COMPUTERISATION

After the announcement of Information Technology Policy in December 1999, increased thrust has been given by the Government of Pondicherry to introduce e-Governance solutions in the Administration. Almost all the Departments have been provided with computers and accessories and necessary posts of computer professionals have also been created and filled up.

All the Government departments have been provided with computer systems and the existing manpower is being trained for wider use of computer applications in day-to-day work. In addition, so far 25 departments have been connected with Secretariat and with other regions through e-mail for quicker information exchange. During the Ninth Plan all Ministers and members of Legislative Assembly have been provided with computer systems and accessories. Laptop computers have been provided to the Chief Minister, Hon'ble Ministers and all Secretaries. All the offices of the Secretaries/Deputy Secretaries/Under Secretaries have been provided with computer systems and accessories. An Information Kiosk has been set up in the Chief Secretariat enabling the public to lodge grievances through e-Mail. Video Conferencing facility has been established in the Chief Secretariat. Grant-in-aid was released for the establishment of Video Conferencing facilities at JIPMER.

The operations, such as, ration cards, transport licenses and permits, birth and death certificates, printing of electoral rolls, civil accounting, electricity, water supply tarrifs, central purchase of drugs, budget monitoring, employment registration, public grievances, patta copy, settlement registers, and land records have been computerized.

Two numbers of Routers have been purchased for establishing intranet facilities for Planning, Statistics, Revenue, Education and Accounts and Treasuries Departments with the Chief Secretariat. Action has been taken for the creation of separate Directorate of Information Technology under Planning and Research Department. Hon'ble Prime Minister laid foundation stone for setting up of "Centre for Advanced Studies in Information Technology" on 25.5.99. The Indian Institute of Information Technology, Pondicherry has been set up and the institute has commenced its academic session from the academic year 2000-01, with an intake of 30 students. Further, eight acres of land has been acquired for the establishment of the institute.

The Government of Pondicherry proposes to bring about total e-Governance before the end of the Tenth Plan. Under computerisation programme a new scheme, namely, Development of Software, Communication Infrastructure and Training, is proposed.

OUTLAY AT A GLANCE

Sector : COMPUTERISATION   No. of Schemes: 3
Department : PLANNING AND RESEARCH

(Rs. in lakhs)

Ninth Five Year Plan 1997-02 Approved Outlay	:	250.00
Annual Plan 1997-2000 Actual Expenditure	:	377.67
Annual Plan 2000-01 Actual Expenditure	:	303.12
Annual Plan 2001-02 Approved Outlay	:	625.00
Annual Plan 2001-02 Revised Outlay	:	400.00
Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-07 Proposed Outlay	:	1500.00
Annual Plan 2002-03 Proposed Outlay	:	338.44

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	2000-01 Actual Expenditure	2001-02 Approved Outlay	2001-02 Revised Outlay	2002-07 Proposed Outlay	2002-03 Proposed Outlay
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1.	Computerisation in various offices	103.12	395.00	200.00	1000.00	200.00
2.	Centre for Advanced Studies in Information Technology	200.00	230.00	200.00	100.00	38.44
3.	Development of Software and Communication Infrastructure and Training	-	-	-	400.00	100.00
	Total	**303.12**	**625.00**	**400.00**	**1500.00**	**338.44**

Sector : COMPUTERISATION

Implementing : PLANNING &
Department   : RESEARCH

1.	**Name of the Scheme**	:	Computerisation in various offices
2.	**Objective of the Scheme**	:	

The main objective of the scheme is to automise the entire Government machinery there by introducing total e-governance.

(Rs. in lakhs)

3.   **Ninth Plan 1997 – 02**   :

a. 1997 – 2000 (Actual expenditure)	:	**177.67**
b. 2000 – 2001 (Actual expenditure)	:	**100.08**
c. 2001 – 2002 (Revised Outlay)	:	**200.00**

d. Actual Physical Achievement (1997 – 2000)   :

Information Technology Policy of Government of Pondicherry was announced in December 1999. An information kiosk has been set up in the Chief Secretariat enabling the public to lodge grievances through E-Mail. Video Conferencing facility has been established in the Chief Secretariat. All the Ministers and MLAs have been provided with computer system and accessories. All the Government departments have been provided with computer systems and the existing manpower is being trained for wider use of computer applications in day-to-day work. So far 126 nos. of computer systems and accessories have been purchased and installed in various government departments.

e. **Actual Physical Achievement (2000 – 01)**   :

In order to improve the data connectivity works are undertaken for setting up an earth station at Pondicherry in association with Software Technology Parts of India (STPI). The memorandum of undertaking with STPI was signed by PIPDIC.

After announcement of IT Policy IT Park at Kalapet and Electronic Industrial Estate have been set up.

f. Anticipated Physical Achievement (2001 – 02):

1. Upgradation of computer hardware and accessories of various offices
2. Establishment of intranet facilities among government departments
3. Provision of internet access to various government departments
4. Training of officials in computer application
5. Creation of state venture capital for IT related industries
6. Provision of multi terminal facilities in all govt. departments
7. Introduction of e-commerce for payment of taxes and fee.

| 4. | **Proposed Outlay for the Tenth Plan 2002 – 07** | : | 1000.00 |
| | **Proposed Outlay for the Annual Plan 2002 – 03** | : | 200.00 |

5   Programme envisaged for the Tenth Plan (2002-07) :

a) Providing computers and accessories of Judicial Department - for all courts in all regions of Pondicherry
b) Collection of Value Added Tax at Commercial Taxes Department
c) Purchase and distribution of computer systems and accessories to various departments
d) Upgradation of existing computer systems and accessories available in various departments
e) Providing Laptops for REOs and IT Directorate
f) Providing computers and accessories for outlying regions
g) Providing multimedia projectors for the Office of the REOs

6   Programme envisaged for the Annual Plan (2002-03)   :

a) Providing computers and accessories to Judicial Department - for all courts in all regions of Pondicherry (in phases)
b) Collection of Value Added Tax at Commercial Taxes Department (in phases)
c) Purchase and distribution of computer systems and accessories to various departments (in phases)
d) Upgradation of existing computer systems and accessories available various departments (in phases)
e) Providing Laptops for REOs and IT Directorate (in phases)
f) Providing computers and accessories for outlying regions (in phases)
g) Creation of 1 post Director (Information Technology) and necessary technical staff.

| 7. | **Remarks** | : | Continuing Scheme |

Scheme No. : 2

Sector : COMPUTERISATION   Implementing : PLANNING &
                                            Department   : RESEARCH

| 1. | **Name of the Scheme** | : | Centre for Advanced Studies in Information Technology (CASIT) |

2.   Objective of the Scheme   :

To provide advanced education and training in Information Technology and allied areas and bring out outstanding IT professionals.

(Rs. in lakhs)

| 3. | **Ninth Plan 1997 – 02** | : | |
| | a. | **1997 – 2000 (Actual expenditure)** | : | 200.00 |

b.   **2000 – 2001 (Actual expenditure)**   :   200.00
c.   **2001 – 2002 (Revised Outlay)**   :   200.00

d.   **Actual Physical Achievement (1997 – 2000)**   :

Hon'ble Prime Minister laid foundation stone for setting up of "Centre for Advanced Studies in Information Technology on 25.5.99.   The Indian Institute of Information Technology, Pondicherry has been set up and the institute has commenced its academic session from the academic year 2000-01 with an intake of 30 students. To set up the above institute an amount of Rs.200 lakhs have been released as grant-in-aid.

e.   **Actual Physical Achievement (2000 – 01)**   :

Further an amount of Rs.200 lakhs have been released as a grant-in-aid to set up the above institute during 2000-01.   8 acres of land has been acquired for the establishment of the institute.

f.   **Anticipated Physical Achievement (2001 – 02)**   :

To strengthen the institute, grant-in-aid for an amount of Rs.230.00 lakhs will be released.

4.   **Proposed Outlay for the Tenth Plan 2002 – 07**   :   100.00
     Proposed Outlay for the Annual Plan 2002 – 03   :   38.44

5.   **Programme envisaged for the Tenth Plan (2002-07) :**

Running and expansion of the Institution and construction of permanent building for the institution.

6.   **Programme envisaged for the Annual Plan (2002-03)**   :

Running and expansion of the Institution and construction of permanent building for the Institution (in phases)

7.   **Remarks**   :   Continuing Scheme.

Scheme No. : 3

Sector : COMPUTERISATION   Implementing : PLANNING &
                                             Department   : RESEARCH

1.   **Name of the Scheme**   :   Development   of   software, Communication   Infrastructure   and Training.

2. **Objective of the Scheme** **:**

To promote software development as per requirements of various departments, to develop infrastructure for IT. To establish communication infrastructure-Video Conference facilities, Intranet, Citizen Information Kiosk for public interface etc., to provide training for officials and professionals, to organize Conferences and Seminars.

                                                          (Rs. in lakhs)

3. **Ninth Plan 1997 – 02** **:** -

4. **Proposed Outlay for the Tenth Plan 2002 – 07** **:** 400.00
     Proposed Outlay for the Annual Plan 2002 – 03 **:** 100.00

5. **Programme envisaged for the Tenth Plan (2002-07) :**

Software Development, introduction of E-commerce and web page development, establishment of digital library, intranet, video conferencing in the O/o the REO's, information kiosk, community internet centers etc.

6. **Programme envisaged for the Annual Plan (2002-03):**

    i)   Software Development for various departments (in phases).
    ii)   Engaging Consultancy (Private) for various departments (in phases).
    iii)   Introduction of E-Commerce applications and Web Page Development (in phases).
    iv)   Advertisements and Publicity (in phases).
    v)   Software Development for outlying regions (in phases).
    vi)   Establishing Digital Library at IT Directorate (in phases).
    vii)   Establishment of Video Conferencing facilities in Office of the REOs (in phases)
    viii)   Establishment of INTRANET with leased lines for all Dept's in Pondicherry region (in phases)
    ix)   Establishment of INTRANET with leased lines for all outlying regions (in phases)
    x)   Establishing Citizen In formation Kiosks (in phases)
    xi)   Establishing Community Internet Centres in each Commune Panchayat Office (in phases)
    xii)   Introduction of Telemedicine at 3 Govt. General Hospitals of outlying regions (in phases)
    xiii)   Provision of Communication Infrastructure for outlying regions (in phases)
    xiv)   Provision of training for each official (in phases)
    xv)   Provision of training for each professional (in phases)
    xvi)   Organizing conferences/seminars and sponsoring officials to participate in National and International Conferences/Seminars (in phases)

7. **Remarks** **:** New Scheme.