

**Action Taken Report on the Action Points emerged during the 1st
National Conference of Chief Secretaries held during 16-17th June 2022**

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1	States to prepare district and crop wise plans on agro climatic zones. Existing recommendations to states to prepare district and crop wise plans based on agro climatic zones and alignment of cropping pattern as per state and national priorities to be reviewed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Farmers are being sensitized through systematic training programmes organized by Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA) and by Krishi Vigyan Kendra's on the scope of crop diversification from the conventional Paddy crop to cultivate pulses, oilseeds, Millets and vegetable crops for increased income and for a sustainable farming system.➤ Incentivization of farmers for growing of Pulses, Oilseeds, Millets, Vegetables through Production Incentives has been announced by the Government in the Budget 2023-24 and is being extended from the current Rabi Season.

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2	<p>Framework for Digital Agriculture would be created. Framework and policies for Digital Agriculture including private participation to be developed by Central Government in coordination with states and stakeholders</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Farmers Data Base has been developed and hosted at https://agri apps.py.gov.in/ ➤ Parameters of Farmers Database confirm the guidelines under AGRISTACK. ➤ Farm holdings digitized and unique farmer ID given. ➤ Linked to records of Survey and Land Records, Puducherry ➤ PeGS, Puducherry designated as IA. ➤ SRS and FRS completed. ➤ RFP prepared by Senior consultant, SeMT, Puducherry. ➤ To be submitted to the Government for approval; on approval e-tender to be published. ➤ Pilot Project timeline – Six months.

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3	Target 100 Lakh MT additional edible oil production by 2030-31. District wise planning to be adopted for promotion of oilseeds at Central & State level.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Arrangements have been made for procurement of Breeder Seeds of Groundnut/Sesame from the BSP Centres for further multiplication of Certified Seeds. ➤ The proposals for release of the first installment under the CSS- NFSM (Edible Oils) submitted to GoI has been under the consideration of IFD. ➤ In view of the ensuing Season for Groundnut farmers were advised to source the required Certified Seeds from authorized seed Agencies and the subsidy for the same will be extended through DBT. ➤ Selection of Beneficiaries for the conduct of Cluster Demonstrations under progress. ➤ Incentivization of farmers for growing of Oilseeds @ Rs.8000/- per acre for Groundnut and Rs.5000/ per acre for Sesame as Production Incentives /Subsidy of cultivation expenses has been announced by the Government in the Budget 2023-24 and being extended from the current Rabi Season.

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4	Target 325.47 lakh MT Pulses production by 2025-26. District wise planning to be adopted for promotion of pulses including rice fallows, productivity improvement and through intercropping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Seed Village programme for Production of Certified Seeds of Pulses under the CSS- Sub Mission on Seeds and Planting Materials have been taken up by PAJANCOA in Puducherry and Karaikal Region during the ensuing Rabi Season. 1544 Kgs of Seeds of Pulses have been arranged by PAJANCOA at the first Instance. ➤ Incentivization of farmers for growing of Pulses @ Rs.4000/ per acre as Production Incentives has been announced by the Government in the Budget 2023-24 and is being extended from the current Rabi Season.

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5	Creation and utilization of infrastructure for disease-free planting material. Infrastructure for disease-free planting material to be strengthened.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Equipments required for the Seed Health Testing Lab at PAJANCOA&RI and machineries & Equipments for strengthening of Breeder Seeds Programmes have been procured. ➤ Actions initiated on other components approved under the Sub Mission on Seeds and Planting Materials towards the construction of Storage Godowns/Seed Processing Equipments etc., for obtaining necessary estimates from PWD and sourcing through GEM Portal/e-tender
6	Use CoEs for extension and technology demonstration. Village of excellence for demonstration of technology to small & marginal farmers. Target of 150 by 2023-24. 750 in five years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Exposure visits to the Centre of Excellence for Floriculture at Thali and for Vegetables at Reddiarchatram, Tamil Nadu for Technology Demonstration for farmers has been scheduled during the third week of December 2023.

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7	<p>The NEP School 1. Improvement in GER at all levels (a) Identify and Mainstream OoSC (b) Undertake school wise and grade wise exercise to identify drop outs of last three years and bring them back</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Gross Enrolment Ratio in the U.T. of Puducherry is 105.63 as per UDISE 2021-22. ➤ The Dropout Rate of Secondary Grade is as low as 1.21% (excluding the admission in IIT / Polytechnic). The Overall Dropout Rate is only 0.32%. ➤ The Retention Rate of the UT of Puducherry is 99.23%. This clearly shows that the enrolled children are retained in the schools without leak. ➤ From the extensive House-hold Survey on OoSc done a few years ago only 283 Out of School Children were identified and all of them were mainstreamed. ➤ Another extensive HouseHold Survey on OoSc is proposed to be conducted in the year 2023-24. ➤ The total number of OoSc identified by school level survey in this year is only 45 and all of them are mainstreamed.

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8	The NEP School 1. Capacity building of Master trainers for ECCE (a) Development of training module (b) Identification of master trainers (c) Conduct of training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All the 746 Anganwadi Centers were mapped with 296 Primary Schools. ➤ Training Modules are developed by the DIET. Anganwadi teachers were provided training for ECCE. ➤ Only ECCE Trained persons has been appointed as teachers for Pre-Primary level. ➤ Master Trainers are identified and trained.
9	The NEP School 1. Comprehensive review of school buildings (a) Availability of functional gender segregated toilets (b) Ramps (c) Potable drinking water (d) Sports and library facilities (e) Electricity in every school to help retention of students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All the 412 Government Schools are functioning in Pucca Buildings with drinking water and electrification, functional gender segregated toilets and CWSN toilets with ramps. The Gender Parity Index of UT of Puducherry is 1.01 and Girls Education is given top priority with 100% schools having girls enrolment having girls toilets. ➤ CWSN ramps available in all the schools and 24 Special Teachers appointed to assist learning for Divyang students. ➤ 100% of the schools are having Potable Drinking Water either as tap water and even RO Water in most of the schools.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sports Facilities are available in all the schools. Indoor Game facilities are provided in those schools which do not have an adequate playground facility. Sports equipment is also provided to the schools through Sports Grants. ➤ Adequate Library Facilities are available in all the schools. All the schools are provided with an adequate number of books and the libraries are being updated every year using the library grant. ➤ Digital Libraries are also to be established in schools having ICT Labs/ Smart Classrooms/ Computers.

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10	The NEP School 1. Development of robust tracking system (a) Preparation of NDEAR Compliant standards (b) Development of Student Registry (c) Development of Teachers Registry (d) Development of School Registry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ NDEAR Compliant student, teacher and school registry is a part of Vidhya Samiksha Kendra (VSK) and it is implemented with student tracking and digitalization of Academic records. ➤ The Project has been approved by all the levels and a required fund of Rs.2 Crores has been sanctioned in the PAB of Samagra Shiksha. ➤ The task is entrusted to Ed CIL and the MOU has been signed. The experts from EdCIL are to take charge at the end of May 2023. The task will be completed by December 2023. ➤ Already School Registry, Teacher Registry, Student Registry (SDMS) had been done through UDISE+. This SDMS will contribute for Student Tracking also.

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11	<p>The NEP School</p> <p>1. Continuously undertake micro-improvements</p> <p>(a) Issuance of guidelines (b) Launch of micro-improvement portal (c) States/UTs to start micro-improvement in schools</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Micro Improvements are already being done through the programmes like CRAWL, Back to Basics, DEAL 2.0 etc. ➤ This has been included as a component with the NDEAR Compliant VSK and there is no need for a separate portal. ➤ The programme will come into effect with the commencement of VSK.
12	<p>The NEP Teacher 1. Comprehensive review of existing teacher education institutions (a) States and UTs to undertake this review for all TEIs in the States</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ There is only one Teacher Education Institution (TEI) in the U.T. of Puducherry i.e., DIET under the Directorate of School Education. It complies with all the norms and frequently reviewed by the Directorate.
13	<p>The NEP Teacher 1. (TEIs) as per norms and standards set by the NCTE (a) Action against non-compliant TEIs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The only one Teacher Education Institution (TEI) functioning under the School Education is totally compliant with the norms and standards set by the NCTE.

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14	The NEP Teacher 1. Fill vacancies to ensure an online and transparent system of teacher recruitment (a) States/UTs to undertake comprehensive review of vacancies, subject-wise, grade-wise (b) Develop online & transparent system of recruitment (c) Filling up of vacancies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Online and transparent system of teacher recruitment already exists in the U.T. ➤ Periodical Rationalization of Teachers, grade-wise, subject-wise are being done and the vacancies are updated accordingly. ➤ Presently 19 Guest Balasevikas are engaged as per requirement. ➤ The Overall Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR) in the UT of Puducherry is only 1:20 which is less than the norms of Puducherry RTE.
15	The NEP Teacher 1. No single teacher schools (a) Initiate teacher rationalisation exercise (b) Recruitment of teachers wherever applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ There are no Single Teacher Schools in the UT of Puducherry. ➤ Periodical Rationalization of Teachers, grade-wise, subject-wise are being done and the vacancies are updated accordingly. ➤ The Overall Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR) in the UT of Puducherry is only 1:20.

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16	The NEP Teacher 1. No proxy Teachers (a) Display Photographs of teachers in schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ There are no Proxy Teachers in the Schools of the UT of Puducherry. ➤ The Photographs of the Teachers are displayed in the schools. ➤ The Teacher Registry that is to be implemented through VSK will disseminate the teachers' identity in a wider scale. ➤ All the teachers are given ID cards with a photo. ➤ The Head of the Institutions and inspecting officers do a vigilant inspection regularly.

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17	<p>The NEP Teacher 1. Fill all vacant positions in SCERTs and DIETs</p> <p>(a) States/UTs to undertake comprehensive review of vacancies</p> <p>(b) Filling up of vacancies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Since Puducherry is a Union Territory, no SCERT is available. ➤ There is a State Training Center (STC) and one DIET available in the UT of Puducherry. ➤ The vacancy positions in both the STC and DIET are periodically reviewed and faculties are provided on a requirement basis as per enrollment. ➤ The faculties are provided either by sparing of services basis or deputation basis from the Directorate of School Education. ➤ Presently the DIET has a vacancy of 6 faculties as per sanctioned posts and will be filled as per requirement shortly.
18	<p>The NEP Child 1. Adopt/Adapt Vidya Pravesh (a) Adopt/ Adapt Vidya Pravesh module of NCERT (b) States and UTs to implement Vidya Pravesh in all schools, including private schools from 2022-23 academic session onwards</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Three month school preparation module Vidya Pravesh is already initiated in U.T. of Puducherry as a part of NIPUN Bharath. ➤ Collaborations are also made with reputed NGOs to ensure maximum success in Vidya Pravesh.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Private Schools are also to be directed to implement Vidya Pravesh.
19	<p>The NEP Child 1. Institutionalise Peer Learning (a) Issuance of guidelines (b) Implementation in States/UTs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Peer-to-Peer learning is part of academic interventions like Developing Early Academic Literacy (DEAL), Compulsory Reading and Writing in Languages (CRAWL), Back to Basics, DEAL 2.0, etc. Which are already in implementation. ➤ This has been institutionalized since this has become the component of academic activities with objectives and time schedule and monitoring parameters.

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20	<p>The NEP Child 1. Introduce vocational exposure in grades 6-8</p> <p>(a) Identification of skills to be introduced at upper-primary level</p> <p>(b) Development of framework/guidelines (c) States/UTs to implement it in schools</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Vocational Education exposure for classes 6-8 is already initiated through Samagra Shiksha. ➤ students are trained in the Local Crafts and won several awards in Kala Utsav. ➤ Framework/Guidelines are available under the aegis of PSSCIVE, Bhopal. ➤ Presently Vocational Education has been implemented in 22 schools in the UT as per the sanctions by the Samagra Shiksha PAB.
21	<p>The NEP Child 1. Conduct hackathons at State level (a) States and UTs to conduct hackathons for awareness and bringing innovations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Imparting Coding skills are proposed to be done through Vocational Education. The ICT Labs existing are proposed to be used for this. ➤ Hackathons for awareness and bringing innovations will be achieved in the coming academic year.

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22	<p>The NEP Child 1. Expansion of DIKSHA (a) Development of e-content in vernacular languages (b) Increased use of material available on DIKSHA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ DIKSHA tools were widely used in U.T. of Puducherry through the existing ICT labs and U.T. has contributed and uploaded more than 300 videos in DIKSHA. ➤ Apart from this plenty of e-content is being created in vernacular language and uploaded in the Youtube Channel of Directorate of School Education. ➤ To facilitate all these activities a Studio is Established with all necessary infrastructure for the development of e-content by the teachers.

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23	<p>The NEP Child 1. Setting up of Vidya Samiksha Kendra (VSK)</p> <p>(a) VSK to be set-up at National Level</p> <p>(b) VSK to be set-up at States/UT level</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ NDEAR Compliant Vidhya Samiksha Kendra (VSK) is implemented with student tracking and digitalization of Academic records. ➤ The Project has been approved by all the levels and a required fund of Rs.2 Crores has been sanctioned in the PAB of Samagra Shiksha. ➤ The task is entrusted to Ed CIL and the MOU has been signed. The experts from EdCIL are to take charge in the end of May 2023. The task will be completed by October 2023. ➤ This VSK will be a robust entity to pervade in all the activities of Directorate of School Education both from Academic and Administrative perspectives. ➤ Already School Registry, Teacher Registry, Student Registry (SDMS) had been done through UDISE+. This SDMS will contribute for Student Tracking also.
24	<p>Learner centric Education 1. Multidisciplinary Education (a) Number of HEIs which have Curriculum Framework and Credit System (CFCS) and implementation of elective course system</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Framing of curriculum in line with NEP 2020 is in progress.

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25	Learner centric Education 1. Adoption of Academic Bank of Credits (a) Number of HEIs Registered on Academic Bank of Credits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ No. of institutions Adopting Academic Bank of Credits = 3(PU, JIPMER, NIT).PTU can register for ABC after getting the NAAC accreditation with A grade.
26	Learner centric Education 1. Adoption of Multiple Entry and Exit (a) HEIs Offering of multiple entry and exit in academic programmes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ HEIs Offering of multiple entry and exit in academic programmes = 3 (PU,PTU,NIT). ➤ PU and PTU will be implementing multiple exit / entry in all the HEIs for which modalities are being worked out.
27	Learner centric Education 1. Adoption of Guidelines on NHEQF and CBCS for Four Year undergraduate Programme (FYUP) (a) Number of HEIs adopting NHEQF and Curriculum Framework and Credit System for Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Four year UG programmes will be adopted by all the Institutions affiliated to PU and PTU once the framing of curriculum is completed.
28	Digital Learning 1. ODL and Online Programmes (a) Number of eligible HEIs having launched ODL and Online programmes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of eligible HEIs having launched ODL and Online programmes = 2 Universities.(PU, JIPMER) ➤ Pondicherry University is already offering ODL and online courses through Distance Education. ➤ Pondicherry University and PTU accept the credits earned through ODL and Online courses at UG level.

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29	Digital Learning 1. Digital Nodal Centers (a) Number of HEIs acting as digital nodal centres delivering digital education such as SWAYAM and other MOOCs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of HEIs acting as digital nodal centres delivering digital education such as SWAYAM and other MOOCs. = 27
30	Industry-Institute Collaboration 1. Internship / Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (a) Number of HEIs offering internship/apprenticeship embedded degree programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of HEIs offering internship / apprenticeship embedded degree programme = 18 ➤ The Professional Colleges have the Internship programme in the curriculum. ➤ Internship has been made part of all UG Courses under NEP. Pondicherry University is presently formulating curriculum to induct internship
31	Industry-Institute Collaboration 1. Alumni Connect (a) Number of HEIs with Alumni connect office and portal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of HEIs with Alumni connect office and portal = 35 ➤ All the HEIs in the UT of Puducherry have an active Alumni Association through which the financial, employment and training activities are being carried out.

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32	Industry-Institute Collaboration 3. Industry – Institute Linkage (a) Number of HEIs having MoUs signed with Industry for internship/ research/ entrepreneurship/ employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of HEIs having MoUs signed with Industry for internship/ research/ entrepreneurship/ employment = 13 ➤ The Professional Colleges have the Apprenticeships as part of their programme implemented through MoUs with Industries/ Organizations / Higher Institutions. ➤ No. of MoUs with International Organizations = 47 ➤ No. of MoUs with National Organizations = 115
33	Industry-Institute Collaboration 1. Research and Development Cell (a) Number of HEIs with Research and Development Cell having Industry sponsored Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of HEIs with Research and Development Cell having Industry sponsored Projects = 6 (PU, PTU, JIPMER , NIT, SMVEC & Balaji Vidyapeeth) ➤ No. of Foreign national students studying in Govt. Institutions = 35
34	Academic research and internationalization 1. Academic and research Collaboration between Indian and foreign HEIs (a) Number of Indian HEIs having Collaboration for teaching and research with foreign HEIs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of Indian HEIs having Collaboration for teaching and research with foreign HEIs = 8 ➤ PU and PTU are already have collaboration with Universities of other countries for faculty and students exchange programmes and research. The foreign HEIs

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		are collaborated for dual and twin UG programmes in PU
35	Academic research and internationalization 1. Office of International Affairs (a) Number of HEIs with one-stop-office for all activities related to international mobility (students/faculty)	➤ Number of HEIs with one-stop-office for all activities related to international mobility of students and faculty) = 4(PU, PTU, JIPMER, SMVEC).
36	Academic research and internationalization 1. Ranking Excellence (a) Number of HEIs participating in the ranking	➤ Number of institutions covered under NIRF ranking is 24
37	Academic research and internationalization 4. Adoption of Guidelines of UGC on IDP (a) Number of HEIs who have published Institutional Development Plan on their websites	➤ All the Government institutions have developed Institutional Development Plan in accordance with NEP 2020

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38	Academic research and internationalization 1. Accreditation (a) Number of HEIs accredited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of HEIs accredited = 27 ➤ All 17 eligible Government Colleges have been accredited and are also in the process of re-accreditation for the next cycle. ➤ PTU is preparing for the NAAC accreditation even though the courses are accredited by NBA. ➤ Out of 49 Private Colleges, only 10 colleges have been accredited so far. ➤ The other institutions will be accredited in a phased manner.
39	Academic research and internationalization 1. Faculty Tracking (a) Number of HEIs with more than 20% Vacancy (b) Number of faculty vacancies in HEIs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of HEIs with more than 20% Vacancy is 18 and Number of faculty vacancies in HEIs 310
40	Indian Knowledge System 1. Courses in Indian Languages (a) Number of HEIs offering courses in regional languages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ It will be introduced in a phased manner since the courses have to be offered in Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu and Hindi as students are joining the university from all the four regions of the UT and on an All India basis.

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41	Indian Knowledge System 1. Embedding IKS in the Curriculum (a) Number of HEIs offering courses related to Indian Knowledge	➤ Steps will be taken to introduce programmes in Indian Knowledge system in the curriculum from 2024-25
42	Ranking of cities on the basis of their Financial Management (a) Finalize criteria and methodology - Committee of MoHUA officers and experts (b) Data processing, Development of Portal (c) Ranking of cities	➤ The Portal is developed and hosted by the MoHUA and the ULBs of this UT is submitting the required data in the online module of the MoHUA
43	Transfer of Professional Tax for non-salaried employees to ULBs.MoHUA to impress upon States. States to take further action	➤ The Government Notification to bring non-salaries employees under the ambit of Professional Tax is under preparation by this department.
44	Use of PM Gati Shakti model for Urban Development. Use of PM Gati Shakti model for Urban Development	➤ The Department of Town and Country Planning has notified a master plan namely “Comprehensive Master plan for 2036”. The existing GIS data of the Master plan has been uploaded in the NMP portal and initiatives has been taken for planning urban development has per the emerging requirements of Urban infrastructures. Further the Transport Department has notified a mobility plan namely ”Comprehensive mobility plan for Puducherry” and initiative are been taken to upload the existing GIS data of the mobility plan and further planning to be carried out in NMP portal.

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45	Encourage ULBs to make their purchases through GeM (a) MoHUA will write to States/ ULBs and follow up (b) Workshop to sensitize ULBs	➤ GeM portal is being optimally utilized for all the procurement activities.
46	Dashboard for Cities (a) Develop criteria - MoHUA (b) Development and launch of Portal	➤ After the launch of the portal by MoHUA the ULBs of this UT will submit the required data in the online module
47	City Beauty competition and competition among wards within cities. (a) MoHUA to develop Concept Note and Methodology (b) States to conduct competition	➤ Proposed to conduct the City Beauty Competition among wards within the cities after the receipt of concept note and Methodology from MoHUA
48	Increase Revenue from Property Tax to 1% of GDP. (a) States/ ULBs to implement GIS based Property Tax adoption (b) MoHUA to formulate a scheme to part fund GIS-based property tax implementation	➤ At present, in the UT of Puducherry the Property Tax is levied by the ULBs based on the Annual Rental Value of the buildings. The rates of Annual Rental Value is fixed by the respective Municipal Council with the approval of the Government. Necessary steps will be taken for the adoption of GIS-based property tax implementation.
49	PPP to be encouraged for viable projects MoHUA to share Best Practices/ Examples with States/ ULBs	➤ Efforts have been taken for full utilization of the re-use of treated water in collaboration with Private Organizations under PPP method

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50	Mobilizing finance through Market Borrowing / Municipal Bonds. ULBs to mobilize finance through market-borrowing / municipal bonds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To rationalize the revenue through capital investment and to go for market borrowings by local bodies the commissioners have been trained on credit worthiness of cities conducted by MEA, MOHUA and World Bank.
51	Small ULBs to be supported through Financial Intermediaries. States to set up Intermediaries. Write to States.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Steps are taken to set up Financial Intermediaries, after obtaining necessary approval from the Government.
52	Urban Planning for city area within its limits to be done by ULBs. ULBs to be involved in Regional Planning. (a) Master Plan support - AMRUT-1/ AMRUT-2 (b) Workshops on Best Practices: LAP/TPS, use of FAR/ TDR, Transit Oriented Development etc.	<p><u>Town & Country Planning</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Draft Bill to amend the Puducherry Town and Country Planning Act, 1969 has been prepared for insertion of provisions for Town Planning Schemes, Transferable Development Rights (TDR) and Local Area Plan. Draft Bill has been forwarded to the stakeholder departments' viz., Department of Revenue and Disaster Management, Survey and Land Records, Home Department, Registration Department and Local Administration Department seeking their suggestions on 1.12.2023. <p><u>Local Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The draft bill forwarded by the Town and Country Planning Department will be vetted in such a way to vest

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		the powers of Urban Planning for city area with the ULBs.
53	Devolution of core functions to ULBs. States to devolve core functions to ULBs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Puducherry Municipalities Act was amended by Act No. 1 of 2007 in accordance with the 74th Constitutional Amendment Act for devolving the functions to the ULBs. ➤ The functions have been devolved / Role of the ULBs have been defined as per the G.O. Ms. No. 40/LAS/2010 dated 31.12.2010.
54	Startups can be engaged to solve the problems. Organise problem specific Hackathon.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Startup to Government (S2G) connect is being organized in February 2024 and the problem based Hackathon is also planned in 2024.
55	Filling up vacancies in ULBs. (a) MoHUA to write to States. (b) Special recruitment drive/ lateral entry to be undertaken by States/ ULBs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Special Recruitment drive to fill the vacancies in the ULBS will be undertaken with the approval of the Government

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56	Rationalize user charges. States/ ULBs to rationalize user charges for various municipal services, such as water supply. Shift to volumetric pricing instead of flat rate charges.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Proposal was submitted to the Government for revision of user charges. The Government did not agree to the increase in tariff for sewage and water taxes.
57	Citizen centric Governance/ eGovernance. On boarding States on NUDM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All the schemes under LAD are given direction to GeoTag their projects at different phases in PM Gati Shakti model to monitor the urban development. ➤ LAD is already in online data processing and services for Birth and Death Certificate, advertisement tax, professional tax, property tax.
58	Digital infrastructure created through BharatNet to be optimally utilized in all States. New softwares to be developed to leverage the network so as to ensure the availability of services at all places. Digital component/ access should be integral part of all schemes/ services. Centre and States to work together to evolve common standards for data formats, interoperability and uniformity. White papers to be prepared by each state and eventually these papers to be converged at Central level where consultation be held with experts to come out with a common policy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 602 services are delivered online using eDistrict; PuduvaiSevai and departmental websites through CSCs. 37 out of 59 mandatory services are delivered online. Action initiated to bring all the services through online under National e-services Delivery Assessment (NeSDA). ➤ Unified data hub, is a golden database of all beneficiaries of all government schemes in the UT of Puducherry. All the welfare departments and certificate issuing authorities are the stakeholders of this portal. A common data field format comprising all welfare departments

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		and certificate issuing authorities have been adopted in the portal.This has been highlighted in various forums.
59	With cyber threats on the rise, all States put in place strong SOPs to prevent cyber-attacks. These SOPs to be strictly adhered to and action be taken against the officers with lackadaisical approach. At the same time, stringent action be taken against the persons responsible for cyber-crimes/ cyber-attacks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Puducherry Cyber Crime Unit has prepared the draft SOP and submitted to IT Department, Puducherry for necessary action and approval. ➤ In addition two SOPs issued by I4C are followed by Puducherry Cyber Crime Unit.

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60	Sports Economy to be developed as a new area. Periodic competitions to be held by all clubs / federations and other organisations / departments in the States. Each state could identify and promote the top 3 most popular sports for the purpose.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Directorate of Sports & Youth Affairs facilitates Sports Clubs / State Association / National Federation by extending full support and co-operation for Organizing competitions from gross root level to national level. ➤ The top 3 most popular sports identified in Puducherry viz. (i) Weightlifting (ii) Badminton and (iii) Athletics.
61	Tourism could be a major contributor to employment and GDP, but the potential has remained under-tapped so far. There is tremendous scope for large number of foreign tourists coming to India in the new world order. Collective brainstorming is required on how to boost India tourism sector. Developing Buddhist tourism, developing 75 tourist destinations in States and online exams for tour guides should also be considered as catalysts for promoting tourism.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Ministry of Tourism spearheaded the rejuvenation of various spiritual destinations through the Spiritual Circuit of the Swadesh Darshan 1.0 Scheme, incurring an expenditure of Rs. 3496.23 lakhs. ➤ The development of beaches and other features within the Coastal Circuit component, amounting to Rs. 6181.78 lakhs. ➤ M/s. L&T Infra Engineering Ltd. has been enlisted to craft a Tourism Master Plan under Swadesh Darshan 2.0. This comprehensive plan, supported financially by the Ministry of Tourism, covers the development of all tourism verticals. ➤ New sites for development have been identified, spanning areas such as Beach Tourism, Spiritual

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		<p>Tourism, Cultural Heritage, Wellness, MICE, Cruise, Handicraft, Skill development, and Techno Digital.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Under the PRASAD Scheme, M/s. Darashaw & Co. is engaged as a consultant to prepare a DPR for the development of fifteen spiritual places. The Detailed Project Report has been submitted to the Government for approval. ➤ For the "Multiproduct Tourism Zone at Manapet in Puducherry," M/s. KPMG Advisory Services is acting as a Transaction Advisor under the PPP mode. Inception and Pre Feasibility Reports have been submitted to the Government. ➤ New beaches, namely Pondy Marina, Ruby Beach, and Eden Beach, have been developed and handed over to private firms for Operation and Maintenance. Furthermore, the initiation of a Digital Museum is underway under the Design Build Operate Transfer, with the Letter of Award issued to M/s. KPMG Advisory Services.

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62	<p>Integrated and holistic action be taken to build 75 ponds in each district under Amrit Sarovar Abhiyaan. If necessary, MGNREGA scheme could be utilized for the same. Such ponds may be developed as meeting points where national flag can be installed and seniors of the village be invited to hoist the same on important occasions such as Independence Day.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Renovation of 150 ponds at 75 ponds in each district i.e Puducherry and Karaikal was completed in November, 2022. In Puducherry, all works was completed under MGNREGA. In Karaikal, all works was completed under CSR fund. In Independence and Republic day, senior citizens have been invited to hoist the national flag at the respective Amrit Sarovar sites.
63	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● On implementation of PM Gati Shakti: a. Updating of required data layers including land revenue maps on the National Master Plan, adoption of PM GatiShakti NMP for project planning, online NOC and governance and formulation of State Logistics Policy. ● BISAG-N can provide technology and software support to State Governments free of cost, build platforms, provide tools and training. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Out of the total 30 essential layers 27 layers have been completed and balance 3 layers are not applicable for this UT of Puducherry. ➤ Land revenue maps pertaining to the four regions i.e Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam region have been uploaded in the NMP portal. ➤ At present, the planning of Sagarmala projects undertaken by Port Department and the City Gas Distribution (CGD) projects undertaken by CGD entities are taken up in the NMP portal. ➤ Departments advised to ensure that all new infrastructure projects are planned in NMP portal mandatorily.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● State Governments are requested to share data and data authentication, timely updation, identification of NOC/approval tools requirement. ● There should be greater involvement of Universities, especially those relating to Engineering, Design, Planning and Architecture, in implementation of GatiShakti project. Officers may sensitize students in the universities who in turn can also offer innovative solutions for better implementation of the scheme(b)Work to be undertaken on mission mode for decriminalization of minor offenses. Every Department in Centre and State to look at their statutes and identify provisions for decriminalization. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Logistics policy namely “Puducherry Integrated Logistics Infrastructure, Multi-modal Logistics Park and Warehouse policy 2023” has been notified in 10.11.2023. ➤ BISAG-N has provided Geo Tagging Software for GIS mapping of electrical poles. BISAG-N has further provided hands on training to the officials of this UT, on various tools provided in the NMP portal during the workshop held at Gandhinagar, Ahmedabad. ➤ Data for all the applicable essential layers has been completely shared with BISAG-N. The data provided in GIS format has been authenticated by line departments. The existing date has been revalidated as per the SOP for quality Implementation plan provided by DPIIT. ➤ The Government of Puducherry in coordination with Atal Incubation Centre is conducting sensitization and awareness programme for cultivating innovativity among the students of this UT. GIS based innovative products are been developed by entities at Atal Incubation Centre and the same has been showcased at defence exhibition by Government of India.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Government of Puducherry has taken efforts to minimize the regulatory compliance on a mission mode. With respect to the Business related Criminal Provisions, Twenty one provisions were identified out of which twelve provisions were retained, while two provisions were reduced and for seven provisions action are been taken by concerned departments. Similarly, under Citizen related Criminal Provisions, one provision has been identified and the same has been reduced.

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64	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rationalization of state autonomous bodies, with Chief Secretaries taking the lead. Rationalization of government schemes with sunset clauses and outcome reviews. ● States to make efforts to contain revenue deficits through: levying and collecting property taxes, introducing user-charge fees for government services, reducing inefficient subsidies. ● Suggestions were invited from states on major central subsidies 	<p>➤ The revenue deficit of the ULBs will be contained by improving the collection efficiency of Tax Revenue/collection of arrears and various other taxes and charges. A comprehensive file proposal for revision of taxes and charges is to be submitted to the Government shortly.</p>