

NON- INCLUSIVE SYSTEMS FOR DISABILITY INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT

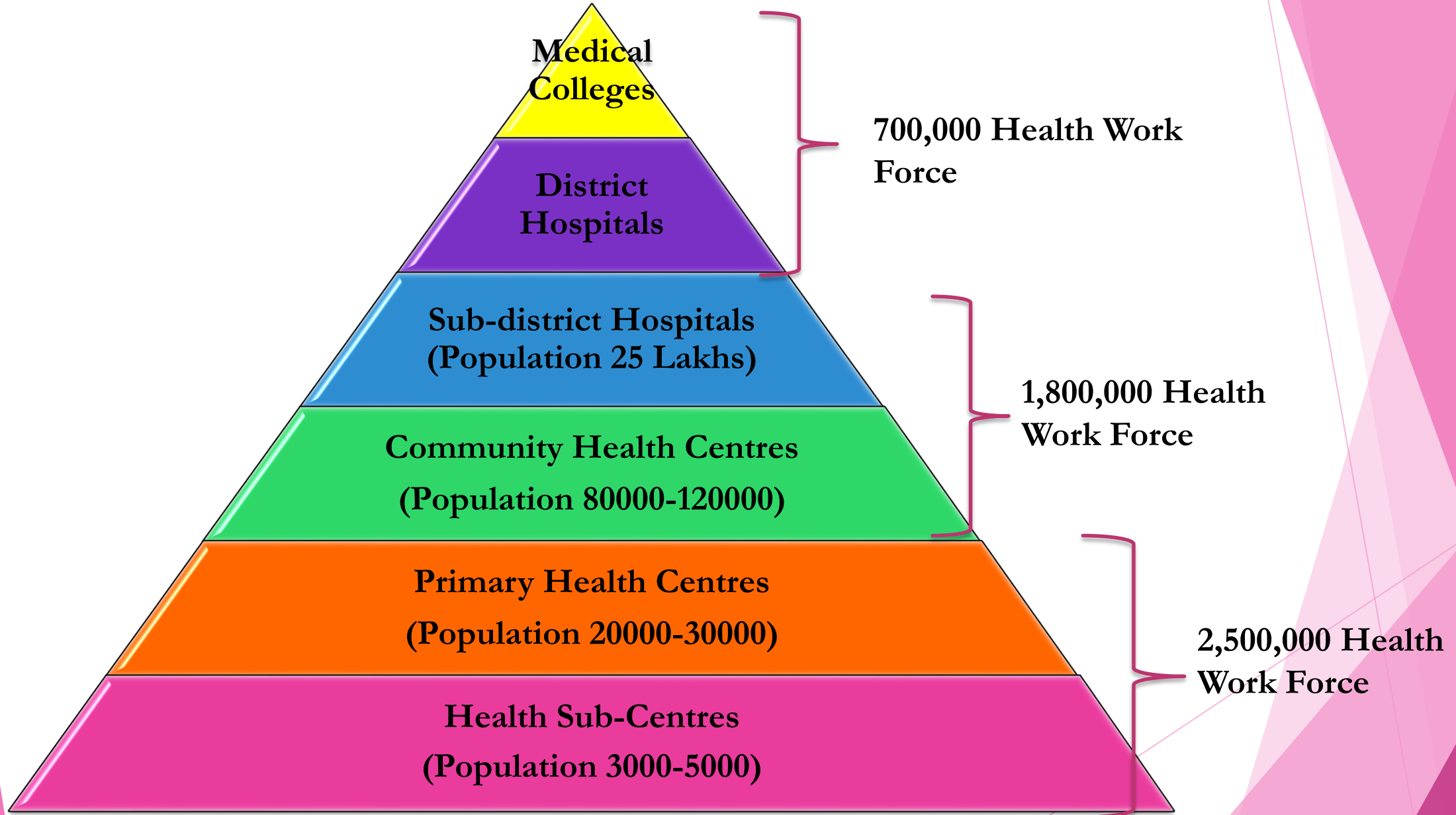
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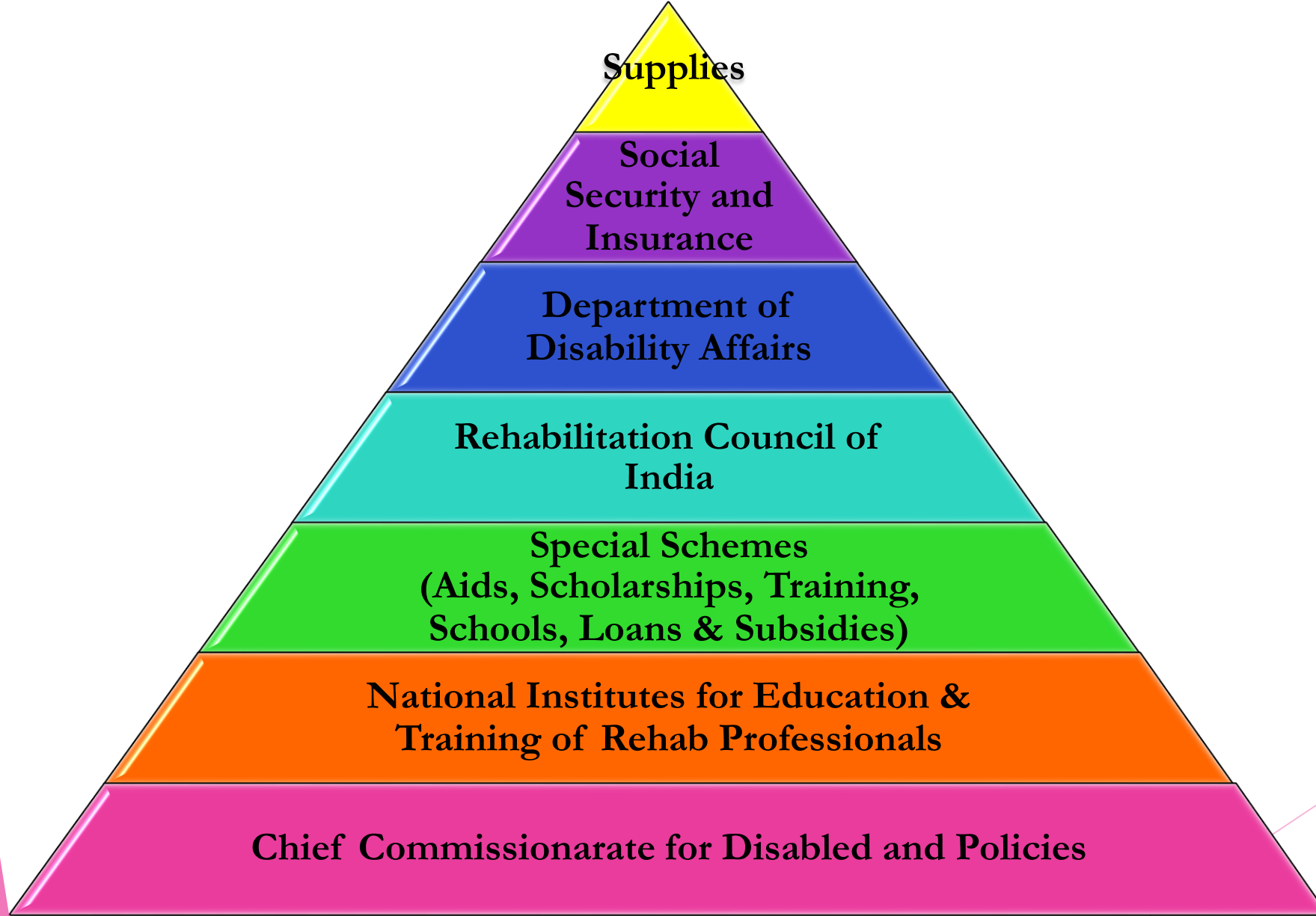
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Health System in India (MoHFW)



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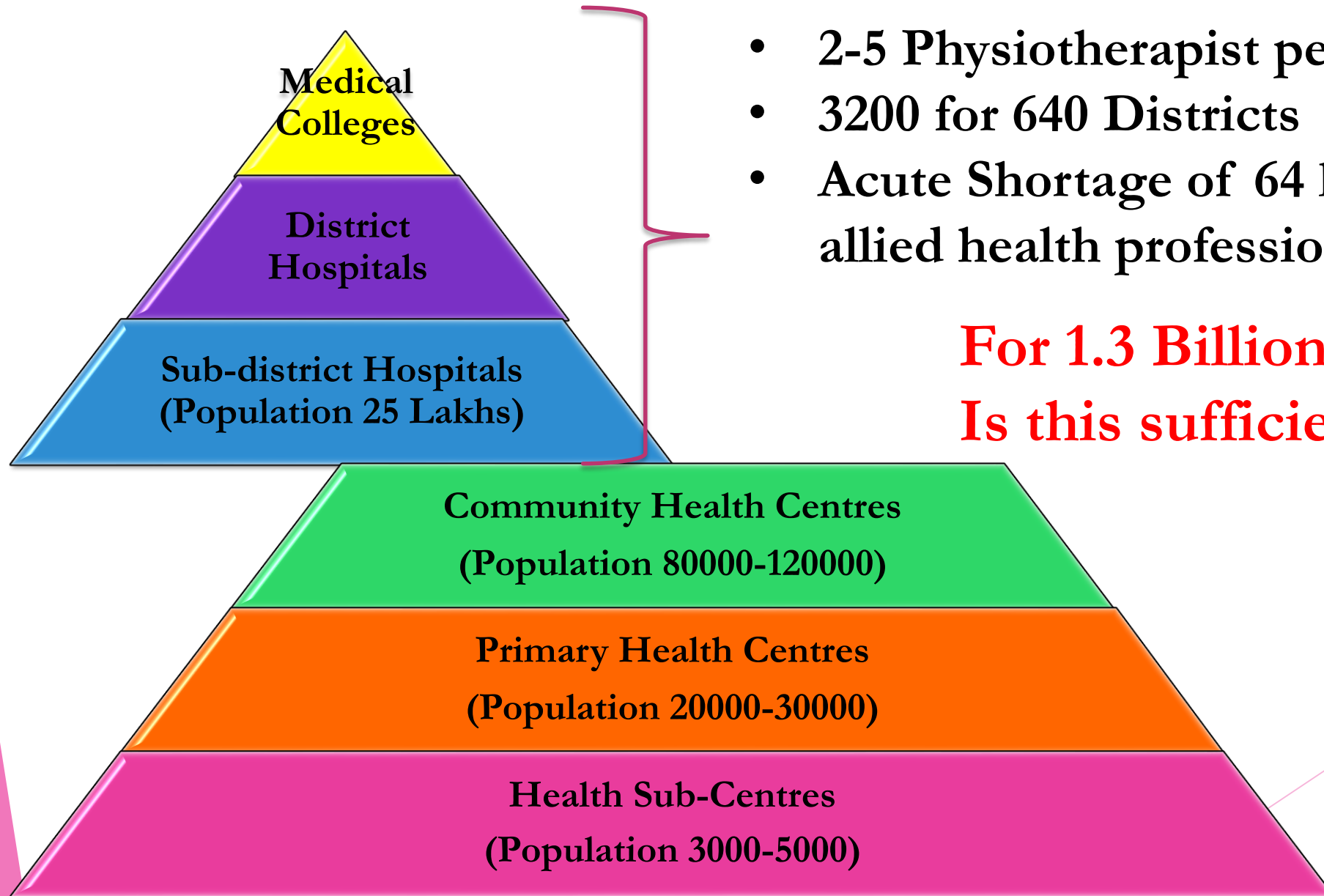
Social Care System in India (MoSJE)



Conceptual Issues

- ▶ **Disability = Observable Impairment**
- ▶ **Rehabilitation – Medical Model (Correction of the Impairment)**
- ▶ **Rehabilitation services team**
 - ▶ **For Adults = Super specialised Doctor, Physiotherapist & Prosthetist/Orthotist**
 - ▶ **For Children = Paediatrician, Clinical Psychologist, Special Educator, Counsellor, social workers and Speech therapist proposed by RCI.**

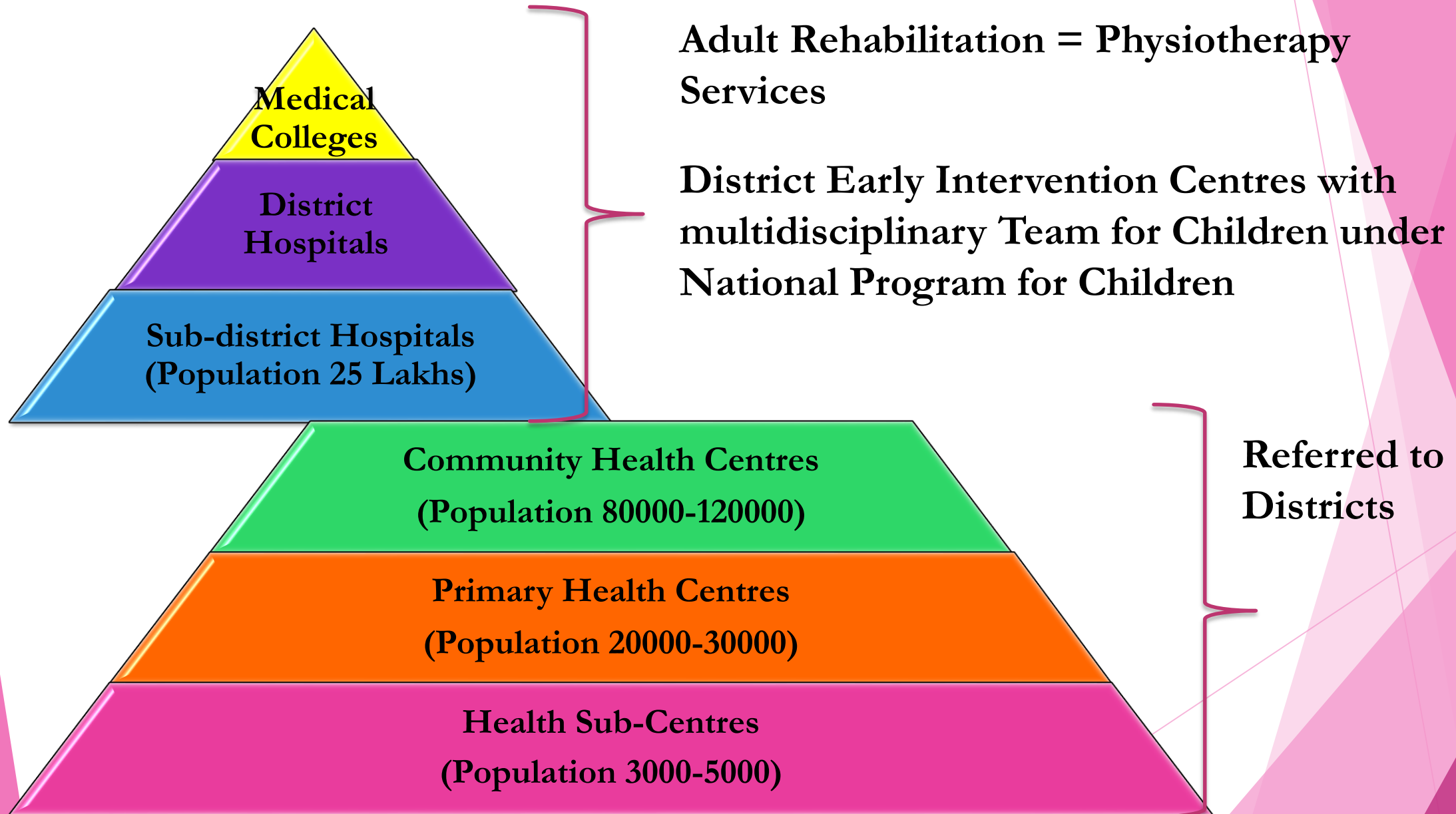
Work Force Component:



- 2-5 Physiotherapist per District
- 3200 for 640 Districts
- Acute Shortage of 64 lakh allied health professionals

**For 1.3 Billion population
Is this sufficient ?**

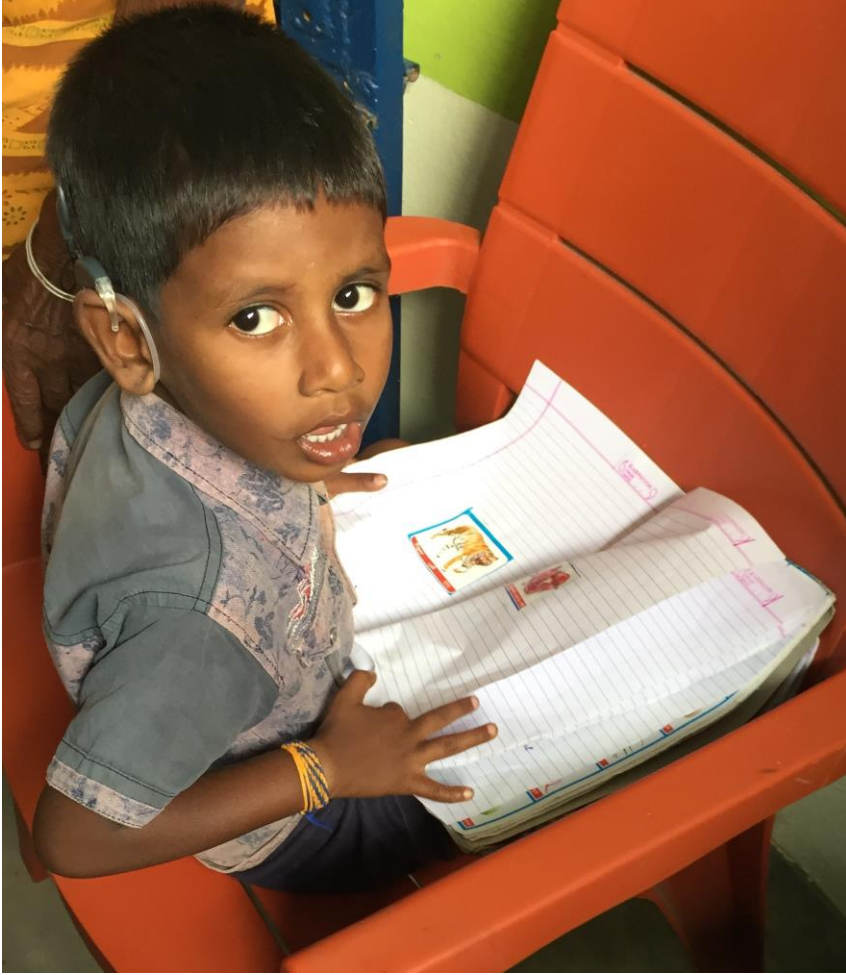
Rehabilitation Services Component:



Governance Component:

- ▶ MoSJE - Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI)
- ▶ RCI - Recognises only Limited Allied Health professions namely Clinical Psychologist, Special Educator, Counsellor, Social workers, Prosthetist, orthotist , Social worker and Speech therapist)
- ▶ Physiotherapy & Occupational Therapy are autonomous in its governance
- ▶ **PRACTICES ARE NOT ALWAYS EVIDENCE-BASED**
- ▶ **NO REGULATORY BODY.**

Products and Technologies Component:

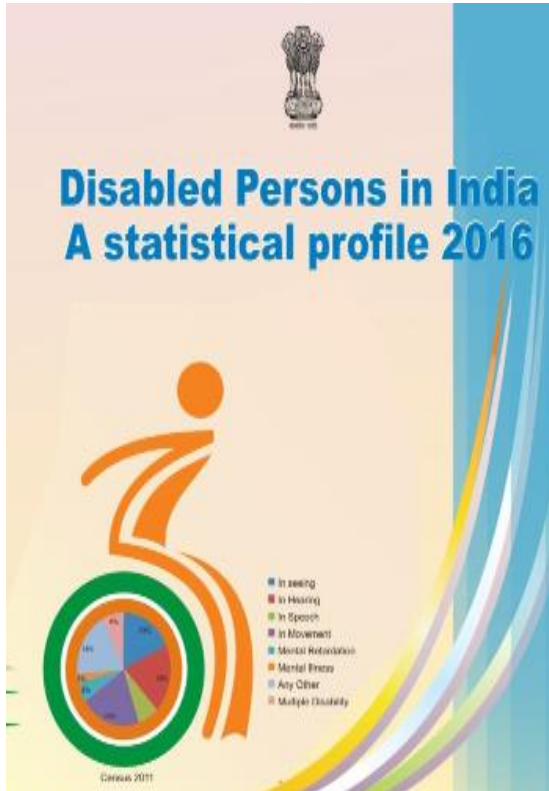


Infrastructure Component:



IPHS Standards are not strictly Followed

Information Systems Component:



2.21%
Disabled

WORLD REPORT ON DISABILITY

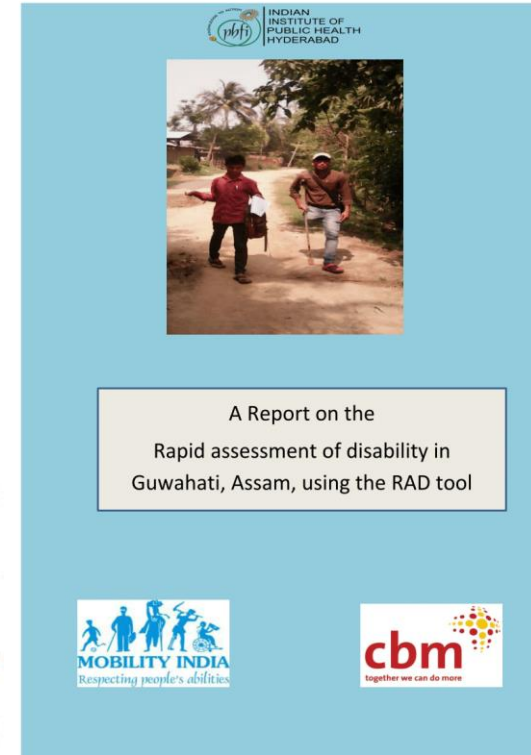


World Health
Organization



THE WORLD BANK

15%
Disabled



10.4%
Disabled

Policies and Programmes Component:

- ▶ Rights to Persons with Disabilities Act

(21 Disabling conditions – Not in Census)

- ▶ National programme for prevention and control of Cancer, Diabetes, CVD and Stroke

(Single strategy & Focus given only to screening for Hypertension and Diabetes)

- ▶ National Programme for the health care of the Elderly

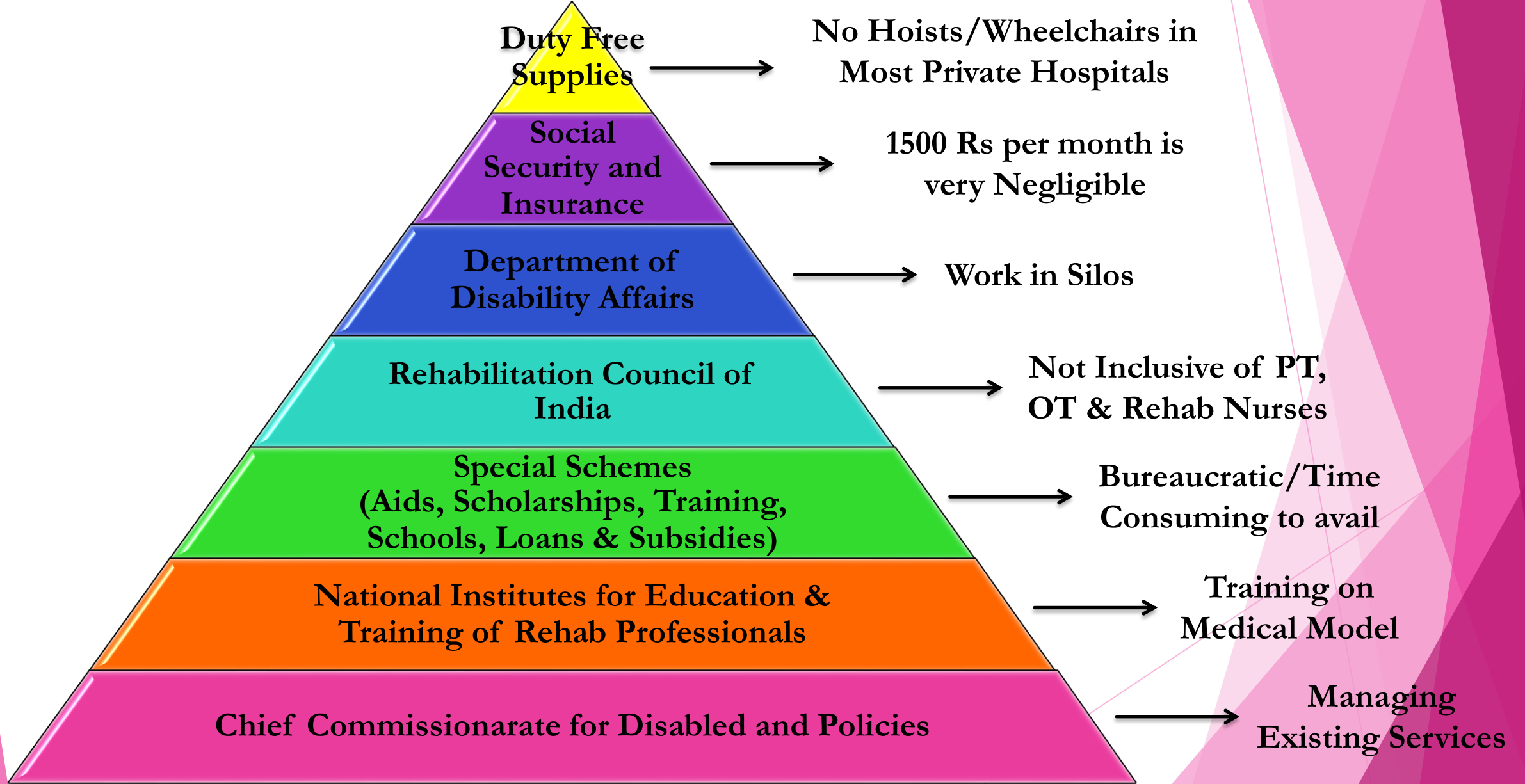
(Only drug/surgical treatment, counselling & referral services by Nurses)

- ▶ The Central Council for allied health Professionals

(The bill is still pending agreement from government officials / health professionals)

- ▶ National Programme for Children with Disabilities, Defects, Deficiencies and Developmental Disorders (RBSK) - (Missing - Continuum of Care)

Social Care System in India (MoSJE)



Disability Inclusive Development

- ▶ **Non-Inclusive Systems cannot be a choice for Disability Inclusive Development**
- ▶ **Given the epidemiological, demographic and socio-economic transitions, there is a pressing need to radically create an inclusive system for persons with disabilities.**
- ▶ **Main streaming disability into the agenda for health could be a potential strategy**
- ▶ **Concerted efforts from all stake holders towards developing an inclusive system for disability inclusive development can potentially turn the aspirational goal of universal health coverage into a reality for India and countries with similar contexts.**

Strategies for Disability Inclusive Development

- ▶ Target the conceptual understanding about disability and Inclusive Development among all stake holders including persons with disabilities
- ▶ Target the effective implementation of Bio-psychosocial framework for disability inclusive development
- ▶ Mainstream disability inclusive development with the agenda for health and social care.

Thank you for
listening...



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