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**REHABILITATION COUNCIL OF INDIA**  
(A Statutory Body under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment)

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To

All RCI recognised institutes/Universities Departments/  
National Institutes, Secretary (Education), Secretary (Social Welfare)  
of all the State Governments.

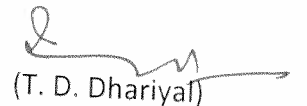
**Sub: Request to participate in the two-day Summit of Mind "National Interactive Meet" with the heads of RCI recognised institutions on human resource development in rehabilitation profession on 7-8<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2014.**

Madam/Sir,

As you know, the Council plays a crucial role in granting recognition to the institutions to conduct various RCI approved courses in the field of special education and disability rehabilitation. With a view to addressing the issues concerning the quality on the one hand and the shortage of professionals on the other, the Council has decided to organise the above mentioned two-day National Interactive Meet with the heads of RCI recognised institutions at **USI Auditorium, Opp. Signals Enclave, Rao Tula Ram Marg, New Delhi 110010** on **7-8<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2014** as per the enclosed tentative programme. The details about the meet are available on RCI's website [www.rehabcouncil.nic.in](http://www.rehabcouncil.nic.in).

2. Kumari Selja, Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment has given her consent to inaugurate the said meet. Smt. Stuti Kacker, Secretary, Department of Disability Affairs and other senior officers of the Department will also grace the occasion.
3. All the heads of RCI recognised Institutes/University Departments/National Institutes, Secretaries of Education Department and Social Welfare/Social Justice Department of the State Governments/UT Administrations are being invited to participate.
4. You are requested to participate in the meet on both the days and contribute to the deliberations. The participants may kindly make their own arrangement for their travel and stay. A line in confirmation of your participation may please be sent through e-mail: [rehcouncil\\_delhi@bol.net.in](mailto:rehcouncil_delhi@bol.net.in)/fax:011-26534291 by 15<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2014 positively so that necessary arrangements can be made at our end.

Yours faithfully,

  
(T. D. Dhariyal)

Member Secretary

Encl: As stated above

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A Brief on

SUMMIT OF MIND – NATIONAL INTERACTIVE MEET  
WITH HEADS OF RCI RECOGNIZED INSTITUTIONS

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“HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT IN REHABILITATION PROFESSION”

1.1 The Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), a statutory body, has been set up under an Act of Parliament namely, Rehabilitation Council of India Act, 1992. RCI is mandated to regulate and monitor the training of rehabilitation professionals and personnel that includes special educators, to promote research in rehabilitation and special education and to maintain the Central Rehabilitation Register (CRR) of such professionals in the country.

1.2 One of the important functions of the Council is to play a crucial role in granting recognition to Government/non-Government institutions to run RCI approved courses. As on date, there are 492 institutions that conduct 915 batches of RCI approved courses from Certificate to Post Graduate level for 16 categories of rehabilitation professionals. The Council has so far standardized 60 training courses. As on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2013, 83,375 rehabilitation professionals and personnel have been registered by the Council.

1.3 The Council has adopted a transparent and objective process to assess the training institutions as per the norms prescribed on the recommendations of the Expert Committees for each course for according approval. The visiting experts are deputed to check and assess the availability of facilities and compliance with the norms prescribed by the Council. Based on their reports, the Council accords approval for 05 years to the institutions that obtain 85% marks in all the parameters. Institutions that get less than 85% marks but at least 75% overall marks and 70% in each parameter individually, are given approval for 02 years.

1.4 Over the years, the Council has made concerted efforts to put in place a mechanism and procedure as transparent and objective as possible which is received every year. The process of approval also takes into account the need for ensuring quality and the shortage of professionals in the country. It is this need of bringing about a balance between the two seemingly conflicting demands that necessitates regular interaction and feedback with the existing as well as prospective institutions in the disability sector. The fact that despite best efforts of the Council to disseminate the requirements for starting courses through various means like advertisements and posting the requirements on the website, many organizations apply without fulfilling the basic requirements. This also calls for regular contact and meaningful dialogue between Institutions who are important stakeholders in the development of human resource in the disability sector and the Council.

2.1 In the view of the above, the Council has decided to organize an Interactive Meet with the Heads of RCI recognised Institutions on “Human Resource Development in Rehabilitation Profession” at USI Auditorium, Opp. Signals Enclave, Rao Tularam Marg, New Delhi-110010 on (7-8) February 2014.

### Participants :

The heads of RCI recognised institutions conducting RCI approved courses currently and those who conducted the RCI approved courses in the past, Secretary, Education Deptt. and Secretary, Social Welfare Department of the State Governments/UTs, officers from Department of Disability Affairs will be invited to participate in the National Meet.

### OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the National Meet among others, are as under:

- (i) Create awareness about various issues concerning human resource development in the disability sector among the heads of institutions.
- (ii) Get feedback from the heads of institutions about their needs with regard to approvals, their constraints and suggestions for improvement of quality and increasing the number of professionals in the country to meet the growing demand.
- (iii) Understand the expectations of the heads of institutions from RCI, Deptt. of Disability Affairs, MoSJ&E, State Govts, etc.
- (iv) Seek suggestions from institutions with regard to norms for various courses, process of approvals – conduct of visiting experts, conduct of inspections and compliance with shortcomings and make the system more client friendly.

### Outcomes

The following outcomes are expected from the National Interactive Meet:

- (i) The heads of institutions will be better informed about the roles and responsibilities of various stakeholders and the requirements for conducting the courses. It is hoped that this will elicit good proposals for conducting new courses.
- (ii) The heads of institutions will be able to better appreciate the need for maintaining standards and improvement in quality.
- (iii) RCI, the Department of Disability Affairs and the State Govts. will understand the needs of the institutions better which will facilitate more client friendly policies.
- (iv) Implementation of strategies for developing adequate human resources in the Disability Sector.

## TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

**Day-I**

**February 7, 2014**

09.00 am – 10.00 am	<b>Registration</b>
10.00 am – 11.00 am Inaugural Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Inauguration – Lighting of Lamp</li> <li>▪ Welcome Address and Objectives of the Meet- Sh. T.D. Dhariyal, Member Secretary, RCI</li> <li>▪ An overview of the status of human resources in disability sector -Maj. Gen. (Retd.) Ian Cardozo, AVSM, SM, Chairperson, RCI</li> <li>▪ Address by Smt. Stuti Kacker, Secretary, Department of Disability Affairs, (DDA) MoSJ&amp;E, Govt. of India</li> <li>▪ Address by the Hon'ble Minister of State(MoS), MoSJ&amp;E</li> <li>▪ Address by the Chief Guest, Kumari Selja, Hon'ble MoSJ&amp;E</li> <li>▪ Vote of thanks- Dr. Subodh Kumar, Dy. Director (Acads), RCI</li> </ul>
11.00 am – 11.30 am	<b>Tea Break</b>
<b>SESSION-I</b>  11.30 pm – 12.00 pm 12.00 pm – 12.15 pm	<p><i>Issues of quality in Human Resource Development in the Disability Sector</i></p> <p><b>Chairperson</b> – Shri P.K.Pincha, Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities</p> <p><b>Co-Chairperson-</b> Dr. A.K.Mukherjee, ISIC, New Delhi</p> <p>Resource Person: Dr. M.N.G Mani, Secretary General, ICEVI</p> <p>Interaction</p>
<b>SESSION-II</b>  12.15 pm – 12.45 pm 12.45 pm – 1.00 pm	<p><i>Support of Corporates in HRD in the Disability Sector</i></p> <p><b>Chairperson</b> – Smt. Stuti Kacker, Secretary, DDA, MoS&amp;JE</p> <p><b>Co Chairperson-</b> Shri Awanish K Awasti, Joint Secretary, DDA, MoSJ&amp;E</p> <p>Resource Person: Dr. Bhushan Punanai, Executive Director, BPA, Ahmedabad</p> <p>Interaction</p>
01.00 pm – 02.00 pm	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>SESSION-III</b>  02.00 pm– 02.20 pm 02.20 pm – 02.40 pm 02.40 pm – 03.00 pm	<p><i>Process of Development of norms and procedure for according approvals-formats.</i></p> <p><b>Chairperson</b> – Senior Prof. M.Jayaram, NIMHANS, Bangalore</p> <p><b>Co-Chairperson-</b> Dr. Usha Grover, NIMH, RC, New Delhi</p> <p>Resource Person: Dr. Subodh Kumar, Dy. Director (Acads), RCI</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sh. Suman Kumar, Dy. Director ( Prog.), RCI</p> <p>Interaction</p>
<b>SESSION-IV</b>  03.00 pm – 03.30 pm 03.30 pm – 03.45 pm	<p><i>Application of ICT in disability rehabilitation &amp; Human Resource Development</i></p> <p><b>Chairperson</b> – Shri Awanish K Awasthi, Joint Secretary, DDA, MoSJ&amp;E</p> <p><b>Co-Chairperson-</b> Shri Dipendra Manocha, Saksham, Delhi</p> <p>Resource Person: Smt. Shilpi Kapoor, BarrierBreak. Mumbai</p> <p>Interaction</p>
03.45 pm – 04.15 pm	<b>Tea Break</b>

<b>SESSION-V</b>	<i>Teacher Preparation for Inclusive Education</i>
04.15 pm – 04.45 pm	<b>Chairperson</b> – Prof. C.L.Kundu, Ex- Vice- Chancellor , H.P, University
04.45 pm – 05.00 pm	<b>Co-Chairperson</b> -Prof. Sushma Sharma, HoD, Deptt. of Education, Kurukshetra University Resource Person: Smt. Radhika Alkazi, Aastha School for Special Children , Delhi Interaction

**Day-II**

**February 8, 2014**

<b>SESSION-VI</b>	<i>Disability Specific International &amp; National Instruments</i>
09.30 am – 10.00 am	<b>Chairperson</b> – Maj. Gen. (Retd.), Ian Cardozo, Chairman, RCI
10.00 am – 10.15 am	<b>Co-Chairperson</b> - Shri Jeyakode, Commissioner for PWDs, Govt. of Tamilnadu Resource Person: Shri P.K.Pincha Chief Commissioner for PWDs, Govt. of India Interaction
<b>SESSION-VII</b>	<i>Expectations of Heads of Institutions from other stake holders and issues with regard to employment opportunities for rehabilitation professionals</i>
10.15 am – 10.30 am	<b>Chairperson</b> – Smt.Stuti Kacker, Secretary, DDA, MoS&JE
10.30 am – 10.45 pm	<b>Co-Chairperson</b> - Dr. Uma Tuli, Founder & Managing Secretary, Amar Jyoti Charitable Trust, New Delhi
10.45 am – 11.00 am	Resource Person: Smt. Saraswati Narayanswamy, Balavidyalya, Chennai
11.00 am – 11.15 am	Resource Person: Shri Carmo Naronha, Bethany Society, Shillong
11.15 am – 11.30 am	Resource Person: Shri Badshah Patel, Secretary, Akhil Maharashtra Gramin Shikshan Vikas Mandal's, Aurangabad
11.30 am - 12.00 noon	Resource Person: Dr. Asok Chakraborty, Shelter, Bhadreswar, Hooghly (WB) Resource Person: Shri O.P.Sharma, Secretary, Chetana Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh <i>Interaction with the officers of DDA and Representatives of State Govt. and Open House</i>
12.00 noon – 01.30 pm	<i>Group work for preparation of recommendations</i>
01.30 pm – 02.30 pm	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>Valedictory Session</b>	
02.30 pm – 03.30 pm	Presentation of the Recommendations by the respective Groups
03.30 pm – 03.45 pm	Valedictory Address- Smt. Stuti Kacker, Secretary, DDA, MoS&JE
03.45 pm - 03.50 pm	Vote of thanks
03.50 pm - 04.00 pm	Group Photo
04.00 pm	Tea

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