

## CHAPTER 4

### REHABILITATION OF THE DISABLED

#### 1. SPECIAL EDUCATION

1.	Gist of the Scheme	<b>Special Education</b> Visually Handicapped, Hearing Impaired, Mentally Challenged and Locomotor Disabled persons are provided with free special education, free boarding and lodging. Two sets of Uniforms and Text books are given free of cost every year.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Disabled Children aged 5 years and above (in case of Hearing Impaired children: 2 years and above).
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed and particulars to be furnished	Yes. Prescribed formats are available with Head Masters/Principals of Special Schools.
4.	Certificates to be enclosed	Copy of the National Disability Identity Card and Birth Certificate
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer / Head Master of the Government Special School for Disabled concerned.
6.	Grievances, if any, to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006. Phone No. 044 - 28290286 / 28290392 / 28290409

### 1 (a). PRE SCHOOL FOR YOUNG HEARING IMPAIRED CHILDREN

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Free pre-school education, Uniform, speech therapy and boarding and lodging for Hearing impaired children.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Speech and Hearing Impaired children in the age group of 3 to 5 years.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and Birth Certificate
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer / Head Master of Government School for Deaf / Headmasters of Govt. aided pre schools.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

## 2 (a) SCHOLARSHIP

1.	Gist of the Scheme	<b>Scholarship:</b> Scholarship towards purchase of books and note books a) I to V Std. Rs.500/- per annum, b) VI to VIII Std. Rs.1500/- per annum.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Disabled Students studying in recognised schools. Income limit Rs.12,000/- per annum.
3.	Whether application form is prescribed	Yes.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Medical Certificate, Income Certificate and Certificate from Head Master that similar assistance is not availed from any other sources.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

## 2 (b) SCHOLARSHIP

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Scholarship for students studying from 9 <sup>th</sup> Std. to 12 <sup>th</sup> Std, Rs.2000/- per annum; For Degree Courses Rs.3000/- per annum. For P.G., Medical, Engineering, Vocational Courses and other Professional Courses. Rs.3500/- per annum.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Disabled students studying in recognised Schools / Colleges / Training Centres. Income limit less than Rs.24,000/- per annum. Should have obtained not less than 40% of marks in the previous qualifying examination.
3.	Whether Form of application is prescribed	Yes. Forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Certificates from Head of the Institution, National Disability Identity Card, Statement of marks in the previous qualifying examination and Income Certificate in the format prescribed.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

### 3. READERS ALLOWANCE TO VISUALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS

1	Gist of the Scheme	<p><b>Readers Allowance:</b> The Visually Handicapped students are given readers allowance along with scholarship. Readers allowance is being paid at the following rate:</p> <p>1. IX Std. to XII Std. Rs.1500/- (per annum) 2. Degree courses Rs.2500/- ( per annum) 3. Post Graduate and Professional courses Rs.3000/- (per annum)</p>
2	Eligibility criteria	<p>Must be visually handicapped student. Must be a student of IX std. and above of a bonafide institution. Must produce certificate from the Reader, who reads the lessons.</p>
3	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Office.
4	Certificates to be furnished	Certificate from Head of the Institution, National Disability Identity Card and Statement of marks in the previous qualifying examination.
5	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
6	Grievance if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled 15/1 Model School Road Thousand Lights, Chennai 600 006. Tel.No.044 - 28290286 / 28290392 / 28290409

#### 4. SCRIBE ASSISTANCE

1.	Gist of the Scheme	A sum of Rs.50 per paper is paid to each scribe. Scribes are engaged to write the answers which Visually handicapped student dictates in Government Examinations.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Visually Handicapped students who appear for Government Examinations.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	No prescribed format
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Certificate from the Head of the Institution / School
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer / Head Master/Principal of the High/Higher Secondary School for the Blind.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

**5. DISTRIBUTION OF PRE-RECORDED CASSETTES AND TAPE RECORDERS TO VISUALLY HANDICAPPED**

1	Gist of the Scheme	Visually Handicapped students studying in 10 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> Standards will be provided with Pre-recorded Cassettes and Tape Recorders.
2	Eligibility Criteria	Students studying in Government schools for the blind are eligible
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	No
4.	Certificates to be furnished	No
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	No
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

## 6. STARTING OF DEGREE COURSES FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED STUDENTS

1	Gist of the Scheme	As a pioneer measure in India, B.Com., and B.C.A., Degree Courses for the benefit of the hearing impaired students at Presidency College, Chennai commenced from the academic year 2007-2008.
2	Eligibility Criteria	+2 Passed with Commerce for B.Com, Computer Science for B.C.A.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Available with Presidency College, Chennai.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	As mentioned in the application and Prospectus.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	Principal, Presidency College, Kamarajar Salai, Chennai – 600 005.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 and Director of Collegiate Education, DPI Campus, College Road, Chennai-600 006.



## 7. ASSISTANCE TO LAW GRADUATES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Financial Assistance of Rs.3000/- will be given to the Orthopaedically / Visually handicapped Law Graduates to start Legal Practice.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	He/She should be a Law graduate. Annual income should not be more than Rs.50,000/-. Should have enrolled in Bar Council of Tamil Nadu.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card, Degree Certificate in Law, proof for enrolment in Bar Council of Tamil Nadu.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

**8. SECONDARY GRADE TEACHERS TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR THE VISUALLY AND ORTHOPAEDICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS (DIPLOMA IN TEACHER EDUCATION)**

1	Gist of the Scheme	Secondary Grade Teachers Training Institute for the Visually and Orthopaedically handicapped persons is functioning at the campus of Government Higher Secondary School for the Blind, Poonamallee. 25 Visually handicapped and 25 Orthopaedically handicapped persons are trained every year. This Diploma in Teacher Education was approved by the National Council for Teachers Training, Bangalore. This training will ensure more employment opportunities to the visually handicapped and orthopaedically handicapped persons.
2	Eligibility criteria	Should have passed in Higher Secondary Examination. Age limit for destitutes, deserted wives and widows is 40 years, for others 30 years.
3	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes, available. The cost of application for SC / ST is Rs.150/-, for others Rs.250/- in the form of Demand Draft.
4	Certificate to be furnished	+2 Certificate, Community Certificate, National Disability Identity Card, Transfer and Conduct Certificates
5	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	State Commissioner for the Disabled 15/1 Model School Road Thousand Lights, Chennai 600 006.
6	Grievance if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled 15/1 Model School Road Thousand Lights, Chennai 600 006. Tel.No.044 - 28290286 / 28290392 / 28290409

## 9. DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY TRAINING

1.	Gist of the Scheme	The orthopaedically and hearing handicapped persons can undergo this training at Government Medical Colleges at Chennai, Salem, Madurai, Tirunelveli, Thanjavur and Trichy.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The Orthopaedically and Hearing handicapped persons who are able to handle and move in and around the Laboratory and should have passed +2 course with Science group.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card, +2 Certificate and Community Certificate.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, 15/1 Model School Road Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 (or) Director of Medical Education Kilpauk, Chennai 600 010.

## 10. FREE COMPUTER TRAINING COURSE

1.	Gist of the Scheme	The Orthopaedically Handicapped, Hearing Impaired and Visually Handicapped Persons can undergo the training at Computer Institutes so as to get placements in Small Scale Sector and Private Sector. This six month training programme is given in all districts and also in the Regional Centre of National Institute for Visually Handicapped, Poonamallee at Chennai. A stipend of Rs.300/- per month is given to the Trainees.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The Physically Handicapped persons who are able to move around and handle computer and who have passed +2 courses.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and +2 pass Certificate.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, 15/1 Model School Road Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

### 11. TRAINING TO THE VISUALLY HANDICAPPED (MALE)

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Free training in the Trades of a) Fitter cum Basic Machine Operator (One year), b) Book Binder (One year), c) Cutting and Tailoring (One year)(women only) With free Boarding, Lodging and free supply of two sets of Uniforms.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Visually Handicapped male students having qualification of VIII std. and above. Age should be above 18 years. Cutting and Tailoring Training is given only for girls.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Certificates for educational qualification, Age proof and National Disability Identity Card.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer / Principal, Government Higher Secondary School for the Blind, Poonamallee, Chennai-56 / Manager, Government Industrial Training Centre for the Blind, Poonamallee / State Commissioner for the Disabled, Chennai-600 006.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

## 12. TRAINING TO THE ADULT BLIND WOMEN

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Training is imparted to the destitute Visually handicapped women at the Government Rehabilitation Home with Sheltered Workshop for Blind women, Poonamallee in the following trades: a) Handloom Weaving b) Chalk Making Free Boarding and Lodging facilities are provided Training period is 6 months.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Visually Handicapped Women. Age should be 18-40 years. (In the case of SC/ST 45 years)
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	No prescribed format
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Medical Certificate / Age Certificate
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer / Principal, Government Higher Secondary School for the Blind, Poonamallee, Chennai-56.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

**13. TRAINING TO THE SPEECH AND HEARING IMPAIRED  
(MALE)**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Training is given to speech and Hearing Impaired persons in Government I.T.I., Guindy in the trade of Fitter. The duration of training is two years. Stipend at the rate of Rs.300/- per month will be given
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Speech and hearing impaired persons. Age 18 years and above and should have passed 10 <sup>th</sup> std.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	10 Std – Pass Certificate. Age Proof and National Disability Identity Card.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer / Principal, Govt. I.T.I., Guindy, Chennai-32. / State Commissioner for the Disabled, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006. / Commissioner, Employment and Training, Chepauk, Chennai-5.

#### 14. UNEMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCE TO THE VISUALLY HANDICAPPED

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Unemployment allowance is given at the following rates to the unemployed visually handicapped persons: a) Below Matric Rs.300/- per month b) Higher Secondary Course Rs.375/- per month c) Degree and above Rs.450/- per month
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should be in the live Register of the Employment exchange for more than a year.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with the Employment Exchanges
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Employment Registration Card and National Disability Identity Card.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	Respective District Employment Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, 15/1 Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-6/ Commissioner, Employment and Training, Guindy, Chennai-32.



## 15. SELF EMPLOYMENT

1.	Name of the Scheme / Gist of the Scheme	<p><b><u>Self Employment subsidy to the disabled persons</u></b>            Loan is recommended to the unemployed Disabled persons who are willing to start their self employment ventures. The Government subsidy will be released to the disabled persons to whom provisional loan was sanctioned at the maximum of Rs.3,000/- or 1/3 of the sanctioned loan amount, whichever is less.</p> <p><b><u>Bunk stall subsidy scheme for disabled persons.</u></b>            Subsidy for setting up of a Bunk Stall is 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the loan amount subject to a maximum of Rs.5,000/-</p>
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Any disabled persons above 18 years of age. The family income should be below Rs.12,000/- per annum
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Application forms are available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	a) Income Certificate, National Disability Identity Card and Family card. b) Quotation for materials / bunk cost.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, 15/1 Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-6 / concerned Bank Managers.

## 16. AWARD FOR THE VISUALLY HANDICAPPED STUDENTS

1	Gist of the Scheme	Visually Handicapped students who secure first three ranks in 10 <sup>th</sup> Standard and +2 (12 <sup>th</sup> Standard) at the District Level and at the State Level with Tamil medium of instruction will be given special awards as mentioned below. Besides, the incentive, expenses on higher education within Tamil Nadu will be borne by the State Government.
2	Details of the Scheme	<b>XII Standard State Level Rank Holders</b>
		First prize – Rs.6000.00 Second prize – Rs.4000.00 Third prize – Rs.3000.00
		<b>District Level Rank Holders (For each district)</b>
		First Prize – Rs.4000/- Second Prize – Rs.2500/- Third Prize – Rs.1500/-
		<b>X Standard State Level Rank Holders</b>
		First prize – Rs.4000.00 Second prize – Rs.3000.00 Third prize – Rs.2000.00
		<b>District Level Rank Holders (For each District)</b>
		First Prize – Rs.2000/- Second Prize – Rs.1500/- Third Prize – Rs.1000/-

**17. ASSISTANCE FOR CORRECTIVE SURGERY FOR POLIO AND SPINAL CORD INJURED PERSONS**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	The Orthopaedically handicapped persons (Exclusively polio affected and spinal cord injured) can undergo corrective surgery to enable them to carryout their activities of daily living as well as to walk and carryout their works freely. This scheme helps rehabilitate the poor persons affected by this disease in rural areas. The medicine are procured and supplied by this department
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The Candidate should be an Orthopaedically Handicapped person and resident of the district/area.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

### 18. GOVERNMENT INSTITUTE FOR THE MENTALLY CHALLENGED, CHENNAI

1.	Gist of the Scheme	The mentally challenged children are given free special education, Training, food, uniform, boarding and lodging facilities. The children are also imparted Training in Daily Living Skills.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Mentally Challenged Children from the age of 5 to 9 years.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and Birth Certificate
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	Project Officer, Government Institute for Mentally Retarded, Tambaram Sanatorium, Chennai-47 / District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

### 19. FREE SUPPLY OF BRAILLE BOOKS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Braille books are distributed free of cost to all Visually Handicapped students studying in Government and Recognised Private Schools.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Visually handicapped students studying in Special Schools.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	No format prescribed
4.	Certificates to be furnished	NIL
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	Principal, Government Higher Secondary School for the Blind, Poonamallee, Chennai-56/Head Master, Government Special School for Blind, Chennai.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

**20. RESERVATION OF TEACHING POSTS IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS  
FOR VISUALLY HANDICAPPED**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	2% of the teaching posts are to be filled up with Visually Handicapped persons.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Visually Handicapped person having required qualification and registered in the Employment Exchanges for Teacher post. Should be on the Live Register of the Employment Exchange if the teaching posts are filled up through Employment Exchange.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed and particulars to be furnished	As required by the Teachers Recruitment Board (TRB).
4.	Certificates to be furnished	As required by the Teachers Recruitment Board (TRB).
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	Chairperson, Teachers Recruitment Board, Chennai-6
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, 15/1 Model School road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-6 / Director of Elementary Education, Director of School Education, Chennai-6 / Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai.6/ Commissioner , Employment and Training, Guindy, Chennai-32.

## 21. RESERVATION OF JOBS IN GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS / GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKINGS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	3% jobs in Government Departments / Government Undertakings have been exclusively reserved for disabled (1% each for visually handicapped, Speech and hearing impaired and locomotor disabled) persons.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Disabled persons who are having required qualifications and age stipulated by Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission/ Teachers Recruitment Board/Government Departments. Should be on the live Register of the Employment Exchange if the posts are filled through Employment Exchange.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	As prescribed by the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission / Teachers Recruitment Board/ Government Departments concerned.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	Respective Departments / Recruiting Agencies
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1 Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai 600 006. Secretary, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission / Chairman, Teachers Recruitment Board / District Employment Officer.

## 22. 3% RESERVATION OF SEATS IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	3% of the total seats in Government and Government aided educational institutions have been allotted to the disabled. (1% each for visually handicapped, speech and hearing impaired and locomotor disabled).
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Disabled persons who are having required educational qualification
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes available, as prescribed by institutions concerned.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	As prescribed by the Institutions
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	Respective Head of Institutions
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	Head of the Educational Institutions / State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006/ Director of School Education/ Director of Collegiate Education/ Director of Technical Education/ Director of Medical Education/ Director of Legal Studies.



**23. RESERVATION OF NON TEACHING POSTS IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR SPEECH AND HEARING IMPAIRED PERSONS**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	2% of the non-teaching posts in Government/ Educational Institutions are earmarked for Speech and Hearing Impaired persons
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should have required educational qualifications. Should be on the live Register of the Employment Exchange, if the non-teaching posts are filled up through Employment Exchange.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	As required by the Department concerned.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	As required by the Department concerned.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	Head of the Department concerned / Head of the Educational Institution.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

**24. LOAN ASSISTANCE FROM NATIONAL HANDICAPPED FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (NHFDC)**

1.	Name of the Scheme / Gist of the Scheme	Loan Assistance from National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC)
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should be a Handicapped Person aged 18 years and above and willing to undertake self employment ventures.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card, Income Certificate Government Servant surety (Upto Rs.25,000/-), 2 Government Servants surety (Upto Rs.50,000/-) and Collateral security (Above Rs.50,000/-)
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006. / Special Officer, Tamil Nadu State Apex Co-op. Bank Limited, NSC Bose Road, Chennai -1 / Special Officer, District Central Co-operative Banks Ltd. of the district concerned.

## ASSISTIVE DEVICES FOR DISABLED PERSONS

### 25. TRICYCLES

1	Gist of the Scheme	Tricycles are given free of cost to the deserving Orthopaedically handicapped persons for their easy mobility.
2	Eligibility Criteria	The age of the beneficiary should be more than 12 years. The Candidate should be an Orthopaedically Handicapped person and resident of the district/area Having disability of 75% and above. Annual Income should be below Rs.30,000/-
3	Whether form of Application is prescribed.	Yes. Application forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and Income Certificate from Revenue Department
5	Officer to whom the application is to be sent	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6	Grievances if any addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No:15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai 600 006. District Collector.

## 26. WHEEL CHAIRS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Wheel Chairs are given free of cost to the needy identified and deserving Orthopaedically handicapped and Paraplegic persons for their easy mobility.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The candidate should be an Orthopaedically handicapped person and resident of the District/area Having disability of 75% and above. Annual Income should be below Rs.30000.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Application forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and Income Certificate from Revenue Department
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006. / District Collector.

**27. HEARING AIDS AND SOLAR RE-CHARGEABLE BATTERIES**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	The Hearing Impaired persons are given hearing aids with Solar Rechargeable Batteries free of cost to enable them to interact with other normal persons in the society
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Hearing Loss should be more than 40%. The nature of hearing loss should be permanent in nature. Should have obtained Medical Certificate from ENT Surgeon, not below the rank of Civil Assistant Surgeon. Family income should not exceed Rs.30,000/- per annum.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Application forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and Income Certificate from Revenue Department.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No:15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai 600 006. / District Collector.

## 28. GOGGLES AND FOLDING STICKS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Goggles and Folding sticks are being distributed free of cost to needy Visually Handicapped persons to enable them to walk freely and independently as well as to protect from sunlight and moisture.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should be a totally Visually Handicapped person.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Application forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 / District Collector.

## 29. BRAILLE WATCHES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Braille watches are distributed free of cost to the working visually impaired persons to enable them to reach work place in time.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The Visually impaired working persons a) Income should be less than Rs.24,000/- per annum, b) Self employed / employee , c) Working in the unorganized sectors
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Application forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	i) National Disability Identity Card. ii) Income Certificate from Revenue Department.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 / District Collector concerned.

### 30. PHYSIOTHERAPY EXERCISE

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Physiotherapy exercise is provided to the needy orthopaedically handicapped persons either prior to surgery or after surgical correction. Physiotherapy exercise will also be given to other type of orthopaedically handicapped persons who do not require any surgery.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Orthopaedically handicapped person, should have undergone surgical correction. Physiotherapy exercise will also be given to other type of orthopaedically handicapped persons who do not require any surgery.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	No prescribed format
4.	Certificates to be furnished	As recommended by the Doctor during the camp.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 / District Collector concerned.



### 31. CALIPERS AND CRUTCHES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Calipers and Crutches are given free of cost to the needy and deserving Orthopaedically handicapped persons for their easy mobility.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The orthopaedically handicapped person should be a resident of the District / area adopted and identified in the Comprehensive Rehabilitation Camp Programme.  Annual Income should be less than Rs.24,000/-.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Application forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and Income Certificate from Revenue Department.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 / District Collector concerned

### 32. ARTIFICIAL LIMBS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Artificial limbs are provided for the amputees free of cost.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The orthopaedically handicapped person should be a resident of the District / area adopted and identified in the Comprehensive Rehabilitation Camp Programme. Annual income should be less than Rs.12000/-.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed and particulars to be furnished	Yes. Application forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card. Income Certificate from Revenue Department.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 / District Collector concerned

### 33. MOTORISED CYCLES (INVALID CARRIAGE)

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Motorised Tricycles (Invalid Carriage) are provided at free of cost for severely Orthopaedically Handicapped Students. Subsidy of 30% of cost of Motorised cycle or Rs.10,000/- whichever is less, will be provided for severely Orthopaedically Handicapped working disabled persons.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The age of the beneficiary should be more than 18 years. The Candidate should be severely Orthopaedically Handicapped student/working person and resident of the district/area  Having disability of 75% and above.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed and particulars to be furnished	Yes. Application forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card. Income Certificate from Revenue Department and Driving Licence. (should be less than Rs.30,000/- per annum.) for working disabled persons.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 / District Collector.

**34. MODULAR FUNCTIONAL ARTIFICIAL LIMBS (MODULAR TRANSTIBIAL PROSTHESIS)**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Modular Functional Artificial Limbs (Modular Transtibial Prosthesis) are provided at free of cost for Orthopaedically Handicapped students.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The orthopaedically handicapped student should be a resident of the District / area. Annual income should be less than Rs.12000/-.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed and particulars to be furnished	Yes. Application forms are available with the District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card. Income Certificate from Revenue Department
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 / District Collector concerned.

**35. MARRIAGE ASSISTANCE TO NORMAL PERSONS MARRYING VISUALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Marriage assistance is given to normal person who marries a Visually Handicapped person. Total assistance is Rs.20,000/-. Rs.10,000/- is given in the form of National Savings Certificate and Rs.10,000/- in cash towards marriage expenses along with a Certificate of appreciation.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Normal person should marry a visually handicapped person. The age of the couple (for both) should be above 18 years
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and proof for marriage and age.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006. / District Collectors.

**36. MARRIAGE ASSISTANCE TO NORMAL PERSON MARRYING ORTHOPAEDICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSON**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Marriage assistance is given to normal person who marries an Orthopaedically Handicapped person. Total Assistance is Rs.20,000/-. Rs.10,000/- in the form of National Savings Certificate and Rs.10,000/- in cash towards marriage expenses.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Normal person should marry an Orthopaedically Handicapped person. The age of the couple (for both) should be above 18 years.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Prescribed formats are available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Officers.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and proof for marriage.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 / District Collector.

**37. MARRIAGE ASSISTANCE TO NORMAL PERSON MARRYING SPEECH AND HEARING IMPAIRED PERSON**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Marriage assistance is given to normal person who marries a Speech and Hearing Impaired person. Total Assistance is Rs.20,000/-. Rs.10,000/- in the form of National Savings Certificate and Rs.10,000/- cash towards marriage expenses.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Normal person should marry a Speech and Hearing Handicapped person. The age of the couple (for both) should be above 18 years.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Prescribed format are available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Officers.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and Certificate of proof for marriage and Age Certificate.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006. / District Collector.

### 38. MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE TO SEVERELY DISABLED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Maintenance allowance is given at the rate of Rs.500/- per month to the severely disabled persons who cannot be rehabilitated by any other assistance. The Allowance is sent through Money Order to their native place itself.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The extent of disability should be more than 75%. Annual income should be less than Rs.15,000/-. Severely disabled persons who cannot be rehabilitated through any other scheme.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Prescribed format is available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Officers.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and Income Certificate
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006. / District Collector.



**39. FREE TRAVEL CONCESSION TO THE DISABLED PERSONS IN STATE OWNED TRANSPORT CORPORATION BUSES**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	<p>i) All Visually Handicapped persons are given free travel concession to travel up to 100 Kms. (to and fro) without any condition.</p> <p>ii) Free travel concession is allowed to Mentally Retarded persons to travel with one escort. There is no income ceiling for Mentally Retarded persons to avail this facility.</p> <p>iii) The Speech and Hearing impaired and Locomotor disabled persons are given free travel concession up to 100 Kms to go to schools / colleges / hospitals / training centres / work spot from their residence and return. The income limit is Rs.12,000/- per annum.</p> <p>iv) The Visually Handicapped/ Orthopaedically Handicapped persons are permitted to travel in State Express Buses once in a year to go to their native places and return.</p> <p>v) In addition to the above concession, The Visually Handicapped and Orthopaedically Handicapped Persons are permitted to travel throughout the state by paying 25% of the cost of the ticket and thereby availing 75% of the cost of the ticket as concession. The maximum no.of trip allowed is 4 trip in a year.</p>
2.	Eligibility Criteria	<p>i) Should be a disabled person. Certificate should be produced from the recognised educational institution / Training centre.</p>
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	<p>No. The Disabled beneficiary will have to show the original National Disability Identity Card to the Conductor of the bus and furnish a Xerox copy of the National Disability Identity Card to the Conductor by making 25% payment of the travel fare at the time of travel.</p>
4.	Certificates to be furnished	<p>(i) National Disability Identity Card</p>
5.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	<p>State Commissioner for the Disabled, Chennai-6. / District Collector / Managing Director of the Metropolitan / State Transport Corporation.</p>

#### 40. NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD FOR THE DISABLED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Issue of National Disability identity cards to disabled. National Identity cards are issued by District Disabled Rehabilitation Officers based on the Disability Certificate.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should have a minimum of 40% disability
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Medical Certificate should be obtained from the competent Medical Board.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

**41. EARLY INTERVENTION CENTRE FOR INFANT AND YOUNG CHILDREN WITH HEARING IMPAIRMENT**

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Infant and young children with Hearing Impairment are given training to develop Speech and Language skills so as to get integrated into Normal School by the time they attain the age of 5 years.
2.	Eligibility Criteria for admission	Young children with Hearing Impairment without any additional disabilities in the age group of 0-3 years are eligible for admission.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available at the centres. 10 Districts (Chennai, Madurai, Coimbatore, Tiruvallur, Trichy, Salem, Kanniyakumari, Sivagangai, Tiruvarur, Tirunelveli). Available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Birth Certificate and National Disability Identity Card.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officers of the above 10 Districts.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006 / District Collector.

#### 42. REGISTRATION OF COMPLAINTS UNDER PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 1995

1	Gist of the Scheme	<b><u>Registration of Complaints by disabled persons:</u></b> State Commissioner for the Disabled will register complaints made by disabled persons against any individual / institution who act against disabled persons. In order to ensure implementation of the provisions of the Persons with disabilities Act, 1995, in favour of the disabled persons, the enquiry will be conducted.
2	Eligibility criteria	The disabled persons who have been denied benefits, schemes, assistances for which they are eligible as per the Law.
3	Whether form of application is prescribed	No
4	Certificates to be furnished	Should produce documentary evidences about the denial of concessions / benefits. Should prove the denial of their rights.
5	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	State Commissioner for the Disabled 15/1 Model School Road Thousand Lights, Chennai 600 006.
6	Grievance if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, Chennai – 6.

**43. APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIANS TO SPECIAL CATEGORIES OF DISABLED PERSONS UNDER THE NATIONAL TRUST ACT, 1999**

1	Gist of the Scheme	<p><b><u>Nomination of parents:</u></b> The persons affected with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, mental retardation and multiple disability who have crossed 18 years of age are not in a position to take any decision. Hence under National Trust Act 1999 a Guardian can be appointed to look after their welfare, after the demise of their natural parents.</p>
2	Eligibility criteria	Should be affected with any one of the disability mentioned above.
3	Whether form of application is prescribed and particulars to be furnished	<p>Yes. Available. Should apply in Form-A available with Local level Committee under the Chairmanship of District Collector with the following particulars.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Details of the disabled person (Name, Age, Nature of disability, Address)</li> <li>2. Details of the Guardian (Name, Age, Relationship, Address)</li> <li>3. Whether guardianship for (a) for individual or (b) Individual and property</li> </ol>
4	Certificate to be furnished	Should affix signature of 2 witnesses in the Disability Certificate form. Acceptance from the Guardian to be nominated and willingness from the parents or natural guardian of the Disabled.
5	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Collector and Local Level Committee Chairman (National Trust Act) District concerned.
6	Grievance if any to be addressed to	Chairman, National Trust, New Delhi.

#### 44. GOVERNMENT REHABILITATION HOMES

1.	Name of the Institution	Government Rehabilitation Home for Leprosy Beggars
2.	Eligibility Criteria for admission	1) Beggar affected by Leprosy 2) Beggar affected by Leprosy who are convicted by Judicial Magistrate 3) Spouse of beggar affected by Leprosy
3.	Certificates to be furnished	Medical Certificate to confirm leprosy
4.	Officer to be contacted	Administrative Officer of the Home
5.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled,/ Chief Superintendent, (Government Rehabilitation Homes) No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

#### 45. GOVERNMENT CARE CAMP, MELPAKKAM

1.	Name of the Scheme / Institution	Beggars convicted by Judicial Magistrate are admitted in Govt. Care Camp, Melpakkam and rehabilitated.
2.	Eligibility Criteria for admission	Beggars convicted by the Judicial Magistrate for a minimum period of one year
3.	Certificates to be furnished	Conviction order
4.	Officer to be contacted	Administrative Officer, Government Care Camp, Melpakkam-Tiruvallur District.
5.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled,/ Chief Superintendent (Government Rehabilitation Homes) No.15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600 006.

#### 46. MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE TO MENTALLY RETARDED PERSONS

1	Gist of the Scheme	Maintenance Allowance is given at the rate of Rs. 500/- per month to the Mentally Retarded persons with 60% Disability and above. The allowance is sent through Money Order to their homes.
2	Eligibility Criteria	The extent of Mental Retardation should be 60% and above.
3	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Prescribed format is available with District Disabled Rehabilitation Officers.
4	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and Family Card.
5	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Officer
6	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Disabled, No:15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-6.



#### 47. EARLY INTERVENTION CENTRE FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN

1	Gist of the Scheme	Early Intervention Centres for Mentally Retarded Children have been established in all the districts of the State to benefit 50 Children in each District. These Centres have been established through NGOs. The main objective of these centres is to identify Children with Mental Retardation and children with allied Disabilities at birth and to provide Early Intervention services including early detection and identification (0-6years), with support and training to parents and families to facilitate Rehabilitation of the Mentally Retarded Persons.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Children with Mentally Retardation and Allied Disabilities in the age group of 0-6 Years.
3	Whether application form is prescribed	No
4	Certificates to be furnished	National Disability Identity Card and proof of age
5	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Disabled Rehabilitation Office
6	Grievances if any to be addressed to	The State Commissioner for the Disabled, No: 15/1 Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai - 6

#### 48. HOMES FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED ABOVE THE AGE OF 14 YEARS

1	Gist of the Scheme	Homes for the Mentally Retarded have been established through the Non Governmental Organisations in the seven Districts of Tiruvallur, Kancheepuram, Dindugal, Madurai, Coimbatore, Tirunelveli and Tiruchirapalli to benefit 50 Mentally Retarded Persons. The main Objective of the Scheme is to provide shelter and support through Vocational Training Programmes to Mentally Retarded Persons above the of 14 years.
2	Eligibility Criteria	Persons with Mentally Retardation and allied disabilities.
3	Whether application form is prescribed	No.
4	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	To the NGOs only
5	Grievances if any to be addressed to	The State Commissioner for the Disabled, No:15/1, Model School Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai - 6.