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Facilities to Deaf and Dumb Persons

The Supreme Court in its order dated 12.12.2013 has directed that transport allowance should also be extended to deaf and dumb persons on par with blind and orthopaedically handicapped employees of Central and the State Governments and other establishments, wherever such benefits have been extended to the blind and orthopaedically handicapped employees.

The Supreme Court has directed compliance of Ministries of Finance, Health and Family Welfare, Heavy Industries, Public Enterprises, Department of Personnel and Training, Railways. Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment has requested Department of Personnel and Training, Finance, all State Governments/UTs for compliance.

Department of Personnel and Training have also requested Ministry of Finance for revision of conveyance allowance in compliance of Supreme Court order.

This information was given by the Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, Shri P. Balram Naik in a written reply to a question in Lok Sabha.
