

3.0 Regional Centers:

The Institute has three Regional Centers and one State Collaborated Centre headed by the following Assistant Directors -

- 1) Eastern Regional Center, Kolkata - Shri A.K.Sinha, Reader/Asst. Director
(established in 1984)
- 2) Northern Regional Center, New Delhi - Shri J.C.Gupta, Lecturer/Asst. Director
(established in 1986)
- 3) Southern Regional Center, Secunderabad - Mr. S.G.R. Praksh, Incharge, Asst. Director
(established in 1986)
- 4) Training Centre for the Teachers of the Deaf, Bhubaneshwar(established in 1986)
in collaboration with Govt. of Orissa - Smt. Prabhati Mishra, Lecturer/Asst. Director

These centers are aimed at meeting the local and regional needs in terms of manpower development and services. Training Center for the Adult Deaf (TCAD), Hyderabad which was under the administrative control of NIMH was transferred to NIHH w.e.f. November, 2002. TCAD is now functioning at Boys Town, Hyderabad as one of Asia's largest inclusive technical training institutes for the Deaf aimed at 100% placement of the trained students.

3.1 Composite Regional Center, Bhopal

Composite Regional Center (CRC), Bhopal is a service model initiated by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, established on 14th August, 2000. The Center is functioning under the administrative control of Ali Yavar Jung National Institute for the Hearing Handicapped, Mumbai, since February, 2006.

Composite Regional Center, Bhopal is established with the purpose to create infrastructure required for training and manpower development, research and providing medical, therapeutic, special educational and rehabilitation services to all categories of disabilities in those parts of the country where such infrastructure is lacking.



During the reporting year, the CRC conducted two long term training programmes viz. Diploma in Hearing, Speech and Language and Certificate in Prosthesis and Orthosis in which 20 students were enrolled. Under short term training programmes, the center conducted 12 programmes in which 346 persons were trained.

During the reporting year, the CRC served 1072 new clients and 4161 follow up clients at Center. Whereas, through camps it served 7348 clients. The Center also distributed/fitted aids/appliances to 991 Orthopaedically Handicapped, 660 Hearing Impaired, 9 Mentally Handicapped and 209 Visually Handicapped persons.

CRC received "National Award for Barrier Free Environment 2006" for providing Barrier Free Environment at CRC, Bhopal Building.



3.2 District Centers

The District Disability Rehabilitation Center (DDRC) scheme of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, is being implemented since 1999-2000. It basically seeks to provide comprehensive services to persons with disabilities in rural areas through creation of the infrastructure and capacity building at the district level, for awareness generation, rehabilitation, training/guiding of grassroot level functionaries. To facilitate this process and to ensure proper transfer of technology, the Ministry (through its subordinate offices) had planned for active involvement in funding and setting up of the DDRCs for the initial period of three years.



In this direction, AYJNIHH was entrusted with the task of setting up, funding and running these centres, all over India. During the reporting year AYJNIHH is running 12 Centers which are given below -

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| Six in Madhya Pradesh | - Agar, Alote, Jawad, Mandsur, Khargaon, Khandwa; |
| One in Maharashtra | - Mahim; |
| Four in Gujarat | - Nadiad, Bhavnagar, Junagadh, Surendranagar |
| One in Chattisgarh | - Rajnandgaon; |

Ten DDRCs under DRC funded by AYJNIHH -

Mangalore, Tumkur, Bellary, Belgaum, Latur, Diu, Silvassa, Chengalpattu, Vellore and Puducherry

So far, AYJNIHH has handed over eleven DDRCs viz. Ahmedabad, Gangtok, Goa, Kolhapur, Buldhana, Jalpaiguri, Murshidabad, Surat, Jamnagar and Vadodara to the District Administration/NGO. Starting of DDRc at Dahod, Gujarat is under process.



Number of Clients served by the DDRCs during 2005-06 and 2006-07 are given below -

Sr. No.	Category	No. of Cases Assessed		No. of Aids/Apl.Provided	
		2005-06	2006-07	2005-06	2006-07
01.	Orthopaedically Handicapped	2828	4957	3184	2686
02.	Hearing Handicapped	5166	10122	5186	2449
03.	Visually Handicapped	0525	1280	0352	0035
04.	Mentally Handicapped	--	2258	--	--