

Dept for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD)
to be functional from [April 1](#)

[March 31](#), 2024

The Department for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD), created by bifurcation of the Directorate of Social Welfare, to deal with all the matter related to persons with disabilities is set to commence operations in Goa starting [April 1](#), 2024.

It will serve as a pivotal entity in ensuring the implementation of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act (RPwD Act). As part of this transition, all ongoing schemes pertaining to persons with disabilities will be seamlessly transferred to DEPwD except for Dayanand Social Security Scheme (PwD) and Special Schools.

The new department is conveniently located at: BUILDING 'B' NEW MARKET COMPLEX, 3RD FLOOR, PORVORIM - GOA 403501. The Department has implemented measures to enhance accessibility, including establishing a facilitation counter on the ground level and offering amenities such as a wheelchair-accessible ramp, lift, toilet, and wheelchairs.

For inquiries and correspondence, the department can be reached via email at dir-depwd@goa.gov.in

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