

WEIGHTS & MEASURES

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution which reviewed the working of Weights and Measures Department of the Ministry has expressed concern in its 7th and 8th reports over the pace of modernization of State laboratories and desired on overall improvement in the performance of the State Weights and Measures Department. The Committee has also desired that State Governments should monitor the working of the department regularly and strictly enforce the laws relating to Weights and Measures. The Committee has also noted that the consumers in the country cannot be empowered unless and until the Weights & Measures laws are implemented with missionary zeal and the equipments and gadgets used by the enforcement authorities modernized. It is proposed to interlink all the outlying regions with the Headquarters in a web based software supporting the functions of legal metrology as well as excise matters. The proposed software will enable for effective monitoring, online filing of applications, e-payment, SMS facilities, etc.

OUTLAY AT A GLANCE

Sector : WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

No. of Scheme : 1

Department : LEGAL METROLOGY

(₹ in lakh)

Eleventh Plan 2007-12 Actual Expenditure	:	25.14
Annual Plan 2011-12 Actual Expenditure	:	8.65
Annual Plan 2012-13 Approved Outlay	:	14.00
Annual Plan 2012-13 Revised Outlay	:	5.00
Annual Plan 2013-14 Proposed Outlay	:	11.20

(₹ in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Eleventh Plan 2007-12	Annual Plan 2011-12	Annual Plan 2012-13		Annual Plan 2013-14	
		Actual Expdr.	Actual Expdr.	Approved Outlay	Revised Outlay	Proposed Outlay	Of which Capital Content
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
1	Strengthening of Weights and Measures	25.14	8.65	14.00	5.00	11.20	--

Scheme No.1

Sector : WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Implementing
Department : LEGAL METROLOGY

1. Name of the Scheme : Strengthening of Weights and Measures

2. Objective of the Scheme :

To strengthen the administrative and technical machinery to keep pace with the tempo of the development in the field of Weights and Measures and to modernize the State Laboratories.

3. Actual Physical Achievements during Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) :

- i) Computers / vehicles for site stamping / mobile testing purchased.
- ii) Secondary State Laboratory, Puducherry modernised.
- iii) Developed an interactive Web based software

4. Physical Achievements for the Annual Plan 2012-13:

Hardware purchased for launching of website in respect of Excise and Legal Metrology Department to automate its functions including e-payment etc.

5. Proposed Physical Targets for Annual Plan 2013-14:

- i) Hardwares will be purchased for providing additional support to the website functions of Legal Metrology.
- ii) State Laboratories will be modernised in the outlying regions.

6. Remarks : Continuing Scheme