

Government of Orissa,  
General Administration Department.

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To

All Departments of Government/  
All Heads of Departments/All Collectors.

Sub:- Reservation of vacancies for rehabilitation of physically handicapped persons in Group-B, Group-C and Group-D posts/services under the State Govt. and in Public Sector Undertakings.

The undersigned is directed to say that detailed instructions have been issued in G.A. Department Resolution No. 15338 dated 4.5.81 and Resolution No. 16189 dt. 16.7.82 regarding reservation of vacancies for rehabilitation of Physically handicapped persons in Class-III, Class-IV posts and in Class-II gazetted posts and specially gazetted posts/services under the State Government and in Public Sector Undertakings. Out of 3% of reservation meant for physically handicapped persons 1% has been earmarked for visually handicapped candidates. It was impressed upon all concerned that utmost care should be taken for rehabilitation of physically handicapped persons in above class of posts/services.

It is a matter of great concern that though 610 candidates had been empanelled by the National Institute for the Visually Handicapped in 1995, so far only 68 of them have been appointed. The validity of the panel has been extended upto 31.12.99. On a representation made by apex level organisation for the blind, Prime Minister has expressed his concern at the slow progress of appointment even though there is 3% reservation for the disabled persons (1% being for visually handicapped) under the persons with Disabilities Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation Act, 1995 in all Government establishments.

It is, therefore, requested that necessary steps may be taken to expedite the appointment of visually handicapped persons against the reservation made for them in accordance with the instructions issued in G.A. Department Resolutions referred to above.

The Sub-ordinate offices under your control may be intimated accordingly.

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6-9-99  
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6/9/99  
Deputy Secretary to Government.

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