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PRESS RELEASE

Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Govt of India, is implementing the "Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS)" to create an enabling environment to ensure equal opportunities, equity, social justice and empowerment of persons with disabilities and also to encourage voluntary action for ensuring effective implementation of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. Under this scheme, Voluntary Organizations (VOs) are given financial assistance for providing a wide range of services necessary for rehabilitation of persons with disabilities. The model projects funded under the scheme include Pre-Schools and Early Intervention, Special Schools for Children with Disabilities, Project for Children with Cerebral Palsy, Rehabilitation of Leprosy Cured Person, Half Way Home for Psycho-Social Rehabilitation of Treated and Controlled Mentally Ill persons, Home-Based Rehabilitation and Home Management, Community Based Rehabilitation Programme, Low Vision Centres, Human Resource Development.

The following organizations/institutions are eligible for assistance under this scheme:

- Organizations registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860; i.
- A Trust registered under the Indian Trust Act, 1882 or any other similar ii. Act for the time being in force; or
- A Not-for-Profit company registered under Section 8 of the Companies iii. Act, 2013 or any relevant Act for the time being in force.

Further, the registration should have been in force for at least 2 years; the Organization must register in the NITI Aayog portal (NGO-Darpan) and obtain Unique ID of NGO-Darpan before applying for Grant under the scheme. Every organization seeking grant-in aid must be registered under the Rights of Person with Disabilities, Act, 2016.

Interested organizations may see the detailed guidelines of DDRS on the website of Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (disability affairs.gov.in/ content/page/ddrs.php) and apply online on the portal (e-Anudaan) (www.ngograntsje.gov.in) and forward complete proposal to Director Social Welfare, A&N Administration.

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