

# PERSON WITH DISABILITIES ACT 1995

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- Person with disabilities means a person suffering from not less than 40% of any disability as certified by a medical authority.
- Person with disability act, 1995 was passed by Lok Sabha on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 1995 and came into enforcement on February 7, 1996.
- This act extends to the whole of India except the state of Jammu and Kashmir.

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- This act explain the equal opportunities , protection of right and complete involvement of disabled persons.
- In this act responsibility are assigned to central and state government , local corporation and municipalities to provide the services and facilities and equal opportunities to disabled persons so that he/she may also prove himself as productive citizen of there society.

# Main provisions of the Act :-

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- Prevention of early detection of disability,
- Education,
- Employment,
- Non – discrimination,
- Research and manpower development,
- Affirmative action,
- Social security.

# Aims and objectives of PWD Act, 1995

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- To spell out the responsibility of the state towards the prevention of disabilities, protection of rights, provision of medical care, education, training, employment and rehabilitation of person with disabilities;
- To create a barrier free environment means to prevent any type of discrimination with disabled persons.
- To counteract any situation of abuse and exploitation of persons; and
- To make special provision of the integration of persons with disabilities into social mainstream.

# Principles :-

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- Persons with disabilities:-
  - a) Respect for inherent dignity, individual autonomy including the freedom to make one's own choices and independence of persons;
  - b) Non-discrimination;
  - c) Full and effective participation and inclusion in society;
  - d) Respect for difference and acceptance of persons with disabilities as part of human diversity and humanity;
  - e) Equality of opportunity;

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f) accessibility;

g) Equality between men and women;

h) Respect for the evolving capacities of children with disabilities and respect for the right of children with disabilities to preserve their identities.

# The right of persons with disabilities act, 2016

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- This act is the updated version of PWD, Act 1995.
- This act of parliament received assent of the president on 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2016.
- It was enacted by parliament in the 67<sup>th</sup> year of the republic of India.
- This act was to give effect to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and for matters connected there with or incidental there to.