# MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

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## INTRODUCTION

- The Ministry of Welfare was formed in 1985
- •The Ministry was formed by composition of the following earlier Ministries.
  - ✓ Ministry of Home Affairs (SC, ST, OBC and Minorities)
  - √ Ministry of Social and Women's Welfare (Disabled )
  - ✓ Ministry of Law (Work relating to Wakfs in 1986)
- •The name of the Ministry of Welfare was changed to the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment in May, 1998.

#### DEPARTMENTS SEPARATED FROM THE MINISTRY

- In 1999, the Tribal Development Division moved to a separate Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
- In 2007, the Minorities Division along with Wakf Unit moved out & formed as a separate Ministry of Minority Affairs.
- The Child Development Division was merged with the Ministry of Women & Child Development.

# Present Departments Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment

✓ Department of Social Justice and

Empowerment

✓ Department of Disability Affairs

## Vision and Mission

#### Vision

To build an inclusive society wherein members of the target groups can lead **productive**, **safe and dignified lives** with adequate support for their growth and development.

#### Mission

To support and empower its target groups through programmes of educational, economic and social development, and rehabilitation wherever necessary.

## **Target Group of the Department**

- √ (i) Scheduled Castes,
- √(ii) Other Backward Classes,
- √(iii) Senior citizens and
- √(iv) Victims of Alcoholism & Substance Abuse
- √(v) Transgender Persons and
- √(vi) Beggars

## **Objectives**

- ✓ Educational and Economic Development SC, ST, OBC, De-notified and EBC.
- ✓ Support to Senior Citizens in Maintenance, Welfare, Security, Health Care, productive and independent living
- ✓ Prevention & Treatment of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (Drugs)
- ✓ Educational and Economic Development along with the Social Empowerment of Transgender Persons and Beggars.

## **Functions**

- 1. Development/updation of legislation, policies and guidelines at National level.
- 2. Overseeing existing laws & policies.
- 3. Financial assistance to State Governments, NGOs
- 4. Overseeing the functioning of the National Finance & Development Corporations(Loans).
- 5. Generating awareness about the rights of the vulnerable sections

## **Assistance given by the Ministry**

- ✓ The ministry currently extends assistance to Non-Governmental
  Organizations working for the welfare of disadvantaged sections
  of the society separately designed to address these target
  groups.
- ✓ Generally all these schemes support projects in the area of education, training, rehabilitation of the targeted groups.
- ✓ Recurring expenditure on components such as honorarium to staff, other recurring non-honorarium and non recurring items such as furniture, equipments, construction of building etc are supported under these projects.

## Grant in Aid to NGO's - Schemes

#### 1. Scheduled Castes Welfare

To enhance the reach of **development interventions** of the Government and fill the gaps in service deficient Scheduled Caste dominant areas and To provide **qualitative coaching.** 

### 2.Welfare of Backward Classes

To improve the **educational and socio-economic** conditions of these communities through voluntary.

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#### 3. Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities

To assist the **needy disabled persons** in procuring durable, sophisticated and scientifically manufactured, modern, standard aids.

#### 4. Social Defence

To improve the quality of life of the Older Persons by providing basic amenities.

Recognizing Substance Abuse and Alcoholism as a **psycho socio medical problem** –Service to awareness generation, identification, treatment and rehabilitation.

THANK YOU!