

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO -2847
ANSWERED ON -12/08/2026

Issuance of Unique Disability Identity (UDID) cards

2847. Shri Surendra Singh Nagar:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications for issuance of Unique Disability Identity (UDID) Cards pending for more than three months and six months at present, State-wise/Union Territory-wise;
- (b) the prescribed minimum frequency of meetings of the District Medical Boards under the UDID scheme and whether the same is being followed uniformly;
- (c) the average time taken for the disposal of UDID applications during the current year; and
- (d) the measures taken to reduce the pendency of applications, particularly in remote and hilly districts?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI B. L. VERMA)

(a): The Unique Disability ID (UDID) project is a flagship initiative of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India wherein the hospitals authorized by the respective State/UT Governments are onboarded for the assessment of disabilities and issuance of disability certificates/UDID cards based on the type and nature of disability. The State/UT-wise pending applications for UDID cards is enclosed at **Annexure**.

(b): The scheduling and frequency of meetings of the Disability Assessment Medical Boards are decided by the respective State/UT Governments or the designated hospitals based on local requirements, availability of medical specialists and administrative arrangements. No uniform frequency of such meetings is prescribed or monitored by the Central Government.

(c): Average time taken for the disposal of UDID applications varies from state to state.

(d): The Department has undertaken several measures to facilitate wider enrolment, for reduction of pendency and issuance of Unique Disability Identity Card (UDID) across the country including remote and hilly areas. These include:

- i. Development of a standardized, simplified and user-friendly UDID portal to ensure a hassle-free application and certification process.
- ii. Establishment of enrolment registration centres in the National Institutes and Composite Regional Centres of the Department.
- iii. Framing of standardized disability assessment guidelines for uniform certification across the country.
- iv. Capacity building and training programmes for medical professionals, under which more than 6000 medical specialists have been trained for disability assessment and UDID implementation.
- v. Conducting periodic training and orientation programmes for officials and medical authorities to facilitate effective implementation of the UDID project and ensure timely generation of the UDID card.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2847 to be answered on 12.08.2026 regarding “Issuance of Unique Disability Identity (UDID) cards”

Sr. No.	State/UT	UDID applications pending for more than 3 months	UDID applications pending for more than 6 months
1	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	200	152
2	Andhra Pradesh	10040	8045
3	Arunachal Pradesh	375	331
4	Assam	11995	10870
5	Bihar	113703	91659
6	Chandigarh	803	675
7	Chhattisgarh	435	309
8	Delhi	22925	18821
9	Goa	738	638
10	Gujarat	12954	12024
11	Haryana	18240	15098
12	Himachal Pradesh	12298	11123
13	Jammu And Kashmir	13500	11617
14	Jharkhand	27380	25368
15	Karnataka	40382	33846
16	Kerala	29158	26116
17	Ladakh	98	94
18	Lakshadweep	1	1
19	Madhya Pradesh	14288	12213
20	Maharashtra	76688	48285
21	Manipur	4179	3945
22	Meghalaya	69	55
23	Mizoram	405	385
24	Nagaland	377	353
25	Odisha	24641	16832
26	Puducherry	270	193
27	Punjab	4057	2550
28	Rajasthan	18856	15564
29	Sikkim	85	68
30	Tamil Nadu	8148	5856
31	Telangana	11886	5674
32	The Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	558	534
33	Tripura	878	661
34	Uttar Pradesh	135802	118081
35	Uttarakhand	294	205
36	West Bengal	103672	94792
	Total	720378	593033