REHABILITATION OF DISABLED SOLDIERS

Various institutions being run for rehabilitation of the disabled soldiers are as given in succeeding paragraphs.

**Queen Mary’s Technical Institute Pune.** The institute conducts ITI recognised vocational training, for disabled servicemen and their dependents. The institute is funded out of grants from various Govt and Non-Govt agencies, AG’s Branch and from Corpus Fund of the Institute. Courses conducted by the Institute commence on 01 August. Applications from serving personnel are processed through CW-5 Section of Ceremonials and Welfare Directorate and the Directorate General of Re-settlement. Various disciplines in which the courses are conducted are as under:-

(a) Fitter, electrician and radio/TV mechanic courses of two year’s duration.

(b) Diesel mechanic course of one year duration.

(c) Stenography (English) course of one year duration.

(d) Cutting and tailoring course of one year duration.

**Paraplegic Homes.** Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centres (PRC) at Kirkee and Mohali with a capacity of 80 and 30 beds respectively are being run for rehabilitation of paraplegic and tetraplegic ex-servicemen. These are being run as charitable trusts registered with the respective State Governments. In addition to these, a case is being processed with the Ministry of Defence for release of grant for establishing a Paraplegic Home at Lucknow. A vocational training centre has been established near Paraplegic Home Mohali for rehabilitation training of paraplegics. The institutions are funded by Kendriya Sainik Board, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, AG’s Branch and other Sate Govt / Private organisations. Postal address of PRC Kirkee and Mohali are as under:-

Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centre
Park Road, Kirkee
Pune – 411 020
(Maharashtra)

Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centre
SAS Nagar (Mohali) Phase VI
Dist Roopnagar (Punjab) 160 055

**St Dunstan’s After Care Organisation, Dehradun.** The institution provides rehabilitation training financial support and psychological support to blind serving personnel and ex-servicemen. This is funded by Kendriya Sainik Board and Oxford University Press, Delhi. A contribution of Rs. 4 Lakh from the Army and Rs. 1 Lakh each by Navy and Air Force was provided to the institution in 2001 for setting up a corpus fund. The address of the organisation is as under:-

St Dunstan’s After Care Organisation
116 Rajpur Road
Dehradun