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PRESS RELEASE

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The Sixth Annual Board meeting of Governing Body and Executive Committee of the J&K State Social Welfare Board was held today on 19th December 2016 at meeting Hall, R&B Guest House Gandhi Nagar Jammu, Jammu. Dr. (Prof.) Nirmal Gupta Chairperson of the Board chaired the meeting. In her welcome address she presented view of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes being implemented by the Social Welfare Board in J&K State. Dr Gupta stressed that the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India, should introduce new schemes, through the Central Social Welfare Board (CSWB), so that the benefits of such schemes can reach the deserving people. Making reference to skill development programmes, she desired that the CSWB should divert such schemes to the State Social Welfare Board to make the mission of raising the level of BPL to APL, a meaningful and realistic exercise.

She urged the Board Members to guide the Board with their valued experience so that the benefits can reach to every corner of the State.

Shahid Mehmood Dar, Executive Director & Secretary, J&K State Social Welfare Board presented the agenda items. The committee approved the actions taken by the J&K State Social Welfare Board for issuing continuations sanctioning for grants allotted to Voluntary Organizations for the various activities. Pertinent to mention that Central Social Welfare Board sanctioned 3.18 Crore for 446 decentralized Crèche Centers during the year 2015-16 which stands already released by J&K State Social Welfare Board. For the current financial year the allocation to the tune of Rs 6.76 crore is expected for running 446 crèche units. In addition to this J&K State Social Welfare Board has also sanctioned an amount of Rs.12.80 lakhs for 4 decentralized Family Counseling Centers and has already released an amount of Rs. 5.76 Lakhs as Fist installment. The J&K State Social Welfare Board is also expecting continuation of 24 Family Counseling Centers from Central Social Welfare Board amounting to Rs. 76.80 Lakhs for 24 Centralized Family Counseling Centers. The Board appreciated the innovative actions of the Chairperson in which general masses have been requested to donate the toys or funds for toys in the given bank account and the scheme has been named as “Toy Bank Scheme” for the poor children of the State studying in Crèche Centers. Similarly the Medicines/pharmaceuticals can be donated for such children. Other innovative projects have also been submitted to the Govt. of India for welfare and development of the downtrodden children. Such innovative steps of the Chairperson have been appreciated by the Board Members.

Board has also agreed for writing to Finance Department and Planning Department or keeping Rs. 2 Cr. as corpus fund at the disposal of Social Welfare Board for organising the awareness programmes.

The Board meeting was attended by Mr. Mir Tariq Special Secretary to Govt. Social Welfare Department, Mr. P.S. Kakroo Joint Director School Education, Mr. M.S. Sheikh KAS Finance Department, Mr. Yash Pal Assistant Director Health & Medical Education Department, Mr. Shabir Shafi Joint Director Rural Development Department, Prof. Deepshika Kotwal of Central University Jammu, Dr. Darakhshan Andrabi, Sh. Dinesh Gupta, Mr. Nisar Ahmed Kathjoo Help Poor Voluntary Trust, Mrs. Chandra Gupta, ex-Spl. Secretary to Govt. and Anajli Sharma Director Radio Kashmir .