

**MINUTES OF THE 10<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE FOR GRANTS UNDER AWARENESS GENERATION & PUBLICITY SCHEME HELD ON 15.01.2016 IN PARYAVARAN BHAWAN, NEW DELHI**

The list of participants is as under:-

- i) Shri Mukesh Jain, Joint Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (**In Chair**)
- ii) Shri Vishal Gagan, Director, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities
- iii) Shri Rakesh Lal, Director(IFD), Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities
- iv) Dr. Bhushan Punani, Executive Director, Blind People Association India, Ahmedabad.
- v) Shri Sanjay Singh, Under Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities

2. At the outset, Joint Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities welcomed all the participants to the meeting and briefly outlined the salient features of revised Awareness Generation & Publicity Scheme. Under the Scheme, financial assistance can be given for various activities including setting up of a help line for online counselling of the PwDs, content development, publications and news media, organizing national events, participation in the international initiatives or to support various schemes organized by NGOs or self-help groups, volunteer service / outreach programme for sensitizing commercial establishment and employers, recreation and tourism, participation in community radio, press / media tours; support awareness campaign for skill development & employment generation for PwDs including job fairs; support spreading awareness about universal accessibility by creating an enabling and barrier-free environment that include accessible buildings, accessible transport, accessible websites and carrying out accessibility audit; promote individual excellence in the field of disability sector; Sporting and abilympics activities to promote talent and skill among PwDs which are to be supported through events, awareness campaign, etc.

3. The following decisions were taken/observations were made:-

**I. Proposals of the Institutions and NGOs (with recommendation of concerned State Governments)-**

**AGENDA NO. 1:** Proposal of ENACTUS- Colleges in Delhi for Awareness Generation and Sensitization Programmes on accessibility, empowerment etc. in disability sector

The Committee decided to accord in-principle approval to the proposals for financial assistance of Rs. 85,000/- to Enactus Hansraj College for the project Technological solutions, Rs. 2,10,000/- to Enactus SSCBS for the project Akshar and Rs. 2,28,500/- to Enactus St. Stephens College for the project Sign Language workshops/Parlympics event/Clubfoot awareness campaign. Financial assistance will be released to the colleges on receipt of detailed budget break up and requisite documents under the AGP scheme.

**AGENDA NO. 2 :** Proposal from **Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur** seeking financial assistance of Rs. 3,00,000/- for promoting Accessible India Campaign in their Technical Festival 'Techkriti'

**The Committee recommended an amount of Rs. 2.50 lakhs for the proposal. Travel budget of only domestic experts is admissible under the AGP scheme.**

**AGENDA NO. 3:** Proposal from **Pt. Deendayal Institute for Physically Handicapped, New Delhi** seeking financial assistance of Rs. 10.00 lakhs on training on Accessibility Audit.

**The Committee approved financial assistance of Rs. 10.00 lakh for the proposal.**

**AGENDA NO. 4:** Proposal from **The National Trust, Old Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi** seeking financial Assistance of Rs.20,77,740 /- for printing of Scheme booklets of the National Trust.

**The Committee reconfirmed recommendation of its previous meeting held on 4.11.2015 for financial assistance of Rs. 20 lakhs i.e. 10 lakhs for printing of Scheme booklets of the National Trust and Rs. 10 lakhs for spreading the awareness about the Schemes. GFR provisions and e- procurement made to be followed for printing job.**

**AGENDA NO. 5 :** Proposal from **The National Trust, Old Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi** seeking financial Assistance of Rs. 13.00 lakh for Development of Sexual Health Education Manual for Parents and Teachers of children with Autism at Department of Human Development and Research Centre.

**National Trust has informed that funds for the project have been arranged from other agency. The Committee, therefore, decided to withdraw the proposal.**

**AGENDA NO. 6 :** Proposal from **The National Trust Old Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi** seeking financial Assistance of Rs. 1,50,52,332/- for Development of website, MIS, Scheme Management System, Mobile Website, Mobile application (through NICSI).

**The Committee decided to accord financial assistance of Rs. 10 lakhs under General Head, Rs. 20 lakh under NE region Head and Rs. 50 lakhs under SCs/STs Head of the Scheme for the proposal. GFR provisions and e- procurement made to be followed for printing job.**

**AGENDA NO. 7 :** Proposal from the **Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India, New Delhi (ASSOCHAM India)** seeking financial assistance of Rs.5.00 lakh for organizing National conference on "Sustainable Development of Persons with disabilities through Food Processing Industries in rural India" on 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2016 at Chandigarh.

**The Committee decided to accord financial assistance of Rs. 5 lakhs for the proposal.**

**AGENDA NO. 8:** Proposal from **Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee (Department of Agriculture and Planning)** seeking financial assistance of Rs. 5.5 lakhs for National Capacity Building Workshops for Access Audit.

The Committee decided to accord financial assistance of Rs. 5.00 lakhs for the proposal.

**AGENDA NO. 9:** Proposal of **Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi** seeking financial Assistance of Rs.10.00 lakh for organizing International congress on Spatial Governance for Development, Planning Smart Cities and Disaster Management from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2015.

The Committee did not approve the proposal as the event date of the programme has been already ended.

**AGENDA NO. 10:** Proposal received from **Indian Institute of Management, Ahemdabad** to organize one day Accessibility India – Seminar at IIM

The Committee reconfirmed recommendation of its previous meeting held on 4.11.2015 for financial assistance of Rs. 9.80 lakhs for the proposal.

**AGENDA NO. 11:** Proposal from **St. Xavier's College, Mumbai (Xavier's Resource Centre for the Visually Challenged)** seeking financial assistance for Antrachakshu, 2016 for sensitizing commercial establishments and employers to create Universal and Accessible India at Gurgaon on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2016.

The Committee decided to accord financial assistance of Rs. 7.00 lakhs for the proposal.

**AGENDA NO. 12:** Proposal from **Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda University, Faculty of Disability Management and Special Education** seeking financial assistance for following four projects:-

- (i). Adapted science experiments for improving skills in learning science of Students with Visual Impairment at Secondary level;
- (ii). Effect of Pre-Reading Experiences during early childhood on Reading ability Development at early elementary years.
- (iii). Development of Curriculum for Children with Severe and profound Intellectual disability.
- (iv). Effectiveness of soft skill training on the emotional Intelligence among Adolescents with Visual Impairment studying in Rural Inclusive Schools at Tamil Nadu.

The Committee decided to accord in principle approval of Rs. 30.00 lakhs for the proposal. Financial assistance will be released on receipt of detailed budget break up and requisite documents under the AGP scheme.

**AGENDA NO. 13:** Proposal from **Cinema Vision India** seeking financial assistance of Rs. 2,60,05,000/- for 13 episodes on Accessible India Campaign with the aim to help achieve Universal Accessibility for PwDs under AGP Scheme.

The Committee decided that proposal may be deferred for consideration in the next financial year 2016-17.

**AGENDA NO. 14:** Proposal from **Association for Learning Performing Arts & Normative Action (ALPANA), New Delhi** seeking financial assistance of Rs.10.00 lakh for

an international event of Seminar, Exhibition, Yoga Workshop and Performing arts by Physically and Mentally Challenged Persons in November, 2015, (SAMBHAV, 2015.)

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**The Committee decided to accord financial assistance of Rs.-10.00 lakhs for the proposal. Financial assistance will be released to the organization on reimbursement basis.**

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**AGENDA NO. 15:** Proposal from **Indian Blind and Para Judo Association, Shahnajaf Road Lucknow**, seeking financial Assistance of Rs.9,22,250 /- for holding National Seminar for Refereeing and Coaching with International experts and National Experts, Lucknow on 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

**The Committee did not approve the proposal and decided to accord financial assistance of Rs. 10.00 lakhs to the second proposal of the organisation for holding 4<sup>th</sup> National Blind and Deaf Judo Championships at Lucknow (UP) from 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb., 2016.**

**AGENDA NO. 16:** Proposal from **Indian Blind and Para Judo Association, Shahnajaf Road Lucknow** seeking financial Assistance of Rs.22,55,000 /- for organize the 4<sup>th</sup> National Blind and Deaf Judo Championships at Lucknow (UP) from 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb., 2016.

**The Committee decided to accord financial assistance of Rs. 10.00 lakhs for the proposal.**

**AGENDA NO. 17:** Proposal from **Indian Cricket Federation for the Disabled(India), Lucknow, U.P.** seeking financial assistance of Rs. 31,53,500/- on the occasion of World Disabled Day and for holding National Seminar for Umpires & Coaches with Disability & Rehab. Experts at Lucknow.

**The Committee did not approve the proposal as the event date of the programme has been already ended.**

**AGENDA NO. 18:** Proposal from **ACE Social Foundation, Secunderabad** seeking financial assistance of Rs. 7,50,000/- for holding a unique sensitization programme at New Delhi for 10 days in Feb., 2016.

**The Committee decided to accord financial assistance of Rs. 5.00 lakhs for the proposal. The entry will be free for the event and the organization will not charge any fee from the user. The organisation will submit requisite permissions for organizing the event at a preferable place.**

**AGENDA NO. 19 :** Proposal from **Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled, Bengaluru** seeking financial assistance of Rs. 38,32,500/- for T-20 Asia Cup Cricket Tournament for the Blind in Kochi from 16<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 under AGP Scheme.

**The proposal may be again put up after receipt of State Government recommendation.**

**AGENDA NO. 20:** Proposal from Haryana Paralympic Committee seeking financial assistance of Rs. 100.00 lakhs for hosting National Paralympic Athletics meet at Panchkula, Haryana in March, 2016.

The Committee decided to accord "in principal" approval to the proposal subject to the available funds under the Scheme only on submission of recommendation of Ministry of Sports and Government of Haryana.

(II) Proposals which are not recommended by concerned State Government:-

The Committee did not consider proposals received from following organisations due to non-receipt of recommendation of concerned State Governments:-

S. No.	Name of the Organization
i.	National Federation of the Blind, New Delhi
ii.	Deaf Leaders Foundation, Tamil Nadu
iii.	The Will Association, Imphal West, Manipur
iv.	Avtar Samriti shiksha Evam Kalyan Samiti, Morena, M.P.
v.	JAN Prerana Samaj Kalyan Samiti, Lucknow, U.P.
vi.	Institute of Social Welfare & Action Research, Mathura, U.P
vii.	Nav Jeevan Gramodhyaog Samiti, Agra, U.P.
viii.	Samudaik shikshand sansthan, sikandra, Agra, U.P.
ix.	Vijyasan Devi Mandal, Bhopal, M.P.
x.	Sri Venkateswara Yuvajana sangham, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
xi.	The Development for Women's Programme Centre, Thoubal, Manipur.
xii.	SWABHIMAN, Bhubaneswar, Odisha
xiii.	Help3 ( Whatever – whenever – Wherever), New Delhi .
xiv.	Samadhan Janseva and Shiksha Prasar Samiti, Gwalior M.P.
xv.	Samarthanam trust for the Disabled, Bengaluru, Karnataka
xvi.	Vijay Vardhan Sansthan, Gwalior, M.P.
xvii.	Karnataka Sports Association, Bangalore, Karnataka.
xviii.	Sateesh Gramodhyog Sansthan, Bahraich, U.P.
xix.	Rosary Foundation, Delhi
xx.	The Cradle Centre for Rehabilitation and Advancement of Disables, New Delhi
xxi.	Madhavi Welfare Society, Gwalior, M.P.
xxii.	Shri Bhagwan Singh Seva Samiti, Hathras, U.P.
xxiii.	South Eastern Rural Development Organization, Thoubal, Manipur
xxiv.	Umeed Society, Ambala Cantt, Haryana
xxv.	Bhagwan Manav Kalyan Samiti, Mau, U.P.
xxvi.	DDS District Disabled School, Jharsuda, Odisha
xxvii.	Deen Dayal Alp-Sankhya Samaj, shikshan Prasarak Mandal, Solapur, Maharashtra
xxviii.	Sneha Educational Rural Development Society, Kurnool A.P.
xxix.	Navyuvak Krida Mandal, Nagpur, Maharashtra.
xxx.	IICE-Dept. of Electronics and IT under the Institution of Industrial and consumer electronics, Lucknow, U.P
xxxi.	Society for Humanity, Anantapuram, A.P

xxxii.	<b>Meham Chaubisse Education Society Hisar, Haryana</b>
xxxiii.	<b>Universal education Foundation Panipat, Haryana.</b>
xxxiv.	<b>Society for Rural Development. Ukhrul, Manipur</b>
xxxv.	<b>Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled Bengaluru, Karnataka</b>
xxxvi.	<b>Naveen Ankur Mahila Mandal, Raipur , Chhattisgarh</b>
xxvii.	<b>Sarvangin Vikas Sansthan Rampur , U.P.</b>
xxviii.	<b>Gyanam Ganga, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra.</b>
xxxix.	<b>Barrier Break, Mumbai, Maharashtra</b>
xl.	<b>Mahila Uthan Sansthan, Barabanki, U.P.</b>
xli.	<b>The Ability People, Vishakhapatnam, A.P.</b>

**Organizations are to send proposals as per revised AGP Scheme and through recommendation of State Governments alongwith Unique ID of registration with NITI Aayog. Proposals where the event date of the programme has been already ended will not be considered under the scheme.**

4. The Committee decided that for grants/financial assistance, organisations must fulfil the eligibility norms under the Awareness Generation & Publicity Scheme. The components of recurring budget along with capital budget, that includes funds required to acquire new equipments, are not admissible under the Scheme.

5. The Committee also decided that the organisations seeking grants/financial assistance under the scheme should invite local area public representatives (Hon'ble MP, MLA etc.) and representatives of district administration and send documents in the form of CD and photographs of their programme.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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