

Ms. Nahid Soz received National Award of Best State Channelising Agency of NHFDC on International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

Ms. Nahid Soz, Managing Director, J&K State Women's Development Corporation received the National Award of Best State Channelising Agency (SCA) of National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) on eve of International Day of Persons with Disabilities. Shri Mukul Wasnik, Hon'ble Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India conferred her this National Award in Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on 3-12-2011 in a National Function organised by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India. The Best State Channelising Agency of NHFDC is selected on the basis of three criteria's i.e. i) achievement of annual target of Disbursement of loan among persons with disabilities in the previous financial year, ii) Highest Recovery & iii) Highest Utilization of loan.

J&K State Women's Development Corporation (J&KWDC) was nominated as State Channelising Agency (SCA) of National Handicapped Finance & Development Corporation (NHFDC) in the year 2000. J&KWDC extends concessional credit to women handicapped persons of the state. The Corporation has received Rs.34.85 lakhs in previous financial year (2010-11) against which it disbursed Rs.35 lakhs among 45 persons with disabilities. The Corporation has a record of 100% recovery from the beneficiaries in the previous financial year. While economically strengthening the persons with disabilities by providing them financial support, the Corporation has brought contentment in the lives of the people with disabilities.

Dr. Nahid Soz MD, J&KWDC has made special arrangements of marketing for the products of their women disabled beneficiaries in consultation with Vaishno Devi Shrine Board. It has boosted the activities of the Corporation in terms of disbursement of loan and recovery.

National Handicapped Finance & Development Corporation (NHFDC) is an apex Corporation under Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India situated at Faridabad. NHFDC provides concessional loan upto Rs. 25 Lakh to persons with disabilities (PwD's) for Self employment @ 4 to 8% per annum, educational loan for higher studies to PwD's @ 3.5 to 4% per annum. NHFDC also provides free of cost skill training to PwD's and also implementing Scholarship Scheme for PwD's, wherein 1500 scholarships are given to persons with disabilities every year to pursue higher studies/technical & professional courses of Degree & Post Graduate level. NHFDC undertake these activities at national level through its partners in the states i.e. State Channelising Agencies (SCA's).

