**Speed Post** 

Government of India
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
(Department of Health & Family Welfare)

NCD-1/BC Section

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi Dated 29.03.2017

To,

Dr. Bose Sreenivas, Chairman,
Board of Research & Analysis in Intuitive Neuro Science (BRAINS),
Calicut University (Post), Malappuram Dist – 673635 Kerala.

**Subject:** Affording sense of sight to blind children by means of any source other than that of their damaged eyes – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your Letter Ref No- 101/60/02/17 dated 7/02/17 on the subject mentioned above and to say that this Department appreciates your endeavor. However, it is mentioned that under the National Programme for Control of Blindness (NPCB) meant for comprehensive eye care services, there is no provision of assistance to research.

However, your application is being forwarded to ICMR, who are the research wing of this Ministry, for necessary consideration.

Yours faithfully

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Under Secretary to Govt. of India Phone No: 011-23062032

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1) Addl. Director General, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Head, Information, Systems and Research Management, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi - 10029 (alongwith a copy of the proposal dated 16.3.2017 from Dr. Bose Sreenivas, Chairman, BRAINS, Kerala) for consideration of the proposal and sending a suitable reply to the applicant.

2) Shri Dhiraj Kumar, Director, Office of Minister of State for Finance

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