

Government of Gujarat  
Social Justice and Empowerment Department,  
Circular No.:- SJED/DIA/e-file/17/2022/0012/CHH-1 Section  
Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.  
Date:- /01/2025

**Read:-**

- Right of Persons with Disabilities Act-2016.

**Preamble:-**

Government of India has implemented Right of Persons with Disabilities Act,2016 in place of The Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995. Government of Gujarat is constantly striving towards the compliance of RPwD Act,2016. After careful consideration, the state government has decided to circulate the instructions to ensure compliance of section-37 of the said act.

**Circular:-**

All departments are directed to ensure compliance with the provisions of the below section of RPwD Act,2016.

**Section-37:- Special schemes and development programmes.**

The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall, by notification, make schemes in favour of persons with benchmark disabilities, to provide,-

- (a) five per cent. reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes and development programmes, with appropriate priority to women with benchmark disabilities;
- (b) five per cent. reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes with priority to women with benchmark disabilities;
- (c) five per cent. reservation in allotment of land on concessional rate, where such land is to be used for the purpose of promoting housing, shelter, setting up of occupation, business, enterprise, recreation centres and production centres.

Concerned departments have to ensure compliance with the provisions of the aforesaid section.

By order and in the name of Governor of Gujarat,

(D. S. Sharma)  
Deputy Secretary(Social Defence)  
Social Justice and Empowerment Department

To,

- Secretary of Hon.Governor, Rajbhavn, Gandhinagar.(By letter)
- Additional Chief Secretary of Hon.Chief Minister, Swarnim Sankul-1, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- Hon.Minister, Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Swarnim Sankul-1, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- Hon.Minister of State, Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Swarnim Sankul-2, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- Personal Secretary of Principle Secretary(SJED) for Infromation.
- To All The Departments of Secretariat with request to circulate this to all the HoDs/Offices under their control.
- Commissioner of Disabled Person, Wing D-1, Block No.2, Karmyogi Bhavan, Sector-10, Gandhinagar.
- Joint Secretary/Deputy Secretary, S.C.W/D.C.W., Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Block No.5, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- Director, Social Defense, Block No.16, Dr.Jivraj Maheta Bhavan, Gandhinagar.

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Approved By: Minister,Minister Office SJED,SJED

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