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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY SOCIAL WELFARE SECRETARIAT

(G.O. Ms. No. 20/SWS/2019-2020, Puducherry, dated 10th January 2020)

NOTIFICATION

The Ministry of Law and Justice (Legislative Department), Government of India, has enacted a new law *viz.*, "The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016" (No. 49 of 2016) on 27th December 2016. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, has appointed 19th April, 2017, as the date on which the said Act shall come into force *vide* Notification S.O.No. 1215 (E), dated 19th April 2017. The Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, has delegated the powers of the State Government under the Act to the Administrators of

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all the Union Territories *vide* Notification S.O.No. 3870(E), dated 12th December, 2017 and published in section 3, Part II of the Extraordinary Gazette of India *vide* No. 3394. The rules of the Union Territory Government under section 101 of the Act have been published *vide* G.O. Ms. No. 12, dated 19-12-2018.

Whereas, section 24 of the Act stipulates as follows:-

"24 (1) The appropriate Government shall within the limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary schemes and programmes to safeguard and promote the rights of persons with disabilities for adequate standard of living to enable them to live independently or in the community:

Provided that the quantum of assistance to the persons with disabilities under such schemes and programmes shall be at least twenty-five per cent. higher than the similar schemes applicable to others."

And whereas, section 37 of the Act provides as follows:-

"The appropriate Government and the Local Authorities shall, by notification make schemes in favour of persons with benchmark disabilities, to provide,-

- (a) five per cent. reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes and development programmes, with appropriate priority to women with benchmark disabilities;
- (b) five per cent. reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes with appropriate priority to women with benchmark disabilities;
- (c) five per cent. reservation in allotment of land on concessional rate, where such land is to be used for the purpose of promoting housing, shelter, setting up of occupation, business, enterprise, recreation centres and production centres."

Now, therefore, the Lieutenant-Governor hereby orders that the Administrative Departments shall implement the abovesaid provisions of the Act. In case, the persons with benchmark disability are not available to avail the benefit, then quota will be utilized by person other

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than persons with benchmark disability. The Administrative Departments are directed to furnish the return in the enclosed *pro forma*, on six monthly basis to the Directorate of Social Welfare.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

K. SARANGAPANI, Under Secretary to Government (Welfare).

PRO FORMA

(Appended to the G.O. Ms. No. 20/SWS/2019-2020, dated 10-01-2020)

Name of the Department : Reporting period :

1. Status of reservation :

| Sl. No. | Name of the scheme | Total No. of beneficiaries during the period under report | No. of differently abled beneficiaries applied for the benefit | | No. of differently abled beneficiaries out of Col. | | tly ries | Percentage of differently abled beneficiaries out of total beneficiaries | |
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| (1) | (2) | (3) | Male | Female (F) | Total | Male | Female (5) | Total | (6) |

2. It is certified that provision to the section 24 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 has been complied

Signature of Head of Department.

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