

Other Welfare Measures

The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019 states that the appropriate Government shall take steps to secure full and effective participation of transgender persons and formulate welfare schemes and programmes which are transgender sensitive, non-stigmatising and non-discriminatory. Therefore, all concerned Ministries/Departments of Government of India and State Governments have to formulate policies, programmes and schemes or modify already existing schemes for Transgender persons.

The appropriate Government shall constitute a welfare board for the transgender persons for the purpose of protecting their rights and interests of, and facilitating access to schemes and welfare measures framed by the Government, in order to provide assistance to various projects from departments, NGOs, state government for creating trans-safe toilets, region specific programmes, the Ministry shall provide funds for such projects after careful consideration of the proposals and wherever necessary.

1. Sensitization and Awareness Generation for Transgender persons welfare

(a) Schools should be more gender sensitive and have an option to select transgender/others as a gender preference which may be kept confidential between the parents and school administration while filling forms or re-registering everywhere for inclusivity and providing them a space to be acknowledged

(b) Teachers should help parents of such children get acclimated to the needs of their child by creating a support group. (Parents support group) which can be done through parent teacher meetings and also monitored by school welfare committees

(c) Such parents can be provided parenting programmes, help in availing assistance from the state and central ministry, these documents and support groups can be monitored by school welfare committees and reports could be sent to the Ministry monthly

(d) Existing forums such as the Anganwadi Centres, Self-Help Groups may be oriented on transgender issues, and involved in providing information to parents of transgender youth

(e) Nationwide workshops and sensitization programmes for school teachers, administrative officials and stakeholders in the education sector to aware them about the plight of issues pertaining to transgender welfare

(f) Preparing transgender sensitive IEC material to be distributed in workplaces, colleges, schools and other institutions

(g) Awareness workshops in government offices, private institutions, schools and colleges by National Institute of Social Defence. The National Institute of Social Defence has to prepare an annual action plan and submit it to the Ministry by March positively with a proper budget

(h) Constitution of a committee in all educational organizations for transgender persons to deal with cases of any harassment or discrimination

(i) Following activities may also be supported on the merits of received proposals:

a. Rescue vehicles for Transgender Persons

b. Activities suggested by State Transgender Welfare Boards: based on the request of Transgender welfare boards and states, proposals can be examined on their merit and the spirit of the scheme of this component.

c. Other activities not covered under other components of subscheme

Note: It will be ensured that there is no-overlapping/duplication with other schemes of Department or Govt of India

Intervention	Cost for 5 years (Rs. in lakhs)
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2. Rescue vehicle for Transgender Persons

An amount of Rs.72,000/- (max. limit) (@Rs.6,000/- for each month) may be given to the State Government/ District administration or CBOs/NGOs, if they send a proposal in this regard or as per actual. For this purpose, State/ District administration/ CBO/ NGO may send proposal to the Ministry for seeking funds to provide the transport facility for rescue of Transgender Persons.

3. National Council for Transgender Persons (NCTP)

Central Government constituted National Council for Transgender Persons on 21st August 2020. The National Council shall perform the following function

(a) To advise the Central Government on the formulation of policies, programmes, legislation and projects with respect to transgender persons

(b) To monitor and evaluate the impact of policies and programmes designed for achieving equality and full participation of transgender persons

(c) To review and coordinate the activities of all the departments of Government and other Governmental and non-Governmental Organisations which are dealing with matters relating to transgender persons

(d) To redress the grievances of transgender persons

(e) To perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the Central Government.