

IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE PROGRAMMES

THROUGH VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

As a welfare state committed to the growth and development of its people in general and of vulnerable sections in particular, all-out efforts have been taken to improve the conditions of the most disadvantaged and vulnerable sections of the Society. The State Government in close proximity with the Non-Government Organization provide a protective environment to all the vulnerable people of the Society and takes care of all their needs.

2. Since independence, Government of India has been striving hard to ameliorate the conditions of the weaker sections of the Society through planned process and special focus; this is where the Non-Government Organizations play a unique role in implementing the various Govt. Policies formulated for the welfare of the under-privileged. In recent years, the interaction between the Voluntary Organization has increased greatly. Various Government Organization have been working in collaboration with Voluntary Organizations in a wide range of activities.

3. In the Union Territory of Puducherry, there are 45 Voluntary Organizations which are licensed to take care of the weaker sections of the Society who need physical and moral support such as the aged, children in need of care and protection, women in moral danger, alcoholics and drug addicts, disabled persons and street, children.

4. The State Govt. is giving grant to Voluntary Organizations under 2 Schemes namely,

- i. Children in need of Care and Protection.
- ii. Grants to Voluntary Organizations engaged in various social activities.

(i) Children in need of Care and Protection.

This programme is formulated to take care of the destitute, neglected, abandoned and vulnerable children who are exposed to various kinds of abuse and exploitation.

21 Homes / Orphanages are functioning in the UT of Puducherry. These Organizations are receiving grants from the State Govt. for an amount of Rs.27.07 lakhs for the maintenance of these underprivileged Children.

The amount sanctioned is based on the criteria of Rs. 250/- p.m. per child like wise one year of which 90 % of the amount will be paid to the Organizations in 2 equal installments.

(ii) Grants to Voluntary Organizations dealing with Social Welfare Activities.

Under this scheme, Voluntary Organizations take care of

- a. Women in Moral danger.
- b. Run a Old Age Day care center.
- c. Run a Day Care Centre for Mentally Retarded Children.
- d. Home for the Disabled.

These Non-Governmental Organizations are given grant by the State Govt. to the tune of Rs. 4.25 lakhs. The Government sanctions a lump sum of Rs.25,000/- per year per institution. Likewise 9 such institutions are identified under the scheme.