

# **Financial Assistance Under The National Fund For Persons With Disabilities**

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## **Important Features (Financial Assistance Under The National Fund For Persons With Disabilities)**

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## **Benefits (Financial Assistance Under The National Fund For Persons With Disabilities)**

- Component 1: Exhibitions/workshops to showcase the products including paintings, handicraft etc made by the PwDs. ■ Establishment cost towards organising the event including cost for arranging venue, TA/DA to the participating PwDs invited to showcase their products/paintings, transportation cost etc. Cost of additional logistics such as arrangement for LCD screen, light, music etc. 50% of the grant will be released in advance and remaining 50% will be released after completion of the programme and after receipt of utilization certificate. Maximum financial assistance will be Rs 20 lakh for National level, Rs 15 lakh for Regional level (five Regions namely, Southern Region, Northern Region, Western Region, Eastern Region, North Eastern Region). ■ Component 2: Support persons with benchmark disabilities who have excelled in sports / fine
- arts / music / dance / film / theatre / literature at the State level to participate in the National and International events. ■ To and fro Second AC train fare (shortest route) of the candidate with disability along with one escort (where as applicable), in case he/she is unable to travel alone for participation at the National event, and an amount of Rs. 2500/
- per day towards boarding lodging per person. In case of international event, to and fro economic air fare (shortest route) and an amount of Rs. 4000/
- per day for the entire duration of the event. ■ Component 3: Support certain exclusive needs of persons with high support needs as recommended by the Assessment Boards on specific recommendation by the States on a case to case basis. ■ The financial assistance is limited to: Actual

cost of the customized mobility equipment to improve activity of daily living or Rs 1 lakh whichever is lower.

## **Eligibility (Financial Assistance Under The National Fund For Persons With Disabilities)**

- For Component 1: Exhibitions/workshops to showcase the products including paintings, handicraft etc made by the PwDs. The organization must be one of the following
  - A Government organization
  - An organization registered under Societies Act
  - An organization registered under Companies Act
  - An organization registered under Trust Act. The organization must have been registered for a period of three years or more. The organization must have experience of at least 2 years in organizing exhibition/workshops in marketing products/paintings. ■ Component 2: Support persons with benchmark disabilities who have excelled in sports / fine arts / music / dance / film / theatre / literature at the State level to participate in the National and International events. The applicant must be a Person with Disability. The percentage of disability must be 40% or more. The Total Annual Income of Family (from all sources) of the applicant must not exceed
    - ■ 3.00 Lakh per Annum (if participating in National Events and National IT Challenge)
    - ■ 6.00 Lakh per Annum (if participating in International Events). The applicant must have either won medals in sporting events or graded as outstanding / promising artist (as per the instructions of Ministry of Culture) during the last three years. The applicant must NOT have participated in a similar event before. ■ Component 3: Support certain exclusive needs of persons with high support needs as recommended by the Assessment Boards on specific recommendation by the States on a case to case basis. The applicant must have high support needs as recommended by the Assessment Board constituted by the States/UTs who have approached the States and the States could not provide such assistance from their Fund and has recommended for consideration under the Fund. The annual family income of the applicant must not be more than Rs 3 lakh or as may be specified by the Governing Body.

## **Application Process (Financial Assistance Under The National Fund For Persons With Disabilities)**

- For Component 1: The eligible organizations may submit the proposal as per the proforma placed at Annexure-I of the guidelines along with all supporting documents addressed to: ■ Joint Secretary & CEO of the Fund Room No.
  - 527, 5th Floor, BIII Wing Pt.
  - Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003.
- ■ For Component 2: The eligible PwDs may submit the proposal as per the proforma placed at Annexure-II of the guidelines along with all supporting documents addressed to: ■ Joint Secretary & CEO of the Fund Room No.
  - 527, 5th Floor, BIII Wing Pt.
  - Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003.
- ■ For Component 3: The eligible individual persons with benchmark disabilities seeking high support needs who have been assessed by the State Assessment Boards may submit the proposal as per the proforma placed at Annexure III of the guidelines along with all supporting documents addressed to: ■ Joint Secretary & CEO of the Fund Room No.
  - 527, 5th Floor, BIII Wing Pt.
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## **Documents Required (Financial Assistance Under The National Fund For Persons With Disabilities)**

- For Component 1: Exhibitions/workshops to showcase the products including paintings
  - handicraft etc made by the PwDs. Certificate of Registration Supporting Document showing Experience of the Organization Memorandum of Association of the Organization PAN/TAN/GST Number Invitation letter inviting trade/marketing bodies
- ■ For Component 2: Support persons with benchmark disabilities who have excelled in sports / fine-arts / music / dance / film / theatre / literature at the State level to participate in the National and International events. Copy of valid permanent certificate

of disability AADHAAR Number or AADHAAR enrollment number (if AADHAAR card not yet obtained). Certificate showing winning of medals at the State/National level or certificate showing achievement in the field of fine arts/painting/music. Invitation from the organizer of National/International event. ■ For Component 3: Support certain exclusive needs of persons with high support needs as recommended by the Assessment Boards on specific recommendation by the States on a case to case basis. Copy of valid permanent certificate of disability AADHAAR Number or AADHAAR enrollment number (if AADHAAR not yet obtained). Copy of the recommendations of the Assessment Board Certificate from the State Government conveying that the initially the proposal was submitted to them and it was not possible for the States to grant any assistance. In addition a copy of the recommendation from the State clearly indicating the requirement of assistance.