



**DEPARTMENT OF VISUAL IMPAIRMENT,  
DR. SHAKUNTALA MISRA NATIONAL REHABILITATION  
UNIVERSITY, LUCKNOW, UP**



*In Association with*

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS  
WITH MULTIPLE DISABILITIES (NIEPMD)**

(Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Divyangjan)

Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India

Organizes

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

On

**RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT-2016**

**Date: 29-30 November, 2017**

**Venue: Dr.ShakuntalaMisra National  
Rehabilitation University, Lucknow**

**RCI, CRE status Accredited**

This conference is accredited for "Continuous Rehabilitation Education" (CRE) status by Rehabilitation Council of India. Rehabilitation Professionals working in the field of Disability Rehabilitation can avail this opportunity.



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### About the university:

Higher Education occupies pivotal role in the development of human capital. However, higher education in India has been characterized by inequitous access; especially in terms of gender, class, caste and sect disparities. There has been also almost lack of higher education facilities accessible to persons with disabilities in a barrier-free environment. **Dr.ShakuntalaMisra National Rehabilitation University, Lucknow** was established in the year **2008** by the **Government of Uttar Pradesh**.

This University is a unique institution in the field of inclusive learning which provides access to higher education to **differently-abled students**. In fact, the uniqueness of this University lies in integrating non-disabled students with differently-abled ones signifying 'reverse integration' having ramification of inclusion. ***50 per cent seats in all courses are reserved for disabled students out of which 50 per cent reservation is for Visually Impaired Students along with the existing reservation policy of the government. Thus, the focus of our educational system is on inclusive and integrated education.***

The University has been awarded by the **Government of India** for **National Award 2014** for the empowerment of persons with disability for the outstanding work in the creation of **barrier - free environment** for persons with disability. The Award was conferred by **Hon'ble President of India** at VigyanBhavan, New Delhi on the eve of International Day for the Disabled Persons on December 3, 2014.

The University is situated on equal distance both from Railway Station & Airport. The distance is 13 Kms and travel time is approx. 20 minutes. It is near famous Budheswar Temple, Mohaan Road. One can reach University by hiring pre-paid auto or taxi from Railway Station or Airport.

### National Institute for empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD):

Established in 2005, on East Coast Road, Muttukadu, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, Under Department of Disability Affairs, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, to serve as a national resource center for empowerment of persons with Multiple Disabilities such as those with two or more disabilities in a person. It serves over three dozens of different categories of Multiple Disabilities across the country.

Services for persons with multiple disabilities have been given through a multi-disciplinary team model, besides the cottage and extension services. With the support of eight departments, this institute aim to achieve the following objectives to undertake development of human resource management, training, rehabilitation, education, employment and conduct research in all areas pertaining to multiple disabilities. Also extend strategic social rehabilitation services to meet the needs of diverse groups of people with multiple disabilities and their families.

## Dear Delegates and Presenters.

Department of Visual Impairment, Dr.ShakuntalaMisra National Rehabilitation University, Lucknow in collaboration with NIEPMD, Chennai seeks opportunities to build human resources in the field of rehabilitation. It is one of the core areas demanding immediate attention in the current scenario wherein RPwD Act-2016, is replacing the PwD Act of 1995, and this necessitates capacity building and research.

In the area of disability, due to increase in inclusion of disability types from seven to twenty-one it is estimated that the magnitude of this populace will increase by three to five percent including multiple disability. This imposes the higher learning institutes to work out the possibilities to go hand in hand in building the capacity of the students & scholars and the rehabilitation practitioners to equip with the revised act through various features available for PwD's that this facilitates adoption of new strategies to empower targeted groups.

Recent advancements in medicine and technology have enabled most differently abled group to function independently on par with others. These advancements are to be recognized and deliberated with the help of the contributors as this paves the way in identifying and encouraging young, energetic and innovative researchers to contribute in this sector.

## Plenary Sessions

Discussions on subjects such as the provisions under this RPwD act, comparison of 1995 and 2016 Act, socio-political challenges, PwD's status and decision-making, building own identity, role of ICT and vision for the future.

## Aim and Objectives

- Sensitize persons with disabilities, rehabilitation professionals, medical, Para-medical and non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders about the "Right for Person with Disability Act-2016"
- Facilitating to focus on empowerment aspects and accessibility components such as information technology for the empowerment of specially challenged community
- To mobilize like-minded potential minds to spread this message amongst public and Government Officials

A conceptual framework is provided by the noble laureate Dr. Amartya Sen who sees human capabilities as "The capacity and freedom to choose and to act; and calls for opportunities that give individuals the freedom to pursue a life of their own choosing to be equalized". The relevancy of this statement to the current era is very apt as evinced in the plethora of opportunities available and the burgeoning desire among the youth to capitalize on these opportunities. There are no exceptions in this regard, as the differently abled citizens strongly feel the need to rise to the forefront by demanding a level competitive field.

## Themes

- Need & Relevance of Rights of Persons with Disabilities, 2016.
- Salient features of new Act for PwDs
- Differences in various clauses in PwD Act, 1995 and RPwD Act, 2016.
- Impact of PwD Act, 1995 on education and rehabilitation of PwDs.
- Role of Government (State/Central) & Non-Government Organization in implementation of RPwD Act, 2016.
- Interrelation between UNCRPD, National Policy for Disabled Persons, 2006 and RPwD Act, 2016.

## Submission of Abstract and Full Paper:

- Full Papers (either in Hindi or English -Max 1600 words including abstracts) to be submitted by **22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017**, as per the following guidelines within the deadline through E-mail: **dovi.dsmnru@gmail.com**
- **ALL ABSTRACTS & PRESENTATIONS INCLUDING FULL PAPER MUST ADHERE TO THE THEME OF THE CONFERENCE.**

## Guidelines for Paper Presenters:

- All submissions must be made in MS Word (2007 or 2010) format viz: Title, Name of the author(s), Abstract, Key Words.
- Author's affiliation, Contact address, Designation, Phone / Mobile, and e-mail should be printed as Footnote.
- Font Style: Times New Roman/ Mangal/Kokila (Unicode), Font Size: 12, Line spacing: 1.5
- The paper should not exceed 2000 words
- References in APA style.
- Plagiarism is strictly denounced.
- Undertaking must be given by the author(s) declaring the originality of the work.

## Publication:

**The selected papers will be published as an edited book with ISBN number by Department of Visual Impairment, Faculty of Special Education, DSMNR University, Lucknow.**

## Important Dates:

Submission of Abstract	: 15/11/2017
Submission of Full Paper	: 22/11/2017
Intimation to selected presenters	: 25/11/2017
Conference dates	: 29-30 November, 2017

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