

## **SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH**

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**OUTLAY AT A GLANCE**

Sector : SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

No. of Scheme : 1

Department : SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

(Rs. in lakh)

Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-07 Actual Expenditure	:	208.90
Annual Plan 2006-07 Actual Expenditure	:	44.99
Eleventh Five Year Plan 2007-12 Approved Outlay	:	725.97
Annual Plan 2007-08 Approved Outlay	:	45.00
Annual Plan 2007-08 Revised Outlay	:	45.00
Annual Plan 2008-09 Proposed Outlay	:	45.00

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of Scheme	Annual Plan 2006-07	Annual Plan 2007-08		Annual Plan 2008-09
		Actual Expdr.	Approved Outlay	Revised Outlay	Proposed Outlay
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1.	Science and Technology Programme (Creation, strengthening and maintenance of Science and Technology infrastructure and programme)	44.99	45.00	45.00	45.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>44.99</b>	<b>45.00</b>	<b>45.00</b>	<b>45.00</b>

**Scheme No. 1**

Sector : SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

Implementing : SCIENCE,  
Department TECHNOLOGY &  
ENVIRONMENT

- 1. Name of the Scheme** : Science and Technology Programme. (Creation, strengthening and maintenance of Science & Technology infrastructure and Programme.)

- 2. Objective of the Scheme** :

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- 3.(a) Actual physical Achievement 2006-07** :

- i) Pondicherry Council for Science and Technology has been strengthened by way of releasing Grant-in-aid (GIA).
- ii) GIA was released to eligible Research project proposals on S&T application areas submitted by the Research / Educational Institutions in the U.T. of Puducherry.
- iii) Partial financial assistance was released for the conduct of Conference/Seminars on S&T areas.
- iv) Best Science Student Awards, Best Science Teacher Awards and Young Scientists awards were presented to the awardees.
- v) Science tour was organized for the benefit of students.
- vi) National Science Day was celebrated in a benefitting manner in the U.T. of Puducherry.

- (b) Anticipated Physical Achievement 2007 - 08** :

- i) Release of GIA for strengthening of the Pondicherry Council for Science & Technology (PCS&T) and setting up of a Stationary Planetarium and Sky Watching Centre in Puducherry under the auspices of PCS&T.
- ii) Release of grants-in-aid to the selected research project proposals submitted by the Research/Educational Institutions in the U.T. of Puducherry on identified S & T application areas.

- iii) Celebration of National Science Day in the U.T of Puducherry.
- iv) Presentation of Best Science Student Awards to the State/regional student toppers in Science subjects in Secondary, Matriculation and Higher Secondary levels.
- v) Presentation of Cash awards to Best Science Teachers (5 Nos.) for Government Schools
- vi) Presentation of cash awards to Young Scientists (5 Nos.) from Government schools
- vii) Organizing science tours for students of Government schools
- viii) Release of partial financial assistance to conduct Conference/seminars/colloquia on S&T topics.
- ix) Construction of Office Building in Puducherry.

**(c) Programme envisaged for Annual Plan 2008-09 :**

Strengthening of Pondicherry Council for Science and Technology by way of releasing

- i) Grant-in-aid to carry regular activities and also to establishment of
  - a. Science Park,
  - b. Planetarium and
  - c. Sky Watching Centre in Puducherry under the auspices of Council.
- ii) Release of GIA to eligible Research project proposals on S&T application areas submitted by the Research / Educational Institutions in the U.T. of Pondicherry.
- iii) Release of Partial financial assistance for conduct of Conference/Seminars on S&T areas by the academic institutions in the U.T. of Puducherry.
- iv) Presentation of Best Science Student Awards to Secondary Matriculation and Higher Secondary students at State and Regional level.
- v) Presentation of Cash awards to Best Science Teacher (5 Nos.) for Government schools.
- vi) Presentation of Cash awards to Best Young Scientist (5 Nos.) for Government schools.
- vii) Organising Science tour for the benefit of students of Government School.
- viii) Reimbursement of Tuition fees to the bonafide students of U.T. of Puducherry pursuing higher education in IITs.
- ix) Celebration of National Science Day in a befitting manner in the U.T. of Puducherry.
- x) Construction of office building in Puducherry.
- xi) The following Technical and Ministerial posts will be created for Office:

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	Scale of the post	Group	No. of the post
1	Data Entry Operator	4,500-7,000	'C'	1
2	Lower Division Clerk	3,050 – 4,590	'C'	1
3	Store Keeper	3,050 – 4,590	'C'	1

**4. Remarks :** Continuing scheme