



**NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH VISUAL
DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN) - REGIONAL CENTRE**

(Formerly known as NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE VISUALLY HANDICAPPED-
REGIONAL CENTRE)

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PROSPECTUS

The National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (Divyangjan) – Regional Centre, a premier organization engaged in multifarious activities for empowering and mainstreaming of visually impaired persons in the Southern Region, is conducting a Two-year programme of teacher education, B.Ed. Special Education (Visual Impairment) as part of its human resources development endeavour. This Course is affiliated to the Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai and approved by the Rehabilitation Council of India, New Delhi.

Admission to the course is open for men and women from the Southern Region. Its present intake capacity is 30 students.

1. Eligibility Conditions:

1.1 Candidates with any one of the following qualifications are eligible for admission to the B.Ed. Special Education (Visual Impairment) programme, as detailed below:

- a. An Undergraduate Degree (B.A., B.Sc., B.Lit., B.C.A., or any other equivalent degree) under the 10+2+3 pattern of study in school subjects such as Tamil, English, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology, History, Geography or Computer Science from a recognized university with a minimum of 50% marks.

(or)

- b. A Postgraduate Degree (M.A., M.Sc., M.Com., or any other equivalent degree) under the 10+2+3+2 pattern of study in subjects such as Home Science, Economics, Commerce, Political Science, Sociology, Psychology, Logic, Indian Culture or Philosophy from a recognized university with a minimum of 50% marks in PG and subject to the condition that the major subject in the U.G. and P.G. Degree shall be one and the same.

(or)

- c. A Postgraduate Degree (5-year Integrated Programme such as M.Sc., M.A., M.Com. or any other equivalent degree) under the 10+2+5 pattern of study from a recognized university with a minimum of 50% marks.

(or)

- d. A Bachelor of Engineering (B.E.) or Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) degree with specialization in Science and Mathematics from a recognized university under a pattern equivalent to 10+2+4 with a minimum of 55% marks.

(or)

- e. A three-year Diploma in Engineering (equivalent to +2) and hold a Bachelor Degree in Engineering (B.E./B.Tech.) through a three-year lateral entry programme from a recognized university under a pattern equivalent to 10+3+3 with a minimum of 55% marks.

1.2 Subject Equivalence for Eligibility:

Candidates who have completed undergraduate degrees in **applied subjects** may be considered for B.Ed. admission under the corresponding school subject, as per Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University (TNTEU) norms.

a. The following equivalences are accepted:

S. No.	Applied Subject (UG)	Eligible B.Ed. School Subject
1	Applied Mathematics	Mathematics
2	Applied Theoretical Physics / Geo-Physics/ Bio-Physics and Electronics	Physical Science
3	Applied Chemistry	Physical Science
4	Advanced Zoology / Bio-Technology / Plant Biology / Plant Bio-Technology	Biological Science
5	Environmental Science / Micro-Biology	Biological Science
6	Applied Geography	Geography
7	Information Technology/ Computer Applications	Computer Science
8	Nutrition and Dietetics (PG Degree only)	Home Science
9	B.E./ B.Tech. all branches	Mathematics or Physical Science
10	B.E. / B.Tech. in Computer Science, IT or related branches	Computer Science
11	B.E. / B.Tech. in Biotechnology, Bioinformatics or related branches	Biological Science

b. If the candidates furnish Government order for equivalence their application will be considered for counselling.

1.3 Minimum percentage of marks required to apply for various categories is given here below.

Applicants possessing such required marks only need apply.

Category	Minimum Marks in UG
OC	50%
BC/BC(M)	45%
MBC/DNC	43%
SC/SC(A)/ST	40%
Persons with Disabilities	Pass

2. Reservation:

2.1 The reservation of seats for candidates belonging to OC, BC, BC(M), MBC/DNC, SC, SC(A) and ST communities will be made as per the rules and regulations of Tamil Nadu Govt. as follows:

Category	Reservation Percentage
Open Competition (OC)	31%
BC (Others)	26.5%
BC (Muslims)	3.5%
MBC/DNC	20%
SC	15%

SC(A)	3%
ST	1%

- 2.2 Applicants belonging to Tamil Nadu only will be considered for communal reservation. Candidates seeking admission against BC, BCM, MBC/DNC, SC, SC(A) and ST quota should obtain the Certificate of Social Status in the prescribed permanent Community Certificate/Card of Tamil Nadu and that should be produced at the time of counselling. Candidates from **outside Tamil Nadu** will be considered under the **Open Competition (OC)** category. They must submit a **Migration Certificate** from the respective University at the time of admission.
- 2.3 The ST candidates should obtain the community certificate only from the Revenue Divisional Officers/Sub Collectors (IAS Officers/Assistant Collectors (IAS Officer/ Personal Assistant (General) to Collector of Chennai (G.O. (Ms) No.47, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare (ADW2) Department Dated 14.08.2001.
- 2.4 Reservation for Ex-servicemen and persons with disabilities will be made as per Government rules.

3. Selection Procedure:

- 3.1 Selection will be based on merit according to the percentage of marks obtained by the candidate in Part III (Major and ancillary) in all the three years in the UG degree (B.A./B.Sc./B.Lit./B.C.A. or other equivalent school subjects) will be taken as the base mark.
- 3.2 The percentage of marks obtained by the candidates in the PG Degree (such as M.A., M.Sc., M.Com.) in Home Science, Economics, Commerce, Political Science, Sociology, Psychology, Logic, Indian Culture, or Philosophy will be taken as the base mark, subject to the condition that the major subject in the UG and PG degrees shall be one and the same.
- 3.3 Candidates who have completed a 5-year Integrated Postgraduate Degree (M.A./M.Sc./M.Com.) under the 10+2+5 pattern:
- For PG Degree subjects such as Tamil, English, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology, History, Geography or Computer Science, the marks from the first three years (Part III – Major and Ancillary) will be taken as the base mark.
 - For PG Degree subjects such as Home Science, Economics, Commerce, Political Science, Sociology, Psychology, Logic, Indian Culture or Philosophy, the marks from the last two years (4th and 5th years) will be taken as the base mark.
- 3.4 Bachelor's Degree in Engineering or Technology (B.E./B.Tech.) the total marks obtained in the degree shall be considered as the base mark.
- 3.5 In the case of candidates who have studied two or three major subjects in their undergraduate degree, one subject must be chosen for the admission, the marks of all major subjects will be used to calculate the overall percentage and considered as the base mark.
- 3.6 The applicants are advised to calculate the percentage exactly upto four decimal points (example: 55.6867).
- 3.7 In case the same rank has been obtained by more than one candidate, the rank order will be worked out as per procedure stated below:

In Part III

- 3.7.1 The total marks obtained in both theory and practical in the major subjects.
- 3.7.2 The total marks obtained in both theory and practical in the ancillary subject I.
- 3.7.3 The total marks obtained in both theory and practical in the ancillary subject II

3.8 Additional marks will be awarded for higher qualification as per following details.

Higher Qualification	UG Degree as Essential Eligibility for Admission	PG Degree as Essential Eligibility for Admission
Post-Graduation	4 Marks	No Mark
M.Phil.	5 Marks	1 Mark
Ph.D.	6 Marks	2 Marks

3.8.1 Applicants possessing higher qualification will be eligible for additional marks only up to the maximum of 6 marks.

3.8.2 Such eligibility will be given only when the applicant had pursued the higher studies in the same subject, he/she had studied in the Under Graduation.

3.9. Applicants involved in the following co-curricular activities will be eligible for a maximum of 3 additional marks on production of relevant certificate from the College.

3.9.1 Two years of continued membership in National Service Scheme (NSS) and 7 days of participation in the special camp at collage level.

3.9.2 Participation in National Cadet Corps (NCC) at the college level (B or C Certificate).

3.9.3 Participation in University/ State/ National level Sports competitions representing the College.

4. Fee Particulars:

4.1 University Fee: *

4.1.1	General registration fee	Rs.	125/-
4.1.2	Development of infrastructural facilities	Rs.	40/-
4.1.3	Culture and Youth festival	Rs.	40/-
4.1.4	Sports	Rs.	50/-
4.1.5	Library	Rs.	100/-
4.1.6	Eligibility fee including cost of application	Rs.	280/-
	Total	Rs.	635/-

(*University fee, Examination and other fees will be collected as per the revised University norms)

4.2 Institution Fee:

4.2.1	Tuition Fees (per year)	Rs.	30,000/-
4.2.2	ID Card	Rs.	200/-
4.2.3	Library Caution Deposit	Rs.	2,000/-
4.2.4	Institution Visit	Rs.	3,000/-
4.2.5	Red Cross Society	Rs.	40/-
	Total	Rs.	35,240/-

Note:

1. Tuition Fee waived off for PwDs possessing valid UDID Card.

2. Purchase of Uniform and Educational Kit is mandatory for all the students; the cost shall be born by the students after the admission.

4.3 The selected candidate shall pay the fees within the prescribed time limit and join the course, failing which, admission will be cancelled and seats will be allotted to the next candidate in the rank order.

No re-consideration for admission will be made if the admission is rejected once.

5. Hostel Facilities:

Hostel accommodation will be provided only to outstation women students and students with visual impairment. Dormitory accommodation with simple vegetarian food will be provided on payment of the prescribed fees. Students shall strictly adhere to the rules and regulations of NIEPVD-RC.

6. Hostel Fee:

- 6.1 Caution Deposit : Rs. 2000/-
6.2 For Students with Disabilities : Rs. 1500/- per month
6.3 Women : Rs. 3000/- per month

7. General:

7.1 Application Fee Details for B.Ed. Special Education (VI) as follows:

Category	Application Fee
OC/ BC / MBC	Rs. 500
SC/ ST	Rs. 250
PWD	Free

7.2 The application fee may be paid through **UPI** or **bank transfer** to the official bank account given below:

Name of the account	NIVHRC Internal Accruals Account	
Name of the Bank & Branch	Punjab National Bank, Poonamallee	
Bank A/c No.	7434000100026179	
IFSC Code	PUNB0743400	

7.3 The applicants are advised to fill in the application form carefully and submit the same to **The Regional Director I/c, National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (DIVYANGJAN), No. 522, Trunk Road, Poonamallee, Chennai - 600056, Tamil Nadu** from 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM during working days or send by post to the address along with application fee. Last date for receipt of filled application will be **14th July 2026 before 5.00 PM**. The Centre will not be responsible for any postal delay.

- 7.4 Applications not submitted within the prescribed date (or) not presented in the prescribed form (or) not accompanied by required copies of certificates (or) providing wrong information (or) having marks wrongly calculated will be summarily rejected without notice. No further correspondence in the matter will be entertained.
- 7.5 The selected candidates will be notified by post and a list displayed on the Centre's notice board. They must produce all their certificates in original at the time of joining.
- 7.6 The selected candidates are to produce a medical fitness certificate from Government Civil Surgeon or Civil Assistant Surgeon before joining.
- 7.7 The selected candidates are to produce Anti-ragging affidavits from recognised Lawyer or Notary Public in concern.

8. Employment Prospects:

- 8.1 Special Education of children is expanding rapidly throughout the country and there is today, an urgent need for competent, committed and skilled educators, whom the present Course seeks to prepare.
- 8.2 On successful completion of the Course, candidates will be equipped with the requisite knowledge and skills to work as:
 - 8.2.1 Teachers in special schools for the students with visual impairment.
 - 8.2.2 Teacher in general school for regular students
 - 8.2.3 Resource/itinerant teachers in integrated/inclusive educational settings
 - 8.2.4 Coordinators, administrators or facilitators in educational programs for blind and low-vision children.
 - 8.2.5 Any educational programmes for students with visual impairment in the capacity of coordinators, administrators, facilitators.
