

2. SCHEMES AND SERVICES FOR THE PwD

2.1 BHIMA BHOI BHINNAKSHYAMA SAMARTHYA ABHIYAN (BBSA)

i-pronged approach to empower Persons with Disabilities by removing the constraints they face in accessing public services. It thus provides multi-sectoral services to PwDs on a campaign mode through a single window approach.

BHIMA BHOI SAMARTHYA SHIVIRS

In the current year a record number of 369 camps have been organized at the district level with the sanctioned amount of ₹ 2998.35 lakhs. These camps have proved useful for persons with disabilities as 2,13,840 persons with disabilities

have been registered and another 1,29,500 have been assisted. These camps have provided pre-assessment services for disability detection and evaluation leading to a supply of aids and appliances to 23,764 PwD. Services such as income certification and transport concession; selection of PwD for skill training, bank linkage for loans and pension schemes were also provided during the camp. Children with disabilities were also identified for school enrolment.

UNIFORMS FOR STUDENTS IN SPECIAL SCHOOLS

Students enrolled in the 51 special schools aided by the Department of SSEPD are provided with ₹ 350 for two sets of uniform in addition to a monthly grant of ₹ 750 for bedding, clothing and footwear. In the current year an amount of ₹ 80 lakh had been provisioned for providing uniform and clothing to 3213 students with disability.



**BBSA Camp inaugurated by Shri Naveen Patnaik
Chief Minister at Bhanjanagar**

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE CHILDREN OF PWD WHO ARE PURSUING HIGHER EDUCATION

Under BBSA, children of PwD with annual income below ₹ 50,000 pursuing higher education (above Class 10) are assisted with a scholarship of ₹ 350 per month for a maximum period of ten months in an academic year.

2.2 GRANT-IN-AID TO SPECIAL SCHOOLS

To provide free and compulsory elementary education to children with disabilities as mandated in Section (3)1 of the Right to Education Act 2009, the Department of SSEPD after having assessed 50 Special Schools had recommended them for Grant-in-Aid to the Government of India (Annexure-5). The grant in aid payable to an institution includes

maintenance of residential and non-residential students and remuneration of teaching and non-teaching staff as determined by the Government. The Department also facilitates getting these schools recognized from the competent authority under the Education Department as per procedure and helps them obtain affiliation from the Board of Secondary Education or Council of Higher Secondary Education. It also determines the curriculum for teaching/training in conformity with minimum standards of learning.

2.3 MISSION KSHYAMATA

To help persons with disabilities to become financially self reliant Mission Kshyamata facilitates formation of exclusive Self Help Groups of PwDs. It is a sub component of



Ms. Mansi Nimbhal IAS, Director SSEPD taking Sri. Prafulla Samal, Minister, SSEPD around an exhibition of products produced by PwD SHGs.



Shri. Naveen Patnaik, Chief Minister of Odisha inaugurating the Hostel for women with disability at Bhubaneswar

Mission Shakti and permits smaller groups to be formed with five to six members who are PwD or are parents of persons with mental retardation, mental illness, autism or cerebral palsy.

A onetime grant of ₹ 20, 000 is given to each group as revolving fund to augment their resources and as an encouragement to take up trading activities. This year 1,498 more SHGs have received funding from Mission Kshyamata. Apart from financial assistance, these groups have received basic skill training and orientation training on book keeping, marketing, management, etc

24 HOSTELS FOR WOMEN WITH DISABILITY

To meet the special accommodation needs of outstation women with disability who are employed in Bhubaneswar and to create access for women with disabilities to higher education in the cities of Bhubaneswar and Cuttack, the Department of SSEPD has established hostels exclusively for them. A hostel for 50 women students with disabilities in the Ramadevi Women's University in Bhubaneswar was inaugurated by the Chief Minister Shri. Naveen Patnaik on the 3rd of December, 2017. A similar facility is coming

up in the Sailabala Women’s Autonomous College in Cuttack for which an allocation of ₹ 800 lakh has been made. A hostel for working women with disabilities is situated in Bhubaneswar and managed by the State Social Welfare Board. It has a capacity of accommodating 58 residents.

2.5 SCHOLARSHIPS

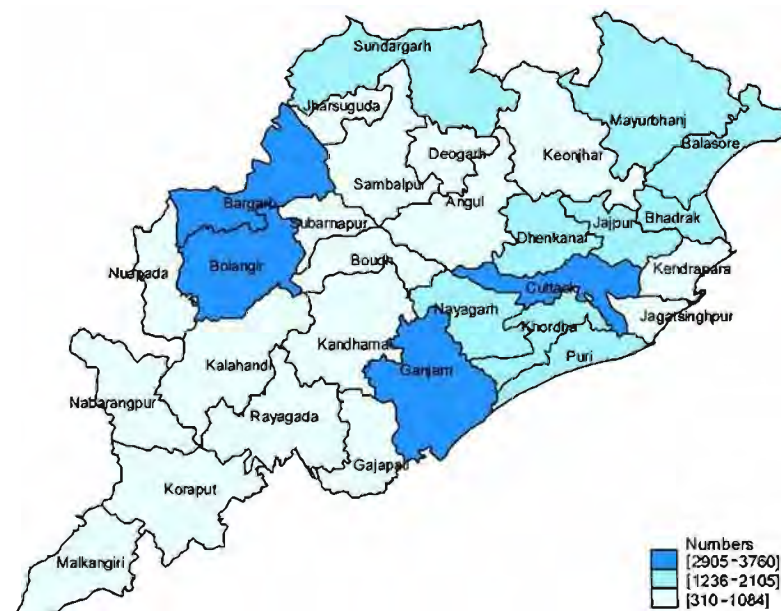
BANISHREE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Government of Odisha encourages the Persons with Disabilities to continue their education and provides for scholarships, fee exemptions, allowances and concessions to students with disabilities from primary level to higher education including technical and

vocational education.

A scholarship of ₹ 200 per month to primary school students; ₹ 250 per month to high school and secondary school children; ₹ 300 per month to senior secondary and under-graduate students; and ₹ 350 per month to post graduate students, students pursuing technical and short term vocational training. A reader allowance ranging from ₹ 100 to ₹ 200 per month is given to visually impaired students if they employ a reader. A transport allowance of ₹ 100 per month is granted to orthopedically impaired students having 75% or above disabilities. This is a continuing scheme and presently covers 34,802 students. An amount of ₹10,43,44,000 had been allocated for this scheme in the year 2017-18 (Annexure-8).

DISTRICTWISE DISTRIBUTION OF NUMBER OF BANISHREE SCHOLARSHIPS



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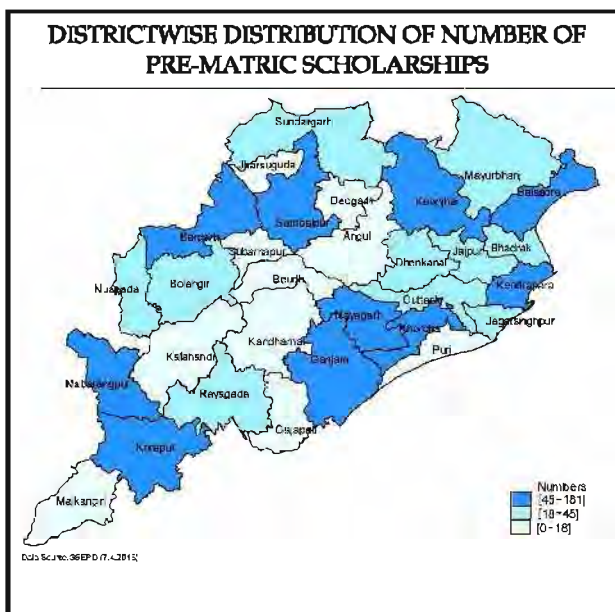
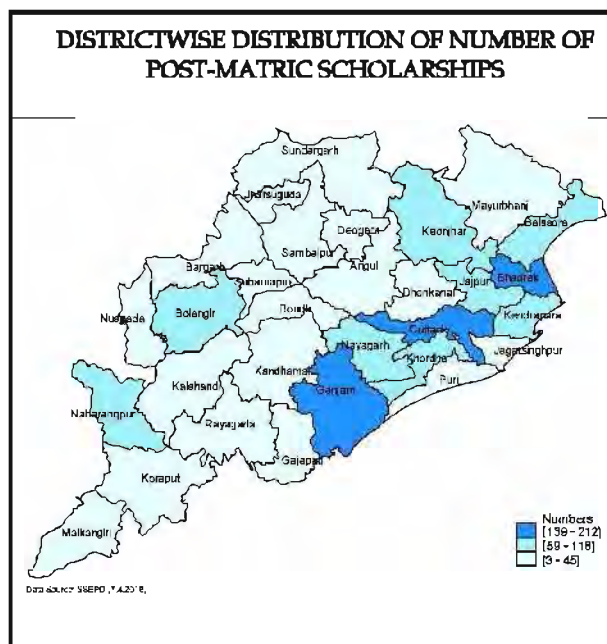
EXEMPTION OF TUITION FEE AND OTHER RELATED FEES

The Government of Odisha has exempted tuition fees and other related fees for higher studies/ technical studies for students with visual impairment who use Braille; hearing and speech impairments and; with orthopedic disability of more than 75 per cent.

PRE-MATRIC, POST-MATRIC AND TOP CLASS SCHOLARSHIP

Pre-matric Scholarship comprises a monthly maintenance allowance of ₹ 350 per month for day scholars and ₹ 600 for hostellers; along with a book grant and travel and reader allowances. Presently, the number of students with disabilities receiving pre-matric scholarship is 1,263.

Post-matric Scholarship ranges from ₹ 230 to ₹500 for day scholars; and ₹ 380 to ₹1200 for hostellers. This scholarship was availed by 1,351 number of students with disabilities in the year 2017-18. (Annexure-8)



Top Class Scholarship for post graduate students includes a monthly allowance of ₹1500 for day scholars and ₹ 3000 for hostellers along with a book grant of ₹ 5000 per annum and tuition fee up to ₹ 2 lakh. This year only 5 students with disabilities have been awarded the Top Class Scholarship. The Department is committed to making higher education accessible and inclusive for PwD with different requirements and is expecting an increase in the number of top class scholarships in the coming years.

2.6 FREE LAPTOP AND VOICE RECORDER TO PERSONS WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENT

To enable students with visual disabilities to access standard resources and communicate better lap tops loaded with JAWS software is provided free of cost. These lap tops are available to students with visual impairments pursuing Higher Education courses such as Under Graduate Degree Courses, Post Graduate Courses, Degree Course in Engineering, Medicine, Management or any other professional courses. Students with visual impairment pursuing Senior Secondary schooling and any course thereafter are also given free Digital Voice Recorders. In the current year 100 students with visual disabilities have benefitted from this scheme (Annexure-9).

2.7 TRANSPORT CONCESSION

To assist persons with disabilities to travel for employment, education and for accessing public services, this scheme offers persons with disabilities who can travel, concessional rates for travel on public transport. This year 35,560 number of PwD have received train travel concession and 65,358 PwD had received travel concessions for traveling by public bus. To those persons with disabilities who cannot travel alone concessions are also given to their escort. A hundred per cent concession is provided to persons with mental and total visual impairment and a concession ranging from fifty to hundred per cent to persons with orthopedic impairment for expenditure on travel in public buses. A fifty percent travel concession is also provided to the escort.



The Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Pattnaik distributing Laptops

2.8 ASSISTANCE TO DISABLED PERSONS FOR PURCHASE/FITTING OF AIDS/APPLIANCES (ADIP SCHEME)

This scheme assists the needy disabled persons by increasing the availability of suitable, durable, scientifically-manufactured, modern, standard aids and appliances that promotes their physical, social and psychological rehabilitation. Assistance is also provided for medical intervention or surgical correction essential prior to the fitment of the aid or device, traveling, boarding and lodging expenses are also covered by this scheme.

The Artificial Limb Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO) and SVNIRTAR are the agencies that manufacture and distribute Aids and Appliances under this scheme while the three State Government Medical Colleges situated in Cuttack, Berhampur and Burla,

District Headquarter Hospital, Koraput and IGH Rourkela provide medical intervention and surgical services. Two projects under this scheme are being implemented by Perpetual Reconstructive Institute for Youth Activity in Kendrapara and Regional Rehabilitation and Research Center Rourkela. The SIDR, RCDR and DDRCs are the major distributors of the Aids and Appliances along with physical rehabilitation and therapeutic services. Details in District Statistical Report (Chapter-8).

2.9 AWARD OF INCENTIVE FOR MARRIAGE TO PERSON WITH DISABILITY

To encourage marriage to persons with disabilities for their greater social inclusion and to enable them to lead normal lives with dignity a cash incentive is awarded to either spouse in a



Supporting PwD to lead normal social lives

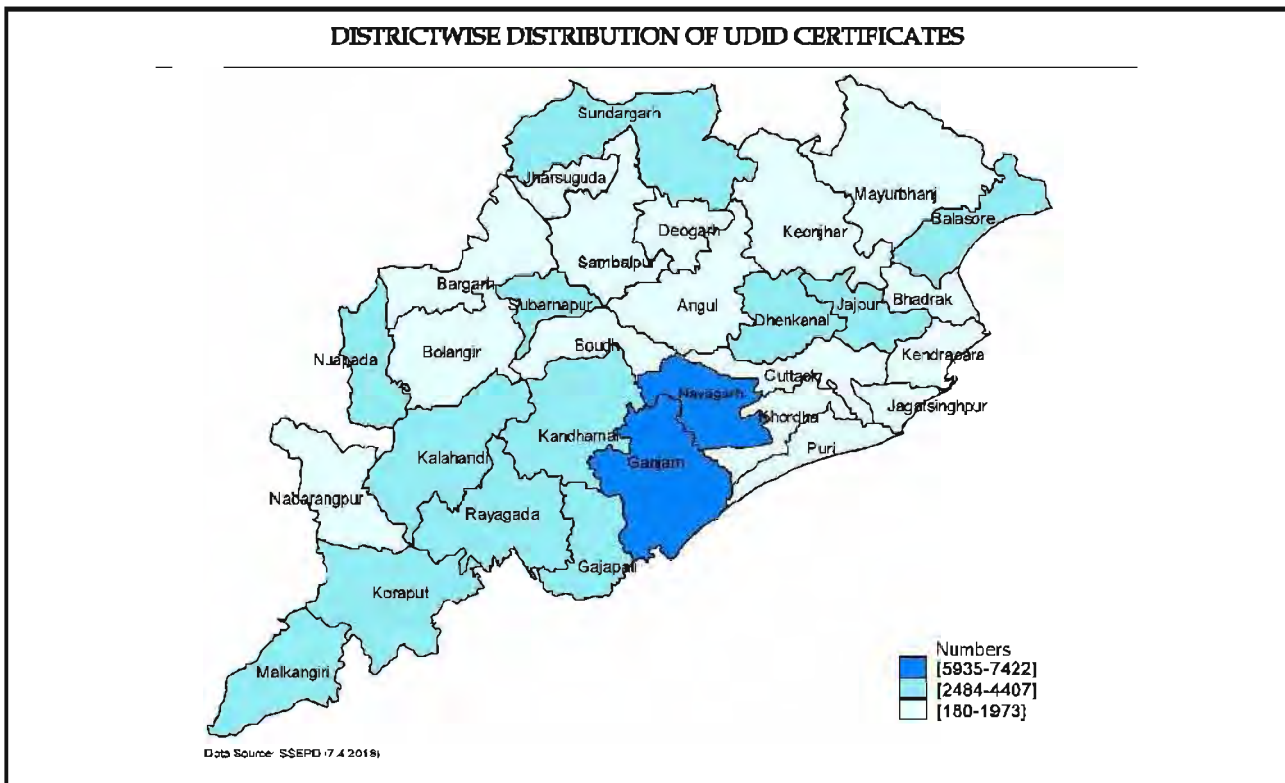
couple where one or both happen to be persons with disabilities. The amount of incentive is fixed at ₹ 50,000. This year 407 couples have been awarded under this scheme by the District Collectors (Annexure-10). For the year 2017-18 a budgetary provision of ₹ 200.00 lakh was made.

2.10 SCHEME FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 1995/2016 (SIPDA)

The Department of SSEPD was sanctioned 20 crore from the Government of India for the implementation of various activities outlined in the PwD Act, 1995/2016. Activities undertaken in the year 2017-18 under this scheme are enlisted below:

UNIQUE DISABILITY IDENTIFICATION (UDID)

Odisha is one of the pilot states for the Unique Disability ID programme. Identification and Survey for Universal ID of PwD is underway. So far, 2,49,617 persons with disabilities have been registered for UDID and 58,430 PwDs have received their UDID. For the identification and issue of UDID camps have been organized in every District this year. This will create a database on PwDs prevent duplication of data; facilitate swifter assessment and certification of disability through Medical Boards and Hospitals and help in streamlining and tracking the implementation of the various schemes of the Government for the PwD.



ACCESSIBLE INDIA CAMPAIGN

As part of the Accessible India Campaign, 50 public buildings and parks in Bhubaneswar were audited for accessibility to persons with disabilities and proposals for retrofitting of thirty buildings was submitted to the Government of India for which ₹ 12 crores had been sanctioned and released to the concerned line departments for execution. A fund amounting to ₹ 5.50,089,00 had been sanctioned towards providing barrier free environment for twenty-two public buildings and spaces (Annexure-11). Retrofitting work has subsequently been extended to 10 more cities Cuttack, Puri, Balasore, Baripada, Rourkela, Sambalpur, Bolangir, Jharsuguda, Berhampur

and Jeypore in the state and all departments have been requested to submit proposals for the retrofitting of their buildings in these select 10 towns of the state.

As per guidelines issued by the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, Government of India, websites of Departments are being made accessible to persons with disabilities through this scheme. Similarly, accessibility to libraries, both physical and digital is being promoted.

2.11 AWARENESS GENERATION AND PUBLICITY SCHEME (AGP)

A number of events and awareness campaigns were organized during the year 2017-18 at the



Awareness Campaign on International Day for the Deaf by District Administrator Dhenkanal



Sri. Prafulla Samal, Minister SSEPD and Ms. Minati Behera, Chairman SCPD flagging off the Inclusive Rath

state and district levels to give wide publicity through the electronic and print media to the rights and entitlements of the PwD and the programmes being run for their welfare and socio-economic empowerment by the Government. The events that were organized brought to the notice of all stakeholders and the civil society about the legal rights of the PwDs as enshrined in the constitution, international conventions, PwD Act 1995 and subordinate legislations. The larger society was sensitized on issues concerning the PwD, the causes leading to disability and its prevention, treatment and management.

Activities for the economic empowerment of PwDs like job fairs, awareness on skill

development, career counselling etc, were organized by the Department of SSEPD in collaboration with other government and PwD led organizations. Seminars, workshops, cultural activities, fairs, exhibitions etc, have also been organized jointly by the Department of SSEPD and other socially active organizations on the occasion of World Autism Day, International Day of Persons with Disabilities, Club Foot Day and Wheel Chair Day. (Refer Chapter-9)

2.12 THE NATIONAL TRUST SCHEMES

The National Trust is a statutory body of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, set up under the



Minister, Sri Prafulla Samal speaking at a workshop on Legal Guardianship

"National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act" (1999). The National Trust carries out various schemes of capacity building, training and care & shelter through its registered organizations. A total of 32 organizations from Odisha have been registered under the National Trust Act and the PwD Act 1995. Some of the activities undertaken by these organizations through the National Trust schemes are:

DISHA: Disha Centres provide early intervention services to children with Disability and training to family members. There are four such centres in Odisha catering to 120 children. (Annexure-12)

VIKAAS: In this day care scheme, the PwD have an opportunity to enhance their interpersonal and vocational skills as they grow in age. Presently there are seven Vikaas centres functioning in Odisha catering to 140 PwD. (Annexure-13)

SAMARTH: This scheme provides a respite home for Persons with Disabilities from poverty and low income families including destitute, orphans or abandoned, families in crisis. Four organizations with a total of 100 beneficiaries in Odisha are being supported under this scheme to run Samarth Centres. (Annexure-14)

GHARAUNDA : This scheme provides an assured home and minimum quality of care

services throughout the life of a person with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation or Multiple Disabilities. Presently seven organizations in Odisha are running Gharaunda Centres with 160 PwD beneficiaries. (Annexure-15)

SAHYOGI: To provide adequate and nurturing care to persons with disabilities and their families who require it this scheme provides training to care givers. In the current year a one day Workshop on Legal Guardianship and Parents Training was organized in Bhubaneswar.

BADHTE KADAM: Through this scheme efforts have been made to raise community awareness, sensitization, social integration and mainstreaming of Persons with Disabilities at the District level. A week long, Inclusive India Campaign was launched from 9th to 15th

August 2017 to sensitize the general public on the challenges that the PwD face for inclusion in community life, education institutions and livelihood opportunities.

2.13 REHABILITATION OF LEPROSY CURED PERSON (LCP)

To provide persons cured from Hansen's disease (Leprosy) with self-employment opportunities and for their social rehabilitation, the Government of Odisha provides financial assistance as grant-in-aid to the Hind Kusth Nivaran Sangh, Odisha State Branch in Bhubaneswar and to Daya Ashram, Cuttack for vocational training in various trades. 242 LCPs have been rehabilitated in Rehabilitation Centres at Parlakhemundi, Balasore, Sambalpur and Cuttack. For their maintenance, funds are provided by the Government of Odisha. For the year 2017-18 an amount of ₹ 35.05 lakh had been sanctioned.



District Collector Sambalpur Mr. Samarth Verma, IAS supervising the rehabilitation of leprosy cured persons in Durgapalli

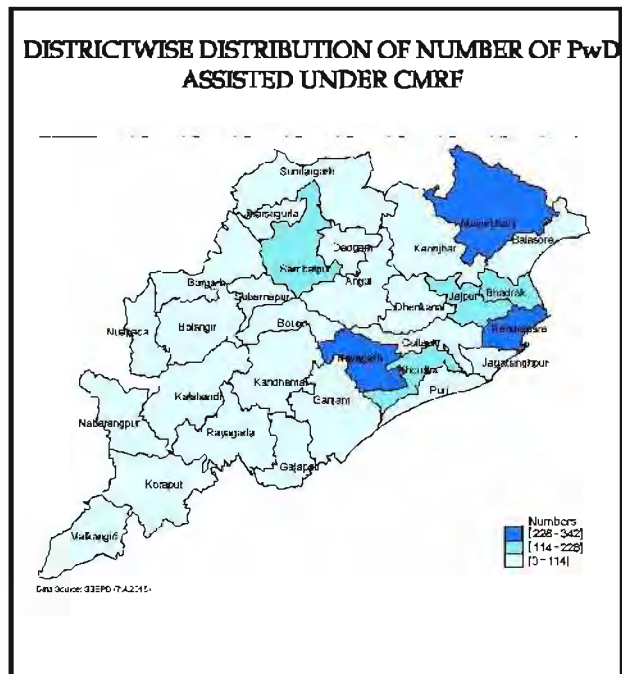
2.14 DIFFERENTIAL RATE OF INTEREST (DRI) SCHEME

In this scheme financial assistance at concessional rates are available to selected low income groups including persons with disabilities who have the necessary skills but lack the finance to set up their own business. Credit for a maximum amount of ₹ 20,000 as a house loan, at the rate of 4 percent per annum and a maximum amount of ₹ 15,000 for any other purpose is given to persons with disability or to institutions of PwDs pursuing a gainful occupation. Repayment period is up to five years. In Odisha 5,279 persons with disability have availed of DRI loans in the financial year 2017-18.

livelihood are eligible for CMRF. In support of livelihood endeavours 2,737 PwD have received grants upto a maximum of ₹ 30,000 from the CMRF in 2017-18.

2.15. CHIEF MINISTER'S RELIEF FUND (CMRF)

Assistance for the relief and rehabilitation of the aged, PwD and those incapable of earning their



DSSO Balasore visits Sri. Manoranjan Nayak a PwD who has opened a Tea shop with CMRF funds.

2.16. AUTISM ASSESSMENT AND CERTIFICATION

The Government has framed Guidelines for Evaluation and Assessment of Autism and Procedure for Certification have been issued. Training Programmes for Medical and Rehabilitation Professionals have been organised to equip them on the techniques and procedure for certification of Autism. State Autism Appellate Medical Board has been constituted. For the first time, a specialized Mega Autism Detection Camp was held in Baliapal where 388 cases were registered. Autism certification camps were held twice in Bhubaneswar where 68 certificates were issued.

2.17 THERAPEUTIC AND REHABILITATION SERVICES TO CHILDREN AND PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

For the first time the State Government has extended financial support that covers managerial costs to 46 NGOs working for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. These NGOs work for the care and rehabilitation of 1773 children and adults with intellectual disability in 22 districts. Financial support to the tune of ₹ 5,26,92,000 has been released to provide day care services and residential facilities along with health care and income generating skills. (Annexure-16).

2.18 CARE AND PROTECTION OF SPASTIC CHILDREN

The State Government has a scheme for creating awareness on children with Cerebral Palsy among the general population and the parents of children with Cerebral Palsy. The Scheme envisages day boarding facilities and door to door attendance of Spastic children. Creating awareness among the public as well as the parents of spastic children and to provide training and education to them on cerebral palsy in order to make them self-sufficient is also an aspect of this many fold scheme. Financial assistance is being provided to 11 Voluntary Organisations for the purpose. In 2017-18, ₹ 70 lakh was provided in support of their activities. (Annexure-17).

2.19 GRANTS TO PwD LED ORGANIZATIONS

To encourage organizations formed for the PwD and led by the PwD the Department of SSEPD financially supports the Odisha Association for the Blind, Odisha Association for the Deaf and the All Odisha Orthopedically Handicapped Welfare Association. The State Government During 2017-18, released an amount of ₹ 1.00 lakh each towards maintenance of their headquarters at Bhubaneswar. Further, an amount of ₹ 3.00 lakh has been provided to them for setting up Vocational Training Centres.



Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik giving away State Awards to PwD

2.20 STATE AWARDS FOR THE EMPOWERMENT OF PwD

State Awards for the Empowerment of PwD were conferred on the International Day of Persons with Disability, 3rd of December, 2016. The following individuals and institutions received awards of ₹ 25,000 each from the Honourable Chief Minister Sr. Naveen Patnaik.

1. *Sri Manoranjan Jena* for being the Best employee/self employed with visual disability.
2. *Sri. Narayan Panigrahi* for being the Best employee/self employed with speech and hearing disability.
3. *Sri Sumant Moharana* for being the Best employee/self employed with locomotor disability.
4. *Ms. Manjulata Mallick* for her achievement in rehabilitation of PwD
5. *Sri. Pradyumna Kumar Mohapatra* for Best achievement in rehabilitation of PwD
6. *Manovikash Society for the Differently Abled, Mayurbhanj* for the institution with the best achievement in rehabilitation of PwD
7. *Sri. V. Ramesh Rao* for the Best Male Sports Person with Disability
8. *Ms. Loma Swain* for the Best Female Sports Person with Disability
9. *Sri. Akshay Kumar Sahoo* for the Best exemplary Service by Individual for PwDs

10. *Sri. Sukanta Behera* for Best PwD in Performing Arts
11. *Sri. Ali Ahmed* for Best PwD in Performing Arts
12. *Districts of Sambalpur, Rayagada, Malkangiri, Nabrangpur, Deogarh, Nayagarh* for the Best Districts providing Rehabilitation Services received ₹ 1 lakh each.
13. *DDRC, Kandhamal* for the Best DDRC providing Rehabilitation Services received a cash award of ₹ 50,000.

2.21 STATE LEVEL LIBRARY/RESOURCE CENTRE

The Department of SSEPD, has set up an academic resource-centre for the PwD. This library, functions as a full-fledged database provider, ensuring that material is available in accessible formats as per the type of disability. For example, availability of audio books and Braille books for visually-impaired, visual sign-language material for hearing-impaired, sensitized learning aids for other PwDs etc. An allocation of ₹ 50 lakh has been made for setting this up in the premises of the NCSCDA.



State Resource Centre-cum-Library at NCSCDA, Bhubaneswar

2.22 VRIDDHI-TRAINING CUM PRODUCTION CENTER

Lack of livelihood opportunities is a major issue for the PwD. For their inclusion in economic activities, the Department has started a Training cum Production Centre for manufacturing soaps. A SHG of 17 members all of whom have intellectual disabilities runs the unit that helps them to earn while they learn. A seven day training on various processes involved in making herbal soaps was given to its members and some of their parents. The Department allocated ₹ 44.50 lakh for this endeavour. During the last quarter from January to March 2018, the enterprise has produced 3,101 units of Herbal Soaps with a market value of ₹ 70,630/- with an expenditure of ₹ 30,123/- only. Out of which 1,278 soaps have been sold and an amount of ₹ 40,507/- has been received from its sale proceeds. The positive financial performance is a testament to their business acumen. VRIDDHI is located at NCSCDA in Bhubaneswar.

Date	No. of soaps produced & Stock in hand	No. of soaps sold	Sales value	Expenditure incurred	Profit
02.01.18 to 31.01.18	2194	281	16,090/-	7,134/-	-
01.02.18 to 28.02.18	667	295	14,510/-	19,419/-	-
01.03.18 to 27.03.18	240	702	40,030/-	3,570/-	-
TOTAL	3101	1278	70,630/-	30,123/-	40,507/-



Soap making at Vriddhi- Training cum Production Centre