
9.13 LABOUR WELFARE

Outlay - Rs. 1.29 crore

9.13.1 Economic growth depends upon the transformation from agriculture sector to that of an industrial sector. To boost the economy of the state, new industrial projects with latest technology have been set up in the state. This development has given rise to industrial hazards and occupational diseases amongst the industrial workers being exposed to a variety of chemicals emanating from the hazardous processes of the industries in the work environment. Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 0.37 crore was incurred during the 11th Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.6.43 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. To ensure the improved working conditions and to safeguard the rights of the labour and their welfare, against an actual expenditure of Rs.0.61 crore was incurred during the 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.1.29 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13.

On Going Schemes**Centrally Sponsored Scheme****LW-01 Rehabilitation of bonded labourers (50:50)**

Outlay - Rs.0.20 crore

9.13.2 As per directions of Ministry of Labour, Government of bonded labour after his release is to be paid an amount of Rs.20,000/- for his rehabilitation under this centrally sponsored scheme. Govt. of India contributes 50% of this amount i.e. Rs.10000/- per released bonded labourer. The matching grant of 50% is to be given by the State Govt. The Central contribution is released only after release of grant by the State Govt. The rehabilitation amount of Rs.20000/- is to be paid immediately to the bonded labourer after his release from bondage. Against an actual expenditure of Rs. 6.30 lac was 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.4.10 lac was incurred during 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.0.20 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13.

State Funded Schemes**LW-02 Strengthening of Directorate of Factories**

Outlay - Rs.8.50 lac

9.13.3 There is a need to check the working environment of factories periodically with a view to monitor the harmful gases , dust etc, and to have

scientific approach of the inspection conducted by the field staff and to evaluate the laboratory hazards. In order to achieve this objective, the department proposes to set up a Mobile Laboratory Van. An outlay of Rs.0.43 crore is provided for the 12th Five Year Plan. An outlay of Rs.8.50 lac is provided under this scheme during the Annual Plan 2012-13 for purchase of mobile laboratory van accessories, chemicals, other scientific equipments and other recurring expenditure.

LW-04 Child Labour -Rehabilitation Fund

Outlay - Rs.1.00 crore

9.13.4 In compliance with the directions given by the of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its judgment dated 10/12/96 in M.C.Mehta vs State of Tamilnadu and others, the Government of India has issued directions dated 26/12/96, which stipulates that wherever a child is found working in hazardous occupations or processes, one adult member of the family would be given employment and in case it is not possible to provide job to one adult member, State Government is required to make a deposit of Rs.5000/- per child in the Child Labour Rehabilitation-cum-Welfare Fund as its contribution / grant. Government of India vide its notification dated 10/10/06 has imposed a ban on the employment of children below 14 years of age in hotels, motels, restaurants etc and also employment of children as domestic servants. After this notification it is expected that a large number of children will be found working in the hazardous occupations as mentioned above. The Government of India has directed all the states to curb the curse of child labour which is primarily the result of poverty, illiteracy and social backwardness.

9.13.5 Against an actual expenditure of Rs.0.31 crore incurred during the 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. 0.10 crore was incurred during the 2011-12, an outlay of Rs.1.00 crore is provided for the Annual Plan 2012-13.

9.14 EMPLOYMENT GENERATION & TRAINING

Outlay -Rs.28.00 crore

9.14.1 The generation of new employment opportunities has always remained a priority agenda of the State Government. Keeping this in view, the State Government has created a new Department of Employment Generation and Training, Punjab with enlarged and enhanced roles, functions, responsibilities and visions with regard to