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(Social Justice & Social Welfare Division)

Yojana Bhavan, Sansad Marg,  
New Delhi – 110 001.  
Dated: April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject:- Constitution of Working Group on `Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities' for the formulation of the Twelfth Five Year (2012-2017)**

With a view to formulate the Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012 17) for the Social Justice and Social Welfare sector, it has been decided to constitute a **Working Group on Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities** under the Chairmanship of Shri K.M. Acharya, Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. The composition and terms of reference of the Working Group would be as follow:

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name and Address</b>	
1	<b>Shri K. M. Acharya</b> Secretary Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment Shastri Bhavan <b>New Delhi-110001</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
2	Chairperson Rehabilitation Council of India B-22, Qutub Institutional Area, <b>New Delhi-110016</b>	Member
3	Chief Commissioner of Persons with Disabilities, 6- Bhagwan Das Road, <b>New Delhi</b>	Member
4	Director National Institute of Mentally Handicapped (NIMH) Manovikas Nagar, <b>Secunderabad, A.P.-500009</b> 091-4027751741-45,Fax- 4027750198.	Member
5	Directors National Institute for Orthopedic Handicapped	Member

	(NIOH), B.T. Road, Bon-Hoogly <b>Kolkata - 700 090</b> , West Bengal 033-2531-0279 / 0789 / 0610	
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name and Address</b>	
6	Secretary Ministry of Rural Development Krishi Bhavan, <b>New Delhi - 110 001</b>	Member
7	Secretary Department of School Education and Literacy Shastri Bhavan <b>New Delhi - 110 001</b>	Member
8	Secretary Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Nirman Bhavan <b>New Delhi - 110 001</b>	Member
9	Secretary Ministry of Law & Justice Shastri Bhavan <b>New Delhi - 110 001</b>	Member
10	Secretary Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation Nirman Bhavan <b>New Delhi - 110 011</b>	Member
11	Secretary Ministry of Panchayati Raj Krishi Bhavan <b>New Delhi - 110 001</b>	Member
12	Secretary Department of Science & Technology Technology Bhavan, New Mehrauli Road <b>New Delhi - 110016</b> 011-26590412,011-26511439	Member
13	Secretary Department of Personnel & Training Lok Nayak Bhavan Khan Market <b>New Delhi - 110003</b>	Member
14	Secretary Ministry of Labour and Employment Shram Shakti Bhavan Rafi Marg, <b>New Delhi - 110 001</b>	Member

15	Secretary Department of Welfare & Social Justice Govt. of Orissa <b>Bhubaneswar, Orissa</b>	Member
16	Secretary Department of Welfare & Social Justice Govt. of Manipur, <b>Imphal</b> , Manipur. <b>Sl. No. Name and Address</b>	Member
17	Secretary Department of Welfare & Social Justice Govt. of NCT of Delhi, <b>New Delhi</b>	Member
18	Director Institute of Human Behaviour and Allied Sciences Post Box No.9520 Dilshad Garden, <b>Delhi – 110 095</b>	Member
19	Director / Vice-Chancellor National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS) <b>Bangaluru-560029</b> , Karnataka Tel : 91-080-26995001/5002, 26564140, 26561811, Fax : 91-080-26564830	Member
20	Director Ali Yavar Jung National Institute for the Hearing Handicapped K.C. Marg, Bandra (W) Reclamation <b>Mumbai - 400 050</b> Phone : 022-26400215/26409176/26400263 Fax 022-26404170	Member
21	Joint Director & In-charge Director National Council Of Educational Research And Training (NCERT), Sri Aurobindo Marg, <b>New Delhi – 110016</b> , 011- 26510105(O)	Member
22	Director International Institute for Procurement and Market Research (IIPMR) ROYAL PALMS IT PARK, Module No. 624, Mastermind IV Goregaon (E) <b>Mumbai – 400065</b> , Maharashtra Phone Number: +91-22-28797660	Member

23	Director All India Institute of Speech & Hearing (AISH) Manasagangothri, <b>Mysore 570 006</b> Ph Off (Extn): 102, 91-0821 2514449, Fax No. 91- 0821 - 2510515	Member
24	Dr.G.N.Karna President Society for Disability and Rehabilitation Studies B-285, Vasank Kunj Enclave, <b>New Delhi-110070</b> <b>Sl. Name and Address</b> <b>No.</b>	Member
25	Shri Javed Abidi A-77, South Extension Part-II <b>New Delhi-110 049</b> Tel: 26496063 ®, 26265647 (O)	Member
26	Smt. Radhika M. Alkaji Managing Trustee & Director Affirmative Strategic for the Handicapped Bal Mukund Khand, Gir Nagar, Kalkaji <b>New Delhi</b> Tel; 26449029 (O), 26219862 ®	Member
27	Shri Bhushan Punani Executive Director Blind People's Association, Jagdish Patel Chowk,Surdas Marg, Vastrapur <b>Ahmedabad- 380015</b> , Gujarat	Member
28	Shri Deepak Shelar Chairman Society for Disability and Rehabilitation Studies 202 Church Gate Chambers 5 New Marin Lines <b>Mumbai -400 020</b> , Maharashtra. Tel:022 22871166	Member
29	Joint Secretary (Disability Division) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment Shastri Bhavan <b>New Delhi - 110 001</b>	Member Secretary

2. The Terms of Reference of the Working Group will be as follows :
- i) to review the existing approach, strategies; and priorities; the on-going policies and programmes and their implementation in 'Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (PWD)' and suggest rationalization/minimization of the on-going programmes and effective inter-sectoral convergence;
  - ii) to identify neglected areas and groups; gaps, weakness and bottlenecks in the implementation and take note of the emerging problems/situations related to 'Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (PWD)' in the changing scenario and suggest interventions, wherever necessary;
  - iii) to review the functioning of the institutional arrangements both at the Central and State levels for implementation of policies and programmes in 'Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (PWD)' and suggest measures to make them more effective;
  - iv) to review and assess the involvement of Panchayati Raj Institutions/Local Self-Government Bodies and NGOs in the implementation of programmes in 'Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (PWD)' and suggest measures for their effective involvement in the planning process; and
  - v) to review the physical and financial achievements in relation to the targets fixed under various programmes during the Twelfth Plan and project programme-wise requirements, both physical and financial in 'Reforming the Social Deviants' and 'Caring the Other Disadvantaged Groups' during the Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-2017).

3. The Chairman of the Working Group, if necessary, may constitute various Specialists Group/Sub-Groups /Task Force etc on any specific areas/problems and also co-opt additional Members to the Working Group.

4. The expenditure on TA/DA in connection with the meetings of the Working Group in respect of the official members will be borne by the respective Ministry/Department. **Non-official members of the Working Group will be entitled for TA/DA as admissible to Grade I Officers of the Government of India.( travel entitlement by Air India/ Indian Air Lines [Economy Class] only , DA entitlement: Reimbursement for Hotel accommodation up to Rs.1500 per day, reimbursement of taxi charges upto Rs. 150 per diem for travel within the city and reimbursement of food bills not exceeding Rs. 200 per day) subject to production of tickets and vouchers, etc. for the claim.** This would be met by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

5. The Working Group would submit its report by 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2011.
6. This issues with the approval of the Member- Secretary.

**(A.Kachhap)**  
Deputy Adviser [Social Planning]

To:

Chairman, all the Members, Member Secretary of the Working Group

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