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**Office Memorandum**

Subject: Clarification regarding requirement of NGO-Darpan Unique ID for Government organizations/Government-promoted Organisations for implementing schemes of DEPwD.

Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities has been implementing District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (DDRC) scheme for providing comprehensive services to the persons with disabilities at the grass root level and for facilitating creation of the infrastructure and capacity building at the district level for awareness generation and rehabilitation etc. The implementing agencies of DDRCs can be one of the following:

- (i) Indian Red Cross Society;
- (ii) Any such autonomous/semi-autonomous bodies of the State Govt. or
- (iii) A reputed Non-Government Organisation(NGO) with a good track record who should be capable of managing the DDRC right from its inception.

2. As per the guidelines of the NITI Aayog, all NGOs must be registered under NITI Aayog's NGO-Darpan Portal and should obtain unique identification number before submitting their application for grants from any Ministry. However, NITI Aayog has clarified vide its O.M. No. 14-11/16(2)/15-VAC dated 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 that the portal is only meant for NGOs with the objective of bringing in transparency in their operations. The Government-promoted organizations are not required to register on this portal.

3. Some of the DDRCs are directly run by District Management Team(DMT) itself. The DMT is headed by the District Magistrate/Collector of the District concerned and its members include district officers from the Departments of Social Welfare, Health, Panchayati Raj, Women & Child Welfare etc. Accordingly, the DMTs have been considered as Government-promoted organizations. Based on the clarification of NITI Aayog dated 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 as mentioned above, NGO Darpan unique ID is not mandatory for the DMTs and other Government-promoted organizations for running schemes of this Department like DDRC.



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