

**EARLY INTERVENTION CENTRES FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED
CHILDREN IN THE AGE GROUP OF 0 – 6 YEARS:**

Early Intervention Centres for Mentally Retarded were established in 31 districts to benefit 50 Children each. These Centres were established through NGOs. The main objective of these centres is to identify Children with Mental Retardation and children with allied disabilities at birth and provide early intervention services including early detection and identification (0-6years), with support and training to parents and families/care givers to maximize the child's daily living skills, socialization, Cognitive and communication skill etc.,