

8. GENERAL ECONOMIC SERVICES

8.1 SECRETARIAT ECONOMIC SERVICES

Outlay – Rs.256.67 crore

8.1.1 The creation of Punjab State Planning Board was done on the recommendation of the Planning Commission with a view to have an Apex Planning Body consisting of subject matter specialists and technical experts in the form of a Board or a Commission to strengthen the departmental machinery responsible for the formulation of development plans in the State. The Punjab State Planning Board (PSPB) was created vide State Government Notification dated 27/9/1972 after a decision taken by the Punjab Government on 13/9/1972.

8.1.2 The State Planning Board functions as Advisory Body and makes recommendations on plan matters to the State Government. It functions as the Department of Planning at the Secretariat level and issues advice on plan matters to other Administrative Departments of the State Government. It was created with a view to attract central assistance in the form of normal central assistance, additional central assistance, special central assistance etc. for plan programmes of the State from the Planning Commission, Government of India and the staff posted in the State Planning Board is doing this work as an administrative department at Secretariat level. It also carries out all the matters concerning State Government business with Planning Commission, Govt. of India.

8.1.3 There is a need to strengthen the State Planning Organization. It has also assumed the new role of facilitator in the execution of development programmes for e.g. in respect of NGO's etc. Punjab State Planning Board is also responsible for implementation of Decentralized Planning and Border Area Development Programme (BADP). Therefore, the State Planning Organization would stress upon:

- (1) Data processing, maintenance and retrieval equipment;
- (2) In-service training in planning techniques and procedures;
- (3) Strengthening and improvement of the State Planning Board library, survey and studies relating to Planning; and
- (4) Seminars and workshops on State Planning and participation in conferences on Planning.

8.1.4 Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 469.68 crore incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.1159.45 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 144.49 crore was incurred during the 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.256.67 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13. The scheme-wise detail is given below:

Ongoing Schemes

State Funded Schemes

PM-01 Construction of Vit-te-Yojana (Finance and Planning) Bhawan at Chandigarh

Outlay – Rs.5.00 crore

8.1.5 The Punjab State Planning Board has no building of its own. As a result various systems like creating a well equipped computer room and communication system to process and update the data relating to development could not be undertaken. The Economic and Statistical Organization, which is a data wing, also does not have any adequate computer base to process the data collected by them.

8.1.6 Realizing the need of having its own building, it was decided during 2006-07 to construct a building named as Vit-Te-Yojana Bhawan (Finance and Planning Bhawan) at Chandigarh. This building is proposed to house the Punjab State Planning Board, Economic and Statistical Organization and Treasury and Accounts branches of the Finance Department. The UT Administration had allotted 2.58 acres land in Sector 38-West at a cost of Rs. 14.98 crore and payment in this regard for the land was made during 2006-07. This land could not be handed over to the due to some administrative reasons. In lieu of this land, the UT Administration has now allotted a plot measuring 1.737 acre in Block No. 2-B, Sector 33-A - Chandigarh at the cost of Rs.10.09 crore. The lease deed of this plot has been executed on 11/1/2010 and possession taken.

8.1.7 Planning Commission, Govt. of India had released an amount of Rs. 15.00 crore as ACA in the Annual Plan 2008-09. This amount is yet to be released/ utilized. Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 54.45 lac was incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.25.00 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. Against an actual expenditure of Rs.51.27 lac was incurred during the 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.5.00 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13 for construction of the building and for other administrative/miscellaneous expenses.

PM-02 Strengthening of Planning Machinery in the State (Salary)

Outlay – Rs. 3.82 crore

8.1.8 The Punjab State Planning Board came into existence in the year 1972. In order to formulate and monitor the State Plan more efficiently, the Planning machinery in the state was strengthened. The posts already sanctioned under this scheme will be carried over to the year 2012-13.

8.1.9 Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 5.88 crore incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.20.00 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. Against an actual expenditure of Rs.1.32 crore was incurred during the 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.3.82 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13 for salary, office expenses, other administrative expenses, advertising and publicity and other charges etc.

PM-03 Computer Cell of Punjab State Planning Board (Staff, Equipment and Consumables etc.)

Outlay -Rs. 0.28 crore

- i. Against an actual expenditure of Rs.24.24 lac incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.1.50 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. Against an actual expenditure of Rs.5.59 lac was incurred during the 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.28.10 lac is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13 for the salary of the staff, purchase of equipments consumables etc.

PM-3(i) Upgradation and Strengthening of computerization of Punjab State Planning Board

Outlay -Rs. 0.20 crore

8.1.11 In order to upgrdate and strengthen of Computerization of Punjab State Planning Board, an outlay of Rs.1.00 crore and Rs.0.20 crore are provided in the 12th Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

PM-04 State Independent Evaluation Facility

Outlay – Rs. 0.60 crore

8.1.12 Under this scheme technical consultancy is provided for formulating block level/grass root plans. It is also envisaged to engage consultants for modification of plan schemes. Seminars/ workshops are held under this scheme for giving new directions to this concept. Various studies on pilot basis were entrusted to various research organizations working within the state and outside.

8.1.13 Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 0.60 crore incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.3.00 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. Against an actual expenditure of Rs.15.25 lac was incurred during the 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.0.60 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13.

PM-05 Training to the Staff of Punjab State Planning Board

Outlay – Rs. 0.15 crore

8.1.14 Under this scheme in-service training is provided to the staff of the Planning Board in different fields and study tours are organized to get knowledge of plan formulation of other states.

8.1.15 Study Tours were conducted during 2006-07 to the states of Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal to study various aspects of planning process of these states with special reference to issues/topics implementation of plan schemes and mode of release of funds, welfare schemes, SCP, Gender Budgeting, Decentralized Planning and 20-Point Programme.

8.1.16 Against an actual expenditure of Rs.1.96 lac incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.0.80 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. No expenditure was incurred during 2011-12. However, an outlay of Rs.0.15 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13.

PM-06 Assistance to NGOs

Outlay – Rs. 5.50 crore

8.1.17 With the purpose of encouraging participation of Voluntary Organizations/Non Government Organizations in various developmental and social activities, the State Government is providing monetary assistance to Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs) under the scheme. The aim of this scheme is to reach the most needy in the society through innovation and experimentation by covering all aspects of Human Resource Development. In order to support and systemize the efforts of the VOs in the state, guidelines formulated by the State Government are followed.

8.1.18 Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 13.63 crore incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.27.50 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 0.47 crore was incurred during the 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.5.50 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13 for providing assistance to NGOs out of which Rs.1.10 crore is earmarked for providing assistance to the registered Gaushalas in the state. A separate chapter on NGOs has been included in the Annual Plan 2012-13. (Chapter – 16)

PM-09 Grant-in-aid to Punjab State Planning Board for the creation of infrastructure and other facilities

Outlay – Rs. 0.20 crore

8.1.19 Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 0.35 crore incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.1.00 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. Against an

actual expenditure of Rs.5.00 lac was incurred during the 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.0.20 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13 for creation of infrastructure and other facilities.

PM-10 State Level Initiatives (Punjab Nirman Programme)

Outlay – Rs. 1.00 crore

8.1.20 An outlay of Rs. 296.85 crore was provided for the State Level Initiatives (Punjab Nirman Programme) in the Annual Plan 2006-07. Out of this, an amount of Rs. 262.87 crore has been utilized so far. Under this programme, different development activities such as Municipal Corporation Roads, Punjab State Tubewell Corporation – Installation of Tubewells, Development of Historical villages, Ambedkar Bhawans, Sports Stadiums, Water Supply schemes, Construction of Dharamshalas, Streets & Drains, Toilets, Cremation grounds, Pavement of Streets in Municipal areas etc. have been taken up. An outlay of Rs.25.00 crore was provided for the 11th Five Year Plan. Against an actual expenditure of Rs.22.26 crore was incurred during 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs. 5.00 crore is provided for the 12th Five year Plan. Against an actual expenditure of Rs.1.81 crore was incurred during 2011-12 an outlay of Rs. 1.00 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13.

PM-13 Engagement of Young Professionals for Punjab State Planning Board

Outlay – Rs. 0.30 crore

8.1.21 The Punjab State proposes to engage the services of fresh post- graduates as young professionals and interns for a period of one year on continuing basis. These post – graduates would be paid a stipend of Rs. 13,200/- month. These professionals would be drawn from the disciplines of Economics, Statistics, Sociology and any other related discipline. They would be deployed in the Department of Planning (Punjab State Planning Board) or even in other departments for providing technical assistance. They would assist the concerned departments by filling the gap on account of lack of recruitment of trained personnel on permanent basis. On the other hand, they would help infuse fresh blood into working of Planning Department to help the Department in achieving consistency with the changing academic trends. The services of 3 Young Professionals were engaged during 2010-11 against the proposed 20 young professionals. The services of remaining 17 Young Professionals may be engaged during 2012-13. There is also a proposal to engage new 25 interns during 2012-13 @ a stipend of Rs. 30,000/- to 35,000/- per month.

8.1.22 An amount of Rs.3.50 lac was incurred during 2010-11. An amount of Rs.3.73 lac was incurred during 2011-12. An outlay of Rs.1.50 crore and Rs 0.30 crore is provided in the 12th Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

PM-15 Provision for training/workshops/seminars/conferences etc to implement decentralized planning in the State

Outlay – Rs.0.30 crore

8.1.23 The State Government has already constituted District Planning Committees in the State. District Planning Committees have been entrusted the task of preparation of Five Year/Annual District Development Plans. As this is a new concept, there is a need for holding training sessions, workshops, seminars and conferences etc for the members including ex-officio members of the District Planning Committees and staff of line departments engaged in the planning process for creating awareness among them regarding processes and procedures involved in the decentralized planning, budgeting and monitoring etc. No expenditure was incurred during 2010-11 and 2011-12. An outlay of Rs.1.50 crore and Rs.0.30 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan and for Annual Plan 2012-13.

PM-16/21 Incentive for issuing UIDs in Punjab - (13th FC)

Outlay Rs. 4.32 crore

8.1.24 Under the UID scheme, a Unique Identification Number will be issued to the citizens of the country. For this purpose, the 13th Finance Commission has recommended grant-in-aid to the states. Rs.21.60 crore has been recommended for Punjab from 2010-11 to 2014-15. Out of this amount, the Ministry of Finance, Government of India, has sanctioned an amount of Rs.4.32 crore for Punjab during 2010-11. Out of this amount, Rs.2.16 crore was released as first installment by GoI during 2010-11.

8.1.25 For this purpose - Plan Scheme PM 21- Incentive for issuing UIDs in Punjab was admitted in the revised estimates of Annual Plan 2010-11 with an outlay of Rs. 4.32 crore. Director Food and Civil Supplies, Punjab has been appointed as a Registrar for UID. Director Food and Civil Supplies, Punjab-cum-Registrar UID has called Pre-bidding for empanelling/engaging agencies for UID. Against an actual expenditure of Rs.2.16 crore incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.21.60 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. No expenditure was incurred during 2011-12. An outlay of Rs.4.32 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13.

PM-17/22 Districts Innovation Fund (13th FC)

Outlay Rs. 10.00 crore

8.1.26 The main objective of the schemes is to make cutting edge levels of governance responsive to felt needs and innovations. 13th Finance Commission has recommended Rs.1.00 crore to be made available to every district in the country, aims at

increasing efficiency of capital assets already created. This investment will be used to fill in vital gaps in public infrastructure already available in the district, which is not being fully utilized for want of a small investment. 13th Finance Commission has recommended Rs. 20.00 crore for the State of Punjab for 2011-12 to 2014-15. Rs. 5.00 crore was provided under this scheme in the Annual Plan 2011-12 and Govt. of India has already spent an amount of Rs.45.46 lac for this purpose during 2011-12. An outlay of Rs.50.00 crore and Rs.10.00 crore is being provided for the 12th Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

PM-18/23 Development of Kandi Areas (13th FC)

Outlay – Rs. 62.50 crore

8.1.27 An amount of Rs. 250.00 crore has been sanctioned by 13th FC for development of kandi areas, including funds for maintenance of infrastructure constructed earlier and measures for soil conservation and water harvesting, for 4 years i.e. for 2011-15. Against an actual expenditure of Rs.28.81 crore was incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.250.00 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 28.81 crore was incurred during 2011-12, an outlay Rs. 62.50 crore is provided in the Annual Plan 2012-13.

District level Schemes

On Going Schemes

PM-1/16 Border Area Development Programme (BADP) (SCA)

Outlay - Rs.40.00 crore

8.1.28 As per revised guidelines of Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, the formulation and execution of the BADP schemes is being done at the district level in the six border districts – Amritsar, Tarn Taran, Ferozepur and Gurdaspur, Fazilka & Pathankot. The State Level Screening Committee (SLSC) has been constituted to approve and monitor the schemes. As per new criteria, only 19 blocks which touch the international border are eligible for BADP funds. Against an expenditure of Rs.143.08 crore was incurred during 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.200.00 crore is provided in the 12th plan. Against an expenditure of Rs. 24.77 crore was incurred in 2011-12, an outlay of Rs. 40.00 crore is provided in Annual Plan 2012-13.

PM-3/18 Untied funds of CM/Dy. CM/FM

Outlay - Rs.30.00 crore

8.1.29 Untied funds, kept mainly for creating capital assets of visible public utility are to be utilized on the basis of recommendations received from Hon'ble Chief Minister, Deputy Chief Minister and Finance Minister Punjab as per the guidelines (Annexure 'B'). Against an expenditure of Rs.86.77 crore was incurred during 11th plan, an outlay of Rs.150.00 crore is provided in 12th plan. Against an expenditure of Rs. 30.00 crore was incurred same amount is provided in 2012-13.

PM-5/20 Untied Funds of DPCs

Outlay - Rs.30.00 crore

8.1.30 As the guidelines of the Planning Commission have laid a major stress on devolution of adequate funds at the district level in an untied manner, an outlay of Rs.40.00 crore was provided in the Annual Plan 2009-10 against which no expenditure was incurred during 2009-10. Against an expenditure of Rs. 31.16 crore was incurred in 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.150.00 crore is provided for 12th Five year Plan. An expenditure of Rs.21.28 crore was incurred in 2011-12, an outlay of Rs. 30.00 crore is provided in Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively at the disposal of the District Planning Committees for taking up small development works keeping in view the felt needs of the people and priorities of the district and also for filling up missing/critical gaps. District - wise distribution of these funds would be made on the basis of population.

8.1.31 Out of these funds, 1% funds would be used for capacity building and training programmes, workshops, conferences etc at district level for members including ex-officio members of the District Planning Committees and staff of the line departments engaged in the planning process for creating awareness among them regarding processes and procedures involved in the decentralized planning, budgeting and monitoring etc.

PM-6/24 Border Area Development Programme (13th FC)

Outlay Rs. 62.50 crore

8.1.32 13th Finance Commission has recommended a grant of Rs.250.00 crore (2011-2015) for upgradation and maintenance of infrastructure in areas along the international border. The assistance would be provided mainly for power, road connectivity, health infrastructure and water supply and sanitation facilities. For this purpose an outlay of Rs.62.50 crore has been provided in the Annual Plan 2011-12 against which an expenditure of Rs.

35.23 crore was incurred. An outlay of Rs. 250.00 crore and Rs.62.50 crore is being provided for the 12th Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

8.2 TOURISM

Outlay Rs.3974.00 lac

8.2.1 In recent years, tourism has emerged as a major economic activity that is employment oriented and a means to earn valuable foreign exchange. The main objective is to promote tourism in the state in such a way that it will contribute to the generation of employment and economic growth. Various places of tourist destinations and religious centres will be developed. To further develop the tourism potential in the state, a New Tourism Policy, 2003 has been announced. The main emphasis in this policy is to facilitate the private investor, so that the projects may be implemented in a time -bound manner with the minimum delay Against an expenditure of Rs. 2426.27 lac incurred during 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs. 17773.85 lac is provided for 12th Five Year Plan. Against an expenditure of Rs.66.00 lac to be incurred during 2011-12, an outlay of Rs. 3974.00 lac is provided for Annual Plan 2012-13.

On Going Schemes

Centrally Sponsored Schemes (Direct release)

TM-01 Development of Village Shambhu (Mughal Sarai) as Tourist Destination (65: 35)

Outlay Rs.1.00 lac

8.2.2 This project was sanctioned during 2004-05 by the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, at a total estimated cost of Rs. 435.88 lac with the funding pattern of – Rs. 290.58 lac as Government of India share and Rs. 145.30 lac as state share. An amount of Rs. 232.46 lac (80% of the total central assistance of Rs. 290.58 lac) has already been received from Government of India during 2004-05. The remaining amount of Rs. 58.12 lac (20% of central assistance) will be reimbursed to the state government after utilization of central assistance sanctioned for the project and details of contribution made by the state government are furnished. Contribution of state government will be in the form of maintenance of the infrastructure created and bearing of cost of project reports, DPRs, tender documents and other office expenses during implementation. The state government has released Rs. 89.61 lac during previous years for this project.

8.2.3 A token provision is provided for 12th Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13.