

Press Release

**Supply of Medical - Sensory Processing and Development
Therapy/Rehabilitation Kit to children with Autism in Early Intervention
Centres for Autism**

There are 500 children with Autism attending early intervention services in 19 Early Intervention Centres in Tamil Nadu. Children with autism are hypersensitive or under-sensitive to light, noise, and touch. They need continuous sensory processing and development therapy and parents of these children are finding it difficult to manage these children during COVID-19. In order to help parent of children with Autism, Medical–Sensory Processing and Development Therapy/ Rehabilitation Kit consisting of 11 items namely smiley/spring ball, whistle, torch, blocks, crayons, flash cards, fidget gadget etc which can be used at home by parent for providing sensory stimulation and special nutrition kit with 2 items to these children has been prepared and sent to 19 districts for distribution. The outcome of these activities will be better focus, improved behavior, and even lowered anxiety. This special therapy/rehabilitation kit will be distributed through District Differently Abled Welfare Officers to the Organisations running the Early Intervention Centre. The cost of one kit is Rs.1000/- and the total cost is Rs.5 .00 lakh. The funds were met from the State Disaster Relief Funds sanctioned by the Government.

Secretary to Government

Welfare of Differently Abled Persons Department

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