

## **SECRETARIAT ECONOMIC SERVICES**

Formulation of Five Year Plans / Annual Plans, Plan co-ordination, monitoring the implementation of Plan schemes, 20 Point Programme, Externally Aided projects, evaluation of Plan schemes, training of officials on development Planning and Development banking are the important activities of the Planning and Research Department funded under the sector "Secretariat Economic Services".

The size of the plan has increased manifold as a result of implementing various infrastructure development projects like Special Economic Zone, development of Airport, development of ports, construction of bridges, construction of office complex, establishment of Government Medical College, Construction of Women and Children Hospital etc. The Plan allocation for Public Sector Undertakings and educational institutions was also stepped up during last two five years Plans. As a result, there is need to upgrade the technical manpower of the Planning Department to scrutinise the proposals received from the line departments for assessment of fund requirement and advise them to adopt better management techniques and to get optimum return on Plan investment. Application of zero base budgeting, globalisation and liberalisation of economy, economic reforms persuaded by Government of India, need to be advocated at the time of Plan formulation stage itself to accelerate economy and to achieve higher growth rate during the Eleventh Plan. For these purposes, the plan formulation unit, plan co-ordination, evaluation unit will be strengthened with additional manpower. The department will also be modernised with latest computer system and other electronic equipments to increase the efficiency of the organisation and for optimum utilisation of manpower. The Plan formulation unit at Headquarters will scrutinize all the proposals with investment of Rs.50 crore and above, before it is included under Plan for implementation. The unit will monitor the functioning of Public Sector Units and Educational institutions funded under Plan and ensure optimum utilisation of resources as well as manpower. The unit will also function as secretariat wing of the State Planning Board, which will be reconstituted with one or two full-time members and a few part-time members. The Plan formulation unit will provide the necessary sectoral linkages among allied sectors by utilising the services of the State Planning Board.

As recommended by the State Planning Board, in order to prepare separate regional Plans with participation at grass root level, strengthening of regional Planning unit at Karaikal and setting up of regional unit at Mahe and Yanam are proposed in the Eleventh Five Year Plan. The regional units will ensure correction of regional imbalances through Planning process and better co-ordination at regional levels.

It is proposed to establish a State Training Institute to meet the training requirement of entire Government staff. The experts available in the Universities and other Educational institutions including services of the retired staff will be utilised to conduct various programmes through out the year. Reputed national level training institutes like IAMR, ASC, Hyderabad, NIRD, Hyderabad, IFMR, Chennai, IIPA, New Delhi, etc. will also be invited to conduct training programmes at Puducherry.

It is proposed to give an one year training with a stipend to top ranking outgoing Post-graduate students from colleges/ universities in order to gain hands on experience in the Planning process, since there exists a good demand for these students with PG degree in economics and allied subjects provided they have some working experience in the related field.

### OUTLAY AT A GLANCE

Sector : SECRETARIAT ECONOMIC SERVICES

No. of Scheme : 1

Department : PLANNING AND RESEARCH

(Rs. in lakh)

Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-07 Actual Expenditure	:	124.74
Annual Plan 2006-07 Actual Expenditure	:	30.30
Eleventh Five Year Plan 2007-12 Approved Outlay	:	420.69
Annual Plan 2007-08 Approved Outlay	:	35.00
Annual Plan 2007-08 Revised Outlay	:	35.00
Annual Plan 2008-09 Proposed Outlay	:	40.00

(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)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1.	Strengthening of State Planning Machinery	30.30	35.00	35.00	40.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>30.30</b>	<b>35.00</b>	<b>35.00</b>	<b>40.00</b>

**Scheme No. 1**

Sector : SECRETARIAT ECONOMIC SERVICES

Implementing : PLANNING AND Department RESEARCH

**1. Name of the Scheme** : Strengthening of State Planning Machinery

**2. Objective of the Scheme** :

The State Planning Machinery which is hitherto involved in the formulation of Five Year Plan/Annual Plan, monitoring, imparting training to officials, evaluating the ongoing plan programme, mobilizing resources through small savings will be strengthened in the Eleventh Plan.

Since the size of the plan has increased manifold as a result of implementing various infrastructure development projects, there is need to upgrade the technical manpower of the Planning Department.

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

- i) Eleventh Five Year Plan document, Action plan and Special Component plan documents were prepared;
- ii) Plan review meetings were conducted periodically;
- iii) NSS draw was conducted and 'World Thrift Day' also celebrated;
- iv) Incentives to the Investors and NSS agents were paid;
- v) One training programme was conducted;
- vi) Undertook maintenance works in EDP room / Training Hall;
- vii) Purchased Laptop, Computer accessories and consumables and provided of Structured Cabling for the department.

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

- i) Preparation of documents for Action Plan 2007-08 and Annual Plan 2008-09;
- ii) Conduct of NSS draw and celebration of World Thrift Day;
- iii) Conduct of training programmes (2 at Puducherry and 1 at Karaikal);
- iv) Engagement of Private Security Agency.
- v) Purchase of 5 computers, 3 laser printers and accessories on buy-back basis.

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

- i) Preparation of Action Plan and Annual Plan documents for 2008-09
- ii) Conduct of periodical review meetings to monitor Plan expenditure
- iii) Conduct of State Planning Board meeting
- iv) Conduct of 5 Training programmes (2 at Puducherry and 1 each at the outlying regions)

- v) Hosting of Departmental Website;
- vi) Payment of Honorarium to students for assisting the Plan formulation work
- vii) Conducting NSS draw and celebration of World Thrift Day;
- viii) Consulting fee for conduct of Evaluation studies.
- ix) Replacement of existing Intercom/one two wheeler and purchase of Office equipments
- x) Purchase of new computers, laser printers and accessories on buy-back basis.
- xi) Creation of additional manpower in the Headquarters and regional level for works relating Plan formulation / monitoring activities and to create a Right to Information (RTI) Cell (Additional Director - 2; Planning Officer – 3 (one each at Headquarters, Mahe and Yanam); Planning Assistant - 1; DPA – 1 and Data Entry Operator - 2)

**4. Remarks** : Continuing scheme