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

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D.O. No. 21-02/2013-DD.III

पाँचवा तल, पर्यावरण भवन
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04.11.2016

संख्या/No..... Dear Shri Padhi,

दिनांक/Date.....

As you are aware, the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 casts responsibilities on the appropriate Governments to take measures for empowerment of persons with disabilities (PwDs). As per section 33 of the said Act, every appropriate Government shall appoint in every establishment such percentage of vacancies not less than three percent for persons or class of persons with (i) blindness or low vision; (ii) hearing impairment; and (iii) locomotor disability or cerebral palsy.

2. The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order dated 08.10.2014 in the matter of Civil Appeal No. 9096 of 2013- Union of India Vs National Federation of the Blind & others had held that the number of vacancies reserved for PwDs shall be computed on the basis of 3% reservation on the total number of vacancies in the cadre strength.

3. We have been requesting the States/UTs to implement the above provision of PwD Act, 1995 as well as the order of Hon'ble Supreme Court from time to time and also to provide necessary data. Your attention in this regard is drawn specifically to the D.O. letter of even number dated 06.05.2014 from the then Secretary, DEPwD and followed by D. O. letter from Hon'ble Minister SJ&E, No. 21-01/2013 dated 06.08.2015.

4. I shall be grateful if you kindly issue necessary instructions to all concerned State Authorities to take steps to implement the provisions of section 33 of PwD Act, 1995 in light of the observation of Hon'ble Supreme Court referred above and arrange to send a consolidated report to us as per the enclosed proforma by 30.11.2016. I would also request you to take immediate steps to fill up the backlog vacancies, if any, meant for PwDs in a time bound manner.

5. Your personal intervention in the matter will be highly appreciated.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(G. Latha Krishna Rao)

Encl: As above

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