

## **EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN**

The department is implementing various welfare schemes as announced by the Government for the benefit of children, adolescent girls, brides belonging to poor families, daughters of widows, pregnant women, lactating mothers, widows / destitute women, old age people, etc. The Pondicherry Corporation for the Development of Women and Handicapped Persons Ltd., is functioning under the administrative control extends helping hand to women by promoting to form women self help groups and extend them subsidized loans for self employment. The Corporation also conduct job oriented training programmes. Two Working Women Hostels are run by this department and four Working Women Hostels are run by the Corporation. The Puducherry Women's Commission is a statutory body funded by this department. It enquires and resolves unfair practices and atrocities against women. It also creates awareness about acts and laws among women. Eight Family Counselling centres located across four regions are run by this department to provide counseling in regard of family disputes and suggesting suitable remedies.

The department grants various financial assistances as a welfare measures viz. assistance of Rs. 500/- to pregnant women under Kulavilakku scheme, assistance of Rs. 1200/- to lactating mothers under Aravanaippu scheme, financial assistance of Rs. 20,000/- are given to widows to perform their daughter's marriage, Rs. 20,000/- as an incentive to widows for their remarriage, Rs.15,000/- each to brides belonging to poor BPL families, Rs.20,000/- deposited in the name of their girl child/children to families undergone family planning, assistance of Rs.1,000/- per month to old age, widow, transgender and destitutes.

## OUTLAY AT A GLANCE

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN &  
DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN

No. of Scheme : 10

Department : WOMEN AND CHILD  
DEVELOPMENT

(₹ in lakh)

Eleventh Plan 2007-12 Actual Expenditure	:	52828.59
Annual Plan 2011-12 Actual Expenditure	:	13991.92
Annual Plan 2012-13 Approved Outlay	:	15100.00
Annual Plan 2012-13 Revised Outlay	:	14914.11
Annual Plan 2013-14 Proposed Outlay	:	15100.00

(₹ 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 the Directorate	151.68	35.97	27.00	37.03	35.00	--
2	Other Programmes for welfare of children	55.54	43.18	3.48	3.48	3.50	--
3	Other Programmes for the welfare of women and provision of state share for Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (SABLA)	2065.23	395.21	84.00	6.15	281.62	--
4	State Commission for children	--	--	0.01	--	0.01	--
5	Hostel for Working Women	7.19	0.19	0.51	--	0.01	--

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
6	Setting of State Commission for Women	278.03	18.23	20.00	20.00	25.00	--
7	Women Development Corporation	10906.48	2428.25	2530.00	2908.83	2558.00	--
8	Financial assistance to old age persons, widows, destitute & transgender and distribution of free clothing to poor / economically backward people	39063.89	11070.89	12395.00	11933.02	12153.94	--
9	Construction of anganwadi centres	143.65	--	40.00	5.60	32.00	32.00
10	Free supply of uniforms to pre-school children in anganwadi centres	156.90	--	--	--	10.92	--
<b>Total</b>		<b>52828.59</b>	<b>13991.92</b>	<b>15100.00</b>	<b>14914.11</b>	<b>15100.00</b>	<b>32.00</b>

## Scheme No. 1

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN  
Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEPARTMENT DEVELOPMENT

1. **Name of the Scheme** : Strengthening of the Directorate
2. **Objective of the Scheme** :  
To strengthen Department of Women and Child Development
3. **Actual Physical Achievements during Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) :**
  - i) Floating of tableaux on the occasion of Republic Day
  - ii) Release of advertisements of achievements of the department on various occasions.
4. **Physical Achievements for the Annual Plan 2012-13:**
  - i) Floating of tableaux on the occasion of Republic Day
  - ii) Release of advertisements of achievements of the department on various occasions.
5. **Proposed Physical Targets for Annual Plan 2013-14:**
  - i) Acquisition of land for construction of new building for Directorate.
  - ii) Floating of tableaux on the occasion of Republic Day
  - iii) Release of advertisements of achievements of the department on various occasions.
6. **Remarks** : Continuing Scheme.

## Scheme No. 2

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN  
Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEPARTMENT DEVELOPMENT

1. **Name of the Scheme** : Other Programmes for Welfare of Children
2. **Objective of the Scheme** :

The objective of the scheme is to encourage the children enrolled in the Anganwadi Centers by conducting a grand function for them on the occasion of Children's Day and celebrate the week as ICDS Week.

3. **Actual Physical Achievements during Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) :**  
Celebration of Children's Day and ICDS Week.
4. **Physical Achievements for the Annual Plan 2012-13:**  
Celebration of Children's Day and ICDS Week.
5. **Proposed Physical Targets for Annual Plan 2013-14:**  
Celebration of Children's Day and ICDS Week.
6. **Remarks** : Continuing Scheme.

**Scheme No. 3**

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN      Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT Department

1. **Name of the Scheme** : Other Programmes for the welfare of women and provision of state share for Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (SABLA)

2. **Objective of the Scheme** :

The main aim of the scheme is to improve the socio-economic status of women by assisting them financially and imparting general awareness through the 12 components as listed below :

- i) Kulavilakku - to provide financial assistance of Rs. 500/- to pregnant women belonging to BPL, after six months of pregnancy.
- ii) Aravanaippu - to provide financial assistance of Rs. 1200/- to the mothers of newly born girl child, belonging to weaker section of society.
- iii) Grant of marriage allowance to the daughter of destitute widows - to provide financial assistance of Rs. 20,000/- to the poor widows for performing marriage of their daughters.
- iv) Incentive for widow remarriage - to provide an incentive of Rs. 20,000/- to the poor widows who are getting remarried
- v) Grant of financial assistance for performance of marriage of poor brides - to provide financial assistance of Rs.15,000/- to the brides belonging to EWS, enabling them to meet expenses involved in performing their marriage.
- vi) Grant of incentive to the family having one girl / two girl children and the parents who have undergone family Planning – in order to raise the sex ratio in the age group of 0-6 years to 950, an incentive of Rs. 20,000/- is given to families having one girl / two girl children and the parents who have undergone family planning. The amount is deposited jointly in the name of the

beneficiary and the Department for a period till the girl child attains the age of 18 years.

- vii) Grant of financial assistance to the poor parents having only one girl child who is studying 8th -10th Std - incentive of Rs.25,000/- in the name of girl child is given in the form of NSC.
- viii) Mangalam Society - an yearly grant of Rs.3,00,000/- is given to the society to take up various training activities to women self help groups.
- ix) Celebration of International Women's Week / Women's Day
- x) Family Counseling Centres (FCC) - Eight family counselling centres are functioning in all the four regions.
- xi) Enforcement of Legislations - Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961, Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956 and the The Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act 2005 have been enforced.
- xii) Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (SABLA) is a pilot scheme implemented from 2011-12 in Karaikal region only in a funding pattern of 50: 50. The scheme is implemented through anganwadi centers. The objective of the scheme is to enable the adolescent girls for self-development and empowerment, to improve their nutrition and health status, to promote awareness about health, hygiene, nutrition, Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health (ARSH) and family and child care, to upgrade their home-based skills, life skills and tie up with National Skill Development Program (NSDP) for vocational skills, to mainstream out of school adolescent girls into formal/non formal education, to provide information/guidance about existing public services such as PHC,CHC, Post Office, Bank, Police Station, etc.
- xiii) Swadhar Greh is a scheme for Women in difficult circumstances which the central share is 75% and the state share is 25%. The scheme envisions a supportive institutional framework for women victim of difficult circumstances so that she could lead her life with dignity and conviction. It envisages that shelter, food, clothing and health as well as economic and social security are assured for such women. It also envisions that the special needs of these women are properly taken care of and under no circumstances they should be left unattended or abandoned which could lead to their exploitation and desolation. Under the scheme, new Swadhar Greh will be set up in every district with capacity of 30 women.

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

Sl. No	Name of the Component	2007-12
i)	Kulavillakku	9117
ii)	Aravanaippu	4610
iii)	Widow's Daughter's Marriage Allowance	2233
iv)	Incentive to Widow's Remarriage	34

Sl. No	Name of the Component	2007-12
v)	Financial Assistance to perform marriage of Poor Brides	6825
vi)	Financial Assistance to family having two girl children and the parents undergone Sterilization	1458
vii)	Financial assistance to family with one girl child studying 8 <sup>th</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup> Std	489

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

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

Sl. No	Name of the Component	2013-14
i)	Kulavillakku	205
ii)	Aravanaippu	508
iii)	Widow's Daughter's Marriage Allowance	674
iv)	Incentive to Widow's Remarriage	4
v)	Financial Assistance to perform marriage of Poor Brides	2476
vi)	Financial Assistance to family having two girl children and the parents undergone Sterilization	650
vii)	Financial assistance to family with one girl child studying 8 <sup>th</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup> Std	82
viii)	Swadhar Greh will be set up in every district with capacity of 30 women.	2

6. **Remarks** : Continuing Scheme.

#### Scheme No. 4

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN      Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT Department

1. **Name of the Scheme** : State Commission for Children

2. **Objective of the Scheme** :

Based on the instruction from Government of India, a State Commission for Protection of Child Rights is to be set up in the Twelfth Plan.

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

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

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

Token provision.

6. **Remarks** : Continuing Scheme.

**Scheme No. 5**

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN  
Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT Department

1. **Name of the Scheme** : Hostels for working women

2. **Objective of the Scheme** :

The objective of the scheme is to provide comfortable and secure stay for women who are working in places away from their homes at low cost.

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

Maintenance of working women hostel with 65 inmates.

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

Maintenance of working women hostel with 65 inmates.

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

Maintenance of working women hostel with 65 inmates.

6. **Remarks** : Continuing Scheme.

**Scheme No. 6**

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN  
Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT Department

1. **Name of the Scheme** : Setting of State Commission for Women

2. **Objective of the Scheme** :

The Puducherry State Commission for Women was constituted on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2004, with a Chairperson and six members. The Commission was constituted with the objective of improving the status of women in the Union Territory and to enquiry into unfair practices affecting women and for matters connected therewith. The Commission is attending to



receiving complaints and taking legal actions, suicide control cell, registration of marriages, tele-media education and career guidance, art of counseling for government school teachers.

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

Grant-in-aid released to Women Commission.

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

Grant-in-aid was released to Women Commission.

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

Grant-in-aid will be released to Women Commission.

**6. Remarks :** Continuing Scheme.

**Scheme No. 7**

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN      Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT Department

**1. Name of the Scheme :** Women Development Corporation

**2. Objective of the Scheme :**

Puducherry Corporation for the Development of Women and Differently Abled Persons Ltd. started during 1993 with the main objective to make every woman socially and economically independent. To fulfill the objective this Corporation is imparting training in various skills and also helping the women to set-up their own trade or business. Financial assistance through banks has also been extended to women for setting up of small business such as canteens, fair price shops, tailoring production units. The Corporation is running working women-cum-students hostel in Puducherry, Karaikal and Mahe Regions.

The Corporation is formulating Self Help Groups in various villages with a view to increase social awareness, development of leadership qualities and towards building up of self confidence among women. Training on Health, Nutrition, Legal Awareness, Self Confidence, Accounts Maintenance, Leadership quality, Human Understanding etc., are being given to Women of Self Help Groups. This Corporation is being conducting awareness camps for Self Help Groups such as camps on Health, Nutrition, Legal Awareness, Self Confidence, Accounts Maintenance, Leadership quality, Human understanding etc.

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

255 Self Help Groups formed and given training.

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

Various training programmes under various income generation activities were conducted to deserving women.

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

Various training programmes under various income generation activities will be conducted to deserving women.

**6. Remarks :** Continuing Scheme.

**Scheme No.8**

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN  
Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEPARTMENT DEVELOPMENT

**1. Name of the Scheme :** Financial assistance to old age persons, widows, destitute & transgender and distribution of free clothing to poor / economically backward people

**2. Objective of the Scheme :**

In order to protect the economically weaker section, the Government of Puducherry is implementing Old Age, Widow and Destitute Pension Scheme since 1981 under the Puducherry Old Age Persons & Destitute Pension Rules. The objectives of the Scheme are to provide financial assistance to old aged persons of 55 years and above, widows (18 years & above), destitute women (7 years separated from her husband), unmarried (40 years & above) and transgender (40 years & above). Additional financial assistance of Rs.100/- is extended for pensioners suffering from TB/cancer diseases. In addition to the monthly pension an one time assistance of Rs.2000/- is given for funeral expenses on the event of the death of the pensioner, to the family members. To provide two sets of sarees and dhoties to all red card holders other than SC/Fishermen in a year.

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

21,378 new pensioners added to 97,770 existing beneficiaries.

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

Monthly pension were given to 1,19,148 beneficiaries.

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

Pension to all the pensioners will be given through Aadhaar Payment Bridge

**6. Remarks :** Continuing Scheme.

**Scheme No. 9**

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN      Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEPARTMENT      DEVELOPMENT

1. **Name of the Scheme** : Construction of anganwadi centres

2. **Objective of the Scheme** :  
The objective of the scheme is to construct Anganwadi centers.

3. **Actual Physical Achievements during Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) :**  
30 Anganwadi Centers constructed.

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

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

- i) 20 sites will be identified for construction of anganwadi centres.
- ii) Minor repairs works will be completed in the existing 8 Anganwadi Centres at Kaikalapet, Kodathur, Koonichempet, Chettipet, Manalipet, Thirukkanur, Mannadipet and Sorapet.
- iii) Construction of compound wall to Maduvupet and building for Muthialpet will be completed.

6. **Remarks** : Continuing Scheme.

**Scheme No. 10**

Sector : EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN      Implementing : WOMEN AND CHILD DEPARTMENT      DEVELOPMENT

1. **Name of the Scheme** : Free supply of uniform to pre-school children in anganwadi centres.

2. **Objective of the Scheme** :  
The objective of the scheme is to supply uniform to pre-school children enrolled in anganwadi centers.

3. **Actual Physical Achievements during Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) :**  
Supply of uniforms provided to children.

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

5. **Proposed Physical Targets for Annual Plan 2013-14:**  
Supply of uniforms will be provided to 3,500 pre-school children.

6. **Remarks** : Continuing Scheme.