

## CHAPTER - 23

### **SOCIAL WELFARE**

In order to have more inclusive growth and development with a human face, Government of Delhi is giving more emphasis on (i) streamlining the delivery mechanism of the existing schemes and programmes (ii) increasing the spectrum of target groups (iii) reorienting the focus of some schemes / activities and (iv) evolving and adopting need felt programmes. Government of Delhi is thus making concerted efforts to ensure that the weaker sections of the society, disadvantaged groups and physically challenged persons get better care and support on one hand and on the other, through another batch of schemes and programmes, the Government would continue to march ahead towards economic empowerment and social security to the aged and other vulnerable groups.

Keeping the above objectives in view and also looking to the needs of giving more focused attention towards women and children, Government of Delhi in November, 2007 decided to have a separate department for Women and Child Development (WCD). The Social Welfare Department (SWD) deals with matters regarding senior citizens and physically challenged persons and other vulnerable groups of our society, with undivided attention.

The Department of Social Welfare aims upliftment and rehabilitation of various socially unprivileged and vulnerable sections of the society such as destitute, persons with special needs, needy Sr. citizens, beggars etc. through implementation of the under mentioned social legislations:-

- a) The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016
- b) The Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007
- c) The Bombay prevention of Begging Act, 1959
- d) The Probation of Offender's Act, 1958

The Department has decided to disburse all the payments under various social welfare and social security schemes through the Aadhaar linked Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) by using Public Finance Management System (PFMS). This will bring transparency and efficiency in utilisation of public money earmarked for all the welfare schemes of the Government and will ensure that the benefit reaches the genuine, eligible and targeted beneficiary.

Revised outlay & expenditure of 2016-17, Approved Outlay, Revised Outlay & Expenditure 2017-18 and Annual Outlay 2018-19 for Social Welfare Sector are as under:

[₹ in Crore]

| Sector         | 2016-17 |        | 2017-18 |      |        | 2018-19<br>BE |
|----------------|---------|--------|---------|------|--------|---------------|
|                | RE      | Exp    | BE      | RE   | Exp    |               |
| Social Welfare | 879     | 804.27 | 1272    | 1349 | 1228.5 | 1391          |

The total budget of the Social Welfare Department for 2018-19 is ₹ 1496.96 crore which includes ₹ 1447.26 crore of revenue and ₹ 49.70 crore of capital. The allocation on welfare programme/schemes and capital projects is ₹ 1391 crore. These schemes and projects of the department are discussed below.

## **1. EDUCATION & WELFARE OF HANDICAPPED**

### **1.1 Mass Media, Education and Studies**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 2 Lakh

The aim of this scheme is to create awareness regarding available services for the welfare of deprived and differently-abled through workshops, meeting on social issues, and to generate public opinion towards various issues concerning handicapped and to sensitize the society regarding social problems. The Department proposes to get some video spots / short documentaries on the old age, beggary, prohibition etc.

During the year 2017-18, no expenditure has been incurred under the scheme.

### **1.2 Residential Care Programme for Mentally Challenged**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 1200 Lakh (PWD Capital)

The aim of the scheme is to provide residential care to the mentally challenged for their education, training, guidance, medical care and rehabilitation. A piece of land measuring 7.69 acres is available at Narela.

A mega project for setting up of an integrated complex for mentally challenged persons is planned at Narela by the Government of NCT of Delhi having a capacity of 1200 inmates.

During the financial year 2017-18, nil expenditure has been incurred against RE of ₹ 230 lakh.

### **1.3 National Programme for Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 51 Lakh

Under the provisions of The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 following categories of Disabled persons are covered:-

1. Blindness
2. Low-vision
3. Leprosy Cured persons
4. Hearing Impairment (deaf and hard of hearing)
5. Locomotor Disability

6. Dwarfism
7. Intellectual Disability
8. Mental Illness
9. Autism Spectrum Disorder
10. Cerebral Palsy
11. Muscular Dystrophy
12. Chronic Neurological conditions
13. Specific Learning Disabilities
14. Multiple Sclerosis
15. Speech and Language disability
16. Thalassemia
17. Hemophilia
18. Sickle Cell disease
19. Multiple Disabilities including deafblindness
20. Acid Attack victim
21. Parkinson's disease

The Act provides for formulation of scheme for ensuring employment of persons with disabilities by Government and local bodies, for training and welfare of persons with disabilities, relaxation of upper age limit, regulation of employment, creation of congenial work environment and constitution of authority responsible for administration of such schemes. This Act has cast full responsibility on the Government to make all out efforts for the persons with disabilities and to fulfill the responsibilities as envisaged under the provisions of the Act.

Under this scheme, General Disability Camps are organized in all the districts of Delhi where in Disability certificates by authorized hospitals, identity cards by DC office, DTC passes etc. are being issued to the Differently-abled persons. Special Disability Camps are also organized in each district in collaboration with a institute / CBO / NGO.

During the financial year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 21.38 lakh has been incurred against RE of ₹ 50.00 lakh.

#### **1.4 State Programme of Events for Socially & Physically Disadvantaged persons**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 7 Lakh

The aim and objective of the scheme is to make the Socially & Physically disadvantaged groups to be a part of the community and display the skills and expertise in their respective crafts or traditional occupational vocations. Under the scheme exhibition will be held displaying the goods prepared by them in the stalls and cultural & sports events will also be held. This programme will create massive awareness in the community regarding the need and capabilities of the disadvantaged groups. The Voluntary organization will be assisted for their specific project for holding of the events on State and National / International Level.

During the year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 4.63 lakh has been incurred against RE of ₹ 5.00 lakh.

### **1.5 Financial Assistance to Differently-abled Persons**

Budget Allocation 2018-19: ₹ 20000 Lakh (including ₹ 200 lakh –NSAP)

As per the notification vide “Financial Assistance to Persons with Special Needs (Handicapped Pension)-2009 dated November 4, 2009, the Disability Pension has been extended to all the disabled persons with disability of 40% and above (mentally retarded disabled having 35 % and above) in the age group of 0-59 years and having residence proof in Delhi for minimum 5 years prior to application, with family income not more than ₹ 1,00,000/-per annum. Financial assistance is being provided @ ₹ 2500/- p.m., remitted monthly in to the bank account of the beneficiary.

The performance of the Scheme “Financial Assistance to Differently Aabled Persons” during the last seven years is as under:-

| Sl. No. | Year    | RE (in lakh) | Expenditure (in lakh) | No. of Beneficiaries covered |
|---------|---------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| 1.      | 2010-11 | 2650.00      | 1786.48               | 25,691                       |
| 2.      | 2011-12 | 2850.00      | 2752.38               | 26,622                       |
| 3.      | 2012-13 | 5800.00      | 5740.72               | 36,809                       |
| 4.      | 2013-14 | 7800.00      | 7581.72               | 45,471                       |
| 5.      | 2014-15 | 9200.00      | 7864.26               | 41,043                       |
| 6.      | 2015-16 | 10871.00     | 10842.00              | 60,657                       |
| 7.      | 2016-17 | 13700.00     | 13551.67              | 71,581                       |
| 8.      | 2017-18 | 19800.00     | 19602.59              | 76,263                       |

### **1.6 Up-gradation of School For Deaf & Dumb Students**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 150 Lakh

With the advancement of science and technology, better prospects for the prevention, physical restoration, special education and rehabilitation of the disabled have emerged. The Deptt. of Social Welfare, GNCT of Delhi is running 03 primary schools at Kalkaji, Mayur Vihar and Rohini and 01 Secondary School at Delhi Gate for the Deaf and Dumb. All these 04 schools are also having pre-primary co-educational classes of 04 years duration and are co-educational. Special education is provided to the deaf & dumb students in these schools. The boarding facilities for boys and girls separately are also available at Delhi Gate, New Delhi. The Secondary school known as Govt. Lady Noyce School came into existence in the year 1931 and later on it was taken over by the Department of Social Welfare in the year 1959.

Admission in these schools is open to only those deaf children whose sense of hearing is non-functional for ordinary purposes of life. These children do not hear/understand sound at all. Apart from education, knowledge of craft, tailoring,

computer education etc. is also imparted in these schools. Special trained teachers are deployed in these schools besides vocational teachers/instructors. Department provides accommodation free of cost to these deaf and dumb students who reside in hostel and expenditure on food is borne by the students.

The level of the Middle school of Govt. Lady Noyce School was upgraded to secondary school level in the year 1974. The secondary school at GLNS Complex was affiliated up to XII standard with CBSE in the year 2009-10. The Govt. lady Noyce School for deaf is the only school, which is functioning according to the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) Pattern. Special Examination of 10<sup>th</sup> is also conducted by CBSE

During the financial year 2017-18, an amount of ₹ 78.71 lakh has been incurred against RE of ₹ 150 lakh.

### **1.7 Free supply of Text books & Uniform Subsidy to Deaf & Dumb Students**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 20 Lakh

The objective of the scheme is to support the deaf and dumb students financially in schools run by Social Welfare Department by way of providing text books free of cost and uniform subsidy, these school are running at Kalkaji, Mayur Vihar and Rohini (03 primary schools) and 01 secondary school at Delhi Gate. All these schools are also having pre-primary classes of 04 year's duration. Special education is provided in these schools.

During the financial year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 1.80 lakh has been incurred against RE of ₹ 20 lakh.

### **1.8 Office of the Commissioner (Disability)**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 161 Lakh

An independent commissionerate has been established to look into the rights for persons with disabilities and also for redressal of the cases under section 61- 62 of the Persons With Disability (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and free Participation) Act, 1995, which has been replaced by The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, however rules under the new act are yet to be notified.

During the financial year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 118.27 lakh has been incurred against RE of ₹ 126 lakh.

### **1.9 Setting up of Half Way / Long Stay Homes**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 700 Lakh

The 'Half Way/Long Stay Homes' project is to provide a facilitating mechanism for rehabilitation of persons whose mental illness is treated and controlled after their discharge from hospitals for mentally challenged.

The aim and objective of the scheme is to provide social integration and socio-economic rehabilitation of mentally improved patients (for 1-2 year stay period for half way home inmates and no period for long stay home).

The need for such Half Way Homes is felt, as the community at large is still hesitant in accepting such persons into its fold. The project is aimed at providing vocational training to such treated and controlled mentally ill persons as well as counselling for them and their families to facilitate reintegration with the family/society. The project is expected to also provide medical advice/treatment relating to their illness so that periodic or occasional psychiatric disturbances can be managed. It is expected that the inmates would be able to get integrated into normal life within a reasonable period of time.

There is a need for separate residential rehabilitation facility for persons with psychological disability due to the following reasons:

- Years of neglect to the person with psychological disability.
- Differential need for such groups.
- Most marginalized, highly disabled and disempowered section of the society.
- Ensuring development of residential rehabilitation facility for psychological disabled people on the lines of homes for destitute, children and women as this is the most marginalized and disabled group.

#### **GOALS OF REHABILITATION IN MENTAL HEALTH:**

- Necessary for mentally ill for incorporation back into society
- Ensure smooth transition from acute treatment to rehabilitation back to society
- Provides phase wise application of different type of services for patient/family.
- Should be available, accessible and affordable for all sections of society.
- Prevent Deficit State, Vegetative Existence ( in any setting )
- Prevent Homelessness related to mental illness
- Promote self-reliance
- Reduce the family's burden

The approved cost of the 'project of five homes' was ₹ 47.63 crore. The Construction work has been completed for all five units/sites in Delhi i.e. 01 at Dwarka, 02 at Rohini Sector -3, 01 at Rohini Sector- 22 and 01 at Narela. Possession has been taken. All the five homes may be functional in 2018-19.

A piece of land has also been earmarked at Village Dallupra to construct Half Way Home / Long Stay Home and possession was taken from DDA by Department in November, 2014. During the financial year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 162.96 lakh [₹ 133.66- Revenue + ₹ 29.30 lakh- Capital] has been incurred against RE of ₹ 350 lakh [₹ 200 lakh - Revenue + ₹ 150 lakh- Capital].

#### **1.10 Construction of Hostel for College Going Blind Students (Boys)**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 100 Lakh (PWD-Capital)

The Department is running one Hostel for college going blind students at Sewa Kuteer, Kingsway Camp, Delhi. Need has arisen to construct one more hostel to decongest the existing hostel. Department has proposed setting up of a Hostel for College Going Blind Students (Boys) Phase-II at a vacant plot measuring 5900 sqm at Sewa Kutir Complex, Kingsway Camp, Delhi.

During the financial year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 10 lakh(capital) has been incurred against RE of ₹ 10 lakh under this scheme.

#### **1.11 Construction of Hostel for College Going Blind Students (Girls)**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 100 Lakh (PWD-Capital)

The aim of the scheme is to provide protection and proper shelter to the College going blind girls. There is a pressing demand from various social organizations for construction of Hostel for College going Blind Students. A large number of blind girls are migrating and getting admission in various colleges of Delhi. The Social Welfare Department has proposed to construct new hostel at existing structure of Bal Sadan, Timarpur which is required to be demolished for construction of proposed Hostel for College Going Blind Students (Girls) [Area 3752 m<sup>2</sup>]. Construction may start in 2018-19.

During the financial year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 15 lakh(capital) has been incurred against RE of ₹ 15 lakh under this scheme.

#### **1.12 Construction of Home for Mentally Challenged Persons**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 170 Lakh (PWD-Capital)

During 1983, Revenue Department, GNCTD had handed over the land at Narela measuring 47 Bighas, 13 Biswas. The PWD had completed the work of levelling and construction of Boundary wall of the land. The project will be taken up by the PWD. Building Plan/Design is to be approved from the competent authority.

#### **1.13 Home for Mentally Challenged persons (Asha Deep and Asha Jyoti)**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 20 Lakh

The aim of this scheme is to provide residential care to the mentally challenged including their education, training, guidance, medical care and rehabilitation. At present three homes are being run by this department:

1. Asha Kiran at Rohini (Avantika)
2. Asha Jyoti at Harinagar
3. Asha Deep at Narela

**Asha Jyoti** - Deptt. of Social welfare GNCDT had taken a outlook to decongest the institutions/homes of Asha Kiran Complex Avantika Rohini Delhi (Home for Mentally Challenged) by establishing two homes one each for male and female namely Asha Deep and Asha Jyoti home respectively.

Asha Jyoti home is providing boarding & lodging with all dietary needs , bedding & clothing, general articles, medical care to all the Mentally challenged( Mild and Moderate adult female Inmates) as per manual of the Department. Total sanctioned strength of inmates is 120.

**Asha Deep** - Asha Deep Home for Mentally Challenged Persons Male (Adult) was established in 2013 to decongest Asha Kiran Home situated at Avantika, Rohini, Delhi by Department of Social Welfare, Govt of NCT of Delhi. This home was initiated with the capacity of 200 residents situated at Narela, Delhi for the purpose to protect the rights & safeguard the living standard of destitute mentally challenged male adult persons.

## **WELFARE OF SENIOR CITIZENS**

### **2.1 Financial Assistance to Senior Citizens**

Budget Allocation 2018-19: ₹ 110000 Lakh (*including ₹ 3400 lakh –NSAP*)

The objective of this scheme is to provide social security by way of financial assistance to destitute, old persons (age of 60 yrs & above) who are without any means of subsistence and nobody is in a position to support them in the evening of their lives.

Financial assistance of ₹ 2000/-p.m. is given to the senior citizens age of 60- 69 yrs and ₹ 2500/- p.m. is given to the senior citizens age of 70 yrs & above. Beneficiaries belonging to SC/ST and Minority having age 61-69 years are being provided additional financial assistance of ₹ 500/-p.m. besides the usual pension amount.

Financial assistance is remitted on monthly basis in the bank accounts of the beneficiaries through AEPS (Aadhaar Enabled Payment System) as per the Aadhaar number of the beneficiaries or through ECS.

The senior citizen should be resident of Delhi for 05 years with proof, age of 60 yrs & above and having family income less than ₹ 1,00,000/- per-annum. The income does not include income of independent sons and daughters. The applicant must have an ID proof as listed in notification.

During the financial year 2017-18, ₹ 98471.88 lakh has been incurred against RE of ₹ 106500.00 lakh and about 4.38 lakh Sr. Citizens were remitted the pension.

**Brief about the State Scheme, “Financial Assistance to Sr. Citizens”:** The scheme was being implemented under Non-Plan till 1993-94 and from the year

1994-95, it is being implemented under Plan scheme. However, from the year 2017-18 the classification of plan non-plan expenditure has been done away with.

The year wise number of beneficiaries and amount paid under this scheme is as under:-

| Sl. No. | Year    | No. of Beneficiaries# | Rate (₹ per month)   |
|---------|---------|-----------------------|--|
| 1.      | 1993-94 | 11237                 | 100  |
| 2.      | 2001-02 | 104095                | 300 (w.e.f. Jan. 2002 rate enhanced from 200 to 300)           |
| 3.      | 2002-03 | 124970                | 300  |
| 4.      | 2003-04 | 189680                | 300  |
| 5.      | 2004-05 | 150000                | 350 (w.e.f. August, 2004)                                      |
| 6.      | 2005-06 | 150000                | 350  |
| 7.      | 2006-07 | 167887                | 400(w.e.f. April, 2006)  |
| 8.      | 2007-08 | 184176                | 600 (w.e.f. April, 2007)                                       |
| 9.      | 2008-09 | 230356                | 1000 (w.e.f. April, 2008)                                      |
| 10.     | 2009-10 | 250000                | 1000   |
| 11.     | 2010-11 | 338000                | 1000   |
| 12.     | 2011-12 | 391000                | 1000 for Sr. Citizen aged 60yrs to 69 yrs                      |
|         |         |                       | 1500 for Sr. Citizen aged 70yrs & above, (w.e.f. October,2011) |
| 13.     | 2012-13 | 386000                | Rate as mentioned at Sl.No.12                                  |
| 14.     | 2013-14 | 375708                | Rate as mentioned at Sl.No.12                                  |
| 15.     | 2014-15 | 331881                | Rate as mentioned at Sl.No.12                                  |
| 16.     | 2015-16 | 388471                | Rate as mentioned at Sl.No.12                                  |
| 17.     | 2016-17 | 381849                | 2000 for Sr. Citizen aged 60yrs to 69 yrs                      |
|         |         |                       | 2500 for Sr. Citizen aged 70yrs & above                        |
| 18.     | 2017-18 | 437896                | Rate as mentioned at Sl.No.17                                  |

# Source- Statistical Hand Book(s) of Delhi, DES, GNCDT.

## 2.2 Recreation Facilities for Senior Citizens

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 1000 Lakh

The scheme aims to provide facilities for relaxation, avenues of Social & Cultural activities during leisure time of Senior Citizens by setting up Recreation Centers all over Delhi. Setting up of Recreation Centers, selection and identification of suitable NGO/senior citizen Association in the field, release of Grants (Non-recurring) for setting up of recreation centers then release of Recurring grant in two half yearly instalments.

### Eligibility:

1. Senior Citizen Organizations/RWAs and those NGOs who are exclusively working on the issues related to the Welfare of the Senior Citizens.

2. The Organization should at least have three year old Registration under Societies Registration Act / Registrar Cooperative Societies which can be relaxed in case of Organization of Senior Citizens themselves.
3. It should have at least 50 registered members with it.

### **Pattern of Assistance :**

**Non Recurring Grant:** One time grant to the tune of ₹ 75,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Thousand only) to the organizations having space available for of Chairs, tables, cupboards, Television, Indoor Game items, coolers, water coolers, curtains etc. as per the need.

**Recurring Grant:** of ₹ 20,000/ (Rupees Eighteen Thousand only) for covering operational expenses, which includes payments for the attendants, rent, minor repairs in case of owned building, organizing tours, health camps/ yoga camps, discussions and seminars, celebration of National and religious festivals, purchase of news papers, magazines, periodicals, payment of water and electricity charges and other incidental expenses.

During the financial year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 205.22 lakh has been incurred against RE of ₹ 300 lakh. In FY 2017-18, 111 Recreation Centres were funded (i.e. provided GIA).

### **2.3 Old Age Homes**

|                           |   |                           |
|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Budget Allocation 2018-19 | : | ₹ 1300 Lakh               |
|                           | : | ₹ 800 Lakh- PWD Capital   |
|                           | : | ₹ 500 Lakh- Deptt Capital |

The aim and object of setting up of Old Age Homes is to provide a place to Senior Citizens where they may live gracefully in a congenial atmosphere. They will be provided residential care including free boarding & lodging facilities, health care, reading room, recreation facilities, common prayer place & discourses etc. The Govt. has established two old age homes- one at Bindapur being run by the Department and another at Lampur in collaboration with Delhi Brotherhood Society, an NGO .

Possession of Land has been taken for construction of new Old Age Homes at Chitranjan Park, Wazirpur, Kanti Nagar, Paschim Vihar, Rohini Sector-4, Chhatarpur, Janakpuri , Geeta Colony , Sarita Vihar, and Vasant Kunj, Shakur Basti.

### **Old Age homes for which possession of land has been taken:**

- **Kanti Nagar:-** Department is going to construct an old Age home on the vacant plot measuring 1550 sqm. at Kanti Nagar, Delhi. Sanction of ₹ 578.83 lakh issued to PWD in September, 2015. As per department, 60% construction work has been completed. Project is likely to be completed by December, 2018.

- **Rohini Sector IV** :- Department is going to construct an old Age home on the vacant plot measuring 3575.67 sqm.at Rohini Sector IV. North DMC has approved the Building plan. Tender work is under consideration and construction will be completed in a year after work awarded.
- **Chitranjan Park** :- The Department taken over possession of plot 1239 sqm from DDA. Building plan approved by SDMC in July, 2016. Sanction of ₹ 4,83,58,000/- for construction issued by the department on 23/3/2017. Tendering has not been made yet due to trees at site/plot.
- **Chhatarpur** :- The Department taken over possession of plot measuring 2 bighas 10 Biswas and further handed over to PWD. Plan has been approved by the building plan committee of South DMC. Now, PWD will submit the plan on online to SDMC.
- **Paschim Vihar** :- The Department taken over possession of the plot of 2265 sqm and further handed over to PWD. Department has issued sanction of ₹ 987.85 lakh to PWD in January, 2018. Work has been awarded.
- **Wazirpur Village, Ashok Vihar** :- The Department taken over possession of plot 666 sqm from DDA. Sanction of ₹ 285 lakh issued in September, 2015. Civil work has been completed. Presently, work to install a lift in the building is undergoing.
- **Geeta Colony** :- PWD has submitted an estimate of ₹434.53 lakh to department for approval.
- **Janakpuri** :- Possession of land already taken from DDA. Approval of building plan from SDMC is awaited.
- **Sarita Vihar** :- Possession of land already taken from DDA and PWD . PWD architect has to resubmit the drawings with some modification after taking the approval of competent authority forwarded to PWD for obtaining the necessary permissions of the local authorities i.e. MCD etc. (plot of 771 sqm). Approval of SDMC is still awaited.
- **Shakur Basti** :- Since the plot is under litigation, DDA has asked for taking possession of land as an alternate site (plot of 2100 sqm).
- **Vasant Kunj** :- Possession of the plot has been taken (plot of 2092 sqm). PWD has submitted plan to Chief Town Planner SDMC but approval is awaited from SDMC.

During the financial year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 433.43 lakh (₹ 407 lakh-PWD + ₹ 26.43 lakh-Deptt) has been incurred against RE of ₹ 924 lakh (₹ 550 lakh-PWD + ₹ 374 lakh-Deptt).

## **2.4 Welfare Programme for the Senior Citizens**

Budget Allocation 2018-19: ₹ 50 Lakh

The primary objective of the scheme is to re-inforce & strengthen the commitment of the family to provide care to old persons and for providing care to destitute & elderly. The objective has further been integrated with the objective of the state policy for the old persons formulated by the Delhi Govt. in 2006. The state policy has a wide scope to cater to the needs of the senior citizens in the areas of financial security, protection of life and proper social care, health care, and research, education and awareness generation in the areas concerning the elderly.

The Delhi Govt. has constituted the State Council for Senior Citizens with objective of overseeing the implementation of the State policy for senior citizen , improving coordination among various stake holders, increasing awareness about issues relating to senior citizen, setting minimum standard for services to senior citizens etc.

The Delhi Govt. has constituted the maintenance Tribunals under the provisions of the “Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007” wherein the parents and senior citizen in distress can seek relief in the form of maintenance allowance from their children through the Maintenance tribunals. Besides it, the Appellate Tribunals has also been notified. For providing better facilities to Senior citizens, 11 Maintenance Tribunals & 11 Appellate Tribunals have been constituted.

During the financial year 2017-18, an amount of ₹ 11.47 lakh has been incurred against RE of ₹ 10 lakh.

## **2.5. Grant in Aid to Delhi Commission for Senior Citizens :**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 50 Lakh

A new scheme has been launched in year 2017-18. Its modalities are being worked out. A Drafting Committee has been constituted to frame aims, objectives and functions of the Commission for Senior citizens and its order has been issued on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2017 after the approval of Hon’ble LG, Delhi.

## **3. GIA & OTHERS**

### **3.1 Provision of Additional Facilities in Existing Building**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 700 Lakh  
₹ 500 Lakh-PWD- Capital  
₹ 200Lakh- Deptt-Capital

The aim of the scheme is to provide all civic amenities & facilities in existing buildings of all institutions like proper lights, amenities, ventilation and properly developed area for external activities. Addition / alteration / maintenance through PWD or other departmental agencies. The Plan Scheme ‘Development of Seva Kuteer Complex(through PWD)’ has been merged under Plan Scheme ‘Provision of Additional Facilities in Existing Building(PWD)’ from 2015-16.

During the financial year 2017-18, an expenditure of ₹ 682.13 lakh (520 lakh-PWD+ ₹ 162.13 lakh-Deptt] has been incurred against RE of ₹ 1300 lakh [₹ 800 lakh – PWD+ ₹ 500 lakh-Deptt].

### **3.2 Grants to Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh, NGO Delhi Branch for construction of Multi Purpose Centre for the welfare of Leprosy Affected Persons**

Budget Allocation 2018-19 : ₹ 1 Lakh

The Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh is functioning in the field of leprosy welfare since 1961 and has conducted a social survey of living conditions of leprosy affected & the social problems related to their rehabilitation. With a goal to provide better services, Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh have acquired Gram Sabha land measuring 14750 sq. yards in village Alipur to set up a suitable building to achieve its aims and objectives by providing model cottage home, Nursery school, Rehabilitation centre and Administration Block. A token provision of ₹ 1 lakh has kept under the scheme.

### **3.3 National Family Benefit Scheme**

Budget Allocation 2018-19: ₹ 1400 Lakh ( including ₹ 400 lakh - NSAP)

The objective of this scheme is to provide assistance to poor households on the event of the death of the bread earner. One time assistance of ₹ 20,000/- is given in case of death of primary bread earner, irrespective of the cause of death viz. Natural or accidental. The families are eligible who are having family income up to ₹ 1,00,000/- p.a. and are residents of Delhi for last 5 yrs or more.

#### **Eligibility**

- Family income should not be more than 1,00,000/- p.a.
- Death certificate of the bread earner.
- Age of the applicant between 18-64 yrs.
- Applicant must be a resident of Delhi for 05yrs. Proof of residence (any one from the listed documents by the SW Department) showing at least 05 years of residence of Delhi.

The performance of the scheme 'National Family Benefit Scheme' in Delhi during the last five years is as under:-

| Sl. No. | Year    | Revised Estimate (in lakh) | Expenditure | No. of Beneficiaries covered |
|---------|---------|----------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| 1.      | 2010-11 | 215.00                     | 207.70      | 2077                         |
| 2.      | 2011-12 | 258.00                     | 253.40      | 2534                         |
| 3.      | 2012-13 | 270.00                     | 269.40      | 2694                         |
| 4.      | 2013-14 | 310.00                     | 282.70      | 2827                         |
| 5.      | 2014-15 | 360.00                     | 337.20      | 3372                         |
| 6.      | 2015-16 | 550.00                     | 539.60      | 5396                         |
| 7.      | 2016-17 | 700.00                     | 695.11      | 6950                         |
| 8.      | 2017-18 | 1262.00                    | 900.80      | 4510                         |

### **3.4 Financial Assistance to Transgender Community**

Budget Allocation 2018-19: ₹ 50 Lakh

Delhi Govt. announced this scheme for the transgender community as they are amongst the most vulnerable sections of our society, socially ostracized and economically vulnerable. It was decided to provide financial support of ₹1000 per month to those transgender who are living in Delhi for at least 03 years. This scheme was announced in year 2013-14 and is pending approval of the Competent Authority; therefore, it has not been implemented yet.

### **3.5 Scheme for Implementation of Persons with Disabilities Act (SIPDA) - CSS**

Budget Allocation 2018-19: ₹ 1400 Lakh

1. Objective of the Scheme is to assist various implementing agencies to take steps with a multi sectoral collaborative approach towards effective implementation of various provisions of the PwD Act.
2. Ministry has been Implementing this Scheme for Implementation of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016(earlier Persons with Disabilities Act ,1995) for providing financial assistance for undertaking various activities outlines in the PwD Act. The PwD Act endorses the rights of Persons with Disabilities for access to education, vocational training, employment, public transport, built environment, information and communication and uphold their independence and dignity.
3. It intend to provide barriers free environment for the persons with disabilities which include access to built environment in school, colleges, academic and training institutions, offices and public buildings, recreational areas health centre hospitals etc.
4. It includes awareness campaign and sensitization programmes for various stake holder and other information Education Communication and supporting activities relating to pre-school training for children with disabilities , counselling for the parents, training for care givers, teachers training programme and activities relating to early detection camps of children of age 0-5 years and early intervention.
5. It also aims to establish early diagnostic and intervention centres at District Headquarters /other places having Government Medical Colleges, with a view to help hearing impaired infants and young children to acquire necessary skills to get prepared for regular schooling.

In 2017-18, an amount of ₹ 1099.99 lakh incurred by DSW under this scheme.