

CHAPTER – 2 (Manual – 1)

Particulars of Organisation, Functions and Duties

The Department of Women and Child Development, Puducherry was formed on 16th August 1996 after bifurcation from the Social Welfare Department, Puducherry as per the instructions of the Government of India with a view to focus more attention exclusively for the upliftment of Women and Children.

The Department deals with the provision of Nutrition/Health support to the children, pregnant and lactating mothers through the ICDS Projects. The Various schemes such as educational allowance to children of widows, marriage allowance to widow's daughters, incentive for widow's remarriage, Hostel for working women, incentive for post-delivery and pre-delivery of women and Dowry prohibition are implemented by the Women Development Wing of the Department. The Social Defence Wing of the Department deals with grant of Old Age Persons & Destitute Pension, Grant of Financial Assistance for Medical Expenses/Funeral expenses of the Old Age Pensioners, free supply of rice/clothing etc.

The programmes of this Department cover more than half of the population of the Union Territory of Puducherry. The people covered by this sector are unprotected workers, labourers, illiterates, a majority of whom are subjects of exploitation, struggling to survive in adverse condition facing a biased as well as insensitive system.

In short, the Welfare schemes of this Department cater to the needs of the people from the **"Cradle to the Grave"**.

Any public can write to the public authority, their suggestions/complaints for enhancing the effectiveness/efficiency for the functioning of the Department of Women and Child Development.

Disbursements of benefits to the public are being carried through open function in the presence of Ministers & concerned M.L.As.

A Public Grievances cell is opened for the public where they can contact the Public Relations Officer for any grievances with respect to the service of this Office.

Address of the Main Office and other Offices at different levels

Sl. No.	Address of the Office	Telephone
1	The Director, Department of Women and Child Development, No. 50 Main Street, Sidhankudi Puducherry.	0413-2244964 (Per) 0413-2242621 0413-2243181 0413-244964(FAX)
2	The Senior Accounts Officer, Department of Women and Child Development, No. 50 Main Street, Sidhankudi Puducherry	0413-2242621 0413-2243181
2	The Deputy Director (Women Development), Department of Women and Child Development, No. 50 Main Street, Sidhankudi Puducherry	0413-2242621
3	The Deputy Director (Social Defence), Department of Women and Child Development, No. 50 Main Street, Sidhankudi Puducherry	0413-2246940
4	The Programme Officer, ICDS Cell, Department of Women and Child Development, No. 50 Main Street, Sidhankudi, Puducherry	0413-2242621 0413-2243181
5	The Child Development Project Officer, ICDS Project – I, G.K.Moopanar Shopping Complex, Villianur, Puducherry	0413-2666184
6	The Child Development Project Officer, ICDS Project – III, No.1, 1 st Cross, Sorna Nagar, Ariankuppam, Puducherry	0413-2601934
7	The Child Development Project Officer, ICDS Project – IV, No. 38, M.G. Road, Muthialpet, Puducherry.	0413-2239430
8	The Child Development Project Officer, ICDS Project – V, Sidhankudi, Puducherry.	0413-2244282 0413-2244285
9	The Child Development Project Officer, ICDS Project – II, Perum Thalaivar Kamarajar Valagam, Civil Station Complex Annamal Chattiram Karaikal	04368-223614
10	The Welfare Officer, Regional Administrative Office, Mahe	0490-2332560
11	The Welfare Officer, Branch Office, Department of Women and Child Development, Yanam.	0884-2321319

Morning hours of the office : 08.45 a.m to 01.00 p.m.

Closing hours of the office : 02.00 p.m. to 05.45 p.m.