



Samajik Adhikarita Shivirs

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Why in News?

Recently, a **Samajik Adhikarita Shivr** was organised at 75 locations across India for distribution of aids and assistive devices to over 9000 pre-identified [Divyangjan](#) beneficiaries under the [ADIP \(Assistance to Disabled Persons\) Scheme](#).

What is Samajik Adhikarita Shivr?

- **About:**
 - The **Samajik Adhikarita Shivr (Social Empowerment Camps)** are a series of **distribution camps** organised to provide **assistive devices** to **people with disabilities and senior citizens**. It has been in operation **since 1981**.
- **Organisers:**
 - These are organised by the **Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD)** under the **Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment** in collaboration with **ALIMCO (Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation)** and the **District Administration**.
- **Definition:**
 - The scheme follows the definitions of various types of disabilities as given in the [Right of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016](#).
- **Grants:**
 - Grants-in-aid are released to various implementing agencies (**ALIMCO**, National Institutes, Composite Regional Centres, District Disability Rehabilitation Centres, State Handicapped Development Corporations, [Non-governmental Organizations \(NGOs\)](#) etc.) for purchase and distribution of aids and assistive devices under **ADIP Scheme**.
- **Scheme of Assistance to Persons with Disabilities for Purchase/Fitting of Aids /Appliances (ADIP Scheme)**
 - The ADIP Scheme **assists persons with disabilities** by **providing modern aids and appliances for rehabilitation**.
 - It includes **support for corrective surgeries** before providing assistive devices.
 - It was last updated in April 2024, continuing **March 2026**.

Other Related Initiatives for PwD:

- [Accessible India Campaign: Creation of Accessible Environment for PwDs](#)
- [DeenDayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme](#)
- [National Fellowship for Students with Disabilities](#)
- [Unique Disability Identification Project](#)
- [International Day of Persons with Disabilities](#)
- **Initiatives for Mental Health:**
 - [National Mental Health Programme.](#)
 - [KIRAN: Mental Health Rehabilitation Helpline.](#)

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