

The following are the major achievements, significant developments and important events of the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment during September, 2018.

### Activities of the Department

- (i) Shri Gangaram Ghonsare (Valmiki) has joined as Member in National Commission for Safai Karamcharis (NCSK) on 28.09.2018.
- (ii) Under Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY) scheme, six camps were held at (i) Khandwa, Madhya Pradesh on 01.09.2018, (ii) Palwal, Haryana on 08.09.2018, (iii) Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu on 14.09.2018, (iv) East Godavari, Andhra Pradesh on 25.09.2018, (v) Kanya Kumari, Tamil Nadu on 26.09.2018 and (vi) Ratlam, Madhya Pradesh on 28.09.2018 to distribute physical aids and assistive living devices to eligible senior citizens belonging to BPL Category. Total beneficiaries at these camps were 4808.
- (iii) "Swachhta Hi Seva" campaign was celebrated by this department from 15<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2018 as part of the 150<sup>th</sup> Birth year celebration of Mahatma Gandhi. The PSUs [NSFDC/NBCFDC/NSKFDC] of this Department actively participated in not only cleaning up certain localities but also in spreading the awareness about the importance of clean and tidy environment and hygiene.

### Activities of Corporations

#### **(A) National Scheduled Caste Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC):**

- (i) The Corporation signed Memorandum of Agreements (MoAs) with Infrastructure Equipment Skill Council (IESC) and Tata Community Initiatives Trust (TCIT), for implementation of NSFDC's sponsored Skill Development Training Programme in the domain of Infrastructure Development Sector.

#### **(B) National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC):**

- (i) The Corporation has signed MoU with Infrastructure Equipment Skill Council for imparting Skill Development Training to the members of Backward Classes in various States and to facilitate loan disbursement to the eligible beneficiaries.
- (ii) The Corporation had sanctioned to three Channel Partners to organize 12 Awareness Camps in the States of Rajasthan, J & K and Tamil Nadu .
- (iii) Under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, the following activities were undertaken by Corporation:

- (A) A CSR project for promoting of "**Taking Gandhi Heritage to Youth/Students in Schools in Mewat and Colleges/Institutions in Delhi**" to cover approx. 2,100 Students of 21 Schools/Colleges/Institutions of Mewat & Delhi)

(B) Sanction of Proposal for “**Making wide publicity of Gandhian philosophy' among Children & Youth in Seven Districts of Gujarat**” for bringing about awareness about Swachhta Abhiyan and ideals of Gandhiji among people of poor & backward classes. The programmes are expected to help eradicate untouchability and similar social evils which are impeding the development of these backward sections of the society, viz. Alcohol/Drugs/Tabacoo abuse etc. by educating them on Gandhiji & his Philosophy. Approx. 35,000 Children & Youth of Seven Districts of Gujarat are expected to be covered under the initiative.

(C) The Corporation had organized two free Health-cum-Eye Check-up Camps at Robertsganj, Sonebhadra, Uttar Pradesh. About 800 (mostly poor) availed the facilities. Free medicines were distributed and about 215 people were provided free spectacles. During the financial year, so far 19 such camps have been organized.

**(C) National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC):**

(i) The Corporation organized three Health-cum-Awareness Camps in Dausa, Rajasthan (15.09.2018), Ratlam, Madhya Pradesh (22.09.2018) and Jalaun, Uttar Pradesh (26.09.2018) to motivate them to avail financial assistance and also to enroll for Skill Development Training Programme.

(ii) Under National Survey of Manual Scavengers, 571 manual scavengers have been identified in the States of Karnataka and West Bengal.

(iii) The Corporation released One Time Cash Assistance (OTCA) aggregating Rs. 20.39 crore to 5097 identified Manual Scavengers in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh.

(iv) The Corporation organized Skill Upgradation Training Programme for 110 Sanitation workers of Indian Railways at Jaipur Railway Junction through Tourism and Hospitality Skill Council.

(v) The Corporation organized Skill Upgradation Training Programme for 238 Sanitation workers of various Municipal Corporations in the States of Odisha, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu.

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