

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN)

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 395  
TO BE ANSWER ON 04.02.2020

**Digital Devices for Differently abled Students**

**395: SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:**

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

(a) Whether the Government has evolved any programme of action on the development of digital devices for the physically and mentally challenged/ differently abled students; and

(b) If so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT**

**(SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)**

(a) & (b) Government implements the Scheme of Assistance to Persons with Disabilities for Purchase /Fitting of Aids and Appliances (ADIP Scheme) including students with physical and mental disabilities for procuring durable, sophisticated and scientifically manufactured, modern, standard aids and assistive devices that can promote their physical, social and psychological rehabilitation by reducing the effects of disabilities and enhance their economic potential. The aids and assistive devices inter-alia include digital devices like Smart Cane, Smart Phone with Reading Software, Smart Phone with Magnifier App, Tablet Computer, Daisy Player, BTE (Behind the Ear) Digital Hearing Aid.

Further the Ministry also has a Scheme for implementation of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act (SIPDA) which inter-alia has a component to support innovation in disability related technology, product and issues.

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