ABOUT THE INSTITUTE: The National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPD), established in 1984 has 12 different long-term programmes recognized by RCI and affiliated to different Universities. NIMH has organized many international and national conferences. It has a team of highly qualified faculty members and specialists of various disciplines who are engaged not only in these HRD activities but also in the research and development programmes, some of which are in collaboration with international organizations.


Details of the courses are as follows:

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<td>1.</td>
<td>M. Phil in Rehabilitation Psychology</td>
<td>NIEPID, Secunderabad</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>Osmania University</td>
<td>2 Years</td>
<td>Minimum educational requirement for admission to this course will be M. A/M.Sc. degree in Psychology from a University recognized by the UGC with a minimum of 55% marks in aggregate. For SC/ST/OBC category, minimum of 50/% marks in aggregate is essential.</td>
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<td>2.</td>
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| 5. | **Diploma in Early Childhood Special Education**  
(DECSE)(MR)  
(Conducted at 3 centers) | 3 Centres throughout India  
1 NIEPID, Hq  
1 Regional centre  
1 Supported centre | 25 | RCI | 1 Year | Admissions through Online Entrance Examination conducted by RCI. Candidates who have passed 10+2 qualification (Science / Arts / Commerce) |
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| 6. | **Diploma in vocational Rehabilitation**  
(DVR(MR))  
(Conducted at 6 Centers) | 6 Centres throughout India  
1 NIEPID, Hq  
1 Regional Centre  
2 Supported centres  
2 Affiliated centres | 25 | RCI | 1 Year | Admissions through Online Entrance Examination conducted by RCI. Candidates who have passed 10+2 qualification (Science / Arts / Commerce) |
| 7. | **D.Ed Spl.Edn (MR)** | NIEPID HQ RC, Delhi RC, Kolkata | 25 | 25 | RCI | 2 years | Minimum educational requirement for admission to this course is successful completion of 10+2 or equivalent examination in any stream. Candidate should not be more than 35 years |
Scope and Prospects:

M.Phil in Rehabilitation Psychology:

The course is organized as rigorous two-year programmed with extensive theoretical inputs and intensive practical skills in disability rehabilitation.

The function of rehabilitation psychologist will involve a convergence of three rolls, namely, clinician, counselor, and social/community psychologist.

On completion of the course the trainees are expected to perform the following functions:

- Screening and early identification of persons with disabilities
- Comprehensive psychological assessment and diagnosis of persons with disabilities.
  - Apply psychological principals and techniques in rehabilitations of persons with disabilities
  - Work towards social and community integration of persons with disabilities
- Undertake research in the areas of disability and rehabilitation psychology
- Undertake teaching assignments in rehabilitation psychology

M. Ed Spl. Edn (MR):

The M. Ed. Special Education (Mental Retardation) has been launched. If we look at the scenario of educational services in the country, we have a large number of special schools, special classes and regular schools, integrated schools, inclusive education and special education programming in community based setting. The M.Ed. Special Education (Mental Retardation), aims at trainings special educators to work with children’s having mental retardations, in different settings as mentioned above. A person qualified in M. Ed. Special Education (MR), can serve as master trainer to teach special educators undergoing training at diploma or graduation levels in special education.
education (MR). In addition they can assume the role of researches, leaders, capacity builders, developer and catalysts in the area of special education (MR).

**B.Ed Special Education (MR):**

National Policy on Education 1986, states (1) children with mild disabilities will be in regular schools, (2) children with severe disabilities will be in special schools, (3) vocationalization of education should be considered in school level, (4) teacher training programmes should be re–oriented to include children with special needs and (5) voluntary efforts must be encouraged. This being the case, the above programme will prepare teacher who can work effectively as resource room teacher in regular school and will have the competencies to teach children with mild disabilities.

Further, the experience shows that the regular schools have been reluctant in starting resource rooms because of lack of trained manpower. This may also help in having a wider scope of employment of the special education teacher in the regular educational setting to act as a recourse teacher. The course content includes organization and administration skills, thus preparing them to be in the position of Incharge of special schools. The curriculum also covers pre-vocational areas and involvement in community, thus thus preparing the teacher to plan for total educational programming for persons with mental retardation in the school going age.
PG Diploma in Early Intervention (PGDEI):

Children with developmental delays will show significant improvement if they are detected early and professional services rendered at an early age. These services are trans-disciplinary in nature and holistic in approach covering child development, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and family intervention. This course is affiliated to Osmania University, Hyderabad.

The professionals have a scope of working in:
♦ Pediatric units of hospitals, pediatric clinics, child guidance clinics, at risk baby follow up clinics, child development centers, rural primary health centers and district health centers.
♦ Comprehensive rehabilitation centers, service centers for persons with visual impairment, hearing impairment, mental retardation, cerebral palsy and locomotors disability.
♦ Early intervention centers, pre-school and nursery programmer.

Diploma in Early childhood Spl.Education (DECSE (MR)):

Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) focuses on children below 6years of age and has various modes and approaches in imparting training based on the ability of the target group. This could be home based training, centre based training, placement in regular pre-schools, Anganwadis or Balawadis. This demands training of human recourses suitable to reaching out to the families by being a home visitor or itinerant teacher, to manage children with disabilities in regular or special pre-schools. The early childhood special educator is also expected to work as a member in a multi-disciplinary team for designing and managing the curriculum, to enhance inclusion of the children with disabilities Diploma in Early Childhood Special Education offered at NIMH, Secunderabad, is designed to meet these requirements.

Diploma in vocational Rehabilitation (DVR(MR)):

This course is designed to provide services of vocational training and employment guidance suitable to the persons with mental retardation to develop the following competencies:
- Identify and assess the readiness of persons with mental retardation to be vocationally trained and employed.
- Develop appropriate work behaviour in the persons with mental retardation.
- Manage problem behaviours,
- Develop work skills and to assess them,
- Be conversant with task analysis and job simplification,
- Set up appropriate work stations,
- Counsel the persons with mental retardation, case givers’ and society.
- Assist and set up vocational training and employment facilities for the persons with mental retardation.

**D. Ed Special Education (Mental Retardation):**

As a part of the training programme, the NIMH, Regional Centre, New Delhi offers a two years Diploma in Education. Special Education (Mental Retardation), recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India. The aim of this course is to prepare the trainee teacher to screen, assess, educate and train persons with mental retardation individually or in group setting.

**Admission Procedure Based on Eligibility:**

Admissions are made on the basis of academic qualifications required and in accordance with the prevailing rules of the Institute and the affiliated Universities. Seats are reserved for Scheduled Caste (SC) / Scheduled Tribes (ST) / Physically Handicapped (PH) candidates as per the Central Government rules.