

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2287**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2023

**“SKILL DEVELOPMENT FOR PWDS”**

**2287: Shri Ramesh Bidhuri:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has opened any special institute for rehabilitation, empowerment and skill development for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken for giving employment to PwDs through skill development?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. There are nine National Institutes (NIs) working under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) specializing in different kinds of disabilities. The main objectives of these Institutes are to conduct various courses in the field of disabilities, to provide rehabilitation services to Persons with Disabilities and to undertake Research and Development. Details of National Institutes is at **Annexure-I**.

21 Composite Regional Centres for Skill Development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (CRCs) have been approved in various States/UTs as outreach centres/extended arms of the National Institutes under the Department. CRCs provide rehabilitation services to all categories of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs), train rehabilitation professionals, workers and functionaries, undertake programmes of education and skill development and create awareness amongst parents and the community regarding needs and rights of PwDs. Details of CRCs is at **Annexure-II**.

(c) Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities implements ‘National Action Plan for Skill Development of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs)’ which was launched in March, 2015. The objective of the scheme is to provide skill training to Persons with Disabilities for enabling them to become self-reliant and productive members of the society and to integrate them with the mainstream of the society.

In order to strengthen the base of training partners, Department signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Food Industry Capacity and Skill Initiatives (FICSI). Further, two more tripartite MoUs have also been signed by the Department and Skill Council for Persons with Disabilities with Flipkart Internet Private Limited and with Amazon Seller Private Limited to jointly provide skill training and employment opportunities to PwDs in E-commerce sector.

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**(Annexure referred to in reply to part-(a) &(b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2287 for answer on 14.3.2023)**

**Details of National Institutes**

- i. Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (PDUNIPPD), Delhi.
- ii. Swami Vivekanand National Institute of the Rehabilitation Training and Research (SVNIRTAR), Cuttack.
- iii. National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (NILD), Kolkata.
- iv. National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (NIEPVD), Dehradun.
- v. Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (AYJNISHD), Mumbai
- vi. National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID), Secunderabad.
- vii. National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD), Chennai.
- viii. Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC), New Delhi.
- ix. National Institute of Mental Health Rehabilitation (NIMHR), Sehore, Madhya Pradesh

**Annexure-II**

(Annexure referred to in reply to part-(a) &(b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2287 for answer on 14.3.2023)

**Detail of Composite Regional Centres for Skill Development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (CRCs).**

S.No.	Composite regional Centres (CRCs)	State/UTs
1.	CRC, Srinagar	Jammu & Kashmir
2.	CRC, Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
3.	CRC, Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
4.	CRC, Guwahati	Assam
5.	CRC, Sundernagar	Himachal Pradesh
6.	CRC, Patna	Bihar
7.	CRC, Ahmedabad	Gujarat
8.	CRC, Kozhikode	Kerala
9.	CRC, Rajnandgaon	Chattisgarh
10.	CRC, Nellore	Andhra Pradesh
11.	CRC, Davengere	Karnataka
12.	CRC, Nagpur	Maharashtra
13.	CRC, Agartala	Tripura
14.	CRC, Naharlaghun	Arunachal Pradesh
15.	CRC, Ranchi	Jharkhand
16.	CRC, Gorakhpur	Uttar Pradesh
17.	CRC, Balangir	Odisha
18.	CRC, Gangtok	Sikkim
19.	CRC, Portblair	Andaman & Nicobar
20.	CRC, Shillong	Meghalaya
21.	CRC, Imphal	Manipur

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