

# **EXISTING SERVICE PROVISIONS FOR PERSONS WITH MULTIPLE DISABILITIES IN INDIA**

A Database Compilation

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## **Abstract**

As per the Census report of 2001-2011, a total number of 26,810,557(2.21%) persons are living with various type of disabilities in India, of them 14,986,202 (2.21%) are male and remaining 11,824,355 (2.01%) are female. Among the various type of disabilities persons, there are 2,116,487 (7.9%) persons living with Multiple Disabilities. The mentioned statistics report clearly shows that there is a dire need to assist the persons with multiple disabilities so as to improve their life style. This can be carried out by referring them to various organizations working for persons with multiple disabilities across India. Viewing this National Institute for Empowerment of Person with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD) undertook the work to prepare a directory of Institutions by undergoing a research on Existing Service Provisions for Persons with Multiple Disabilities in India” – A database Compilation in the year 2011

## **Introduction**

With aim of improving life style of Person with Multiple Disabilities by receiving various types of services from different organisation across the states, the Department of Social Work, NIEPMD has prepared a Directory by undergoing a research entitled on “Existing Service Provisions for Persons with Multiple Disabilities in India” – A database Compilation in the year 2011

## **Objectives of the Study**

- ✓ To compile the addresses and categorize the Institutions working for persons with multiple disabilities.
- ✓ To compile information pertaining to the services available for persons with multiple disabilities in the Country.
- ✓ To review information about the services delivery models available for persons with multiple disabilities.
- ✓ To refer the outstation clients to Institutes for long term rehabilitation.
- ✓ To assess the needs of NGOs so as to provide effective services to persons with multiple disabilities.

## **Methodology**

A descriptive research Design was selected for this research work, States were segmented under respective zones as: **North Zone:** Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Uttarakhand, Delhi (UT) and Uttar Pradesh, **North-East Zone:** Assam,

Meghalaya, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, and Nagaland, **East Zone:** Jharkhand, Bihar, West Bengal and Orissa, **South Zone:** Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry(UT),

Andaman & Nicobar Island, **West Zone:** Gujarat, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Goa, **Central Zone:** Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan

### **Population of the study:**

Total no. of 224 organisations registered from above mentioned 29 states in each zone were selected. The information about services rendering by Institutes for persons with Multiple Disabilities were collected through filled in Interview Schedule which was uploaded in the website of NIEPMD. From the 224 organisations, 180 organisations have expressed their consent to publish the details of services of their organisation in the directory.

### **Interview Schedule**

Interview Schedule consisted of four parts such as A, B, C, and D.

**Part A:** communication address , contact details, website & email address of the organization , designation of person in charge, nature of the organization , funding status, area located, working hours, medium of instruction. **Part B:** The services offered by organizations to the person with disabilities, facilities for accommodation, fees structure and enrolment procedures. **Part C:** Type of disabilities to which the services are provided, type of Vocational Trades imparted, and Manpower. **Part D:** RCI courses, Short Term Training Programme, Parents Association, Social Benefits offered and other necessary information of the organization.

**Conclusion:** This Directory will be very useful in dissemination of information for Parents, Persons with Multiple Disabilities, NGOs, Schools, Professional Organisations and Policy Makers about existing services / facilities available for persons with multiple disabilities in the entire country.

### **Outcome:**

- ❖ Data bank of Institutions working for persons with multiple disabilities
- ❖ Services available to persons with multiple disabilities all over India
- ❖ Networking and Liasoning with NGOs
- ❖ Details of RCI recognized courses offered by organizations across India for manpower development in the field of disability rehabilitation.
- ❖ To develop a suitable capacity building programme.

### **Recommendations**

- The Directory of Institutions prepared by NEIPMD must be circulated to all the Organisations, offices empowering with PwDs, and other policy makers and stake holders in nominal price
- The organisations and institutions undergo various changes hence an effort has to be made regularly to update the directory.
- This project will guide NIEPMD to develop a unique service delivery model.

