

Subject: Sub: Provision of Divyang friendly infrastructure in Telecom Offices in India
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Secretary

Dear Sir,

Indian is grappling with a lack of infrastructure for the disabled. Most of the time the country is unable to reach a large fraction of affected people. Even though the government is consistently putting in efforts the infrastructure is not enough to support those in need.

While estimates vary, about 25 million people in India were found to have disability as per the official statistics. However, some sources claim that the magnitude in actuality is more with at least 5 per cent of the population suffering from one disability or the other and the official statistics accounting for only the most severe ones.

By and large, people with disability are further disabled through unequal treatment and denial of basic rights by society in general. The voiceless disabled people are an inseparable part of India's growing population of marginalised, weaker and vulnerable sections of society. With the foregoing in mind, I am writing this urgent letter to draw your kind attention to the non-availability of Divyang friendly infrastructure at in Telecom Offices in the country. During visits to some of these offices, I have noticed that there is a lack of disable friendly amenities for the use of the Divyangs and Senior Citizens.

The following needs to be implemented on a war footing so that the Divyang employees and visitors feel welcome to visit your offices.

- 1) Ramps with hand rails for easy access
- 2) Comfortable Wheel Chairs.
- 3) Seats for resting
- 4) Drinking water fountains
- 5) Disable friendly toilets and bathrooms with hand rails.

We should concentrate on making our country Dvyang friendly this will increase the number of visitors, thereby generating more revenue and employment to our people.

We now request you to issue a circular to all the Telecommunication Offices in the country to ensure that the 5 points mentioned above are implemented without delay. A copy of the circular may please be sent to us for our information and records.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely,

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