various homes for the Disabled Persons in Puducherry as residential services. Through NGOs, community support services are also rendered in UT of Puducherry.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	No such situation arose so far in the UT of Puducherry. Necessary steps will be taken to protect Persons with Disability from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment if such situation arises.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Yes, Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 is enacted and implemented in the UT of Puducherry, if situation arise for PwDs from abuse, violence and exploitation, necessary steps will be taken to safeguard them.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	The Department of Revenue and Disaster Management is taking action based on Disability inclusive Disaster risk reduction and has framed draft guidelines to implement the same.
9.	Steps taken to ensure implementation of the provisions that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	If such situation arises the provisions of the RPD Act will be followed.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	The Health Department is taking necessary measures to provide information in Accessible format about information on reproductive health and family planning.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	Necessary steps were taken to ensure that all polling stations and materials related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Yes. Special Court has been constituted by the Government of Puducherry and the same was notified vide G.O.Ms.No.11/2018-LD; dated 23.05.2018 of the Law Department, Puducherry. Special Public Prosecutor for Puducherry District and Karaikal District have been appointed vide G.O.Ms.No.37/2018-LD, dated 13.12.2018 and G.O.Ms.No.38/2018-LD, dated 13.12.2018 respectively of the Law Department, Puducherry.

13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	---
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Limited Guardianship has been introduced in UT of Puducherry and certificates have been issued to the applicants through State Nodal Agency (Satya Special School) with the approval of the District Collector as the Competent Authority.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Grass root level workers of ICDS and Department of Health and Family Welfare Services regularly conduct house visit, Mothers meeting etc. for the purpose of community mobilization. Further awareness on disabilities is being made by the officials of Directorate of Social welfare.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's. Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	Children's with disability are admitted in schools as per Right of Persons with Disability act 2016 norms. In this regard proper instructions have already been issued to all Educational Institutions. i) Children are admitted in schools as per Right of Persons with Disability act 2016 norms. Equal opportunity provided to Children with Special Needs(CWSN) in all Activities. ii) Ramps and Rails provide in all schools to cater the needs of children with special needs. CWSN toilets constructed in the needy schools. iii) All CWSN are accommodated in Ground Floor. Instruction has been issued to all schools regarding the provision for accommodation of CWSN. iv) Braille Kit and Educational assistive materials provided to all schools, where CWSN students are studying. Individual Educational plan prepared for all the CWSN to increase the academic level. CWSN participated in all the cultural and sports activity conducted in schools to fulfil the goal of inclusion. v) Resource teachers appointed in the needy schools to address the needs of the CWSN. Sign language is imparted to teach deaf students and Braille kit used for the Blind students. vi) Regular teachers are trained through National Institute for Empowering Persons with Disabilities and Sri Aurobindo Society to detect Specific Learning disabilities in children and special class are conducted to address the needs. vii) The academic level of the children is monitored and progress in terms of attainment levels of every student with disability is ensured by teachers handling children with special needs. vi) Escort allowance of Rs. 2500/- per year is given to the escort who accompany CWSN to school and a Transport Allowance of Rs.2500/- per year was given separately to the CWSN students (75% above disability level) for attending school.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Initiated through Centrally sponsored scheme "PadhnaLikhna Abhiyan". Local teachers have been involved to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in Adult education and continuing education programmes.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	Skill Development in 5 different trades is being imparted at the National Career Service Centre, Dubrayapet, Puducherry under central government scheme. Loan for Self-Employment for the PWDs of UT Puducherry is being provided by Puducherry Corporation for the development of Women and Differently Abled persons limited under NHFDC.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	All Government Departments were directed to ensure non-discrimination in employment for PwDs.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Equal opportunity policy of the Government is notified vide G.O.Ms. No.5/SWS/2020-21 dated 17/09/2020.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Every Government establishment maintains records of PwDs in Puducherry.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	56 Departments/Autonomous bodies of this Administration have appointed Grievance Redressal Officer.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Financial Assistance to the differently abled persons is being implemented in the UT of Puducherry to uplift the livelihood of differently abled persons. Further Welfare Schemes and health measures were implemented based on the requirements of differently abled persons and subject to the budget allocation by the UT Government.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	-----
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Rehabilitation measure is given in the home run by Government of Puducherry viz. Home for Mentally Retarded Children, Ananda Rangapillai Special School for Differently abled Children and NGOs wherein training is provided and they are also engaged in the activities of Yoga, tailoring, embroidery work, drawing & colouring, making of greeting cards depending on their level of understanding. They are also trained in coir mat making, beads threading. Further, Health and Hygiene practices are taught. In Addition to that Counselling is being given regularly. Motivational
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Pondicherry University, a Central University, provides completely free educations including (Completer waver of educational fees, food and accommodation) for person with disabilities. Currently 194 students with disability had undergone their higher studies in the academic year 2019-20, 2020-21.

29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	The Department of Art and Culture is taking necessary measures to provide Cultural life and enable participation of them in recreational activities.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	For promotion of sports activities, necessary sports articles are given to sports associations of differently abled persons. Further, sports activities are also conducted to differently abled persons in lieu of international day for differently abled persons.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response														
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Eligible children with disabilities have been enrolled in the neighbourhood schools. Home based education facilities extended to severe disabled children through NGO's.														
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Implemented vide G.O.Ms.No.18, dated 10.05.2018 of Chief Secretariat (Higher and Technical Education), Puducherry														
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Posts were identified in Government Departments for 3% reservation. Further post identification for 4% reservation for persons with disabilities has been requested from all Administrative Departments. Expert Committee for identification of posts in Government Establishments as per RPD Act is made vide G.O.Ms.No.9/SWS/2019-20 dated 17/07/2019.														
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	In accordance with Section 34(1) of the “The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016” 4% reservation in every Government Establishments is provided to the differently abled persons in the following manner vide G.O.Ms. No.3/SWS/2018- 19/852, dated 24/05/2018 of Social Welfare Department, Puducherry. <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 5%; text-align: center;">(a)</td> <td style="width: 85%;">Blindness and low vision</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">1%</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">(b)</td> <td>Deaf and Hard of Hearing</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1%</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">(c)</td> <td>Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1%</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">(d)</td> <td>Autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness and</td> <td rowspan="2" style="text-align: center; vertical-align: middle;">1%</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">(e)</td> <td>Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf- blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities</td> </tr> </table>	(a)	Blindness and low vision	1%	(b)	Deaf and Hard of Hearing	1%	(c)	Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy.	1%	(d)	Autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness and	1%	(e)	Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf- blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities
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35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentives to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Communication has been made to the Labour Department for sensitizing the private establishments to implement the Incentive scheme for providing employment to persons with disabilities in private sectors.														

36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Circulars have been issued by Special Employment Exchange for persons with disabilities to all Government establishments requesting for submission of Return in Form-I and Form-II. Form-I has been received from Government establishment as detailed below: 1. 15. No of forms received from 1st April 2019 to 30th September 2019. 2. 14. No of forms received from 1st October 2019 to 31st March 2020.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	In this regard, GO is issued vide G.O.Ms.No.20/SWS/2019-20 dated 10/01/2020 for implementing Section 37 of RPD Act which stipulates that (a) Five per cent. reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes with appropriate priority to women with benchmark disabilities; (b) Five per cent. reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes and development programmes, with appropriate priority to women with benchmark disabilities; (c) Five per cent. Reservation in allotment of land on concessional rate, where such land is to be used for the purpose of promoting housing, shelter, setting up of occupation, business, enterprise, recreation centres and production centres.”

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high supportive devices. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high supportive devices.	Assessment board is formed and High Support officer is also designated vide G.O.Ms No: 1 dated. 03/07/2020 to provide PwDs with High support needs.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Awareness programmes are organized to target groups. 201 No. of Anganwadi workers were sensitized about the early detection and intervention under the “In-Service training and sensitization of State Government service providers of RCI during March & December 2019. Further 6 No. of training has been proposed for the said purpose during the current financial year. Under the State scheme viz. “Prevention and early detection of Disabilities” the Directorate of Social Welfare conducts camps to Anganwadi workers/Mothers/Adolescence girls/College Students every Year. This Year two Programmes for College Students were conducted on RPwD Act and on Prevention and Early detection of disabilities.

40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	As per the Central Government norms the standards of accessibility are ensured for PwDs by UT of Puducherry.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	The Puducherry Road Transport Corporation have made 10 buses fully compatible for use of differently abled persons and to accommodate invalid carriages, 90 buses are semi low floor and 2 seats in the Puducherry Road Transport Corporation buses are earmarked for differently abled persons.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	In the year 2019-20, this Department collaborated with ALIMCO, Bangalore and National career service centre, Puducherry has organized a ADIP camp for 2 days in Puducherry dated 30/07/2019 and 31/07/2019 and identified 248 nos. of person with disabilities and the distribution camp was conducted on 16th December 2019 and provided aids and assistive devices worth Rs. 23.9 Lakhs (Approx.) In addition to that Radio, Mobile phones also given to the Persons with Disabilities.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for general use of PwDs.	Proposal to promote development of product and accessories for General use of PwDs is being initiated by this Directorate.
44	Establishments mandatorily to follow building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Now after launching of Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan by the Hon'ble Prime Minister, the norms are followed by the Public Works Department while constructing new building designs as user friendly for PwDs. The same is followed in respect of Private Building (Citizen centric) in the UT of Puducherry. The Nodal Officer is also nominated for the Public and Private Buildings separately for this purpose.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Under Accessible India Campaign target is fixed for the first phase by March 2022. In respect of Puducherry, 28 Government buildings are being made accessible for PwDs.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Under Accessible India Campaign 28 public buildings were identified for accessible in the first phase. For private buildings nodal officer is already designated for accessibility. Concerned authority will be persuaded to make the citizen centric building (Private) accessible.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Presently, the officials of the Differently abled wing, Directorate of Social Welfare are performing the duties for the welfare of the PwDs. In addition to that Anganwadi workers also engaged as field level workers to reach out the benefits to differently abled persons.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Every Year Social Audit for all General Schemes and programmes is being done by the Directorate of Social Welfare.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particular	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	The Director, Directorate of Social Welfare is appointed as Competent Authority and issue license to the institutions vide G.O. Ms.No.12/SWS/2019- 20 dated. 30/07/2019
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	The Competent Authority will issue the certificate of registration of institutions other than central government institutions. Further, the Secretary(Welfare) cum State Commissioner for Person with Disabilities is designated as the Appellate Authority to process the appeals in the matters of refusal of grant of certificate of registration/ revocation of registration by the Competent Authority.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	State Advisory Board has been constituted under the section 66 of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, vide G.O. Ms. No: 2/SWS/2020-21 dated. 05/05/2020
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	District Level Committee has been constituted under the section 72 of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, vide G.O. Ms. No: 6/SWS/2020-21 dated. 03/11/2020.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of the Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before State Commissioner.:</p>	<p>Shri.Udaya Kumar, I.A.S, Additional Charge State Commissioner for Persons with Disability Secretary to Government Welfare, Chief Secretariat, Puducherry- 605001 Telephone No: 0413-2205872 E-mail:secywel.pon@nic.in socwel.pon@nic.in</p> <p>State Advisory Board has been constituted under the section 66 of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, vide G.O. Ms. No: 2/SWS/2020-21 dated. 05/05/2020 to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79(vii).</p> <p>The officials of the Differently abled wing, Directorate of Social Welfare are performing the work related to the State Commissioner for Persons with disabilities office to assist State Commissioner Wooden and steel furniture, Computer, Printer, scanner and Photo copier and on-line UPS were purchased for infrastructural facilities.</p> <p>(iv) Last Financial year: 2019-20, Immaculate Joy Home for Mentally Retarded Children, Puducherry. Rs. 2,43,000/- Rajiv Gandhi Home for Handicapped, Puducherry. Rs. 1,08,000/-</p> <p>(v) Rajiv Gandhi Home for Handicapped, Puducherry. 2018-19 - Rs. 1,18,800/- No.of Inspection 1 2019-20 - Rs.1,08,000/- No.of Inspection 1 Jwala Home for Mental Peace, Puducherry. 2018-19 - Rs. 1,51,200/- No. of Inspection 1</p> <p>Immaculate Joy Home for Mentally Retarded Chidren, Puducherry. 2018-19 - Rs. 2,26,800/- No. of Inspection 1 2019-20 - Rs. 2,43,000/- No. of Inspection 1</p> <p>G.O. under section 24 and 37 ,88, 49, 53, 34, 80 to 82, 66, 72 of the Act has been issued. Constituted a committee to expedite the process of filling up of vacancies and backlog vacancies with 4% reservation of persons with bench mark disabilities and two monitoring committee meeting was convened.</p> <p>1</p>

b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):	Nil
c) Total number of cases:	1
d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:	1
e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	Nil Nil
f) Number of cases pending: Details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature.	Annual Reports furnished to the office of the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities. 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial, State Government shall specify for each district a Sessions Court to be designated as a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Yes. Special Court has been constituted by the Government of Puducherry and the same was notified vide G.O.Ms.No.11/2018-LD; dated 23.05.2018 of the Law Department, Puducherry.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Special Public Prosecutor for Puducherry District and Karaikal District have been appointed vide G.O.Ms.No.37/2018-LD, dated 13.12.2018 and G.O.Ms.No.38/2018-LD, dated 13.12.2018 respectively of the Law Department, Puducherry.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	State Fund has been constituted under the section 88 of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, vide G.O. Ms. No: 14/SWS/2019-20 dated. 30/07/2019

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	No such penalties were imposed so far.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	No such fraudulent activities were arised so far.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD Rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	State Government has framed RPwD rules for carrying out the provision of the Act vide G.O No 23 dated.23/02/2018

9.27: PUNJAB

NOT SUBMIT

9.28: RAJASTHAN

Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	It is submitted that for the compliance of Section 3 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, Secretary, Social Justice & empovernment department a vide circular dated 12-8-2021 issued to all concern.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	The State Government has issued directions for its due compliance, from time to time. A letter dated 11.11.2019 was issued to the Department of Women and the Child Department to ensure due compliance of the Section 4 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. It is submitted that women & children of all categories including persons with disabilities are given benefits of all programmes for Economic and Social Development, protection and rehabilitation initiated and undertaken by Department of Women & Child Welfare. Compliance measures are taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights. This is being done through "JAJAMS" (small group meetings of rural women) by GRAM SATHIN, who is the prime animator at grassroot level.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in-house, residential and community support services.	As per the Rajasthan Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2018, it has been submitted that the District Level Committee is entrusted with the responsibility of creating social awareness for integration of persons with disabilities in the community and such committee is expected to take steps to ensure suitable arrangement to exercise legal capacity by persons with disabilities living in institution. The State Government has taken due steps to ensure that persons with disabilities live in the community with equal rights as any other being and are given personal assistance and support as required. It is further submitted that the State Government had notified the special scheme with name "Palanhaar" in 2005 and it's still active. As per the scheme, persons suffering with disabilities having children are given Rs.1000 per month per child to the age of 18 years for their upbringing and education. It is further submitted, that to ensure a good upbringing and education of such children within the society, food and clothing arrangements are to be made by the State Government.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	The Home Department has given directions to Additional Director General of Police, Crime and ADGP, Civil Rights dated 18.11.2019 directing in that matter of cruelty and inhumane treatment with person with disabilities, the department concerned shall take appropriate action as per the provisions of the Person with Disabilities Act, 2016 in each and every case when the same is reported or registered. Furthermore, the State Government has communicated to all departments and officers concerned that full compliance of Section 6 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. The Specially abled persons department has communicated to all the District Collector and Magistrate to report cases of inhumane behavior or torture with persons with disabilities. Social Justice & empovernment a vide circular 12-8-2021 issued to all concern for compliance of Section 6

7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Direction has been issued to Director General Police, all District Collectors and Superintendent of Police, Rajasthan for compliance of the provisions of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk during armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Disaster Management, Relief and Civil Defence department, Rajasthan implements and acts in accordance with NDMA Act 2005, SDRF norms issued by GOI and SDMP by GOR in the event of natural disaster.
9.	Steps taken to ensure implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	The District Level Committee has power to appoint a limited legal guardian to take legal action to protect the rights and interest of the persons with disabilities if they cannot take such decisions. It is submitted that appropriate steps and directions have been issued to ensure that no child with disability is separated from parents without due person or court orders. The parents who are unable to bring up their children, the Child Welfare Committee constituted under Juvenile Justice Act can issue orders for protection and rehabilitation of such children and house them in shelter homes run by the State Government or NGOs.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	It is submitted that for the compliance of Section 10 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, the Directorate of Medical and Health Services has written to all CMHO and Health officers to take appropriate steps and ensure compliance.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PwDs voters are provided with prioritized entry along with all the essential facilities at polling booth. 2. With respect to blind voters, a person above the age of 18 years to vote from the voting machine, available by the polling officer to vote according to the wishes of the voter. is done. 3. At every polling booth, the appointed nodal officer for PwDs, ensure commuting/travel service for identified PwDs voters. 4. With cooperation of GOR recognized "Netraheen Kalyan Sangh"polling booths in all constituencies of jaipur have been installed with Braille stickers on EVMs and provided with directions regarding electrol process in Braille under supervisions of an appointed nodal officer.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	It is submitted that vide notification dated 22-8-2017 of the Law and Legal Affairs Department and in consideration with the Chief Justice of Hon'ble High court, all the Sessions Courts has been jurisdiction to deal with cases under the Act of 2016 for full compliance of the provisions of the Act of 2016. Under NALSA (Legal services to the mentally ill and disability person scheme 2015 total 576 legal Awareness Camps organized and 93786 person were benefitted in these camps during period 2019-20.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	It is submitted that the Directorate of Specially Abled Persons has directed for the Local Level Committee to be formed in each district. The Local committee is to be headed by the District Collector as Chairperson and shall include two members. One of the members in an NGO and the other is any person active in the field of Specially Abled Person. Total 22 Persons with disabilities Grant legal Aid under the Section 12 of the legal services Authority1987 during the period 2019-20.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	District level Committee is constituted in the Chairmanship of District Collector in State rule, 2018 which is empowered to take the decision under section 14 for limited guardianship. In the matter of limited Guardianship for persons with disabilities Rajasthan State Legal Services Authority provision of Act.Rules and Regulation.

15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	District Level Committee is constituted to mobilize the community and create social awareness to support persons with disabilities in exercise of their legal capacity.
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Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
16	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's.	Rajasthan School Education Council, Jaipur has been providing educational and therapeutic support to children with special needs(CWSN) under Inclusive Education. We are facilitating CWSN with allowances (Transport, Escort, Reader and Stipend for Girls), aids and appliances, braille and large print books, exposure visit etc. They are also provided with teaching and therapeutic services with the help of specialised teachers to get learning outcomes.
17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Department of Education, Government of Rajasthan issued an order to enrol all children with special needs in nearby schools. Rajasthan School Education Council has been working for enrolling all CWSN and now 75495 CWSN are enrolled in schools(Private, Govt. and Govt. Aided) as per UDISE+ 2020-21. Enrolment drive has been conducted for CWSN as well as other children. Data has been updated on UDISE+, Shala Darpan and PMS Portal. 2. Making building campus and various facilities accessible to maximum extent. 3. Providing reasonable accommodation as per the needs of the CWSN. 4. Providing necessary support to CWSN for academic and social development with the help of Special Teachers as well as their parents and society to achieve goal of inclusion. 5. Blind Children getting facilities of braille books and low vision with large print books as hard copies in addition to that they are also facilitated with textbooks in accessible format EText/EPUB to read it in mobile and laptop. 6. Children with Specific Learning Disabilities are screened as well as the special teachers apply suitable pedagogy and other measures to overcome them. 7. Regularly monitoring participation and progress of CWSN. 8. Providing transportation allowances to CWSN.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Facility will be provided to the PwDs present for literacy at the literacy center in the "Padna Likhna Abhiyan" run by the department as per the guidelines of the government.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Directrote of Specially abled Persons provided loan facility under the scheme of "Mukhyamantri Vishesh Yogyajan Swarojgar Yojna" (SAP) 2. PwDs are trained under all short term skill training schemes implemented by RSLDC . So far 964 PwD youth have been trained by RSLDC

20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	The rules are being followed without any discrimination. No discrimination is being done. A Circular dated 09-03-2021 issued by Chief Secretary of Rajasthan for compliance of section 20 of RPWD Act 2016.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Notification of Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs in consultation with government is under process.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	--
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	It is submitted that vide circular dated 10.12.2019 of Social Justice and Empowerment Department, it has been directed that every government establishment shall appoint Nodal Officer of Rajasthan Sampark Portal or Nodal Officer of Rajasthan Public Service Guarantee Act as Grievance Redressal Officer. Any complaint or grievance can be addressed to such officer where the provisions of this Act, 2016 are not complied with or there is discrimination. 1. complaints from SHGs members including PwD being registered throw Hello rajeevika and forwarded to concerned DPMU for action. 2. Rajasthan Sampark portal (181) devolved by state govt. also used to registered complaints & address be dept. in time bound manner if the complaints was not address within 30 days the complaint transfer to district level action

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Directorate of Specially Abled Persons run many schemes for PwDs within economic limit and under Social Security Social Justice Department provided pensions for PwDs as per norms. A Circular dated 09-03-2021 issued by Chief Secretary of Rajasthan for compliance of section 24 of RPWD Act 2016.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	It is submitted that the State Insurance and Provident Fund Department vide its communication order dated 14.11.2019 confirmed that insurance scheme for their employees with disability is effective and no discrimination is made against persons with disabilities whatsoever with implementation of the policy. Employees with disabilities are covered under existing insurance scheme.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	The State Government has been making effort for the overall welfare of the Specially Abled Persons. The State Government is organizing camps for their identification, Issuance of disability certificates and rehabilitation of Specially Abled Persons. A number of schemes have also been launched by the State Government for such people. Looking to the vast field for welfare of Specially Abled Persons, the State Government has established a separate Directorate for Specially Abled Persons in 2011
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	It is submitted that the State government is duty bound to implement research and development in the field of rehabilitation of persons with disabilities. In this regard, the institutes like Bhagwan Mahavir Handicap Rehabilitation Committee, Jaipur and Narayan seva, Udaipur are working for several years to develop a plan for rehabilitation and ensuring that persons with disabilities are brought into mainstream. Continuous research is undertaken new wheelchair for spinal injury patients developed with BMVSS (Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti).

29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All the monuments, museums and tourist places, ramps, wheel chairs, etc. are arranged for the PwDs and on receipt of information about any of their problems, the diagnosis is done immediately. 2. The desired assistance is provided to the disabled artists/disabled people and on receipt of the proposal, space is reserved for the programs as per the rules. 3. Apart from this, grant is sanctioned on the recommendation of the committee on receipt of application form as per rules to the poor handicapped/disabled folk artistes from the level of art, literature, culture and archeology department.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	<p>All facilities are equally provided to the disabled players like normal players.</p> <p>Regular Sports training is provided free of cost to the para players.</p> <p>Under the Grants Rules 2016, prize money is given to the medal winning players.</p> <p>According to the rules of Rajasthan State Sports Medalist, Para players are also given direct appointment in government job without shift. In this, about 75 para players have been given direct appointment in government departments.</p> <p>Para Olympic players are also being included in the 2% reservation in sports quota recruitment.</p>

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Samagra Shiksha is offering quality and inclusive learning opportunities to children with special needs in a barrier free environment. SMSA has taken various initiatives to cater educational needs of CWSN under inclusive education in a neighborhood school such as braille books, large print books, ramp, disability of aids & appliances, different allowances, surgeries etc.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	In all government colleges, 5% reservation is being given to the PwDs at the time of admission
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	State Government made rule and published in state gazette dated 24-1-2019 in this rule provision are made:- In the post identified for each disability by the govt. of India under section 33 of RPWD ACT 2016 and such reservation shall be treated as horizontal reservation.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%.	Reservation is being given as per rules. State Government made rule and published in state gazette dated 24-1-2019 in this rule provision are made:- In every establishment 4% percent of the vacancies of direct recruitment in the cadre shall be reserved for person or class of person with benchmark disabilities according to the section 34 of the act. In the post identified for each disability by the govt. of India under section 33 and such reservation shall be treated as horizontal reservation.

	<p>iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%.</p> <p>2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.</p>	<p>The circular issued dated 29.08.2019 and dated 18.9.2019 by the Secretary, personnel (A-2) Department Rajasthan Jaipur and A letter dated 25-9-2019 by the Secretary Social Justice and Empowerment Department issued guidelines regarding for implementation of 4% reservation in govt. appoints for persons with disabilities under the Rajasthan Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018 (copy is enclosed herewith)</p>
35	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.</p>	<p>1. Special Provision for PWD in RIPS - 2019 RIPS - 2019 is an investment & employment promotion scheme. The reservation in employment is beyond the scope of the Scheme but The Scheme has provisions for- extra benefits to the employer if employment is provided to PwDs. The Provision relating to Employment Subsidy for the eligible enterprises in RIPS 2019 is as following : Employment Generation Subsidy in the form of reimbursement of 50% of employers contribution towards employees EPF and ESI, for seven years: Provided that the Employment Generation Subsidy in the form of reimbursement of 75% of employers contribution towards EPF and , ESI shall be granted (a) For employees belonging to Women , Schedule Caste (SC) , Schedule Tribe (ST) , Person with disability (PWD) ; and (b) For all employees if the enterprise is providing more than 75% direct employment to persons domiciled in Rajasthan.</p> <p>2. Prime Minister's Employment Generation Program and Under the Chief Minister's Laghu Udyog Protsahan Yojana, there is a provision of grant for taking loan for self-employment. Under which at present no additional grant or incentive is being provided to the handicapped along with the loan.</p>
36	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.</p>	<p>As per norms Prescribed category wise information regarding vacancy requisitions sent to recruitment agencies.</p>
37	<p>Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:-</p> <p>i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%.</p> <p>ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.</p> <p>iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concessional rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.</p>	<p>1. For compliance RPWD Act 2016 section 37 Pr. Secretary, Social Justice & empowernment a UO Note 26-6-2019 issued to all concern.</p> <p>2. A Circular dated 09-03-2021 issued by Chief Secretary of Rajasthan for compliance of section 37 of RPWD Act 2016.</p> <p>3. According to the provisions of Rajasthan Urban Land Disposal Rules 1974, for providing residential facilities to PwDs, 5 percent reservation in the allocation of residential schemes as per law / housing rules.</p> <p>4. It is submitted that the Local Self Government Department through its notification dated 30.10.2019 confirmed reservation of 5% of plot to the persons entitled under category in clause (g) sub-rule 2, for persons with disabilities on the basis of lottery according to procedure specified therein.</p>

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	Commissioner and Secretary, Specially Abled Persons is appointed as certifying authority. A joint order dated 17-9-2021 issued by the Medical & Health Department and Pr. Secretary, Social Justice & empowerment department for Assessment Board.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particular	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	District Level Committee is constituted.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	Section related to GOI
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Basic facilities for specially abled persons are available at the major bus stand of Rajasthan State Road Transport Corporation Under the Sugamya Bharat Yojana of the Government of India, the Directorate Specially Abled Persons has identified 90 Govt. buildings of various departments in Jaipur city and is working to make available necessary facilities for specially abled persons through Public Works Department. Which include 6 units of the corporation and completion of work at five locations is already done by Public Works Department. Along with this, reservation of two seats in the ordinary/fast buses of the corporation, arrangement of wheelchairs at bus stands, construction of permanent ramps at major bus stands, good conduct during the journey and arrangements to provide full support to the specially abled persons in boarding /deboarding buses have been made. 2. In compliance with the decision of the Honorable Supreme court in 25 percent of public transport busses, the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India has directed dated 11-7-2021 for low-floor 1200 mm door to facilitate the PWDs. There is not a single vehicle available in the present corporation low-floor 1200 mm. 3. Notification dated 20.09.2016 by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India G.S.R. Provision was made to implement the provisions of AIS: 052 in two phases by issuing 895 (E). The first phase has been made effective from 01.01.2017 and the second phase from 01.01.2018. By implementing the provision of AIS: 052 in public buses in the state, transportation for disabled people was made accessible. 4. In order to comply with the items specified in Rule 62 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, on 05.03.2021, all the Regional / District Transport and Private Fitness Centers will be given priority seats for disabled people and disabled people in all public transport vehicles.

		Marks, Vaisakhi / stick / walker hand rail / safe pillars available, control of primary seats and wheel chair entry / space / arrangement of locking for wheel chair etc. were directed for availability of facilities.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	Screen Reader Access is being provided on most websites and portals. A Circular dated 09-03-2021 issued by Chief Secretary of Rajasthan for compliance of section 42 of RPWD Act 2016.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for general use of PwDs.	Compliance done.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	The proposals for the construction of new buildings by the Public Works Department, Circle-City Jaipur, all the parameters are being taken to make the buildings conveniently for special abled persons. In this sequence, instructions have been given to the subordinate officers under this circle to provide facilities for specially abled persons in the proposed new buildings. (PWD) Provision of Handicapped ramp, lift, separate parking & separate Toilet given in building byelaws 2020 (JDA) To make building design friendly for PwDs, RHB follows all necessary construction norms in its projects specially in all multi storied buildings.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	According to the approval of the Central State Government, 78 buildings (79 works) in the old buildings located under the city circle will be made accessible. Under the campaign, work has been done to make it conveniently for the specially abled persons. A completion report of which has been submitted to the concerned department vide this office letter number 5543 dated 01.02.2021. In this sequence, a proposal to construct 12 new buildings with special convenience is being sent to the Directorate of Special abled Persons.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Section related to GOI, the State Government shall comply according to any direction issued by the Government of India.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	For this purpose 66 institutions run in Rajasthan after approval of RCI
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	It is submitted that the office of the Auditor General conducts time to time audit of all programmes and schemes for the persons with disabilities.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particular	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	According to Rajasthan Rights of Persons with Disability Rules 2018 Director of Specially Abled Persons is Competent Authority for this purpose.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	According to Rajasthan Rights of Persons with Disability Rules 2018. Secretary in charge of Social Justice & Empowerment Department is Competent Authority for this purpose.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	State Advisory Board on Disabilities provisions are made in state rule. which are published in the state gazette dated 24/01/2019. State Advisory Committee constitution is under process.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	It is submitted that as per a rule framed by the State Government called as Rajasthan Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2018 under Rule 21 stipulates for District Level Committee on disability. It is further submitted that Local Level Committee is formed for each district since 09.01.2020 and is to be headed by District Collector as Chairperson and shall include two members one of the members is an NGO and the second member is any person active in the field of Specially Abled Persons.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p>	<p>The State Commissioner for PwDs completed tenure of his service on 27 January 2019. Presently Dr. Samit Sharma, IAS, Secretary, Social Justice and Empowerment Department is holding additional charge of the post of State Commissioner for PWDs, Rajasthan.</p> <p>Dr. Samit Sharma: Email: ps-sje@rajasthan.gov.in. Address: G-3/1 A, Vishesh Yogyajan Bhawan, Rajmahal Residency Area, Jaipur. PH. 0141-2222937, 2222503 E-mail:- Commissioner.sap@rajasthan.gov.in</p> <p>Regarding constituting State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner File is under process at State Level</p> <p>(iii) Dy. Commissioner -1 S.L.O.--1 P.S. - 1 Asst.Adm.Off.-1 U.D.C - 1 L.D.C - 1 Peon - 3</p> <p>(iv) Grant-in-aid sanctioned in the financial year 2020-21 by the Directorate Special Abled Persons are 2673.00 Lacs.</p> <p>NIL</p>

	<p>vi) Summary for initiatives taken by the State/Uts for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p> <p>g) Details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State Legislature</p>	<p>(vi) It is submitted that State Government has notified the Rajasthan Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018 and vide notification of law and legal Affairs Department, Rajasthan, all District Session Courts have been assigned special jurisdiction to deal with the cases pertaining concerned provision and that as per Rule framed by State Government called as Rajasthan Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2018 under Rule 21 stipulates for District Level Committee on disability. It is further submitted that Local Level Committee is formed for each district since 09.01.2020 .Commissioner and Secretary, Specially Abled Persons is appointed as certifying authority in case of Benchmark disability. And every government establishment shall appoint a nodal officer of Rajasthan Sampark Portal or Nodal Officer of Rajasthan Public Service Guarantee Act as Grievance Redressal Officer. Any complaint or grievance can be addressed to such officers where the provisions of this Act, 2016 are not complied with or there is discrimination.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For identification and certification of PwDs 371005 UDID cards issued in the State of Rajasthan. 2. For provided Social Security disable Pension 598330 PwDs are getting benefit. <p>863</p> <p>-</p> <p>07</p> <p>03</p> <p>-</p> <p>04</p> <p>2017-18= 16763/18-01-2019</p> <p>2018-19=8701/24-9-2019</p> <p>2019-20=15209/28-1-2021</p>
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Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a Session Court to be a Special Court to try offences under this Act.	A vide notification dt. 30-08-2017 one Session Court has been Specified in each district to hear the cases under the Right of Persons with Disabilitie Act 2016.

85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Yes
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State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	The State Government constituted a State Funds for PWD's for compliance of the provisions of this Act. provisions are made in state rule. (published in state gazette dated 24/01/2019)

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	Appropriate authority ensures the compliance of the provisions of this Act.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	Appropriate Authority make sure of the provisions of this Act.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	Appropriate authority ensures the compliance of the provisions of this Act.

9.29: SIKKIM

Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	In compliance: Policies and provision are being implemented in the state as per RPwD Act 2016.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	In compliance: Policies and provision of women & children with disabilities are being implemented in the state as per RPwD Act 2016
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	In compliance, the initiatives have been taken in 35 government buildings in which 26 work has been completed and the remaining buildings work under progress under Accessible India Campaign.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	The Superintendent of Police of all Districts have been appointed as Grievance Redressal Officers for the purpose of redressal of grievances of Persons with Disabilities.

7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Section 92 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 has been displayed through hoarding in all four districts of the state.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Land Revenue Disaster Management Authority (SSDMA) Department, Government of Sikkim has been working in coordination with the district officials of the SJ&W Department as and when required.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	In compliance: Policies and provision are being implemented in the state as per RPwD Act 2016. Till date there is no such case has been found.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Health Department is implementing it.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	It is being done by Election Department.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	As per the notification no. 40/Home/2020 dated: 04.08.2020. The Home Department, Government of Sikkim notified the District Court of Sessions with the concurrence of the Chief Justice of the High Court of Sikkim, hereby specifies the following Courts as "Special Court" to try the offences under the Act, within the respective jurisdiction with immediate effect. 1. Court of Session (East) at Gangtok. 2. Court of Session (North) at Mangan. 3. Court of Session (West) at Gyalshing. 4. Court of Session (South) at Namchi.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	As per RPwD Act 2016 Awareness programme are being conducted from time to time.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	As per RPwD Act 2016
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	As per RPwD Act, 2016 District and Block & Panchayats level officials are routinely oriented and awareness programme are also conducted at Block level from time to time.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's.	Under Inclusive Education programme, SamagraShiksha, Education Department is providing escort allowances, Textbook, Braille books, Uniforms and Midday meal to school going Child with Special Needs. The schools follow common curriculum for all students, However, the Department of Education, has appointed special educators and resource teachers to guide and support the general teachers on curriculum adaptation with special emphasis on to the Children with Special Needs.

17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	-do- All the school Heads are directed to implement the directives and guidelines of the RPwDs Act 2016 and RTE Act. As per RPwD Act 2016 As per RPwD Act 2016 and RTE Act In the State of Sikkim medium of instruction is in English and second language is Nepali followed by Hindi. Especially, for the Person with Blindness may use the above-mentioned languages and for Deaf, sign language is used. In Sate of Sikkim exist no unique disability having Deaf Blindreported, However State Government has facilitated to local NGO to take up a project specifically for deaf-blind supported by Sense international India. Special Educators/Resource Teachers has been appointed under SamagraShiksha, Education Department. As per RTE Act and RPwD Act 2016 and Special Educators/Resource Teachers are monitoring. Escort allowances are provided to the children with disabilities.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	As per Act action is in place.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	The SABCO and State Bank of Sikkim provides loans to persons with disabilities to start their own business or income generation activities/ startup by Commerce and Industries Department.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	As per RPwD Act 2016
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Implementation of 4% job reservation on identified post has been notified vide Notification No: M(14)/133/GEN/DOP Dated :20/11/2018.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Concerned department is maintaining the records as stipulated under the RPwDs Act 2016
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	The Grievances Redressal Officer have been appointed in every department in the State.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	<p>Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension (Multiple and severe Disability having assessed 80% and above degree of disability) are provided with monthly pension of Rs.2000/-</p> <p>2. Subsistence Allowance: For those having bench mark disability, 40% to 79 % are covered under the IGNDPS are provided with 1000/-pm. subsistence allowance provided they meet the other criteria. Further this scheme has been amended as Chief Minister State Disability Pension Scheme (CMSDPS) with increased amount from 1000 to 1500/pm.(Notification no. 03/SJ&WD/SWD/2021 dated 14.06.2021)</p> <p>3. Grant of Award for marriages with Persons with Disabilities: Rs.2.00 Lakhs as one-time grant</p> <p>4. Conveyance Allowance to all Govt. servants @ Rs. 1000/- pm</p> <p>5. Rs.50,000/- Grant to Scheduled Caste beneficiaries to establish business enterprises under the Scheme of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.</p> <p>6. Grant in Aid are provided to the NGOs working in the field of disabilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the year 2006-07, a study on iodine deficiency disease was conducted by IDD cell, Health Department sponsored by the Government of India. • The Information, Education & Communication Division under the Department of Health Care, Human Service & Family Welfare undertakes periodic awareness campaigns to disseminate information for general health, hygiene and sanitation in collaboration with respective CSS programme under NHM . They help to generate awareness on causes and prevention of disabilities. <p>Under RBSK programme NHM: New born children were screened at Delivery points and 6 weeks to 18 years at AWCs and School level. They are screened for 4Ds (Birth defects, developmental delays including disabilities, deficiencies and diseases) All at risk cases detected during screening programme are referred to the nearest PHCs, CHCs, District Hospital and State Referral Hospital and birth defect cases requiring surgeries as referred to empanelled hospitals outside the state for appropriate management. Steps taken under RMNCH+ approach NHM:- Early registration with four Anti-natal check-up before delivery. Screening of high-risk pregnancy with appropriate referral to nearest centres. Initiation of Tab Folifer with the conformation of pregnancy of preventing birth defects. IInd Trimester USG for abnormal scan at State and all District Level Hospital. Sale of non-iodised salt banned in the State. Emergency CS facilities are available in order to combat intra-natal complication like foetal distress, APH etc.</p>

		Under RBSK programme all the MOs, ANMs, Paramedic and even the AHAs, AWWs are trained on prevention and Early detection of Disabilities. The RCH wing of the HC,HS and FW Department is imparting training at the State and District level. This trained manpower are working under the supervision of the LHV and Medical Officers which undertakes anti natal check-up, pre-natal, post-natal care of mother and child under Maternal & Child Health programme and all the risk cases are then referred to FRU/State Referral Hospital for compulsory institutional delivery.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Yet to be initiated.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	The Department is providing Grant in Aid to NGOs working in the field of disabilities.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	1. The department is constructing two special schools namely; Special School for the Children with Speech and Hearing Impaired and Special School for Children with Disabilities at Muleso Assam Lingzay with Hostel facilities separately. 2. A sports complex is also proposed to be established in the same place. 3. A Rehabilitation Home for Psycho-Social rehabilitation for Persons with Mental Illness is under construction in the same place.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	As per RPwD Act 2016 The awareness and sensitization programme on RPwDs Act and its aims and objectives is being conducted at Block level and District level.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	The SamagraShiksha under Education Department, sports activity like Special Olympic is being conducted every year in association with Sports Department.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	As per RTE Act 2009 all the children including CWSN is mainstreaming in the regular normal schools. The SJ&W Department is running three Special Schools for the Children with Special Needs, namely; 1. Primary School up to Class IV level for the Children with Speech and Hearing Impaired at Sichey, Gangtok and imparting primary education. It is a Residential School where education, accommodation, uniform, textbooks are provided by the Government free of cost. 2. The Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Institute for children with Visually Impaired at Boomtar, Namchi. The students are provided with free hostel accommodation including food, books, stationary, uniform etc. up to class IV.

		3. The Special School for Children with Disabilities, Syari wherein free education with Hostel facilities, providing comprehensive rehabilitation and special education. Supported by the Integrated Child Protection Scheme of the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	State Education department has notified vide notification no. 450/EDN/P44 Dated: 7.6.2021 with regards to the Section 32.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Concerned department is taking action as per the RPwDs Act 2016
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	Implementation of 4% job reservation on identified post has been notified vide Notification No: M(14)/133/GEN/DOP Dated :20/11/2018.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Letter written to Commerce and Industries Department.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	There is no Special Employment Exchanges in the State, the persons with disabilities register themselves in the Employment Cells in their respective Block Administrative Centres. However, as per the RPwDs Act 2016 4% reservation for PwBDs is being implemented by the State Government.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 persons with locomotive disabilities have been allotted housing units in Rangpo East Sikkim • 11 PwDs have been allotted shops and hawker spaces in various shopping complex. • 33% is reserved for PwDs+ economically weaker sections+ victims of natural calamities in the allotment of Housing sites. <p>3% reservation is provided under National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM)</p>

		iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.
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Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	State Government has providing financial and technical support to Persons with Disabilities through NGOs for running residential quality services for high support groups. Assessment Board for high support group – the Department has put-up the file and it is under process.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	The Department had organized General Awareness and Publicity camps in all District of Sikkim in co-ordination with Chief Medical Officers of the District Hospitals, Block Development Officers, CDPOs and Aaganwadi workers.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	The Department of Building & Housing Department has issued a Circular bearing No.3(422) B7H/06-07/Estb/622 dated 19/8/2016 in order to ensure that all public building is made PwD friendly.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	The State Transport Department has reserved 02(two) front seats in all the State-run buses for free travel both within and outside the State on production of a Certificate of Identity Card for Persons with Disabilities issued by the competent authority. All the staff members have been sensitized to take care of all PwDs while boarding and getting off the bus.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	The information and Technology Department has been requested to make all Government websites Disabled friendly. As of now only the website of Social Justice Empowerment and Welfare Department has been disabled friendly.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Action will be initiated as per RPwD Act 2016
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	It is mandatory for vetting of DPR under Government of Sikkim Notification No.02/Bldgs dated 16/09/2015 in order to streamline and regulate construction activities of all Government or Semi-Government organization including those of autonomous bodies like Boards, Corporations, Companies, Public Sector Units etc. in the State of Sikkim. The Clause 3.6. i.e. Chapter VI called Special Provisions, Sub Clause 3.6.1 makes it mandatory to comply to the provisions of the PwDs Act, on providing a barrier free environment.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	35 Public Buildings in an around Gangtok has been identified for converting into barrier free environment and works have been already started under AIC.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	The Department of Building & Housing Department has issued a Circular bearing No.3(422) B7H/06-07/Estb/622 dated 19/8/2016 in order to ensure that all public building is made PwD friendly.

		The State Transport Department has reserved 02(two) front seats in all the State-run buses for free travel both within and outside the State on production of a Certificate of Identity Card for Persons with Disabilities issued by the competent authority. All the staff members have been sensitized to take care of all PwDs while boarding and getting off the bus. The SJ&W Department has developed website: sikkimsocialwelfare.gov.in
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	As per RPwD Act, 2016
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	As per RPwD Act, 2016

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49 to 53	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions. Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	Secretary, Social Justice & Welfare Department has been appointed as competent authority for issue of certificate of registration in respect of Institutions for PwDs. and as Appellate Authority to whom appeals against the order of competent authority refusing or revoking the certificate of Registration of Institution can be made.
54	Act not to apply to institutions established or maintained by Central or State Government.	Implementation framework in place as per State Rules. As per RPwDs Act 2016 the Social Justice & Welfare Department is being provided the grant in aid to registered institutions who meet the criteria
55	Assistance to registered institutions	

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	The State Advisory Board has been constituted vide Notification No: GOS/SJE&WD/2017-18/5 Dated: 04.06.2018
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	The District Level Committee was constituted vide Government Notification No.33/SJ&WD/ ADM/2019 Dated: 29/09/2019 as per the RPwD Act 2016

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	i) Whether the State/UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile , Fax, E-Mail etc.)	Shri Tshewang Gyachho, SCS Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities Social Justice & Welfare Department, Government of Sikkim, SamajKalyanBhawan, Lumsey 737102 Telefax: 03592 232596 Mobile no. 97332 24497 secy-socialwelfare@sikkim.gov.in

<p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p> <p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints field by the complainants before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p> <p>Details of prepartion of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the State legislature</p>	<p>The State Advisory Board has been constituted vide Notification No:GOS/SJE&WD/2017-18/5 Dated: 04.06.2018 as per the RPwD Act 2016</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shri Abinash Rai, Joint Secretary SWD, Nodal officer for Persons with Disabilities. 2. Dr. M.B. Chhetri, Joint Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities 3. Shri. P.N. Pradhan, Assistant Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities 4. Shri. Sameer Pradhan, State Coordinator UDID 5. Ms. Kanphuti Sherpa, Mobility Instructor. 6. Mrs. GayatriThapa, Special Educator. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sikkim DivyangShayataSamiti 4.00 lakhs 2. Deorali Mayalmu Sangh: 3.00 Lakhs <p>2018-19: Number of Inspection: 2 2019-20: Number of Inspection: 2 2020-21: Number of Inspection: 4</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awareness and sensitization on RPwD Act 2016 at District level and Block level and design and develop the leaflets on 21 types of disabilities. 2. Article published in local news paper focusing on different issues related to PwDs, rehabilitation and education. 3. Disability camps organised at District and Block level. 4. Orientation training to Medical professionals in 21 types of disabilities, certification and UDID. 5. Teachers training on RPwDs Act 2016 and its implementation. 6. AaganWadi Workers (AWW), Supervisor and Helpers training on RPwDs Act 2016 and its implementation. 7. Technical supports in terms of training for local NGOs working in the field of disability. 8. Creation of State Disability Fund as per the RPwD Act 2016. <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Annual report have been prepared every year but it has not been placed before State Legislature.</p>
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Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	As per the notification no. 40/Home/2020 dated: 04.08.2020. The Home Department, Government of Sikkim notified the District Court of Sessions with the concurrence of the Chief Justice of the High Court of Sikkim, hereby specifies the following Courts as "Special Court" to try the offences under the Act, within the respective jurisdiction with immediate effect. 1. Court of Session (East) at Gangtok. 2. Court of Session (North) at Mangan. 3. Court of Session (West) at Gyalshing. 4. Court of Session (South) at Namchi.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Nil

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities : (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	A sum of Rs 30.00 Lakhs per annum State Fund for PwDs has been created

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	Action will be initiated as per RPwD Act 2016
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	As per RPwD Act 2016

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	As per section 101 of the Act, the Department has notified the State Rules vide Notification No.06/SJE\$WD Dated 20.01.2018; The Sikkim Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017.

9.30: TAMILNADU:

NOT SUBMIT

10.31 TELANGANA**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	The interests of the PwDs in this regard are being safeguarded through all the relevant provisions of the Act with specific measures initiated by Government and the Dept. For Disabled Welfare, as specified in the respective Sections of the Act.

4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Not mentioned
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Not mentioned
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Not mentioned
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Measures are taken to protect the PwDs from abuse, violence and exploitation as per the relevant provisions of the RPwD Act. Whenever such incidents are reported in the media or otherwise, they are brought to notice of the concerned authorities by the State Commissioner for remedial measures. The Police authorities registered cases against the offenders in relevant cases and are tried in the District Courts. Some such cases pertain to land disputes, harassment & violence taking advantage of disability, illegal occupation of property, injustice in employment etc.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Yes. The Commissioner & EO Secretary, Disaster Management, Revenue Department, Govt. of Telangana has been addressed to initiate appropriate measures to ensure inclusion of persons with disabilities in its disaster management activities and also to maintain record of particulars of persons with disabilities (PwDs) in the districts, duly emphasizing relevance of Section 8 (Protection and safety in emergencies and natural disasters) and Rehabilitation. In the present COVID-19 crisis all the required measures of safety and protection including issue of Police passes to the care-givers of PwDs, supply of groceries, medicines etc., to the PwDs at their door step by the respective DWOs of the Districts, priority being given for medical attention at the hospitals for PwDs, including the hospitals at the rural areas, establishing special COVID vaccination centers for PwDs/Sr. Citizens. Expenditure is incurred for the above purposes from the State Fund created for such purposes. Regular review meetings with the DWOs of the districts in the entire State are held across ZOOM platform, besides Mobile whatsapp Group covering the DWOs of all the 33 districts on the steps taken, to be taken in case of short falls etc. All the necessary steps are already being taken by the State authorities/ District authorities. Separate Helpline Number for PwDs is established for redressal of their grievances (18005728980)
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	A provision is made under Rule 4 of the State Rules, 2018, as per G.O. Ms. No. 3 dated 1-5-2018 of WCD & SC Department, Government of Telangana under RPwD Act, 2016 for implementation of the provision. Accordingly, all the Districts authorities are taking steps along the stipulated lines.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	The Department of Public Health of Government is taking care of this aspect.

11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	To ensure accessibility in voting by PwDs, a number of measures have already been initiated such as: To ensure effective implementation Accessible components in Elections, the Director, WD&SC was designated as the State Nodal Officer for PwDs and Deputy CEO (PwDs) for the elections held for the State Assembly Elections, 2018 and General Lok Sabha Elections 2019. (a) Ramps for easy access in all polling stations (b) Wheel Chair with attendant facility positioned at all polling stations (c) EVMs and other voter material with Braille script (d) Separate 'Q' for Persons with Disabilities (e) Free Transport facility (to & fro) the residence of voters Awareness campaigns for PwDs on voting process including Mock Poll Exercise, Braille Epic and Braille Signages displayed on EVMs etc., are being organized in all the Districts and the cities in the State, especially for visually challenged voters.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Special Courts under Section 84 of the RPwD Act, 2016 are established in each District and also in the City of Hyderabad to try the offences under this Act. Besides, District Legal Services Authorities are also functioning in the Districts providing access to PwDs. Special care is being taken in respect of the Hearing Impaired for communicating with anybody in the form of SMS, Video calling etc. District Collectors are addressed to engage sign language interpreters from NIHH or any Special Educator in Special School for the Hearing Impaired or IRT/HH category in SSA.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	The provisions under this Section are being implemented by the implementing agencies including access to bank loans, mortgages and other forms of financial credit on par with others along with right to inherit property. Open School is providing Education to dropouts & C.W.S.N to continue their education.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Detailed instructions have been issued for provision of limited guardianship under Rule 4 of Telangana State Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules issued vide G.O. Ms. No. 3, Department for WCD & SC (Schemes), dated 01-05-2018. The respective District Collectors as Chairman of the District Level Committee are implementing this provision.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	(1) The State Government should designate one or more authorities to mobilize the community and create social awareness to support PwDs in exercise of their Legal Capacity. (2) The above authority should take measures for setting up suitable support arrangements to exercise Legal Capacity by PwDs living in institutions and those with high support needs. (3) Government has already been addressed in this regard.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16 & 17	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's. & Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	Orders on free and Compulsory Education (inclusive education) to children with disabilities are issued vide G.O.Ms. No. 20, dated 03.03.2011. Section 16 is being implemented in all its earnestness.

18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	The earlier Sakshara Bharath Programme was conducted on 31.03.2018. The GOI re-designated the programme as Padma Likhna Abhiyan. Further instructions are awaited from GOI to implement the said programme. Whenever the new programme starts, participation of PwDs in adult education will be ensured.
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Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<p>(a) A State Resource Centre (SRC) has been functioning in the Directorate of Disabled Welfare & Senior Citizens. An exclusive Skill Development & Self-employment Wing has been set up in the above SRC. Various programmes including Job Melas, Training Programmes, Awareness Programmes on the available State and Central Government opportunities for setting up of small & medium enterprises are being organized. This wing plays the role of an interface between the employer and the unemployed PwD youth.</p> <p>(b) Loans and other incentives are being extended to PwDs on par with SC/ST under "T-Pride Scheme" of Govt.</p> <p>(c) Large Scale Skill Development Programme is under taken to enhance professionalism and spirit of competitiveness with placements and Economic Support facility. 350 PwDs will be benefitted during the year.</p> <p>(d) Under Economic Rehabilitation Scheme subsidy linked with bank guarantee loans are sanctioned to various categories of self-employment units. The maximum subsidy limit is Rs. 5,00,000/-. 100% subsidy is provided to the units below 50,000/- unit cost.</p>
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	4% reservation in Direct Recruitment in Government establishments is provided to PwDs vide G.O.Ms.No. 10 of Department for Women, Children, Disabled and Senior Citizens (ESTT) dated 30-08-2018.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Some Corporate establishments have submitted their equal opportunity policy with the State Commissioner.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Every establishment appointed a Grievance Redressal Officer to deal with the requirements of this Section.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	<p>(i) Government issued orders for appointment of Grievance Redressal Officer in every Govt. establishment vide Govt. Memo No. 2833/ Schemes/A2/2017-2, of Department for WCD & SC, dated 09-08-2017.</p> <p>(ii) The GRO is maintaining the Register of complaints. District Level Committees under chairmanship of District Collector is constituted in every District.</p> <p>(iii) The PwDs who are not satisfied with the action taken by the GRO can approach the District level Committee of PwDs for redressal of their grievances.</p>

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particular	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	<p>(a) Disabled Pension @ of Rs. 3016/- per person per month is being implemented under Aasara Pension Scheme.</p> <p>(b) Government enhanced the percentage of reservation from 3% to 5% in all poverty alleviation, Welfare & various developmental schemes like housing, agricultural land with priority to women PwDs vide G.O.Ms.No. 1 dated 16-01-2018 of Department for Women, Children, Disabled and Senior Citizens (Schemes).</p> <p>(c) Marriage Incentive Award of Rs. 1.00 lakh is being provided to encourage marriages between PwDs and normal persons. Under Kalyana Lakshmi Scheme the PwDs are provided Rs. 1.25 lakhs.</p> <p>(d) 20 Home including hostels for PwDs are run in the erstwhile 10 districts of Telangana region of the composite State of Andhra Pradesh, i.e., before bifurcation of the State. As a result of bifurcation of the State a total of 33 districts have been created in the State of Telangana.</p> <p>(e) Government has been providing retro-fitted motorized vehicles, laptops, prosthetic aids; mobility aids and educational aids to PwDs such as callipers, artificial limbs, hearing aids, etc., free of cost for improving their quality of life in terms of mobility, communication, education and rehabilitation.</p> <p>(f) The Health & Family Welfare Department and the Women Development & Child Welfare Department have been implementing various programmes through Anganwadi Centres for prevention of disability such as: Aarogya Laxmi Scheme, a nutritional programme to support pregnant women & lactating mothers, regular medical attention, awareness programmes on Dos and Donts for early identification & prevention of disability during pre-natal, peri-natal and post-natal stages.</p> <p>(g) The Health & Family Welfare Dept. Has been conducting regular screening camps in all the schools in the State for early identification of incidents of disability and minor corrective surgeries are under taken at empanelled Hospitals and providing corrective measures through District Early Intervention Centers (DEIC).</p>
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Government is providing Insurance cover to all its employees including PwD employees through Telangana Group Life Insurance and GIS.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	<p>HEALTH & EDUCATION)-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rehabilitation including Health and Special education services to the PwDs are provided through the Deendayal Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS) under the Ministry of social Justice & Empowerment (MSJ&E), Govt of India by providing Grant-in-aid to 60 institutions/ NGO's who are working in the field of Disability Rehabilitation by providing Physiotherapy, Early Intervention, Speech therapy and special education services covering almost 6,664 beneficiaries for the year 2020-21. <p>The District Disability Rehabilitation Centres (DDRCs) are sanctioned in Sanga Reddy and Ranga Reddy Districts and are also providing Rehabilitation services to the Disabled by providing Physiotherapy, Speech therapy, Counseling and other services.</p>

		<p>EMPLOYMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Director, WD&SC conducted three Job Melas for PwD aspirants and provided employment for different categories of PwD's. The 1st Job Mela was conducted in the premises WD&SC Department on 12.06.2018 wherein 140 members have been placed in various MNC's and 2nd Job mela was conducted at Warangal DWO office and the 3rd job mela was conducted in the premises of WD&SC department on 19.06.2019 wherein 101 members have been placed in various MNC's. Due to COVID-19 Pandemic situation Job Melas were not conducted during 2020-21. <p>SADAREM (Disability Certificates)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Govt of Telangana is providing Disability Certificate (SADAREM – Software for Assessment of Disabled for Access, Rehabilitation and Empowerment) to all eligible categories of Disabilities through SERP (Society for elimination of Rural Poverty) Department. Till now 7,92,345 (Seven Lakhs fifty six thousand two hundred and fourteen) Certificates have been issued to PwDs which can be utilized by them for benefit under Government welfare schemes, Jobs, Loans etc. <p>(a) Telangana Vikalangula Co-operative Corporation (TVCC) is in process of distribution of Assistive Aids & Appliances worth of Rs. 24.00 Crores to 1900 beneficiaries.</p> <p>(b) Marriage Incentive Awards are provided to 400 PwD beneficiaries. Subsidy : The Rate of Subsidy under Economic Rehabilitation Scheme for Socio-economic upliftment of PwDs has been enhanced vide G.O.Ms. No. 17 of WCD & SC (Schemes.II) Dept., dated 01-10-2020 as detailed below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="727 1045 1468 1388"> <thead> <tr> <th>Applicable Subsidy Pattern</th> <th>Percentage of Subsidy</th> <th>Percentage of Bank Loan</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1) Up to Rs. 50,000/- unit cost</td> <td>100%</td> <td>NIL</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2) Up to Rs. 1.00 Lakh Unit cost</td> <td>80%</td> <td>20%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3) Rs. 1.01 Lakh to 2.00 Lakh unit cost</td> <td>70%</td> <td>30%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4) Rs. 2.01 Lakh to 10.00 Lakh</td> <td>60% or 5.00 Lakhs whichever is less</td> <td>40% or the balance</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Applicable Subsidy Pattern	Percentage of Subsidy	Percentage of Bank Loan	1) Up to Rs. 50,000/- unit cost	100%	NIL	2) Up to Rs. 1.00 Lakh Unit cost	80%	20%	3) Rs. 1.01 Lakh to 2.00 Lakh unit cost	70%	30%	4) Rs. 2.01 Lakh to 10.00 Lakh	60% or 5.00 Lakhs whichever is less	40% or the balance
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28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	<p>Government of Telangana, in collaboration with Indian Institute of Public Health Hyderabad, has initiated research on the following topics:</p> <p>(a) Telangana Disability study at Mahaboobnagar District,</p> <p>(b) Rapid Assessment of Disability (RAD) at urban slums of Hyderabad,</p> <p>(c) Portable eye examination kit (PEEK) was conducted at all Government and Private Schools in Hyderabad.</p> <p>Evaluation of Diagnostic facilities has been undertaken at Primary Health Centers (PHC), District Hospitals, Area Hospitals and Community Health Centers in Hyderabad, Mahaboobnagar, Nalgonda, Sangareddy and Rangareddy Districts.</p>															

29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	Due to COVID – 19 pandemic & protocol the International Day of Disabled and Louis Braille Birthday celebrations are conducted on virtual mode, inviting the PwD Organisations.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	Due to COVID-19 and keeping in view of protection and safety of PwDs., the State level games were not held this year.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	(a) As contemplated in RTE Act, 2009 School Education Department and Samagra Siksha Abhiyan are providing free and compulsory education to CwSN in Bhavitha Centers, Regular Schools and neighbourhood schools through SERP. (b) Special Residential schools for Visually Challenged and Hearing Impaired students are functioning for providing special education.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	(a) 3% reservation in admissions to PwD students is already being provided in Higher education. Government (Education Dept.) has already been addressed (18-09-2018, 09-04-2019 & 05-01-2020) to issue orders to all the universities in the State and the State Council of Higher Education and the Commissioner of Technical Education for implementing 5% reservation of seats in all higher education courses as per Section 32 of the RPwD Act, 2016. (b) As a result, the Higher Education Department has requested all the Universities to submit proposals for amendment to the Government Orders on implementation of reservation of seats in admissions to PwDs and also issued U.O. Note dated 27-01-2020, amendments to the admissions rules for admissions into higher education courses.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Government constituted an Expert Committee for identification of posts for PwDs in direct recruitment vide G.O. Rt. No. 27 and 28 of Dept. For WCD & SC (Estt), dated 03-04-2018. The Committee met thrice and identified the posts and submitted the same to Government for necessary approval.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	1) Government issued orders enhancing the existing 3% reservations in employment for PwDs to 4% in Direct Recruitment vide G.O.Ms.No. 10 of Senior Citizens (ESTT), dated 30-08-2018. The stipulated category-wise reservation is being implemented by all the recruitment agencies/departments in the State. 2) Special Recruitment Drive (SRD) is also being conducted to fill in the Backlog vacancies of PwDs. The Government has been issuing orders from time to time for SRD and the latest G.O.Rt. No. 89, WCD & SC Dept., dated 20-08-2020, the G.O in force till 31-03-2022.

35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	The Government has already been addressed in the matter to ensure providing at least 5% incentives to employers in private sector.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	A Special Employment Exchange is functioning at Mallepally, Hyderabad for facilitating Unemployed PwDs. Every district in the State has an Employment Exchange for registration of general and PwD candidates separately.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	i) Reservation of 5% to Persons with Disabilities in welfare and various developmental schemes such as allotment of agricultural land and housing is being implemented by all the District Collectors and the Housing Department as per Collectors and the Housing Department as per Section 37 (b) of RPwD Act, 2016 with priority to women with benchmark disabilities. ii) Reservation from 3% to 5% in all Poverty Alleviation and various departmental schemes for Persons with Disabilities with priority to women with benchmarked disabilities are enhanced as per Section 37 of the RPwD Act, 2016. iii) Yes, reservation at 5% in allotment of land at concessional rate for housing, shelter, setting up occupation, business, enterprise, recreation centres, production centres, for PwDs is being followed in all districts of the State.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	(a) SSA is providing home based rehabilitation to children who are severely affected and are bedridden. (b) The Government constituted committee of Experts to study probable requirements of High Support Needs. The Report is awaited.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Steps have been taken to create awareness on the provisions of RPwD Act, 2016 and sensitization among the PwDs at gross root level by utilizing the services of District functionaries. Display Boards on the Rights of PwDs are set up at every police station and other Govt. establishments in the State.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	(a) Under Phase-I of Accessible India Campaign (AIC) 16 buildings in Hyderabad were access Audited and Rs. 9.19 Cr. is sanctioned by Government of India to make these Building Barrier-free for PwDs. The modification work of these buildings is taken up by R&B Department of Government.

		<p>(b) Under Phase-II, 111 Government buildings which are frequently visited by PwDs are identified and Access Audit completed. The HODs are requested by the Chief Secretary to Government to take up structural modifications.</p> <p>Under Phase – III, the 8 erstwhile District Head-quarters are selected for identification of Government buildings which are frequently visited by the PwDs. Identification of the Agency for conducting Accessibility Audit is in process.</p>
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	<p>(a) TSRTC has already been running 250 busses for providing easy access to wheel chair users. These are accessible to PwDs. In addition, 120 new buses have been introduced in the year 2018-19.</p> <p>(b) Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TSRTC) has been issuing 100% concessional bus passes to 90,305 PwD passengers for their travel in city limits and 50% concessional bus passes for travel in districts to 4,61,364 PwD passengers as per the report of TSRTC.</p>
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	The ITE & C Department, Government of Telangana has undertaken GIGW compliance project (GCP) in February, 2017. As can be seen from the current status report on accessibility compliance relating to websites/pubic documents a total of 450 websites have been identified of which 30 websites are made accessible while work is in progress.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	This is being implemented in general without any impediment to PwDs.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	WCD & SC Department of Government is addressed by this office vide Lr. No. RPwD Act, 2016/Genl/52-6/2019 dt. 12-11-2019 to take up the matter with MA & UD Department of Government for issuing appropriate instructions/guidelines to the GHMC and other Municipal Corporations/Municipalities in the State in this regard.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	A specific programme of Accessible India Campaign has been launched by the department of Disabled welfare and Sr. Citizens. As per this programme, in Phase-I, the structural modifications of 16 buildings is in progress in State Capital with grants from GoI, in Phase-II, 111 buildings the Access Audit of which has been completed and Head of the Department are requested to undertake structural modification work.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Under Accessibility India Campaign, services like websites, IT, public transport are included and are being provided to PwDs. In the transport sector concessions in bus fares, reservation of seats, procuring busses which can accommodate wheelchairs and busses with low boarding platforms are being provided for the benefit of PwDs.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	<p>(a) TCTVH (Training Centre for Teachers for Visually Handicapped) has been conducting D.ED., in teaching Visually Impaired students.</p> <p>(b) Telangana Vikalangula Cooperative Corporation (TVCC) has been imparting Training on Computer Application through JAWS (Job access with speech) for Visually impaired persons for enabling them to operate computers independently.</p> <p>(c) Telangana State is privileged to have all National Institutions for PwDs, where specialists, professionals are trained.</p>

48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	The Department has introduced TSOBMMS for easy access of Schemes to PwDs. They can register and regularly monitor the status. The system introduced to maintain transparency, avoid duplicability and expedite delivery of benefits to eligible PwDs. The other departments are also providing details of beneficiaries of the scheme including PwDs on the website as part of Social Audit.
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Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	The Assistant Director, Hyderabad District and the District Welfare Officers of the Department for Women, Children, Disabled and Senior Citizens in other districts have been nominated as competent authorities to issue Registration Certificate to the Institutions working for Rehabilitation/Empowerment of PwDs and the Director of Welfare of the Disabled and Senior Citizens is designated as Appellate authority in the matter.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	The requirements of the above sections are being complied with by the respective authorities of the Department.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	The State Advisory Board has been constituted by the State Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 84 dated 28-11-2019 of Dept. For WCD & SC (Schemes – II) under Rule 8 of the Rules framed vide G.O.MS. No. 3, dated 01-05-2018 Dept for WCD & SC with the Minister in-charge of the Department of Disability as Chairpersons-Ex-officio. The Members of the Board include Secretaries to Government of 17 Departments; three legislators; five experts in the field of Disability and Rehabilitation; five Members to represent the Districts; 10 persons with disabilities representing various NGOs associations and three representatives of the State Chamber of Commerce & Industry.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	(a) Government issued orders, vide G.O.Rt No. 99 dated 19-12-2019 of Dept. For WCD & SC (Schemes-II) constituting District level Committees on Disability under the Chairmanship of the District Collector under Rule 10 of the Rules framed under the Act. The heads of various line departments in the district and representatives from NGOs and eminent knowledgeable PwDs are the Members of the Committee vide G.O. Ms. No. 3 of WCD & SC Department dated 01-05-2018. (b) Convening of periodic meetings of the District level Committees is in progress in all 33 districts of the State.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p> <p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summery for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p>	<p>The Government of Telangana vide G.O.Ms. 13, Dept. For Women, Children, Disabled & Senior Citizens (Schemes) dated 15-07-2017 designated the Director, Welfare of Disabled & Senior Citizens Department, Telangana, Hyderabad as State Commissioner for PwDs, Telangana State for the purposes of the Act to perform the functions as stipulated in Section 80 of the RPwD Act, 2016.</p> <p>Name : Smt. B. Shailaja, Office Address : Vikalangula Sankshema Bhavan, Nalgonda X Roads, Malakpet, Hyderabad – 500036. TS Whats app No: 98499 05475 Telephone No: 040 – 24559048 Mobile No: 98499 05475 Email Id: scrpwdact@gmail.com</p> <p>ii) Provision has been made in the State Rules under Rule 19 of the Telangana State Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2018, vide G.O. No. 3 dt. 1-5-2018 for constitution of State Advisory Committee to assist the State Commissioner. The Committee will be formed shortly.</p> <p>iii) 1. Administrative Consultant 2. Legal Consultant 3. Disability Rehabilitation Consultant 4. Grievances Reddressal Officer 5. Skill Development Consultant 6. Two Data Entry Operators 7. Personal Assistant.</p> <p>iv) The NGOs are receiving Grant-in-aid from Government of India. State Government is not providing funds to NGOs separately.</p> <p>v) No. of Inspections carried out during: i) 2017-18: 35 ii)2018-19: 28 iii)2019-20: 62 iv)2020-21: 49</p> <p>vi) The following initiatives are taken by the State for successful implementation of RPwD Act, 2016 during 2019-20 (achievements are also included): a) The State Fund was created vide G.O.Ms. No. 14 Dept. For WCD & SC (Schemes-II) dated 29-11-2019 and the funds were released by Government and are utilized for meeting the essential needs of PwDs. b) State Advisory Board is created vide G.O.Rt. No. 84 Dept. For WCD & SC (Schemes-II) dated 28-11-2019. c) The Government issued orders constituting District Level Committee vide G.O.Rt. No. 99 Dept. For WCD & SC (Schemes-II) dated 19-12-2019. The Committee is headed by the Dist. Collector as its Chairman.</p>

		<p>d) Extension of Special Recruitment Drive in Employment vide G.O.Rt. No. 2, Dept for WCD & SC (ESTT) dated 30.01.2020 and further extended vide G.O.Rt. No. 89, Dept for WCD & SC (ESTT) dated 30.01.2020 and further extended vide G.O. Rt. No. 89, Dept for WCD & SC (ESTT) dated 20-08-2020 up to 31-03-2022.</p> <p>e) Government notified Special Sessions Courts in the Districts and Principal Metropolitan Sessions Judges Courts in Hyderabad and Cyberabad for trial of offences filed under the RPwD Act, 2016.</p> <p>Achievements:</p> <p>f) On the initiative of the State Commissioner, the Housing Department has issued orders for implementation of 5% reservations for Double Bed Room Houses for PwDs vide Housing (RH & C.A1) Dept., Memo No. 1836/RH & C. A1/2017-1 dated 23-12-2017.</p> <p>g) On the initiative of the State Commissioner, the Higher Education Department issued orders for implementation of 5% of seats to PwDs in the Higher Education Institutions vide UO Note No. 129/MC/A1/2018 dt. 27-1-2020 of Higher Education (MC) Department of Government.</p> <p>h) A separate web-site has been created for the office of the State Commissioner.</p>
	<p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p> <p>viii) Status of Annual Report</p>	<p>vii) Cases handled as per Section 79 of the RPwD Act, 2016 during the last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before the State Commissioner : 34</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on own motion: 6</p> <p>c) Total No. of cases: 40</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed off with directions and positive outcome : 26</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received: 17</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending including previous years: 65</p> <p>(viii) Preparation of Annual Reports: Two Annual Reports for the year 2018-19 and 2019-20 are prepared. Not yet laid before the Legislature.</p>

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Government notified Special Sessions Courts in the Districts and Principal Metropolitan Sessions Judges Courts in Hyderabad and Cyberabad for trial of cases under SCs & STs (POA) Act, 1989. These courts have been notified for trial of offences filed under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 vide G.O. Rt. No. 732, Law (LA, LA & J-Home-Courts.A2) Department dated 6-12-2017.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	For every Special Court the State Government may, by Notification, specify a Special Public Prosecutor for the purpose of conducting cases in that Court. (Matter is pending with Law Department of Government. Reminder has been issued in this office letter dated 27-09-2019).

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	The State Government constituted a State Fund for PwDs Government vide G.O.Ms. No. 14 dated 29-11-2019 of Dept. For WCD & SC (Schemes-II) with an initial fund of Rs.1.00 Cr and an amount of Rs. 2.5 Crore released during financial year 2020-21 vide G.O.Ms. No. 14 dated 29-11-2019 of Dept. For WCD & SC (Schemes-II).

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	This provision is brought to notice of the implementing agencies as and when any contravention is noticed.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	Government issued orders on imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine which may extend to one lakh rupees or both as punishment for those who fraudulently avail or attempt to avail any benefit meant for persons with benchmark disabilities vide G.O.Ms. No. 5, Dept. Of WCD & SC (Schemes), dated 13-06-2018.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	Government notified Telangana State Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2018 under Section 101 (I) and (II) RPwD Act, 2016, vide G.O.Ms. No. 3 of Department for Women, Children, Disabled & Senior Citizens (Schemes), dated 01-05-2018.

9.32 TRIPURA**Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):**

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	All departments have been sensitized for ensuring compliance. This is a continuous process and regular awareness and sensitization is being carried out. With regard to reasonable accommodation, a number of steps are being taken by different departments under various schemes and programme including those like Accessible India Campaign (AIC), Samagra Siksha Abhiyan (SSA), National Health Mission (NHM) etc. The details are given in the action taken for relevant Sections.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	All departments have been sensitized for ensuring compliance. This is a continuous process and regular awareness and sensitization is being carried out.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	All departments have been sensitized for ensuring compliance. In addition, 6 residential schools/homes for PwDs are being run by Govt. and NGOs. Awareness programme in this regard are being organized.

6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	"Tripura Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Rules, 2018 have been published in Tripura Extraordinary Gazette on 16th January, 2019. The rules have incorporated provision for State Committee for Research on Disability. The Committee would be notified soon.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	The DM& Collectors, Home and Law Deptts. Have been sensitized in this regard. Awareness programmes in this regard are being taken up.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	The State Disaster Management Plan recognizes the special needs of PwDs and suitable provisions have been kept there. Workshops on disability and Disaster Risk Reduction have been organized. The information regarding details of persons with disability has been shared SDMA.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Noted for compliance. Presently, under the Integrated Child Protection Services scheme such children are also supported under the Sponsorship and Foster Care component on recommendations of District Child Protection Units. Also Homes for Children with Special Needs are also housing such children on recommendations of Child Welfare Committees.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Awareness programme on different methods of Family Planning is carried out through all the health facilities from State Hospitals to Sub Centre level by health workers and also by display of IEC materials. ii. Medical procedure leading to infertility (sterilization operation for both male/female) are conducted after receiving consent for sterilization operation from the beneficiaries including person with disabilities.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. The Election Commission of India termed the General to Lok-Sabha, 2019 as Accessible Elections. In accordance to that State Level consultation with various stake holders were held on 10th May'2018 and 12th June'2018. The way forward and future strategies were chalked out. The Election Commission of India had a National Consultation in July, 2018 on 'Accessible Elections' wherein Chief Electoral Officer, Tripura also participated. The "Strategic Framework for Accessible Elections" adopted in the consultation with all stakeholders includes 14 parameters for ensuring accessibility in voting, which are under process of implementation. II. It is ensured that all Polling Stations are situated on the ground floor. Proper Signage was given for easy identification of polling stations III. Ramps were ensured in all 3324 polling stations. Temporary ramps were made available in 453 polling stations where permanent ramp facility cannot be provided. Wheel Chairs along with volunteers were provided at some Polling Stations. IV. Braille Signage has been engraved in each EVM (Ballot Unit) for easy identification of Candidate of choice by Blind/Visually impaired electors. V. During the Lok Sabha Election 2019 Dummy Ballot Paper in Braille with the name of the Contesting Candidate had been provided in each and every polling stations for convenient of Blind/Visually impaired Voters. VI. Voters with Blindness or other physical infirmity are permitted to take a companion to assist him/her for voting.

		VII. Awareness was created for PwDs through developing various Posters Hoardings etc. Poster on Sign Language was also developed for deaf and dumb electors. Special camps were organized for enrolment of PwD. EVM & VVPAT awareness camp were organized in Blind Schools located at Agartala and Dharmanagar.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Tripura State Legal Service Authority has arranged training programme for the Panel Lawyers and Para Legal Volunteers to make them aware regarding the action plan for implementation of “Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016” and how to provide free legal services to the beneficiaries under the Act.They have also conducted 22 numbers of Legal Awareness Camp throughout the State of Tripura from January, 2019 to June, 2019 to implement the Provisions of law contained in Section 12 of “The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016”. Apart from these, they have provided free legal aid to 3(three) Physically Challenged Persons in court cases.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Sensitization workshop and programme for all concerned like Judges, Legal Services Authorities, Bankers and credit institutions will be undertaken. The issue of bank loans, mortgages and credit is also being discussed in State Level Bankers Committee.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	The District Courts are empowered in this regard in the State rules.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	This has been notified on 7th January, 2019.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's.	<p>I. Efforts are being made to ensure admission of Children with Special Needs (CWSN), 6-18 years of age, in neighbourhood schools without discrimination, as far as practicable, considering the severity of disability.</p> <p>II. 2314 Schools have so far been covered with the facility of Ramps and 329 Schools have been covered with the facility of disable friendly toilets.</p> <p>III. CWSN are being provided transport, escort allowances, stipend, reader allowance, aids & appliances, teaching learning etc as per requirement. .</p> <p>IV. During the year 2018-19, 1101 CWSN were provided Transport / Escort Allowances. Stipend was provided to all identified 1618 girls CWSN. Reader Allowance was provided to 205 CWSN having blindness, 3821 CWSN provided teaching learning materials etc. Extra time is being provided to CWSN during examinations.</p> <p>V. There is dearth of experts for detection of Learning Disability of the Children in the schools although Teachers/ Resource Persons/ Parents are being provided training for taking care of students with disability.</p>

17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	<p>I. Every year data of enrolled children (Class I – XII) is collected through U-DISE. Every year House hold Survey is conducted to identify the Out of School Children including CWSN(6-14 years).</p> <p>II. Under Inclusive Education Programme of Samagra Siksha Abhiyan there is no provision for establishing Teacher Training Institutes. However, DDRCs & SCERT are providing training to teachers on Special Education.</p> <p>III. Under Samagra Siksha Abhiyan officials/ teachers are employed under contractual basis. Teachers' Recruitment Board of Tripura is competent Authority to select illegible candidates for recruitment of Regular teachers through TET. Although efforts are being made for engagement Special Educator on Contract Basis under Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan.</p>
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	State Level Monitoring Agency for Literacy has been requested to include programme for adult and continuing education for Persons with Disabilities.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	Loans at concessional rates are available from National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) through State Channelizing Agency. Social Welfare Department has taken initiative for skilling of PwDs through the State Skill Development Mission. In the current year it proposes to skill 400 PwDs. It has also started maintaining disaggregated data In this regard.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	<p>I. All Departments have been sensitized in this regard.</p> <p>II. State Government already has a Transfer and posting policy for PwDs.</p>
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	The Social Welfare and Social Education Department, being the nodal department, has circulated a model template for notification of equal opportunity policy in conformity with provisions under Central Rules to all Departments. 3 nos. Departments have already notified equal opportunity policy. [The matter is being pursued with all Departments for expeditious implementation.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	<p>I. The Social Welfare and Social Education Department, being the nodal department, has circulated the forms for maintenance of records to all the departments, with a request to start maintenance of records expeditiously.</p> <p>II. All the 6 employment exchanges have been requested to maintain records for PwDs.</p> <p>III. Inspecting authority has been designated on 7th January, 2019.</p>
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	The Social Welfare and Social Education Department, being the nodal department, has requested all the departments, to appoint GROs and maintain prescribed registers. So far 24 Departments have already notified GROs. Rest of the Departments would be persued.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24 & 25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	<p>I. Schemes for children home, women livelihood, aids and appliances, social pensions and unemployment allowance are already being implemented. For care giver allowance, insurance and community centers, the Deen Dayal Rehabilitation Scheme and other relevant schemes of Govt. of India would be tapped.</p> <p>II. Mock drills are performed in health institutions along with line departments for Disaster management.</p> <p>III. Awareness campaign for Prevention of early marriage, Antenatal, Natal, post natal care are being organized.</p> <p>IV. Aids and appliances distribution, diagnosis of categories of Divyangjan, are done at DDRCs, free of cost. Starting from last financial year mega camps for aids and appliances are being organized by SW&SE Deptt.</p> <p>V. Medicines are provided from Health care facilities free of cost.</p> <p>VI. Diagnosis based on income ceiling are provided from all the health care facilities at free of cost. Surgery services are provided by District and State Hospitals free of cost based on income ceiling.</p> <p>VII. PWD (DWS) has issued orders to all its field units to extend domestic water connection to PwDs on priority.</p> <p>VIII. A total of 1,38,180 toilets were constructed in the year 2018-19, out of which, 69,069 toilets were Divyang friendly toilets. Out of 10 sanitary complexes constructed in the municipal areas, 4 complexes were Divyang friendly. A total of 1750 toilets have been constructed in the current financial year, out of which 417 are Divyang friendly. Out of 5 sanitary complexes constructed in this year, 2 are Divyang friendly. Rest would also be made Divyang friendly in a phased manner.</p> <p>Sub section 25:</p> <p>I. Free health care are provided by all the health institutions.</p> <p>II. Barrier free access i.e. ramp and lift etc are available in health care institutions. Steps are being taken for making the buildings fully accessible.</p> <p>III. Surveys to identify causes are done by the DDRCs.</p> <p>IV. Awareness programmes regarding prevention of disabilities are being organized by State Resource Center & DDRCs.</p> <p>V. Annual screening of children is being undertaken by State unit of National Health Mission and SW & SE Department.</p> <p>VI. Training of PHC staffs is being organized at SRC and DDRCs.</p> <p>VII. Awareness programmes for general hygiene, health and sanitation are organized on regular basis.</p> <p>VIII. Pre, peri and post natal care services are provided by all the health care facilities.</p>
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Niramaya Health Insurance Scheme for Health Insurance and other schemes of Government of India would be tapped and adequately advertised for covering all eligible PwDs.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	NGOs are already availing grants under DDRCs scheme of Govt. of India. Advertisement would be issued inviting proposals from more NGOs.

28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Advertisement seeking proposals for research from Institutions and Individuals would be issued for obtaining funds under SIPDA scheme. Also Higher Education department has been requested to seek proposals from colleges and universities.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	<p>The concerned Department has been sensitized and it has taken following steps and prepared an action plan in this regard, as follows:</p> <p>a. Facilities and Support to Artists and Writers:- (i) Doorways, restrooms and parking spaces including ramp for stages has been designed for free and safe movement of PwDs in all the cultural complex under ICA Deptt.(ii) Workshops will be 1 organized for the Artistes and Writers with disabilities.(iii) Special Awards would be introduced for best publication award of writers with disabilities during Book Fair.</p> <p>b. Making Art Accessible:- (i) Cultural festival for Persons with Disabilities will be organized annually. This festival may also be inducted in the Cultural Calendar of ICA Department. (ii) A Special slot will be introduced to the Artists with Disability in important cultural events of ICA Department.</p> <p>c. Recreation Centres:- (i) Book Club Reading may be organized for Persons with Disabilities.(ii) Musical Meet may also be organized for Persons with Disabilities.</p> <p>d. Facilitating Participation in Scouting, Dancing, Art Classes etc:- (i) ICA Department will take initiative in enrolling the students with disabilities at Govt. Music and Art Colleges under Special Scholarship.(ii) Regular Workshop will be organized to mould and boost the creativity of Persons with Disabilities.</p> <p>The State Museum has been requested to start a section on disability history museum. The higher education department has been requested to re-design courses on culture and art for PwDs.</p>
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	<p>I. Steps are being taken to restructure courses and programme, for redesign of infrastructure and for providing motility aids, wheel chairs etc.</p> <p>II. Swimming, Cricket & Athletics events for PwDs are being organized by the different association affiliated by the Tripura Sports Council.</p>

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Under RTE Act, 2C09 all children are being provided free education at elementary level. Education is free in the State at the Secondary level also.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	5% Reservation is maintained in Higher Educational Institutions.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expert Committee has been constituted. “Identification of the Posts to be reserved for Persons with Disabilities in the Services under the Government of Tripura. [In respect of various posts under 31(thirty one) Nos departments/ establishments and the post LDC for all departments of State Govt. of Tripura.]” notified vide No.F.23(38)-GA(P&T)/2019 dated 24" January 2020.

34	<p>1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs.</p> <p>i) Blindness and low vision – 1%</p> <p>ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%.</p> <p>iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%.</p> <p>2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.</p>	<p>Government has already approved the provision for 4% reservation in post and services. Guidelines for effecting reservation in posts and services has been notified vide Office Memorandum F.No.85(133)-SW/DC/2017(Vol-III)/934 dated 9th January, 2019.. The identification of the posts to be reserved for the Persons with Disabilities in the services under the Govt. of Tripura has already been Notified vide Notification No.F.23(38)/GA(P&T)/2019 dated 24th January, 2020. Age relaxation is already implemented.</p>
35	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.</p>	<p>Industry Development has been requested to make private sector employers aware about the Incentive Scheme of Govt. Of India.</p>
36	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.</p>	<p>All departments have been requested to furnish the information in prescribed form to the special employment exchange within March, 2019.</p>
37	<p>Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:-</p> <p>i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%.</p> <p>ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.</p> <p>iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.</p>	<p>I. As per 9(1) of Schedule I of MGNREGS” Adequate shelf or works shall be maintained by every gram panchayat to meet the expected demand for works in such a way that at least one labour intensive public works with at least one work which is suitable for particularly vulnerable groups especially the aged and the disabled which shall be kept open at all times to provide work as per demand.</p> <p>II. As per Memorandum No.F.15(2)-RD/PMAYG/2018/2598 dated 24/12/2018 the provisions of the section 37 of the RPwD Act, 2016, it has been decided to reserve 5 % houses are for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities.</p> <p>III. State's Revenue Department has issued Notification No.F.34(179)-REV/2018, dated 15" July, 2019 for providing five per cent reservation in allotment of agricultural and homestead land to PwDs.</p>

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	<p>On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.</p>	<p>It has been notified on 7" January, 2019.</p>

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	<p>I. Orientation and sensitization programmed are being organized in schools for generating awareness about Inclusive Education of CWSN.</p> <p>II. State Council for Education, Research and Training (SCERT) has been requested to include rights of PwDs in curriculum in schools.</p> <p>III. Colleges and Universities under Higher Education Deptt. are encouraged to conduct awareness campaign on disability related issues.</p> <p>IV. Affiliating Universities have been requested to consider inclusion of Right of PwDs in the curriculum of Universities and Colleges. Matter being followed up.</p> <p>V. Panchayat Department has already issued a notification for inclusion of disability rights in training courses for representatives of rural local bodies and functionaries of PRIs.</p> <p>VI. State Institute of Public Administration and Rural Development (SIPARD), which conducts trainings for administrators has been requested for holding workshops on disability rights.</p>
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	Pertains to Central Government.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	Action is being taken under Accessible India Campaign (AIC) to make public transport accessible. Personal mobility assistance is being extended through Assistance to Disable Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids and Appliances (ADIP) Scheme.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	The concerned Departments have been requested to sensitize and request the local media including audio, print and electronic to take steps for making its content accessible.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	The concerned department has been sensitized in this regard for compliance.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	This has been incorporated in the State Building Rules.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Steps are being taken for making public buildings accessible as per Accessible India Campaign Targets.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Awareness in this regard would be created.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	I. Panchayat Department has already issued a notification for inclusion of disability rights in training courses for representatives of rural local bodies and functionaries of PRIs. Tripura Judicial Academy and Tripura Law Training Institute have been requested to conducting mandatory training on disability rights for Judges/ Judicial Officers and Lawyers. Other departments are being pursued.

		<p>II. State has already adopted NCERT framework. Affiliating Universities have been requested to consider inclusion of Right of PwDs in the curriculum of Universities and Colleges. Health Deptt. and Social Welfare departments are already doing this for doctors, nurses, ASHA and AWWs. Other concerned departments have been requested to include this in their trainings and being pursued.</p> <p>III. Capacity building of care givers is being done.</p> <p>IV. Department of Youth Affairs and Sports have taken steps for training and sensitization of sports teachers.</p> <p>V. Universities would be requested to promote teaching and research in disability studies. Special B.Ed and M.Ed courses have been started.</p> <p>VI. This would be done.</p>
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	The Social Audit Unit of Tripura has been requested to include PwDs in the audit process.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Already notified.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	Already notified.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	State Advisory Board has been constituted. Other points are already incorporated in State rules.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	Incorporated in State Rules.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile, Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p>	<p>As per Notification No.F.20(115)/DWES/ESTT/2019/6403(30) dated 26-02-2020, Secretary Social Welfare & Social Education is holding the additional charge of State Commissioner for PwDs.</p> <p>---</p> <p>---</p>

iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :	---
v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:	----
vi) Summary for initiatives taken by the State/UTs for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:	---- ---
vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:	
a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before State Comm.:	Complaint received 40 nos. Disposed off 40 Nos.
b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):	
c) Total number of cases:	
d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:	
e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	
f) Number of cases pending:	

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specify for each district a Session Court to be a Special Court to try offences under this Act.	Special Courts have been designated in all districts.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	Special Public Prosecutors have been designated in all district courts.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	Provision for this has been incorporated in the State Rules.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	----
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act- Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	----

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	The State Government has already notified State Rules of RPwD Act, 2016 viz. “Tripura Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2018” on 16th January, 2019.

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Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	<p>GoUP is committed to abide by the provisions of this Act and this section in particular. GoUP has already taken relevant steps to comply with various provisions under this Act and more actions will be taken if required. It is pertinent to mention that State of Uttar Pradesh is one of the pioneer State of the country wherein independent department to address to the needs of persons with disability was created on 12th August 1995 even before the enactment of Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act 1995. Initially, it was named as Department of Handicapped Welfare and later renamed as Department of Development of Persons with Disability and now further renamed as Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities. GoUP is running various schemes and programs for SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL and PHYSICAL REHABILITATION of PWBD. These include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grant in aid (Pension) to PWBD- No. of beneficiaries : 1103541 2. Marriage incentive grant to persons marrying PWBD- No. of beneficiaries : 340 3. Margin money and loan on subsidized interest rate with minimal instalments of repayment spread over a longer period for establishing any venture. 4. Establishing and running of various residential special schools for PWBD at preprimary, primary, upper primary and Senior Secondary Education. Children get free education, fooding, lodging, uniform, study material, medical assistance, assistive devices etc. in these schools. 5. Establishing Intermediate Schools for Inclusive Education. 6. GoUP is running a university named Dr Shakuntala Mishra National Rehabilitation University in Lucknow where in 50% seats are reserved in every course for PWBDs. Here too, students belonging to the category of PWBD get free education, fooding, lodging and transport. 7. Providing Mid-Day Meal to children with Benchmark Disabilities in preprimary schools/centers. 8. Running of Vocational Training Centers. 9. Grant for Artificial Aides/Appliances. No. of beneficiaries : 59283 10. Grant for Corrective Surgeries. 11. Free Travel in UPSRTC Buses for PWBD and in some cases with escorts. 12. State Award to persons working for betterment of PWBD and those PWBDs who are doing excels in various fields of activities. 13. Running of Government MR Homes 14. Grant in aid to NGOs running MR Homes 15. Hostels for PWBDs aspiring Higher Education. 16. Training of teachers to identify children suffering from learning disabilities.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	

6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	<p>The following actions have been taken by GoUP:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Home department has issued directives to UP Police vide letter dated 26-7-2018 in this regard to take appropriate action against cruelty, inhuman behavior, violence, exploitation, and torture caused to PWBDs as per provisions under this Act. 2. GoUP has notified all District Collectors as Additional Commissioners for PWBDs and all District Officers in charge for PWBDs as Assistant Commissioners for PWBDs to assist the District Collectors. This mechanism has been institutionalized to address to the grievances of PWBDs at local level.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	<p>In compliance of this provision the following action has been taken by GoUP:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities has issued directives to all District Magistrates vide GO number 04/65-3-2019-01/2017 TC dated 02.01.2019. 2. Department of Medical Health also has issued directives to DG Medical and Health Services in this regard vide GO number 12/5-7-2019 dated 03.01.2019. 3. Doctors of Health units, ANM at sub centre and Asha and Anganwadi workers at Village level are trained for this.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	<p>In compliance of the instructions from Election Commission of India vide letter No. 464/INST/PWD/2018-EPS dated 27.09.2018 and orders from Chief Electoral Officer, UP vide letter No. 2206/C-I-O-4-19/4-2018 dated 09.10.2018, all necessary arrangements are made in State of UP to provide all facilities and amenities to PWBDs to have uninterrupted access to franchise.</p>
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Allahabad has permitted to notify the court of VII Additional Session Judge for each district as Special Court under section 84 of this Act. And, in districts with less number of Session Courts, the Court of junior most Additional Session Judge in the District shall be notified as Special Court under section 84 of this Act. GoUP has issued order vide notification no. 11/2019/858/VII-Nyay-2-2019-17/2019 Dated 20-5-2019 to this effect. (annex-02) 2. State Legal Services Authority has been requested to do the needful vide letter number 03/65-3-2019-01/2017 TC dated 02.01.2019.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	<p>GoUP vide notification no 279/LXV-3-2018-40-18 dated 28.08.2018 has appointed the District Magistrates of the concerned districts as "Competent Authority" for the purpose of appointment of limited guardianship for PWBDs and the Divisional Commissioners of the concerned division have been notified as the Appellate Authority to hear appeal against the orders of the Competent Authority under section-14 of this Act.</p>

15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> GoUP has notified all District Collectors as Additional Commissioners for PWBDs and all District Officers in charge for PWBDs as Assistant Commissioners for PWBDs to assist the District Collectors. This mechanism has been institutionalized to support, guide and redress the grievances of PWBDs at local level. Districts Disability Rehabilitation Centers are functional in 28 districts of State of UP. GoI has been requested to sanction more such centers to cater to all the districts of State of UP. District Magistrate is the Chairperson of these centers. GoUP allocates budget for IEC activities to make the PWBDs aware of the schemes being run for them and sensitize the population in general.
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Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's.	State Project Director, School Education, U.P. has been given the details of compliance of section 16 & 17 in UP vide his letter no. समे0शि0 / दिव्यांगजन वी0 / 2778 / 2021-22 dt. 26-08-2021.
17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Additional State project Director, Uttar Pradesh Madhyamik Siksha Abhiyan has been given the details of compliance of section 18 in UP vide his letter no सम्रग शिक्षा/668-69/2021-22 दिनांक 20 सितम्बर, 2021.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> GoUP is running special Vocational Training Centers to impart professional training of the courses most suited for PWBDs. PWBDs are also getting enrolled in Government and Private Vocational Training Centre being run under UP Skill Development Mission wherein they get professional training and consultation to get them engaged in their personal ventures. GoUP is running a scheme of margin money and loan on subsidized interest rate with minimal instalments of repayment spread over a longer period for establishing any venture for PWBDs.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	GoUP has already notified 4% horizontal reservation for PWBDs in appointment in every establishment vide notification no 1868(2)/LXXIX-V-1-18-1(ka)15-18 dated 01.09.2018.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	Instruction have been issued to all the department by Office of the State Commissioner, PwDs, U.P. vide letter no.-3570-3625 dt. 26-03-2019.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	

23	<p>Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer:</p> <p>i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer.</p> <p>ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints.</p> <p>iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.</p>	<p>GoUP has issued directions to all establishments of the state government for prompt action towards the implementation of the provisions of the said section of this Act vide letter number 1431/65-1-2018-119/2018 dated 24.12.2018.</p>
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Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	<p>Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.</p>	<p>GoUP is running various schemes and programs for SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL and PHYSICAL REHABILITATION of PWBD. These include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grant in aid (Pension) to PWBD- No. of beneficiaries : 1103541 2. Marriage incentive grant to persons marrying PWBD- No. of beneficiaries : 340 3. Margin money and loan on subsidized interest rate with minimal installments of repayment spread over a longer period for establishing any venture. 4. Establishing and running of various residential special schools for PWBD at preprimary, primary, upper primary and Senior Secondary Education. Children get free education, fooding, lodging, uniform, study material, medical assistance, assistive devices etc. in these schools. 5. Establishing Intermediate Schools for Inclusive Education. 6. GoUP is running a university named Dr Shakuntala Mishra National Rehabilitation University in Lucknow where in 50% seats are reserved in every course for PWBDs. Here too, students belonging to the category of PWBD get free education, fooding, lodging and transport. 7. Providing Mid-Day Meal to children with Benchmark Disabilities in preprimary schools/centers. 8. Running of Vocational Training Centers. 9. Grant for Artificial Aides/Appliances. No. of beneficiaries : 59283 10. Grant for Corrective Surgeries. 11. Free Travel in UPSRTC Buses for PWBD and in some cases with escorts. 12. State Award to persons working for betterment of PWBD and those PWBDs who are doing excels in various fields of activities. 13. Running of Government MR Homes 14. Grant in aid to NGOs running MR Homes 15. Hostels for PWBDs aspiring Higher Education. <p>Training of teachers to identify children suffering from learning disabilities. Instructions to comply the provisions of Section 25 of this Act have been issued by Medical and Health Department GouP vide letter number 15/5-7-2019 dated 03.01.2019</p> <p>Director, DEPwD, U.P. has been given the details of progress of schemes for PwDs in UP.</p>

26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	All government servants in the State of UP are covered under Group Insurance Scheme.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	<p>GoUP is running various schemes and programs for SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL and PHYSICAL REHABILITATION of PWBD. These include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grant in aid (Pension) to PWBD- No. of beneficiaries : 1103541 2. Marriage incentive grant to persons marrying PWBD- No. of beneficiaries : 340 3. Margin money and loan on subsidized interest rate with minimal installments of repayment spread over a longer period for establishing any venture. 4. Establishing and running of various residential special schools for PWBD at preprimary, primary, upper primary and Senior Secondary Education. Children get free education, fooding, lodging, uniform, study material, medical assistance, assistive devices etc. in these schools. 5. Establishing Intermediate Schools for Inclusive Education. 6. GoUP is running a university named Dr Shakuntala Mishra National Rehabilitation University in Lucknow where in 50% seats are reserved in every course for PWBDs. Here too, students belonging to the category of PWBD get free education, fooding, lodging and transport. 7. Providing Mid-Day Meal to children with Benchmark Disabilities in preprimary schools/centers. 8. Running of Vocational Training Centers. 9. Grant for Artificial Aides / Appliances. No. of beneficiaries : 59283 10. Grant for Corrective Surgeries. 11. Free Travel in UPSRTC Buses for PWBD and in some cases with escorts. 12. State Award to persons working for betterment of PWBD and those PWBDs who are doing excels in various fields of activities. 13. Running of Government MR Homes 14. Grant in aid to NGOs running MR Homes 15. Hostels for PWBDs aspiring Higher Education. 16. Training of teachers to identify children suffering from learning disabilities.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. State Disabilities Research Committee has been constituted by GoUP vide its Office Order No 247/65-3-2018-26/2018 dated 17.07.2018 read with Office Order No 248/65-3-2018-26/2018 dated 17.07.2018 read with Office Order No 417/65-3-2018-26/2018 dated 28.11.2018. 2. Dr Shakuntala Mishra National Rehabilitation University in Lucknow has been notified as NODAL AGENCY for advising GoUP for rehabilitation of PWBDs.
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department of Culture has instructed The Director, Directorate of Culture, U.P. vide letter no 50/char-2019, dated 04-01-2019 to take all appropriate measures in Compliance with the Section 29 of Right of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 In compliance thereof all appropriate measures are being taken by the Department of Culture.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition, the special children in special schools also get opportunities on various occasions of festivity and culture and put forth their talent. They are asked to perform on stage various forms of dance and drama. • Number of performance of Nukkad Natak were organized in rural areas to make PWDs aware of various activities being taken by GoUP and also public at large was sensitized to this effect. The same activity is planned for the current year as well. • There is a department of art and culture in Dr Shakuntala Mishra National Rehabilitation University, Lucknow to promote these activities among PWDs. • A new Deaf College is also coming up in Dr Shakuntala Mishra National Rehabilitation University, Lucknow. This will function as resource centre to promote R&D activity for technological upgradation. • An Artificial Limb Centre is functional in Dr Shakuntala Mishra National Rehabilitation University, Lucknow.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Policy on sports for PwDs has been drafted jointly by the DEPwD and Sports Department in GoUP. Sports Department will take approval of competent authority to get it implemented shortly. • A new Sports Stadium also has been built in the premises of Dr Shakuntala Mishra National Rehabilitation University, Lucknow. This provides for a very good infrastructure for para sports. PWDs preparing for State/National/International Para Games will get opportunity to get trained under able guidance of coaches.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	<p>Following actions has been taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed instructions and guidelines have been issued by Basic Education Department vide letter number 1222/68-5-2018 dated 27.07.2018 • Detailed instructions and guidelines have been issued by Director of Education (Madhyamik) vide letter number Shivir/27029-27104/2018-19 dated 03.01.2019 • Directives to comply with the provisions of this Act relating to Higher Education has been issued by Director Higher Education to all State Universities and Regional Higher Education Officers vide letter number 17656/2017-18 dated 23.02.2018
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	<p>GoUP has reserved atleast 5% Seats for PWD,'s in Higher Educational Institutions Governments orders to this effect have been issued as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical Education Department issued orders vide OM No.1943/sixteen-l-2019-14(06)/2006, dated 18-06-2019 and vide Go No. 1157/sixteen-3-2017-15(01)/2019 dated 18-06-2019 • Higher Education Department issued order vide Go. No. 644/seventy -l2019-u.o.15/2019 dated 09-7-2019. • Agriculture Education Department issued order vide Go. No. 940/67-krishiAl 9-1500(46)/03 dated 19-7-2019. <p>Medical Education Department issued orders vide Go. No. 358/71-4-2019-5/2018T.C. dated 09-3-2019 and Go No. 985/71-4-2019-07/2018 dated 17-6-2019.</p>

33	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GoUP has already notified 4% horizontal reservation for PWBDs in appointment in every establishment vide notification no 1868(2)/LXXIX-V-1-18-1(ka)15-18 dated 01.09.2018. 2. GoUP has been issued government order for identification of PWD's. vide Go no. 3/2021/324/2021/65-3-2021 dated 30-07-2021
34	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GoUP has already notified 4% horizontal reservation for PWBDs in appointment in every establishment vide notification no 1868(2)/LXXIX-V-1-18-1(ka)15-18 dated 01.09.2018. 2. GO has already been issued for carrying over the unfilled vacancies.
35	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.</p>	<p>Industrial Investment and Employment Promotion Policy of Uttar Pradesh 2017 in its para 12.4.2 provides for as below:</p> <p>“Industrial units providing employment to differently abled workers will be provide pay roll assistance of Rs 500 pm for each such worker.”</p>
36	<p>Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Department of Labor, U.P. as established Special Employment Office in 16 districts, namely, Aligarh, Gorakhpur, Prayagraj, Jhansi, Ayodhya, Kanpur Nagar, Bareilly, Meerrut, Lucknow, Varanasi, Mathura, Ghaziabad, Moradabad, Azamgarh, Mirzapur and Agra and for PWBDs. 2. Of these 14 districts are divisional headquarters and cater for all the districts coming in entire division. Thus all the districts are getting this facility.
37	<p>Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %. iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%. 	<p>The following facilities has been allowed to PWBDs in UP:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 5% horizontal reservation in allotment of building/plot to PWBDs by the Housing and Urban Planning Department, U.P. vide G.O. number 786/8-1-08-25vividh/07 dated 30.01.2008 read with G.O. number 35/8-1-18-185vividh/2010 dated 15.05.2018 2. 10% rebate on residential /commercial buildings / plots has been provided to PWBDs and 20% rebate on residential/commercial buildings / plots in case disability is severe vide Housing and Urban Planning Department G.O. number 786/8-1-08-25vividh/07 dated 30.01.2008. 3. Concession up to 20 lac is provided in stamp duty on registration of property by Kar Evam Nibandhan Vibhag vide its notification number 11/sankhya-ka-ni-7-152/11-2015-500(104)/04 dated 20.03.2015. 4. 5% reservation in poverty alleviation schemes with priority to women by the Rural Development Department, U.P. vide G.O. number 520/38-6-19 dated 29.07.2019 has been ensured.

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Director, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, U.P. is appointed as Authority under section 38 of this Act. vide order no. 365/65-3-2019-01/2017TC, dated 24-09-2019. Assesment Board has been constituted vide OM No. 347/65-3-2019-01/2017 T.C. dated 09-08-2019

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Prachar-Prasar Niyamawali, 2018 has been notified vide OM number 1188/65-2-2018-73/97 dated 04.06.2018 by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, U.P. wherein adequate provisions have been made for the implementation of the said section. Also, GoUP provides for budgetary allocation for IEC activities.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	N.A.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	<p>The following actions have been taken:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 218 ramps, 192 railings and 191 toilets have been constructed and 190 wheel chairs have been provided in various UPSRTC Bus Depots to be used for PWBDs. UPSRTC has committed to make more such facilities available for PWBDs in due course of time. Out of 9219 buses presently being operated by UPSRTC proper retrofitting facilities has been provided in 3002 buses. UPSRTC has given a timeline action plan to provide retrofitting in 6217 more buses by 31.03.2022.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	N.A.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	N.A.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Directions have been issued by Department of Urban Development, GoUP for making all public buildings and places accessible to persons with disabilities vide letter no.3965/Nau-4-18-29Ja/08T.C.-I, dated 15-11-2018.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Directions have been issued by GoUP to all the departments for making all public buildings and places accessible to persons with disabilities vide letter no.72786/2021-65/2013/2/2019-2 dated 22-06-2021
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	N.A.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Directions have been issued by Department of Rural Development and Panchayatiraj Department for imparting training to sensitize all the field functionaries of various departments to relevant provisions of this Act.

48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Planning Department of GoUP takes up social audit of various government schemes being run for PWBDs.
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Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	1. The Joint Director, Department of Persons with Disabilities UP, has been appointed as the Competent Authority vide notification number 526/65-1-2018-251/2014 dated 17.07.2018.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	2. Director, Department of Empowerment of PWDs, U.P. has been appointed as Appellate officer vide notification no. 526/65-1-2018-251/2014, dated 17-07-2018. 3. GoUP is providing Grant in aid to NGOs running MR Homes. As of now, 17 such NGOs are availing this Grant from GoUP.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	The State Advisory Board has been constituted vide Office Order number 209/65-3-2018-01/2018 dated 21.06.2018 by GoUP.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	The District Level Disabilities Committee has been constituted by GoUP vide Office Order 6/2018/106/65-3-2018-24/2018 dated 26.03.2018.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

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Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Allahabad has permitted to notify the court of VII Additional District Judge in each district as Special Court under section 84 of this Act. And, in districts with less number of Session Courts, the Court of junior most Additional District Judge in the District shall be notified as Special Court under section 84 of this GoUP vide notification no. 11/2019/858/VII-Nyay-2-2019-17/2019 Dated 20-5-2019 has been issued to this effect. The Senior Prosecution Officer of State Prosecution Service Cadre has appointed as Special Public Prosecutor for the purpose of providing speedy trial in the case of Persons with Disabilities in the special court notified under section-84.GoUP has been issued notification no. 1788/VI-P-9-19-31(44)/2019, Dated 31-07-2019 to this effect.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. "State Fund" for PWBDs has been created vide GO number 430/65-3-2018-39/2018 dated 27.11.2018 read with OM number 190/65-3-2018-39/2018 dated 15.06.2018. 2. Budget Provision of Rs 5 crore has been made in Financial Year 2018-19. 3. Budget Provision of Rs 5 crore has also been made in Financial Year 2019-20. 4. Budget Provision of Rs 5 crore has also been made in Financial Year 2020-21

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particular	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act -Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	Directions have been given to the Director General of Police, UP vide letter number 768/6-pu-10-2018-5(8)/2017 dated 26-7-2018.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	As above.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	GoUP vide its notification number 597/65-3-2017-01/2017 dated 28.12.2017 has notified The Uttar Pradesh Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017 and the same has been tabled in both Houses of State Legislature.

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Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	Barrier free parking, toilets, ramps etc have been constructed and arrangements of wheelchairs have been made for Persons with Disabilities in all offices in Uttarakhand.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	For compliance with regard to women and children with disabilities, instructions have been issued by the Department of Women Empowerment and Child Development.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Instructions have been issued in this regard not to discriminate the Persons with Disabilities at any cost.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Arrangements have been made by the Uttarakhand State Police for providing Legal Services to Persons with Disabilities in case of any inhuman behavior with any person with disability.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Instructions have been issued by the Inspector General of Police, Uttarakhand to all the Senior Superintendent of Police in the State for providing legal services to Persons with Disabilities in case of receipt of any complaint from Persons with Disabilities related to abuse, violence and exploitation under Section 7 of RPwD Act, 2016.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Government Order No.1260 dated 12.09.2019 have been issued by the Disaster Management Department of Uttarakhand for protection and safety of Persons with Disabilities of the State in situations of risk, armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters, under Section 8 of the RPwD Act, 2016.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	No such complaints has been received.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Under the Reproductive Health and Family Planning Scheme, these services are provided to the Persons with Disabilities by the Health Department of Uttarakhand. Awareness is being made through Asha workers and A.N.M.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	There are 11,229 Polling Booths have been made in Uttarakhand, which are at ground floor for persons with visual impairment, barrier free and accessible with proper ramp, facilitated with direct entry for voting and dummy ballot paper are available. Drinking water, light, signage, accessible toilet, help-desk, sticks, walker, furnished shed for waiting and escort are also available for Persons with Disabilities.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	All Civil Courts and Sessions Courts in the Uttarakhand have been declared as a Special Courts and all Government Advocates in the State have been declared to be Public Prosecutors.

13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	A Local Level Committee has been constituted in every District of Uttarakhand headed by the District Magistrate for the purpose of appointing Legal Guardian for persons with disabilities.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Provisions have been made in the State Manual for limited guardianship.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	At the District level, District Social Welfare Officer; and at the State level, Director – Social Welfare has been given responsibilities for social awareness and community suggestion, campaigns have been organized on time to time. Awareness Campaign has been organized more oftenly by NSS, NCC & Rover Rangers by Education Department.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's.	Facilities for inclusive education have been provided in all Government and Government aided schools for Students with Disabilities.
17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) In all Government and Government aided schools, Children with Disabilities are given admission without any discrimination. All Students are provided with online/offline facilities. ii) In 2020-21, the 'Gyandeep' program was broadcasted through Doordarshan, Tata Sky, Siti Cable & Youtube for students. During Lockdown, Students were taught through public radio and skill development program were broadcasted for students. Students with disabilities were taught with the help of Anganwadi Workers and online mode like whatsapp, youtube, facebook, zoom app and google meet. iii) Under holistic education, ramp, railing and barrier free toilets have been constructed in all schools. iv) Stipend was provided to 1352 students under holistic education. v) Under holistic education, Awareness program were conducted for teachers time to time by NIEPVD. vi) Artificial limbs were provided to 667 students, Disability certificates were issued to 263 students and UDID card was provided to 322 students with disabilities. vii) For this purpose, monitoring is made by the Block and District level officers. viii) In the year 2021-21, Awareness camps were organised for teachers and Guardian under holistic education.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Under Integrated Education, education is provided to the students in the age group of 14 to 18 in IEDSS.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	Multi-purpose Finance and Development Corporation has been providing loan to differently-abled people for self employment and training were provided under Kaushal Vikas Mission.

20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	The schemes run under UKSDM are for all, in which the candidate is selected on the basis of merit by the committee without any discrimination.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	The Equal Opportunity Policy 2019 of the state of Uttarakhand has been promulgated.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Instructions have been issued to the concerned departments for compliance of section 21. Differently-abled people get the registration number from employment exchange office and are being sponsored as per the vacant post.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Grievance Redressal Officers have been nominated by various departments of the state to solve the problems of the differently-abled. District level disability committees have also been constituted in each district of the state.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Under the National Child Security programme, screening of the children are done at Anganwadi Centres and in schools; and are also made aware of social Security and Health measures. Doctors and Para-medical Staff are provided training.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Health Insurance has been provided to all State Government employees.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Under the Sarva Siksha Abhiyan, for rehabilitation of Children with Disabilities, Parents Suggestion Camps; and for necessities of life, Skill Training Camps are organized.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	The 5% reservation for persons with disabilities in poverty alleviation schemes and housing allocation schemes has been provided by the Urban Development Department and Rural Development Department in the state. In the various schemes run by the Rural Development Department, the following disabled persons were benefited in the year 2020-21. Mahatma Gandhi NREGA - 1951 DE-NRLM- 1820 D.D.U.G.K.Y- 81
29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	Divyangjan studying in Bharatkhande Hindustani Music Colleges in the state are given full fee exemption and platform is provided to the differently-abled artists on priority basis.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	Sports department organizes competitions for differently abled players in various sports without any discrimination.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	Under Section-12 of the Uttarakhand Right to Education Rules, 2011, a provision has been made to provide free education to all disabled children in their nearest school.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	Government order No. 33(1)XXIV(4)/2019-25(01)/2018 dated 03.01.2019 has been issued to reserve 5% seats for the differently-abled in higher education. 5 percent seats in the state are being fully reserved and filled.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	By order number: 196 dated 25-03-2011, posts have been identified for the differently abled in various departments. At present, a committee has been constituted by the government for re-imagining the posts.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	In the state of Uttarakhand, arrangement for category wise 4% reservation has been made in the appointment for the disabled.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	On the occasion of International Day of Disability, the employers are honored by giving state level awards according to their efficiency.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	On the basis of requisition received by various departments in the state, the process of recruitment is done through Subordinate Services Selection Commission and Uttarakhand Public Service Commission.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%.	In the poverty alleviation schemes and housing allocation schemes run by the Department of Housing Development, Rural Development and Urban Development, the reservation fixed for persons with disabilities has been increased from 3 per cent to 5 per cent.

	<p>ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.</p> <p>iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.</p>	<p>Pattas of agricultural land are allotted by the Revenue Department and plots are allotted for residential purpose in which 5 percent reservation has been made giving priority to women.</p> <p>In the grant given by the Industries Department under the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Program, there is a provision to provide 25 percent of the plan cost in urban areas and 35 percent in rural areas for setting up an enterprise/business by a disabled entrepreneur/businessman. Under the Startup scheme, provision has been made for special benefits and incentive assistance for the disabled. In the allocation by the Industries Department, a provision of 5% reservation has been made for Divyangjan.</p>
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Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The District Magistrate has been designated as the authority for higher assistance to persons with disabilities under section 38(1) of the Act by Uttarakhand Government Order No. 414 dated 06.09.2019. The Board of Disability constituted under the chairmanship of the Chief Medical Officer at the district level under Section 38(2) of the Act has been named as the Assessment Board by the Government Order No. 1374 dated 30.09.2029.

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

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39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	<p>Under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, different programmes like Parents Suggestion Camp, Public Awareness Programme, are organized. Camps are organized by the Secondary Schools for identification of disabilities. Under the National Child Security Programme, awareness programmes for health and cleanliness are organized at Anganwadi Centres and schools during the National Worm Day and Intensive Diarrhea Control Fortnight in the State.</p> <p>Public Awareness Programmes are organized through Poster, Street Drama, Flax, Banner, Video Clip Rally, Signature Campaign and IEC, under the different national programmes such as National Adolescent Health Programme and Hemoglobin Programme run under the Non-communicable Diseases.</p>
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	To construct barrier free campus/complex for the needs, safety& security of the Persons with Disabilities, Standards of Accessibilities have been defined by the Housing Department under the Building Construction & Development Bylaws, 2011 issued by Government of Uttarakhand.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	Travel Facility Manual, 2009 has been issued by Uttarakhand Government for providing concession in State Transport Buses to persons with disabilities, under which Persons with Disabilities are provided concessional ticket to travel in State Transport Buses. The concession amount is reimbursed by the Social Welfare Department to the Transport Department. Under this scheme, in the year 2020-21, Rs.89,12,632/- were spent and 1,06,423 number of Persons with Disabilities got the benefit.

42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	The Websites of different Departments in the State have been made barrier free for the Persons with Disabilities by the NIC Uttarakhand.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Uttarakhand Govt. is seeking suggestions from Central Govt. for development, production and distribution of universal design products and accessories for the General use by Persons with Disabilities.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Standards of Accessibilities have been defined by the Housing Department under the Building Construction & Development Bylaws, 2011 issued by Government of Uttarakhand to construct barrier free campus/complex for the needs, safety & security of the Persons with Disabilities. Accordingly, actions are being taken to make all administrative buildings accessible for Persons with Disabilities. Orders have been issued to make each college and university buildings barrier free.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	Directions have been issued to make all public buildings barrier free for persons with disabilities within five years, under which, the proposals received from different offices are sent to the Central Government.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Pertains to Central Government. In this regard, instructions have been issued from the government.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	Under the Skill Development Mission, unskilled young persons with disabilities are provided skill training. In the State, three number of Government Divyang Training and Production Centres are driven at Pithouragarh, Tihri and Haldwani (Nainital) whereatraining is provided to persons with disabilities in employment-oriented programmes. In the year 2020-21, Government Divyang Training and 03 Production Centres were provided with money amounting to Rs.91.81Lakh.
48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	This is being done by the Social Welfare Department.

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

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49	State Government to appoint Competent Authority for Registration of Institutions for PwDs and Grants to Institutions.	Under Section 50 of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995, Government of Uttarakhand has nominated Director, Social Welfare, vide Notification No.526/XVII-02/2008-6(47)/2008 dated 08.09.2008 to register voluntary organization working in the field of disability. The contact details of Director, Social Welfare are as under: Director, Social Welfare Uttarakhand, Manpur East, Rampur Road, Haldwani, Nainital Phone/Fax: 05946-297051 Email: directorsocialwelfare@gmail.com

50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	Social Welfare Department, Uttarakhand has so far registered 76 number of Voluntary Organisations.
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State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

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66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	State Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities has been constituted in the State.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	In every district of the State, a District Level Committee has been constituted for redressal of grievances of Persons with Disabilities.

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	<p>vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:</p> <p>a) Number of complains filed by the complainants before State Comm.:</p> <p>b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):</p> <p>c) Total number of cases:</p> <p>d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:</p> <p>e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:</p> <p>f) Number of cases pending:</p> <p>Details of preparation of Annual Reports of last three financial years and its laying before the state legislature</p>	<p>4) State level workshop was conducted on 28.02.2021 for resolving the issue and welfare of persons with disabilities. Different Departments, District Disabled Rehabilitation Centre, Volunteers from Voluntary organisation and Persons with Disabilities took part in the workshop.</p> <p>5) In 2020-21, 9480 UDID card were issued to Persons with Disabilities.</p> <p>The cases handled are as under:-</p> <p>(a) No. of complaint: 29</p> <p>(b) No. of Suo-motu: 00</p> <p>(c) No. of cases: 00</p> <p>(d) No. of disposed cases: 00</p> <p>(e) No. of cases complied with: 00</p> <p>(f) No. of pending cases: 00</p> <p>Year-wise Implementation Reports/Annual Reports for the last three years were sent to the Government of Uttarakhand – 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20.</p>
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Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	All District Courts and Sessions Courts in the State have been declared as Special Courts for Persons with Disabilities.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	In the State, District Government Advocates have been declared Special Public Prosecutors.

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	State Fund for Persons with Disabilities has been constituted.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	In the year 2020-21, as a result of compliance made with the recommendations issued by the Office/Court of State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities under the provisions of RPwD Act, 2016, there was no need to impose penalties.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act-Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	As a result of compliance made with the recommendations issued by the Office/Court of State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities under the provisions of RPwD Act, 2016, there was no need to impose penalties.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	Uttarakhand State Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rule, 2019 has been promulgated in the State in terms of Section 101 of the RPwD Act, 2016.

9.35 WEST BENGAL:

Rights & Entitlements: (Section 3-15):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
3	Steps taken to ensure equality non-discrimination, non deprivation and reasonable accommodation for Persons with benchmark disabilities.	Efforts have been taken and issues related to different Departments are being given priority.
4	Measures taken to ensure that women and children enjoy their rights, and freely express their views equally with others.	Efforts have been taken to reduce discrimination.
5.	Steps taken to provide persons with disabilities access to a range of in house, residential and community support services.	Awareness generation in this regard has got momentum.
6.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.	Measures taken for protection of persons with disabilities from cruelty, inhuman and degrading treatment.
7.	Steps taken to protect persons with disabilities from abuse, violence and exploitation.	Concerned Departments have been enlightened regarding provision of the Act.
8.	Steps taken for equal protection and safety in situation of risk armed conflict humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.	Concerned Authorities have been informed.
9.	Steps taken to ensure Implementation of the provision that no child with disability is separated from parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court.	Awareness generation is going on.
10.	Steps taken to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to information about reproductive health and family planning.	Awareness generation is going on.
11.	Steps taken to ensure that all polling stations and material related to electoral process are understandable and accessible to persons with disabilities.	CEO, West Bengal has been apprised and befitting action have been taken from CEO's Office, West Bengal.
12.	Steps taken to ensure the access to justice by Persons with disability.	Judicial Department has been apprised.
13.	Measures taken to ensure that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others alongwith right to inherit property.	Judicial Department and Legal Service Authorities have been apprised.
14.	Whether Rules have been made for limited guardianship and status of Implementation.	Provision has been made in Rule-4 of the West Bengal Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2018. Provision for Guardianship matter is being taken up with Judicial Department for notifying District Court as designated authority.
15.	Whether authorities for community mobilization and social awareness appointed/designated.	Efforts have been taken by the Appropriate Authority to designate "authorities" to support.

Education: (Section 16-18):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
16	Steps taken to towards Inclusion Education to CWD's.	School Education department has taken proper measure for inclusive education.
17	Measure to be taken by appropriate government & local authorities for purpose of Sec 16	Initiative has been taken by the School Education Department. Department of Mass Education Extension and Paschim Banga Sarba Siksha Mission.
18	Measures taken to promote, protect and ensure participation of PwDs in adult education and continuing education programmes equality with others.	Department of MEE & LS and PBSSM have been apprised.

Skill Development and Employment: (Section 19-23):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
19	Measures taken to formulate scheme and programmes including provision of loan at concessional rate to facilitate Vocational Training and Self Employment of PwDs.	Matter has been taken up by Department of Technical Education, Training & skill Development, MS&ME Department, SHG & SE Department, P&RD Department.
20	Measures taken to ensure non-discrimination in employment of PwDs.	All Government Departments are sensitised about non discrimination.
21	Steps taken to ensure that establishment (Government/Private) notify Equal Opportunity Policy for PwDs.	All the government departments notified equal opportunity policy for PwDs.
22	Measures taken to ensure of records of PwDs and compliance of Section 21.	Records are maintained.
23	Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer: i) Provision of filling complaint with Grievance Redressal Officer. ii) Grievance Redressal Officer to maintain register of complaints. iii) If not satisfied by action taken by the Grievance Redressal Officer, PwDs may approach District Level Committee.	Grievance Redressal officer is appointed in all government departments.

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation: (Section 24-30):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
24&25	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities within limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary Social Security and Health measure.	Scheme for pension like "Manabik" is being run by the State Government.
26	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities shall make Insurance Schemes for Employees with disabilities.	Employees with Disabilities are covered under Group Insurance Scheme.
27	Appropriate Govt. and Local authorities shall undertake rehabilitation measures.	Rehabilitation of the PwDs is undertaken with the help of registered organizations.
28	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall initiate research and development on issues enhancing habilitation and rehabilitation.	Universities like Jadavpur University, Rabindra Bharati University, Netaji Subhas Open University are pursuing Research and Development through their Department of Disability Studies.

29	Appropriate Govt. and Local Authorities take measures to promote and protect the rights of Pwds to have a cultural life and participate in recreational activities.	Department of W & CD & SW organizes different cultural programmes involving PwDs at State and district level. Department also financially helps the registered NGOs for organizing recreational activities for the PwDs.
30	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities to Promote and protect the rights of PwDs to participate in sports activities.	Department of W & CD & SW financially helps the registered NGOs for organizing sporting activities for the PwDs.

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (Section 31-37):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
31	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disabilities between 6-18 years age shall have right to free education in a neighborhood school.	This is in conformity with the Right to Education (Amendment) Act.
32	Government Higher Education Institution to reserve at least 5 percent seats for PwDs.	High Education Department has been moved for raising reservation to 5%. Department of Technical Education, Training & Skill Development has raised reservation from 4% to not less than 5%.
33	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall:- i) Identify posts for PwDs ii) Constitute expert committee with representation of Pwds for above purpose. iii) Periodic review of identified post not later than every 3 years.	Expert Committee has been constituted vide notification no.COM/553/60/RPwD Act-2016/Pt.II Dated 23.07.2018 of Department of W & CD & SW.
34	1) Appropriate Government and Local Authorities in Government Establishment shall reserve at least 4% total vacancies for PwDs. i) Blindness and low vision – 1% ii) Deaf and hard of hearing, locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy – 1%. iv) Autism, Intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness – 1%. 2) Unfilled Vacancies to be carried over for two successive years before passing it on to others.	As per Notification No.Labr/280/Emp Dated Kolkata. 8th July 2019 of Labour Department, Govt. of West Bengal, 12th, 32nd, 42nd and 72nd vacancies under Model 100 – point Roster are to be filled up by Persons with Disabilities. This notification is in compliance of Sec.34 of the RPwD Act, 2016.
35	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall provide incentive to employers in private sectors to ensure at least 5% of their workforce is composed of PwDs.	Appropriate authority has been moved.
36	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall ensure that every establishment shall furnish information regarding vacancies occurred or to occur for PwDs to employment exchange.	Appropriate authority has been moved.
37	Appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall make schemes in favour of PwDs:- i) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes – 5%. ii) Priority to women with benchmark PwDs for reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes- 5 %.	The relevant Departments have been asked to frame schemes accordingly.

	iii) Reservation in allotment of land on concession rate for promoting housing, Shelter, Setting up of occupation, Business, Enterprise, Recreation centres, and Production centres – 5%.	
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Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs: (Section 38):

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
38	On requisition and upon consideration government may provide Pwds with high support needs. Assessment Board to assess the case referred and send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support.	Appropriate Authority has been notified by the W & CD & SW Deptt., Govt. of W.B. vide its No. 3410-SW/O/1D/14/2014, DL 14.10.2020

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments: (Section 39-48)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
39	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	Department of W & CD & SW observes International Day for Persons with Disabilities, World Braille Day, World Autism Awareness Day and Hellen Keller Day (Deaf Blind Day) every year. Apart from that, a number of awareness programmes are undertaken in liaison with the registered NGOs. Every year, a programme for visiting Durga Puja pandals in arranged for visually impaired persons.
40	Government to lay down standards of accessibility for PwDs.	Related to Central Government & Accessibility norms have already been published.
41	Appropriate Government shall facilitate the easy accessibility to transportation services for PwDs.	There are 3462 no. of Govt. buses in West Bengal. Among which 1468 buses are accessible. Discussion has been initiated with private operators to introduce accessibility features in their buses.
42	Appropriate Government shall provide Good Electronics and equipments for easy access to contents available in audio, print and electronic media.	All the departments have been instructed for making their websites disabled friendly and websites of nineteen (19) departments have so far been made fully complied in this respect.
43	Appropriate Govt. shall promote development of products and accessories for General use of PwDs.	Universal design of Consumer goods is under active consideration of Commerce & Industries Department. Besides, intervention from Micro Small and Medium Entrepreneurships Department will be explored.
44	Establishment mandatorily observe the adherence of building norms to make building design friendly for PwDs.	Related to action to be taken by Central Government.
45	All Public buildings to be made accessible for Pwds within 5 years.	62 public buildings had been identified and retrofitting work is in progress in 26 buildings and tentative date of completion is March 2021.
46	Service provider shall provide service in accordance with rules on accessibility within 2 years.	Related to action to be taken by Central Government.
47	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall endeavor to develop Human Resource for purpose of this Act.	So far Human Resource Development is concerned, action have been taken for imparting training to Panchayati Raj Members, Legislators, Administrators, police officials, Judges & Lawyers, School Education Department/Higher Education Department has been moved for induction of disability as a component for all educational courses. Besides, all registered organizations under RPwD Act have been sensitized and training has been imparted to them.

48	Appropriate Government and Local Authorities shall undertake social audit of all General schemes and programmes.	Matter has been apprised to Panchayati Raj Institution as well as Urban Development Department to ensure that the scheme and programmes should not have any adverse impact.
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Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions (Section 49-55)

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
49	Government to encourage support and promote awareness campaigns and sensitization programmes to ensure that Rights of Persons with Disabilities are protected.	State Commissioner for persons with disabilities is declared as the competent authority. State Commissioner for persons with disabilities is declared as the competent authority.
50 to 55	Registration of Institutions other than Central Government Institutions. Appointment of Appellate Authority. Grant of Financial Assistance to Registered.	Financial assistance is given to registered organization.

State Advisory Board on Disability and District Level Committee (Section 66-72) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
66	State Government to appoint State Advisory Committee.	State Advisory Board on disability has been constituted vide No.COM/342/70-SAB/17(33), dated 27th April, 2018.
72	State Government shall constitute District Level Committee on Disability to perform such function as may be prescribed by it.	District Level Committee notified vide No.3966-SW/O/1A-17, dated 26th July, 2018. District Level committee has been constituted in all districts.

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (Section 79-83) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
79	<p>i) Whether the State /UTs Commissioner for PwDs has Independent or additional Charge? (Please indicate Name of the Commissioner, Office address, Whats-up No. Telephone No. Mobile , Fax, E-Mail etc.)</p> <p>ii) Whether the State /UTs Govt. have been constituted State Advisory Committee to assist State Commissioner as per under section 79 (vii)? Please provide the details :</p> <p>iii) Details of Officers and Staff provided to assist State Commissioner along with other essential Infrastructural facilities:</p> <p>iv) Grant-in-aid disbursed by State Govt. /UTs to NGOs working for persons with disabilities during the last financial year :</p>	<p>Presently Shri Alokesh Prasad Roy, I.A.S. is in additional charge of State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, West Bengal. Office Address : Subhanna, 7th Floor, Salt Lake, Kolkata- 700064. Ph.no.-(033)-2359-7997. E-mail: com.disabilitywb@gmail.com</p> <p>It is under process.</p> <p>Assistant Commissioner- 01 Officer on Special Duty -01 Clinical Psychologist -01• Prosthetists & Orthotist - 01 Cashier - 01 UD.C. -02 Driver - 01 Group-D-02 Rs.2,85,081/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eighty Five Thousand and Eighty One only)</p> <p>108</p>

	<p>v) Number of inspections carried out by the Office of Commissioner, Disabilities for monitoring of funds during last financial years:</p> <p>vi) Summary for initiatives taken by the State/Uts for successful Implementation of the RPwD Act, 2016 so far and major achievements:</p>	<p>73</p> <p>25</p> <p>a) Formation of State Advisory Board and conduct of meeting to advise State Govt. on policies, programmes, legislation and projects with respect to disability.</p> <p>b) Publication of West Bengal Rights of Persons with Disability Rules, 2018.</p> <p>c) The Department of Health and Family Welfare has notified the establishment of Medical Certification boards at various levels, and listed disabilities to be assessed by specific Medical Boards.</p> <p>d) In terms of Sec-31 of RPwD Act, 2016, the free education is provided to children with special needs till he/she attains the age of eighteen years.</p> <p>e) In terms of Sec-32 of RPwD Act, 2016, Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal has been moved for not less than 5% reservation for the persons with benchmark disabilities in the institution meant for higher education and so far it has been implemented in admission to Govt. and Govt. sponsored Polytechnics under Department of Technical education, Training & Skill Development (Polytechnic Branch).</p> <p>f) In terms of Sec 34 (1) of RPwD Act, 2016, vide no. Labr/ 280/EMP/IM2/16, dated 8 July, 2019, Labour Department (Exempted Category Cell) issued order making amendment of existing Model 100-point Roster to incorporate 4 % reservation of posts for persons with benchmark disabilities.</p> <p>g) Initiation of file with Judicial Department for notification of Special Court which is under active consideration of Hon'ble Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court</p> <p>h) All State Government Departments have been moved for making their websites accessible for the persons with disabilities u/s 42 of RPwD Act, 2016 and so far it has been fully implemented by nineteen (19) departments.</p> <p>i) District level committees on disabilities have been formed in different districts to advise the district authorities on matters related to rehabilitation & empowerment of persons with disabilities and other advisory roles.</p> <p>j) Declaration of all District Magistrates as Additional Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities in their respective districts in terms of Sec- 79 (4) of RPwD Act, 2016.</p> <p>k) Appropriate Authority has been notified by the W & CD & SW Deptt., Govt. of W.B. in accordance with special provision for Persons with Disabilities with high support needs u/s. 38 of RPwD Act, 2016.</p> <p>l) Launching of new Pension Scheme, MANABIK " for giving assistance to PwDs for livelihood.</p>
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vii) Cases handled as per section 80 & 82 of the RPwD Act during last financial year:	154		
a) Number of complaints filed by the complainants before State Comm.:	04		
b) Number of cases taken up by the State Commissioner on his own motion (suo moto):	158		
c) Total number of cases:	108		
d) Number of cases disposed of with directions and positive outcome:	108		
e) Number of cases where compliance of directions has been received:	16		
f) Number of cases pending:	2017	2018	2019
g) Status of Annual Report	Yes Submitted to Secretariat Deptt	Yes Submitted to Secretariat Deptt.	Yes Submitted to Secretariat Deptt.

Special Court : (Section 84-85) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
84	For speedy trial State Government shall specified for each district a session court to be a Special Court to try Offences under this Act.	Judicial Department is moved for notification of special court vide memo no.376/WCDSW/18 dated 22.11.2018 of the Department of W & CD & SW. Judicial Department has forwarded the same to Registrar, Calcutta High Court for taking up the matter with Hon'ble Chief Justice for his kind consent.
85	Appointment of Special Public Prosecutor.	

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities: (Section 88) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
88	State Government to constitute a State Fund For PwDs.	State Fund for Persons with Disabilities – Rules has been formulated for this purpose. Appropriate authority has been moved.

Offences and Penalties (Section 89-91) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
89	For Contravention of Provision of this Act –Maximum fine of Rs. 10,000/- for 1st violation and for subsequent violations Rs.50,000/- to 5.00 Lakhs.	Competent Court which can announce punishment not yet been notified.
91	Whoever fraudulently avails benefit under this Act- Maximum imprisonment for 2 years and maximum fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh.	Competent Court which can announce punishment not yet been notified.

Miscellaneous (Section 100-101) :

Sub Section	Particulars	Response
101	State Government to make RPwD rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act..	W & CD & SW Department notified WB RPwD Rules, 2018 vide notification no.3966-SW/O/1A-01/17, dated 26th July, 2018.

Status of Issuance of Disability Certificates in the States/UTs

Sl.No	Name of the State/UTs	Total Nos. of PwD in State Wise (As per Census 2011)	Total No. of Disabilities Certificates Issued	Percentage %
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Island (UT)	7720	4604	59.64
2.	Andhra Pradesh	1219785	1181097	96.83
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	26734	2907	10.87
4.	Assam	480065	344665	71.80
5.	Bihar	2331009	1487357	63.81
6.	Chandigarh (UT)	14796	29054	196.36
7.	Chhatisgarh	624937	284464	45.52
8.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli (UT)	6578	3716	56.49
	Daman & Diu (UT)	2196	2353	107.15
9.	Delhi (UT)	234882	183160	77.98
10.	Goa	33012	19202	58.17
11.	Gujarat	1092302	551000	50.44
12.	Haryana	546374	339190	62.08
13.	Himachal Pradesh	155316	95630	61.57
14.	Jammu & Kashmir	361153	179385	49.67
15.	Ladakh	0	0	0.00
16.	Jharkhand	769980	493012	64.03
17.	Karnataka	1324205	1229825	92.87
18.	Kerala	761843	314777	41.32
19.	Lakshadweep	1615	1353	83.78
20.	Madhya Pradesh	810368	660313	81.48
21.	Maharashtra	2963392	1779545	60.05
22.	Manipur	54110	26450	48.88
23.	Meghalaya	44317	22244	50.19
24.	Mizoram	15160	12409	81.85
25.	Nagaland	29631	1752	5.91
26.	Odisha	1244402	844250	67.84
27.	Puducherry (UT)	30189	29700	98.38
28.	Punjab	654063	382081	58.42
29.	Rajasthan	1563694	566157	36.21
30.	Sikkim	18187	5767	31.71
31.	Tamilnadu	1197000	1179303	98.52
32.	Telangana	1046822	792345	75.69
33.	Tripura	64346	89060	138.41
34.	Uttar Pradesh	4157514	2395120	57.61
35.	Uttarakhand	185272	128947	69.60
36.	West Bengal	2017406	1763711	87.42

Note : Earlier available data is reflected in respect of State/UT of which State/UTs information was not received.

**ORGANIZATIONS/INSTITUTES OF MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT IN
DISABILITY SECTOR**

A. National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation

National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) has been set up by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India on 24th January 1997. The company is registered under Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 as a Company not for profit.

It is wholly owned by Government of India and has an authorized share capital of Rs. 400 Crores (Rupees Four Hundred Crores only). The company is managed by Board of Directors nominated by Government of India. NHFDC functions as an apex institution for channelizing the funds to persons with disabilities through the state channelizing agencies (SCAs) nominated by the State Government(s).

Aims & Objectives

- Promote economic development activities and self-employment ventures for the benefit of persons with disabilities.
- Extend loan to the persons with disabilities for upgradation of their entrepreneurial skills for proper and efficient management of self-employment ventures.
- Extend loans to persons with disabilities for pursuing professional/technical education leading to vocational rehabilitation / self employment.
- To assist self-employed individuals with disability in marketing their finished goods.

Contact Details:

National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation Ltd.

(Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities,

Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment)

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B. National Trust

National Trust is a statutory body of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, set up under the “National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities” Act (Act 44 of 1999). National Trust works towards providing opportunities for capacity development of Persons with Disabilities and their families, fulfilling their rights, facilitating and promoting the creation of an enabling environment and an inclusive society. National Trust’s mission, or fundamental purpose, is to create an enabling environment, i.e. providing opportunities for persons with disabilities through comprehensive support systems which can also be done by collaborating with other Ministries, etc., which will lead towards development of an inclusive society.

Objectives:

- to enable and empower persons with disabilities to live as independently and as fully as possible within and as close to their community as possible;
- to facilitate the realisation of equal opportunities, protection of rights and full participation of persons with disabilities;
- to extend support to its registered organisations to provide need based services; and
- to evolve procedures for appointments of guardians and trustees for persons with disabilities.

Contact details:

National Trust

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New Delhi – 110 060

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Website: www.thenationaltrust.gov.in

C. Rehabilitation Council of India

Rehabilitation Council of India(RCI) was set up as a registered society in 1986. On September,1992 the RCI Act was enacted by Parliament and it became a Statutory Body on 22 June, 1993. The Act was amended by Parliament in 2000 to make it more broadbased. The mandate given to RCI is to regulate and monitor services given to persons with disabilities to standardise syllabi and to maintain a Central Rehabilitation Register of all qualified professionals and personnel working in the field of Rehabilitation and Special Education. The Act also prescribes punitive action against unqualified persons delivering services to persons with disabilities.

Contact details:

Rehabilitation Council of India

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Website: www.rehabcouncil.nic.in

D. Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India

Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO) is a Schedule 'C' Miniratna Category II Central Public Sector Enterprises, registered under Section 8 (Not for Profit motive) 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% owned Govt. of India Central Public Sector Enterprises with an objective of benefiting the persons with disabilities to the maximum extent possible by manufacturing Rehabilitation Aids for persons with disabilities and by promoting, encouraging and developing the availability, use, supply and distribution of Artificial Limbs and other Rehabilitation Aids to the disabled persons of the country

Profitability is not the motive of the operations of the Corporation and its main thrust is in providing better quality of Aids & Appliances to larger number of disabled persons at reasonable price. The Corporation

started manufacturing artificial aids in 1976. It has four Auxiliary Production Centres (AAPCs) situated at Bhubaneswar (Orissa), Jabalpur (M.P.), Bengaluru (Karnataka), and Chanalon (Punjab). The Corporation has four Marketing Centres at New Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, & Hyderabad and one Outreach Centre at Guwahati. The Corporation is the only manufacturing company producing various types of assistive devices under one roof to serve all types of disabilities across the country.

Objectives: The main objectives of the Corporation are:

- 1) To promote, encourage and develop the availability, use, supply and distribution at reasonable cost in the country of Artificial Limbs and accessories and constituents thereof to needy persons particularly disabled Defence personnel, hospitals and such other welfare institutions.
- 2) To establish facilities for the manufacture of Artificial Limbs and accessories and constituents thereof and all other things which can be or may conveniently be used for the manufacture of or in connection with such articles, things as aforesaid.
- 3) To carry on the business of manufacturers, buyers, sellers, importers, exporters, dealers in and of Artificial Limbs and accessories and constituents thereof and all other things which can be or may conveniently be used for the manufacture of or in connection with such articles, things as aforesaid.

Explanation: Artificial Limbs, accessories and Constituents thereof appearing in the aforesaid clauses include Orthosis, Prosthesis, Orthotic Components, Prosthetic Components, Rehabilitation Aids, Associated Special Tools and Orthotic and Prosthetic Supplies

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National Institutes:

The National Institutes set up by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment are professionally managed pioneer and specialized institutions in the respective areas of disability and well equipped with rehabilitation facilities. The thrust areas of the National Institutions/Apex Level Institutions are mentioned below:

- a) Human Resource Development
- b) Rehabilitative Services
- c) Research Activities

In order to reach the maximum number of persons with disabilities throughout the country, the National Institutes are engaged in outreach and extension services through their Regional Centres (RCs), Composite Rehabilitation Centres (CRCs) and District Disability Rehabilitation Centres (DDRCs) linked to them to provide the rehabilitation services to the disabled in far flung areas.

The National Institutes also create awareness in the community on various aspects of disabilities such as prevention, early detection, interventions, and various facilities available to the disabled, schemes and programmes being run by the Government for their welfare. They also provide community based rehabilitation

services such as diagnostic, fitment and distribution of aids and appliances by organizing camps at various places.

The following are the National Level Institutes/Organizations:

1. Swami Vivekananda National Institute of Rehabilitation Training & Research (SVNIRTAR)
 - Swami Vivekanand National Institute of Rehabilitation Training and Research (SVNIRTAR) is an Autonomous Body under Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India. It is located in a beautiful rural area at Olatpur at a distance of 30 Kms. from Cuttack and Bhubaneswar.
 - It conducts three Bachelor Degree courses in Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Prosthetics and Orthotics, two Postgraduate courses in Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy affiliated to Utkal University, Bhubaneswar. It also has an accreditation for DNB in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation of National Board of Examination (NBE), New Delhi. It also conducts Short Orientation Courses, Continuing Medical Education courses for Rehabilitation professionals, awareness programmes for the functionaries of Govt. and Non-Govt., Persons With Disabilities and their relatives etc.
 - It has a Hospital, with 100 beds, Operation Theatres, X-ray and pathological investigations, Physio-Occupational Therapy services, Clinical Psychology, Vocational Counselling, Speech and Hearing, fabrication of rehabilitation of aids and appliances. It provides total medical rehabilitation for the Persons with Locomotor Disabilities.
 - Institute continued to provide rehabilitation services (Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy) through its three Sub-centres at Cuttack, Dhenkanal and Bhubaneswar. Institute Provides technical and manpower support to Composite Regional Centre (CRC), Guwahati, Assam. It conducts Rehabilitation Camps in rural, remote and interior areas of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jammu & Kashmir, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh and North-Eastern States to provide rehabilitation services.

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2. National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (Divyangjan)

National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (Divyangjan) is an apex organization in the area of locomotor disability which came into the service since 1978 as an autonomous body under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India. It is located in the city Kolkata and expanding its services whole country wide.

Objective:

To develop Human Resource (manpower) for providing services to the Orthopaedically Handicapped population, namely training of Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, Orthotists & Prosthetics, Employment & Placement Officers and Vocational Counsellor etc. To conduct and sponsor research in all aspects related to the rehabilitation of the Orthopaedically handicapped. To provide services in the area of rehabilitation, restorative surgery, aids & appliances and vocational training to the persons with disability. To standardize aids and appliances and to promote their manufacturing and distribution.

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3. National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities, (Divyangjan)

- National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (Formerly National Institute for the Mentally Handicapped) established in the year 1984 at Manovikasnagar, Secunderabad (TS) is an Autonomous Body under the administrative control of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India and thus the institute is fast approaching towards its silver jubilee to celebrate its dedicated services to persons with mental retardation in the national interest. ^
- NIEPID has three regional centers located at New Delhi, Kolkata, & Mumbai, NIEPID Model Special Education Center located at New Delhi. The institute endeavors to excel in building capacities to empower persons with mental retardation. Since the quality of life of every person with mental retardation is equal to other citizens in the country, in that they live independently to the maximum extent possible and through constant professional endeavors, National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities empowers the persons with mental retardation to access the state of the art rehabilitation intervention viz., educational, therapeutic, vocational, employment, leisure and social activities, sports, cultural programmes and full participation.

The objectives for which NIEPID works are listed as under:-

Objectives:

- Human Resources Development
- Research and Development
- Development of models of care and rehabilitation.
- Documentation and dissemination.
- Consultancy services to voluntary organizations
- Community Based Rehabilitation
- Extension and Outreach programmes

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4. **Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Divyangjan) (AYJNISHD)**

- Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Divyangjan) (AYJNISHD) was established on 9th August, 1983. It is an autonomous organisation under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, New Delhi. The Institute is located at Bandra (West), Mumbai.
- Regional Centres of the Institute have been established at Kolkata (1984), New Delhi (1986), Secunderabad (1986) and Bhubaneswar (1986- in association with Government of Orissa). These are centres aimed at meeting the local and regional needs in terms of manpower development and services.
- Composite Regional Center (CRC), Bhopal is a service model initiated by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, established on 14th August, 2000. The Center is functioning under the administrative control of AYJNISHD since February, 2006. An one more CRC at Ahmadabad, Gujarat was established on 16th Aug, 2011 and this CRC also functioning under the administrative control of AYJNISHD.

Objectives:

- **Manpower Development:** To deal with the various aspects of rehabilitation of the Hearing Handicapped, various undergraduate and post graduate courses are being offered. The Institute is rated excellent by the RCI.
- **Research:** Research in the areas of identification, intervention, educational approaches, remedial teaching methods, jobs for the hearing handicapped and technology development have been carried out.
- **Educational Programmes:** By studying the existing school for the deaf, curriculum followed, methods of teaching etc. and supplementing or strengthening them by way of improving existing educational facilities and developing new strategies wherever required, newer measures such as open school for the illiterate/drop out is being conducted as model activity. **Service Facilities:** Strategies for early identification and rehabilitative procedures. films and audio visuals on vocational training and job placement, etc. are being developed.
- **Community Programme:** Identification and intervention, home bound training, correspondence training and also tele-rehabilitation services are being rendered and evolved with emerging needs.
- **Material Development:** Required for (a) education, like teaching aids, audio-visuals etc. (b) public awareness and community education, literacy programme for adult deaf, Parent Counselling and Programme for strengthening voluntary organisations. **Information and Documentation:** Documenting and disseminating the latest information and developments in the science of hearing, speech and related technology is being done.

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5. **National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (Divyangjan)**

The National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities owes its origin to St. Dunstan's Hostel for the War Blinded established in 1943, which offered a basic set of rehabilitation services to the soldiers and sailors blinded in the World War II. In 1950, the Government of India took over the St. Dunstan's Hostel and entrusted the Ministry of Education with the responsibility of developing comprehensive services for the rehabilitation of blind persons. Subsequently, services for the blind witnessed remarkable expansion. In the same year, the Government established the Training Centre for the Adult Blind to ensure reintegration of blind soldiers including other persons in the world of work. In 1951, the Government established Central

Braille Press; in 1952, Workshop for the manufacturing of Braille Appliances; in 1954, Sheltered Workshop; in 1975 Training Centre for the Adult Blind Women and in 1959, Model School for the Visually Handicapped. In 1963, National Library for the Print Handicapped was established out of which National Talking Book Library was carved out in the year 1990. On integration of all the Units in 1967, the Government established National Centre for the Blind (NCB). This Centre was further upgraded as National Institute for the Visually Handicapped in the year 1979 and finally in October 1982, it was registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 and gained the status of an Autonomous Body.

The NIEPVD has its Headquarters at 116, Rajpur Road, Dehradun with one Regional Centre at Chennai (Tamil Nadu) established in 1988 and two Regional Chapters at Kolkata (W.B.) and Secunderabad (Andhra Pradesh) established in the year 1997. These Chapters provide peripheral services and are being served by a small component of Officers and Staff transferred from the Headquarters, whereas, Regional Centre at Chennai is a full-fledged Institute with staff strength of 30 headed by a Regional Director. The Institute also coordinates and supervises Composite Regional Centre for Persons with Disabilities, Sundernagar (H.P.) established in the year 2001.

Objectives

- To conduct, sponsor, co-ordinate and/or subsidize research in collaboration with other NGOs and research organizations including Universities into various dimensions of the education and rehabilitation of the visually impaired.
- To undertake, sponsor, co-ordinate or subsidise research into biomedical engineering leading to the effective evaluation of special appliances/instruments or suitable surgical or medical procedures or the development of new special appliances/instruments.
- To undertake or sponsor the training of trainees and various specialized professionals including Teachers, Employment Officers, Psychologists, Vocational Counsellors and such other personnel as deemed necessary.
- To distribute, promote, or subsidise the manufacture of prototypes and to manage distribution of any or all devices designed to promote any aspect of the education, rehabilitation or employment of the Visually Impaired.

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6. National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD)

National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD) established in the year 2005, on East Coast Road, Muttukadu, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, (about 30 km from Chennai Central railway station, Mofussil bus terminus and airport), DEPwD, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, to serve as a national resource center for empowerment of persons with Multiple Disabilities such as those with two or more disabilities in a person. The Disabilities enumerated as per PWD (1995) Act, are Low Vision, Blindness, Locomotor Disability, Hearing Impairment, Mental Retardation, Mental Illness, Leprosy

Cured Persons and as per The National Trust (1999) Act, are Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities.

Objectives:

- To undertake development of human resources for management, training rehabilitation, education, employment and social development of persons with Multiple Disabilities.
- To promote and conduct research in all areas relating to Multiple Disabilities.
- To develop Transdisciplinary models and strategies for social rehabilitation and to meet the needs of diverse groups of people with Multiple Disabilities.
- To undertake services and outreach programs for the persons with Multiple Disabilities.

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7. Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (Divyangjan)

Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities is an autonomous organization under the administrative and financial control of DEPwD, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India. The Institute came into being when the erstwhile JawaharLal Nehru Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and other allied institution run by the council for the Aid of crippled & handicapped were taken over by the Government of India on 22nd May, 1975 and converted into an autonomous body in the year 1976. It was renamed after Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya in the year 2002.

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8 National Institute of Mental Health Rehabilitation (NIMHR):

This is a Central Autonomous Institute under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India. It is registered as Society under the MP Societies Registration Act, 1973. It is a National Institute working in the area of mental health rehabilitation.

The broad objectives are to:

- To promote mental health rehabilitation using 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.

Services:

- Psycho-Diagnostic Assessment and Testing
- Neuropsychological Assessment
- Psycho-Education, Guidance and Counselling
- Psycho-therapeutic Intervention for Various Mental Health Problems
- Outreach and Awareness Services

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9 Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC)

In the 2000s, the Indian deaf community advocated for an institute focused on ISL teaching and research. The 11th Five Year Plan (2007-2012) acknowledged that the needs of people with hearing disabilities had been relatively neglected and envisaged the development of a sign language research and training center, to promote and develop sign language and training of teachers and interpreters. The Finance Minister announced the setting up of ISLRTC in the Union Budget speech of 2010-11.

As a result, in 2011, the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment approved the establishment of the Indian Sign Language Research and Training Center (ISLRTC) as an autonomous center of the Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), Delhi. The foundation stone of the center was laid at IGNOU campus on 4th October, 2011. In 2013, the center at IGNOU was closed.

In an order dated 20th April, 2015, the Ministry decided to integrate ISLRTC with the regional center of the Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Hearing Handicapped (AYJNIHH) at Delhi. However, the Deaf community protested this decision due to the different perspectives and goals of ISLRTC and AYJNIHH.

The protests and meetings with the ministers resulted in the Union Cabinet approving the setting up of ISLRTC as a Society under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, MSJE, in a meeting held on 22nd September, 2015. An order to this effect was issued by the MSJE on 28th September, 2015, leading to the establishment of ISLRTC.

As per the 2011 Census, the total population of deaf persons in India numbered about 50 lakh. The needs of the deaf community have long been ignored and the problems have been documented by various organizations working for the deaf. Obsolete training methodology and teaching systems need urgent attention.

Indian Sign Language (ISL) is used in the deaf community all over India. But ISL is not used in deaf schools to teach deaf children. Teacher training programs do not orient teachers towards teaching methods that use ISL. There is no teaching material that incorporates sign language. Parents of deaf children are not aware about sign language and its ability to remove communication barriers. ISL interpreters are an urgent requirement at institutes and places where communication between deaf and hearing people takes place but India has only less than 300 certified interpreters.

Therefore, an institute that met all these needs was a necessity. After a long struggle by the deaf community, the Ministry approved the establishment of ISLRTC at New Delhi on 28th September, 2015.

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.

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.

Objective:

1. To develop manpower for using Indian Sign Language (ISL) and teaching and conducting research in ISL, including bilingualism.
2. To promote the use of Indian Sign Language as educational mode for deaf students at primary, secondary and higher education levels.
3. To carry out research through collaboration with universities and other educational institution in India and abroad and create linguistic records/ analyses of the Indian Sign Language, including creation of Indian Sign Language corpus (Vocabulary).
4. 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.
5. To collaborate with organizations of the deaf and other institutions in the field of disability to promote and propagate Indian Sign Language.
6. To collect information relating to Sign Language used in other parts of the world so that this input can be used to upgrade the Indian Sign Language.

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POSTS IDENTIFIED AS SUITABLE FOR VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF DISABILITIES.

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT [Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)] NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 4th January, 2021

No. 38-16/2020-DD-III.—Whereas Section 33 of the repealed Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 (hereinafter, after referred as repealed Act) provided for reservation of not less than 3% for persons with disabilities in the three categories namely, (i) locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, (ii) visual impairment (low vision & blindness) and (iii) hearing impairment.

2. And whereas, section 32 of the repealed Act mandated the appropriate Government to identify posts to be reserved for persons with disabilities and review such list at periodic interval not exceeding three years.
3. And whereas, in pursuance of the above provisions of the repealed Act, the Central Government last notified the list of posts suitable for persons with disabilities through notification No. 16-15/2010-DD-III dated 29th July, 2013.
4. And whereas, the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, in pursuance of the provisions of sections 32 and 33 of the repealed Act (since repealed on 15.06.2017) had constituted an Expert Committee on the 19th November, 2015 under the chairpersonship of the Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities to review the list of Central Government posts identified suitable for Persons with Disabilities.
5. And whereas, the Expert Committee met on the 9th December, 2015 and decided that one Sub-Committee should be constituted for each of the category of disabilities which are provided reservation under section 33 of the said repealed Act and accordingly, following three Sub-Committees were constituted, namely:—
 - i. Sub-Committee for locomotor disability
 - ii. Sub-Committee for hearing impaired
 - iii. Sub-Committee for visually impaired
6. And whereas, the Central Government notified the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (hereinafter referred as “the Act”) which inter-alia under sub-section (1) of section 34 extended the benefit of reservation to persons with benchmark disabilities in the new category of (i) autism, specific learning disability, mental illness and intellectual disabilities and (ii) multiple disabilities amongst the various categories mentioned in the said section of the Act.
7. And whereas, Section 33 of the said Act mandates the appropriate Government to constitute expert committee for identification of posts suitable for persons with benchmark disabilities and accordingly, following two sub-committees were further constituted to take care of identification of posts suitable for new categories included under the Act, namely; (i) Sub-Committee for autism, intellectual disabilities, specific learning disability and mental illness, and (ii) Sub-Committee for multiple disabilities.
8. And whereas, all the Sub-Committees reviewed the posts notified through notification No.16-15/2010-DD-III dated the 29th July 2013, and submitted their reports and the Expert Committee considered the reports of the

Sub-Committees in its meeting held on 19th November 2019, finalized its recommendations and submitted its report to the Central Government for consideration.

9. Now, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred upon section 33 of the said Act and based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee, the Central Government hereby notifies the gist of the report, and the list of Central Government posts in Group A, B, C and D identified suitable for persons with benchmark disabilities which is at Annexure-A for information and further necessary action by all cadre controlling authorities in the Central Government.
10. The said list supersedes the list of posts for Groups 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' notified through notification No. 16-15/2010-DD-III dated 29th July, 2013.

Note 1: Persons with benchmark disabilities require aids and assistive devices to overcome their difficulties. The aids and assistive devices may be provided to persons with benchmark disabilities on their appointment keeping in view their requirement as per the instructions of DoPT issued from time to time.

Note 2: The list of posts being notified is only indicative and not an exhaustive list. If a post is not mentioned in the list, it is not to be construed that it has been exempted. Central Ministries, Departments, Autonomous Bodies, Public Sector Undertakings may further supplement the list by adding to the list of posts identified for respective category of disability.

Note 3: If a post is already held by a person with benchmark disability, it shall be deemed to have been identified for that category of benchmark disability.

Note 4: If a post is identified in the feeder grade, all the posts in the promotional grade should also stand identified.

Note 5: If a post having identical nature and place of job with respect to any identified post, the post should be construed to be identified even if the post has a different nomenclature and/or is placed in a different group.

Note 6: This list will be the principal list in respect of the posts identified suitable for persons with benchmark disabilities. However, in case a list of post is separately identified by any Central Government establishment, the list having wider range of identified categories (i.e. having more sub-categories under each category) would prevail.

Note 7: In case a post is identified suitable for more than one sub-category under a broad category, individual Central Ministries or Departments or Public Sector Undertakings or Autonomous Bodies should conduct recruitment for all the sub-categories and cannot suo-moto choose one particular sub-category for appointment.

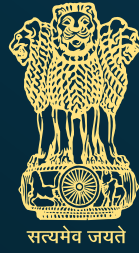
Note 8: It is for the Central Ministries or Departments or Public Sector Undertakings or Autonomous Bodies to verify the authenticity of the certificate of disability and examine suitability of the candidate in terms of functional requirements before appointment against any identified post.

Note 9: In the event of discrepancies in the English and Hindi versions of this Notification, English version shall prevail over the Hindi version.

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May kindly visit the link for the List of Central Government posts in Group A, B, C and D identified suitable for persons with benchmark disabilities at:

<http://disabilityaffairs.gov.in/content/upload/uploadfiles/files/224370.pdf>



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