

## **Citizen Charter - Social Welfare**

### Introduction

The social Welfare Department has been bifurcated into two departments with effect from 16-8-1996. Viz. Social Welfare Department and Department of Women and Child Development. The Regional Executive Officer, Mahe, heads social Welfare department Mahe. The Social Welfare Organizer Department of Women and Child Development is also officer in charge of social welfare department, Mahe.

This department is implementing following plan schemes

- ❖ Award of Scholarship to Physically Handicapped students : The aim of the scheme is to grant of scholarship to physically handicapped students studying from 1st to P.G. level in order to encourage them in the field of Education.
- ❖ Programs for the welfare of Disabled persons: The Aim of scheme to create social awareness of the problems of handicapped persons to give input of the existing welfare and development Program both in Government and Voluntary sectors

Under the scheme

- Saris and dhotis are being supplied to poor disabled persons.
- International disability day is being conducted with various competitions for Disabled persons and valedictory function arranged participating Disabled persons.
- Incentive is being given for the marriage between disabled and Normal persons.
- Unemployment allowance to educated disabled persons is also being distributed.

Margin money assistance to physically handicapped persons for setting up of petty shops and other trades: The aim of the scheme is to improve the socio Economic status of physically Handicapped persons by providing subsidy, so as to enable them to get loan from Nationalized Banks for setting up of petty shops and trades.

Financial assistance to Totally Disabled persons: The aim of the scheme is to help the totally crippled persons by grant of financial assistance for the livelihood. Each beneficiary is provided with Rs.200/- p.m. enhanced to Rs. 250/- p.m with effect from 1-7-2000.