



TRIPURA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
(ELEVENTH ASSEMBLY)

EIGHTEENTH (18TH) REPORT

of the
SUBJECT COMMITTEE - II
on

the Demands for Grants relating to the Departments of

[i] Rural Development Department [Demand No. 31], [ii] Panchayet Raj Department [Demand No. 23], [iii] Food, Civil Supplies & Consumers Affairs Department [Demand No. 21], [iv] Welfare of SCs & OBCs Department [Demand No. 20], [v] Welfare of Minorities Department [Demand No. 57], [vi] Tribal Welfare Department [Demand No. 19], [vii] TRP & PTG Department [Demand No. 32], [viii] Science & Technology Department [Demand No. 33], [ix] Urban Development Department [Demand No. 35], [x] Information, Cultural Affairs Department [Demand No. 17], [xi] Tourism Department [Demand No. 59], [xii] Industry & Commerce Department [Demand No. 24], and [xiii] Handloom, Handicrafts & Sericulture Department [Demand No. 25].

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TRIPURA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

AGARTALA
MAY, 2013

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FOR THE YEAR 2013–14

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INTRODUCTION

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I, the Chairman of the Subject Committee – II having been authorised by the Committee to present on its behalf, do present the 18th Report of the Committee on the Demands for Grant for the year 2013–2014 relating to the following Departments of the State Government :

[i] Rural Development Department [Demand No. 31], [ii] Panchayet Raj Department [Demand No. 23], [iii] Food, Civil Supplies & Consumers Affairs Department [Demand No. 21], [iv] Welfare of SCs & OBCs Department [Demand No. 20], [v] Welfare of Minorities Department [Demand No. 57], [vi] Tribal Welfare Department [Demand No. 19], [vii] TRP & PTG Department [Demand No. 32], [viii] Science & Technology Department [Demand No. 33], [ix] Urban Development Department [Demand No. 35], [x] Information, Cultural Affairs Department [Demand No. 17], [xi] Tourism Department [Demand No. 59], [xii] Industry & Commerce Department [Demand No. 24], and [xiii] Handloom, Handicrafts & Sericulture Department [Demand No. 25].

2. In pursuance of Rule 300 A(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Tripura Legislative Assembly the Committee was constituted by the Hon'ble Speaker for a period of two years with effect from 26th April, 2013.

3] The Committee scrutinised the Demands for Grants of the Departments concerned for the year 2013-2014 as presented to the House on 26th April, 2013 and took evidence of the Departmental representatives on the said Demands in its meeting held on 03-05-2013, 04-05-2013, 06-05-2013, 07-05-2013 and finalised the Report on 10-05-2013.


4] The observations and recommendations of the Committee have been printed in thick/italic type on the body of the Report for facilities of references and conveniences.

5] The Committee keeps on records its thanks and appreciation to the Departmental Representatives for cooperation and assistance rendered to the Committee in matters of examination of the Demands for Grants.

6] The Committee records its thanks to the officers of the Finance Department for assisting the Committee in its deliberation.

7] The Committee also places on records its appreciation for the sincerity and devotion to duty of the officers and staff of the Tripura Legislative Assembly rendered in connection with examination, compilation and presentation of the Report.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


(Padma Kumar Debbarma)
Chairman
Subject Committee - II
Tripura Legislative Assembly.

**REPORT ON
RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
(DEMAND NO. 31)**

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Rural Development Department. These are (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 31 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Rural Development Department is an important department of the State of Tripura which implements the various kinds of schemes of State Govt. and Central Govt. for development of rural areas in the State. The works of the Department are carried on through different Block Development Offices and Panchayats under supervision and guidance of the B.D.O.s and other officers, subject to overall control of the Department .

The Budget proposals under Demand No. 31 for the year 2013-14 relating to the Department as placed in the House and the Revised Budget Estimates of 2012-13 are as follows :-

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.		Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
31	a) Non-Plan	1338.61	2129.20			2129.20
	b) Plan	21616.80	6332.71	5933.39	3612.25	15878.35
	c) C.S.S.					
	d) N.E.C.					
	TOTAL : 31 =	22955.41	8461.91	5933.39	3612.25	18007.55

The Subject Committee – II in its meeting held on 03-05-2013 examined the Budget Proposals under Demand No. 31 for the financial year 2013–14 as referred to it by the House and also heard the representative of the Department who appeared on summon before the Committee.

As desired by the Committee, the representative of the Department addressed in brief the achievement in the previous year and the Plan of Action of the current year.

As regards action taken report on the recommendation of the Committee made in its 17th Report during the year 2012-13, the Department furnished the following information :

i) In respect of Sl. No. (i) **MGNREGA**: Projected Persondays:- **550.00 lakh** Persondays generated:- **518.32 lakh (94%)** Projected Expenditure:- **Rs.120488.490** lakh, Central Liability :- **Rs. 109121.65 lakh**, Central Share received :- **Rs. 76889.88 lakh (70%)**.

During 2012-13, the proposals for release of fund under MGNREGA were sent to the MoRD, GOI through the following communications: (i) No. F.3(22)-RD/2009(Part-V)/839 dated 30th April, 20122. (ii) No. F.3(22)-RD/2009(Part-V)/1856 dated 26th September, 20123. (iii) No. F.3(22)-RD/2009(Part-V)/1876 dated 28th September, 20124. (iv) No. F.3(22)-RD/2009(Part-V)/151 dated 30th January, 20135. (v) No. F.3(22)-RD/2009(Part-V)/207 dated 16th February, 20136. (vi) No. F.3(8)-RD/2012 dated

12th March, 2013.

IAY : Physical Target :- 16245 houses, Financial Target:- Rs. 7878.78 lakh, Central Liability:- Rs. 7090.90 lakh, Central Share received:- Rs. 6186.32 lakh (87%).

During 2012-13, the proposals for release of 2nd installment of fund under IAY were sent to the MoRD, GOI through the following communications: No. F.15(5)-RD/2012/2044 dated 5th November, 2012 and even no.2045 dated 5th November, 2012, No. 2047 dated 5th November, 2012, no. 2046 dated 5th November, 2012, no. 2134 dated 19th November, 2012, no. 2135 dated 19th November, 2012, no. 2136 dated 19th November, 2012, no. 2137 dated 19th November, 2012, no. 2138 dated 19th November,2012, no. 2233 dated 4th December, 2012, no. 2237 dated 4th December, 2012, no. 2235 dated 4th December, 2012, no. 2236 dated 4th December, 2012, no.2234 dated 4th December, 2012, no.2232 dated 4th December, 2012, no.2304 dated 17th December, 2012, no. 148 dated 30th January,2013, no. 155 dated 31st January, 2013, no. 154 dated 31st January, 2013, no. 165 dated 2nd February, 2013 and no. 296 dated 8th March, 2013.

SGSY: Target of formation of SHGs:- 1850, SHGs formed:- 1898, Financial Target:- Rs. 2177.78 lakh, Central Liability:- Rs. 1960.00 lakh, Central Share received:- Rs. 1528.53 lakh (78%).

During 2012-13, the proposals for release of 2nd installment of fund under SGSY were sent to the MoRD, GOI through the following communications:No.F.7(1)-RD/SGSY/2012-13/906-08 dated 9th November, 2012 and even no. 1057-59 dated 6th December, 2012, no. 1108 dated 14th December, 2012, no. 1668 dated 15th January, 2013.

DRDA Administration: During 2012-13, the proposals for release of 2nd installment of fund under DRDA Administration were sent to the MoRD, GOI through the following communications:No.F.7(2)-RD/SGSY/DRDA Admin./2012-13/1052-54 dated 6th December, 2012 and even no. 1109 dated 13th December, 2012, no. 1107 dated 14th December, 2012 and no. 1942 dated 20th March, 2013.

ii) In respect of Sl. No. (ii), Department in his written replies stated that with a view to implement National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) in the state, Tripura Rural Livelihood Mission (TRLM) has been constituted as a Registered Society. The General Body and the Executive Committee of the Society consist of the Chief Secretary as the Chairman and Secretaries of Finance, Agriculture, Fishery, ARDD, SW & SE Departments, PCCF, CEO, JICA & IGDC Projects. Implementation of the Mission in Tripura will be ensured through 3 tier implementation units as State Mission Management Unit (SMMU), District Mission Management Unit (DMMU), & Block Mission Management Unit (BMMU). A full time Chief Executive Officer (CEO) has been posted as head of the SMMU. 15 posts have been created for SMMU to which the process of recruitment is going on and is likely to be completed within mid-May, 2013. Annual Action Plan (AAP) for 2013-14 for ‘ 4388.54 lakh has been submitted to the National Mission Management Unit (NMMU) of NRLM. All actions have been taken up to fulfill the conditions put forward by the Govt. of India for declaring Tripura as ‘NRLM compliant’. The activities of the Mission will be implemented in close collaboration with Agriculture, Forest and other related departments.

iii) In respect of Sl. No. (iii), the Department in its written replies stated that total 7 Block buildings have been taken up for construction during 2010-11. These blocks are i) Mohanpur RD Block, ii) Kathalia RD Block, iii) Jirania RD Block, iv) Boxanagar RD Block, v) Rajnagar RD Block, vi) Khowai RD Block, vii) Matabari RD Block.

Out of which six Blocks namely Jirania RD Block, Boxanagar RD Block, Kathalia RD Block, Matabari RD Block, Mohanpur RD Block, Khowai RD Block have already been completed and the

construction of the remaining Rajnagar RD block building is going on. During 2013-14 Rs. 300.00 lakh is kept as Budget Provision for Major Works (like Construction of Block Building, Boundary Wall etc.).

(ii) Achievement made during the year 2012-13:

1. MGNREGA:

During 2012-13, **Rs.120488.490** lakh is agreed outlay and **550.00** lakh mandays were to be generated. Total availability of fund till 31st March 2013 is Rs. **98988.96** lakh, out of which **Rs. 97079.91 lakh (98%)** has already been spent and **518.32 lakh mandays** have been generated and Tripura is in the 1st position **with 87** average mandays generation while National average in respect of Mandays generation is only 39. It is also to be mentioned that the wage rate per mandays of MGNREGA workers has been increased from Rs. 124/- to Rs 135/- only w.e.f 1st April 2013. In this regard Notification has been issued vide No.F.3[18]-RD/2005[PART]/458(A) dated 30.03.13.

ACTION PLAN: During 2013-14, Rs. 135465.62 lakh is agreed outlay and 567.99 lakh mandays are to be generated as per approved Labour Budget.

2. IAY:

During 2012-13, Rs. 7878.78 lakh is the total allocation under IAY and **16245** nos. of houses were to be constructed. Till 31st March 2013, **Rs. 6670.54 lakh** in total was received [central share Rs. 6186.32 lakh and state share Rs. 484.22 lakh] and Rs. 4046.61 [61%] lakh has already been spent for construction of IAY houses.

ACTION PLAN: During 2013-14, Rs. 10329.00 lakh is the total financial target and 13,772 nos. houses are to be constructed [@ Rs.75000/= per unit].

3. RoFR under IAY:

An additional target for 2011-12 of 7072 houses under RoFR was received for which fund of Rs. 1714.97 lakh was received [central share Rs. 1543.48 lakh and state share Rs. 171.49 lakh] in 2012-13 and Rs. 1643.02 [96%] lakh has already been spent for construction of IAY houses.

4. SGSY:

During 2012-13, 1898 new SHGs have been formed till 31st March, 2013 against a target of 1850 for the whole year. During the year, 2544 SHGs passed the 1st gradation and 1956 SHGs received the Revolving Fund. Also, 1538 SHGs passed the 2nd gradation and 1307 have received Bank loan till 31st March, 2013. Out of the total allocation of Rs. 2177.78 lakh during the year, fund for Rs. 1835.54 lakh has been made available and out of which Rs. 1704.39 lakh incurred expenditure upto 31st March, 2013. The SGSY Scheme will discontinue from 2013-14.

5. National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM):

According to a decision of the Govt. of India, existing SGSY is going to be restructured into National Rural Livelihood Mission. For implementation of the activities in the state under the restructured Mission, a Registered Society named Tripura Rural Livelihood Mission (TRLM) Society has been constituted. In the first phase it is going to be implemented in three districts, namely, Dhalai, Gomati & South Tripura. Subsequently, the Mission will be extended to other districts too. Simultaneously existing SGSY will be phased out gradually as envisaged in the NRLM project implementation plan. Preparatory works for implementation of the Mission is being carried out. It is expected that full-fledged implementation will start from next financial year.

Annual Action Plan of **Rs. 4388.54** lakh has been submitted to National Mission Management Unit (NMMU), GoI for 2013-14. In this Plan, **2851** SHGs to be formed/revitalized, **11107 SHGs** to be managed, **513 Village Organizations (VOs)** to be formed, 341 nos. of training programme shall be conducted, 4 nos. Livelihood Pilot Project at Block Level shall be initiated, Skill and Placement shall be assisted to 2000 BPL youths.

6. Tripura State Support Project on SHGs (TSSPS):

Tripura State Support Project on SHGs (TSSPS), a state project, was launched in the FY 2009-10 under which Start-up Soft Loan (SSL) is provided to the SHGs, who have cleared 1st gradation but

could not be provided Revolving Fund under SGSY due to lack of fund. Under the project, Rs. 50,000 is provided to an SHG out of which Rs.25,000 is provided from the Government @ 4% interest whereas the balance Rs.25,000 is provided by the Bank at usual rate of interest. For this state Government has executed an agreement with Tripura State Co-operative Bank.

Progress under the project till 2011-12 is tabulated below :

Financial year	Disbursement of Govt. component of SSL	
	No of SHG	Amount (lakh)
2009-10	3097	774.25
2010-11	1356	339.00
2011-12	1329	332.25
TOTAL	5782	1445.50

During 2012-13 total 1550 SHGs have been sponsored to TSCB for disbursement of SSL. Till date Rs. 1100.00 lakh has been placed with the TSCB for disbursement of Govt. component of SSL. During 2012-13, the requirement of fund under TSSPS is Rs. 400.00 lakh out of which Rs. 250.00 lakh has been released and the targeted SHG to be covered under the project is 1200 for the whole state.

(iii) The plan/programme and any project to be implemented during the year 2013-14 for consideration of the Committee during examination:

The following plan/programme may be considered by the committee for implementation during 2013-14:-


- 1) Tripura Rural Livelihood Mission/NRLM.
- 2) North East Rural Livelihood Project.

After careful examination of the Budget proposals and appreciation of the submission placed by the Departmental representative the Committee makes the following recommendations :-

RECOMMENDATIONS

- i] The Department to further pursue to the Central Govt. for release of 2nd instalment with reference to earlier recommendation of the Committee.*
- ii] The Department to examine the feasibility to segregate the Block office at Ambassa from the education side and also to construct the Block Office of Teliamura.*
- iii] Patta holders are to be provided with Houses to BPL beneficiaries in the IAY Scheme in phase manner considering the wait list.*
- iv] Department to formulate proposal for construction of staff Quarters in extreme distant Blocks.*

In fine, the Committee recommends the Budget proposals under Demand No. 31 for Grants by the House notwithstanding the other recommendation made here-in-above which may be guideline for the Department to be followed.


(Padma Kumar Debbarma)

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.

Chairman
Subject Committee - II
Tripura Legislative Assembly.

REPORT ON
PANCHAYATI RAJ DEPARTMENT
[DEMAND NO. 23]

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Panchayat Raj Department under Demand No. 23 in its meeting held on 03-05-2013. The matters are (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 23 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Demands for Grants under the Demand No. 23 for the year 2013-14 relates to the Panchayati Raj Department. The main activities of the Department are to conduct Panchayat Election in the State. There are 3-Tier Panchayati Raj System has been functioning in the State since August, 1994. These are Gaon Panchayat at Panchayat Level, Panchayat Samitis at Block Level and Zilla Parishad at District Level. The Department also organise Computer Training Programme for the Members of G.P.s and V.C.s and also for others public representatives in the State. The Panchayats have been vested with various powers to implement developmental schemes of the rural areas under the State and Central Plan with a view to improve the general economic and living condition of the rural peoples with their own involvement.

The Budget Proposals under Demand No. 23 for the financial year 2013-14 as placed in the House and the Revised Budget of 2012-13 are shown below :

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department Panchayat Raj Deptt.	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
23	a) Non-Plan	15180.54	17764.90			17764.90
	b) Plan	5658.98	2137.30	1916.77	811.43	4865.50
	c) C.S.S.		52.00	31.00	17.00	100.00
	d) N.E.C.					
	TOTAL : 23 =	20839.52	19954.20	1947.77	828.43	22730.40

As referred by the House, Subject Committee-II of the Tripura Legislative Assembly in its meeting held on 03.05.2013 examined the Budget Proposals under Demand No. 23 and also heard the Principal Secretary of the Department who appeared before the Committee on summon.

First of all, the Committee wanted to know the action taken by the Department in respect of the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 in its 17th Report to which the Principal Secretary submitted the written replies in seriatim which are furnished below :-

i] The revised Project Proposal for ongoing construction of two Panchayat Raj Training Institute (PRTI) one at Kumarghat, Unakoti District and another at Udaipur, Gomati District has been sent to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India.

The Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India has considered the proposal and released an amount of Rs. 6.00 crores (Rupees Six Crores) only as first instalment out of required Central Share of Rs. 12.49 crore. Besides, the Finance Department, Government of Tripura has also released an amount of

Rs. 2.00 crores (Rupees Two crores) only out of required State Share of Rs. 2.16 crores.

ii] Auditing of the accounts of the PRIs is being done by AG, Tripura since 2007-08. Further, the C&AG is requested to authorize the AG, Tripura to take up audit of accounts of the 6th Schedule Area Bodies (BACs & VCs).

The RD (Panchayat) Department has engaged CA Firms for audit of the account of the PRIs and Village Committees & Block Advisory Committees (under Sixth Schedule area) under Technical Guidance & Supervision (TG & S) and AG, Tripura, 5 CA Firms have already been engaged and completed Audit of Accounts for the financial year, 2011-12 of 516 no. GP & VC and the rest 584 of GP / VC / PS / BAC / ZPs were completed by the Directorate of Audit, Government of Tripura.

iii] The Computer Training for the members of PRIs and ADC area bodies has already been started. For imparting the said training one agency namely Acces Info. Tech Pvt. Ltd. has been engaged for conducting training in all the 45 RD Blocks in the State. Besides, training at PRTI and NIELIT has also been going on. Total no. of 2329 have been trained so far.

iv] As recommended the sitting fees have already been enhanced w.e.f. 01.06.2012 of Rs.105/- in place of Rs. 90/- .

v] The Department is pursuing with the BDOs time to time for collection of 20% of the power consumption bills as user charges from the users of the L.I. Schemes. Upto 2011-2012 fund for electricity charge of the LI Schemes has cleared up by the Finance Department. The Department is pursuing with the Finance Department for releasing fund of gap amount for payment of power consumption bills for the year 2012-13.

vi] An amount of Rs. 3492.00 lakhs has been kept in RE, 2011-12 under Share of Taxes (PDF) for PRIs and ADC area bodies. Out of which Rs.3346.00 lakhs was released in favour of the Secretary RD (Panchayat) Department and subsequently the fund has already been transferred to PRIs and ADC area bodies. Though, the balance of Rs.146.00 lakhs (3492.00 – 3346.00) of the above provision has been transferred to DWS by the Finance Department, but it is shown going Head of Account of 3604 of the RD (Panchayat) Department under Demand No. 23.

vii] There is no provisions in the Tripura Panchayats Act, 1993 and the Rules framed thereunder for sanction of medical allowance to the Sabhadhipati / Sahakari Sabhadhipati of the Zilla Parishad and Chairmen / Vice-Chairmen of Panchayat Samitis / BACs. However, a proposal has been sent to the Government in the Finance Department for consideration of the proposal.

ACHIEVEMENT OF THE RD (PANCHAYAT) DEPARTMENT

1. 3-Tier Panchayati Raj System:

Gram Panchayats (lowest level) Panchayat Samitis (inter mediate level) and Zilla Parishads (District level) are functioning in the State since August, 1994. This covers 4 Zilla Parishads, 23 Blocks & 511 Gram Panchayats in addition 35 BAC (Block Advisory Committees) upto 2011. After reorganization of Districts during 2012, there of Panchayat Samitis remains at 23, the nos of BAC have increased to 37 under the Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (TTAADC - VI schedule area) which includes 527 Village Committees.

2. e-PanchayatPuruskar 2011-12:

First prize for implementation of e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project for the year 2011-12 was awarded to Tripura on 24th April, 2012 by the MoPR, Govt. of India at Plenany Hall, Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi. The prize comprises of a citation and Cash prize of Rs 50.00 lakhs.

3. PanchayatShashaktikaran Puraskar-2011-12:

As a mark of recognition for empowerment and strengthening the PRIs and TTAADC Area bodies Panchayat Shashaktikaran Pursakar 2011-12 under Panchayat Empowerment and Accountability Incentive Scheme (PEAIS) was awarded to the Killa Block Advisory Committee, Atharabhola Village Committee

of Killa RD Block and Jirania Gram Panchayat of Jirania RD Block. The Prize comprises of citations and Cash prize of Rs 3.00 lakhs for both GP and VC and Rs. 15.00 lakhs for Killa BAC.

4. ROR Digitization:

It is to mention that computerization of ROR (Register of Ordinary Resident) through a web based online application has been started and so far data of 7, 91,994 families covering 31, 05,876 populations have been entered which is expected to be completed soon.

5. Panchayat Raj Training Institute (PRTI):

In addition to the existing Panchayat Raj Training Institute at Arundhutinagar, a Panchayat Raj Training Institute at Udaipur has been started /opened on 24-12-2012. Another Panchayat Raj Training Institute building at Kumarghat is likely to be completed soon and setting up of one PRTI at Ambassa is in the pipe line.

6. Training of PRI Members/ officials of Panchayats:

During the year 2012-13, 637 nos of Panchayat Officials and 603 nos members of Panchayat Raj Institutions were trained.

PHYSICAL & FINANCIAL Achievement made during 2012-13.

1. SHARE OF TAXES (PDF) (NON-PLAN) :

(i) Financial Achievement :

Scheme	RE, 2012-13	Fund Received, 2012-13	Exp. Upto 31 st Mar' 13
Share of Taxes (PDF)	3400.00	3400.00	3400.00

(ii) Physical Achievement :

Sl. No.	Particulars	Achievement, 2012-13
1.	Administrative Expenditure : (a) payment of Fixed salary/ Honorarium to the office bearer of PRIs and ADC area bodies	For the Month of April' 12 to Mar' 13
2.	Developmental/maintenance activities: (a) Mandays generation (nos.) (b) Improvement of Road (hect.) (c) Maintenance of Community assets – (nos.) [Panchayat Ghar/ AWC/Health Sub-Centre/ ARDD Centre/ Passengers Shed etc]. (d) Distribution of Agri Implements (nos.)- [Pump Sets/Spray Machine/Paddy thrasher etc.] (e) Maintenance of Drinking Water Sources (nos.) [OHP/RCC Well/Sanitary Well/ MDTW/STW etc.]	4,11,223 3685.35 1,296 4,821 846

2. RASTRIYA GRAM SWARAJ YOJANA (INFRASTRUCTURE) :

(i) Financial Achievement :

Scheme	RE, 2012-13	Fund Received Upto Mar' 13	Expenditure upto 31 st Mar' 13
RGSY (Central Share) (Outside Budget)	0	600.00	580.00 (from GoI)
RGSY (State Share)	227.33	200.00	200.00 (from FD)
Total	227.33	800.00	800.00

(ii) PhyPhysical Achievement:

Schemes	Particulars	Achievement, 2012-13
RGSY (CSS)	(i) Construction of Training Institute	The construction PRTIs at Udaipur is almost completed and start functioning from 24/12/2012 and the construction of PRTI at Kumarghat is going on.

3. 13TH FINANCE COMMISSION GRANTS (NON-PLAN) :

(i) Financial Progress :

Scheme	RE, 2012-13	Fund Received, 2012-13	Exp. Upto 31 st Mar' 13
13 th FC Grants	6892.73	5497.04	5497.04

(ii) Physical Achievement :

Sl.	Particulars
1	Fund transferred to the PRIs and ADC area bodies as per ratio recommended by 3 rd SFC for the different activities. The major activities are : a) Maintenance of Drinking Water Sources - 8148 Nos. b) Maintenance of : i) School ghar – 152 Nos. ii) Panchayat Ghar – 186 Nos. iii) ICDS Centre – 1477 Nos. c) Maintenance of Minor Irrigation /L.I. Scheme – 192 Nos. d) Sports and Cultural activities – 5342 units. e) Inspection & Maintenance of Accounts – 355 unit f) Extension of Power Connectivity – 221.14 km. g) Extension of Pipe line for Drinking Water Sources- 42.34 KM h) Creation of new Drinking Water Sources- 2123 Nos.

4. BACKWARD GRANT REGION FUND (BRGF) under PLAN :

(i) Financial Achievement :

Scheme	RE, 2012-13	Fund Received, 2012-13	Exp. Upto 31 st Mar' 13
BRGF	1427.65	1219.65	1219.65

(ii) Physical Achievement :

Sl.	Particulars	Achievement, 2012-13
A.	Development component :	
1	Construction of AWC centre	200 Nos.
2	Extn. Of capacity of tea processing Coop unit	1 No.
3	Construction of Bridges	2 Nos.
4	Development of Playground	1 No.
5	Other remote village electrification through solar light	20 nos.
6	Other rural infrastructure	2 nos.
7	Construction of Panchayat Raj Training Institute	1 No.
8	Providing furniture to new constructed classroom of Schools.	10108 nos.
9	Development of Geographical Information System	1 No.

10	Construction of 33/11 KV, 2x1.6 MVA sub-stations	3 Nos.
B.	CB&T Component :	
1	Providing Basic infrastructure to Rajiv Gandhi Seva Kendra	50 Nos.
2	Up-gradation of block level Training Hall	5 Nos.

1. SHARE OF TAXES (PDF) UNDER (NON-PLAN) :

Rs.3500.00 lakhs been proposed in BE,2013-14 for PRIs and ADC area (i) Payment of Administrative Expenditure of PRIs and ADC area bodies and (ii) to take different local based developmental activities by PRIs and ADC area bodies.

2. 13TH FINANCE COMMISSION GRANTS :

A provision is made for Rs.7859.90 lakhs in the BE, 2013-14 for taking different maintenance types work in the rural areas.

3. BACKWARD REGION GRAND FUND (BRGF) (PLAN) :

In the BE 2013-14, Rs.1571.00 lakhs is provided for BRGF for implementation of project (gap filling) which has been approved by the District Planning Committee of Dhalai BRGF District in its meeting held on 13/12/2012.

During discussion on the Demand No. 23 related to Panchayati Raj Department the Committee wanted to know the Departmental representative the latest position of the auditing of the G.P.s and V.C.s in the State and also about the Computer Training Programme for the Members of G.P.s and V.C.s and other public representatives during the year 2012-13.

In this respect, the Principal Secretary of the Department stated that the Department continue the works of auditing of G.P.s and V.C.s by the Accounts Firms, A.G and Departmental Auditors. Examination of audit are in progress. He stated that the Department organised the Computer Training Programme for the Members of G.P.s and V.C.s and other public representatives during the year 2012-13. The Department decided to organise training programme in District level and Block level and the Deptt. has been continuing this training programme. He also stated that the Computer set already supplied to all the Panchayat Offices of the State and all the computer sets will be connected with internet at an early date.

Thereafter, the Committee suggested the Department to continue the Audit Works of the Department and be increased the activities in this respect. Computer Training Programme also be continued.

After careful examination of the budget proposals and appreciation of the submission, the Committee recommends the following :-

RECOMMENDATIONS

- i] *The Department to continue auditing as per earlier recommendation.*
- ii] *The Department to impart Computer Training to Panchayat Members and also elected Members in the District & Block level and to formulate mechanism of briefing them about action plan/different Schemes of the Panchayat Department time to time in every financial year.*
- iii] *Recovery of 20% of power consumption bills as user charges from using L.I. Scheme be the endeavour of the Department.*

iv] *Finance Department to enhance release of fund against PDF, if possible during Revised Estimate of 2013-14. Department to seek fund accordingly in due time.*

In fine, the Committee recommends the Demand for Grants under Demand No. 23 by the House notwithstanding the other recommendations made here-in-above which may be the guidelines of the Department to be followed.


(Padma Kumar Debbarma)

Chairman

Subject Committee - II
Tripura Legislative Assembly.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.

**REPORT ON
FOOD, CIVIL SUPPLIES & CONSUMERS' AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT
(DEMAND NO. – 21)**

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Food, Civil Supplies & Consumers Affairs Department. These are (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 21 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The food, Civil Supplies & Consumers Affairs Department is one of the most important Department of the Government of Tripura. The main activities of the Department are mainly distribution of essential commodities namely, rice, atta, k. oil, sugar, salt etc. and the management for consumer affairs under Consumer Protection Act and also management of public distribution system.

The Budget Proposal for Grants under Demand No. 21 relating to Food, Civil Supplies and Consumers' Affairs Department, Government of Tripura for the year 2013-2014 and the Revised Budget for the year 2012-2013 are as follows :-

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
21	a) Non-Plan	4838.13	6431.50			6431.50
	b) Plan	268.93	151.03	94.45	53.29	298.77
	c) C.S.S.	1098.44	549.96	349.48	199.00	1098.44
	d) N.E.C.					
	TOTAL : 21 =	6205.50	7132.49	443.93	252.29	7828.71

As referred by the House, the Subject Committee – II of the Tripura Legislative Assembly in its meeting held on 03-05-2013 examined the Budget Proposal and heard the Principal Secretary of the Department.

First of all the Committee wanted to know about the action taken by the Department on the recommendation of the Subject Committee in its 17th Report during the year 2012-13, the Department submitted the replies in seriatim which are furnished here-in-below :-

(i) 45.29 acre land [16.34 acre-Govt. khas land + 28.95 acre-Forest land] has been identified for construction of Rail-fed IOCL depot at Purba Debendranagar Mouja under Jirania Revenue Circle. The MoEF conveys it "Principle Approval" for diversion of 28.95 acre of Forest land subject to deposit of cost of Compensatory afforestation, net present value of the forest land etc. from the user agency i.e. IOCL. After receipt of the compliance report on fulfillment of above noted condition the final approval will be issued by GoI.

Approval of allotment of 16.34 acre-Govt. land under TTAADC area is yet to be received from TTAADC. The relocation and rehabilitation package for the 27 nos affected families in the proposed plot amounting to Rs. 1.09 crore has already been approved by State Govt. Approval fo Govt. khas land is the

one of bottleneck for the IOCL Guwahati Division to implement the project. The IOCL will seek composite approval of project cost [Rehabilitation package+cost of compensatory afforestation+Net present value of the diverted forest + land premium of Govt. land] from their HQ after getting the approval of Govt. khas land and it is learnt that necessary fund for the same has been kept in their budget. If the approval of TTAADC is dragged further then there is every possibility of diversion of fund from this project to another project as reported by IOCL.

The State Govt. has agreed in principle to bear the expenditure for setting up of B-Class Railway Station & site development/construction of approach road-a mandatory requirement for the IOCL rail-fed depot. A Project proposal amounting to Rs.17.75 crore for setting up of B-Class Railway Service Station in between Jirania and Teliamura in c/w Rail-fed Depot of IOCL has been sent to the Ministry of DoNER for funding under NLCPR –Central. A separate project proposal amounting to Rs.13.57 crore for construction of Approach road for Rail-fed Depot of IOCL has also been sent to the Ministry of DoNER for funding under NLCPR.

(ii) No fund is received from the Finance Department and no meeting of F.P.Shop level Vigilance Committee at Block level have been conducted.

(iii) IOCL has completed the work of up-gradation and modernization of POL agencies located at Sanichera (DMN), Ambassa, Bordwali (Agt.), Teliamura, Belonia and Jirania. Up-gradation and modernization work of the proposed POL agencies in the state are in progress.

(iv) IOCL opened new LPG Agency at the following un-covered Sub-Divisions / Locations of the state during the period from April, 2011 to March, 2013 :-

1. Teliamura (2) Manu (LTV) (3) Udaipur (4) Chebri (KHW) (5) Mandai (6) Boxanagar and (7) Nandannagar (SDR).

IOCL has selected 5 LPG dealers for the places of Hrishyamukh, Sekerkote, Kadamtala, Manubazar and Rajnagar and necessary steps has already been taken by IOCL for opening of LPG Agency at the above places immediately.

IOCL has also floated advertisement on 22/02/2013 inviting application from the bonafide candidates for selection of Dealer for opening of new LPG Agency under RGGLV scheme in 17 uncovered places of the states, details of which is enclosed in Annexure – 'A'.

In respect of opening of new LPG Agency at Mohanpur and Sabroom, LOI for the location of Mohanpur is being issued by IOCL immediately and IOCL will float fresh advertisement for Saborm immediately.

(v) The Department has moved for allocation of necessary fund against Major Works and Minor Works as per recommendation of the Subject Committee – II. As a result the Finance Department has released Rs.2.95 lakhs for Minor Work and Rs.30.00 lakh for Major Work (under SCA) for the year 2012 – 2013.

The following achievement made by the Department during the year 2012-13 :-

- Honorarium for Hon'ble President of State Commission / 4 District Fora (KLS/ABS/SDR/UDP) and Members.
- Non assets related expenditure in connection with implementation of Consumer Protection Act.
- Enforcement of the provisions of different Laws relating to Weights and Measures to protect the interest of the consumer.
- No fund received from the Finance Department (Budget Branch) during the financial year 2012-13 for the major works of construction/repair and renovation of Food Godowns (including approach road and boundary wall etc.).

5. Earth filling of Chandrapur Food Godown (Udaipur).
6. Computerisation of e-PDS (No fund received from the Finance Deptt. for the year 2012 - 13.).
7. Non-received of fund Rs. 4.17 lakh from the Finance Deptt. in respect of NSAP (Annapurna Scheme).
8. Construction of boundary wall at Kanchanpur Food Godown.

Plan/Programme to be implemented by the Department during the financial year 2013-14 :-

1. Observance of National Consumer Day on 24th December through week long programme.
2. Observance of World Consumer Rights Day on 15th March through Week long programme.
3. Consumer Awareness Programmes at all Level.
4. To strengthen enforcement activities by purchasing Digital Working Standard Balance / equipment like verification date stamps and plugs etc.

Const. of Salt godown at Ambassa	Rs.18.50
Const. of Salt godown at Boxanagar	Rs.11.50
Completion of on going projects	Rs.20.00 lakhs
Total	= Rs.50.00 lakhs
5. Repair / Renovation of existing food godowns including drinking water and toilet facility of the existing godowns complex.
(Total amount involved around 20.00 lakhs)
6. 14,851 beneficiaries under Annapurna Scheme.

During discussion on the Demand No. 21 related to Food, Civil Supplies & Consumers Affairs Department, the Principal Secretary of the Department apprised the Committee about the action taken by the Department on the recommendations made by the Committee in its 17th Report during the year 2012-13. He also stated before the Committee about the achievement made by the Department during the year 2012-13 and Plan/Programme to be implemented by the Department during the financial year 2013-14. Further he stated the following regarding present status on L.P.G.


After examination of the Budget Proposal and appreciation of the submission placed by the Departmental Representative, the Committee makes the following recommendation :-

RECOMMENDATIONS

- i] **Block Level meeting of F.P. Shop Vigilance Committee to be continued and for that purpose the Finance Department to allocate adequate Fund.**
- ii] **The up-gradation and modernization as well as beautification of all Petrol/Diesel pumps be continued alongwith setting up of pumps in the uncovered areas.**
- iii] **Sub-Dealership for distribution of L.P.G. in the proposed localities be confirmed at the earliest.**

In fine, the Committee recommends the Budget Proposals under Demand No. 21 for Grants by the House notwithstanding the other recommendations made here-in-above which may be the guidelines for the Department to be followed.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


(**Padma Kumar Debbarma**)
Chairman
Subject Committee - II
Tripura Legislative Assembly.

PRESENT STATUS ON LPG

- 33 LPG Agencies distributing LPG Re-fills for the 3, 39,979 consumers of the State.
- Sabroom, Gandacherra, Kamalpur, Mohanpur, Karbook, Jampuijala Sub-Divisions have no LPG Agency.
- IOCL floated advertisement on 22/2/2013 inviting applications from the bonafied candidates for selection of Dealer for opening of new LPG Agency under RGGLV Scheme in the following 17-uncovered places of the State:- (Submission of application expired on 25/03/2013).
(1) Banikya chowmuhani, (2) Khwmlung (3) Kamalghat (4) Maharani (5) Gandhigram (6) Jampuijala (7) Kamalasagar (8) Kakraban (9) Salema (10) Raisyabari (11) Kalyanpur (12) Tulasikhar (13) Killa (14) Baikhora (15) Chailengta (16) Hazamara (17) Dumburnagar
- Present status on opening of LPG agency under RGGLV Scheme in the following proposed places of the State:-
(1) Hrishyamukh:- LOI Issued.
(2) Shekerkote:- **LOI issued.**
(3) Khadamtala:- Dealer selection is in process.
(4) Manubazar:- **LOI issued.**
(5) Rajnagar:- **LOI issued.**
- In addition to the above, IOCL has decided to open regular agency in the following 2-places of the State, status of which indicated below:-
(I) **Mohanpur**:- Dealer selected, but not yet awarded due to compliant.
(II) **Sabroom**:- Application invited earlier by IOCL but there is no eligible candidate & fresh Advt. will be floated shortly.
- IOCL opened new LPG Agency at the following places of the State during the year, 2011-2012 & 2012-13:-
1) Nandannagar, 2. Mandai, 3. Chebri, 4. Boxanagar, 5. Teliamura. 6. Manu (LTV). 7. Udaipur.

**REPORT ON
DEPARTMENT FOR WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES & OBCS
(DEMAND NO. 20)**

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Welfare of S.C. & O.B.C. Department under Demand No. 20. These are (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 20 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Department for Welfare of SCs & OBCs is dealing with the people of the SC & OBC Communities. The total population percentage of two communities is roughly 41% (SC-17%, OBC-24%). The schemes of the Department are divided into two sectors viz. Educational Development and Economical Development of those two communities. The main thrust of the Department Educational Development of the said communities. Besides this, the Department is monitoring the implementation of the reservation policies in the services, posts and in the educational institutions for welfare of SCs.

The Department of Welfare of S.C. & O.B.C. is under the Demand No. 20. The Budget proposals under that Demand for financial year 2013-2014 as placed in the House for Grants as well as the Revised Budget for the financial year 2012-2013 are as follows:-

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
20	a) Non-Plan	359.60	465.50			465.50
	b) Plan	1842.75	1291.64			1291.64
	c) C.S.S.	3606.47	3000.00			3000.00
	d) N.E.C.					
	TOTAL : 20 =	5808.82	4757.14			4757.14

The Subject Committee –II in its meeting held on 03.05.2013 examined the aforesaid Budget proposal under Demand No. 20 and also heard the Departmental Representatives who appeared before the Committee on summon.

First of all, the Secretary of the Departments has furnished the informations of the Department for Welfare of SCs & OBCs to the Committee about the implementation of the recommendations made by the Committee in its 17th Report during the year 2012-13 which are reproduced in seriatim below :-

- [i] The requirement under Nucleus Budget Scheme was sent to Finance Department for consideration. But, the Finance Department not yet considered our proposal.
- [ii] The Finance Department was requested for the same but, no response is yet to be received.
- [iii] The proposal for increasing Boarding House stipend from Rs. 30/- to Rs. 50/- per day per student was sent to Finance Department. But, Finance Department not yet concurred the proposal.
- [iv] The proposal was sent to Finance Department. But, Finance Department not yet concurred the proposal.

[v] There is a existing scheme for plantation of rubber tea and horti based items. But, due to constraint of fund it is not possible to implement the scheme.

[vi] There is a CSS of Babu Jagjiban Ram Chhatrabas Yojona for construction of SC girls hostel. The Government of India will provide 100% central assistance under the scheme. But, Government of India has fixed Rs. 2.00 lakh per seat towards constructional cost. But, in our state the per seat constructional cost comes to Rs. 3.50 lakh to Rs. 4.00 lakh and as a result, Government of India is not giving sanction for any hostel. It is quite impossible to construct hostel @ Rs. 2.00 lakh per seat in our state.

PHYSICAL ACHIEVEMENT DURING 2012-13
SC WELFARE

1. 100372 SC students were benefited under different stipend/scholarship schemes.
2. 3761 students were sanctioned Dr. B.R.Ambedkar Memorial award.
3. 80 SC girls' students were sponsored for GNM (General Nursing and Midwifery) training outside the State.
4. 5 SC boys/girls were sponsored for D.Pharma (Diploma in pharmacy) course out side the State.
5. 68 students were given coaching for TCS / TPS examination.
6. 80 students were given coaching for joint entrance examination.
7. 1244 SC patients were assisted under Nucleus budget scheme.
8. Loan sanctioned in favour of 748 SC beneficiaries by the SC co-operative Development Corporation Ltd.
9. Regularly monitoring the implementation of the Reservation Act and Rule.
10. Monitoring the flow fund to Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan (SCSP) and their utilization by different development Department.
11. 20 students were sponsored at Common facility center for Leather artisans at A. D. Nagar for training in leather technology.

OBC WELFARE

1. 95326 students were benefited under different stipend/scholarship scheme .
2. Financial assistance was sanctioned in favour of 792 beneficiaries for medical treatment under Nucleus budget scheme.
3. 30 OBC girls were sponsored for GNM (General Nursing & Midwifery) course outside the State.
4. 7 OBC/girls / boys were sponsored for Diploma in Pharmacy course outside the State.
5. Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Memorial award was sanctioned in favour of 844 students.
6. 76 students were given coaching for TCS / TPS examination.
7. 80 students were given coaching for joint entrance examination.
8. Tripura OBC Cooperative Development Corporation Ltd. had sanctioned loan in favour of 521 beneficiaries.

TARGET FOR THE YEAR 2013-2014.
SC WELFARE.

1. Stipend / scholarship would be awarded to 100500 students.
2. Financial assistance would be extended in favour of 2000 patient under Nucleus Budget Scheme.
3. 4000 SC students would be given Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Memorial Award .
4. 100 SC girls would be sent for GNM course outside state.
5. 100 SC students would be given coaching for joint entrance examination.
6. 50 students would be sponsored for coaching for IAS /IPS examination.

7. Regularly monitoring the implementation of the reservation Act and Rule.
8. Monitor of progress of achievement made by the different Department under SCSP.
9. Tripura Scheduled Castes Cooperative Development Corporation Ltd. would extend loan in favour of 1165 SC families.
10. 50 seated SC boys hostel attached to Charipara Class-XII School would be taken up for construction.
11. 50 seated SC girls hostel attached to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar English Model School, Anandanagar would be taken up for construction.

OBC WELFARE.

1. Stipend / scholarship would be awarded to 96410 students .
2. 900 students would be awarded Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Memorial Award .
3. Financial assistance would be sanctioned in favour of 2000 patient for medical treatment.
4. Tripura OBC Cooperative Development Corporation Ltd. would be sanctioned loan in favour of 1035 OBC families.

After careful examination of the Budget proposals and appreciation of the submission placed by the Secretary of the Department, the Committee makes the following recommendations :

RECOMMENDATIONS


i] The Committee further recommends for seating Allowance of SC, OBC Sub-Committees and Department to actively consider reconstruction of Sub-Committees where necessary.

Finance Department to consider giving concurrence of the same.

ii] The Department to actively examine the feasibility of providing adequate furniture to the Hostels of SC students in the State. Finance Department to allocate fund, if possible in the Revised Estimate 2013-14. Department to work out requirement meanwhile .

In fine, the Committee recommends the Budget proposals under Demand No. 20 for grants by the House notwithstanding the other recommendations made here-in-above which may be the guideline for the Department to be followed.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


(Padma Kumar Debbarma)
Chairman
Subject Committee - II
Tripura Legislative Assembly.

REPORT ON DEPARTMENT FOR WELFARE OF MINORITIES (DEMAND NO. 57)

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Welfare of Minorities under Demand No. 57. These are (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 57 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Department for Welfare of Minorities are separate Directorate of the Government of Tripura.

The Department for Welfare of Minorities is dealing with the peoples of the minority communities. It is estimated that total minority population in the State is 8% as per 2001 census. The schemes of the Department are divided into two sectors viz. Education Development and Economical Development of the communities. The main thrust of the Department is education development of the said communities.

The Budget proposals under the Demand No. 57 for financial year 2013-2014 as placed in the House for Grants as well as the Revised Budget for the financial year 2012-2013 are as follows :-

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
57	a) Non-Plan		16.00			16.00
	b) Plan	942.54	956.00			956.00
	c) C.S.S.	27.09	1090.00			1090.00
	d) N.E.C.	1.00	2.30			2.30
	TOTAL : 20 =	970.63	2064.30			2064.30

The Subject Committee –II in its meeting held on 03-05-2013 examined the aforesaid Budget proposal under Demand No. 57 and also heard the Departmental Representatives who appeared before the Committee on summon.

First of all, the Secretary of the Departments has furnished the informations of the Welfare of Minorities Department to the Committee about the implementation of the recommendations made by the Committee in its 17th Report during the year 2012-13 which are reproduced in seriatim below :-

(i) Record note of the review meeting chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura on the Plan & Achievements of Minorities Department held on 30/04/2012 is enclosed. It was decided that the Housing Complex for the Minorities may not be constructed separately. It may be worked out to keep some flats reserved for the Minorities in the newly constructed housing complexes in consultation with construction agency.

(ii) The finance Department has released fund of Rs.23.00 lakhs during the year 2012-13 and the fund has been increased to Rs.34.00 lakhs during the year 2013-14 in Budget Provision. Entire fund of 2012-13 has been spent for the scheme.

(iii) The following Blocks having 20% and more minority .

1. **Kadamtala Block**
2. **Gournagar**

3. **Boxanagar**
4. **Kathalia**
5. **Melaghar, and**
6. **Sonamura Nagar Panchayat**

Multi Sectoral Developmental Plan (MsDP) will be prepared during 2013-014 .

(iv) Step would be taken for incorporating schemes like rubber, tea and horti-based items during 2013-14 .Step would be taken for incorporating schemes like rubber, tea and horti-based items during 2013-14 .

Information of the Department for Welfare of Minorities

PHYSICAL ACHIEVEMENT DURING 2012-13

Sl.	Name of Scheme	Scheme Details	Physical Achievement	Financial Achievement
1	Pre-Metric Scholarship	Minority students of Classes of VI to VIII are getting scholarship @ Rs. 40/- per month per student and Classes IX & X @ Rs. 50/- per month per student	27074	117.2
2	Post-Metric Scholarship	Minority students of Classes of XI & XII are getting scholarship stipend @ Rs.65/- per month per student	1947	12.3
3	Special Incentive for minority Girls	Those who pass class VI to VII and score 60% marks in the annual examination are given cash award @ Rs. 400/- and those who score 50% to 59% marks in the annual examination are given cash award of Rs. 200/- each. Similarly Rs.700 is paid to the girls who pass class IX and score 60% marks and Rs. 300/- to the girls who score 50% to 59% marks in the annual examination . Rs. 1000/- are paid to the girls who score 50% to 59 % marks in the Madhyamik Examination	1173	4.24
4	Boarding House stipend	At present the minority students of Classes who are residing in the hostel are getting Boarding House Stipend @ Rs. 30 per day per student and Rs..1/- per day per student for sweeping /clearing charges.	401	36.42
5	Moulana Abul Kalam Azad Memorial Award	The Minority students who secured 60% marks in the Madhyamik /HS examination are eligible to get "Moulana Abul Kalam Azad Award." @ Rs. 1,500/- each.	173	2.59
6	Begam Rokya Merit Award	Topper Minority Girl students of Madhyamik & H.S. Exam are entitled to get award with Rs. 5000/- in cash and also a Gold Medal	2	0.3
7	Pre-Metric Scholarship (CSS).	The students of classes I to X are getting scholarship who secured 50% mark in the last examination	3721	55.81
8	Post-Metric Scholarship (CSS)	The students of classes XI onwards are getting scholarship who secured 50% mark in the last examination	346	22.34
9	Merit cum Means(CSS)	The minority students who get admission in		

		a recognised college to pursue technical/ professional course are eligible to get benefit of the scheme if they get 50% marks.	113	35.39
10	Vocational training Courses (GNM, B-Pharma)	The Minority students are being trained in technical courses for their employment . 89 Students sponsored for GNM ; 10 students for B-Pharma and 8 students to TIPS: (i) GNM per student per Year Rs. 60650 (ii) B-Pharma per student per Year 91400	107	67.36
11	Nucleus Budget Scheme	Under the scheme, financial assistance is being provided to the poor minority patients to bear the cost of medicine etc	3000	30
12	Settlement Scheme for Landless	Under the Scheme the Minority Families who are landless workers are being provided grants @ Rs. 50,000/-	40	20
13	Development of Minority group Village Scheme	Under the Scheme the poor Minority Families are being provided grants @ Rs. 10,000/- for setting up small business, Goatery Scheme, purchasing of mulching cow etc.	2000	200
14	Special Central Assistance (SCA)	For selective work fund are being provided (i) Constn. Of Toilet, Water Reservoir at Abhoynagar Masjid Rs.5.69 lakhs (ii) Contn. Of community Hall at Kunjaban Dharmajyoti Buddha Vihar Rs.15 lakhs (iii) Procurement items like cots,chairs etc. for accomodation of 100 boarders of RM girls hostel at Ramkrishna Mahavidyalaya, Kilashahar , Rs. 10 lakhs (iv) Upgradation and renovation of Graveyard (crematory) Shantir Rani Catholic Church premise at Mariamnagar, Agartala , Rs. 8 Lakhs (v) Renovation/Protection of WAKF Properties – 50 Lakhs	5	88.69
15	Term Loan	The corporation is providing loan for welfare of Minorities under Agri. &, Transport Sector, Business Sector & Self employment Sector.	342	433.8
16	Education Loan	The corporation is providing loan for Higher studies of minority students.	40	14.75

TARGET FOR THE YEAR 2012-13

Sl.	Name of Scheme	Scheme Details	Physical Target	Financial Target
1	Pre-Metric Scholarship	Minority students of Classes of VI to VIII are getting scholarship @ Rs. 40/- per month per student and Classes IX & X @ Rs. 50/- per month per student	35190	152
2	Post-Metric Scholarship	Minority students of Classes of XI & XII are getting scholarship stipend @Rs.65/- per month per student	2530	16

3	Special Incentive for minority Girls	Those who pass class VI to VII and score 60% marks in the annual examination are given cash award @ Rs. 400/- and those who score 50% to 59% marks in the annual examination are given cash award of Rs. 200/- each. Similarly Rs.700 is paid to the girls who pass class IX and score 60% marks and Rs. 300/- to the girls who score 50% to 59% marks in the annual examination . Rs. 1000/- are paid to the girls who score 50% to 59 % marks in the Madhyamik Examination	1524	5.8
4	Boarding House stipend	At present the minority students of Classes who are residing in the hostel are getting Boarding House Stipend @ Rs. 30 per day per student and Rs..1/- per day per student for sweeping /clearing charges.	651	80.07
5	Moulana Abul Kalam Azad Memorial Award	The Minority students who secured 60% marks in the Madhyamik /HS examination are eligible to get "Moulana Abul Kalam Azad Award." @ Rs. 1,500/- each.	224	3
6	Begam Rokya Merit Award	Topper Minority Girl students of Madhyamik & H.S. Exam are entitled to get award with Rs. 5000/- in cash and also a Gold Medal	6	0.9
7	Pre-Metric Scholarship (CSS)	The students of classes I to X are getting scholarship who secured 50% mark in the last examination	4800	73
8	Post-Metric Scholarship (CSS)	The students of classes XI onwards are getting scholarship who secured 50% mark in the last examination	350	30
9	Merit cum Means(CSS)	The minority students who get admission in a recognised college to pursue technical/ professional course are eligible to get benefit of the scheme if they get 50% marks.	113	46
10	Vocational training Courses (GNM, B-Pharma)	The Mnority students are being trained in technical courses for their employment . 89 Students sponsored for GNM ; 10 students for B-Pharma and 8 students to TIPs: (i) GNM per student per Year Rs. 60650 (ii) B-Pharma per student per Year 91400	110	70
11	Nucleus Budget Scheme	Under the scheme, financial assistance is being provided to the poor minority patients to bear the cost of medicine etc	2500	30
12	Settlement Scheme for Landless	Under the Scheme the Minority Families who are landless workers are being provided grants @ Rs. 50,000/-	80	40
13	Development of Minority group Village Scheme	Under the Scheme the poor Minority Families are being provided grants @ Rs. 10,000/- for setting up small business, Goatery Scheme, purchasing of milching cow etc.	2000	200
14	Special Central Assistance (SCA)	5 unit	6	60

15	Term Loan	The corporation is providing loan for welfare of Minorities under Agri. & Transport Sector, Business Sector & Self employment Sector.	450	560
16	Education Loan	The corporation is providing loan for Higher studies of minority students.	80	40

After careful examination of the Budget proposals and appreciation of the submission placed by the Secretary of the Department, the Committee makes the following recommendations :

RECOMMENDATIONS


i) The Department to approach to ARD & Finance Department for creation of posts in the Directorate. ARD & Finance Department to consider creation of post by giving concurrence thereof to strengthen the Department in phase manner.

ii] Madrassa education has to be extended in collaboration with the Education Department basing on the population of a particular locality throughout the State.

iii] Students attending School and Colleges of BPL group covering 3 K.M. or more are to be provided with bi-cycle. The Department to work out the need and approach the Planning and the Finance Department to allocate the fund accordingly.

In fine, the Committee recommends the Budget proposals under Demand No. 57. for Grants by the House notwithstanding the other recommendations made here-in-above which may be the guideline for the Department to be followed.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


(Padma Kumar Debbarma)
Chairman
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**REPORT ON
TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT
(DEMAND NO. 19)**

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Tribal Welfare Department. The matters are – (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 19 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Tribal Welfare Department is under the Demand No. 19. The object of the different Schemes under this Department is to develop the people belonging to Scheduled Tribes in the State. For Welfare of this community, various schemes drawn up by the State Government are implemented, inter alia, through the said Deptt. These schemes are sponsored by the State Govt. and Central Govt. Some of the important schemes relating to the Department are as follows :-

Economic Development Scheme, Educational Scheme. (The Education Scheme provides Grant-in-aid, Scholarship/Stipend, Book-Grants for S.T. Students, Up-gradation of the merit of ST Students, Pre-matric-Scholarship, Post-matric-Scholarship etc.), various training programmes for ST boys and girls, loan to ST students for Higher Studies, Nutrition Programme etc.

The Budget proposals under the Demand No. 19 for the Financial year 2013-14 as placed in the House for grants as well as the Revised Budget for the year 2012-13 are shown below :-

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department Tribal Welfare	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14		
			Demand	Fund placed with	
T.S.P	S.C.P.				
19	a) Non-Plan	5405.44	5042.50		5042.50
	b) Plan	18609.02	19904.40		19904.40
	c) C.S.S.	2754.56	4100.00		4100.00
	d) N.E.C.	71.70	100.00		100.00
	e) N.L.C.P.R.				
	TOTAL : 19 =	26840.72	29146.90		29146.90

As referred by the House, the Budget proposals under Demand No. 19 is examined by the Subject Committee –II in its meeting held on 04-05-2013 and heard the Secretary of the Department, who appeared before the Committee on summon.

First of all, the Committee wanted to know the Action taken by the Department in respect of the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 to which the Departmental representatives submitted that the following actions have been taken in respect of the recommendations as mentioned in seriatim below :-

- (i) The rate of Boarding House Stipend is being revised to Rs. 41/- per student per day from the existing Rs.31/- as intimated by the Finance Department, Government of Tripura.
- (ii) ST Corporation has taken following steps for recovery of outstanding debt from the loanee :-
 - # Recovery-cum-awareness campaign is being organized at the District level and Block level through out the year.

- # Notice has been issued to the defaulters on regular basis.
- # Door to door visits as well as persuasion to the defaulters is being made by the Field Supervisors.
- # Notice has been issued to the concerned DDOs for deduction of salary from the guarantors who are defaulters.

(iii) Initiatives have been taken to make non-functional ST hostels functional. Most of the hostels are in dilapidated condition and major renovation work including electrical wiring, supply of water is required. Proposal has been sent to the MoTA, Govt. of India for renovation and construction of ST hostels. However, despite limited budget provision, the Tribal Welfare Department provided fund for supply of furniture and utensil to ST hostels. Some fund has also been provided on priority basis for repairing and maintenance work of ST hostels.

(iv) Instruction has been given to all hostel superintendents to display Food-Chart properly and to provide food items to the hosteler as per Food Chart. Surprise visits are being conducted by the officials at the state level, district level and sub-divisional level on regular basis.

(v) Initiatives have been taken for creation of posts in Tripura Scheduled Tribes Co-operative Development Corporation Ltd.

(vi) TTAADC under the Sixth Schedule is being fully supported by the State Government by transferring plan funds, share of taxes etc. The allocation of funds to TTAADC during the current year had also been increased. Subjects like Agri, Horti, ARDD, Fisheries, PWD (WR) etc. along with staff, existing infrastructure and fund have already been handed over to the TTAADDC.

Financial and physical achievement under TW schemes during 2012-13 :-

Sl. No.	Name of Schemes	Achievement during 2012-13
1.	Mtc./Repairs of Office and Tribal Rest House.	Repairs of Office buildings-1 no, Mtc of TRH -3 nos. & Ashram School-1 no.
2.	Boarding House Stipend.	20,564 students
3.	Pre-Matric Scholarship.	93,751 students
4.	Inter Hostel Competition.	Inter hostel competition among the ST students of High and H.S. School
5.	Grants to Sponsoring Students outside the State.	265 students (New-52- Old-213)
6.	Merit Award	6,038 students
7.	Coaching to Drop-out Madhyamik failed Stu.	800 students
8.	Coaching & Allied Scheme	830 students
9.	Folk Arts & Culture etc.	Payment of hiring charges of Vehicle for transportation of Pilgrims in connection with Tirthamukh mela, Garia puja and Tribal Leaders Dinner Programme in connection with Republic Day. Organising seminar on Darlong customary law at Derchawi. Kok-Borok day festival, District level / Sub-Divisional level Folk Dance Competition.
10.	Spl. Coaching in Core Subject.	35 Centres
11.	Supply of Free Text Books.	42,870 students

12.	Supply of Furniture to Hostels.	Supply of Furniture to 4 nos.EMR, 3 nos.Ashram and Ino. Residential Schools and Supply of furniture, utensils & hostels materials etc. for newly constructed Tribal Rest House at Tulasikhar and Purchasing of materials & inauguration for 3 nos. TR House at Chowmanu, Tepania, Chailengta.
13.	Grant-in-aid to Residential Educational Society.	Recurring grants for 3 nos. Ashram Schools.
14.	Renovation of buildings.	7 nos at ST Girls hostel attached to Ratanpur Class XII School, Gandacherra H.S. School, Kailashahar Girls H.S. School, RMM Ashram School, Kanchanpur for ST Boys & Girls hostel, ST Boys hostel Kamalpur Govt. Degree College and Abhoynagar ST Boys College Hostel.
15.	Share Contribution to ST Corporation.	5,000 B class share
16.	Nucleus Budget scheme.	Financial assistance to 4,413 nso.ST patients.
17.	Rehabilitation of 1998-Surrendered Extremists	Re-payment of NSTFDC Loan.
18.	Sixth Scheduled, Transfer of fund to TTAADC.	Grants to TTAADC for Development works.
19.	Special Central Assistance to TSP (SCA to TSP)	Rubber plantation-875, Horti-118 and Tea Plantation-124 families and Coffee Plantation-32 families, implementation of income generating activities 2 families, Implementation of Women Project-50 SHGs. Implementation of diversion scheme over Monaicherra under Khowai District with construction of branch canal.
20.	Articles 275(I)	Implementation of Sch. Tribes and other traditional Forest Dwellers Act. and Forest Rights related data entry. (ii) Construction of ST Boys hostel at Barlutma H.S. School, Kamalpur (iii) Construction of 50 seated ST Boys hostel attached to Khedacherra H.S. School under Damcherra (iv) Renovation and purchase of necessary article of T.H. House at Ambassa. (v) Mtc./repairing of T.R. House at Amarpur. (vi) Construction of T.R. House at Chowmanu.(vii) Construction of Tribal Rest House at Tulashikhar, Khowai. (2) Construction of Tribal Rest House at Tulashikhar under Khowai Sub-Division and Construction of Tribal Rest House at Santirbazar under Santirbazar Sub-Division. (3) Construction of 480 seated Eklavya Model Residential School at Rajnagar.(4) Recurring Grants to 4 nos. Eklavya Model Residential School. (5) Fund placed to 8 nos. DWO's and 23 nos. SDWO's for implementation of monitoring & evaluation scheme.
21.	13th Finance Commission	Construction of 4 nos. Zonal Offices and Development of Kok-borok language & culture under TTAADC areas.
22.	Special Central Assistance(SCA-untied)	Construction of 100 seated ST Girls hostel attached to MTB

23.	Post- Matric Scholarship (CSS-100%)	Girls H.S. School (Hostel-No.1) 18 406, students
24.	Up-gradation of Merit for ST student (CSS-100%)	16 nos. ST students for Boarding and Lodging charges, pocket money, Book & stationery and Honorarium to Principal.
25.	Minor Forest Produce Operation (CSS- 100%)	Procurement of Arjun flower, collection of Agarbati sticks etc.
26.	Const. of Boys and Girls hostel (CSS)	Establishment of 16 nos. Ashram School in TSP areas (Girls- 12 nos. & Boys-4 nos.).
27.	NEC	Cost of working capital for YAKAM Project viz "Livelihood Development through Pilot Bamboo Enterprise for Rehabilitation of Surrendered Militants in Tripura". Cost of Generator set including installation charge of YAKAM Project.

Financial and physical target under TW schemes during 2013-14 :-

Sl. No.	Name of Schemes	Achievement during 2012-13
1.	Mtc./Repairs of Office and Tribal Rest House.	Mtc./Repairs of Office building and Tribal Rest houses.
2.	Boarding House Stipend.*	21,497 students
3.	Pre-Matric Scholarship.	1,04,950 students
4.	Inter Hostel Competition.	Inter hostel competition among the ST students of High and H.S. School.
5.	Grants to Sponsored outside stu.	265 students
6.	Merit Award	4,500 students
7.	Coaching to Drop-out Madhyamik failed Stu.	1,250 students
8.	Coaching & Allied Scheme	550 students
9.	Folk ArtsCulture etc.	Mela, Festival, Exhibition etc.
10.	Special Coaching in Core Subject.	2,640 students
11.	Supply of Free Text Books.	44,404 students
12.	Supply of Furniture to Hostels.	Supply of Furniture and utensils to 14 nos. hostels and Tribal Rest Houses.
13.	Grant-in-aid to Residential Educational Society.	Recurring grants for Ashram School.
14.	Construction of Boys and Girls Hostels	Construction/re-construction of 10 nos. Girls & Boys hostels.
15.	Renovation of Hostel.	Renovation/ Mtc. of hostels and Tribal Rest Houses.
16.	Share Contribution to ST Corporation.	Purchase of 6000 Nos. B class share
17.	Nucleus Budget scheme.	Financial assistance to 5,300 ST patients.
18.	Rehabilitation of Surrendered Extremist.	Financial assistance to Surrendered Extremist.

19. Rehabilitation of 1998-Surrendered Extremist	Re-payment of NSTFDC Loan.
20. Sixth Scheduled, Transfer of fund to TTAADC.	Grants to TTAADC for Development works.
21. Articles 275(I)	Recurring grant to EMR Schools (Existing) under TTWREIS. Improvement/ renovation of ST Hostels/ Schools-5 nos.Re-const. of TR house - 5 nos. Monitoring & Evaluation of T.W. Schemes.
22. Special Central Assistance to TSP (SCA to TSP)	Rubber-1300 families,Tea-100 families, Coffee-100 families, Horti-308 families, Financial support for SHG-100 Groups, Water based income Generating activities-200 families and Income Generating Activities-500 families.
23. Post Matric Scholarship (CSS-100%)	18,406 students
24. Up-gradation of Merit for ST student (CSS-100%)	16 students
25. Pre-Matric Scholarship.	Hostellers-7622 and Day Scholars-33,239 students
26. Minor Forest Produce Operation (CSS- 100%)	Procurement of Arjun flower, collection of Agarbati sticks.
27. Construction of Boys and Girls Hostels (CSS)	Construction/re-construction of 10 nos. Girls & Boys hostels.
28. NEC	Need based.

* *The rate of boarding house stipend is being revised to Rs.41/- per student per day from the existing Rs. 31/- per student per day as intimated by the Finance Department, Government of Tripura.*

During discussion, Hon'ble Members of the Committee expressed that the present condition of the Boarding Houses in the State not up to the mark. They mentioned that the building of Boarding Houses are dilapidated, insufficient rooms and furniture are there, no boundary walls around many Boarding Houses, management are not well, even no sufficient utensils also. Therefore, the department to be taken effective steps to over come from this mismanagement.

The Committee opined that – (i) New Boarding House building be constructed, (ii) Boarding House capacity be increased, (iii) necessary furniture, utensils be supplied to all the Boarding Houses, (iv) re-construction of building be done, (v) to re-open the closed Boarding Houses, (vi) to establish the new Boarding Houses as per requirement and (vii) to organise the health camps time to time in the remote areas as well as in the hostels of ST students.

After examination of the Budget Proposals and appreciation of the submission made by the Secretary of the Department, the Committee recommends as follows :

RECOMMENDATIONS

i) The Department to continue its endeavour to re-open the closed ST Boys/ Girls Hostel and proper maintenance of the running Hostels and also to increase seats.

ii] The Department to ensure creation of adequate number of posts as are essential for effective performance of ST Corporation.


Finance Department to consider concurring of the proposal of creation of posts, if necessary, in phase manner.

iii] Grant of Loan should be with the alternative guarantors like genuine land holders.

iv] Periodical health camps are to be organised by the Department of its own along with awareness camps against superstition, use of own method of treatment etc. in Block areas as well as Hostels through NGO or in collaboration with Health Department.

In fine, notwithstanding the recommendations which may be the guidelines for the Department, the Committee recommends the Demand No. 19 for Grants by the House.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


(Padma Kumar Debbarma)
Chairman
Subject Committee - II
Tripura Legislative Assembly.

**REPORT ON
THE DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL REHABILITATION IN PLANTATION
& PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE TRIBAL GROUP (TRP & PTG)
(DEMAND NO. 32)**

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Department of Tribal Rehabilitation in Plantation & Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (TRP & PTG). The matters are – (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 32 in respect of implementation/ action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Department of Tribal Rehabilitation in Plantation & Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (TRP & PTG) is under Demand No. 32. The object of the different scheme under this Department is to develop the PTG (Reang) through Rehabilitation under various schemes i.e. Plantation scheme, Animal Husbandry inputs, Skill-up-gradation, Health Care through Mobile Medical Unit (PTG), Assistance to Public Sector Undertaking, etc. during the year 2012-13.

The Budget proposals under the Demand No. 32 for the Financial year 2013-14 as placed in the House for grants as well as the Revised Budget for the year 2012-13 are shown below :-

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department TRP & PTG Deptt.	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
32	a) Non-Plan	517.86	596.00			596.00
	b) Plan	150.44	159.90			159.90
	c) C.S.S.	1010.40				
	d) N.E.C.					
	TOTAL : 32 =	1678.70	755.90			755.90

As referred by the House, the Budget proposals under Demand No. 32 is examined by the Subject Committee –II in its meeting held on 04-05-2013 and heard the Special Secretary of the Department, who appeared before the Committee on summon.

First of all, the Committee wanted to know the action taken by the Department in respect of the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012–13 in its 17th Report to which the Secretary submitted the replies in seriatim which are furnished below :-

(i) For filling up of vacant posts process of selection have been completed . As per Memo. No. F. 10(6)-FIN/2010 dated 31-07-2010 approval of Finance Deptt. is required for appointment. The relevant file have been placed to the Finance Department. Decision of the Finance Department is now pending.

Nos. of posts are as follows:-

(a) Programme Officer-4, (b) Programme Assistant-49, (c) Agri. Assistant-1, (d) Lower Division Clerk-5, (e) Programme Helper-8, (f) Group D-3 .

Construction status of Kumarghat T. R .Division office. Not constructed due to fund constraint.

Construction of quarter in Udaipur T. R. Division Office. Not constructed due to fund constraint.

(ii) Department in collaboration with the Health Department organized 120 Health Camps through following Mobile Medical Units:-

(a) Damcharra , Kanchanpur, North, Longthorai Valley, Dhalai, Udaipur/Amarpur South.

The achievement made during the year 2012–13 by the Department are shown as under :-

(A) STATE PLAN :

1	Direction & Administration	
2	<u>Plantation Scheme</u>	
	(a) Rubber plantation	62.90 hac
	(b) Mtc. of Rubber plantation	64.00 hac
3	Assistance Public Sector PSU	1(Corporation)
4	Mobile Medical Unit	5031 patients
5	Training of Workers	

(B) CENTRAL SECTOR SCHEME (CSS) :

- (i) Rubber Cultivation,
- (ii) Housing Assistance,
- (iii) JBY Renewals,
- (iv) Other Economic Development etc.

The achievement to be made by the Department during the year 2013–14 are shown as under :-

(A) STATE PLAN :

- 1) Direction & Administration,
- 2) Plantation Scheme (Rubber),
- 3) Assistance Public Sector PSU,
- 4) Mobile Medical Unit (Free cost of treatment),
- 5) Training of Workers. (for staff training).

(B) CENTRAL SPONSORED SCHEMES (CCS) :

During the financial year 2013-14 the flow of fund under CSS is expected to be Rs. 950.54 lakhs approximately.

After careful examination of the budget proposals and appreciation of the submission, the Committee recommends the following :

RECOMMENDATIONS

i) *The Department to continue its endeavour towards creation of posts as are pending before the Finance Department.*


Finance Department to effectively consider giving concurrence of the proposal at least in phase manner.

ii] *The Department to continue organizing of Health Camps through Medical Unit to uncovered areas.*

iii] *Sanitation in the colony areas are to be ensured by the Department.*

In fine, the Committee recommends the Demand for Grants under Demand No. 32 by the House notwithstanding the other recommendations made here-in-above which may be the guidelines of the Department to be followed.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


(**Padma Kumar Debbarma**)
Chairman
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Tripura Legislative Assembly.

REPORT ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT (DEMAND NO. 33)

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Science and Technology Department. These are (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 33 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Department of Science, Technology and Environment is an important Department of the Government of Tripura, which has been set up for providing better support and guidance in the sector of Science and technology and to promote the Environmental condition in the State.

The Demand for Grants under Demand No.33 relating to the Department, for the financial year 2013-2014 as placed in the House for Grants as well as the Revised Budget for the financial year 2012-2013 are as follows:

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			TOTAL
			Demand	Fund placed with		
	T.S.P			S.C.P.		
33	a) Non-Plan	221.68	255.20			255.20
	b) Plan	1063.50	349.00	452.00	264.00	1065.00
	c) C.S.S.					
	d) N.E.C.					
	TOTAL : 33 =	1285.18	604.20	452.00	264.00	1320.20

As referred by the House, the Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly in its meeting held on 04-05-2013 examined the Budget proposal under Demand No.33 and also heard the Departmental representative who appeared before the Committee on summon.

First of all the Committee likes to know the action taken by the Department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 about the progress/development of the works of the Department in the sector of Science, Technology and Environment in the State, to which the Department furnished the informations in seriatim below :-

(i) The Department proposed creation of 40 posts to strengthen the existing four (4) District Offices and opening of District Offices at other four (4) Districts. In fact, Department has no regular Scientific Officer in the District Offices. We are yet to receive concurrence from the Finance Department regarding creation of posts.

(ii) As per terms & conditions of work implemented by Tripura Renewable Energy Development Agency (TREDA) through different suppliers/ Manufactures of Solar Home lighting Systems, Solar Lanterns etc, the suppliers/ Manufactures are to provide 5(five) years maintenance service for the systems installed. Accordingly, as per suggestions of TREDA, they have trained local youths for maintenance of the systems and service centres manned by such trained youths have been set up by the suppliers/ Manufactures for sustainable operation of the systems. The list of such service centres with name & contact number of the

concerned person have been floated in TREDA website and sent to concerned BDO office also. A copy of the list is enclosed herewith as **Annexure – I**.

It is to mention here that the functionality of these service centres is being monitored regularly by TREDA.

(iii) Government of India introduced a new rule “The Plastic Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2011” superseding the earlier Rules. The Department has submitted a proposal for total ban on use of plastic carry bags in the line of notification banning use of carry bags issued by several other state governments. The Department is processing the matter to place the matter before the Council of Minister for kind approval towards total banning of plastic carry bags.

(iv) 8 numbers Health Sub Centres under Dhalai District have already been provided with solar power plantS for meeting the lighting and other needs of the Sub Centres. The list of sub centres is enclosed as **Annexure-II**.

Another 12 numbers of Health Sub Centres under Dhalai District will be covered in this year. 100% fund for the work is being provided by the District Administration, Dhalai.

TREDA had submitted a proposal to MNRE, Govt of India for commissioning of solar power plants of different capacity at 79 numbers of Primary Health Centres, 13 numbers of Sub divisional Hospitals and 3 numbers of District Hospitals of the state, Very recently MNRE, Govt of India has sanctioned the proposal and some CFA for the work. The Department of the Health Services, Tripura has been requested to provide the balance fund of the tune of about Rs.4.00 crores for implementing the project. As soon as the balance fund is placed / committed by the Health Department, necessary actions will be taken by TREDA for implementation of the project. The list of these PHCs, Sub divisional Hospital and District Hospitals is enclosed as **Annexure-III**.

(v) Science Communication activities targeted to Students to enrich through nucleating science clubs in all High and Higher Secondary Schools and Science Forum in all Degree Colleges / University etc and Development of communication materials mainly multimedia presentation on different topics.

Till date Science Club has been nucleated in 527 schools and Science Forum in 18 Degree Colleges, 21 multimedia presentation (Scientific movie) have been developed and arranged for dissemination.

Target has been envisaged to publish a Science Magazine periodically from Science & Technology Council and initiation of a scheme for Science Feature Service to cater the demand of Local Newspapers.

Apart from that, plan has been made to nucleate District Level Science Forum / Science Centre to coordinate Science & Technology activities at District level.

To motivate the students, researchers and faculties of the institutes of Higher & Technical Education in R & D organisation number of workshops has been organized and Science Congress has been introduced.

DNA clubs are being set up in different schools of the State with the objective to promote deeper awareness about bio-resources and to enthuse students about role of Biotechnology. So far, 17 DNA Clubs have been set up.

The Special Secretary also informed in details amongst others the achievement made during the year 2012–13 on different schemes and the plan of action for the year 2013–14 as follows :-

(i) The Achievement during the year 2012-13 :-

Ecology & Environment related Programme

(i) World Environment Day – 2012 was observed in all districts.

(ii) The State Action Plan on Climate Change has been prepared with an outlay of Rs.1250 crores and

submitted to the Ministry of Environment & Forest, Government of India. National Steering Committee, Government of India has approved the State Action Plan submitted. The Department has started some activities on Climate Change.

(iii) Tripura State Pollution Control Board has donated 15 TATA LPK-407 Tipper Truck to the 15 Nagar Panchayets of the State for management and handling of Municipal Solid Waste.

(iv) With association of Deptt of Geography and Disaster Management of the Tripura Central University, the Tripura State Pollution Control Board has prepared and published Geo Environmental Status report of Haora river and Gomti river.

(v) National Environmental Engineering Institute, a CSIR organization has been entrusted for developing Data Bank in respect of Air & Water, Soil quality and ambient Noise status for entire Tripura State up to Block level. The work will be completed soon.

Non conventional Sources of Energy related Programme

(i) 441 families living in Nagar Panchayet & Agartala Municipal Council areas have been provided with Solar lantern.

(ii) 72 nos Biogas plants have been installed in Shipahihijala, Khowai, West Tripura District.

(iii) 24,500 LPD Solar Hot Water Plants have been installed in different Primary Health Centers, Hospitals, Residential Schools, Circuit Houses, tourists lodges.

(iv) 1,617 Solar Caps have been distributed among the Rickshaw pullers of Nagar Panchayet & Agartala Municipal Council areas.

(v) 196 Solar Street Lighting Systems have been installed Santirbazar, Amarpur, Dharmanagar, Udaipur, Khowai Nagar Panchayet and Mohanpur, Tulashikhar, Hazamara Block etc.

(vi) 40 nos Solar Garden lights have been installed at Laxminarayan Bari Temple.

(vii) Under Remote Village Electrification Programme, 142 families have been covered with Solar Home lighting system.

Remote Sensing & GIS activities through Tripura Space Application Centre.

(i) Delineation of all thematic layers and quality check of the layers by NRSC, Hyderabad for the project work of Ground Water Prospect and Quality Mapping under Rajib Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission has been completed. Ground Water Prospect Maps are in progress.

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(ii) Project work for study on rubber plantation and delineation of major river basins completed and report is under preparation.

(iii) Project work for delineation of land use change for three districts completed.

Science Popularisation & Science Promotion Programme

(i) A two day State level workshop on floral craft technology developed by CSIR-NBRI, Lucknow was organised on November 21-22 at Bishalgarh Agriculture Office. 50 floriculturists participated in the workshop.

(ii) District level and Subdivision level Science Fair were organized.

(iii) District level and Subdivision level Student Science Seminars were organized.

(iv) State level Inter College Drama Competition was organized on November 27-29, 2012.

Development of Sukanta Academy for Science, Arts & Culture

(i) A 3-D Theater, Gallery of Wealth of Tripura and Gallery of new Fun Science were established in the Sukanta Academy for Science, Arts & Culture at Children Park.

(ii) Biotechnology related Programme.

(iii) 17 DNA clubs (Department of Biotechnology Natural Resources Awareness Club) have been established in different H.S. Schools for making awareness among students.

(iv) 8.26 hectare land has been raised for tissue culture sabri banana at Gandacherra, Murapara, Dudhpushkarani, Gilati, Das para, Nalchar, Sabroom under the project of DBT Mission for Quality Planting Material during the year 2012-13.

(v) One day workshop for Buyer Seller meet on organic produce with 104 participants was organized at Pragna Bhawan.

(vi) 3 hectare demonstration plot for organic farming has been developed at Mohanpur and Matabari blocks.

(vii) One training programme with 50 farmers on Integrated Pest Management (IPM) on vegetable crops at Jirania block was organized

(viii) One training programme with 70 farmers on value addition of Horticultural Crops was organized at Press Club.

(ix) One training programme with 70 farmers on Improved Technologies of vegetable and spices was organized at Matabari block.

(x) One training programme with 70 farmers on high density planting and canopy management of important fruit crops was organized at Kakraban Panchayat Samiti.

(xi) One training programme with 70 farmers on horticulture marketing was organized at Press Club.

(ii) The Plan / Programme and any Project to be implemented during the year 2013-14 :-

Non conventional Sources of Energy related Programme

(i) Solar Home Lighting System	10000 families
(ii) Installation of Solar Lighting System	750 nos
(iii) Installation of Solar Lantern	20,000 nos
(iv) Installation of Solar Power Plant	250 kw
(v) Installation of Solar Home Lighting System (Urban area)	8,000 nos
(vi) Installation of Solar Water Heating System	50,000 LPD
(vii) Solar Home Lighting System	10000 families

Remote Sensing & GIS activities through Tripura Space Application Centre

(i) Creation and classification of web enabling GIS data, Spatial Data infrastructure for Tripura-procurement of ArcGIS Server, Microsoft SQL Server

(ii) Study on rubber plantation, major river basin

Science Popularisation Programme

(i) Activities related to Science Club and Science Forum, Science drama competition, Student Science Seminar, Mathematic Olympiad, Subdivision and District level Science Fair, Observance of important days, Award distribution (CV Raman, Sir J.C. Bose etc)

Science Promotion Programme

(i) Introduction / Adoption of new and appropriate technologies from CSIR

(ii) Involving of SHG for intervention of appropriate technology

(iii) Establishment of Science City at Bishalgarh, Agartala.

Development of Sukanta Academy for Science, Arts & Culture

(i) Running and operation of Sukanta Academy and Cultural training programme, Science Education programme of Sukanta Academy

(ii) Setting up of Digital Planetarium with the help of NCSM

(iii) Primary work for mirror gallery

(iv) Establishment of Sub – Regional Science Centre with help of NCSM

Biotechnology related Programme

(i) Establishment of demo plot for organic farming

(ii) Awareness cum training prog on Integrated Pest Management

(iii) implementation of DBT Mission for Quality Planting Material Production and utilization for North East

(iv) Cultivation of nutritional medicinal and vegetable plants

(v) Module for bioscience communication among children

(vi) Setting up of new DNA club in different schools

Ecology & Environment related Programme

(i) Celebration of World Environment Day- 2013

(ii) Solid Waste Management in the State

(iii) Biomedical Waste Management in the State

(iv) Setting up of zonal laboratories and offices at Ambassa, Kumarghat & Udaipur.

(v) To establish monitoring station and to undertake air quality monitoring in three stations-Motorstand, Battala, Circuit house

(vi) To monitor arsenic detection level and other water parameters of ground / surface water quality up to block level across the state

(vi) Pollution load assessment of Maharani Brick Industries Clusters

(vii) Manu & Khowai Rivers pollution load study

(viii) Awareness programme on Climate Change issues.

. After examination of the budget proposal and appreciation of the submission presented by the Secretary, the Committee recommends as follows :-

RECOMMENDATIONS

i] Department to continue its persuasion for creation of 40 (forty) posts pending before the Finance Department.


Finance Department to consider concurring the proposal if necessary, in phase manner.

ii] The Department to maintain its endeavour towards complete ban on the use of plastic carry bags.

iii] Department to ensure providing Solar Lights to uncovered Sub-Centres and P.H.C. as early as possible.

Notwithstanding the recommendations which may be guidelines for the Department, the Committee recommends the Budget proposals under Demands No. 33 for Grants by the House.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


(Padma Kumar Debbarma)
Chairman
Subject Committee - II
Tripura Legislative Assembly.

Annexure - I

List of Service Center for Implementation of Solar Lantern Programme (20,000nos)in Nagar Panchayats / Agartala Municipal Area

Name of the Agency- M/s Sigma Steel & Engineers Pvt.Ltd, Kolkata

Sl.No	Name of NPs	Service Center Name and Contact Person	Contact Number
1.	Belonia	Pranay (Biplab) Majumder Near Motor Stand	9774804337(M)
2.	Santir Bazar	Sri Paritosh Das Podder Electronics Bokafa Road	9436522853(M)
3.	Amarpur	Sri Paritosh Das Joyram Electronic House	9436522853(M)
4.	Ranir Bazar	Sri Satyajit Roy M/s Swarupnanda and Electrical Center	9863720657(M) 9862017164(M)
5.	Teliamura	Sri Ashutosh Das Biswakarma Iron and Industries	9436594757(M)
6.	Udaipur	Sri Paritosh Das Udaipur Phulkumari Road	9436522853(M)
7.	Kumarghat	Sri Ajoy Majumder Opposite of Tripti Hotel	9862200128(M)
8.	Kailasahar	Sri Rakhil Deb Roy Electrical Sriniketan Shopping Complex	9436908649(M)
9.	Agartala Municipal Council(AMC)	Sri Partha Chakraborty Sigma Steel & Engineers Pvt Ltd Ramnagar-8 Sri Rajat Roy ONGC, Bank Chowmuhan Panchamukh Road,Badharghat	9436354333(M) 9774481960(M) 9856440966(M)
10.	Kamalpur	Sri Manoj Ghosh Pulchari Road Manoj Decorator, Kamalpur	9436532616(M)
11.	Dharmanagar	Sri Tapan Das Deep Electronics Naya Para,Kadamtali Road,Dharmanagar	9862618614(M)
12.	Sabroom	Sri Debabrata Chakraborty Naban Electronics Choto Khill Road	9436519912(M)
13.	Khowai	Sri Prabir Das Surya Rasmi Near Hari Mandir, Khowai	9436594757(M)
14.	Ambasa	Sri Tapan Debnath M/s Supriya Electronics Parjat Market Building Ambasa Bazar	8014200501(M) 9436796838(M)
15.	Sonamura	Sri Pranesh Saha Sonamura Indira Market Room No-10	9856686756(M) 9436506180(M)

Contact Person of Authorised Agent from Sigma Steel & Engineers Pvt Ltd for Tripura.
Sri Ajay Pal, Surya Chowmuhan, Mob No-9774543698

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List of Service Center for Implementation of Remote Village Electrification Programme [251 hamlet, 7278nos family]

Name of the Agency- M/s Jain Irrigation Systems Ltd, Jalgaon, Maharashtra
Implementation Year- 2010-11 & 2011-12

Sl.No	Name of the District	Block Name	Address	Contact Name with Phone Number
1.	North Tripura District	Kumarghat	Near TRTC Bus Stand,Kumarghat	Sri Jayanta Malaker +91-9612538810
2.		Pecharthal	Main Road,Near RD Block Office,Pecharthal	Sri Bishwajit Chakraborty +91-9436154306
3.	South Tripura District	Ompi	Ompi Nagar,Near Ompi Block	Sri Padamani Kaloi +91-8014862566
4.		Rupaichari	Sonaichari Bazar,Near Rupaichari RD Block	Sri Gurudhan Debbarma +91-9615792596
5.	West Tripura District	Jampuijala	Takarjala Bazar,Jampuijala	Sri Niranjan Tripura +91-9612806913
6.	Dhalai District	Ambasa	Ambasa Motor Stand[A.A.Road]	Sri Arunjoy Reang +91-9402106786
7.		Dumburnagar	Dumburnagar Bazar	Sri Kishore Joy Tripura +91-9436478507
8.	North Tripura District	Gournagar	Main Road,Gournagar Bazar	Sri Raghu Chakraborty +91-9436154306
9.	South Tripura District	Karbook	Karbook Bazar	Sri Mongsaw Meg +91-9436793025

Contact person of Authorised Agent from Jain Irrigation System Ltd for Tripura
Sri Bishnupada Pal,
Jail Asram Road, North side of Satadal Sangha,Asram Chowmuhan
Mob No- 9774023827

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Annexure - II

List of Health Sub-centres under Dhalai District where SPV Power Plants have been installed :

1. Siddhapara Health Sub Centre, Ambasa
2. Kamamanipara Health Sub Centre, Ambasa
3. Tuichakma Health Sub Centre, Dumburnagar
4. Rudhijala Health Sub Centre, Dumburnagar
5. Laxmipur Health Sub Centre, Dumburnagar
6. Dalapati Health Sub Centre, Dumburnagar
7. Bowalkhati Health Sub Centre, Dumburnagar
8. Lalchara Health Sub Centre, Manu

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Annexure - III

List of Primary Health Centres where SPV Power Plants to be installed :

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Name of the Sub-division	Name of the R. D. Block	Name of the PHC
1.	West Tripura District	Sadar	Mohanpur	Bamutia
2.	Do	Do	Do	Katlamara
3.	Do	Do	Do	Narsinghar
4.	Do	Do	Do	Chachubazar
5.	Do	Do	Mandai	Borakha
6.	Do	Do	Do	Mandai
7.	Do	Do	Jirania	Ranirbazar
8.	Sipahijala	Bishalghar	Dukli	Anandanagar
9.	Do	Do	Do	Kanchanmala
10.	Do	Do	Bishalghar	Bishramganj
11.	Do	Do	Do	Madhupur
12.	Do	Do	Do	Dayarampara
13.	Do	Sonamura	Kathalia	Kathalia
14.	Do	Do	Do	Dhanpur
15.	Do	Do	Boxanagar	Boxanagar
16.	Do	Do	Do	Kamalnagar
17.	Do	Do	Do	Motinagar
18.	Do	Do	Melaghat	Taibandal
19.	Khowai	Khowai	Khowai	Chebri
20.	Do	Do	Padmabil	Ampura
21.	Do	Do	Do	Baijalbari
22.	Do	Do	Mungiakami	Mungiakami
23.	Do	Do	Tulashikhar	Tulashikhar
24.	Do	Do	Do	Behalabari
25.	Gomati	Amarpur	Karbook	Chellagang
26.	Do	Do	Do	Karbook
27.	Do	Do	Rupaichari	Shilachari
28.	Do	Do	Amarpur	Tirthamukh
29.	Do	Do	Kakraban	Kakraban
30.	Do	Do	Do	Tulamura
31.	Do	Do	Killa	Killa
32.	Do	Do	Do	Atharabhola
33.	Do	Do	Matabari	Maharani
34.	Do	Do	Do	Garjee
35.	South Tripura District	Belonia	Hrishamukh	Nalua
36.	Do	Do	Do	Hrishamukh
37.	Do	Do	Do	Ratanpur
38.	Do	Do	Do	Kwaifung
39.	Do	Do	Rajnagar	Rajnagar
40.	Do	Do	Do	Barpathari
41.	Do	Do	Do	Niharnagar
42.	Do	Do	Bakafa	Muhuripur
43.	Do	Do	Do	Jolaibari
44.	Do	Do	Do	Santirbazar
45.	Do	Do	Do	Baikhora
46.	Do	Do	Rupaichari	Rupaichari
47.	Do	Do	Do	Manubankul
48.	Do	Do	Satchan	Srinagar
49.	Do	Do	Do	Kalacharra
50.	Unakoti	Kailashahar	Gournagar	Irani
51.	Do	Do	Do	Dhanbilash
52.	Do	Do	Kumarghat	Kanchanbari

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53	Unakoti	Kailashahar	Gournagar	Fatikroy
54	North Tripura	Dharmanagar	Kadamtala	Sanicherra
55	Do	Do	Do	Brajendranagar
56	Do	Do	Do	Kadamtala
57	Do	Do	Panisagar	Bungnung
58	Do	Do	Do	Jalebasa
59	Do	Do	Do	Panisagar
60	Do	Do	Do	Tilthai
61	Do	Do	Do	Uptakhali
62	Do	Kanchanpur	Pecharthal	Pecharthal
63	Do	Do	Do	Machmara
64	Do	Do	Do	Anandabazar
65	Do	Do	Do	Dasda
66	Do	Do	Damcherra	Damcherra
67	Do	Do	Do	Khedacherra
68	Do	Do	Jampui Hills	Jampui
69	Dhalai	Ambassa	Ambassa	Ambassa
70	Do	Do	Do	Kulai
71	Do	Do	Do	Ganganagar
72	Do	Gandacherra	Damburnagar	Jagabandhupara
73	Do	Do	Do	Raishyabari
74	Do	Kamalpur	Salema	Maracharra
75	Do	Do	Do	Nakashipara
76	Do	Do	Do	Salema
77	Do	Longthraivalley	Manu	82 miles
78	Do	Do	Chawmanu	Chawmanu
79	Do	Do	Do	Manikpur

List of Sub-divisional Hospitals where SPV Power Plants to be installed :

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Name of the Sub-division	Name of the R. D. Block / Nagar Panchayet	Name of the Sub-divisional Hospital
1	Sepahijala	Bishalghar	Bishalghar Nagar Panchayet	Bishalghar
2	Do	Sonamura	Melaghat Block	Melaghar
3	Khowai	Khowai	Khowai Nagar Panchayet	Khowai
4	Do	Teliamura	Teliamura Nagar Panchayet	Teliamura
5	Gomati	Amarpur	Amarpur Nagar Panchayet	Amarpur
6	South Tripura District	Belonia	Belonia Nagar Panchayet	Belonia
7	Do	Sabroom	Sabroom Nagar Panchayet	Sabroom
8	Do	Santirbazar	Bakafa	Santirbazar
9	North Tripura	Dharmanagar	Dharmanagar Nagar Panchayet	Dharmanagar
10	Do	Kanchanpur	Dasda RD Block	Kanchanpur
11	Dhalai	Ambassa	Kamalpur Nagar Panchayet	Bimal Singh Memorial Hospital
12	Do	Gandacherra	Damburnagar RD Block	Gandacherra
13	Do	Longthraivalley	Manu	Longthraivalley

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List of District Hospitals where SPV Power Plants to be installed :

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Name of the Sub-division	Name of the R. D. Block / Nagar Panchayet	Name of the District Hospital
1.	Gomati	Udaipur	Udaipur Nagar Panchayet	Tripura Sundari
2.	Unakoti	Kailashahar	Kailashahar Nagar Panchayet	R.G.M. Hospital
3	Khowai	Khowai	Khowai Nagar Panchayet	Khowai

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**REPORT ON
URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
(DEMAND NO. 35)**

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Urban Development Department. These are (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 35 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Urban Development Department is concerned with the Directorate of Urban Development, Town & Country Planning Organisation and Urban Local Bodies such as Agartala Municipal Council and 15 (fifteen) Nagar Panchayats in the State.

The objective of the Urban Development Department is to make every settlement a safe, healthy and sustainable place in which every family has adequate shelter, pure drinking water, street lights, sanitation, drainage, remove solid wastes and provide roads, housing for poor and employment to urban youths.

Development of Urban Infrastructure is primarily the function of Urban Development Department, which is having under its administrative control, the Directorate of Urban Development, Town & Country Planning Organisation and 16 Urban Local Bodies such as one Municipal Council namely Agartala Municipal Council at State Capital and 15 Nagar Panchayats in the State of Tripura. The General Election to these Urban Local Bodies were held on 11.12.2010. As per 2001 census total urban population of the State is 6,72,729, the details are given below.

The areas of priority of the Department are :-

- (i) Urban Management. (ii) Capacity Building. (iii) Increasing the revenues of Urban Local Bodies. (iv) Monitoring the implementation of various schemes/projects/programmes. (v) Liaisoning with the Ministry/ Govt. of India for fund release. (vi) Scrutiny/Forwarding the proposals to the Ministry for approval & sanction. (vii) Preparation of Master Plan & Urban policy.

The Budget Proposals under the Demand No. 35. for the financial year 2013-14 as placed in the House for grants as well as the Revised Budget for the year 2012-13 are shown below :-

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			TOTAL
			Demand	Fund placed with		
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
35	a) Non-Plan	5318.81	5748.48			5748.48
	b) Plan	24688.71	8697.67	6658.26	3206.14	18562.07
	c) C.S.S.	4673.80	545.57	413.54	240.89	1200.00
	d) N.E.C.					
	TOTAL : 35 =	34681.32	14991.72	7071.80	3447.03	25510.55

The Subject Committee -II in its meeting held on 09-03-2012 examined the Budget Proposal and also heard the Departmental representative, who appeared before the Committee on summon.

At the first instance, the Committee wanted to know as to the action taken on the recommendation made by the Committee in its 17th Report during the year 2012-13 to which the Department furnished the replies which are noted below in seriatim :-

- (i) NBCC Ltd. is the executing agency for the works of JNNURM and 10% Lumpsum grant. Close monitoring is being made by Urban Development Department for completion of each project in stipulated time. Further the IHSDP under JNNURM and ILCS(full) are being implemented by the urban local bodies. For completion of such projects monitoring is being made by Urban Development Department..
- (ii) For development of Battala Fish Market, Agartala Municipal Council has been requested to prepare a detailed concept plan for consideration of funding. The concept plan is yet to be received from Agartala Municipal Council. The recommendation of the committee has been noted and will be brought to the notice of the State Govt. for sending proposal to the Government of India. However, Market Committee appeared to be unwilling to provide land for development but attempts are being made.
- (iii) Noted. The matter will be brought to the notice of Government for decision.
- (iv) Necessary steps have already been taken to provide housing to the BPL families in all Nagar Panchayats under Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP).

It is expected that more housing schemes will be cleared by Government of India, Ministry of Housing & Poverty Alleviation for construction of dwelling units for urban poor. DPRs are submission to Ministry.

- (v) Necessary steps are being taken for installation of Water Metre in South & Central Zone of AMC area under ADB Project. Similar activities are also being taken for installation of Water Metre in North Zone of Agartala Municipal Council Area. Agartala Municipal Council and Nagar Panchayats will be requested for having a suitable mechanism towards collection of water charges.

Achievement made during 2012-13

- 1 Significant achievement has been made in Urban Development Sector during 2012-13 by providing Housing Facilities to 458 Nos. of Urban Poor under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) at Teliamura, Ranirbazar, Belonia, Sonamura and Udaipur Town. Construction of dwelling units for Urban Poor at Joynagar (192 Nos.) and Radhanagar (192 Nos.) of Agartala are also in good progress.
- 2 Under UIDSSMT (JNNURM), Improvement of 5.00 Km. Roads and Storm Water Drain of Belonia, Kailashahar, Kamalpur has been completed during 2012-13. Construction of Covered Drain at Ranirbazar under UIDSSMT (JNNURM) scheme has also been completed.
- 3 The work of Sewerage Project of North Zone of Agartala under JNNURM (UIG) is under implementation. Work of 55 Km. Sewerage Line, 5 Nos. Pumping Station are completed and Construction of Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP) is in good progress.
- 4 The work of Water Supply Project of North Zone of Agartala under JNNURM is under implementation. Laying of 40 Km pipe line and 3 Nos. Deep Tube Well (DTW) have been completed during 2012-13 and Work of 5 Nos. Overhead Tank (OHT) and 2 Nos. Ground Water Treatment Plant (GWTP) are in good progress. The work of 6 Nos. Deep Tube Well under 1st Tranche of ADB Project of Central and South Zone of Agartala Municipal Council Area has been completed and work of 16 Nos. are in progress.
- 5 Town Hall at Dharmanagar and Amarpur have been inaugurated. Construction of Town Hall at Kamalpur, Udaipur, Sabroom and Ambassa are in good progress. Construction of Town Hall at Sonamura has been started and work of Kailashahar Town Hall will be started shortly. Super Market at Amarpur and Motor Stand at Kamalpur have been inaugurated and Construction of Shopping Complex opposite to Maharani Tulsibati Girls' School at Agartala is in progress.
- 6 Office Building of Belonia Nagar Panchayat has been inaugurated and Construction of Office Building at Kailashahar, Kumarghat, Khowai and Sabroom are in progress.

7 Procurement of vehicle and equipment for Solid Waste Management and Transportation System for Agartala Municipal Council are in progress. Works for Solid Waste Management at Debendrachandranagar for AMC has already been started and Construction of boundary wall at Nagicherra Solid Waste Management Site has also been started.

8 2000 Nos. Low Cost Sanitary Latrines at Udaipur, Khowai, Dharmanagar, Kumarghat, Teliamura, Amarapur and Agartala have been completed and 6055 Nos. are in progress.

9 Battala Crematorium has been inaugurated. Construction of Stalls near Circuit House, Agartala has been started. Activities for Construction of Aralia Market at Agartala has been taken up. Implementation of Roads and Drains of Maharajanj Bazar is in good progress.

10 The State Government is implementing the Tripura Urban Employment Programme (TUEP) on the pattern of MGNREGA for the last four years to provide wage employment to the needy in the urban areas. This Urban Employment Programme (TUEP) will also continue during 2013-14.

11 Work of Drainage System in Agartala Municipal Area is under implementation.

Thrust areas for development during Annual Plan 2013-14.

Cities and towns of Tripura are visibly deficient in the quality of services they provide, even to the existing population. The standards are rising, current service levels are too low relative to the needs of urban households. They are also low relative to what will be required to sustain the economic productivity of cities and towns of the State of Tripura.

The public services such as drinking water, sewerage, solid waste management, roads and storm water drains markets, and street lights must be accessible to one and all to achieve the goals of inclusion. To achieve both inclusion and economic growth will, however, require shifting the focus of policy from creating physical infrastructure to delivering services. The challenge is to focus on reforming governance for service delivery. Without this, additional capital investments in urban infrastructure will not result in improvements in service delivery.

Following are the priority sectors for development in urban areas during 2013-14.

1. Water Supply.
2. Solid Waste Management.
3. Sanitation and Sewerage.
4. Tripura Urban Employment Programme (TUEP).
5. Housing for Urban Poor.
6. Roads and Storm Water Drain.
7. Capacity Building.

AREAS OF PRIORITY.

- Urban Management.
- Capacity Building.
- Increasing the revenues of Urban Local Bodies.
- Monitoring the implementation of various schemes/projects/programmes.
- Liaisoning with the Ministry/Govt. of India for fund release.
- Scrutiny/Forwarding the proposals to the Ministry for approval & sanction.
- Preparation of Master Plan & Urban policy.

5. HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SCHEMES IMPLEMENTED :

(a) State Plan :

- i) Special Central Assistance (SCA).
- ii) Special Plan Assistance (SPA).
- iii) Urban Development Works.
- iv) Tripura Urban Employment Programme (TUEP).

(b) Centrally Sponsored Schemes :

- i) SJSRY (Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana).
- ii) Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM).
 - (a) Urban Infrastructure & Governance (UIG).
 - (b) Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme of Small & Medium Towns (UIDSSMT).

(c) Basic Services for Urban Poor (BSUP).

(d) Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme. (IHSDP).

iii) Integrated Low Cost Sanitation Scheme (ILCS).

iv) North Eastern Region Urban Development Project (NERUDP).

During discussion, the Principal Secretary of Urban Development Department informed the Committee in detailed about the action taken in respect to the recommendations made by the Committee in its 17th Report during the year 2012-13. He informed the Committee about the achievement made during the year 2012-13 and also plan/programme and any project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

After careful examination of the Budget Proposals and appreciation of the submission placed by the Departmental representative, the Committee makes the following recommendations :-

RECOMMENDATIONS

i] The State Master plan consisting of Agartala Municipal area as well as all Nagar Panchayat where standing work be completed and finalised by the Department at the earliest opportunity.

ii] Department to continue its endeavour for up-gradation of Battala Market.

iii] The Department to expedite the persuasion towards creation of Nagar Panchayat at Melaghar, Manu (Dhalai District) and Satchand by the Financial year 2013-14.

iv] Finance Department may consider release of adequate fund towards housing to the uncovered BPL families under IAY type scheme including Municipality and Nagar Panchayat areas.

v] The Department to instal water metre by the financial year 2013-14 and collect water charges according to volume of consumption of water per month. Necessary endeavour be made for a suitable mechanism towards 100% collection of water charges.

vi] The Department to formulate proposal for keeping the market drains clean throughout the year.


vii] The Department to take effective steps towards coverage of road side drains in the main areas of town Udaipur, Kailashahar and Dharmanagar.

viii] The Department to consider providing of dust-bins for house hold wastage in all the Nagar Panchayats and make out suitable Mechanism for eviction of unauthorised occupants in road side.

ix] There shall be a centre point Modern Slaughter House at Agartala Municipal area as well as other Nagar Panchayat ensuring stopping of unauthorise and un-hygienic slaughtery in road side for that the Department to take all suitable step if necessary, in collaboration with ARD to finalise the same positively by 2013-14.

In fine, notwithstanding the recommendations which may be the guidelines for the Department, the Committee recommends the Demand No. 35 for Grants by the House.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


(Padma Kumar Debbarma)
Chairman
Subject Committee - II
Tripura Legislative Assembly.

**REPORT ON
INFORMATION, CULTURAL
AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT
[DEMAND NO. 17]**

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Information, Cultural Affairs Department. The matters are – (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 17 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The main thrust areas of the Information and Cultural Affairs Department are :-

The Information & Cultural Affairs Department functions under 2 major wings viz **Information and Cultural** with the following objectives :-

(i) Information :- To ensure communication between the Government and the masses or to act as a bridge between these two sides by dissemination of information of the government through different media to highlight development and welfare activities of the government.

(ii) Culture : To revive, nourish, develop and promote the rich cultural heritage of different ethnic groups residing in the State and create an atmosphere conducive to the emotional and cultural integration.

The Budget proposal under the Demand No.17 for the financial year 2013-14 as placed in the House for Grants as well as the Revised Budget for the year 2012-2013 are shown below.:-

(Rs. in lac)

DemandNo.	Name of the Department Information, Cultural Affairs & Tourism.	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
17	a) Non-Plan	1207.28	1561.00			1561.00
	b) Plan	1830.19	435.00	334.00	264.70	1033.70
	c) C.S.S.	1093.49	100.00	200.00	200.00	500.00
	d) N.E.C.					
	e) NLCPR					
	TOTAL : 17 =	4130.96	2096.00	534.00	464.70	3094.70

As referred by the House, the Budget proposals under Demand No.17 is examined by the Subject Committee-II in its meeting held on 06-05-2013 and heard the Secretary, who appeared on summon.

At the outset, the Committee wanted to know from the Information and Cultural Affairs Department as to the action taken by them in respect of the recommendation made in the previous year to which the Department submitted the replies in seriatim which are noted below.

REPLIES OF I.C.A. DEPARTMENT :

(i) The department participated in the Republic Day 2013 Parade on 26th January'2013 in New Delhi with a tableau.

Besides, this department also organised 1862 cultural programme in the form of different fairs & festivals 217 cultural workshops and some cultural exchange programme to promote ethnic & non-ethnic cultural in the state.

This year also the department fixed target to organise 2000(two thousand) cultural programme & 200(two hundred) cultural workshop.

(ii) Finance Department did not provide additional fund & as such department newspaper could not be delivered upto Panchayet level.

A. Information:

The main schemes of this sector are :-

1. Advertisement & Visual Publicity, 2. Information Centers, 3. Press Information Service, 4. Photo Services, 5. Publication, 6. Field Publicity, 7. Song & Drama Services, 8. Research & Reference Library.

Schemes in details :-

(a) Advertisement & Visual Publicity :-

i) Advertisement through media :- ICAT is the nodal Department for issue as well payment in respect of all government Classified & Display advertisement as per “ Tripura Advertisement Guidelines-2009 “ which have come into force w.e.f. 01-01-2009. The achievement of 2012-13 vis a vis plan 2013-14 is as below :-

SL.No.	Item	2012-13	2013-14
1.	Classified	2429	2500
2.	Display	1191	1500
3.	Website	291	300

ii) Information and facilitation Centre(ICFC) :

Total number :-69

Objective : For expanding information service to the people so that they may get conversant with various information about Plan, Development Schemes, Programmes Welfare activities of Government.

Materials provided free of cost for general public :- Newspapers(14 dailies, 24 weeklies,7 departmental newspaper), Magazines, Posters, leaflets and other reading materials.

iii) Press Information Services :

Reporting Officer and staff namely Senior Information Officer(SIO), Information and Cultural Officer(ICO) and Reporters posted in the Sub-Divisions & in some Block Head Quarters cover all government programmes/functions and send information in the form of news items/feature/success stories etc. to the news supplying section or News Bureau for issue to local and outside newspapers and AIR/DDK as well.

Over the last years, the system of news transaction has been upgraded. News Bureau is now computerized.

To keep the system of news supply smooth, News Bureau is operational on holidays also.

Short ad films of various departments are also publicized through cable channels.

The department is maintaining a website www.tripuraica.in wherein the Press Releases and other information are being uploaded regularly so that the media houses may download it for coverage.

It also organizes workshop for the Reporters, Journalists and Photographers of Government and non-Government organizations to improve their skill in profession.

A Press Cell is also functioning in the Secretariat to supply news and views of the Government to the media. The achievement of the News Bureau is as below :-

SL.No.	Item	2012-13	2013-14
1.	Press release	3977	4000

2.	Feature/success story	118	200
3.	Press Round up	507	600
4.	Conducted tour	4	10
5.	Press conference	81	As per requirement
6.	Photo coverage	1200	1350

v) Publication :-

Some of the important publications of the Government like Booklet, Poster, Leaflet, Folder etc. are done by ICAT Department and the Publications wing takes responsibility to implement the decisions. But the wing suffers from shortage of staff.

This wing also brings out the following publications regularly :-

<u>SL.No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Tyoe</u>	<u>Category</u>
1.	Gomati	Bengali lioterary Magazine	Quarterly
2.	Raima	Kok Barak literary Magazine	Quarterly
3.	Natun Tripura	Bengali Newspaper	Monthly
4.	Tripura Kogtoon	Kok Barak newspaper	Monthly
5.	Tripura Sadak	Chakma language Newspaper	Monthly
6.	Tripura Che	Manipuri language Newspaper	Monthly
7.	Tripura Che	Bishnupriya Manipuri language Newspaper	Monthly
8.	Tripura Sambad	Wall newspaper in Bengali	Monthly

In addition to regular issues, some special issue are also published in different occasions.

vi) Field/ Rural Publicity

It is another important unit of the department.

The responsibility of organizing group talks, seminar, symposium, audiovisual show, video show is vested with the unit for rural publicity, through their publicity campaign by LRS.

On the one hand the people are being made aware of various development programmes and on the other, awareness is being spread on various social issues like afforestation, immunization, child care, disease preventive measure, small savings etc.

Public reaction on development activities Fortnightly Confidential Public Reaction Report (FCPR) are also being collected to give feedback to different department.

Achievement made in the rural publicity for the year 2011-12 and 2012-13 is given below :-

<u>SL.NO.</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>2011-12</u>	<u>2012-13</u>
1.	Group talk	1543	1589
2.	Seminar/symposium	320	383
3.	Feed back(FCPR)	533	459

vii) Songs & Drama :

There are 320 revived Loka Ranjan Sakhas(a voluntary rural cultural organization approved by ICAT Department) in the State which are meant for revival and promotion of Folk culture in rural areas.

151 LRS which fall under TTAADC have been transferred to TTAADC authority as per government decision. Recently a decision has been taken to form another 50 LRS from different communities and for them musical instrument has been purchased.

viii) Research & Reference Library :

A Research & Reference Library is functioning in the Department to provide reference books, required for the scholars and researchers.

B. Cultural Affairs :

Objective : "Promotion of Art & Culture" is the main scheme of this sector. It works for

development and preservation of cultural heritage of different ethnic groups of this State. It also works for promotion of folk art & culture. Tripura represents a composite culture of 19 ethnic groups of Tripura.

Cultural Programme :

Cultural programmes are regularly organized throughout the State to promote cultural heritage of the State.

An annual cultural calendar consisting about 2000 programmes in 88 events is prepared to organise programmes in phases throughout the year (copy enclose)

In addition to the cultural events as per the calendar the department also organizes many national and regional programmes, Natya Utsav, Parampara Utsav, Loka Taranga Utsav, Folk dance festival, Classical dance & Music festival with the assistance of NEZCC, EZCC and other organization like Sangit Natak Akademi, National School of Drams and Lalit Kala Akademi.

The fund availability in this regard during 2012-13 is as below :

<u>SL.No.</u>	<u>Fund provided by</u>	<u>Amount in lakh</u>
1.	State Government	45.00
2.	NEZCC(North East Zonal Cultural Centre)	31.00
3.	EZCC(East Zonal Cultural Centre)	5.75
Total :		81.75

i) Cultural workshop :

Last year 125 cultural workshops were organised. 200 such workshops will be organized this year. The department is also organizing workshops on theatre. Theatre experts from national School of Drams and experts from the State are taking part in these workshops.

ii) Cultural exchange programme :

Last year 18 such programmes were organized. This year atleast 20 programmes will be organized.

iii) Exhibition :

10-12 Exhibitions are also being organized to highlight overall achievement of the Government in different field. Fairs and festivals are the common occasions for these exhibitions.

iv) Book Fair :

Book Fair has been playing a very important role in the development of literature and culture in Tripura. Under the aegis of the department the Book Fair is being organized every year.

(vi) Cultural Infrastructure :

<u>SL.No.</u>	<u>Work</u>	<u>Cost in Lakh ‘</u>	<u>Status</u>
1.	Nazrul Kalakshetra(phase-II)	814.94	Completed
2.	Multi cultural complex at Khowai with 1000 seats capacity	630.00	Completed upto roof level
3.	Art gallery located at City Centre.	20.00	Completed
4.	Dev. Of Durgabari Temple, Agartala	15.00	Completed
5.	Development of Matabari Mandir Udaipur shopping complex	186.00	Completed
6.	-do- One Pilgrim’s house/guest house		Completed
7.	Rabindra Satabarshiki Bhawan	2194.00	Finishing works is in progress

FUTURE ACTION PLAN

1. Construction of District Office Building in Kailashahar.

2. Modernization of District and Sub-divisional ICA Offices with computers.
3. Modernization of District information and facilitation centre at Unakoti and North Tripura.
4. Organization of cultural workshop in big number.
5. Documentation of decaying Art form.

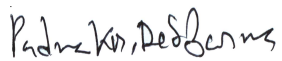
After careful examination of the Budget proposals and appreciation of the submission placed by the Departmental representative the Committee makes the following recommendations :-

RECOMMENDATIONS

- i] The Department to activate cultural programme in the rural areas involving local artist time to time besides urban areas. The local artists may be provided with some honourarium.*
- ii] The Department to maintain its endeavour for delivery of paper & magazine to Panchayats. Finance Department to effective consider allocation of fund.*
- iii] The sound system in the Dub-division level cultural programme specially in the District Headquarter should be of good condition and for that the Department may consider increase of hiring charges.*
- iv] In all cultural programmes there shall be an item both in Kok-borok & Bengali language against superstition like killing human as witch (জইনী) etc.*

In fine, the Committee recommends the Budget Proposals under Demand No. 17 for Grants by the House notwithstanding the other recommendations made here-in-above which may be the guidelines for the Department to be followed.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


(Padma Kumar Debbarma)
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REPORT ON TOURISM DEPARTMENT [DEMAND NO. 59]

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Tourism Department. The matters are – (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 59 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/ programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Tourism Department is an important Department of the State under Demand No. 59. The object of the different scheme under this Department is to develop the tourism sector in the State under various schemes.

The main thrust areas of the Tourism Department is :-

Tourism :- To promote Tourism in the State in view of the resources available especially Development of eco-tourism, heritage tourism, culture tourism and religious tourism.

The Budget proposal under the Demand No.59 for the financial year 2013-14 as placed in the House for Grants as well as the Revised Budget for the year 2012-2013 are shown below.:-
(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
i) Tourism Department.		T.S.P		S.C.P.		
59	a) Non-Plan		50.00			50.00
	b) Plan		91.00	54.25	29.75	175.00
	c) C.S.S.		156.00	93.00	51.00	300.00
	d) N.E.C.					
	TOTAL : 59 =		297.00	147.25	80.75	525.00

As referred by the House, the Budget proposals under Demand No.59 is examined by the Subject Committee-II in its meeting held on 06-05-2013 and heard the Secretary, who appeared on summon.

At the outset, the Committee wanted to know from the Tourism Department as to the action taken by them in respect of the recommendations made by the Committee in its 17th Report in the year 2012-13 to which the Department submitted the replies in seriatim which are noted below :-

(i) The Construction of Tourist Lodge at Phuldangshai has been sanctioned by the MOT, GOI with the cost of Rs.95.21 Lakhs and released 80% fund of Rs.76.16 Lakhs has been placed with D.F.O office of the PCCF , Gurbasasti, Agartala vide Cheque dated 16-03-12.

In the State Level Monitoring Committee meeting held on 19-04-2013 chaired by Chief Secretary it has been decided that project of Phuldangshai may be dropped if not implementable

(ii) The Forest Department has prepared a draft consultancy Report on Eco-Tourism Project in Tripura prepared by M/S Jungle Lodges & Resorts Ltd. Bangalore. The proposal for conversion of Eco-Park of Baramura, Ambassa, Ichacherra, Dasarath Bari and Santra to Eco-Tourism is yet to be received from Forest Department.

Efforts have been made for awareness of TTDC Official & Local people of areas about Eco-Tourism.

(iii) The M.O.T, G.O.I has Prioritized the Project “ Maitree Uddyan at Chottakhola during the year 2012-13. The State P.W.D. has prepared a Detail Project Report (DPR) involving cost of Rs.950.00 Lakhs. The component of Project are as under :-

Tourist Reception – Kitchen & Dormitory, Cafeteria, Cottage Type-I, II, III , Green House Building, Security and ticket Counter, Internal Path way, Seating area & Resting Shed, Boundary wall, Site Development, Suspension Foot Bridge, Speed Boat & water Scooter, Development of water Body/ Rainwater Harvesting etc.

As regards major physical achievement during 2012-13, the Departments furnished the achievements of different wings of the Departments as follows :-

The Major Achievements made by the Tourism Department during the year 2012-13

- 1) In respect of extending facilities to the Tourists it is mentioned here that we have provided these facilities in most of the Tourist Lodges. Department has also introduced Help-Line facilities.
- 2) The Budget Accommodation at Melaghar near Sagarmahal (seventy seated) has been inaugurated on 08-04-13 and now functioning .
- 3) Rural Tourism project at Devipur has been inaugurated on 28-03-12 and now functioning.
- 4) Budget Accommodation at Udaipur near Ramkrishna Mission premises has been completed.
- 5) The Tourist Lodge at Khumulwng is also nearing completion.
- 6) The Tourist Lodge at Jatanbari has been completed.
- 7) The Haveli Museum at the premises of Old Royal Palace ,Khayerpur has been inaugurated on 25-06-12 and now functioning.
- 8) Hunar-Se- Rozgar Programme:- 4 days Skill development training programme has been conducted in SIPARD, Agartala in the month of June,12. 47(forty seven) trainees have participated in training programme at Guwahati IHM for 8 weeks food production and 6 weeks House Keeping w.e.f. 30-10-12.
- 9) The project work of the following are in progress:-
 - a) Destination Development of Old Royal Palace at Agartala.
 - b) Destination Development of Jumpui Hills (Const. of 70-80 bedded Lodge).
 - c) Tourist facilities and Wayside Amenities at Trishna, Craft & Cultural Centre at Rajnagar, Belonia .
 - d) Setting up of IHM at Nagicherra.
 - e) Tourist facilities at Coconut Island and Gandacherra to be completed shortly.
 - f) Tourist facilities at Fatik Sagar and Amarsagar Lake at Amarpur.
 - g) Rural Tourism project at Banabithi , Khowai.
 - h) Development of Ghat and other Tourist Facilities at Tirthamukh .
- 10) Extension of accommodation facility at Jumpui Hills (with in the premises of existing Eden Tourist Lodge).

Special targets of the Department during the year 2013-14 as follows :-

A) The MOT, GOI has Prioritized the following projects for the year 2013-14.

1. Mega Destination Development of Neermahal.
2. Maitree Uddyan Chottakhola. The DPR has been prepared by State PWD with the cost of Rs.950.00 lakhs.

B) Project Prioritized and DPR submitted to MOT, GOI for sanction.

1. Development of Buddhist Circuit at Manubankul-Pilak-Boxanagar- Vipasana (Machmara).
- 2) Development of Wayside Amenities along National Highway-44 .

C) A Discussion was held with the MOT, GOI during the Prioritization meeting on 22-03-13

in New Delhi for Prioritization of the following Projects:-

1. Light & Sound Show at Ujjayanta Palace.
2. Development of Infrastructure for Border Ceremony at Akhaura, Agartala.
3. Destination Development of Golaghati.
4. Destination Development of Chabimura – Bandwar.

During discussion in respect of Tourism Department, the Departmental representative informed the Committee that the Department has been trying to develop in the tourism sector in the State in various ways for attraction of the tourists as well as the foreign tourists. He stated that, there are 23 tourist spots and 29 tourist lodges in the state and development works of them are going on. He also stated that the Department is going to propose to the GoI for approval to develop the Akhaura Border as like Waghera Border point of Indo-Pak Border.

The Secretary stated that 4 (four) places will be selected and develop the facilities on the way of Assam-Agartala Road (44 NH Road) where the long journey passengers can take short rest and refreshment.

In respect of development of tourist sector of the State, the Hon’ble Members of the Subject Committee–II opined that the department to take measure steps for development of infrastructural and other facilities as well as beautification of tourist spots, eco-parks, tourist lodges etc. and also be establish new tourist spots in the State.

After careful examination of the Budget proposals and appreciation of the submission placed by the Departmental representative the Committee makes the following recommendations :-

RECOMMENDATIONS

ij] The Eco-parks at Baramura, Ambassa, Ichacherra, Dasarath Bari and Satrai be converted to Eco-Tourism . Besides, the Tourism Department may consider extending awareness to the concerned officials as well as local people of the surrounding areas of every spot the need of tourism.


ii] Chukta Khola Bharat Bangla Maitree Uddan, Belonia be made more attractive extending necessary facilities for tourist.

iii] The Department to keep constant vigilance for proper maintenance of all the Tourist Lodge at Tripura to make it more attractive for the tourist.

iv] Sanjoy BOP at Sanaia Reang Para at Kamalpur and natural water falls at Sardhu Karkari village at Chindraipara Baramura near Eco park be included as a tourist spot making it suitable for tourist.

In fine, the Committee recommends the Budget Proposals under Demand No. 59 for Grants by the House notwithstanding the other recommendations made here-in-above which may be the guidelines for the Department to be followed.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May,2013


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REPORT ON INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE DEPARTMENT

[DEMAND NO- 24]

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Industries & Commerce Department. These are (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 24 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The main thrust area of the Department are :- (i) Promotion of Industrialization and creation of employment opportunity in the State ; (ii) Development of Village & Small Industries in the State ; (iii) Development of Import-Export Trading in the State ; (iv) Development of proper infrastructure for setting up new industries like Growth Centre; Food Park, EPIP etc.; (v) Modernization of existing infrastructural facilities ; (vi) Entrepreneurship Development ; (vii) Strengthening and restructuring the public sector Undertakings ; (viii) Creation of an 'Investor Friendly' atmosphere in the State ; (ix) Up-gradation of skill of the unemployed youth for self employment etc.

The Budget proposals for the financial year 2013-14 as placed in the House for Grants as well as the Revised Budget for the year 2012-13 in respect of the Department under Demand No. 24 are shown below :

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
24	a) Non-Plan	1314.05	1511.00			1511.00
	b) Plan	6398.34	2045.36	1864.32	2203.32	6113.00
	c) C.S.S.	172.03	1.00			1.00
	d) N.E.C.	90.00	100.00			100.00
	TOTAL : 24 =	7974.42	3657.36	1864.32	2203.32	7725.00

As referred by the House, the budget proposals is examined by the Subject Committee-II in its meeting held on 07.05.2013 and heard the Departmental Representatives who appeared before the Committee on summon.

The Departmental representatives submitted the action taken by the Department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 and stated that the following actions were taken as per recommendation in seriatim below :-

(i) The Department has taken effective steps for setting up of IIDC at Dewanpassa, Dharmanagar; Jalefa in Sabroom; Sarasima in Belonia and Lalchari at Ambassa. Already lands have been allotted/acquired for all these projects.

The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Govt. of India has already sanctioned the project at Dewanpassa with a project cost of Rs. 4.56 Crores. Out of the total Central Share of Rs. 3.65 Crores, the Ministry has already released Rs. 1.82 Crores being the first installment. The State Govt. has

also released 100% State share. The TIDC Limited, being the implementing agency has started execution of the project. Meanwhile the Department has requested the central Govt. for release of the balance share of the Ministry. The matter is being followed up with the Ministry. Once the fund is received, the project will be completed at the earliest.

For the other IIDC projects, the Department has engaged a consultant for preparation of detailed project report. Already DPRs for Sasima, Belonia and Jalefa at Sabroom are completed and sent to the Ministry for according 'in-principle' approval. The Draft DPR for IIDC, Ambassa is prepared and being finalized. Beside, DPR for IIDC at Sonamura is also being prepared.

(ii) An initiative has been taken by Directorate of IT, Govt. of Tripura to construct a G+5 Building namely IT Complex cum Software Technology Park in the vacant land in the DIT Complex, Indranagar, Agartala. TIDC has been entrusted to implement the building and TIDC had already selected Avon Technologies Pvt. Ltd. as the Project Management Consultant (PMC) of the project through an open bidding process. Total project cost is Rs. 42.47 Crores. Rs 13.5 Crores has already been placed to TIDC. Tender has been finalized and work is also awarded. Construction of the Park has been started. Already the work of basement and ground is completed. Construction of 1st floor is in full swing now. Target date of completion is October 2014.

(iii) The matter is being persuaded through the DICs. However no such proposal is received from any beneficiary. On getting such proposal from the interested entrepreneurs/NGOs etc., the Department would extend all necessary assistance through the concerned DICs.

(iv) An MOU containing the modalities/ mechanism of setting up and operation of Border Haats has been signed between India and Bangladesh. Initially, two Border Haats are being developed on Meghalaya-Bangladesh Border. The Govt. of Tripura had sent a proposal for setting up of 8 Border Haats. The Department of Commerce has informed that they would first operationalise the Border Haats on Meghalaya Border and thereafter, take up the same on Tripura Border.

Meanwhile, one of the two proposed Border Haats on Meghalaya-Bangladesh Border has become operational. The Department of Commerce had advised the State Government to indicate two proposed locations so that the matter can be taken up with Government of Bangladesh. Accordingly, 4 locations (in order of preference) viz. (i) Kamalasagar (West Tripura) (ii) Srinagar (South Tripura) (iii) Pal Basti (Raghna) (North Tripura) and (iv) Kamalpur (Dhalai) were identified. Recently, the Department of Commerce has conveyed the approval of the Bangladesh Government for setting up of Border Haats. Initially, DPRs for two Border Haats, namely, Kamalasagar and Srinagar, were prepared and sent to M/o Commerce for approval, in consultation with Government of Bangladesh, so that the work can be started.

Steps have been initiated for purchase of land for the Border Haats.

(v) For PMEGP, the Government of India has designated KVIC as the single Nodal Agency at the National level for implementation of the Scheme. At the State level, the Scheme is being implemented through 3 Agencies, namely, State KVIC Office, Tripura KVIB and the DICs. The subsidy is routed by the implementing agencies through the nodal bank branches. Yearly targets are distributed among the implementing Agencies.

The target for PMEGP during 2012-13 was 1500 nos. of cases, against which upto March 2013, 1651 cases were sanctioned amounting to Rs. 75.24 cr. The target for 2013-14 is again 1500 cases.

Regarding Swabalamban, it is a Self-employment Generation Programme (SEGP) initiated by the State Government with the objective to ensure that a sizeable number of unemployed youth and SHGs are developed as potential individual or group entrepreneurs so that they can take up gainful self-employment.

The target for Swabalamban during 2012-13 was 2000 nos. of cases, against which upto March

2013, 1982 cases were sanctioned amounting to Rs. 38.38 cr. The target for 2013-14 is again 2500 cases.

Implementation is done through DICs with the involvement of field functionaries posted at Blocks/ DICs. For PMEGP, a Task Force Committee headed by the DM & Collector and for Swabalamban, a District Level Implementation Committee looks after the implementation process at District level.

Significant achievement during 2012-13 :

1. Self-Employment Programme :

Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP):

Target - 1500 Nos.; Sponsored - 4205 Nos.; Sanctioned - 1650 Nos.; Disbursed - 1510 Nos.

Swavalamban:

Target - 2000 Nos.; Sponsored - 3923 Nos.; Sanctioned - 1982 Nos.; Disbursed - 1272 Nos.

2. Industrial Infrastructure :

- a) A State of Art Food Testing Laboratory has been started functioning at Bodhjungle.
- b) Detailed Proposal for setting up of Integrated Infrastructure Development Centre at Sarasima in Belonia and Jalefa in Sabroom is sent to the Government of India for according "in-principle" approval.
- c) Work has started in full swing for construction of the International Fair Ground at Hapania.

3. Foreign Trade :

Setting up of Border Haats: The Department of Commerce has conveyed the approval of the Bangladesh Government for setting up of Border Haats. Already 2 (two) Detailed Project Reports for setting up of Border Haats at Kamalagar (West Tripura) and Srinagar (South Tripura) is sent to the Government of India.

Further modalities for setting up of the Border Haats are being worked out jointly with Bangladesh Authorities.

4. Industrial Training Institute (ITI) : The following initiatives are being taken to set up new ITIs:

a) **2 new ITIs under NLFT Package:** The Govt. of India has sanctioned a project for establishment of 2 ITIs under NLFT (NB) package at Manu Bankul and Khumulwng at cost of Rs. 2.50 crores for each ITI. The total intake capacity of these ITIs shall be 160 candidates. The 2 ITIs have been started functioning from this Year.

b) **2 new ITIs under SPA:** The Projects for setting up of 2 new ITIs at Sonamura and Khowai have been approved under SPA at a cost of Rs.6.25 crores for each ITI. The total intake capacity of these ITIs shall be 128 candidates. These 2 (two) ITIs has started functioning.

c) **4 (four) new ITIs under SPA - untied :** Four new ITIs will be set up at Bishramganj, Teliamura, Kamalpur and LT Velly. Site is already selected for Bishramganj and Teliamura. Foundation Stone has been laid for the ITI, Bishramganj on 21st Nov, 2012 and for ITI, Teliamura on 29th Nov, 2012. Site is being selected for ITI at Kamalpur and LT Velly.

5. Food Processing : The Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India has launched the National Mission on Food Processing to be implemented during the 12th Five Year Plan w.e.f 2012-13. The scheme will be implemented by the State Government through State Food Processing Mission. Financial assistance will be provided to the interested beneficiaries for setting up of different food processing industries. The Ministry has already released Rs. 1.12 cr. for preparatory works and Rs. 1.68 cr. for providing grants through the food processing related schemes.

One Dairy unit and one Modern Rice Mill were at the final stage of completion during 2012-13.

These two units have started functioning since April 2013 during 2013-14.

6. Natural Gas :

a) ONGC is considering setting up of a gas based Urea fertiliser project in Tripura. The State Government has already agreed for equity participation in the project.

b) TNGCL has set up CNG gas filling stations in different locations like TRTC Complex at Agartala, Radhanagar. Also, there are proposals for CNG Stations at Khayerpur, Brahmabari at Udaipur and Bishalgarh etc.

7. Tripura Bamboo Mission :

a) The Tripura Bamboo Mission has been registered as a Society under Societies Registration Act.

b) It has been decided that the IL & FS CDI - Tripura Bamboo Mission will also take up plantation activities so as to enhance the resource generation. A Detailed Project Report is being prepared.

c) The total turnover of the bamboo sector across the identified sub-sectors in the State has increased from the base levels of Rs. 27.90 crores in 2006-07 to Rs. 107.22 crores in 2011-12 and approx. Rs. 116.40 crores during 2012-13.

The Plan/programme and any project to be implemented during 2013-14 for consideration of the Committee during examination :

Programmes to be implemented during 2013-14

Beside the normal scheme during 2013-14, the following schemes will be implemented where financial involvement will be there :

Setting up of New ITI under SPA : During FY 2012-13 Finance Department, Govt. of Tripura had sanctioned Rs. 24.00 crores under Special Plan Assistance (SPA) as Phase-I of the project. Finance Department, Govt. of Tripura had also released Rs. 10.80 crores @Rs. 2.70 crores per ITI. (Reference letter No.F.6(5)-Fin(B)/2008/P-II dated 23rd July, 2013). Proposal has been initiated for release of the balance fund of Rs. 13.20 crores sanctioned during 2012-13.

Meanwhile, implementation of the project has already started. Land for all the ITIs has been laid and preliminary work for construction started. R.D. Department has been engaged as construction agency and first installment already released.

In view of the above, Finance Department may be requested to release of the balance amount of Rs. 13.20 crores for speedy implementation of the project.

Acquisition of land for Land Custom Stations : This Department has taken initiative for setting up of Land Custom Stations at different places in Tripura under ASIDE Scheme of Ministry of Commerce. Already lands have been identified, but the cost of land is not permissible under this Scheme. Hence a substantial amount of land acquisition cost is required to be placed from the state Plan Budget.

The LCS, Sabroom is the priority project of the State Government considering its importance in trade & commerce with Bangladesh. Total amount to be placed with the Land Acquisition Collector is Rs. 10.0 cr., out of which Rs. 1.00 cr. is arranged from the plan budget of 2012-13. Balance Rs. 9.00 cr. needs to be earmarked and released during 2013-14, otherwise LAC may not initiate land acquisition process in piece-meal manner. There is a provision of Rs. 4.00 cr. in the BE 2013-14. Hence the balance about Rs. 4.00 cr. may need to be considered in the plan budget during 2013-14.

During examination of the Industry & Commerce Department and Demand No. 24, the Committee wanted to know in details information about the action taken by the Department in respect of the recommendations made by the Committee in the 17th Report during the year 2012-13.

The Principal Secretary, Industry & Commerce Department apprised the Committee in details about the action taken on the recommendations of the Committee in the year 2012-13, achievement made by the Department during the year 2012-13 (Financial and Physical) and Plan/Programme of project to be implemented during the financial year 2013-14.

After careful consideration of the Budget proposals and appreciation of the submission presented by the Departmental representatives, the Committee makes the following recommendations :-

RECOMMENDATIONS

i) *The Department to maintain constant monitoring of implementation of the project work taken up by TIDC Ltd. The Department to continue its persuasion towards IIDC project.*

The Department also to provide facility to the beneficiaries for setting up of more Rubber Industries.

ii] *To achieve setting up of Tannery industry in the State the Department to continue its endeavour to attract and motivate interested persons/Agencies.*

iii] *The Department to continue its efforts for opening of proposed Border Hats as early as possible.*

iv] *SEGP being the need of the day, the Department to formulate proposed for new project to extend it to the un-covered areas besides the target of 2500 cases for 2013-14 with constant monitoring.*

In fine, the Committee recommends that the Budget proposals under Demand No. 24 for Grants by the House notwithstanding the other recommendations made here-in-above which may be the guidelines for the Department to be followed.

REPORT ON DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (HANDLOOM, HANDICRAFTS & SERICULTURE) [DEMAND NO- 25]

The Department of Industries & Commerce (Handloom, Handicrafts & Sericulture) is one of the important Department of the Government of Tripura. It is a separate Directorate under the Department of Industries & Commerce Department, Government of Tripura. The Directorate of Handloom, Handicrafts & Sericulture, under the Department of Industries & Commerce has been set-up in the year 1989 with a view to provide better support & technical guidance to the weavers, artisans & rearers for their socio-economic Development. This Department is concern with the development activities of 3(three) important sectors namely Handloom, Handicrafts & Sericulture, from grassroots level within the State with financial support from both Central and State Govt. Besides there are 1(one) State level Organization (P.S.U) namely Tripura Handloom & Handicrafts Development Corporation Ltd. in which one larger Cooperative Society has already been merged for betterment of promotional activities of Handloom, Handicrafts in the State.

The Subject Committee-II of Tripura Legislative Assembly examined the following matters related to Department of Industries & Commerce (Handloom, Handicrafts & Sericulture). These are (i) Annual Work Report of relevant Demand No. 25 in respect of implementation/action taken by the department on the recommendations made by the Committee during the year 2012-13 ; (ii) Achievement made by the department during the year 2012-13 and (iii) The plan/programme and an project to be implemented during the year 2013-14.

The Demand for Grants under Demand No.25 related to the Department for the Financial year 2013-2014 in the House and the Revised Budget for the year 2012-2013 are shown below :-

(Rs. in lac)

Dem. No.	Name of the Department	Revised 2012-13	Budget 2013-14			
			Demand	Fund placed with		TOTAL
				T.S.P	S.C.P.	
25	a) Non-Plan	1183.92	1360.75			1360.75
	b) Plan	1151.50	672.81	416.02	219.92	1308.75
	c) C.S.S.	616.16	260.52	155.31	85.17	501.00
	d) NEC	140.00	104.00	62.00	34.00	200.00
TOTAL : 25 =		3091.58	2398.08	633.33	339.09	3370.50

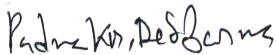
As referred by the House, the budget proposals is examined by the Subject Committee-II in its meeting held on 07-05-2013 and heard the Departmental Representatives who appeared before the Committee on summon.

The Committee first wanted to know the action taken on the recommendation made by the Committee for the year 2012-2013. Accordingly, the Principal Secretary has submitted the Action taken Report in respect of the recommendation which are furnished here-in-below in seriatim :-

(i) **HANDLOOM:**

The Department is providing skill up gradation training programme for weavers under Integrated

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Handloom Development Scheme, Special Handloom Development Project and training programme on State Plan Fund. During last financial year 2012-13, total 840 Nos. of weavers have been trained and 690 looms & Accessories were provided to 690 nos. weavers and 95 nos. workshed were provided to the weavers. During the year 2013-14, 740 nos. weavers will be provided Skill up gradation training, 840 Looms & Accessories, Margin Money will provided 860 nos. weavers and 1132 nos. work sheds will be provided to weavers.

HANDICRAFTS

Skill up-gradation Training :-

- (a) Department is providing skill up gradation training to the artisans for production of saleable products as per the market demand. During the year 2012-13 . 549 No's beneficiaries provided training. (Skill up gradation training – 220 no's, Jewelry – 94, Agarbati Roll – 150, Carpet – 45 & Mat-40) and also provided tools and kits.
- (b) 44 numbers Roll Agarbati machines has been provided to the New Cluster for production of Agarbati stick.

SERICULTURE

1827 nos. Plantation and rearing in Sericulture also provided done 2012-2013.

- (ii) Construction of Office Cum Godown (Major works)
 - # The Department has taken efforts to establish new 9(nine) No's Handicrafts Cluster especially in Tribal areas and 8(eight) has been completed. Location of new 9 CFC is Halahali, Ganganagar, Chawmanu, Naitongchera, Chakmaghat, Takarjala and Amarapur.
 - # Due to paucity of fund no new cluster in North District could be established during 2012-2013.
 - # No fund release by the Finance Department for construction of Khowai Cluster.
 - # This year fund has been earmarked for Khowai cluster for construction of CFC.
- (iii) The matter of maintaining work culture of Purbasha has been taken up by the BOD of this Corporation very seriously and asked the all the Branch Officers of the corporation to supervise and closely monitor the all sales counter of Purbasha regurly so that sales performance of counter can gear up. As a result of the above action already taken by the Corporation annual turnover of the Corporation has been increased during financial year (2012-13) Rs.364.50 lakh from Rs.239.00 lakh (2011-12). The above efforts are also being taken up during this year also to augment the sale turn over of the corporation.

THHDC Ltd. has already initiated proposal to the Govt. to withdraw the excess group – D or DRW staffs and deploy the said excess staffs to other Govt. Deptt. Of utilization of their service effectively and accordingly service of the same such category of staffs has been deployed in various Clusters/Societies under the control of Directorate of Handloom Handicrafts and Sericulture.

THE DEPARTMENT FURNISHED SOME ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE COMMITTEE DURING EXAMINATION

Handloom:

To promote the Handloom Sector the State Govt. is providing working capital to the Primary Handloom Cooperative Societies, looms and accessories, workshed, margin money to the weavers and skill up-gradation training, State share against the Centrally sponsored scheme like Marketing Support, Integrated Handloom Development Scheme, implementation of Special Handloom Development Project may be continued. During this financial year 2013-14, an amount of Rs.20.00 lakhs is kept in the Budget provision of State Plan under handloom Sector for construction of 2 nos. Common Workshed/ Common Facility Centre at Dudhpushkarini (Gomati Dist.) and Shankhala (West Tripura District) Handloom Clusters.

More funds is required to construct Common Facility Centres and Office-Cum-Godown in new Handloom Cluster where the Directorate is yet to under take the construction of the above said buildings. The required fund under Major Works Head for construction of office cum godown & CFC in new clusters may also be considered.

For training of weavers of Tribal re-group villages and in un-covered places of weavers concentrated areas more fund may be considered so that training could be organized covering adequate numbers of beneficiaries.

Handicrafts:

To promote the Handicrafts activities, the State Govt. has is taken special efforts for setting up Common Facility Centres where required machineries shall be installed for bulk and quality production. 9 nine nos new cluster has been established and these new cluster is to provide skill up gradation training, working capital, and necessary marketing support and required more financial support, but in the budget estimate an amount of Rs. 14.00 lakhs only provided which is very much inadequate, so the committee may be considered to provided minimum required fund Rs. 38.00 lakhs (Rs. 2.00 lakhs each cluster x 19 cluster) for working capital and skill up gradation training so that the new cluster members may brought under commercial artisans in sustainable basis.

To promote Roll Agarbati production for livelihood income 150 nos beneficiers has been given training in different new clusters and procured some machineries & tools which is not the sufficient for bulk production. For bulk production more machines and tools is require due to paucity of fund required machines could not be procured and for this purpose in the Budget Estimate fund may at least Rs. 30.00 lakhs may be kept in the BE. as there is no provision for machineries and equipments component in 2013-14. This may be considered.

For setting up Handicrafts clusters at in North District fund may be kept for construction of Office Cum- CFC. So at least Rs. 60 .00 lakhs may be kept under handicrafts.

Construction of Urban Haat: To create an encouraging atmosphere for generation of local product and to create recreation hub at the Central Park of Agfartala i. e. at Purbasha Complex, Urban Project is on progress. The project is 2 phases, Phase – I already completed and Phase – II is in progress. To complete the Phase – II additional fund for an amount of Rs.200.00 lakhs is required. The Committee may be considered for the said additional fund under SPA under State Plan.

Sericulture :

Sericulture activities in the State is totally rural based and generates the employment especially for household. During 2013-14, total B.E. for Rs.32.00 lakh is proposed for taking up various Schemes for Development of Sericulture Industry under State plan. Total 100 nos. new Sericulture beneficiaries will be covered for raising 60 acres mulberry garden. The said beneficiaries will also be extended financial help for supply of planting materials and also deferent type of plant protection chemicals in order to established good mulberry garden. About 800 nos. progressive Sericulture beneficiaries will be assisted financial support for development of their garden to increase the Cocoon productivity as well as income too. Besides this, the Reeling units, Power loom units & Grainage unit will also be supported simultaneously to increase the production of Raw Silk, Silk fabric & Silk worm Seed respectively. It is envisaged that the Sericulture beneficiary should be well acquainted with technical knowledge in practicing of scientifically methodical planting system to obtain good leaf harvest and for successful Silk worm rearing. During 2013-14, total 833 nos. beneficiaries will be provided training on technical know-how on plantation & rearing for which they will be provided stipend from state plan fund.

The Directorate of Handloom Handicrafts & Sericulture is also giving equal importance for Development of Sericulture in TTAADC. It is proposed in Annual plan that an amount of Rs.5.00 lakhs

will be placed to TTAADC for providing support to 125 nos. beneficiaries for taking up of Sericulture. There is a remarkable success in Sericulture sector in the State but it requires wide publication through booklets & other multimedia amongst the mass people for greater interest of the scheme.

One Project proposal under Catalytic Development Programme (CDP) for the year 2013-14 is submitted to Central Silk Board, Bangalore to cover up 550 nos. beneficiaries for assistance mulberry plantation to other allied activities of the State.

Tripura Handloom Handicrafts Development Corporation (THHDC):

Since the THHDC is running loss and due to implementation ROP and regularization of all fixed and DRW employees an amount of Rs.981.38 lakhs will be required towards payment of salaries and wages to the employees of the corporation whereas proposed budget for 2013-14 is Rs.800.00 lakhs in the form of share capital. Beside an amount of Rs.200.00 lakhs will be required as working capital to run the business activities of the corporation, which includes production of silk raw fabrics through Powerlooms since THHDC has been given the responsibilities of running the 12 nos. Powerloom and also after production of finished products i. e. silk sarees and silk fabrics and also for modernizations of printing unit and sales counter of THHDC Ltd.

Achievement made during the year 2012-13 :-

The Government has taken many initiatives in strengthening the activities in the field of Handloom, Handicrafts & Sericulture for creating employment opportunities through different schemes of Cluster Development Approach and Skill Development training as well as providing modern equipments of latest technology for upliftment of beneficiaries after engaging them in this field etc. The achievement specified below indicates the praise worthy success.

HANDLOOM SECTOR:

- As part of initiative under Handloom Sector introduced the Integrated Handloom Development Scheme, Group Approach and Special Handloom Development Project were implemented. Under the Scheme and Project loom weavers were converted to frame loom weaving on commercial basis. In addition the traditional frame loom weavers were also skill up-gradation training including providing loom and accessories, margin money and workshop etc.
- Total 840 nos. weavers were provided skill up-gradation training. The weavers have been provided loom and accessories including margin money for procurement of yarn for production of Handloom fabrics.
- 95 nos. weavers were provided workshop for keeping their frame loom with a view to increase the production of handloom fabrics.
- Beneficiaries were provided new looms and accessories, training and working capital under the scheme.
- 1 national Handloom Expo, 2 Special Handloom Expos, 20 nos. District Level Handloom Fairs were organized in various parts of the State. Total sale of handloom goods were of Rs.130.97 lakhs out of which an amount of Rs.110.00 lakhs was of State handloom products.
- 38 nos. Primary Weavers Cooperative Societies were provided working capital to boost up their handloom production activities.
- 8 nos. new areas have been covered under Special Handloom Development Project, these are – Padmabil, Mandwi, Rajghat, Fatikcherra, Khumulwng, Daccabari, Narayankhamar and Lalsingmura. In these areas total 480 nos. weavers will be covered out of which 70 weavers already trained on weaving and loom and accessories, margin money etc. have already been provided so that they can take up commercial production of handloom fabrics.
- Health Insurance Scheme: This is a welfare Scheme for providing better health care facilities to the

Handloom weavers. The Health Insurance Scheme aims at financially enabling the weaver community to access the best of health care facilities. The Scheme is to cover not only the weaver but his wife and two children to cover all pre-existing diseases as well as new diseases and keeping substantial provision of OPD. The ancillary workers are also eligible for coverage under this scheme. During the current financial 2012-13, 9367 Nos of weavers have been covered under this scheme.

• Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Yojana: The Govt. of India has introduced the Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Yojana with the basic objective of MGBBY is to provide enhanced insurance cover to the Handloom weavers in the case of natural as well as accidental death and in case total disability. 1000 nos. weavers have been covered under the scheme during the financial year 2012-13.

HANDICRAFTS SECTOR:

1. Skill Up-gradation Training:

During the 2012-13, 549 nos. beneficiaries provided skill up-gradation training for production of quality handicrafts items to generate income through handicrafts activities.

2. Setting up new Clusters/ CFCs:

9 (nine) nos. new Clusters have been established during 2012-13 specially in Tribal area as per the suggestion of the last Subject Committee and provided skill up-gradation training on handicrafts, mechanized Roll Agarbati, natural bamboo based jewelry etc.

3. Financial assistance to Primary Handicrafts Cooperative Societies and SHGS:

19 nos. Primary Handicrafts Cooperative Societies have been provided working capital for procurement of raw materials, necessary tools and kits for production of saleable and value added handicrafts items. 1 no. SHG has been given training on Roll Agarbati making and also provided 8 nos imported machines and working capital for doing business.

4. Setting up Urban Haat:

Phase – I of the project has already been completed and Phase – II is in progress. Department is regularly persuaded with the Government of India for release Central Share in time but GOI is always making delay for their contribution. State Share of the project already released fully i. e. Rs.90.00 lakhs. The total project cost of the project is Rs.300.00 lakhs.

1. Construction of Development of Purbasha Complex:

The total project cost is Rs.14.85 crores. The Phase – I project cost is Rs.841.00 lakhs and full amount is sanctioned by the State of under ACA and SCA. The Phase – I project is almost completed and the Phase – II project for an amount Rs.6.43 crores will be started after the completion of Phase – I.

SERICULTURE SECTOR :

In Tripura, Sericulture is being practiced through cluster approach. 18 nos. Sericulture Clusters are there of which 7 nos. new clusters have been formed during 2012-13. 3 nos. Mulberry Rearers Cooperative Societies have also been formed in 3 clusters areas.

- Total 1827 nos. beneficiaries have been covered under Sericulture scheme as one of the economic activities for development for their livelihood and 1022 acres brought under high yielding variety Mulberry cultivation with the help of State Plan fund dovetailing with MGNREGA fund to increase the cocoons production.
- 900 nos. Sericulture beneficiaries have been provided training for Mulberry plantation and silkworm rearing to equip them for taking up of Sericulture activities properly. 60 nos. weavers have been trained for silk weaving on frame loom, 12 nos. on Powerloom weaving and 28 nos. in silk reeling operation at Udaipur and Panisagar.
- 700 nos. progressive rearers have been assisted through 11 nos. Mulberry Rearers Cooperative Societies for development of their garden to increase the cocoon production. 2 nos. Reeling Units

and 2 nos. Twisting Units were also supported for smooth function of the unit for production of Raw silk and twisted yarn.

- Booklets, hoarding and flex sign board with slogan and activities were provided in 11 nos Sericulture Clusters for encouraging rural people to take up Sericulture activities in a large scale.
- TTAADC was provided fund for development 200 nos. ST women beneficiaries with Sericulture activities.
- 1 each for cocoon store, Dupion Silk Reeling shed, boiler and generator house were constructed at Panisagar, Champaknagar, Udaipur. 1 each of Reeling shed, Twisting shed, Dupion Silk reeling shed and Powerloom shed were renovated at Halhali, Udaipur, Santirbazar, Bishramganj and Nutannagar.
- 4 nos. IBR boilers were procured for 4 nos. Reeling & Twisting Units of Badharghat, Udaipur, Santirbazar and Panisagar.
- For the year 2012-13, total 33.12 MT. of cocoons, 1.965 MT Raw silk and 3959 pieces silk saree have been produced.
- Under Catalytic Development Programme (CDP), 475 nos. beneficiaries have been provided financial support for different components and for this purposed Rs.650.66 lakhs is received from Central Silk Board, Bangalore.
- 475 nos. beneficiaries assisted for raising mulberry garden in 18 nos. Sericulture Clusters.
- 720 nos. beneficiaries assisted for construction of rearing house for silkworm rearing. These rearing houses will have to be utilized only for silkworm rearing purposes.
- Total 45 hectares of Mulberry Garden has been covered under irrigation to increase the productivity of cocoons.
- Total 475 nos. beneficiaries were assisted for supply of tools & kits, Plastic dala, Plastic mountages, Iron racks through 11 nos. Mulberry Rearing Co-operative Societies for successful conducting of Silkworm rearing and all the beneficiaries have been trained under 'Beneficiary Empowerment Programme.'
- 1 no. Multi-end Reeling Machine, 2 Twisting machine and 4 nos. Powerloom installed at Gakulpur, Udaipur, Santirbazar and Noagaon, Majlishpur respectively.
- 8 nos. Powelooms at Badharghat under MRCS Bishramganj have been established.

Tripura Handloom Handicrafts Development Corporation (THHDC):

THHDC Ltd. is performing a pivotal role in respect of development handloom and handicrafts in Tripura. With a view to augment the maximum benefit for handloom and handicrafts THHDC Ltd. started activities like – utilization of silk yarn being manufactured in Tripura and also increase the turn over of THHDC LTD. through Powerloom which is an innovative effort taken by THHDC Ltd. it is revealed that 1319 nos. silk new fabric saree has been produced, the cost of which Rs.17,80,650/- only. Most of the said are being processed and printed at Kolkata and same are processed and printed at Indranagar, Agartala and it is found that after printing, the cost of finished would be around Rs.40.00 lakhs only and in this way THHDC Ltd. would be in a position to increase its turn over. In order to augment more design in production of silk sarees, dobby designed has been procured from Bangalore and thus the weavers will be able to utilize it properly and market demand also would be increased.

Regarding gauge and bandage also THHDC Ltd. in catering the need of Health Department and as per Govt. decision Rs.25.00 lakhs worth, gauge and bandage has been supplied to the Health Department.

ANNUAL PLAN OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 2013-14 :-

(A) STATE PLAN

A. Divisible Pool

1) HANDLOOMS SECTOR:

<u>Name of the Scheme and its objective</u>	<u>Physical Targets</u>
(i) PACHRA PRODUCTION: To provide yarn to the tribal ladies for production and diversification of Tribal Pachra within ADC area. (47- TTAADC).	1200 nos. ST weavers
<u>(II) ASSISTANCE FOR TRAINING:</u> To upgrade the skills of weavers for production of value added items and also to impart training to regrouped tribal Jhumia. (36-(36-Stipend)	60 nos. weavers
<u>(III) ASSISTANCE TO P.W.C.S.:</u> To provide assistance to the Primary Weavers Co-operative Societies for working capital and arranging marketing /Training`	40-P.W.C.S/600-Weavers.
<u>(IV) PUBLICITY/FAIRS:</u> To arrange for Exhibitions/Fairs for Handloom products (26-Adv.)	10-Fairs/Exhibitions
<u>(V) Seminar/Workshop</u> To conduct seminar/workshop for improvement of technical know how of Weavers for awareness of different schemes (20-OAE)	6-Seminar/Workshops/ Awareness programmes
(VI) MINOR-WORKS To provide assistance to PWCS for maintenance of existing office building / CFC/ Dye-House etc.	4 nos. Clusters
2) HANDICRAFTS SECTOR:	
<u>(i) ASSISTANCE FOR QUALITY PRODUCTS AND THEIR MARKETING:</u> To organize Seminar/workshop on new designs and quality handicrafts products. (20-OAE)	10-Seminar/ workshops
<u>(II) PUBLICITY/FAIRS:</u> To arrange for wide publicity to popularize state's Handicrafts and to arrange for exhibitions/fairs etc.(26-Adv.)	IITF/District & State level Exhibitions/ Fairs (12 Nos.) 500-Booklets/Flex Hoardings etc.
<u>(iii) STIPEND FOR TRAINING:</u> To provide assistance to artisans for their skill up gradation to enable them For production of value added items; (36-Stipend)	10-Units (120 nos. Artisans per unit)
<u>(IV) ASSISTANCE TO PHCS:</u> To provide working capital to Primary Handicrafts Cooperative Societies/ SHGs (31-Grant-in-Aid)	19 nos. P.HCS/SHG's
<u>(iv) MINOR/MAINTENANCE WORKS:</u> To provide assistance to PHCS/DEC for maintenance of existing office building / CFC etc. (27-Minor Works)	1 no. CFC
(VII) ASSISTANCE TO TTAADC FOR DEVELOPMENT OF HANDICRAFTS.	

To provide assistance to Tribal HC Artisans under ADC Area (47-TTAADC) 3-Units under ADC area/60 nos. artisans

3) SERICULTURE SECTOR :

(I) SUPPLY OF PLANTING MATERIALS/ ASSISTANCE OF DISEASE CONTROL (20-OAE)

To provide finance assistance for mulberry plantation and to supply chemicals to control diseases (20-O.A.E) 60-Acres Mulberry Plantation (100 nos.farmers) to be covered for supply of planting materials/ PPC

(II) ASSISTANCE TO PROGRESSIVE FARMERS /MRCS:

To provide incentive to the progressive farmers for production of cocoons; financial assistance for running the reeling units (31-Grant-in-Aid) Progress farmers-800, MRCS-11, Reeling Unit-4, Grinage Unit-1, Power Loom Unit-2

(III) MINOR /MAINTENANCE WORKS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SEED FARM://TRAINING INSTITUTE/ GRAINAGE:

To provide fund for maintaining seed farm/training institute and Grain age for development of Sericulture Industries Installation of 2-Units Dupion (27-Minor Works) Silk Reeling Machine and 2 nos. Multi-end Reeling Machine

(IV) PUBLICITY/FAIRS:

To organize publicity for encouraging villagers to take up Sericulture activities (26-Adv.) 1200-Booklets/18 nos. Awareness program Hoardings - 11

(V) TRAINING / STIPEND

a) To up-grade the skills of farmers & new farmers on modern techniques in Sericulture. Training - 833 nos. Benefices/ Reelers/ Twisters/ weavers
b) To develop Silk Weaving on Power loom and to popularise Tripura Silk (36-Stipend)

(VI) DEVELOPMENT OF SERICULTURE IN TTAADC AREA:

To provide fund to TTAADC area for development of Sericulture 125 nos. benef. will be assisted for development Mulberry garden to increase production.

PROPOSED CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES

HANDLOOM SECTOR :

- Intrgratede Handloom Development Scheme/ Group Approach.
- Health Insurance Scheme/MGBBY
- Thrift Fund
- Marketing incentive
- organization of Fair etc.

HANDICRAFTS SECTOR :

- BabaSahib Ambedkar Vikash Yojana
- Urban Haat
- Craft Bazar

SERICULTURE SECTOR :

- Catalytic Development Project.


After detailed discussion on the Budget Proposal and appreciation of the submission presented before the Committee by the Department representatives, the Committee makes the following recommendations:-

RECOMMENDATION

- Skill up gradation Training Programmes to weavers as well as artisans be provided by the Department to uncovered areas with rendering of assistance with tools and kits for production of Handloom Fabrics and Handicrafts items towards commercial basis.*
- Department to setup new cluster in appropriate locations and to complete Khowai cluster by 31-03-2014.*
- Constant supervision on the work culture of Purbasa be maintained by Deptt. to upgrade the same to a satisfactory stage.*
- The Department may consider marketing of necessary Handloom items to govt. Deptt. like Hospital etc.*

In fine, the Committee recommends the Demand No. 25 for Grants by House notwithstanding the recommendations which may be the guideline for the Department to be followed.

Dated, Agartala,
The 10th May, 2013.


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