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**Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment**  
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**Distribution of Wheelchairs to Differently Abled**

Pre-revised Scheme of Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fittings of Aids and Appliances (ADIP) contained a provision to provide motorized tricycles for persons with locomotor disability, costing more than Rs.6,000/- to be provided in exceptional cases subject to prior approval of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment. Extent of subsidy was limited to Rs.6,000/-. However, no motorized tricycle/wheelchair was distributed under the Scheme during 2012-13 and 2013-14.

Under the revised ADIP Scheme (w.e.f. 01.4.2014) motorized tricycles and wheelchairs are provided to severely disabled with extent of subsidy upto Rs.25,000/-. Number of motorized tricycles (battery operated ) distributed under the Scheme during 2014-15 and 2015-16 ( upto 20.4.2015) state-wise is as under:-

S.No.	State	No. of tricycles distributed	
		2014-15	2015-16 (upto 20.4.2015)
1.	Maharashtra	50	-
2.	Haryana	40	-
3.	Andhra Pradesh	16	-
4.	Uttar Pradesh	18	10
	<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>10</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>134</b>	

(b) Cochlear Implant has been included in the revised ADIP Scheme w.e.f. 1.4.2014. Details of Cochlear Implant surgery conducted under the Scheme during 2014-15 and 2015-16 ( upto 20.4.2015) State-wise are as under:-

S.No.	State	No. of surgeries conducted	
		2014-15	2015-16
1.	Andhra Pradesh	00	02
2.	Karnataka	12	03
3.	Madhya Pradesh	06	19
4.	Maharashtra	10	06
5.	Meghalaya	00	02
6.	Odisha	00	01
7.	Tamil Nadu	00	01
8.	Telangana	00	11
9.	West Bengal	00	02
	<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>47</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>75</b>	

This information was given by the Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, Shri Krishan Pal Gurjar in a written reply to a question in Lok Sabha here today.