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**Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot launches National Job Portal for persons with disabilities**

Social Justice and Empowerment, Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot launched an exclusive job portal for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) here today. The PwDs can avail the different facilities such as self employment loan, education loan, skill training, link to scholarships and information about jobs in a single window platform through this National Job Portal. Ministers of State for Social Justice and Empowerment Shri Krishan Pal Gurjar and Shri Vijay Sampla were also graced the occasion.

Launching the portal, Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot said the Government has given very high priority to skill training programme for Persons with Disabilities and has a target for skilling five lakh persons in next 3 years. The skill training will be provided by a network of 200 clusters of “Training Partners’ with financial assistance of government. A time bound action plan has been prepared for this purpose, the Government will also pursue private sector for providing them job after the training, he said.

Highlighting the other initiatives of his Ministries Shri Gehlot said assistance for education and medical treatment has been given big thrust by his Government. Recently a scheme has been launched to plant an especial device for assistance to deaf and dumb children. So far within one and half month 305 children have been provided this device. Encouraging results have been seen and many of these children are now able to speak and hear like normal children. The Minister also said that the Government is also working on universal ID programme for persons with disabilities so that they can get facilities across the country on the production of the ID.

Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India has entrusted National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) to develop a National level Job portal for the persons with disabilities (PwDs). A disabled-friendly National level Job portal, [www.disabilityjobs.gov.in](http://www.disabilityjobs.gov.in), will a long way for empowering persons with disabilities by providing them all desired information for employment opportunities at one platform.

On the occasion, a book on success stories of 100 PwD entrepreneurs who have come up in their life to be the true role models will be launched. The book “YES WE CAN” has been published by penguin publishers with the support of NHFDC.

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