

**SCHEME FOR PROVIDING HANDHOLDING SUPPORT TO DIFFERENTLY ABLE PERSONS FOR AVAILING SKILL TRAINING/SKILL UPGRADATION THROUGH 'VISHESH PRASHIKSHAN MITRAS'**

**Purpose –**

To provide handholding support to needy Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) for availing skill training/skill upgradation under NHFDCs EDP scheme.

**Objective-**

The main objective of the Scheme is to provide assistance to the needy disabled persons in form of information, support, guidance for procedural/documentation formalities required for getting admission for availing vocational/skill training under NHFDC schemes through SCAs/ Banks implementing NHFDC schemes/ reputed national/state level institution directly by various Institutions/Agencies, individuals i.e. 'Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras' for getting vocational/skill training.

**Eligibility for registration of “Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras”**

Under the Scheme, financial assistance would be provided to the selected Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras for rendering assistance and handholding support to the eligible and potential disabled persons. Following agencies/ organizations individuals can be appointed as the Vishesh Prashikshan Mitra:-

- i. Existing national level Entrepreneurship Development Institutions (EDIs) like NEISBUD etc.
- ii. Insurance agents, banking agents of PSBs/RRBs working for financial inclusion and agents of post offices.
- iii. Other organizations/training institutions/NGOs etc. approved by CMD, NHFDC.

**Role and Responsibilities of Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras**

The selected Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras would be expected to help in:

Identification of potential eligible PwDs interested to take vocational/skill training under NHFDCs EDP scheme

- 1) Identification of suitable training trade matching educational & experience background & disability constraints of the person and to provide guidance in filling up of the admission form of the training institute.
- 2) Once the skill training is successfully completed, the Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras would also motivate the beneficiary to avail concessional credit for taking up the self employment venture in skills acquired.

**Empanelment of “Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras”**

Institutions/Agencies i.e. 'Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras' have to register with NHFDC through RRBs/SCAs.

## **Financial Assistance to “Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras”**

### **Financial assistance @ of Rs.1000 per trainee to be given by NHFDC to Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras**

This financial assistance will be released as follows :

80% at the time of training completion of PwDs

Balance 20% after submitting post training tracking report of the trained PwDs for 6 months.

### **Procedure for releasing Financial Assistance to “Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras”**

- Services Charges for services rendered by ‘Vishesh Prashikshan Mitras’ will be released to SCA/RRBs/ training institute on submission of duly certified claims/bills with recommendation of SCA/RRBs/ training institute of concerned state.
- The above service charges will be released by NHFDC after receipt of proof of admission/copy of training completion certificate of disabled beneficiary by the SCA/RRBs/training institute etc.

### **RIGHTS OF NHFDC**

In case of any interpretation or dispute, decision of the CMD, NHFDC will be final & binding.

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