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From

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To

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Sir,

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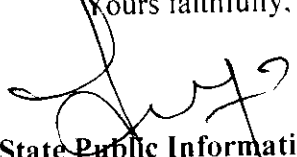
Ref:- Your application dated 13.11.2018.

I am herewith enclosing the details of information required for your application dated on 13.11.2018.

If the information is not satisfied, you can contact our Appellate Authority.

**K Geetha,  
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Yours faithfully,

  
State Public Information Officer  
Social Justice Department

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a) **Schemes for Poor & Vulnerable Groups**

I. **Financial Assistance to Ex-convicts, Probationers and Ex-pupils**

The age – old idea was that the offender should be confined to the prison and kept away from the community as long as possible. But, in course of time, it has been realized that the protection of society is better ensured if the offender is corrected and reformed through individualized treatments.

Social Rehabilitation of ex-convicts, probationers and ex-pupils placed under supervision of poor economic condition is a grave social problem. As part of providing a reformation to such target population, Social Justice Department has initiated a scheme which provides enough financial assistance to them for starting some industry, Craft or small Trade so as to enable them to earn a livelihood.

The After Care Programme intended to rehabilitate ex-convicts, probationers and ex-pupils coming under the supervision of District Probation Officers. By utilizing this amount they shall be engaged in small scale income generating activities.

II. **Financial assistance to intercaste married couples (except SC/ST category)**

Social Justice Department has initiated a scheme that provides financial assistance to intercaste married couples (except SC/ST category) who suffer from financial problems. During 1989-90 the amount of financial assistance was Rs.2,000/-. Now through this scheme the intercaste married couples would get a one time financial assistance of Rs. 30,000/-.

### **III. Distress relief Fund for the Disabled**

**(G.O.(MS) 4/95/SWD dated. 24.01.1995)**

The interest acquired from this fund is being utilized for giving financial assistance to disabled persons for the following purpose.

- a) For medical treatment including operations.
- b) The persons who became disabled due to accidents.
- c) For any other purpose which are not covered by existing schemes.

### **IV. Marriage Assistance to physically Challenged Girls and Assistance to Daughters of Physically Challenged Parents (2006)**

G.O.(MS) No. 126/2006 SWD, dated. 16.03.2006 and GO(MS) No. 216/2007-SWD, dated. 30.03.2007.

Assistance is given to Daughters Physically Challenged Girls and Assistance to Daughters of Physically Challenged Parents.

### **V. Scholarship for the Disabled Students**

#### **Objectives**

The disabled students with minimum 40% disability studying in schools, colleges and those who attend professional courses and technical training are being given scholarship by the department. Now the applicant's family income should be below Rs. 36,000/- and should obtain 40% marks in the examination in the previous year.

## **VI. Vocational Training Centres for the Disabled**

These institutions are providing vocational training to disabled youths.

## **VII. Financial Assistance to Blind Advocates**

During the period of 1994 to 1995

Under this scheme for the payment of financial assistance to Blind and Orthopedically Challenged Advocates the annual income of the family should not exceed 18,000/- (now the limit is enhanced to 1 lakh). The applicant shall be eligible for an exgratia non recurring grant of Rs. 400/- as Readers allowance Rs. 2500/- as primarily expenses per month.

## **VIII. Awards**

Social Justice Department is giving awards to best handicapped employees working in private/public/government sectors. The welfare institutions for the handicapped functioning for Orthopedically handicapped, deaf and dumb, blind and mentally retarded and institutions in private/public/government sectors which provides employment to maximum number of handicapped persons are also given awards. An amount of Rs. 1000/- (1994-1995) is given to the employee.

### **b) Woman, d) Farmers and f) SC/ST/PVT**

are not concerned with our department consult with the related departments.

c) **Differently Abled**

**Scholarship for Differently Abled Children**

Through this scheme the State government provides monthly scholarship to differently abled children whose family income should be below Rs. 20,000/-. During the year 1994-1995, a monthly scholarship of Rs. 60 and for buying clothes and learning material a grand of Rs. 60/- is also given. Children below 21 years are eligible for the scheme.

e) **Students**

i. **Vocational Training Centres for Disabled**

Institutions are providing vocational training to disabled youths. Training is imparted in Book binding, Tailoring and Embroidery works and DCA-DTP courses, Leather works, fashion designing etc are given to youths for being independent and confident.

ii. **Stipend to Trainees in VTC (State Government)**

Through this scheme the State Government provides stipend to the disabled students who are studying in Government institutions or Government aided institution. During the year 1994-1995 a monthly stipend of Rs. 200/- is given to the trainees.

**Scholarship for the Disabled Children**

An yearly scholarship of maximum of Rs. 325/- and the students of class V<sup>th</sup> to VIII will be given maximum of Rs. 400/- whose family income is below 15,000/- during the year 1994-1995.