## 18. Grant of Prosthetic Aid for fitting up/repairing of Artificial Limbs

Theme	Prosthetic Aid
Department	Social Welfare department
Target group(s)	Persons with a disability (e.g. who are blind, deaf, orthopedically or physically handicapped) and whose family income is less than Rs. 400/-per month.
Description of the scheme	Under this scheme the costs specific prosthetic aid for fitting up/repairing of Artificial Limbs will be provided by the Social Welfare department.
Objective	To provide disabled persons with a meager family income with specific prosthetic aid for enabling them to live a comfortable life.
Eligibility	Disabled persons in need of prosthetic aid whose family income is less than Rs. 400/- per month.
How to apply for this scheme	The application form can be obtained from the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO). The application shall be accompanied by:
	1. A certificate on the prescribed form by the Surgeon/Orthopedic/ENT specialist, countersigned by the Superintendents of the Hospitals/District Medical Officers indicating the type of disability and appropriate prosthetic aid required by the applicant.
	2. A certificate on the prescribed form from Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar or an affidavit attested by a Gazetted Officer/1 <sup>st</sup> Class Magistrate or a certificate from a Gazetted Officer of Central/State Government or a Member of the Parliament/State Legislature indicating the monthly income of the family from all sources.

Procedure	On receipt of application duly completed by the applicant with regard to the DSWO disability and type of prosthetic aid required shall consolidate the list and forward to the District Level Sanctioning Committee, comprising of Chief Medical officer as member, DSWO as member Secretary and Deputy Commissioner as Chairman The Committee authorizes the District Social Welfare Officer to purchase these aids/fitments from the approved agencies for onward disbursement among the sanctioned beneficiaries.
Type of the assistance	Wheelchairs, tri-cycles, hearing aids, walking sticks/crutches, artificial limbs.
Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) and Deputy Commissioner/ Composite Rehabilitation Center (CRC).