

Dear Friend,

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Namaskar!

Sub: **Effective participation of people with disability / NGOs working in disability sector in 2014 Loksabha elections**

It gives us immense pleasure to write to you with an appeal to strengthen our voice across the country by exercising our right to vote in the upcoming elections. We are reaching out to thousands of NGOs with this appeal as we firmly believe that in democracy, our voice will be heard by the policy makers only if we all are determined to participate in the democratic process by going to the polling booth. Together, we are 6-8% population of India - approx upto 10 crore people, we could be 10th largest nation in the world but when we look at the rights - even basic rights of education, there is absolute ignorance. Specially Abled people are not only facing challenging life due to some type of disability but also are suffering lack of education, lack of employment, social stigma and violation of several human rights especially of women and children in the rural India. We must and can change this reality by coming together as a determined force.

Friends, each one of us is doing a lot of grass root work to help and make a positive difference in lives of people we serve to. However, when we compare our country and society at large with the world, quality of life for the Specially Abled people is still miserable. Why in democracy there is complete ignorance for needs of such a large population? Simple reason is - NO VOICE.

In the coming general elections, let us all decide to inspire and help facilitate all Specially Abled People whom we know to come out and go to the polling booth. By doing so, we really will create waves in media, society and create awareness that 10 crore people have united together for the first time and everywhere, they are visible at the polling booths and are looking for influencing the policy makers and elected people to get more serious for the empowerment and needs of highly ignored population of our country.

We are supporters of Shri Narendra Modi because we believe in his Vision, ability to transform and lead our country for better future for all - Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas. BJP's Vision 2020 for Specially Abled People will help transform the lives of 10 crore people of our country. **However, our appeal to you is simply non political. It is focused on to mobilize 10 crore people to exercise the right to vote regardless of political affiliation.**

We are looking at building long term relations with you to work together for years to come and become the decisive voice of Specially Abled People of India.

We sincerely appreciate all the efforts put in by your NGO to help Specially Abled person and the families.

Looking forward to hear from you as well.

With best regards,

Jai Hind!

On behalf of team of Volunteers,

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