

JKWDC ORGANIZES CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME AT LEH

Spalbar appreciates efforts of WDC for women development

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Leh(Ladakh), June 28 (Scoop News) –J&K State Women's Development Corporation in collaboration with National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) organized one day capacity building programme for differently abled women beneficiaries today at Leh. Chief Executive Councilor, Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council Leh Rigzin Spalbur inaugurated

the camp. Whileas Chairman-cum-Managing Director, NHFDC, Harsh Bhal was the guest of honour on the occasion. District Development Commissioner, Leh Tsering Angchuk, besides senior officers of the district administration Leh also participated in the camp.

In his inaugural speech, the Chief Executive Councilor LAHDC appreciated the efforts of WDC initiated for socio-economic upliftment of differently abled beneficiaries of Leh. He stressed that more efforts are needed to be made in this regard so that more number of physically disabled Women could avail the benefit of the welfare schemes. He called upon the beneficiaries to come forward and take full benefits of the welfare schemes launched by State and Central Organisations for their welfare. He also stressed upon them to work for their rights and socio economic empowerment.

He underscored the need for organizing such workshops in future also in the area to pave way for further development of such differently abled groups. He stressed upon JKWDC for establishment of fullfledged district office in Leh for effective implementation of NHFDC and other welfare schemes in the area for the benefit of differently abled persons.

Managing Director, Dr.Naheed Soz in her welcomed address highlighted various activities and achievements of Women's Development Corporation rendered for socio- economic upliftment of differently abled women in the State. She extended special thanks to the Chairman-cum-Managing Director, NHFDC for sponsoring work shop. She said that WDC started NHFDC schemes in 2004 with four beneficiaries and now till date have disbursed Rs. 1.77 crores amongst 175 differently abled beneficiaries and will be disbursing loans of Rs. 1 crore amongst 60 beneficiaries during current fiscal.

Chairman cum Managing Director NHFDC on the occasion highlighted the various schemes of NHFDC for the differently- abled persons; like self employment, education loan, aids & appliances and also enlightened the audience about the scholarship schemes of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment where a disabled student studying professional course could avail scholarship of upto Rs. 1 lakh per annum. He said the disabled student can apply online on www.nhfdc.nic.in. He said that criteria of annual income has been waived off from the eligibility condition and 40% or more disability is taken as the major marker in considering financial assistance of NHFDC to differently abled persons. He said that Managing Director, JKWDC has been authorized to sanction and release loans upto Rs 5.00 lakhs.

District Development Commissioner Leh in his address threw light on various welfare schemes launched by the government for disabled destitute persons.

The workshop was also attended by the Officers/Officials of Social Welfare, Employment, Rural Development, SC/ST/OBC Development Corporation and other Departments. Various reputed NGOs such as REWA and PAGIR also participated in the workshop. During the workshop various schemes and other initiatives taken by the WDC for the betterment of differently abled women beneficiaries were also discussed in detail by the faculty and experts related to the issue. (From: Scoop News)
