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University Grants Commission 35, Feroze Shah Road New Delhi April 2016 F. No. 6-11/2015(SCT) 22 APR 2016 To. The Registrar, Paniab Univestiy Chandigarh, PIN - 160 014. Subject:- Regarding Accessible India Campaign (Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan), as a nationwide flagship campaign for achieving universal accessibility for PwDs. Sir I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of letter number F. No. 19-6/2016-Desk U dated 29/01/2016 received from Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education, CU Division, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi on the subject mentioned above and to request you to take action at the earliest and send the action taken report to UGC urgently. This may also be brought to the notice of the colleges affiliated by our country. Yours faithfully. Madbe DR(4)/SC/ST Call from (Madhu Mehra)

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Govt. of India

Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education

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To

The Secretary, University Grants Commission, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002 Secretary Section 27902 Date: 8/8/16

Sub: Accessible India Campaign (Sugumya Bharat Abhiyan), as a nationwide flagship campaign for achieving universal accessibility for PwDs.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of O.M. No.11-5/2015/SC/ST dated 4th January 2016 alongwith enclosure D.O. letter No.4-19/2015-AIC dated 9.12.2015, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (EPwD) received from SC/ST Cell on the subject mentioned above.

2. It is requested that the comments/ views as well as Action Taken Report may be furnished to this Division at the earliest.

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Government of India

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Department of Higher Education

Economic Administration Division

(SC/ST Cell)



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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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2. In view of above, it is requested to all Bureau Heads of D/o H.E. to arrange to provide the Action Taken Report of the implementions of decisions taken in the meeting held on 18.11.2015 at the earliest to enable the SC/ST Cell to compile the same before it is forwarded to D/o Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities.

Encl:- As above.

For To SM/ DS(SS)

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Economic Advisor, D/o School Education & Literacy to furnish the ATR of the decision pertains to D/o SE&L directly to D/o EPwD.

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Government of India Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment 21/12/15 Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities

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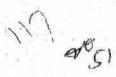
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(Action: -Ministry of Science & Technology)

III An attempt may be made to arrange competitions for use of sign language for the disabled by the masses

To organize competitions for use of sign language in schools and colleges.
In this regard instructions may be issued by the Deptt. of Higher Education. Ali Yavar Jung National Institute for Hearing Handicapped (AYJNIHH) may formulate some sample competitions / quizzes to be used by Ministry of HRD.

(Action: - Ministry of Human Resource Development)

 The Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Hearing Handicapped, (AYJNIHH) Mumbai, to organize regular competitions on Sign Language (Action: - AYJNIHH, Mumbai)

IV To prepare innovative audio-visual material for Persons with Disabilities taking into consideration the daily needs of the disabled.

 To modify existing guidelines suitably so that certain percentage of publicity material may be prepared in Braille format for the benefit of the visually impaired.

(Action: - Ministry of Information & Broadcasting)

V During film festivals, an attempt may be made for screening a special show for the disabled. Films may be prepared taking into special needs of visually impaired and hearing impaired people.

 To issue specific instructions in this regard that at least one film festival in a year should focus on disability/disabled people.

(Action: - Directorate of Film Festivals, Ministry of I&B)

 Ministry of I&B to initiate action for captioning, audio description etc. of films & documentaries and TV programmes on National Channels & other public channels for the benefit of Visually impaired and Hearing impaired persons.

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Ministry of I&B to decide on use of Text to Speech' feature in the Television Set Top Boxes.

(Action: - Ministry of Information & Broadcasting)

An attempt may be made to organize special seminars, workshops of all stakeholders related to construction of buildings, transport environment and ICT ecosystem, so as to make the new and existing infrastructure accessible to the disabled.

Special seminars and workshops on the campaign would be organized in different regions/States of the country jointly with Ministries of Urban Development, Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways & Ministry of DEITY etc.

(Action: - All concerned Ministries/Departments)

To issue instructions to the Railway Zonal Offices to organize such seminars and workshops and inputs received from Railway Zonal Offices may be forwarded to the DEPwD.

(Action: - Ministry of Railways)

VII Time lines proposed for the campaign may be suitably revised so as to accomplish the objectives in a shorter period of time.

Built Environm	ent Accessibility	
Target	Timelines	Revised Timeline (now proposed)
Access audit of at least 50 government buildings in 48 cities and make them fully accessible	July, 2016	July, 2016
Make 50% of government buildings in NCR and state capitals fully accessible	July, 2019	July , 2018
Access audit of 50% government buildings and make them accessible in 10 important towns/cities of states not covered in targets 1 and 2		July, 2019
Transport syste	m accessibility	
Access audit of all international airports and make them accessible		July, 2016
Access audit of domestic airports and make them accessible	July, 2019	March, 2018
Make A1, A and B category stations fully accessible	July, 2016	July, 2016

Make 50% of all Railway stations fully accessible	July, 2019 •	March, 2018
Make 10% of Government owned public transport fully accessible	July, 2019	March, 2018
Knowledge and ICT Ed	cosystem accessil	oility
50% of Central and State Government websites meet accessibility standards		March, 2017
At least 50% of public documents meet accessibility standards	July, 2019	March, 2018
Train 200 additional sign language interpreters	July, 2019	March, 2018
Create and finalize standards for captioning and sign language interpretation	July, 2016	July, 2016
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Instructions to be issued by Department of Economic Affairs (DEA), Ministry of Finance (MoF) to the Ministries/Departments to take necessary steps to earmark the required budget for making the public offices and websites accessible.

(Action: - Ministry of Finance)

(IX) The MPLAD & MLALAD funds could be utilized for this campaign.

Guidelines be suitably revised and instructions be issued in this
regard to all concerned for permitting utilization of the MPLAD funds
for creating accessible features in public infrastructure, public
transportation and ICT.

(Action: - Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation)

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.