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1. NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD FOR THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	National Identity cards are issued by District Differently Abled Welfare 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 Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Medical Certificate should be obtained from the competent Medical authority (i.e.) Concerned Specialist. In case of multiple disabled person, certificate should be obtained from Medical Board.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

2. EARLY INTERVENTION CENTRES FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED CHILDREN.

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Children with hearing impairment are given training to develops 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	Children with hearing impairment in the age group of 0 - 3 years are eligible for admission.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	No
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled and proof of age
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

3. EARLY INTERVENTION CENTRES FOR MENTALLY RETARDED

1	Gist of the Scheme	Early Intervention Centres for Mentally Retarded Children have been established in 31 districts to benefit 50 children in each district. These Centres have been established through Non – Governmental Organisations. 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 (0-5 years) with support and training to parents and families to facilitate development of the mentally retarded children.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Children with Mental 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 Identity Card for Differently Abled and proof of age
5	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044-24719947 / 48 / 49

4. EARLY INTERVENTION CENTRES FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CHILDREN

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Visually Impaired children are identified and assessed and prepared to join in main stream education. Early Intervention Centre for visually impaired has been established in 7 Districts.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Visually impaired children between 0-6 years.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	No
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

5. EARLY INTERVENTION CENTRE FOR CHILDREN WITH CEREBRAL PALSY AT TRICHY

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Stimulation Training is given to the children affected with cerebral palsy in the age group of below 6 years.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Young children / infants with cerebral palsy in the age group of 0 – 6 years.
3.	Whether form of application is enclosed	No
4.	Certificates to be enclosed	National Identity Card.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances, if any, to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

6. STATE RESOURCE CUM TRAINING CENTRE, CHENNAI / TRICHY

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Specialized services/information are provided under one roof to all categories of differently abled persons. Early Intervention centres for the Hearing Impaired, Cerebral Palsy, Autism, Mentally Retarded Children are also established in the centre.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Children in the age group of 0 – 6 years.
3.	Whether form of application is enclosed	No
4.	Certificates to be enclosed	National Identity Card.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer
6.	Grievances, if any, to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

7. SPECIAL EDUCATION

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Visually impaired, hearing impaired, mentally retarded and locomotor differently abled persons are provided with free special education, vocational training, boarding and lodging. Four sets of Uniforms and Text books are given at free of cost every year.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Differently Abled Children aged 5 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 Identity Card for Differently Abled and proof of age.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer / Head Master of the Government Special School for differently abled concerned.
6.	Grievances, if any, to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

8. PRE SCHOOL FOR HEARING IMPAIRED CHILDREN

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Hearing impaired children are provided with Pre-school education, Uniform, speech therapy and boarding and lodging.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Speech and hearing impaired children in the
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled and proof of age.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare 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 Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

9. SCHOLARSHIP (1ST STD TO 8TH STD)

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Scholarship towards purchase of books and note books a) I to V Std.Rs.100/- per month (for 10 months. b) VI to VIII Std. Rs.300/- per month (for 10 months)	
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Differently Abled students studying in Government recognised schools.	
3.	Whether application form is Prescribed	Yes. Application is available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.	
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Certificate from Head Master that similar assistance is not availed under any other Government schemes.	
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.	
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49	

10. SCHOLARSHIP (ABOVE 9TH STD)

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Scholarship for students studying from 9 th Std to 12 th Std Rs.4000/- per annum. For Degree Courses Rs.6000/- per annum. For P.G., Medical, Engineering, Vocational Courses and other Professional Courses. Rs.7000/- per annum is given.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Differently Abled students studying in Government recognised Schools / Colleges / Training Centres. Should have obtained not less than 40% of marks in the previous qualifying examination.
3.	Whether Form of application is prescribed	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Certificates from Head of the Institution, National Identity Card for differently abled, statement of marks in the previous qualifying examination in the format prescribed.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078.

11. READERS ALLOWANCE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRD STUDENTS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	The visually impaired students are given readers allowance. Readers allowance is being paid at the following rate: 1. IX Std. To XII Std.Rs.3000/- (per annum) 2. Degree courses Rs.5000/- (per annum) 3. Post Graduate and Professional courses - Rs.6000/- (per annum)	
2.	Eligibility criteria	Must be a visually impaired student of IX std. and above of a bonafide institution. Must produce certificate from the Reader, who reads the lessons.	
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.	
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Certificate from Head of the Institution, National Identity Card for differently a bled and statement of marks in the previous qualifying examination.	
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.	
6.	Grievance if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49	

12. SCRIBE ASSISTANCE TO THE PERSONS WHO ASSIST IN WRITING EXAMINATION

1.	Gist of the Scheme	A sum of Rs.300/- per paper is paid to each Scribe. Scribes are engaged to write the answer which visually impaired students dictate in government examinations for Std. 9th to 12th.	
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Visually impaired 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 Differently Abled Welfare 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 Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49	

13. PROVIDING DVD PLAYERS TO FACILITATE EDUCATION OF THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED STUDENTS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Visually impaired students studying in 10 th and 12 th standards in Govt. Blind Schools will be provided with Pre-recorded. Text CDs along with DVD and CD Players with accessories.
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	-Nil -
5.	Officer to whom to be contacted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer / Head of Institution
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

14. B.COM. AND B.C.A. COURSES FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED STUDENTS

1	Gist of the Scheme	As a pioneering measure in India, B.Com., and B.C.A., Degree Courses have been started for the benefit of the hearing impaired students in Presidency College, Chennai from the academic year 2007-2008.
2	Eligibility Criteria	Pass in +2 with Commerce for B.Com, and Computer Science for B.C.A.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Available in Presidency College
4.	Certificates to be furnished	As mentioned in the application and prospectus.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	The Principal, Presidency College, Kamarajar Salai, Chennai – 600 005.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49 and Director of Collegiate Education, DPI Campus, College Road, Chennai-600 006.

15. ASSISTANCE TO THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED LAW GRADUATES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Financial Assistance of Rs.3000/- is given to the differently abled Law Graduates for enrolment in Bar Council as lawyer and purchase of law books.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	He/She should be a Law graduate. Should have enrolled in the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	- No -
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled, Degree Certificate in Law, proof for enrolment in the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

16. CASH PRIZE TO VISUALLY IMPAIRED STUDENTS SECURING TOP THREE RANKS IN PUBLIC EXAMINATION

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Visually impaired students who secure first three ranks in 10 standard and 12 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 rank holders are also awarded with a package of cash prizes to pursue higher education within Tamil Nadu.
2.	Details of the Scheme	XII Standard State Level Rank • First prize - Rs.50,000/- • Second prize - Rs.30,000/- • Third prize - Rs.20,000/-
		District Level Rank Holders (For each district) First Prize — Rs.12,000/- Second Prize — Rs. 7,500/- Third Prize — Rs. 4,500/-
		X Standard
		State Level Rank Holders
		 First prize - Rs.25,000/- Second prize -Rs.20,000/- Third prize - Rs.15,000/-
		District Level Rank Holders (For each
		 First Prize - Rs.6,000/- Second Prize - Rs. 4,500/- Third Prize - Rs. 3,000/-

	OTHER CONCESSION	X Std.	XII Std.
	Purchase of Braille Books (per annum)	Rs. 3,000/-	Rs. 4,000/-
	Hostel fees (per month) (10months)	Rs. 2,000/-	Rs.3,000/-
	To pursue higher education	Rs. 1,500/-	Rs.3,000/-
3.	Eligibility Criteria	Meritorious students w ranks at District and St	ho secured top three ate level.
4.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Nil	
5.	Certificate to be furnished	Bonafide Certificate a above.	nd marks sheet 60% and
6.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Able district.	ed Welfare Officer in each
7.	Grievances if any to be Addressed		600 078.

17. CASH PRIZE TO HEARING IMPAIRED STUDENTS SECURING TOP THREE RANKS IN PUBLIC EXAMINATION

1	Gist of the Scheme	Hearing impaired students who secure first three ranks in 10th Standard and 12 th 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 rank holders are also awarded with a package of cash prizes to pursue higher education within Tamil Nadu.	
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		 First Prize – F Second Prize – F Third Prize – F 	Rs.4,500/-
	OTHER CONCESSION	X Std.	XII Std.
	Purchase of Books (per	Rs. 1,000/-	Rs. 3,000/-
	annum) Hostel fees (per month) (10months)	Rs. 1,000/-	Rs.1,000/-
2	Eligibility Criteria	Meritorious students w ranks at District and St	rho secured top three tate level.
3	Whether form of application is prescribed		Nil
4	Certificate to be furnished	Bonafide certificate and marks sheet 60% and above.	
5	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Able district.	ed Welfare Officer in each
6	Grievances if any to be addressed	State Commissioner for State Resource cum T Jawaharlal Nehru Inne K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044-24719947 / 48	

18. LAPTOP TO THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED STUDENTS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Differently Abled students studying in 12 th Standard in Govt. and Govt. aided Special Schools are provided with Laptop
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Students studying in Government and Government aided special schools.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	-No-
4.	Certificates to be furnished	-No-
5.	Officer to whom to be contacted	District Differently Abled Welfare Offices/Head of Institution
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

19. GOVERNMENT INSTITUTE FOR MENTALLY RETARDED, CHENNAI

1.	Gist of the Scheme	The mentally retarded children are given special education, vocational training food, uniform, boarding, medicine and lodging facilities. The children are also imparted training in daily living skills.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Mentally Retarded Children from the age of 4 to 12 years.
3.	Whether form of application is Prescribed.	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office / Project Officer, Government Institute for Mentally Retarded, Tambaram Sanatorium, Chennai – 47.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled and Birth Certificate
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	The Project Officer, Government Institute for Mentally Retarded, Tambaram, Sanatorium, Chennai-47
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

20. SUPPLY OF BRAILLE BOOKS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Braille books are distributed to all visually impaired students studying in Government and Government Aided Schools.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Visually impaired students studying in Special Schools.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	No
4.	Certificates to be furnished	NIL
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	The Principal, Government Higher Secondary School for the Blind, Poonamallee, Chennai – 56. Head Master, Government Special School for Blind.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

21. SALARY GRANT TO SPECIAL EDUCATORS WORKING IN GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZED SPECIAL SCHOOLS FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED AND HEARING AND MENTALLY RETARDED

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Three Special Educators working in Government recognised schools for visually impaired/hearing impaired and two special educators and a Therapist (Physiotherapist / Speech Therapist) working in schools for the mentally retarded are given consolidated pay of Rs.10,000/- per month.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Special Educators should be qualified as per Rehabilitation Council of India norms. Physiotherapist should have degree in Physiotherapy and Speech Therapist should have degree in Speech Therapy. The Special School for MR should have registered for 5 years. The Special Schools must have obtained recognition from Welfare of Differently Abled Persons Department.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Educational Qualification of Special Educators/ Physiotherapist
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

22. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO NON - GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH RUN RESIDENTIAL SPECIAL SCHOOLS FOR MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Funds are sanctioned to recognized schools for the mentally retarded run by NGOs towards feeding charges, rent and construction/extension of building.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	School for the mentally retarded should have registered for a minimum period of 5 years and should be registered under PWD Act 1995.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes.
4.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
5.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

23. CASH INCENTIVE TO PREVENTS DROPOUTS FROM SCHOOLS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Cash incentives are provided to the differently abled students studying in 10 th to 12 th standard in Government and Government Aided Special Schools to motivate them to continue their studies and to prevent dropouts.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Students studying in 10 th to 12 th standard in Government and Government Aided Special Schools
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	No.
4.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
5.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

24. MULTIMEDIA AND DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY TRAINING TO THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	One month multimedia training is given at the National Institute of Film Development Corporation, Regional Centre at Chennai.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The orthopaedically differently abled persons and hearing impaired persons who have passed 8 th standard.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled and 8th pass certificate.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

25. UNEMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCE TO DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	The unemployment allowance to differently a bled persons is given as follows: a) SSLC and below Rs.600/- per month b) Higher Secondary Course Rs.750/- per month c) Degree and above Rs.1000/- 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 Identity Card for differently abled.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted to be submitted	Respective District Employment Officer
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49 Commissioner, Employment &Training, Guindy, Chennai - 32.

26. MICRO ENTERPRISES AND BUNK STALLS

1.	Name of the Scheme / Gist of the Scheme	SELF EMPLOYMENT LOAN SUBSIDY TO THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS Loan is recommended to the unemployed differently abled persons who are willing to start their self employment ventures. The Government subsidy will be released to the differently abled persons to whom provisional loan was sanctioned at the maximum of Rs.10, 000/- or 1/3 of the sanctioned loan amount, whichever is less.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Any differently abled persons in the age group of 18 and above.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49 Concerned Bank Managers.

27. MOTORISED SEWING MACHINES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Motorised Sewing Machines are provided to hearing impaired and orthopaedically differently abled.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should be a hearing impaired or orthopaedically differently abled persons, above the age of 18 years.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	No
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

28. NATIONAL HANDICAPPED FINANCE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (NHFDC) ASSISTED SELF - EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

1.	Name of the Scheme / Gist of the Scheme	Interest free Loan Assistance from National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC)
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should be a differently abled person aged 18 years and above and willing to undertake self employment ventures.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available in District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled, Income Certificate surety (Upto Rs.25,000/-), 2 Surety (Upto Rs.50,000/-) and Collateral security (Above Rs.50,000/-)
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer. Special Officer, District Central Co-operative Bank.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49 Special Officer, Tamil Nadu State Apex Co-op. Bank Limited, NSC Bose Road, Chennai -1. Special Officer, District Central Co-operative Bank Ltd. of the district

29. PRIME MINISTER'S EMPLOYMENT GENERATION PROGRAMME

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Under Prime Ministers Employment Generation Programme, the margin amount of 5% of the loan amount to be paid by the differently abled beneficiaries will be borne by the Government.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	National Identity Card for the differently abled. Age should be 18 to 60 years, terms and conditions of District Industries Centre to be fulfilled.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for the differently abled, educational certificates, self employment proposal.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer/District Industries Centre (DIC).
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

30. 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 differently abled (1% each for visually impaired persons, speech and hearing impaired and locomotor disabled.)
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Differently Abled 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 Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49 Director of School Education / Director of Collegiate Education / Director of Technical Education / Director of Medical Education / Director of Legal Studies.

31. RESERVATION OF TEACHING POSTS IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED

1.	Gist of the Scheme	2% of the teaching posts are to be filled up with visually impaired persons. (except Secondary Grade Teachers)
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Visually impaired 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. Should have cleared Teachers Eligibility Test (TET) if recruited by TRB(Teachers Recruitment Board)
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	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 Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49 Director of Elementary Education, Director of School Education, Chennai-6. / Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai.6/ Commissioner, Employment and Training, Guindy, Chennai-32.

32. RESERVATION OF JOBS IN GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS / GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKINGS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	3% jobs in Government Departments / Government Undertakings, Boards and Universities have been exclusively reserved for differently abled (1% each for visually impaired, speech and hearing impaired and locomotor differently abled) persons.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Differently Abled Persons 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.	Whetherform of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with Recruiting Agencies.
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 Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49
		The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission / Chairman, Teachers Recruitment Board/ District Employment Officer.

33. 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.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

34. TRICYCLE

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Tricycles are given to the deserving orthopaedically differently abled persons for their easy mobility.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The candidate should be affected with both lower limbs and their upper limbs are normal, resident of the district/area and their age should be more than 12 years.
3.	Whether form of Application is prescribed.	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be sent	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

35. WHEEL CHAIR

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Wheel Chairs are given to the needy identified and deserving orthopaedically differently abled and praplegic persons for their easy mobility.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The candidate should be affected with both lower limbs and resident of the district/area.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

36. HEARING AIDS AND SOLAR RECHARGEABLE 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.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

37. GOGGLES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Goggles are being distributed to needy visually impaired persons to protect from sunlight and moisture.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should be a totally visually impaired person.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

38. BRAILLE WATCHES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Braille watches are distributed to the working visually impaired persons to enable them to reach work place in time.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The visually impaired working persons a) Self employed/ Employee b) Working in the unorganized sectors
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Application are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

39. CALIPERS AND CRUTCHES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Calipers and Crutches are given to the needy and deserving orthopaedically differently abled persons for their easy mobility.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The orthopedically differently abled person should be a resident of the area / district
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for Differently Abled
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

40. SUPPLY OF MODULAR ARTIFICIAL LIMBS FOR THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED STUDENTS, SELF EMPLOYED AND EMPLOYED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Artificial limbs are provided for the amputees.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The orthopaedically differently abled person should be a resident of the area / district
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed and particulars to be furnished	• •
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

41. RETROFITTED PETROL SCOOTERS TO THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS AFFECTED WITH BOTH LOWER LIMBS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Retrofitted petrol scooters are provided to the severely orthopaedically affected persons, whose both legs are affected. Students, employees and self employed differently abled persons are eligible.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The age of the beneficiary should be more than 18 years. The candidate should be severely orthopaedically differently abled student/working/ self employed person and resident of the district / area.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

42. "BEHIND THE EAR" HEARING AIDS TO HEARING IMPAIRED STUDENTS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	In order to encourage the hearing impaired students to wear hearing aids to increase their speech capacity, 'Behind the Ear' hearing aids are provided.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Students studying 6 Std and above self employed and employed persons.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identify card, Bonafide Certificate obtained from concerned School Head Master / College Principal.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

43. MAGNIFIERS FOR LOW VISION STUDENTS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Magnifiers are distributed to needy students with low vision to enable them to read books without difficulty.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should be a person with low vision.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

44. REFLECTIVE FOLDING STICKS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Reflecting Folding sticks are being distributed to needy visually impaired persons to enable them to walk freely and independently
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Should be a totally visually impaired person.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

45. MAINTENACE ALLOWANCE TO MENTALLY RETARDED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Maintenance Allowance is given at the rate of Rs.1,500/- per month to the Mentally Retarded persons. The allowance is sent through "ECS" to bank account of individual directly from Treasury.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The percentage of disability should be 45% and above.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Prescribed format is available with District Differently Abled Welfare Officers.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled, Family Card and Bank Account details.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

46. MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE TO SEVERELY DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Maintenance allowance is given at the rate of Rs.1,500/- per month to the severely affected persons who cannot be rehabilitated by any other assistance. The allowance is sent through "ECS" to their bank account directly from Treasury.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The percentage of disability should be more than 75%.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Prescribed format is available with District Differently Abled Welfare Officers.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for the differently abled, Family Card and Bank account details.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

47. MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE TO PERSONS AFFECTED WITH MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Maintenance allowance is given at the rate of Rs.1,500/- per month to persons affected with muscular dystrophy. The allowance is sent through "ECS" to their bank account directly from Treasury.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	The percentage of disability should be more than 40%.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed.	Yes. Prescribed format is available with District Differently Abled Welfare Officers
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for the differently abled, Family Card and Bank account details.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

48. MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE TO LEPROSY AFFECTED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Maintenance Allowance is given at the rate of Rs. 1,000/- per month to leprosy affected persons. The inmates accommodated in the Government Rehabilitation Homes are also eligible to receive this allowance. The allowance is sent to their account directly from Treasury through ECS.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Persons should be leprosy affected persons with 40% and above disability.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Prescribed format is available with District Differently Abled Welfare Officers.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled and Family Card. A Certificate from Doctor stating that the applicant is not curable by surgical/other means. Bank Account details.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

49. MARRIAGE ASSISTANCE TO NORMAL PERSONS MARRYING VISUALLY IMPAIRED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Marriage assistance is given to normal person who marries a visually impaired person. Total assistance given is Rs.25,000/ Rs.12,500/- is given in the form of National Savings Certificate and Rs.12,500/- in cash towards marriage expenses along with a Certificate of appreciation and 4 grams 22ct. Gold Coin for making Thirumangalyam. If either the differently abled person or a normal person is holding degree or Diploma, the Marriage Assistance amount is Rs.50,000/-, Rs.25,000/- in the form of National Saving Certificate and Rs.25,000/- in the form of cash with 4 grams, 22Ct Gold Coin for making Thirumangalyam.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Normal person should marry a visually impaired person. Completion of minimum age for marriage as per law.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled and proof for marriage and age.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

50. MARRIAGE ASSISTANCE TO NORMAL PERSONS MARRYING ORTHOPAEDICALLY DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Marriage Assistance to normal persons marrying orthopaedically differently abled persons; Total assistance given is Rs.25,000/ Rs.12,500/- is given in the form of National Savings Certificate and Rs.12,500/- in cash towards marriage expenses along with a Certificate of appreciation and 4 grams 22 ct. Gold Coin for making Thirumangalyam. If either the differently abled person or a normal person is holding degree or diploma, the marriage assistance is Rs.50,000/-Rs.25,000/- in the form of National Saving Certificate and Rs.25,000/- cash with 4 grams 22 ct Gold Coin for making Thirumangalyam.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Normal person should marry an orthopeadically differently abled person. Completion of minimum age for marriage as per law.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Prescribed formats are available with District Differently Abled Welfare Officers.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled and proof for marriage and Age Certificate.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

51. MARRIAGE ASSISTANCE TO NORMAL PERSONS MARRYING SPEECH AND HEARING IMPAIRED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Marriage Assistance is given to normal person marrying speech and hearing impaired persons. Total assistance given is Rs.25,000/-; Rs.12,500/- is given in the form of National Savings Certificate and Rs.12,500/- in cash towards marriage expenses along with a Certificate of appreciation and 4 grams 22 ct. Gold Coin for making Thirumangalyam. If either the differently abled person or normal person is holding degree or diploma, the marriage assistance amount is Rs.50,000/-; Rs. 25,000/- in the form of National Saving Certificate and Rs.25,000/- in the form of cash with 4 grams 22 Ct Gold Coin for making Thirumangalyam.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Normal person should marry a speech and hearing impaired person. Completion of minimum age for marriage as per law.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Prescribed formats are available with District Differently Abled Welfare Officers.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled and Certificate of proof for marriage and age.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

52. MARRIAGE ASSISTANCE TO DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS MARRYING DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Marriage assistance is given to differently abled person who marries a differently abled person; Total assistance is Rs.25,000/ Rs.12,500/- in the form of National Savings Certificate and Rs.12,500/- cash towards marriage expenses, with a Certificate of appreciation and 4 grams 22 Ct Gold Coin for making Thirumangalyam. If any one of the differently abled person is holding degree or diploma, the marriage assistance amount is Rs.50,000/-; Rs.25,000/- in the form of National Saving Certificate and Rs.25,000/- in the form of cash with 4 grams 22 Ct Gold Coin for making Thirumangalyam.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Differently Abled Person should marry a differently abled person. Completion of minimum age for marriage as per law.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Prescribed format are available with District Differently Abled Welfare Officers.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for differently abled and Certificate of proof for marriage and age.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

53. HOMES FOR THE ADULT MENTALLY RETARDED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	42 Adult Mentally Retarded Homes (above 14 years) are run through Non- Governmental Organizations with Government assistance, besides providing food and shelter and recreation facilities vocational training is also imparted to the inmates.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Persons with mental retardation
3.	Whether application form is prescribed	No.
4.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
5.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

54. GOVERNMENT REHABILITATION HOMES

1.	Name of the Institution	Government Rehabilitation Home for persons affected with leprosy is functioning in 10 districts.
2.	Eligibility Criteria for admission	Beggar affected by Leprosy Beggar affected by Leprosy who are convicted by Judicial Magistrate 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 Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

55. GOVERNMENT CARE CAMP AT MELPAKKAM

1.	Name of the Institution	Government Care Camp, Melpakkam
2.	Eligibility Criteria for admission	Beggars convicted by the Judicial Magistrate.
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 Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

56. RESCUE SCHEME

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Mentally ill persons wandering in the streets and other public places are rescued and admitted in Hospitals/Rehabilitation Home for the mentally ill.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Wandering mentally ill
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	No
4.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
5.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

57. HOMES FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Homes are established in all 32 districts to provide food, shelter and rehabilitation services to 50 mentally ill inmates .
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Mentally ill
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	No
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Certificate from Psychiatrist
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

58. TRAVEL CONCESSION TO THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS IN STATE OWNED TRANSPORT CORPORATION BUSES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	i)	All Visually impaired persons are given concession to travel up to 100 Kms. to and fro without any condition and free of cost
		ii)	Free of cost travel concession is allowed to mentally retarded children to travel with

one escort.

- iii) The speech and hearing impaired and locomotor differently abled persons are given travel concession free of cost up to 100 Kms to go to schools / colleges / hospitals / training centres / work spot from their residence and return. There is no income ceiling.
- iv) The visually impaired / orthopaedically differently abled persons are permitted to travel in State Express Buses once in a year to go to their native places and return.
- v) The differently abled students studying in the special schools are permitted to travel free to and fro from their residence to special school.
- vi) All children with disabilities are permitted to travel free of cost along with one escort from their residence to early intervention centres and pre-schools and back to their residence.

In addition to the above concession, all categories of differently abled persons along with an escort 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 without any restriction on number of trips.

2.	Eligibility Criteria	National Identity Card/Certificate
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	 I. National Identity Card for differently abled. II. Certificate from educational institution, (except for Blind) III. Bonafide Certificate from concerned authority / Employer. IV. For 75% concession Identity Card Xerox Copy to be given to the conductor and original shall be shown if required. V. For availing 75% concession for the escort, Certificate from Government Doctor should be submitted.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49 District Collector / Managing Director of the Metropolitan / State Transport Corporation.

59. DAY CARE CENTRE FOR MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY AFFECTED PERSONS

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Day Care Centres are functioning in Chennai, Madurai, Tirunelveli and Vellore to provide therapeutic services to the muscular dystrophy affected persons.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Muscular dystrophy affected persons.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	No
4.	Certificates to be furnished	National Identity Card for the differently abled.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

60. REGISTRATION OF COMPLAINTS UNDER PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 1995

1.	Gist of the Scheme	State Commissioner for the differently abled will register complaints made by differently abled persons against any individual / institution who act against Differently Abled persons. In order to ensure implementation of the provisions of the Persons with Disabilities Act, 1995, in favour of the differently abled persons, an enquiry will be conducted.
2.	Eligibility criteria	Any Differently Abled Persons with Disability Certificate.
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 Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044-24719947 / 48 / 49
6.	Grievance if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

61. APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIANS TO SPECIAL CATEGORIES OF DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS UNDER NATIONAL TRUST ACT, 1999

1.	Gist of the Scheme	The persons affected with autism, cerebral palsy, mental retardation and multiple disability who have crossed 18 years of age and who are not in a position to take any decision, needs Guardians. Hence under National Trust Act 1999 a Guardian can be appointed to look after their welfare, after the demise of their parents.
2	Eligibility criteria	Should be affected with any one of the disability of autism, cerebral palsy, mental retardation and multiple disabilities.
3	Whether form of application is prescribed and particulars to be furnished	Yes. Available. Should apply in Form-A available with Local level Committee under the Chairmanship of District Collector with the following particulars:- 1. Details of the Differently Abled person (Name, Age, Nature of disability, Address) 2. Details of the Guardian (Name, Age, Relationship, Address) 3. Guardianship for (a) for individual or (b) Individual and property
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 differently abled.
5	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Collector and Local Level Committee, Chairman (National Trust Act) or Office of District Differently Abled Welfare Officer
6	Grievance if any to be addressed to	Chairman, National Trust, New Delhi.

62. SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES (A) PERSONAL ACCIDENT RELIEF FOR DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS:

1.	Gist of the Scheme	 Accident relief given to differently abled persons upto a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Death) Loss of both lower (or) upper limb (or) total disfunction and irrecoverable loss of limbs - Rs.1,00,000/- Loss of any one lower or upper limb or total and irrecoverable loss of one hand or one foot or total and irrecoverable loss of sight in one eye – 50,000/- Permanent total disablement from injuries other than those specified in items (1) and (2) above-Rs.25,000/-
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Any differently abled person holding National Identity card for differently abled and registered as member in the Welfare Board for the differently abled.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Medical Certificates, Original Identity card issued by the Welfare Board for the Differently Abled.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

63. SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEME (B) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MEET THE FUNERAL EXPENSES OF A DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSON:

1.	Gist of the Scheme	A sum of Rs.2000/- is given as funeral expenses
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Membership in the Welfare Board for the differently abled.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Death Certificate, Legal Heir Certificate and Original National Identity card and original Identity card issued by the Welfare Board for the differently abled.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

64. SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES (C) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ON THE NATURAL DEATH OF A DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSON:

1.	Gist of the Scheme	A sum of Rs.15,000/- is given as assistance on the Natural Death of a differently abled person.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Member of the Welfare Board for the differently abled.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Death Certificate, Legal Heir Certificate and Original National Identity card for Differently Abled and Original Identity Card issued by the Welfare Board for the differently abled.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

65. SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES (D) SCHOLARSHIP TO SON AND DAUGHTER OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

1.	Gist of the Scheme	Scholarship is given to son/daughter of F	Persons with
		disabilities as follows: (for every academi course)	c year of the
		a) Daughter studying in 10 th Std	=Rs.1,000/-
		b) For son who has passed in 10 th Std	=Rs.1,000/-
		c) Daughter studying in 11 th Std	=Rs.1,000/-
		d) For daughter studying in 12 th Std	=Rs.1,500/-
		e) For son who has passed in 12 th Std	=Rs.1,500/-
		f) Son/Daughter doing under-graduate course	e=Rs.1,500/-
		g) Son/Daughter doing under-graduate	5 /
		course-with hostel facility	=Rs.1,750/-
		h) Son/Daughter doing post-graduate course	=Rs.2,000/-
		 i) Son/Daughter doing post-graduate course- with hostel facility 	= Rs.3,000/-
		j) Son/Daughter doing professional degree course	=Rs.2,000/-
		k) Son/Daughter doing professional degree course- with hostel facility	=Rs.4,000/-
		Son/Daughter doing professional Post graduate course	= Rs.4,000/-
		m) Son/Daughter doing professional	
		Post graduate course with hostel facility	= Rs.6,000/-
		n) I.T.I or Polytechnic	= Rs.1,000/-
		o) I.T.I or Polytechnic-with hostel facility	= Rs.1,200/-

2.	Eligibility Criteria	Children of any differently abled person registered in the Welfare Board for the differently abled.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Identity card issued by the Welfare Board for the differently abled, certificate from educational institution.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

66. SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES (E) ASSISTANCE FOR MARRIAGE

1.	Gist of the Scheme	A sum of Rs.2, 000/- (Rupees Two thousand only) is given to meet the marriage expenses of the applicant or his son or daughter.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Children of any differently abled person holding Identity card. The differently abled person shall have attained the age as prescribed by law for marriage
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Identity card issued by the Welfare Board for the differently abled, Birth certificate and proof of marriage.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

67. SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES (F) ASSISTANCE FOR DELIVERY / MISCARRIAGE OF PREGNANCY / TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY TO A FEMALE DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSON

1.	Gist of the Scheme	A sum of Rs.6,000/- @ Rs.1,000/- per month for delivery and Rs.3,000/- for miscarriage/termination of pregnancy is given to female differently abled person
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Differently abled person holding identity card issued by the Welfare Board for the differently bled.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Welfare Board Disability Identity Card and Medical Certificate issued by competent authority.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

68. SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES (G) ASSISTANCE FOR PURCHASE OF SPECTACLES BY A DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSON

1.	Gist of the Scheme	A sum of Rs.500/- (Rupees Five hundred only) as an assistance towards the reimbursement of cost of spectacles for differently abled persons.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Differently Abled Person holding Identity card issued by the Welfare Board for the differently abled.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with District Differently Abled Welfare Office.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Identity card issued by the Welfare Board for the differently abled and relevant vouchers
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

69. CHIEF MINISTER'S HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME

1.	Gist of the Scheme	In order to achieve the objective of universal health care to the people of Tamil Nadu, Government has implemented a comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme to benefit the differently abled persons. Under this scheme, all the differently abled persons and their family members are enrolled without any income ceiling.
2.	Eligibility Criteria for admission	To be a resident of Tamil Nadu Any one member of the family should be a differently abled person National Identity Card for differently abled persons.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Available with Insurance Office in Collectorate.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	Photocopy of the Ration Card, National I.D. Card
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officers in each district.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai – 600 078. Ph: 044 – 24719947 / 48 / 49

70. FITTER TRAINING FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED PERSONS

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 is given.
2.	Eligibility Criteria	Speech and hearing impaired persons. Age 18 years and above and should have passed 10 th std.
3.	Whether form of application is prescribed	Yes. Applications are available with concerned District Differently Abled Welfare Officer.
4.	Certificates to be furnished	10 Std – Pass Certificate. Age proof and National Identity Card for differently abled.
5.	Officer to whom the application is to be submitted	District Differently Abled Welfare Officer / Principal, Govt. I.T.I., Guindy, Chennai-32.
6.	Grievances if any to be addressed to	State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, State Resource cum Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai Ph: 044-24719947 / 48 / 49 Commissioner, Employment and Training, Guindy, Chennai-32.

71. MOBILE THERAPY UNIT SCHEME

The differently abled children in the age group of 0 - 6 years, especially in rural areas find it difficult to reach the early intervention centres which are located in the district head quarters. In order to help such children one mobile therapy units have been setup each of the all 32 districts of Tamil Nadu. Every unit has all therapy equipments and through this unit therapeutical services are provided at the doorsteps of the beneficiaries.

72. INFORMATION CENTRE FOR THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED

Information Centre for the differently abled is functioning at State Resource cum Training Centre campus, O/o. State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, K.K. Nagar, Chennai - 78 from Monday to Saturday between 10.00 AM to 6.00 P.M. (excluding Govt. holidays). Various informations like schemes implemented by Government of Tamil Nadu and Government of India, issuance of Disability Certificate, information about early intervention centre, early diagnostic centre, special schools, vocational training centres, and Non Governmental organisations etc are provided to the information seekers.

Information Centre Contact Numbers: Toll Free Number: 1800 425 0111.

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