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- **LG K7 smart phone updated with features for persons with vision loss**

LG has added various features to K7 smart phone to enhance the experience of users with vision loss. According to LG, some of the features that have been included in K7 are screen reading software (TalkBack) and the text-to-speech (TTS) language pack support. Besides this, cozy apps that are available are Daisy Reader app, Voice Reader app, e-reader app, GPS Essential app, Kota Magnifier app, 3 books pre-loaded for Daisy Reader, 2 Word and 2 PDF books pre-loaded, call and message reading enabled by default and Play Magazine app.

Source: <https://www.techvorm.com/lg-k7-smartphone-updated-features-visually-impaired-people/>

- **Railways launch Yatri Mitra services for elderly and Persons with Disabilities**

Yatri Mitra is a facility launched by IRCTC to help senior citizens and persons with disabilities to book E-wheel chair cum Porter services free of cost. These services will be available at major railway stations across the country. The Yatri Mitra services can be booked on IRCTC e-ticketing website or by calling or sending SMS to 139.

Source: <http://www.irctchelp.in/2016/09/how-to-book-yatri-mitra-sewa.html>

- **JAWS 18 beta version is finally out for testing**

Register with Freedom Scientific to participate in the JAWS 18 public beta test. Be among the first to know about latest features of this version of screen reader for computers. Download it now and take advantage of the beta report to give your valuable feedback to Freedom Scientific. This version of public beta will be available from 5th October 2016 to 16th November 2016.

Source: <https://www.freedomscientific.com/downloads/jaws/JawsPublicBeta>

- **VIBEWA meets Union Government to submit a report on the status of bank employees with vision loss**

A delegation of bank employees with vision loss representing registered organization “Visually Impaired Bank Employees’ Welfare Association” (VIBEWA) met the Union Government to submit a report

on challenges in employment of persons with vision loss in public sector banks. In a representation addressed to the Minister, the members of the delegation pointed out the existing huge backlog in the mandatory 1% vacancy provision for persons with vision loss. This, they urged to be filled by employing more and more of the deserving aspirants. They further pointed out the lack of accessibility in existing sites and software and suggested the use of assistive technology to make it more accessible for persons with vision loss. The delegation also sought a fair deal in matters of transfer and promotion for them.

Source: <http://www.kashmirtimes.in/newsdet.aspx?q=57858>

- **Audio descriptive movies at your reach now!**

Saksham, a trust based in Delhi has a list of popular movies in audio descriptive format. So if you're a movie fanatic and want to enjoy following it without a sighted person's help, order your DVD now.

Source: <http://www.saksham.org/index.php>

- **Learn how to use Google Docs and Google Drive with Non Visual Desktop Access (NVDA)**

The American Foundation for the Blind (AFB) Technology and Awareness Program initial pilot phase consists of an online self-paced training course on the use of Google Docs and Google Drive with NVDA screen reader for Windows. The training is divided into 10 modules, each containing brief videos, written reference information and evaluation after each completed module.

Source : <http://www.afb.org/info/living-with-vision-loss/using-technology/assistive-technology-videos/using-google-docs-and-drive-with-nvda/1234>

- **Stay at home, tap a button and shop your goods through Amazon!**

It may be news to you that one of the most popular Apps, Amazon is very accessible for persons with vision loss using text-to-speech engines on their smart phones. So get the free accessible Amazon app and start shopping now. You can choose from a varied range of electronics, apparel, personal care, stationery, accessories etc. This app is accessible on both IOS and Android platforms using the inbuilt assistive software. For downloading the App, please visit,

<https://www.amazon.com/gp/feature.html?docId=1000625601>

- **Special Recruitment Drive for Persons with Disabilities (PWD)**

Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. Invites online applications from desirous candidates for the posts listed in the advertisement for ONGC's offices in Assam, Chennai, Karaikal, Delhi and Mumbai. These posts are reserved for PWD. Last date for applying for the posts is 10th October, 2016. For more details, please visit,

<http://eapplynew.com/ongcadvt062016/pages/index.aspx>

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