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Government of India
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

Antyodaya Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated: 12th July, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Constitution of Committee to Review National Policy for Persons with Disabilities, 2006

The undersigned is directed to say that the National Policy for Persons with Disabilities was adopted in 2006. Subsequently, India became a party to United Nations Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) which was ratified on 01.10.2007. The Central Government has also enacted the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 which came into force from 19.04.2017. The Act is in line with the provision of the above UN Convention.

2. Given the above developments, the National Policy for Persons with Disabilities, 2006 needs to be reviewed to bring it in line with the new law and in harmony with the provisions of UNCRPD. With a view to review the existing National Policy, it has now been decided with the approval of the competent authority to constitute a Committee with the following composition and terms of reference:-

A. Composition:

1.	Ms. Shakuntala D. Gamlin, Secretary, DEPwD	Chairperson
2.	Dr. Kamlesh Kumar Pandey, Chairman RCI and Chairman National Trust	Member
3.	Ms Dolly Chakrabarty, Joint Secretary, DEPwD	Member
4.	Dr. Prabodh Seth, Joint Secretary, DEPwD	Member
5.	Joint Secretary, Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare	Member
6.	Joint Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India	Member
7.	Joint Secretary, Union Ministry of Women & Child	Member

	Development,	
8.	Joint Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development	Member
9.	Executive Director, Ministry of Railways	Member
10.	Joint Secretary, Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	Member
11.	Major General Ian Cardozo, Ex-Chairman, RCI	Member
12.	Shri Dipendra Manocha, National Blind Association, Delhi	Member
13.	Shri A.S. Narayanan, National Association of Deaf, Delhi	Member
14.	Ms Merry Barua, Action for Autism	Member
15.	Shri Pankaj Maru, Sneha, Nagda, MP	Member
16.	Principal Secretary, Social Security, Government of Odisha	Member
17.	Principal Secretary/Secretary, Social Welfare, Government of MP	Member
18.	State Commissioner for PwDs, Delhi	Member
19.	State Commissioner for PwDs, Tamil Nadu	Member
20.	Shri K.V.S. Rao, Director	Member-Convener

B. Terms of reference:

- (a) To review the existing National Policy for PwDs, 2006.
 - (b) To study similar policy documents for PwDs existing in other progressive countries and also UN provisions relating to Sustainable Development Goals.
 - (c) To examine the programmes/schemes of various Central Ministries/Departments as well as States for empowerment and inclusion of persons with disabilities in the society.
 - (d) To suggest a comprehensive National Policy for Persons with Disabilities in synergy with UNCRPD, RPwD Act, 2016 and in line with the motto of Sustainable Development Goals as well as vision of the Government "Sabka Saath Sabka Vikaas".
- 3 (a) The Committee may co-opt any other member who it may think appropriate.
- (b) The meeting of the Committee will be held in Delhi. However, the Committee may meet at any other place as per the convenience of Chairperson.

(c) The non-official members coming from outside Delhi will be entitled for TA/DA as applicable to Class I officer of the Central Government. In case of other members, it will be borne by their respective organizations.


(D.K. Panda)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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1. Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi with the request to nominate a Joint Secretary level officer
2. Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi with the request to nominate a Joint Secretary level officer
3. Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, with the request to nominate a Joint Secretary level officer
4. Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, with the request to nominate a Joint Secretary level officer
5. Executive Director, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi with the request to nominate a Joint Secretary level officer
6. Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi with the request to nominate a Joint Secretary level officer
7. Dr. Kamlesh Kumar Pandey, CCPD, Chairman RCI and National Trust
8. Principal Secretary, Social Security, Government of Odisha, SIDR Building, Capital Hospital Campus, Unit-6, Bhubaneswar-751001 Odisha
9. Principal Secretary/Secretary, Social Welfare, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
10. State Commissioner for PwDs, Government of NCT of Delhi, 25-D, Mata Sundari Road, Near Guru Nanak Eye Center, New Delhi-110002
11. State Commissioner for PwDs, Government of Tamil Nadu, State Resource-cum-Training Centre Campus, Jawaharlal Nehru Inner Ring Road, K.K. Nagar, Chennai - 600078 Tamil Nadu
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