



Government of Jammu and Kashmir
Civil Secretariat, Jammu and Kashmir.

CITIZEN CHARTER

SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

INTRODUCTION

- The Social Welfare Department plays an important role in addressing the problems of the weaker and vulnerable sections of the Society, like old aged persons, women in distress, children in distress, Physically Challenged People, Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Backward Classes and other socially & economically weaker sections. The department is also in the forefront to empower women and for the overall development of the children, especially between the age group of 0-6 years through ICDS. Social Welfare Department administers Central and State Sponsored welfare schemes in the areas of Women and Child Development, Social Justice and Empowerment, Social Security, Minority Development, Rehabilitation of Militancy Victims and Educational upliftment of SC, ST, PSP and OBC students. It provides direct benefits to the target groups, through various schemes like, scholarship & Hostel facilities, reimbursement of examination fee, old aged pension, widow pension etc.

Vision

To develop a society which offers conducive and stimulating atmosphere for the growth and development, in a safe and protective environment; ensuring dignified life to all the vulnerable groups such as children, women, elderly people, PwDs (persons with Disabilities), members of SC, ST and OBCs.

MISSION

- i) Ensuring development, care and protection for children and facilitating access to learning, nutrition and health facilities.
- ii) Promoting social and economic empowerment of women through various policies and programmes, providing social security and institutional support to the women in distress.
- iii) Providing equitable environment for development, growth and education of under privileged classes.
- iv) Providing equal opportunities for development, financial assistance and ensuring compatible infrastructure for the PwDs (persons with Disabilities).
- v) Provide social security and financial assistance to elderly people.

OBJECTIVES

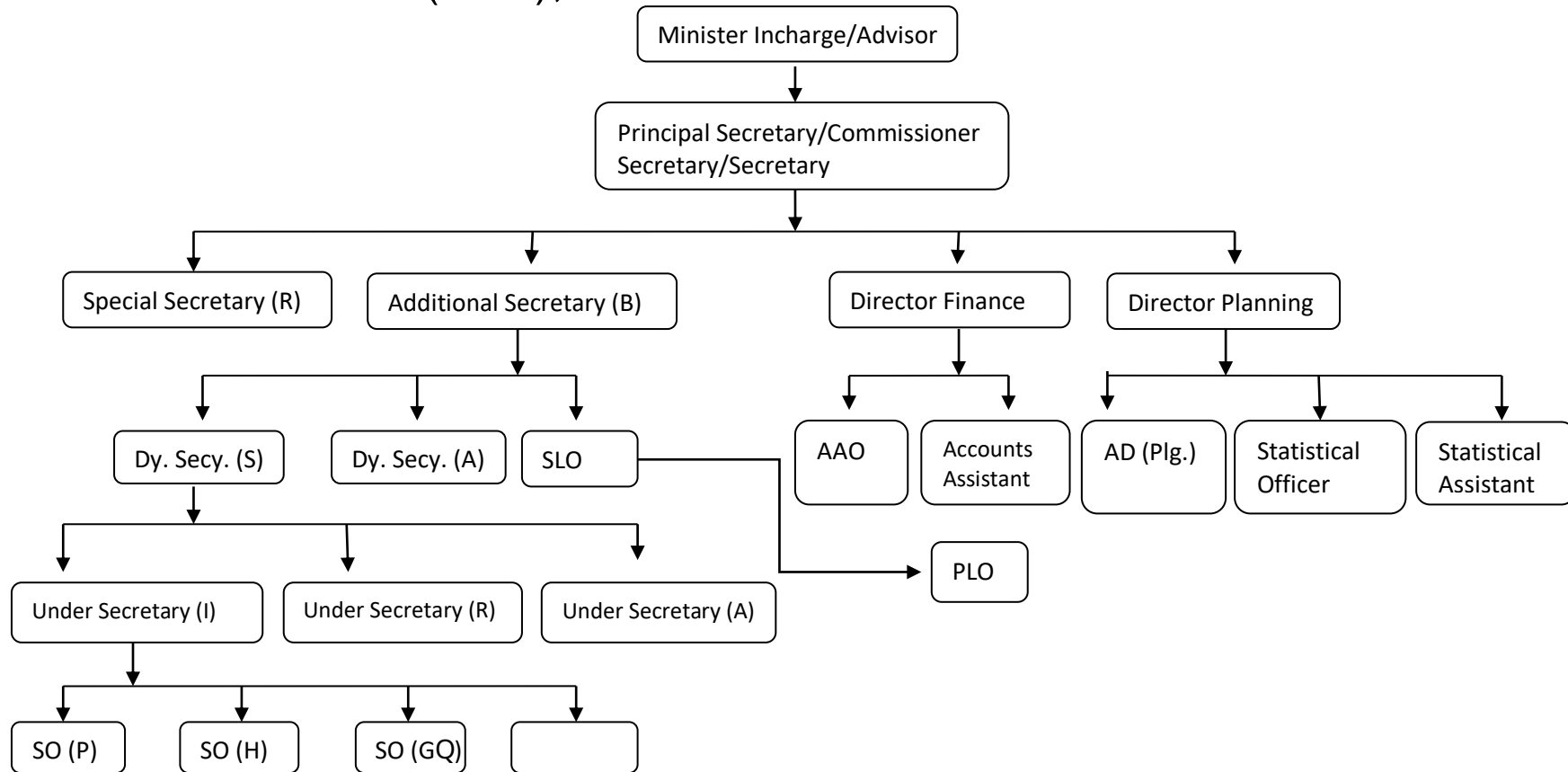
- ❖ Laying the foundation for development of children below 6Yrs ith a focus on supplementary nutrition and pre-school, non-formal education and to enhance the awareness and capability of mothers for nutritional and health needs of the child;
- ❖ Empowering adolescent girls (11-18 years) through nutrition, health care and life skills education, empowering marginalized women.
- ❖ Providing financial assistance and residential facilities to women in distress.
- ❖ Providing scholarship for educational upliftment of SCs, STs, OBCs and PSPs children of persons engaged in unclean occupation, PwDs(persons with Disabilities), student from minority communities and students from pahari speaking people community.

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- ❖ Ensuring mobility of PwDs (persons with Disabilities) so that they can live with dignity and honour and providing financial assistance & educational support to them.
- ❖ Providing social security to elderly people.
- ❖ providing residential facility for students of under privileged classes in the form of hostels and for orphans in the form of Bal-Ashrams/Nari-Neketans.
- ❖ Encouraging NGOs/voluntary organization to work for the welfare of children, women, elderly and PwDs(persons with Disabilities).
- ❖ Imparting vocational training to women to enhance their skills for earning dignified livelihood.
- ❖ Providing prosthetic aid to disabled persons with meager income.

ADMINISTRATIVE SET-UP OF THE DEPARTMENT

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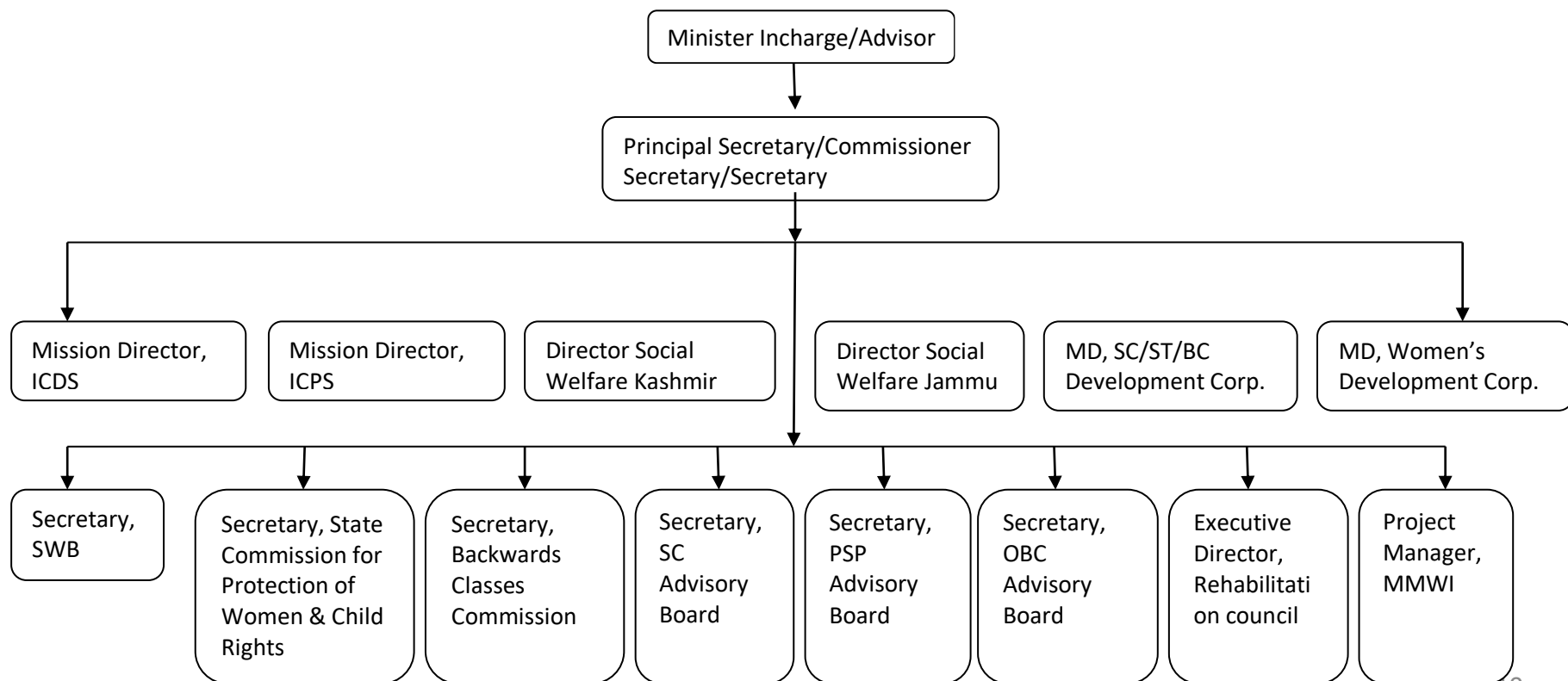
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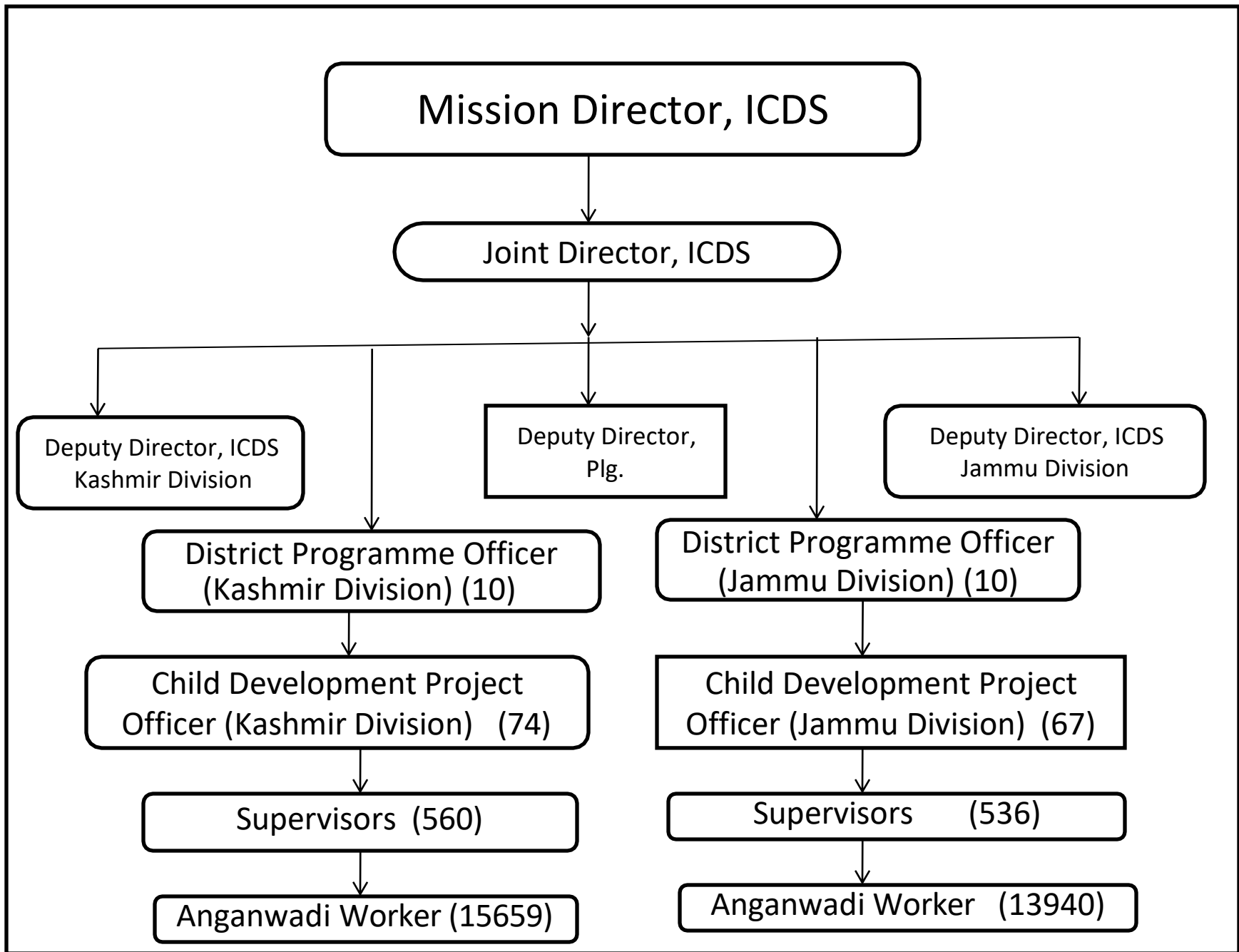
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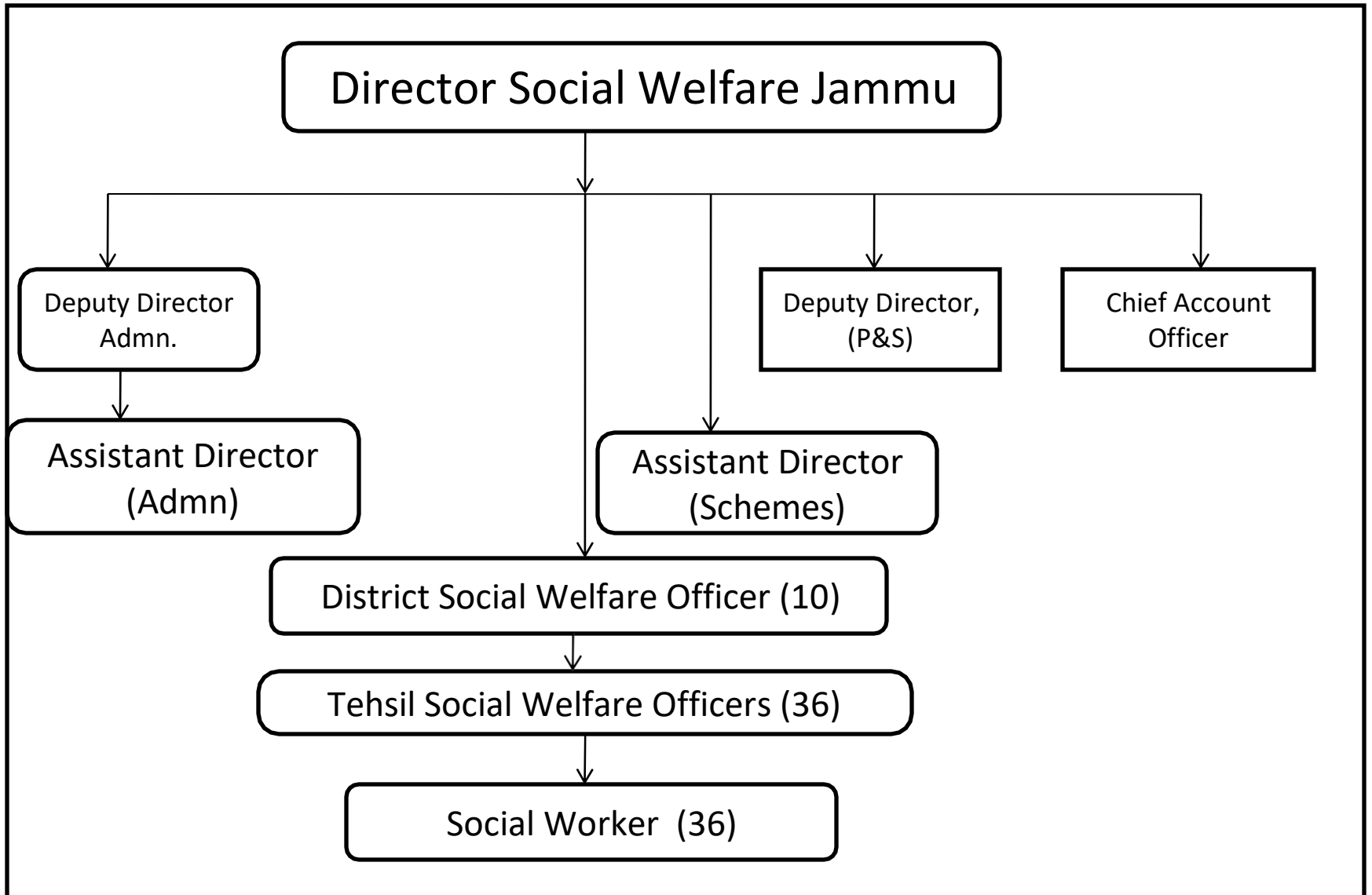
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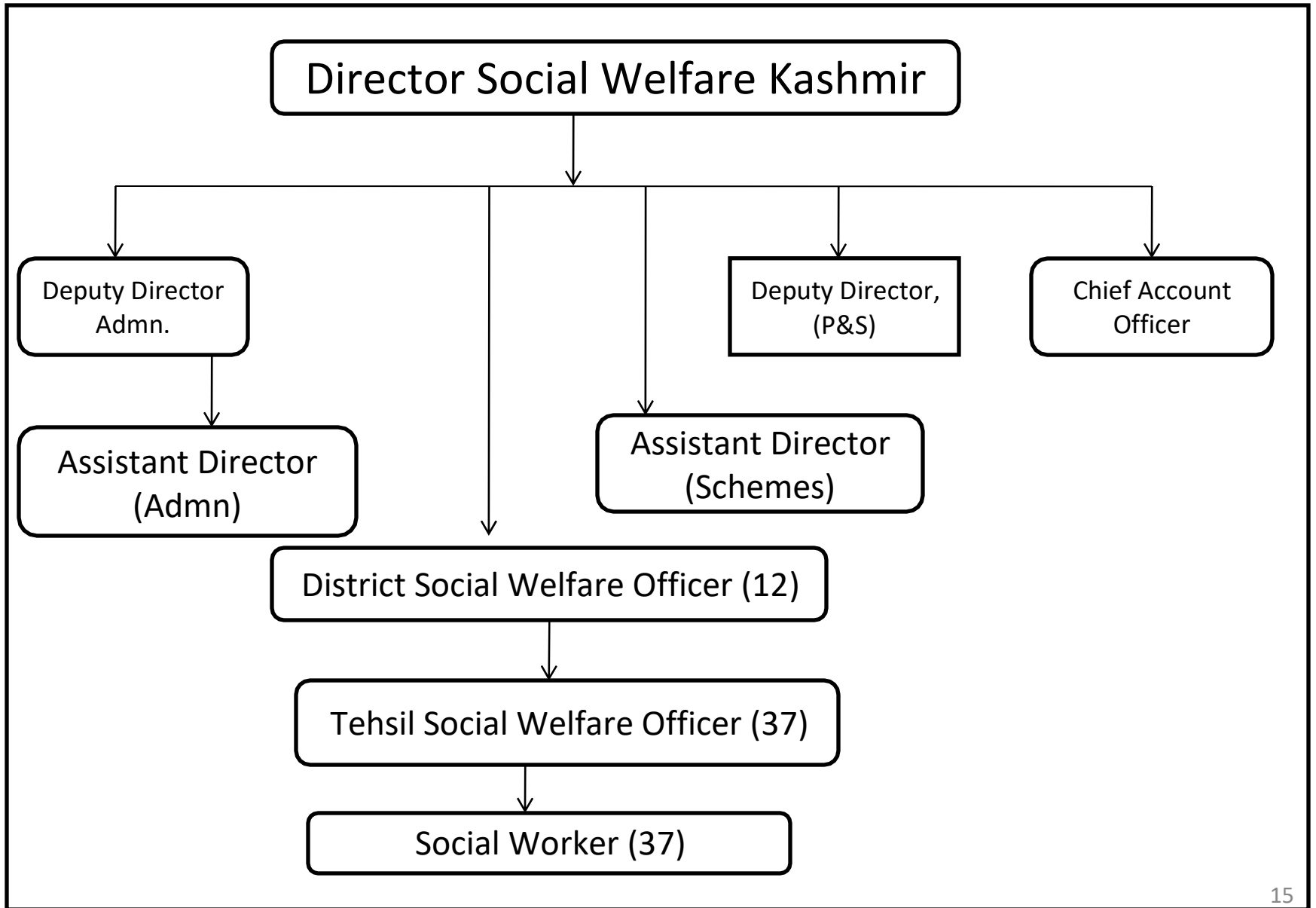
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PENSION SCHEMES FOR OLD AGED, HANDICAPPED & WIDOWS

Details of Various schemes being implemented is as under:-

1. Integrated Social Security Scheme (ISSS)
2. National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP)

1. Integrated Social Security Scheme (ISSS)

This is a State Sponsored Scheme fully funded out of State's own resources by debiting the expenditure under plan and non-plan budget.

Eligibility criteria/ Amount of Pension

- Men above the age of 60 years @Rs. 1000/- PM.
- Women above the age of 55 years @Rs. 1000/-PM.
- Widow/divorcee above 40 years having no/meager source of income. @ Rs. 1000/-PM.
- Physically challenged persons with 40% and above deformity. @Rs. 1000/- PM.

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2. National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP):-

It has the following components:-

- i. Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme – (IGNOAPS)
 - ii. National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS)
 - iii. Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS)
 - iv. Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS).
- The Government of India has revised the eligibility criteria and rate of Pension under NSAP scheme as under:

S. No	Scheme	Revised Eligibility/Assistance (Centre Share)
1	IGNWPS	BPL Widows in age group of 40-79 years or above. Rate of Pension @ Rs1000/- PM.

2	IGNDPS	BPL persons with severe or multiple disabilities in age group of 18-79 years. Rate of Pension @ Rs1000/- PM.
3	IGNOAPS	BPL persons of age group of 60-79 years (excluding BPL Widows and BPL persons with severe or multiple disabilities) Rate of Pension @ Rs1000/- PM.
		BPL persons of 80 years and above. Rate of Pension @ Rs1000/- PM.
4	NFBS	The death of a “primary bread winner” (male or female) should have occurred while he or she is in the age group of 18-59 years. Rate of assistance: one time assistance of Rs. 20000/-

SCHEMES FOR WOMEN, ADOLESCENT GIRLS AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

- I. Integrated Child Development Services Scheme (ICDS)
- II. Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojna (IGMSY)
- III. Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (RGSEAG)-SABLA
- IV. Social Welfare Centres

Integrated Child Development Services Scheme

Integrated Child Development Services Scheme (ICDS) launched in 1975, is a unique early childhood development programme addressing health, nutrition and the development needs of young children, pregnant and nursing mothers. It is designed to promote holistic development of children under 06 years, through strengthening capacity of care givers and communities and improve access to basic services at the community level. It provides the convergent interface/platform between communities and system such as primary health care, education, water and sanitation among others. The flagship scheme of Ministry of Women and Child Development, GOI under which Anganwari Centres are established in villages/hamlets in rural as well as in urban areas for the target groups. The Scheme aims to provide nutrition to the children in the age group of 6 months to 6 years, pregnant/ lactating mothers and adolescent girls. Besides this, immunization and referral services are also provided. There are 141 ICDS Projects and 29599 Anganwari Centres functioning in the State. Anganwari centers also provide non-formal pre-school education and get periodic health checkups of the beneficiaries. The scheme has two component viz. Supplemental Nutrition and Non-Nutrition (ICDS General).

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Funding Pattern:

- Non-Nutrition Component (ICDS General) = 90:10 (Centre-State)
- Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) = 50:50 (Centre –State)
- The 50% State Share under SNP is provided through District Plan.
 - **Targets Groups:**
 - Children 0-06 years.
 - Pregnant and Lactating Mothers &
 - Adolescent Girls.
 - **Services Provided under the Scheme:**
 - Supplementary Nutrition
 - Immunization
 - Health Check-ups/referral Services.
 - Pre-School/non-formal educations
 - Nutrition and Health Education etc.

- The Government of India on recommendations of Ministry of Women and Child Development and the inter Ministerial Group Suggestions on “Broad Framework of Implementation” has approved restructured ICDS. Under the framework ICDS Scheme has been restructured and strengthened for which series of programmatic, management and institutional reforms, changes in norms etc. have been identified and approved.
- In J&K, the ICDS Scheme has been put in Mission mode during the year 2013.
- **The main features of restructured ICDS are as:-**
- Transforming ICDS scheme to ensure holistic- physical, psycho- social, cognitive and emotional development of children under the age of six years by way of better nurturing, protective child friendly and gender sensitive family, community, providing of Programme and policy environments and implementation of the scheme in Mission Mode like that of NRHM, SSA.
- Repositioning of AWCs as “vibrant ECD centre” (early child care and development centre) to become the first village outpost for health, nutrition and early learning with adequate infrastructure. The AWCs would be required to work for minimum six hours and to provide crèche facilities to such children whose mothers leave home for work.

- Adequate and appropriate infrastructure for AWC including construction of new buildings, maintenance and repair of existing buildings as well as provisions for enhanced rent would be ensured by the ICDS Mission for the effective implementation of the scheme.
- Construction of AWC buildings for such AWCs which are housed in rented buildings for this purpose convergence with the programmes namely BRGF, MsDP, NERAGA, MPLAD etc. is proposed.
- The early childhood care shall be strengthened and focus laid on “early childhood care and education” (ECCE) as a core service of the AWCs with dedicated four hours of early childhood learning sessions followed by supplementary nutrition, growth monitoring and other related interventions.

- Accordingly, State Mission steering Group (SMSG) has been set up under the chairmanship of Chief Minister vide Government Order No. 574-GAD of 2013 dated 05-04-2013.
- State Empowered Programme Committee (SEPC) has been set up under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary vide Government Order No. 575-GAD of 2013 dated 05-04-2013.
- The J&K State Child Development Society has been formulated and registered under the Societies Registration Act VI of 1998 (1941 A.D.) vide No. 6431-S of 2013.

Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojna

Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojna has been launched on pilot basis in **district Anantnag & Kathua** with the aim to improve the health and nutritional status of pregnant, lactating women and their young infants.

- The scheme aims to provide partial compensation for the wage loss so that the women is not under compulsion to work till the last stage of pregnancy and can take adequate rest before and after delivery.
- The beneficiary (pregnant and lactating women) must be in the age group of 19 years and above upto first two live births.

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- The beneficiary receives a total cash incentive of Rs.6000/- in three installments starting completion of six months of pregnancy with the basic condition that the beneficiary registers within four months at the Anganwadi centre or health centre and during the year 2013-14 the incentive has been enhanced from Rs. 4000/- to Rs. 6000/-.
- The scheme was introduced in the State during 2011-12 with 100% funding from the Ministry of women and Child Development, Government of India.
- The funding pattern of the scheme has been changed by GOI from existing 100% CS to 90:10 between Centre and State w.e.f. 01-04-2015.

Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (SABLA)

Rajiv Gandhi scheme for empowerment of adolescent girls (RGSEAG-Sabla) is implemented in district **Kupwara, Anantnag and Leh** of Kashmir division and **Jammu & Kathua** of Jammu Division on pilot basis with the aim of empowerment of adolescent girls in the age group of 11-18 years through SNP, self development, skill development, health & hygiene, Vocational Training, IFA supplementation and education and learning of life skills. The scheme has two components viz. Nutrition and Non-nutrition.

District-wise Detail Of Anganwadi Centres Sanctioned In J&K

S. No.	Name of the District	Total
1.	Jammu (including Migrant 234)	2694
2	Samba	1027
3	Kathua	1641
4	Udhampur	1485
5	Reasi	968
6	Doda	1401
7	Kishtwar	828
8	Ramban	803
9	Rajouri	1672
10	Poonch	1421
	Total Jammu Division	13940

District-wise Detail Of Anganwadi Centres Sanctioned in J&K

S. No.	Name of the District	Total
1.	Srinagar	1202
2	Ganderbal	669
3	Budgam	1685
4	Anantnag	2223
5	Kulgam	1301
6	Pulwama	1116
7	Shopian	717
8	Kupwara	2323
9	Baramulla	2421
10	Bandipora	829
11	Kargil	689
12	Leh	484
	Total Kashmir Division	15659
	Grand Total (Jammu + Kashmir)	29599

Scholarship scheme for Promoting Literacy.

- The department is implementing various State/Central Schemes for educational upliftment of students belonging to various categories and identified sections of the society. The State is providing Pre-Matric Scholarship to SCs, G&Bs, Minorities OBCs and Pahari Speaking People in the State. Physically Handicapped persons are also covered under the Scholarship Scheme. The Department also implements Central scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship for the above categories. The Book Bank and other such schemes for betterment of scavengers in the education sector are also being implemented. Beside this 100% fee is reimbursed to SC, ST students pursuing their studies in the recognized institutions.

Criteria for disbursement of Pre-Matric Scholarship.

S. No	Class	Rate of Scholarship	Minimum attendance required in the class	%age of marks required in the previous examination
1	1 ST to 5 th	RS. 50/- pm for Boys Rs. 75/- pm for Girls	80%	-
2	6 th to 8 th	Rs. 100/- pm for Boys Rs. 150/- pm for Girls	80%	50% & above
3	9 th to 10 th	Rs. 150/- pm for Boys Rs. 200/- pm for girls	80%	55% & above
4	11 th to 12 th	Rs. 150/- pm for boys Rs. 300/- pm for girls	80%	55% & above

*Note: For SC/G&B/PSP no income slab, for others it is one lac and for PHCs not more than 2100/- per month.

Post Matric Scholarship Scheme

S. No	Name of the Scheme	Concerned Ministry	Implementing Agency
1	Post Matric scholarship to ST Students	Ministry of Tribal Affairs, GOI	Director Tribal Affairs, J&K
2	Post Matric scholarship to SC Students	Ministry of Social Justice, GOI	Director Social Welfare Jammu/Kashmir
3	Post Matric scholarship to OBC Students		
4	Post Matric scholarship to Minority Students	Ministry of Minority Affairs, GOI	Director Social Welfare Jammu/Kashmir
5	Merit-Cum Means Scholarship to Minority Students		

Parents/Guardians income under these scholarship schemes should not exceed Rs. 2.50 lacs per annum.

The existing rate of stipend under Post Matric Scholarship Schemes:

Name of the Courses	Fee within the State	Fee outside the state
Technical/Professional Courses including MBBS, BDS, BUMS, Degree Engineering courses, PG courses in Medical & Engineering, BSc Agriculture, BVSC, BSc IT, M. Phill, PhD Courses, Non-Professional (and all other Government Recognized courses) including UG & PG level courses.	Actual Fee or a maximum amount of Rs. 30,000 whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	Actual fee or a maximum amount of Rs. 30,000 whichever is less & Maintenance allowances
Diploma Engineering courses, All Medical courses in which admission is given on 12 th basis & B.Ed. Courses	Rs. 20,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	Rs. 20,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances
All the courses in which admission is given on 10 th basis.	Rs. 12,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	Rs. 12,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances
Donation/Payment Seats	Rs. 30,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	Rs. 30,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances
*Computer courses		
“O” Level Hardware/Software one year duration Diploma courses.	Rs. 18,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	N.A
CHM “A” Level & A Level (1Year)	Rs. 20,000/- & Maintenance allowances	N.A
“B” Level courses (3 years)	Rs. 30,000/- & Maintenance allowances	N.A

Hostel facilities

- The Government is running hostels for students belonging to the SCs, STs and Pahari Speaking People at various locations in the State. These hostels have been constructed with the assistance from GOI on sharing basis. Inmates are provided free boarding and lodging and coaching facilities.
- There are 14 (7 boys & 7 girls) hostels for SC students, out of which 11 hostels are complete and stand handed over to the Education Department and the other three are under construction.

J&K State Advisory Board for Development of Pahari Speaking People

- The Government of Jammu & Kashmir constituted State Advisory Board for Development of Pahari Speaking People in the year 1989. The major objective of the Advisory Board is raising the educational standard of the students of Pahari Speaking Community. For achieving this objective two schemes (a) Management of Boys/Girls hostels and (b) Grant of Pre-matric/Post-matric scholarships are being implemented by the Advisory Board.
- The major schemes under implementation in the Advisory Board is as under:-
 - Grant of Scholarship (1st to 12th Class) to Pahari Speaking students.
 - Grant of Post-matric Scholarship to Pahari Speaking Students.
 - Management of Boys/Girls Pahari Hostels.
 - There are 9 boys hostels managed by the State Advisory Board for the Development of Pahari Speaking People.

Management of Boys Pahari Hostels

S.N O	Name of the Pahari Hostel	Year of Establishment	Intake Capacity
01	Boys Pahari Hostel Rajouri	1997	150 inmates
02	Boys Pahari Hostel Poonch	1997	150 inmates
03	Boys Pahari Hostel	April,2009	100 inmates
04	Boys Pahari Hostel Kupwara	April,2010	50 inmates
05	Boys Pahari Hostel Anantnag	May,2010	50 inmates
06	Boys Pahari Hostel Baramulla	June,2010	50 inmates
	Total		550 inmates

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Management Of Girls Pahari Hostels

S.N O	Name of the Pahari Hostel	Year of Establishment	Intake Capacity
01	GIRLS Pahari Hostel Poonch	Sept. 2013	100
02	Girls Pahari Hostel Kupwara	Sept. 2013	100
03	Girls Pahari Hostel Rajouri	Nov. 2013 (admission started in last week of Nov 2013)	100
		Total	300 inmates

About 1,11,472 students are covered under Pre and Post-Matric Scholarship by the Board and Rs. 10.02 Crore stand released in favour of Chief Education Officers/Degree Colleges by ending January, 2015.

Following four(04) OBC Hostels are under construction

1 OBC Hostel at Degree College Pulwama

2 OBC Hostel at Boys Islamia College of Science & Commerce Srinagar

3 OBC Hostel at Islamia University of Science & Technology Awantipora Srinagar

4 OBC Hostel at Doda

Schemes for Development of Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes.

- The Central Schemes of development viz; SCA to TSP, Article 275 (1) of the Constitution of India and SCA to SCSP by way of additional central assistance (ACA) and Central Assistance are implemented for SCs/STs in the State. The beneficiaries/development works under these schemes are identified by the Distt. Advisory Boards, which is co-ordinated by the DDC, keeping in view the requirements in accordance with the guidelines governing these schemes. The main objective and scope of SCA to TSP, which was originally meant for filling up of the critical gaps in the family-based income generation activities of the TSP, has now been extended to cover the employment-cum income generation and the infrastructure incidental thereto not only to the family-based activities for also to the Self Help Groups /community. Out of the total allocation 30% can be utilized for infrastructure development and 70% for income generation units.

DISTRICT-WISE DISTRIBUTION OF ST POPULATION IN J&K as per census 2011

S. No	District	ST Population	%age out of Total ST Population
1	Jammu	69193	4.63
2	Samba	17573	1.18
3	Kathua	53307	3.57
4	Udhampur	56309	3.77
5	Reasi	88365	5.92
6	Doda	39216	2.63
7	Kishtawar	38149	2.55
8	Ramban	39772	2.66
9	Rajouri	232815	15.59
10	Poonch	176101	11.79
11	Srinagar	8935	0.60
12	Ganderbal	61070	4.09
13	Badgam	23912	1.60
14	Anantnag	116006	7.77
15	Kulgam	26525	1.78
16	Pulwama	22607	1.51
17	Shopian	21820	1.46
18	Baramulla	37705	2.52
19	Bandipora	75374	5.05
20	Kupwara	70352	4.71
21	Leh	95857	6.42
22	Kargil	122336	8.19
	Total	1493299	100

DISTRICT-WISE DISTRIBUTION OF SC POPULATION IN J&K as per census 2011

S. No	District	SC Population	%age out of Total SC Population
1	Jammu	377991	40.864
2	Samba	91835	9.928
3	Kathua	141224	15.268
4	Udhampur	138569	14.981
5	Reasi	37757	4.082
6	Doda	53408	5.774
7	Kishtawar	14307	1.547
8	Ramban	13920	1.505
9	Rajouri	48157	5.206
10	Poonch	556	0.060
11	Srinagar	1068	0.115
12	Ganderbal	117	0.013
13	Badgam	368	0.040
14	Anantanag	1826	0.197
15	Kulgam	21	0.002
16	Pulwama	402	0.043
17	Shopian	43	0.005
18	Baramulla	1476	0.160
19	Bandipora	392	0.042
20	Kupwara	1048	0.113
21	Leh	488	0.053
22	Kargil	18	0.002
	Total	924991	100.000

Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS)

- The Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) is expected to significantly contribute to the realization of government/state responsibility for creating a system that will efficiently and effectively protect children. It is based on cardinal principles of “Protection of Child Rights” and “Best Interest of Child” the objective of the scheme is to contribute to improvements in the well-being of children in difficult circumstances, as well as to the reduction of vulnerabilities to situations and actions that lead to abuse, neglect, exploitation, abandonment and separation of children.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between Government of India and Jammu and Kashmir State for launching of Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS).
- State Child Protection Society has been established for the protection of child under Registration No. 6640 of 2014.

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- Governing Committee for the State Child Protection Society has been constituted vide Government Order No. 814-GAD of 2014 dated 28-07-2014. to manage the overall funding, monitoring and functioning of the Society.
- Executive Committee for the State Child Protection Society has been constituted vide Government Order No. 123-SW of 2014 dated 22-05-2014.
- Proposal for roll out of Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) to implement the JJA/rules is underway.
- The Law Department has been requested to furnish a panel of retired Judges of High Court with regard to the constitution of oversight and selection committee.

Bal Ashrams & Nari Niketans.

- ❖ With the aim to provide free boarding, lodging, education, health care facilities, etc. to male and female orphans and destitute children, the social welfare department has established Bal Ashrams and Nari Niketans almost in all districts of J&K.
- ❖ There are 24 Bal Ashrams and 12 Nari Niketans having a total intake capacity of 1504 functioning in J&K.

BAL ASHRAMS:

S. No.	District	No. of Bal Ashrams	Intake capacity
1	Jammu	1	55
2	Kathua	1	55
3	Udhampur	2	80
4	Rajouri	3	160
5	Poonch	2	55
6	Doda	1	55
7	Srinagar	2	110
8	Budgam	1	25
9	Anantnag	1	55
10	Kulgam	1	25
11	Shopian	1	50
12	Pulwama	2	110
13	Baramulla	2	110
14	Kupwara	1	50
15	Leh	1	55
16	Kargil	1	55
	Total	24	1105

NARI-NIKETAN:

S. No.	District	No. of Bal Ashrams	Intake capacity
1	Jammu	1	55
2	Kathua	1	30
3	Udhampur	1	30
4	Rajouri	1	30
5	Poonch	2	80
6	Doda	1	25
7	Srinagar	1	25
8	Budgam	1	25
9	Anantnag	1	25
10	Baramulla	1	25
11	Kupwara	1	50
	Total	12	400

State Rehabilitation Council for Militancy Victims:

- The Rehabilitation Council was created vide State Administrative Council's Decision No. 21 dated 14-02-1996. The Council stands registered under the Societies Act VI of 1998 (1941 A.D) under the name and style of "Council for Rehabilitation of Widows, Orphans, Handicapped and Old persons (Victims of Militancy) in J&K".
- The objective of the Council is to provide assistance for the physical, psychological and economical rehabilitation of the victims of militancy in Jammu and Kashmir with special focus on widows, orphans, handicapped and the aged persons whose bread-winner is killed or incapacitated as a result of militancy.
- The Rehabilitation Council is a three-tier body comprising:
 - ❖ The Governing Council headed by Hon'ble Governor.
 - ❖ The Executive Council headed by the Chief Secretary, J&K Government.
 - ❖ The District Level Committees headed by the concerned District Development Commissioners.

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Watan Ko Jano (Youth Exchange Programme)

In order to expose the youth of the J&K State to social and cultural diversity of India especially the orphans of militancy affected persons, J&K State Rehabilitation Council with the funding of Department of JK Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs, Gol organized youth exchange programmes from 2011 onwards.

Under the youth exchange program the youth of J&K mostly the orphans of militancy affected persons and destitute are being sent to outside the state like Chandhigarh, Agra, Ajmir, Jaipur, Delhi etc on exposure visit.

The project was widely appreciated as the objectives outlined for it were achieved to the best satisfaction of both participants and others involved in its implementation.

ST/SC/BC Development Corporation

The Jammu and Kashmir Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes & Backward Classes Development Corporation Limited; was established in the year 1986, a wholly owned corporation of the Jammu & Kashmir Government, registered under companies Act 1956, with service/welfare objective as a non profit making company. The prime objective of the Corporation is to work for socio-economic and educational upliftment of its target groups, to provide better self employment avenues so that they can become economically independent and self reliant members of the society.

The main financing schemes of the Corporation are as under:-

- ❖ Bank Tie-up Scheme
- ❖ Direct Financing Scheme
- ❖ Education Loan Scheme
- ❖ Skill Development Training Programmes

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The direct financing scheme is available for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes & Backward Classes, notified National Minorities (viz. Muslims, Sikhs, Buddhists, Christians, Parsis and Jains), Safai Karamcharies/Scavengers and Handicapped categories. Under Financing Scheme, the Corporation provides loan to the target groups in collaboration with the following National Level Corporation:-

1. National SC Finance and development Corporation
2. National ST finance and Development Corporation
3. National Minority Development & Finance Dev. Corporation
4. National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation.
5. National Safai Karamchari Finance and Development Corporation.
6. National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation.

State Women's Development Corporation

Jammu and Kashmir State Women's Development Corporation was incorporated in the year 1991 but started functioning w.e.f. 1994. The Corporation is implementing a number of Developmental Schemes for Socio-economic Upliftment of Women with a special focus on the families living Below Poverty Line (BPL) & Women belonging to Minorities, Backward & Other Classes.

The Corporation is implementing the following loan schemes under single window at present on the following National Pattern:-

1	GOI(Central Share)	85%
2	State Government Share	10%
3	Beneficiary's Share	5%
4	Rate of Interest	4% to 6%
5	Repayment	20-28 equal instalments (5 to 6 years)
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1. National Minority Development Corporation.
2. National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation.
3. National Handicapped Finance & Development Corporation.
4. Empowering Skilled Young Women.

In addition to the above mentioned loan schemes Corporation is also implementing the following Programmes:-

- Skill Development/Vocational Training Programme/(MSY).
- Awareness Camps

Corporation also provides Marketing Tie up within & outside the State by organizing:

- Exhibitions, Craft Melas, Trade Fairs etc.

J&K State Advisory Board for Development of Scheduled Castes

- The advisory Board has been re-constituted vide Government Order No. 1434-GAD of 2010 dated 10-12-2010. The main activity of J&K State Advisory Board for the welfare and development of scheduled castes is to suggest measures for the upliftment of scheduled castes. The Board is not operating any developmental scheme directly and it only guides the government regarding various issues concerning scheduled castes. The Non-plan funds are being released by the government for payment of salary and other expenditure. Till date no Acts/Bye Laws/Executive orders governing functioning of the J&K State Advisory Board for the welfare and development of Scheduled Castes have been issued by the government.

J&K State Advisory Board for the Welfare & Development of OBCs

- The J&K State Advisory Board for the Welfare and Development of Other Backward Classes has been constituted by the Govt Vide Order No 227-GAD of 2010 Dated 15-02-2010 in order to have an in-depth study with regard to the Socio-Economic & Educational Development of Other Backward Classes and to aid and advise the Government for the formulation of both short term and long term Policies / Plans for an overall development and upliftment of these Classes / Castes.

Acts & Rules

- The Acts & Rules under the Social Welfare Department are listed below:-

Acts:

1. Backward Classes Commission Act, 1997;
2. J&K, Persons with Disabilities Act, 1998;
3. J&K, Reservation Act, 2004;
4. J&K, State Commission for Women Act, 1999;
5. J&K, Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2010;
6. Jammu and Kashmir Juvenile Justice (Case and Protection of Children Act), 2013.
7. State Trust for Welfare for the Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities, Act-2015.

Rules:

1. J&K, Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2003.
2. J&K State Reservation Rules; 2005;
3. J&K, Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Rules, 2011;
4. J&K State Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Rules, 2014.

Backward Classes Commission Act, 1997

- State has an Act to provide for the constitution of a State Commission for Backward Classes other than the SCs and STs, and for matters connected therewith are incidental thereto called State Backward Classes Commission. Under the Act the government has constituted a body to be known as the State Commission Backward Classes to exercise the powers and perform the functions as under:-

Powers- Powers of a civil court trying a suit

Functions- Examine requests for inclusion any class of citizens as Backward Class in the list and hear complaints of over inclusion and under inclusion and any backward class in such list and tender advice to the government.

Composition- The commission consists of following members nominated by the government:-

- a) A chairperson who is or has been a judge of Supreme Court or High Court.
- b) An eminent educationalist
- c) A person who has for at least two years held the post of a Secretary to Government or any other post under the government carrying a scale of pay which is not less than that of a Secretary to Government.
- d) Two persons preferably belonging to Backward Classes with special knowledge in matters relating to Backward Classes.

Persons with Disabilities Act, 1998

- An Act to provide equal opportunities, care, protection, maintenance, welfare, training and rehabilitation to the persons with disabilities was enacted by the J&K government called as “J&K Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1998”.
- The Act provides for constitution of a coordination committee under the chairmanship of Minister incharge Social Welfare with Administrative Secretaries of Social Welfare, Education, Finance, General Administration Department, Industries, Labour and Employment, Science and Technology, chairman Bureau of Public enterprises and three persons, as for as practicable being persons with disabilities as its members. The State coordination committee shall serve as the state focal point on disability matters and facilitate the continues evaluation of a comprehensive policy towards solving the problems faced by the person with disability.
- There shall also be a Sate executive committee headed by Administrative Secretary Social Welfare Department and Director, Social Welfare and seven other persons not below the rank of Additional Secretary representing Health, Finance, Rural Development, Education, Labour and Employment, Science and Technology, Director Employment and three persons as for as practicable being persons with disabilities as its ex-officio member/member.
- A proposal for creation of post of Commissioner Disabilities has been submitted to the Planning and Development Department for approval.
- For the establishment of Composite Regional Centre at Jammu land is being identified as the matter has been taken up with the Divisional/Deputy Commissioner Jammu.

J&K Reservation Act, 2004

- An Act to provide for reservation in appointments, and admission in professional institutions for the members of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other Socially and Educationally Backward Classes and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.
- The Act provide that vacancies to the extent as may be notified by the government from time to time shall be reserved for appointment by directed recruitment from amongst the persons belonging to scheduled casts, scheduled tribes and socially and Educationally Backward Classes provided that the total %age of the reservation in no case shall exceed 50% . The Act also provides for vacancies to the extent as may be notified by the government from time to time, shall be reserved in any service, class, category or grade carrying pay scale the maximum of which does not exceed the pay scale of the post Deputy Secretary for promotion from amongst the persons belonging to SCs, STs and other Socially and Educationally Backward Classes, provided that the %age of reservation shall not exceed 31% of the available vacancies.
- That also provides for reservation of seats in professional institutions for candidates belonging to reserved categories and such other classes and categories as may be notified from time to time, provided that the total %age of reservation in no case shall exceed 50%.

J&K Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2010

- The State has enacted an act to provide for more effective protection of the rights of women guaranteed under the constitution, who are victims of violence of any kind occurring within the family and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto called as “J&K Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2010”.
- The Act provides for appointment of a protection officer in each district by a notification as far as possible be women and possess such qualification and experience as may be prescribed to assists the magistrate in discharge of his functions under this act. The protection shall be under the control and supervision of the magistrate. The protection officer shall report to the magistrate regarding occurrence of domestic violence/incident.

Jammu and Kashmir Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2013

- The State has enacted an act to consolidate and amend the law relating to Juveniles in conflict with law and children in need of care and protection by providing for proper care protection and treatment by catering to their development needs and for the adjudication and disposition of matters in the best interest of the children and for their ultimate rehabilitation and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto called Jammu and Kashmir Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2013.
- The act provides for constitution of Juvenile Justice Boards and Child Welfare Committees, establishment of observation homes, special homes, shelter homes and children homes in the state.
- The Juvenile Justice board shall consist of judicial magistrate of 1st class and two social workers, forming a bench and every such bench shall have the powers conferred by the code of criminal procedure Samvat 1989 on a judicial magistrate of the 1st class and the magistrate of the board shall be designated the principal magistrate.
- The child welfare committee shall consist of a chairperson and four other members of whom at least one shall be a women and another an expert on matters concerning children. The committee shall have the final authority to dispose of cases for care, protection, treatment, development and rehabilitation of the children as well as to provide their basic needs and protection of human rights.

State Commission for Women Act, 1999

- The state has enacted an act to constitute a state commission for women and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto called as “State Commission for Women Act, 1999”. The act provides for constitution of a body to be known as State Commission for women consisting of a whole time chairperson and two part-time members nominated by the government from amongst eminent women of the state committed to the cause of women. The commission shall investigate and examine all matters relating to the safeguards provided for women under the constitution and other laws, present to the government annual report, to review the existing provisions of the constitution of the J&K and other laws affecting women and recommending amendments thereto.

Implementation of the national Mission for Empowerment of Women in Jammu and Kashmir

- Women constitute almost half of the population and are significant contributors to our growing economy. Yet, they suffer from a number of disparities reflected in various social and economic development indicators, such as health nutrition, literacy, education attainment, skill levels, occupational status etc. in addition there are number of gender specific barriers which prevent women from getting their rightful share of public goods and services. With a view to create an environment in which the women realize their full potential, they would need to be given equal access to healthcare, quality education, career, vocational, employment, occupational health and safety social security etc. Besides, the existing laws would need to be amended for progressive elimination of all forms of violence and discrimination against them.

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- In Jammu and Kashmir, the implementing agency in the name and style of Jammu and Kashmir Women Empowerment Society was established and registered under the Societies Registration Act, VI of 1998, dated 6th March 2013. The bye laws of the Society were formulated and certified under Section 17 of Jammu and Kashmir Society Registration Act-1998.

Setting up of State Resource Centre for Women

- Pursuit to this, State Mission Authority headed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister has been constituted vide Government Order No. 1185-GAD of 2012 dated 22.10.2012 read with Government Order No. 315-GAD of 2013 dated 22.02.2013, for implementation of the Mission in the State. The State Mission Authority is responsible for setting the goals and monitoring progress of Mission activities within the State. State Resource Centre for Women (SRCW) provides requisite technical support to the SMA and act as the link between the National Structures and grassroots level. The State Mission Authority with support from the State Resource Centre for Women would utilize the existing state level implementation and monitoring structures under relevant programmes.

In order to implement the Mission in the State, the National Mission for Empowerment of Women was rolled out in the State vide Government Order No. 97-SW of 2013 dated 28.03.2013.

New Initiatives

- State has started disbursement of oldage pension under NSAP in six pilot districts namely Leh, Kargil, Ganderbal, Srinagar, Rajouri and Jammu through direct benefit transfer (DBT) mode wherein pension amount is credited to their individual accounts. The scheme is being extended to other districts as well covering 1.5 lacs beneficiaries through Aadhar linked Bank Account from next financial year. A detailed survey to capture account numbers, Aadhar Card Number and IFSC Code is underway in the state.
- Similarly Pre and Post-Matric Scholarship under various State/Centre sponsored shall also be disbursed by Aadhar linked Bank Account from next financial year. Accordingly, the requisite modalities are being worked out.

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao

- The Government has announced “Beti Bachao Beti Padhao” (BBBP) scheme to address the issue of decline in sex ratio through a mass campaign across the country and focused interventions and Multi-sectoral Action in five gender critical districts. This is a joint initiative of Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Health and Medical Education and Ministry of Human Resource Development, GOI.
- **GOAL:** Celebrate the Girls Child and enable her education.
- **OBJECTIVE:** Prevent gender biased sex selective elimination ensure survival and protection of girl child.
- Five pilot districts namely Pulwama, Budgam, Anantnag, Kathua and Jammu have been selected under BBBP.
- The Action Plan have been sought from the concerned DDCs .

Monitorable Targets

- Improve the SRB (Sex Ratio and Birth) by 10 points in a year.
- Reduce gender differentials in under five Child Mortality Rate from 8 points to 4 points in 2017.
- Improve the nutrition status of girls –by reducing number of underweight and anaemic girls under 5 years of age.
- Ensure universalization of ICDS.
- Increase girls enrolment in secondary education from 76% in 2013-14 to 77% by 2017.
- Provide girls toilets in every school by 2017.
- Promote protective environment for girl children through implementation of Protection of Children from sexual offences (POCSO) Act, 2012.
- Train elected representatives/gross-root functionaries as community chairperson to mobilise communities to improve CSR and promote girls education. Addressing trafficking, missing children, sexual abuse, tackling juvenile crime and strengthening Child Protection System are priority areas for action.
 - Juvenile Justice Act, 2013.
 - Integrated Child Protection Scheme.
 - POCSO Act, 2012.

Strategies

- Implement a sustained social mobilization and communication campaign to create equal value for the girl child and promote her education.
- Place the issue of CSR/SRB in public disclosure, improvement of which would be a indication for good governance.
- Mobilise and train Panchyati Raj Institution/ULB, grass-root workers as catalysts for social change.
- Ensure service delivery structures/schemes, programmes are sufficiently responsive to issue of gender and children rights.
- Enable inter-sectoral and inter-institutional convergence at District/Block/Grass-root level.

Components

- **Mass communication campaign on Beti Bachao Beti Padhao:**
- The campaign will be aimed at ensuring girls are born, nurtured and educated without discrimination to become empowered citizen with equal right.
- **Multi-sectoral intervention in gender critical Districts Low on CSR.**
- Multi-sectoral action have been drawn in consultation with MOHFW and MoHRD. State to adopt flexible frame work for Multi-sectoral Action through the State Task Force for devolving, implementing and monitoring State/District Action Plans of the State/District Specific monitorable targets.

Actions to be undertaken

District

- Constitution of District Task Force (DTF) headed by Deputy Commissioner with representative of line departments, Health & Family Welfare, Education, Panchayati Raj and police.
- Develop District Action Plan involving ICDS functionaries.
- Provide guidance for implementation of Multi-sectoral action.
- Undertake monthly review meeting.
- Nominate Nodal Officer from each District for formulate, implementation and monitoring of District Action Plan.
- Designate a coordinating officer among the line departments to facilitate the process.
- Review the implementation of PC and PNDDT.

Block

- Constitution of Block Task Force (BTF) headed by Block Development Officer with representative of line departments, Health & Family Welfare, Education, Panchayati Raj and police.
- Develop Block Action Plan involving ICDS functionaries.
- Provide guidance for implementation of Multi-sectoral action.
- Undertake monthly review meeting.
- Designate a coordinating officer among the line departments to facilitate the process.

Time Line

- Constitution of District Task Force within one month of approval of the scheme.
- Ensure first meeting of DTF/BTF within a week's time of its constitutions.
- Finalize timeline and monitorable targets for District Plan with 15 days and submit it to Government of India DWCD through State Government.
- District Action Plan will be rolled out as soon as tools are transferred to the district.

Implementation Activities

- Orientation and sensitization
- **Orientation**
- Orientation of District Offices/Zila Parishad, judiciary District Legal Services Authority/Doctors with first orientation of the Roll out of the scheme.
- Orientation of Block offices/PRI/Serpanchs frontline workers/SHGs.
- Orientation of panches/village health sanitation monitor Committees

- **Sensitization**
- Sensitization of MPs/MLAs/Religious leader/ community leaders with first orientation of the Roll out of the scheme;
- Sensitization of teachers on Child Sex Ratio through Sarve Shikha Abhyan with first orientation of the roll out of scheme.

Effective Implementation of PC and PNDD

- Identify source of baseline data for measuring the CSR, SRB. Selected district will have to measure/identify baseline data by December 31st, 2014. Against this, the progress of proposed intervention will be measured after two years.
- Strengthen District PC & PNDD cell by recruiting at-least 05 human resources.
- Map all available ultra-sonography machine in the district.
- Ensure District statutory institutional bodies.
- Analyse birth records.
- Update information of all ongoing PNDD court cases by District legal consultation.
- Ensure functioning of anonymized online complete portal.

Enabling environment for value and Education of girl child

- **Enabling environment for the birth of girl child through:**
- Registration of pregnancy in the first trimester at AWCs/Health Centres, ante natal care.
- Promote effective implementation of Mother & Child Protection Card (MCPC) by AWWs/ASHAs.
- Using fixed monthly village health and nutrition days.
- Improve awareness MoWCD programme & schemes, ICDS, ICPS, IGMSY, SABLA, Creche, Swadher Greh, Working Women, Hostel.
- Identify community watch groups.
- Incentivise schools/Panchayat/ULB frontline worker on annual basis.

- **Enable Education**
- Activate school Management Committees (SMCs) to ensure universal enrolment of girls through special drives-over a continuum.
- Create Balika manches to encourage participation of girls in schools.
- Construct Kasturba Gandhi Bal Vidyalayas (KGBV) to be completed.
- Campaign to re-enroll drop-out girls in Secondary school.
- Institute a district level award to five schools for promoting girls education.

Training and Capacity Building Training

- Mainstreaming Gender equality related concerns.
- Integration of the girl child and gender equality related concerns in the training strategy of Administrative, Police, Judicial, medical colleges and other training academies.
- Strengthen capacities of the existing training institutions of the relevant Departments.
- Inclusion/Integration of the girl child and gender equality related concerns into the training curricula and modules of relevant flagship programmes/schemes such as ICDS, NRHM/NHM, SSA, NRLM, MGNREGA, TSC and PRIs, ULBs.
- **Capacity Building**
- Training of frontline workers such AWW/ASHAs.
- Training of District Appropriate Authorities.
- Build Capacities of training institutions

Advocacy, Community mobilisation and Awareness Generation

- Community Mobilization and outreach through Naari KiChaupal, Beti Janmotsav, Mann Ki Baat, etc. Spread the message of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP).
- Dedicate a special day every month for celebration of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao.
- National girl child day be celebrated 24th January, 2015.
- International Women's Day on 8th March.
- Pledge for protection, safety, value and education of the girl child.
- Encouraging reversal of son centric rituals and customs.
- Inclusion of local religious.
- Promoting of simple weddings.
- Promoting of equal property rights.
- Prevention of early/child marriage.
- Awards and Incentives.

“Ladli Beti”

The Social Assistance Scheme titled “Ladli Beti” stand notified vide Government Order No. 186-SW of 2015 dated 08-09-2015. The scheme is meant for new born girl child born 01-04-2015, in the selected Districts of Budgam, Pulwama, Anantnag, Jammu, Kathua, Samba, Srinagar and Kishtwar having adverse child sex ratio. The scheme adopts a life cycle approach addressing the concerns of girls-right from the birth to adulthood, and providing financial security that enables to create a strong positive disposition towards the girl child. The District wise number of beneficiaries covered as on 31-03-2019 is as under:-

S.No	DISTRICT	NO. OF BENEFICIARIES	TOTAL AMOUNT PAID UPTO 03-2019
1	PULWAMA	5444	5444000
2	JAMMU	5726	5726000
3	BUDGAM	6253	6253000
4	SAMBA	2731	2731000
5	SRINAGAR	7198	7198000
6	KATHUA	5450	5450000
7	ANANTNAG	6778	6778000
8	KISHTWAR	1698	1698000
	Total	41278	41278000

Benefits under the scheme:

1. A contribution of Rs. 1000/- per month towards the birth of every girl child with effect from 01-04-2015 for the next 14 years;
2. The scheme entails to provide a sum of Rs. 6.50 lacs on maturity, i.e. on attaining age of 21 years.

Basic eligibility conditions:

- The beneficiary shall possess valid Permanent Resident Certificate of the selected Districts.
- Girl child born to parents whose annual income from all sources is less than Rs. 75000/- per annum only shall be eligible for the benefits under this scheme. The income certificate shall be issued by the revenue authorities of the district not below the rank of Tehsildar in which the beneficiary resides.

“AASRA”

The Scheme titled “AASRA” stand notified vide Government 150-F of 2015 dated 20-08-2015 read with Government Order No.209-SW of 2015 dated 07-10-2015. “Aasra” is a comprehensive scheme for Financial Inclusion covering following groups deprived of basic financial services scheme:

1. All bread winners of families whose total annual income is less then Rs. 75000/-
2. All widows and destitute residing in the State.

The scheme aims at to provide social and financial security to eligible beneficiaries and entails to provide a zero balance Saving Bank account to every eligible beneficiary to avail the insurance cover benefits under

which, State Government would pay or reimburse premium for a period of five years for the following two schemes:

1. Prime Minister Suraksh Bima Yojna.
2. Prime Minister Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojna

Basic eligibility conditions

1. The beneficiary shall have to apply through an prescribed application form, appended as Form-1 to the guidelines.
 2. All bread winners of families whose total annual income is less than to Rs.75000/-.
 3. Intending family must establish that he / she has no source of income quantified as per the prescribed income certificate forming annexure “B” to the guidelines i.e less than Rs.75000/annum.
 4. All widows and destitute residing in the State.
 5. The life / accident cover under the scheme will be paid only to the prescribed nominee in case of death of the beneficiary or as per the guidelines outlined in the schemes referred heretofore.
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State Marriage Assistance Scheme

State Marriage Assistance Scheme stands notified vide Government 248-SW of 2015 dated 08-12-2015. The scheme entails one time financial assistance of Rs 40000 (i.e Rs 25000+cost of 5gram gold) to the identified poor girls across the State; the girls were identified through a survey conducted by the Deputy Commissioners.

State Marriage Assistance **SCHEME FOR POOR GIRLS** is a social assistance scheme meant for those unmarried identified girls of the State living below the poverty line, who may not find themselves in a position to solemnize the marriage due to financial constraints.

Norms for availing benefit under the scheme:

The prospective beneficiary girl:

- Should be an identified poor girl in the survey lists already available with the concerned DDCs/District Social Welfare Officers (s);
- Should be above 18 years of age;
- Should not have availed the benefit for the same purpose under any other State/ Centrally Sponsored Scheme;
- Can avail benefit only once under the scheme.

18015 eligible beneficiaries have been provided with marriage assistance under State

Marriage Assistance Scheme (SMAS), with financial assistance of Rs **71.30** crores, across the State with following break district-wise breakup:

S.No	District	Total No. of cases Sanctioned upto - 31-03-2019	Total Expenditure (in lakhs)
1	Srinagar	765	305.33
2	Anantnag	1657	659.58
3	Kupwara	1071	406.98
4	Ganderbal	573	260.75
5	Budgam	617	234.14
6	Kulgam	1585	623.15
7	Bandipora	707	280.70
8	Pulwama	1390	542.10
9	Shopian	942	376.80
10	Baramulla	1046	407.47
11	Kargil	259	101.08
12	leh	299	118.07
13	Jammu	673	247.34

14	Samba	336	133.14
15	Kathua	461	181.94
16	Udhampur	1100	455.49
17	Rajouri	1580	626.86
18	Kishtwar	869	344.46
19	Reasi	883	353.12
20	Ramban	391	150.54
21	Doda	381	150.64
22	Poonch	430	170.41
	Total	18015	7130.09