

**THE NATIONAL TRUST**

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**F. No. 33/World Autism Day/NAT/2018-19**

**Dated: 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2022**

To,

All Registered Organization (ROs)  
National Trust

Sub: Observance of World Autism Awareness Day on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2022, Saturday.

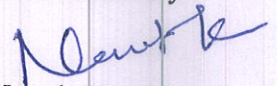
Sir/ Madam,

As you aware 2<sup>nd</sup> April is observed as **World Autism Awareness Day** every year. Autism typically appears during the first three years of life. The three main areas affected in Persons with Autism are- Social relationships (Interaction with people), Communication (Speaking as well as understanding what others say) and Imagination (Presence of unusual and repetitive behaviour as well as interest). The thinking and learning abilities vary from mild to average to severe. Many of Persons with Autism have made significant achievement in their life. Many of them are working also successfully in different organizations. People in large are not aware about these two conditions due to myth and lack of understanding most of these people are confined to their homes. They don't even come out for recreation or any social functioning. This leads to further deterioration of their condition. Hence, there is a great need for creating awareness in the society about Autism Disorder.

Keeping in view of the above, you are requested to organize awareness programmes in your States/UTs on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2022 as **World Autism Awareness Day** to sensitize the community. Parents of Persons with these Disabilities may also be contacted through Virtual Meetings/ Programmes. Publicity materials on Autism are attached herewith.

With regards

Yours Sincerely

  
(Navnit Kumar)  
Deputy Director