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My friends,

It all began four and a half years ago.

On May 20, 2011, the government of Ma, Maati, Manush finally brought the curtains down on the 34-year-long oppressive Left Front regime. We plunged ourselves into a veritable ocean of duties. Bengal was reeling from three decades of rampant neglect and torment. We were eager to do all we could to erase the final vestiges of this dark chapter. We have never neglected our responsibilities since then.

Although we are always ready to make our way towards comprehensive development, one particular impediment has veered us off course time and again. In spite of leaving the nightmarish days of the Left Front far behind, we were still not on firm financial grounds. The previous government had left as its legacy an immense debt that practically wrung us dry. Eventually, we ended up paying nearly Rs 100,000 crore to the Centre, which has severely affected our all-round progress.

However, even after this financial catastrophe and the Centre's ruthless exploitation of our vulnerability, we have relentlessly worked towards our goal. We are proud of our accomplishments and can, therefore, confidently claim that Bengal is surging ahead.

Today, Bengal is an epitome of excellence in the country. It leads the Nation in numerous aspects. We have attempted at doing the impossible and have largely succeeded in our mission.

Our work has been thwarted by copious bottlenecks over the course of these years. Much time was lost on duties related to Parliamentary Elections, Assembly Elections, Panchayet Elections, Municipal Elections and Corporation Elections. Consequently, we could work with pinpointed focus for no more than two and a half years. However, the list of all that we've done and all that we've begun is a rather long one.

An unprecedented initiative deserves a mention here. Our government lived up to its promise of reaching the grass roots level to offer its services. We visited many departments in numerous districts and went over their performances with a fine-tooth comb. This enterprise

has hardly had an equal in any other democracy. It has led to better and more dedicated services from departments as varied as the CMO, or the BDO. The people of Bengal – whether they are from the cities, suburbs, or the villages – have greatly benefitted from this initiative.

We have introduced an administrative calendar, the Right to Service Act, self-attestation and many such innovative processes. These have streamlined the system and made it more responsible — leading to strict adherence to deadlines.

Inspired by the love and blessings that Ma, Mati, Manush have bestowed on us, we are toiling day and night to ensure a better and improved life for the people of Bengal. I would request you to go through the following statistics, which will make it clear that we believe in action. Not mere words.

#### **During 2014-15:**

Gross Value-Added Growth	Bengal 10.48%	India 7.5%
Per Capita Income	Bengal 12.84%	India 6.1%
Increase in Industry	Bengal 8.34%	India 5.6%
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery	Bengal 6.49%	India 1.1%

#### In four years:

- State's Tax Collection has doubled
- State's Capital Expenditure (Asset Creating) has become six fold
- State's Agriculture and Rural Development Expenditure has become five and a half times
- State's Physical Infrastructure Expenditure has more than trebled
- State's Plan Expenditure has become more than three fold
- State's Social Infrastructure Expenditure has trebled

# News doesn't always represent The Truth. Here's what should really be making news.

### **Several International Recognitions:**

**Kanyashree:** The Kanyashree Scheme is a peerless initiative by the State Government. More than 3.1 million girls have been brought under this scheme. At the International Girls' Summit organised in London, both DFID and UNICEF recognised the excellence of this effort. The scheme has also won the Manthan Award for e-Governance in Asia Pacific and South Asia and was awarded the National Silver Medal in 2014-15.

**Swasthya Suraksha:** Around 6.1 million families have been enrolled under RSBY on health insurance, which is the highest in the country. Benefits of Rs 780 crore have been extended to

12 lakh 50 thousand patients in four years, which has been appreciated by the World bank and German Cooperation.

**Mati Tirtha and Krishi Tirtha:** Mati Tirtha and Krishi Tirtha, both of which are in Burdwan, have been internationally recognised by Food and Agricultural Organisation.

Nirmal Bangla: The Nirmal Bangla Abhiyan turned Nadia into India's first ODF district. The achievement has been recognised by the United Nations with a Public Service Award. Five more districts will earn this distinction in the coming days.

**Rural Craft Hub, supported by UNESCO:** The Rural Craft Hub Project, organised with 10 forms of handicrafts by artisans of 26 villages from 9 districts, has received a rare honour. The artisans were nominated to exhibit their crafts at the UNESCO headquarters in Paris. The project has now expanded to 15 districts.

#### Bengal surges ahead

- Surpassing all previous records, since May 2011, we have been able to generate employment of 67.35 lakh until December 2015. In addition, 98.3 crore mandays have also been generated under other different employment schemes.
- Fair-price medicine stores: In just four years, the State Government has opened 108 fair-price medicine stores, which distribute medicines at 48–77% discounts. Until now, 20 million individuals have availed themselves of discounts worth Rs 585 crore, which has set an example for the rest of the Nation to follow. This information was shared at the Eleventh World Congress of the International Health Economics Association.
- Peace prevails in Maoist-affected areas: Strict administrative intervention and policies directed at holistic development have brought back peace and ensured development in the Jungle Mahal areas. This is a phenomenon of national importance.
- Innumerable job opportunities: We received investment proposals worth Rs 2,43,100 crore at the Bengal Global Business Summit 2015. This will generate employment for 10 million people in the next three years. Huge investments have been proposed in countless sectors, such as Construction, Heavy Industries, MSME, Ports, Mines, Health and Education, Energy and Natural Resources, Transportation and Tourism, Food Manufacturing, Financial Services, Fishery, Animal Conservation and Information Technology. The second Bengal Global Business Summit has been organised at the Milan Mela Fair Ground during January 8 9. This time, the summit is going to be bigger both in terms of scope and size.
- **Strikes have been eradicated:** Strikes, or Bandhs, as they are called, have been eradicated in the last four years. This has effectively improved our work culture, creating a conducive atmosphere for industries to function.

#### Bengal is now world-renowned:

- **Singapore:** At a business meet organised in August 2014 at Singapore, investors from various countries signed 13 MoUs with entrepreneurs of Bengal
- Britain: British industrialists were enocouraged to invest in Bengal and 22 MoUs were

- signed during a recent trip to London. The tour was a great success in terms of further growth and development in the State.
- **Bangladesh, Bhutan:** Bengal has played an important role in establishing amicable relations between India, Bangladesh and Bhutan. With the initiation of a road project to transport goods and passsengers between Kolkata, Dhaka and Agartala, relations between the two neighbouring countries vastly improved.
- An independent Chitmahal: With the realisation of a historic Land Boundary Agreement bill 68 years after Independence, the people of Chitmahal finally got a country of their own. In addition, West Bengal has played a pivotal role in a 141,000-km-long highway project aimed to connect 32 nations.

#### No. 1 in India:

- Scholarships for the minorities: Around 8.4 million students from minority communities have received scholarships worth Rs 1,500 Crore, which is the highest in the country. Around 2.3 million scholarships will be given by May 2016.
- Asset creation for minorities: The Centre has allocated Rs 2025 crore to be invested in various projects under MSDP and IMDP. So far, this amount is the highest in the country.
- Loans for the MSME sector: Since May 2011, loans worth Rs 91,572 crore have been disbursed to entrepreneurs from the MSME Sector. West Bengal has diusbursed the highest amount of loans to the MSME sector in the country.
- 100 Days of Employment: Around Rs 4000 crore has been spent under the 100 Days of Employment scheme during 2014-15, which remains the highest in India. Until now, Rs 17,500 crore has been spent in creating rural assets under this scheme.
- Unparalleled success in agriculture: Bengal has received the Krishi Karmana Award for three years consecutively, which is yet an unbroken record in India.

#### **Striding forward in Education:**

- In only four years, 15 universities and 46 colleges have been set up
- Around 3 lakh seats have been created in higher education
- More than 50,000 teachers have been employed in various schools and colleges in just four years
- 2500 primary and 3500 middle schools have been set up and 1815 high schools have been developed
- Four million students are receiving bicycles under the Sabuj Sathi Scheme
- 45 ITIs and 48 polytechnics have been established. Around 120 ITIs and 33 polytechnics have been proposed, which is nothing short of a record
- 100,000 individuals have been registered at the Karmasansthan Bank under the Jubasree scheme. They will receive financial help worth Rs 1500/month

#### **Healthcare and family welfare:**

- People now can avail themselves of medicines and treatment completely free of charge at Government and medical college hospitals in various districts
- 77 fair-price diagnostic centres have been established
- In just four years, we have set up 308 SNSUs and 48 SNCUs to ensure proper healthcare for children
- The Government has established 33 CCUs and 17 HDUs in various districts and subdivisions. Bengal is the only state, where people get the benefits of CCU/HDU treatment even at subdivisions
- 41 multi superspecialty hospitals all over the state
- Number of beds in Government-run hospitals have increased by 27000. Number of seats in MBBS/BDS have increased to 2900

#### Agriculture, land, rural development and housing:

- Production of foodgrains has increased to 17.4 million tonnes (2014) from 14.8 million tonnes (2011)
- More than 6.9 million farmers have received the Kisan Credit Card
- 121 Krishak Bazars, out of 176, have been set up
- 300,000 landless individuals have received pattas
- Nearly 850,000 lavatories have been set up in rural areas, the highest in the country
- For people belonging to economically weaker sections, nearly 12 lakh 65 thousand dwelling units have been sanctioned

#### Minorities, backward classes, women and children and social welfare:

- Around 97% of the Muslim community has been registered under the OBC section
- 12 million students have received scholarships. Around 400,000 people have received loans worth Rs 67.1 million
- Students of Classs V to Class VIII will now receive Shikshashree scholarships. The amount will be transferred directly to their bank accounts. Until now, 1.6 million students from the SC and ST communities have benefitted from this scheme
- West bengal leads the nation in disbursing loans to people from MSDP and minority communities as scholarships and to generate self employment
- The state budget allocated for the Minority Development Department has increased five times
- Around 17% seats have been reserved for OBC students pursuing higher education
- Scholarships worth nearly Rs 1500 crore for 8.4 million students from minority communities
- 132 marketing hubs (Karmatirtha) are being set up in minority-populated areas

- In the currrent fiscal, 291 students from minority communities have qualified for medical education, 25 students have qualified for WBCS and 9 have succeeded in WBJS
- Students living in Madrasa hostels are receiving a special security allowance of Rs 1000/month for 10 months
- West Bengal is India's only state, where Madrasa students are being trained to use computers

#### Food security, transportation and electricity:

- Out of a total population of 91 million, 70 million will get food grain at the rate of Rs 2/KG
- 7 million more will be able to avail themselves of a 50% discount on the market rate
- 1500 AC and Non-AC buses and 15000 No-Refusal taxis have been launched
- Power cuts are a thing of the past. The State now has 24/7 electricity
- Since May 2011, the State is adding 5000 MW of new capacity

#### The many faces of development:

- 50,000 waterbodies were proposed to be built in a period of five years. Under the Jal Dharo Jal Bharo scheme, 140,000 waterbodies have already been created
- To facilitate irrigation in 32000 hectares of land, Rs 500 crore has been sanctioned under the Jaltirtha project
- Over the last four and a half years, more than 90,000 self-help groups have been set up
- Around 5.9 million workers have been brought under the social security scheme
- Financial help has been extended to 60,000 folk artists under the Lokprasar scheme

Festivals are meant to be celebrated by everybody. Bengal prides itself in being able to unify people from all religions, castes and creeds under the common umbrella of our glorious culture and amity.

We pledge safety and security for all. We take the responsibility to preserve the honour of our women.

We believe every place of worship — including temples, mosques, gurdwaras and churches — should be equally honoured and respected.

We celebrate Eid, Muharram, Buddha Purnima, Mahavira Jayanti and Guru Nanak Divas with as much devotion as we reserve for our Durga Puja.

We promise to bridge all gaps between the youth and senior generations by carrying out our duties responsibly.

The ocean, the mountains and the rivers: Tourism industry excels in Bengal

Bengal occupies a very special position in the tourism industry. We have been able to connect a number of popular tourist destinations in the state by launching helicopter

services. Tourists from both India and abroad will thoroughly enjoy visiting lovely locations such as Digha, the Sundarbans, Sagar, Jhargram, the Susunia hill, Tarapith and Tarakeswar. Travelling in Bengal will be further facilitated with the introduction of cutting-edge amenities. We have already built innumerable tourist lodges in North Bengal. The government has also set up a special development authority to improve the tourism infrastructure at the picturesque Gangasagar and Bakkhali area. The state is a veritable haven of attractions for those who love travelling.

We have both land and water resources. We have built a power bank. We are proud of a highly educated and intelligent population, which clearly has the ability to lead the world if it is deemed necessary. No other place is more conducive to life and growth. We are the only state in the Nation that can boast of snow-capped peaks in the north and a vast riverine delta with the world's largest mangrove forest in the south. We have beautiful sea beaches stretching on for miles, dense forest areas and well-planned settlements. We are proud of it all. I dream of a Bengal that will one day exemplify globalisation. We have tried to give the world a glimpse of our cultural roots through the Biswa Bangla concept. I firmly believe that one day, you will come across a piece of Bengal in every corner of the world.

We have been financially sidelined, or ignored, over the last four and a half years. We have been lacerated by humiliating accusations. However, I must reiterate the fact that we remain as committed to development as we were in May 2011. We have been able to stand beside our people. We have been able to instil in them the hope for a bright future. Peace prevails in Bengal. The truth and sincerity of our actions is evident in the results they bore. The youth of Bengal have been empowered with hope and a sense of purpose. In tomorrow's Bengal, tradition will be inexorably intertwined with modernity.

A golden age awaits our State. Eventually, Bangla will transform itself into Biswa Bangla. We shall never give up until that day – this is our promise to you on the occasion of this New Year. We want to establish a more progressive and more developed Bengal in the coming years. I take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to my team members belonging to 'Paschimbanga Sarkar Paribar'. I also wish to convey my best wishes to people from all walks of life – cultural, social, financial and millions, who have transformed the state into what it is now. I've attempted to give you a rather cursory glimpse of our immense enterprise and vast areas of work, the quality of which is for you to judge.

Let Bengal stride on. We shall remain firmly committed to the state's all-round development. Wishing you health and happiness.

Jai Hind!

Pronam Salaam

Yours

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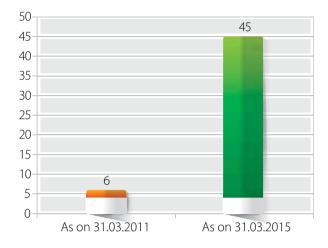




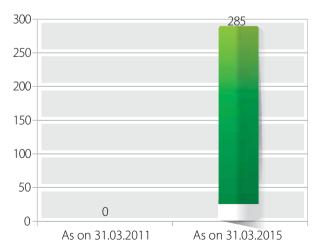








Sick Newborn Care Units (SNCUs)



Number of Sick Newborn Stabilisation Units (SNSUs)

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- More emphasis on child care
- Sick Newborn
   Care Units
   increased from 6
   to 48 up to Nov.

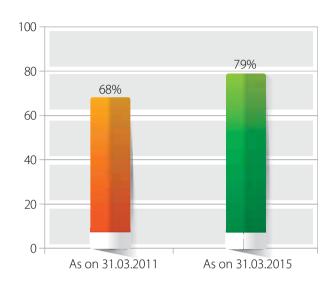
   2015
- 56 expected by May, 2016



- Enhanced paediatric care support
- Sick Newborn
   Stabilisation
   Units increased
   from 0 to 307 up to
   Nov. 2015 target
   achieved

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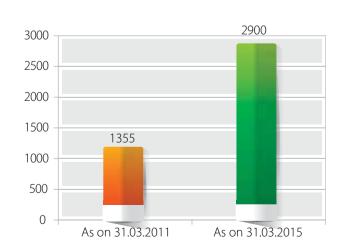
- Significant improvement in institutional delivery leading to better health of mother and child
- 87% up to Nov. 2015 and rising



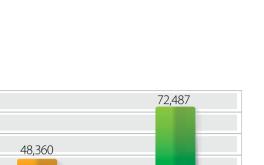
**Institutional Delivery** 

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Medical seats up by 1545 in just 4 years



**Number of MBBS & BDS Seats** 



As on 31.03.2015

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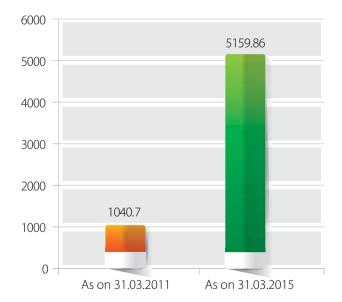
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Number of Hospital Beds

As on 31.03.2011



Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)

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- More emphasis on patient care
- Hospital Beds increased by nearly 27,000 up to Nov. 2015 and rising

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Almost 5 times increase in Plan Expenditure

Significant Achievements

#### Free Treatment:

- Indoor treatment in all Government hospitals has been made free for all, resulting in 0 out-of-pocket expenditure for all.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 1040.7 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 5159.86 crore during 2011-2015.

#### Free Medicine/Drug:

 All patients admitted at state government-run hospitals are now receiving medicine/drug completely free of cost.

#### **Fair Price Medicine Shops:**

• In a unique initiative, the present government has started fair price medicine shops to provide medicine at discounted rate to the consumers. The concept has emerged as a model for the rest of the country. A total of 108 FPMSes have been set up during 2011-2015, which are providing medicines at discounts from a minimum of 48% to a maximum of 77.7% of the market price. Till date, more than `585 crore has been availed as discount from these shops by about 2 crore patient parties.

#### **Fair Price Diagnostic Centres:**

 In a similar initiative, fair price diagnostic centres have been set up to provide diagnostic facilities like digital x-ray, dialysis, CT Scan and MRI at discounted rate of less than 50% of market rate and completely free to economically poor patients. A total of 77 FPDCs were set up during 2011-2015. 94 FPDCs likely by May, 2016.

#### **Critical Care Units:**

 The present government has started critical care units at the districts for providing treatment to those in need of critical care. A total of 35 CCUs and 17 HDUs have been operationalized during 2011-15, against none during the corresponding previous four years. 40 CCUs and 22 HDUs likely by May, 2016. West Bengal is the only state to have

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CCUs at district and sub-divisional level where treatment is provided free of cost to the patients.

## Free treatment of cancer, cardiac and haematological diseases:

• The State Government has made treatment of all types of cancer, cardiac problems and blood disorders completely free in state government-run hospitals and medical colleges. The services to be provided would include all types of medicines, radiation therapy, surgical procedures like open heart surgery, bypass surgery, repair and replacement of valves and insertion of different types of implants like stents and pace makers. The scope of treatment of blood disorders including blood cancer, thalassemia, aplastic anaemia, haemophilia, etc., would also be enhanced to offer universal coverage.

#### Sishu-Saathi:

- Under this unique scheme, free surgical treatment is provided to children with cardiac diseases at state-of-the-art state government-run hospitals, irrespective of their parents' economic status. Till now, more than 7400 children have been treated under this scheme.
- Number of Sick Newborn Care Units has increased from 6 during 2007-2011 to 49 during 2011-2015. 56 SNCUs expected by May, 2016.
- 307 SNSUs have been set up during 2011-15.

#### **Multi/Super Speciality Hospitals:**

 In order to provide cutting-edge medical facilities at the districts, the present government is in the process of setting up 41 Multi/Super Speciality Hospitals at Chhatna, Onda, Barjora, Bishnupur, Purulia, Raghunathpur, Balurghat, Gangarampur, Jalpaiguri, Falakata, Mal, Islampur, Rajganj, Suri, Bolpur, Rampurhat, Salboni, Debra, Ghatal, Jhargram, Nayagram,

Significant Achievements

Gopiballavpur, Nandigram, Egra, Panskura, Sagardighi, Jangipur, Domkal, Baruipur, Kakdwip, Metiaburuz, Diamond Harbour, MR Bangur Hospital, Chanchal, Bongaon, Basirhat, Serampore, Arambagh, Asansol, Kalna and Uluberia. Nayagram, Barjora, Jangipara and Sagardighi Multi/Super Speciality Hospitals have already started functioning. 20 such hospitals are likely to start functioning by January, 2016.

- Number of hospital beds has risen from 48,360 during 2007-2011 to more than 74,000 during 2011-2015.
- Institutional Delivery has increased from 68% during 2010-2011 to 87% during 2014-15.

#### New Medical Colleges and enhancement of MBBS/BDS seats:

- A total of 9 new Medical Colleges are being set up at Rampurhat, Purulia, Raigunj, Nadia, Coochbehar (2), Diamond Harbour, Bhangor and Kurseong.
- Number of Medical seats has increased from 1355 to 2900.

#### **Paediatric Cath Lab:**

 First public sector Paediatric Cath Lab in Eastern India and 2nd in the country after AIIMS, New Delhi has been set up at SSKM Hospital.

#### MCH Hub & Nutritional Rehabilitation Centre:

- 2 MCH Hubs have been completed at Kolkata and Howrah. 7 more are coming up at Nadia, Malda, Murshidabad, Paschim Medinipur, Bankura, Coochbehar and Jalpaiguri.
- 35 Nutritional Rehabilitation Centres (NRCs) have been operationalized for management of severely malnourished children with counselling of their mothers.

#### Madhur Sneha & Cord Blood Bank:

• Eastern India's 1st Human Milk Bank – `Madhur Sneha' – and Cord Blood Bank have been set up at SSKM Hospital.

## Gallery













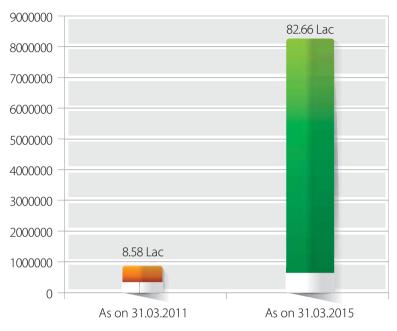




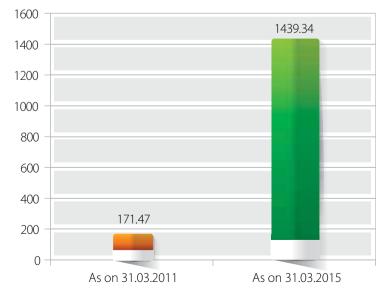
- Sick Newborn Care Unit
- Multi Speciality Hospital at Sagardighi MCH Hub under construction
- Fair Price Medicine Shop
- Critical Care Unit
- C. T. Scan







Number of students received Scholarships/ Stipends during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Amount of Scholarships/ Stipends disbursed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)

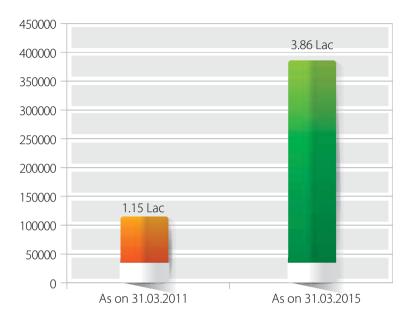
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- Nearly 10 times increase in number of students receiving scholarships
- More than 84 lakh students up to Nov. 2015
- 1 crore 9 lac students likely by May, 2016

- No. 1 in the country in terms of scholarships disbursed to Minorities
- 1440 crore up to Nov. 2015
- 1870 crore likely by May, 2016.

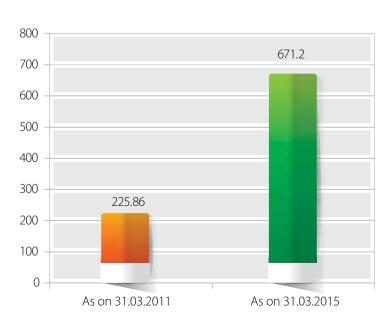
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# More thrust on self employment



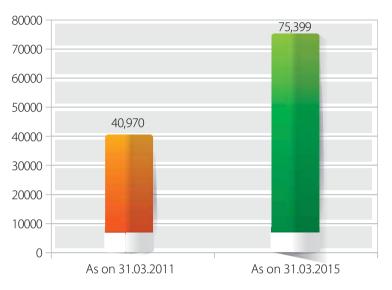
Number of loans disbursed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

- No. 1 in the country in terms of loans disbursed to Minorities
- `709 crore up to Nov. 2015
- 842 likely by May, 2016

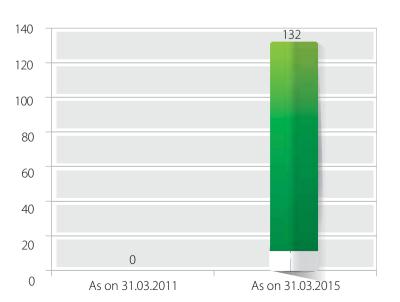


Amount of loans disbursed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)





Housing for Minorities during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Number of Marketing Hubs coming up

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#### Increased focus on housing for Minorities

- Increased focus on self employment
- 29 completed up to Nov. 2015
- 86 likely by May, 2016

Government has been pursuing ceaselessly for a holistic development of the minorities. Almost all the significant recommendations of the Sachar Committee have been implemented by the Government.

#### **Budget Provision & Utilisation:**

- The State budget allocation for the Department has increased more than five times, from `472 Cr. in 2010-11 to `2,383 Cr. in 2015-16.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 432.32 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 2827.14 crore during 2011-2015.

#### **Reservation in Government Sector & Higher Education:**

By introducing a new legislation, the list of OBC in West Bengal has been increased by our Government to include 107 Muslim Communities. As a result, more than 97% of the state's Muslim population has been recognized as OBC and are eligible to reap the fruits of reservation for OBC introduced by our Government in higher education and Government jobs. In Higher Education, 17% reservation has been granted by the West Bengal State Higher Educational Institutional (Reservation in Education) Act, 2013. During 2014-15 about 60,000 students got admission in Higher Education out of this provision. This reservation has ensured benefits to the minority population. This facility is being given to the OBC students by creating additional seats without curtailing the general category seats. The State has made an additional provision of `1000 crore to implement this.

#### **Scholarships:**

- Students receiving scholarship/stipend have increased from 8,58,219 during 2007-2011 to more than 84 lac during 2011-2015 – nearly 10 times increase.
- Amount of scholarship/stipend distributed has increased from `171.47 crore during 2007-2011 to `1440 crore during 2011-2015.

#### **Loans for Self Employment:**

- Sanction and distribution of loan have increased from 1,15,457 during 2007-2011 to 3,86,417 during 2011-2015.
- Amount of loan distributed has increased from `225.86 crore during 2007-2011 to `709 crore during 2011-2015.

## **Significant Achievements**



#### **Aliah University:**

• New Town Campus of Aliah University situated on 20 acres of land with a sanctioned amount of Rs.236 Crore has been inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister on 11.11.2014. Another academic building at Park Circus (beside Lady Brabourne College) with financial sanction of Rs.62 Crore is also complete. The University with all the modern facilities in place, has already emerged as a source of great inspiration.

#### **Digital Literacy for Madrasah Students:**

 All the students of Madrasah (from Class VI onward) are being provided basic knowledge of computer operation and using internet. West Bengal is the 1st state in India to take up such initiative.

#### **Hostels for Boys & Girls:**

• Construction work for 382 hostels (Girls-192 and Boys-190) have been taken up. Out of which, civil works for 206 hostels have been completed and 87 operationalized. By March, 2016, 240 hostels will be operational. Operation & Management Guideline for 118 Madrasah attached hostels have been finalized. Once put into operation, these hostels will benefit around 20,000 students.

#### **Vocational / Skill Development Training:**

 More than 21,000 Minority Youths got wage employment during 2011-2015 after successful completion of training, compared to 3556 during 2007-2011.

#### **ITI and Polytechnics:**

 With a view to boosting up technical training and employability of youth, 39 ITIs and 8 Polytechnics are being set up in minority concentrated areas.

#### **Marketing Hubs:**

**. 132 Karmatirtha (Marketing Hubs)** have been taken up for facilitating self-employment opportunities for the minority youths.

#### **Minority Bhavans:**

• Construction of Minority Bhavans sanctioned for all the districts including Kolkata to ensure easy access of the minorities by providing a single window facility. 17 Minority Bhavans have become functional. Further, All the Districts will now have one exclusive District Officer on Minority Affairs.

#### Third Haj House:

• Five acres of land has been allotted for construction of third Haj House at Rajarhat, New Town. Construction work of the new Haj complex with all modern facilities is expected to be completed by this financial year, with a total project cost of Rs. 97 Cr. During last four years 50,362 Haj Pilgrims performed Haj Pilgrimage. Government has facilitated the programme right from obtaining passport upto return journey from the Holy Mecca.

#### **Promotion of Urdu:**

• The West Bengal Official Language (Amendment) Act, 2012 has come into force from December 2012. Urdu has been given status of official Language in areas having more than 10% Urdu speaking population. Construction of Branch Offices of Urdu Academy in Asansol and Islampur has been taken up.

#### **Housing for Minorities:**

• Housing for Minorities has increased from 40,970 during 2007-2011 to more than 81,000 during 2011-2015.

#### **Boundary wall around Graveyards:**

• Over ` 150 crore has been released for construction of boundary wall around 2000 graveyards.

#### **Social Activities of Imams and Muazzins:**

• Around 51,000 Imams and Muazzins are engaged in generating public awareness on schemes like pulse polio, routine immunization, checking drop-out rates in schools, promoting communal and social harmony, etc.

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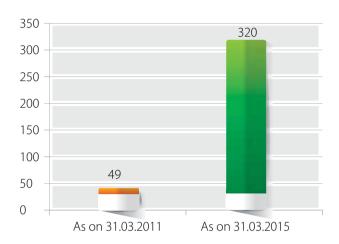




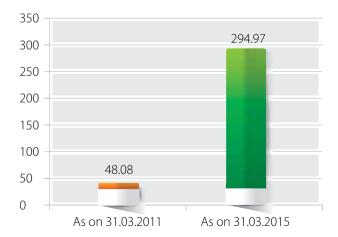
- Inauguration of Aliah Campus HCM felicitating Madrasah Exam toppers HCM attending Jashn-E-Iqbal Vocational Training at Aliah University A 'Karmatirtha' Marketing Hub







**Number of MSME Clusters** 



Employment generated in handloom during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in lakh person-days)

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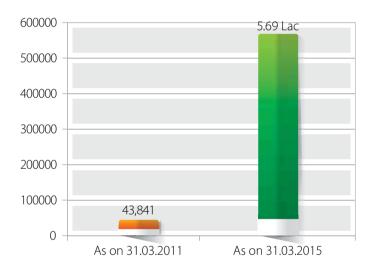
- Enhancing productivity and competitiveness of micro and small enterprises through clustering of units
- 331 clusters up to Nov. 2015
- 347 likely by May, 2016

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More than 6 times growth in employment generated in handloom sector

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- More recognition to artisans
- More than 10 times increase in issuance of ID Cards for getting acknowledgement and benefits



Number of Artisans' Identity Cards distributed

### **Significant Achievements**

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Item	2007-2011	2011-2015
Amount of Plan Expenditure	` 399.43 crore	`1034.08 crore
Number of clusters	49	331
Bank credit flow to MSME sector	` 16,764 crore	` 91,572 crore
Employment generated in handlooms	48.08 lakh person-days	294.97 lakh person-days
Issuance of Artisans' Identity Card	0.43 lakh	5.69 lakh
Issuance of Weavers' Identity Card	0	5.31 lakh

#### MSME & Textile Policies 2013-18:

- Launched in 2013, these policies aim at creating enabling business eco system for making MSMEs attain the desired standards of quality and cost.
- During the last 4 years (2011-12 to 2014-15), over 50,850 MSME units have been set up in the state employing more than 5,45,000 persons. During 2014-15 (up to 31.03.2015), more than 22,935 units have filed Entrepreneurs' Memorandum (I&II) in the MSME sector having employment potential of 2, 03,780 persons and investment in plant and machinery for ` 2,297 crore.

#### Biswa Bangla:

• An umbrella brand, launched in 2014 to showcase and promote Bengal's heritage products in handloom, handicraft, FMCG and culture sectors. **5 Biswa Bangla showrooms Kolkata Airport (2),** Dakshinapan, Bagdogra Airport and Delhi and **2 Biswa Bangla Haats at Rajarhat Eco Park and Santiniketan are in operation.** 

#### **SYNERGY MSME:**

• A unique service-delivery event to provide customized solutions to MSME business needs under one umbrella. Over 35,500 MSME entrepreneurs have availed services at the state level and three regional SYNERGY events already held at Howrah, Malda & Siliguri.

#### One stop portal for MSMEs (www.myenterprisewb.in):

 A web platform to provide all basic information on statutory compliances and government incentives to MSMEs. It also has Single Application Gateway (SAG) to make applications for all statutory compliances and for availing government incentives. The portal has over 75,000 hits in the last one and a half years. 30,600 EM have been filed online through this portal in this one and a half years period.

#### Finance Clinic (FC):

• Provides an interface between entrepreneur-bank-government. It is held every month at each District Industries Centre (DIC), facilitating coverage of bank finance to MSMEs. More than 2800 entrepreneur have been facilitated and counselled in these centres in the last one year.

## **Significant Achievements**

#### **Technology Facilitation Centre (TFC):**

• Set up in CDCRI campus at Jadavpur University, provides a single window for information on latest technologies for MSME sector. **The service of TFC** is available at www.msmetfc.in. Solution related to technology **has been provided to about 2400 entrepreneurs so far.** 

#### **MSME Facilitation Centre (MFC):**

• Set up in each district, it provides all necessary information and hand holding to MSME entrepreneurs. On an average 10-15 entrepreneurs per day are getting support per MFC.

#### **Unique Clearance Centre (UCC):**

 Set up in Howrah, Jalpaiguri, Burdwan, Purulia, Hooghly and Bankura districts. It is a dedicated set up for fast tracking mutation and conversion of land for industry purpose. More than 1000 acres of land mutation and conversion has happened at these UCCs during the last one and a half years.

#### **West Bengal MSME Venture Capital Fund:**

• With a corpus of Rs. 200 crore launched in 2015 with an aim to provide equity support to potential and innovative small and medium enterprises in the State.

#### MSME Invest Portal (www.msmebengalinvest.in):

• Launched in 2015 in collaboration with IIM Calcutta, this portal connects entrepreneurs, investors and professional experts.

#### **Rural Craft Hub:**

• Launched in 2014 in collaboration with UNESCO, this project covers 10 crafts across 26 villages in 9 districts. It aims to develop these villages into craft hubs with artisans becoming self-reliant entrepreneurs. These are also being groomed to be tourist destinations.

#### New initiatives at Uttar-Kanya:

• One MSME Facilitation Centre (MFC) & One Unique Clearance Centre (UCC) have been set up at Uttarkanya

#### **Ease of Doing Business:**

A slew of business-friendly initiatives like new MSME and Textile Policy 2013-18, Scheme of Approved Industrial Park (SAIP), One-stop portal for MSMEs (myEnterprisewb.in), MSME Facilitation Centre (MFC), Single Application Gateway (SAG), etc., have been started to attract more investments in the State. More such initiatives are in the offing. A book containing relevant government notifications and circulars named 'Business Made Easy - The Next Level - Doing Business in West Bengal' has been published by the Department in this regard.

#### **Belur Shilpa Tirtha:**

• An industrial city on with state-of-the-art industrial park for all kinds of manufacturing activities and world class logistic hub with social infrastructure for housing, education, health care and recreation coming up at Belur on 200 acre of land.

#### 'Egiye Bangla' Reality Show:

 Yet another first in the country from Bengal- A new reality show to encourage younger generation to come forward and set up enterprises has been launched on December 6, 2015 with IIM Calcutta Innovation Park as partner.

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- Biswa Bangla Haat, Rajarhat Inauguration of West Bengal State Handicrafts Expo, Kolkata 2012, Biswa Bangla Showroom at NSCBI, Airport, Kolakta, Domestic SHA
- IIHT, Fulia 3
- MFC
- Synergy MSME



#### **LAW AND ORDER**

- State has remained peaceful without any major incidents of violence or communal tension.
- Life in Jungle Mahal and Darjeeling continued to be normal.
- Kolkata has been adjudged the "Best City in Crime & Safety Category" by India Today in the year 2014.
- Kolkata is the safest city in terms of incidents of crime against women, according to latest data released by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)
- Incidents of crime against women, dacoity, robbery, murder, etc. are on the decline.
- Govt. is adopting a 'Zero tolerance' towards crime against women.
- Govt had decided to set up 65 Women Police Stations, out of which 30 Women Police Stations under WBP have already been created in last 4 years. 10 more Women Police Stations have been approved recently.
- Govt has set up dedicated Anti Human Trafficking Unit and Special Juvenile Police units in each District.
- State Government has recently decided to provide additional benefits to the surrendered LWE which is over and above the benefits given by the Central Government:

Instant grant of Rs.50,000/- with additional Rs. 2 lakh redeemable after 3 years Incentive (varying according to type) for surrendered weapons/ammunition

House Rent @ Rs.2500/- per month

Medical Assistance @ Rs.500/- per month

Free medicines provided in Government hospitals

Rs.500/- will be provided to every school going child

Rs.1500/- for every college going child

Higher allowance for students pursuing professional courses on a case-to-case basis

- 8 new Coastal Police Stations under WBP have been created in the 2nd phase of Coastal Security scheme. 18 Fast Interceptor Boats are patrolling regularly in coastal areas.
- About 50,000 posts have been created and sanction for almost 5000 new posts in different categories of Police has been accorded during the last 4 years.

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- This is in addition to 1,35,900 civic volunteers and 3351 Village Police volunteers engaged during the same period.
- In all, 89 new Police Stations have been set up during the last 4 years, as under:

#### **NEW POLICE STATIONS**

Police Stations under Kol. Police	=	21
Women Police Stations	=	30
Regular Police Stations	=	19
<b>Coastal Police Stations</b>	=	08
Cyber Police Stations	=	05
GRP Police Stations	=	02
Police outposts	=	04
TOTAL	=	89

#### **POLICE INFRASTRUCTURE**

#### **Kolkata Police**

- An area of 132 Sq. Km was included with the then existing area of Kolkata Police with effect from 1st September, 2011 making it coterminous with KMC Jurisdiction.
- One Cyber Lab has been setup under Detective Department to deal with cyber crime and an STF Police Station has been created at Lalbazar to deal with terrorist related cases.
- 11 New Traffic Guard have been created since September, 2011 for better traffic management in Kolkata Police jurisdiction.
- Kolkata Police has installed 700 CCTV cameras at 248 strategic locations in the city of Kolkata and an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV), named Durdanto, has been deployed for crowd control, surveillance and firefighting efforts in Kolkata Police jurisdiction.
- Similar projects in all other Commissionerates are being taken up under the 'Safe City' project.

#### **West Bengal Police**

 Five New Police Commissionerates, namely, Howrah, Bidhannagar, Assansol-Durgapur, Barrackpore and Siliguri Police Commissionerates have been set up.

- Government has sanctioned Model Police Station buildings for 32 Police Stations in the State under the State Plan.
- West Bengal Police Housing & Infrastructural Development Corporation Ltd (WBPHIDCL) has been entrusted with construction of 31 new Police Station Buildings (in the 1st phase) and 144 residential quarters.

#### **POLICE WELFARE**

- An ownership housing scheme named 'Pratyasha' has been started in which Government will provide land free of cost at multiple locations throughout the State for ranks.
- Policemen and their families have been covered under a Group Medical Insurance Scheme. 58,664 police personnel of West Bengal Police are enrolled in this scheme. New Medical cum Personal Accident Insurance Policy for Home Guards, NVF's, Village Police Volunteers and casual workers have been launched at a low premium of Rs 972/- per family per year.
- 20 Subsidiary Police Canteens have been operationalized, where Police personnel are getting essential commodities at rates lower than the market price.

#### **COMMUNITY POLICING**

- 3 new Community Policing project viz GOALZ, SHAMPARK & SUKANYA have been initiated by Kolkata Police for involving under-privileged Youth as well as for providing self defence training to School girls.
- Football Tournaments, like Jungle Mahal Cup, Sunderban Cup and Himal-Terai-Dooars Cup, are regularly organized to enhance social outreach of the Police, as a part of Community Policing.

 Financial assistance @ ` 1 lakh is provided by Kolkata Police (with additional ` 5 lakh by the Youth Services Department) for organizing expedition to Mount Everest.

#### **BORDER MANAGEMENT**

- In order to maintain Law & Order in the border region and to extend amenities to the citizens dwelling in such areas, Border meetings are being held regularly with the representatives of Bangladesh, Nepal and Bhutan.
- In phase I, 507 km of barbed wire fencing along Indo-Bangladesh border has been erected. In phase II, 725 km of fencing has been completed.
- Construction of 23 Border outposts was sanctioned during 2012 13. In the Indo-Nepal and Indo-Bhutan Border, upgradation of
   13 outposts have been completed out of sanctioned 59 cases.
- Integrated Check Posts (ICP) are going to be developed at Petrapole (North 24 Parganas), Hili (Dakshin Dinajpur), Changrabandha (Coochbehar), Mahadipur (Malda), Ranaghat (Nadia), Ghojadanga (North 24 Parganas), Panitanki (Darjeeling) and Jaigaon (Alipurduar).
- Border Area Development Program is going on in 4736 villages under 65 Blocks in 10 Districts along Indo-Bangla, Indo-Bhutan and Indo-Nepal border for development of infrastructure in the sectors of roads, agriculture, education, health & family welfare, irrigation, public health engineering, power, social welfare, transport, security and skill development training for youth in the border areas.

#### STATE FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORY

• The State Forensic Science Laboratory and its infrastructure have been upgraded.

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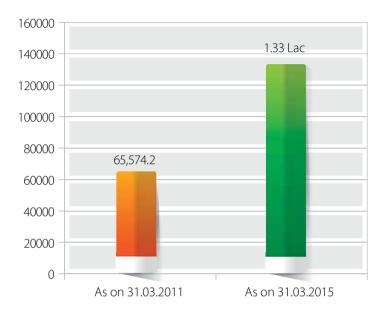




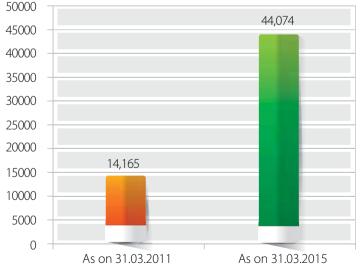
- Providing self defence training to girls
- Community Policing Project GOALZ Police Housing at Malda Sundarban Coastal
- Police Station
- Subsidiary Police canteen at Burdwan district
- Football Tournament for Adibasi girls at Budbud PS, Burdwan



#### **Graphical Representation**



State's Own Source Revenue (OSR) collection during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)



State Plan Expenditure per annum (in ₹ crore)

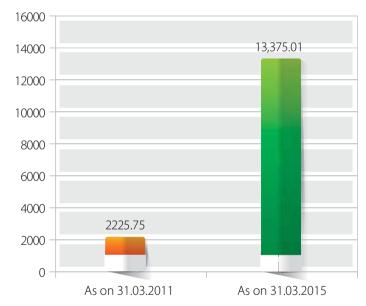
#### Massive increase in OSR

• More resource for development

- Higher Expenditure
- Better Expenditure Pattern
- Higher Collection of Taxes from Better Compliance
- Virtuous growth cycle

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Increase of more than 6 times leading to huge creation of assets



Capital Expenditure per annum (in ₹ crore)



#### **FISCAL INDICATORS**

Item	West Bengal	India
Gross Value-Added (GVA) growth in 2014-15	10.48%	7.5%
Increase in Per Capita Income in 2014-15	12.84%	6.1%
Increase in Industry in 2014-15	8.34%	5.6%
Increase in Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery in 2014-15	6.49%	1.1%

• In last four years, the Revenue Deficit (RD), Fiscal Deficit (FD) and Debt Stock as percentage of GSDP has reduced from 3.65%, 4.12% and 39.54% during 2010-11 to 1.29 %, 2.98 % and 34.28% during 2014-15 (RE).

Item	2010-11	2015-16
Plan Expenditure	` 14,165 crore	` 49,957 crore
Expenditure on Social Infrastructure	` 6,846 crore	` 27,453 crore
Expenditure on Agri, Agri-allied, Rural Development	` 3,029 crore	` 15,190 crore
Expenditure on Physical Infrastructure	` 1,759 crore	` 5,807 crore
Capital Expenditure	` 2,226 crore	` 15,628 crore

#### **ENHANCING REVENUE MOBILISATION**

- State's Own Source Revenue collection has increased from 65,574.2 crore during 2007-2011 to 1,33,639.4 crore during 2011-2015.
- State's Own Tax Revenue during 2014-15 is expected to be Rs. 40,062 crores whereas it was only Rs. 21,128 crores during 2010-11. Average annual growth rate of State's Own Tax Revenue (OTR) during 2011-15 is 17.65 % as against 13.54 % in the corresponding period of 2004-11.
- State's Own Tax/GDP Ratio: The ratio of State's Own Tax Revenue (OTR) to GSDP which was 4.46 during 2010-11 crossed the 5 per cent mark in 2012-13 for the first time in last 15 years and continues to stay above that.

#### STRENGTHENING FISCAL MANAGEMENT

#### Implemented Integrated Financial Management System [IFMS]:

- A web-based application for better Financial and Fiscal Management of state government
- Modules of IFMS:
  - e-Bantan (online fund allotment)
  - e-CTS (web-based Centralized Treasury System)
  - e-Pradan (electronic Payment)
  - e-Billing (Online bill submission) and
  - HRMS (Human Resources Management System)
- West Bengal is the first state in the country to make online payment to the bank A/c of all the beneficiaries through e-Kuber of RBI.

#### **Introduction of Financial Advisor (FA) System:**

- FA System introduced in all the Administrative Departments for expeditious planning and implementation of development schemes.
- Higher delegation of financial powers with Departmental Secretaries.

#### **Decentralisation of Drawing and Disbursing Officers (DDOs) Administration:**

• Functioning of DDOs of Administrative Departments, which was centralised in the Finance Department and often resulted in delay in processing of Bills, has been decentralized to individual Administrative Departments.

#### **Computerisation of Salary Accounts [COSA]:**

- Computerised Salary Preparation of all the employees of state government and other autonomous bodies like municipalities, panchayats, educational institutions etc. through COSA Application.
- COSA has facilitated the development of the database for better Human Resources planning.

#### **Workflow based File Tracking System (WFTS):**

• WFTS was introduced in April 2013 as a low-cost web-based service for online file movement tracking between different departments /offices.

#### **Government Receipts Portal System (GRIPS):**

- Launched a web-based e-receipts Portal for online and offline deposit of all Tax & Non-Tax revenue
- Instant credit to the State Exchequer and Convenient & user-friendly for Citizens

#### e-Tendering:

• e-tendering has been mandatory for tenders worth Rs. 5 lakhs and above in all Government departments, local bodies and all parastatal organisations.



#### **AWARDS:**

- The Finance Department was awarded Chief Minister's Award for recognition of its outstanding contribution in public service in 2013-14
- WFTS received CSI Nihilent Award 2013-14 for e Governance initiative
- e-initiative in Commercial Taxes awarded highest National e-Governance award- 2014-15 at the National Conference on e-Governance at Gandhi Nagar
- e-Abgari project was awarded the highest Skoch Platinum Award of Excellence 2014 for one of the best projects in the country.





Chief Minister's Award



**CSI Nihilent Award 2014** 





# REFORMS IN THE COMMERCIAL TAX DIRECTORATE Registration of dealers

- 100% e-registration with no manual hearing and no pre-registration inspection.
- Registration Certificate made dematerialized & downloadable by the tax payer.
- Registration within 24 Hours if applied with Digital Signature Certificates (DSC).

#### **Returns**

- 100% online filing of return, facility to use Digital Signature and no visit to tax office.
- Online generation of "Certificate of filing of return".
- Facilitation Centres and VAT Return Preparers to help small dealers.

#### Online payment and OTC through GRIPS

• Online and Over The Counter payment through centralised Revenue Receipt portal (GRIPS).

#### **Assessment**

- Introduction of deemed assessment upon filing of return itself.
- Only selective, risk based assessment.



- Online initiation of assessment & online generation of demand with SMS service.
- Drastic reduction in number of assessments from 71060 in 2012-13 to 11514 in 2013-14.

#### **VAT Refund and Payment through ECS**

- Entire pre-assessment refund process from application to grant of refund made online.
- No pre-verification by field offices for pre-assessment VAT refund to exporters etc.
- Refund amount credited directly to applicant's bank account through ECS.

#### e-Appeal

- Online filing of appeals against assessment orders and electronic processing thereof.
- No separate stay petition automatic stay of demand upon admission of appeal petition.
- Setting up of Fast Track Revisional Authority (FTRA) to clear pending 2ndappeal cases.

#### **Profession Tax**

- 100% online E-Application for PT Enrolment and/or Registration with online payment facility and instant grant of demat enrolment / registration certificate after auto-verification of PAN.
- No physical visit required for enrolment / registration.
- Profession Tax Schedule simplified -- reduced from more than 100 to only 4 entries.

#### STAMP AND REGISTRATION DIRECTORATE

#### **Structural Reorganization:**

• 15 new Registration Offices to facilitate door-step registration and to provide prompt service delivery.

#### Launched e-Registration (e-Nathikaran):

- e-Nathikaran, a centralized registration system introduced in all 247 offices.
- Online Searching Facility available over the web 24X7.

#### **Assessment of Market Value:**

- System driven, transparent and reliable.
- Available online over the web (24X7) in addition to the availability of it from the registration offices.

#### e-Stamping (e-Payment) through GRIPS:

• Introduced in all 247 Offices

### **Queue Management System and Registration Slot Booking:**

• Introduced in 25 important registration offices to avoid long queue and delay.

#### Integrated Property Registration & Land Records:

- Under implementation in phases in association with Land and Land Reforms Department.
- Facilitate simultaneous mutation with registration resulting in augmentation of Government Revenue.



Queue Management System



#### **Legacy Data Digitization:**

- Digitization of deeds registered manually on or after 01.01.1995.
- Digitization under progress in the 50 registration offices considered in the first phase.

#### **EXCISE DEPARTMENT**

#### **Structural Re-organisation:**

- 2 new Excise Districts, 3 new Excise Zones and 5 new Excise Divisions created;
- Excise Ranges increased from 65 to 87 and Excise Circles from 159 to 215.

#### **Strengthening Human Resources:**

- Additional 22 Deputy Collectors, 192 Assistant Sub-Inspectors, 57 Sub-Inspectors and 1267 Constables appointed.
- Uniform re-introduced after a gap of 20 years.

#### Reforms in licensing policy:

- First-point Excise Duty collection system introduced
- 15 new Country Spirit Bottling Plants and 2 new Foreign Liquor Manufactories set up since 2011.

#### e-Receipts of Revnues:

• All Excise Duties and Fees are now collected through GRIPS.

#### E-Governance:

- Launch of e-Abgari a web-based portal
- Online application for the grant and renewal of Excise licenses
- Online registration of brands of Country Spirit and Foreign Liquor
- Online application for Import Permits and Transport Permits
- Bar-coded permits and passes for the import and transport
- e-Returns of sales and revenue



Newly raised excise women contingent



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- Administrative Calendar: Govt. has published administrative calendar for 2014 and 2015 for monitoring the projected performances in different Departments.
- Administrative Meetings: 103 administrative meetings (for intensive monitoring of developmental issues) have been organized to connect the CMO to the BDOs over the last 4 years.
- **Self Attestation and Self Declaration:** Govt. of West Bengal has introduced **"Self Attestation"** in lieu of attestation by gazetted officers and others and **"Self declaration"** in lieu of affidavit for 43 & 31 services respectively till date.
- Creation of a new District of Alipurduar: For better administrative service to the people of North Bengal a new District of Alipurduar has been created. An Amount of Rs. 42,14,623/- has already been released during 2014-15 for different schemes in this district. Administrative approval has already been accorded by this Deptt. for construction of an Integrated Collectorate Building at Alipurduar (G+6) at a total estimated cost of Rs. 49.83 crore.
- Creation of a new districts and sub-divisions: In principle clearance of 6 new districts of Sundarbans, Kalimpong, Basirhat, Burdwan (Industrial), Burdwan (Rural) and Jhargram and 3 new sub-divisions of Mirik, Jhalda and Manbazar have been accorded.
- Auditorium at Baruipur: A major scheme of Construction of an Auditorium at Baruipur, South 24 Parganas has started due to lack of such facility in this district. The estimated cost for the scheme is Rs. 8.98 crore. It is being executed by KMDA.
- Administrative Complex at Nimtouri: The Govt. has already taken necessary steps for construction of administrative complex along with residential quarters for Officers and Staffs at Nimtouri, Purba Medinipur at an estimated cost of Rs. 99.80 crore. Ground water supply scheme in the same place has started at an estimated cost of Rs. 3.75 crore.
- **Circuit House at Durgapur :** Administrative approval has already been accorded for construction of a circuit House at City Centre at Durgapur, Burdwan. The estimated cost for the scheme is Rs. 11.80 crore.

- 2 years Maternity & Child Care Leave has been introduced for the benefit of female employees.
- Monitoring of employees' punctuality through manual/biometric attendance system, implementation of departmental programs according to Administrative Calendar, mandatory induction and in-service training of officers & assistants, etc., are some of the steps taken to enforce work culture.
- Government employees are now admissible to get Home Travel Concession (HTC) every 5 years and Leave Travel Concession (LTC), including travel abroad, every 10 years.
- **6th Pay Commission** has been constituted.
- Government employees' children to get preference in admission to schools after their parents are transferred.
- Group of Ministers formed for coordination with government employees.
- For the first time in this State, Government has set up a 'Civil Services Study Centre' at A.T.I, Govt of W.B., Bidhannagar for the youths aspiring for a career in premier Civil Service.
- Cadre strength of IAS Officers in W.B. has been enhanced from 314 to 359 at the intervention of the State Government
- Long-felt expectation of the State Civil Service Officers for more posts in the Special Secretary and Joint Secretary level has been fulfilled by issuing orders relating to the enhancement of number of posts in the Special Secretary level from 25 to 50 and in the Joint Secretary level from 165 to 215.
- Similarly, the promotional policy of the State Secretariat Service has been restructured to enhance the promotional avenues of its officers.
- Systematic maintenance of records regarding due dates of promotion coupled with awarding of promotion (subject to fulfilment of criteria) on due date without fail have been introduced to enforce timely promotion at various levels.
- For the first time, an online reservation facility for tourists aspiring to visit various destinations in West Bengal, has been started by the Resident Commissioner's office at New Delhi at Muktadhara, Gole Market, New Delhi. A 'Business Lounge' has also been



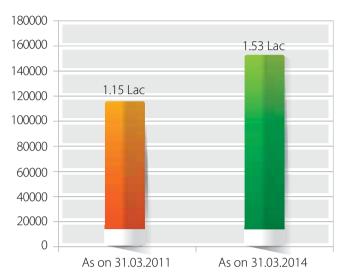
opened in Banga Bhawan, 3, Hailey Road, New Delhi to provide improved facilities to the boarders equipped with computer and Internet facilities.

- In- principle consent has been received for the formation of Common cadre of Gr.-D employees of the Secretariat.
- Almost all the employees have been connected to computer facility. Out of an estimated no. of 173, there are 157 units.
- Online submission of ACR and declaration of assets of all IAS Officers of the state have been introduced.
- State Government has intensified in-service training for the employees at ATI & Regional Training Centers of ATI in the districts, for toning up their skill and motivation.
- There are three Public Grievances and Assistance offices located at State Secretariat, Nabanna, New Secretariat Building and Bikash Bhavan. In the year 2014-15, 2108 petitions out of received 2406 petitions, have been disposed of.
- In the year 2014-15, 547 government officials and elected representatives were imparted training on natural disaster management, environment and ecology in the Natural Disaster Management Unit at A.T.I, Govt of W.B.
- Resident Commissioner's office at New Delhi was involved in Co-ordination with the MEA for evacuation of Indian citizens from Iraq and Libya during the outbreak of civil strife in July-August, 2014.
- West Bengal Staff Selection Commission started functioning from 30th April, 2012 at Mayukh Bhavan, Bidhannagar. The Commission conducted (a) direct recruitment process under Special Recruitment drive examination ,2014for SC/ST/OBC candidates in different posts on 08/02/2015. (b) ASI of excise Recruitment Examination, 2013 for 246 posts (c) published the result of SI Food Recruitment Examination ,2014 for 1131posts on 16/01/2015 (d) published the final merit list of candidates of the LDA/LDC Examination, 2013 for 1587 posts (e) Fire Engine operator –Cum- driver Recruitment Examination, 2014for 185 posts on 01.03.2015.



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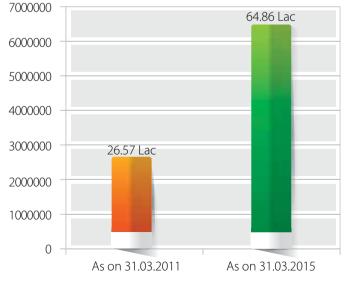




Per farmer annual household income (in ₹)

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- Increase in household income
- Betterment of wellbeing of farmers



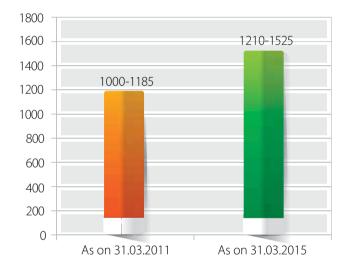
Number of Kishan Credit Cards (KCCs) distributed

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- Providing affordable credit to the farmers in times of need
- More than 69 Lac KCC issued so far

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Improved realisation corresponding to higher return on investment for farmers



Realisation of paddy price by farmers (in ₹ per quintal)

- Outstanding performance of the State Government has been recognized at national Level by conferring Krishi Karman Award in each of the last three years i.e 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14.
- Per farmer household annual income has increased remarkably from `38,530/- to `1,53,029/- since 2004-05 to 2013-14 Or `103184 in 2010 to `1,53,029 in 2013-14.
- West Bengal is contributing more than 8% of the countries' food production from only 2.7% of the land.
- During 2013-14, we produced 153.14 lakh MT Rice and thus retained the leadership in rice production in the Country, not withstanding aggressive crop diversification.
- Good Agriculture Practices in all field crops and remarkable increase in production & productivity.
- Intensified thrust on KCC coverage. More than 69 Lac farmers have been covered through KCC so far.
- West Bengal is the first state where subsidy / grant is directly paid into the KCC/ Bank account of the farmers.
- Area, Production & Productivity of pulses have increased by 33.5%, 39.65% and 35.04% respectively during last three years
- Area, Production & Productivity of Oilseeds have increased by 16%, 31.77% & 43.2% respectively during the last three years.

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- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has risen from 874.5 crore during 2007-2011 to 1102.8 crore during 2011-2015.
- Under crop diversification programme, Area & Productivity of Maize has increased by 41.8% & 7.3% respectively.
- Such increases were facilitated by providing processing facility like Mini Dal Mill, Oil Extraction Unit to Farmers/ PACS/SHG/ Framers Club/FIG etc.
- To cater to the needs of improved weather advisory to the farmers, 145 Automated Weather Stations have been established throughout the State.
- Special emphasis on farm mechanization has been given.
- Increased convergence of Agriculture Department with others such as Irrigation, Power, Marketing, Co-operative, Disaster Management, Horticulture, ARD etc. have yielded better production & income to the farming community.
- Transfer of Technology by Demonstrations with training on more than 10 Lakh farmers' plots; creating awareness through regular TV & Radio programmes & other extension tools like: literature, Advertisement, 'ICT – Tab' based service titled "Matir Katha" launched by HCM in 2013 for the first time in India;, yearly 'Krishi Mela' in each block, Mati Utsab, 'Mati Tirtha & Krishi Kataha', plethora of meetings with farmers etc has helped in boosting production of crops in general and that in sub-optimal conditions in particular

#### Gallery















# GALLERY



- 1 Paddy reaper
- Maize DC Bankura
- Rice Demonstration Centre, Malda
- 4 Farm Mechanization under RKVY
- 5 SRI under BGREI
- 6 Mati Utsav



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#### Kanyashree

- More than 30 lakh girls have been enrolled under 'Kanyashree' scheme which has been introduced to arrest drop-out rate and prevent early marriage among girl students.
- The scheme was represented as one of the "best practices" in "Girl Summit 2014"organized by Department for International Development, UK and UNICEF at London in July 2014. It has also received the Manthan Award 2014 for e-governance in the category "Women & Empowerment" covering South Asia and Asia Pacific region and a SILVER in the National Award for e-Governance 2014-15 under category "Outstanding Performance in Citizen-Centric Service" under Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, Government of India.
- **Kanyashree Divas** celebrated across the State on 14th August through a grand ceremony by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of West Bengal.
- **Kanyashree Scheme** was spread throughout the State as a flagship scheme for the Girl Child.
- The scheme is end-to-end IT-enabled and completely transparent and easily accessible to beneficiaries. The popularity of the scheme has grown manifold since its inception due to ease of access and focus on empowering young girl and building their confidence and self-esteem.
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- Among Kanyashree beneficiaries, 37.65% belongs to General caste, 23.97% are Scheduled Caste (SC), 5.86% are Scheduled Tribe (ST), 8.80% belongs to Other Backward Classes (OBC) and 23.72% are Minorities.
- Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme, the flagship program to address child under-nutrition and facilitate all around child development is providing services to the target beneficiaries through 114477 operational Anganwadi centres across 20 districts in the state. A total of 6939673 children aged 6 months to 6 years and 1377360 pregnant and lactating women have been provided supplementary nutrition (January, 2015) and 6052091 children upto the age of 5 years have been weighed for identification of child nutrition status.
- The state has introduced enhanced financial provision for ICDS SNP in all the districts in West Bengal from Nov'14 at the rate of Rs. 9, Rs. 7 and Rs. 6 for severely malnourished children, pregnant & lactating mothers and others respectively.



- The Measurement of Upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) has been introduced for the severely malnourished children in collaboration with the Health & FW Deptt.
- The Poustik Ludoo or Poustik Powder introduced for January 2015, a wheat based nutrient rich food developed by the Department in collaboration with Food & Nutrition Board, is being provided for severely malnourished children. The Poustik luddoo has a nutrititive value of around 300 kcal energy and 9 gms of protein. SHGs are involved in preparation of the laddoo or the powder. The State Government has made an allocation of Rs.3.47862 crores already for the purpose at the rate of Rs.4 per severely malnourished child per day.
- Due to these initiatives, the Child under-nutrition has come down in the State from 36.06% (total under-nutrition) in March 2011 to 19.97% in January 2015.
- The State Plan of Action on Children 2014-18 (SPAC) has been launched by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 16th December 2014 for improvement of the status of children by improving monitorable indicators in convergence with all the Departments providing services for the well being of children.
- The West Bengal Commission for Protection of Child Rights has been set up for protection of children. The WBSCPCR has observed Child Rights' Day on 20th November, 2014 at Rabindra Sadan, Kolkata.
- Under the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS), the Block level Child Protection Committees (BLCPs) and Village level Child Protection Committees (VLCPs) are being formed across the State to ensure the rights and protection of the children.
- The State Resource Centre for Women (SRCW) has undertaken the State level consultation workshop was held on rehabilitation & welfare of Transgender on 15thJuly. A Transgender Development Board has been formed by the State Government on 18th March 2015 and the members will be selected very soon.
- This Department implements the State Sponsored SWABALAMBAN Scheme through West Bengal Women Development Undertaking in collaboration with NGOs. Training is given on wide range of livelihood activities e.g. Zari craft, Handloom weaving, beautician, community health, readymade garment making, wood carving, bamboo crafts, bag making etc. In 2014-15, 4430 nos of beneficiaries received training and stipend under 113 projects with a financial allocation of Rs 2,23,63,368 (Rupees Two Crores Twenty Three Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Eight Only).
- A new comprehensive scheme namely **MUKTIR ALO for rehabilitation of Sex Workers has been started.** This scheme provides opportunities of life with dignity to the girls and women, alternative career opportunities of sex workers and protection to the victims of sex trafficking. The department has planned to involve civil society organizations to pilot the scheme soon. For the first year of implementation the scheme will be piloted with 50 sex workers for training in block printing and spice grinding.

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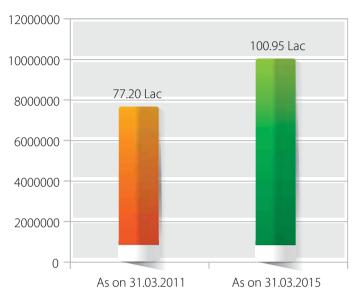


- Celebration of Girl Child
- Day 2014
  Opening bank A/C of
  Kanyashree Girls



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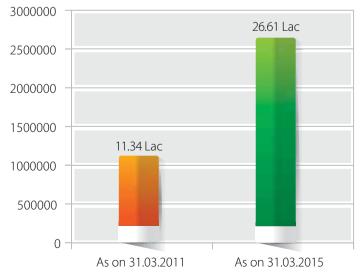


Number of Scholarships disbursed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

# Spreading education among the marginalised

section

 Significant increase in number of scholarships disbursed



Number of Caste Certificates issued during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

- Ensuring social justice
- More than twice the number of Caste Certificates issued

Item	2007-2011	2011-2015
Distribution of scholarship	77,20,737	1,00,95,235
Issuance of caste certificates	11,34,009	26,61,974
Construction of Ashram Hostels	9	50
Amount of Plan Expenditure	` 435.18 crore	` 1785.67 crore

#### e-enabled services:

- BCW Department has introduced e-enabled services for issuance of Caste Certificates and disbursement of all types of Scholarship resulting in transparency, speedy disposal, easy access and increased coverage during last three years.
- Online processing of Caste Certificate is operational in 61 out of 66 Sub-Divisions of the State. Average no. of SC and OBC Certificates being issued per annum has considerably been increased to more than 8.00 lakh as compared to 2.5 lakhs prior to 2011. Statutory processing time has also been reduced from 8 weeks to 4 weeks.
- On-line processing and disbursement of scholarships through Direct Benefit Transfer system has immensely benefitted the students resulting in enhanced coverage.

#### **Shikshashree:**

 An innovative scholarship scheme, 'SHIKSHASHREE', has been introduced for SC students of class V to VIII. Scholarship is being paid directly to Bank Accounts of the Students. More than 13.4 Lac SC students (15.8 Lac SC and ST students) benefitted so far.

#### **Uttar Banga Sech Samabay Prakalpa (UBSSP):**

• It is a cluster based minor irrigation scheme for the poor and marginal SC farmers has created opportunity of enhanced income by increasing cropping intensity. During last three years 2,000 such sources were created in Jalpaiguri and Coochbehar Districts.

#### **Skill Development:**

• Creating employment opportunities through skill Development in various sectors has been accorded special emphasis during the last couple of years. In fiscal year 2014-15, 15,000 candidates were provided employment opportunities. "Ethnic Beauty Care", innovative skill training in 'Beauty and Personal care' has opened up livelihood opportunity of SC female beneficiaries as beautician in rural Bengal. Till 2014-15, 7,000 trained women entrepreneurs have been developed.

#### Filling up of vacant posts:

• The Department has initiated special recruitment drive to fill in vacant posts (reserved category) of various State Government Department with an objective to maintain the overall percentage of reservation in services and posts. Altogether 9,923 vacancies in 16 Departments were identified and recruitment process started to fill in 3,354 vacancies in the first phase.

#### **Training Courses:**

• SC candidates aspiring for IAS / WBCS were sponsored by the State Government to attend intensive training courses at Delhi. In the year 2014-15, 14 SC aspirants were sent to Delhi. Special coaching classes at ATI have also started.

#### Ambedkar Medha Puroshkar:

• During last three years, more than 1,700 SC students were awarded "Ambedkar Medha Puroshkar" with token cash ward of Rs. 5,000/- for their meritorious result in 10th standard Board Examinations.

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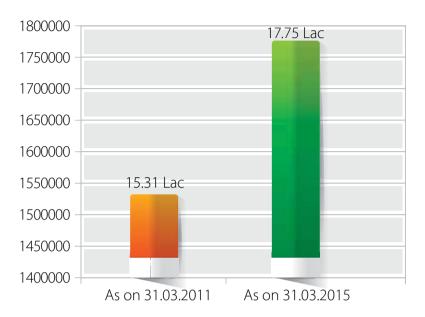




- Bamboo made Furniture Bamboo Craft Bi-cycle Distribution Embroidary Bidhannagar BJRCY Paper Bag Making



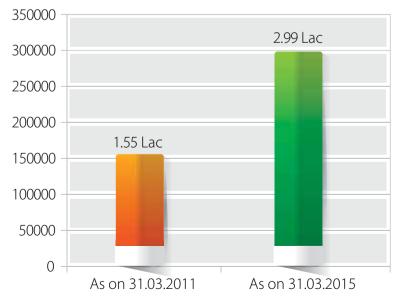
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Number of Scholarships disbursed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

#### Spreading education among the marginalised section

 Significant increase in number of scholarships disbursed

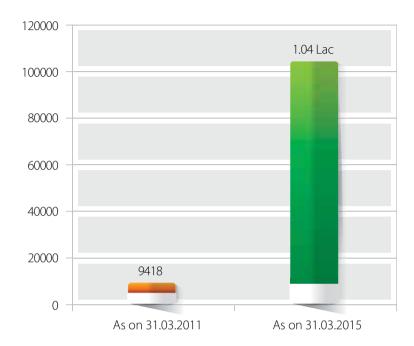


Number of Caste Certificates issued during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

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- Ensuring social iustice
- Almost 2 times rise in number of Caste Certificates issued

- Incentivising spread of education and reducing drop-out rates among tribal girls
- Huge leap in number of bi-cycles distributed



Number of bi-cycles distributed to ST girl students

 A separate Tribal Development Department has been set up in 2013, with a view to satisfy the needs and aspirations of tribal people and address tribal development issues in focused manner. The notable achievements of the Department are as follows:-

#### **Tribes Advisory Council:**

 Tribes Advisory Council have been reconstituted and given a meaningful role to play in various aspects of Tribal Development. Already 3 meetings have been held.

#### **Scholarships and ST Certificates:**

- Scholarship distributed to ST students has increased from 15,31,444 during 2007-2011 to 17,75,941 during 2011-2015.
- Issuance of caste certificates to STs has increased from 1,55,784 during 2007-2011 to 2,99,193 during 2011-2015.



## e-enabled services:

- Newly created Tribal Development Department introduced e-enabled services for issuance of Caste certificates resulting in easy transparent access and increased coverage.
- On-line facility of processing and issuance of Caste Certificates is now operational in 61 out of 66 Sub-Divisions. Average ST Certificates issued per year went up to more than 70,000 (Seventy Thousand) as compared to 35,000 (thirty five thousand) only prior to 2011.
- Time of processing and issuance of Caste Certificate has been reduced from 8 (eight) weeks to 4 (four) weeks.
- Introduction of on-line facility of applying for scholarship and 'Direct Benefit Transfer' of scholarship into the bank account of the students has resulted in transparency and increased coverage.

### Shikshashree:

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## Bi-cycles to all girl students:

- To promote mobility and reduce drop-outs, the Department has introduced a scheme of providing bi-cycles to all girl students of class IX-XII in 23 LWE Blocks. Later on all Tribal Girls of IX-XII in the State has been brought under this scheme. During last four years, 95000 bi-cycles have been distributed to the Target Group girl students.
- Bi-cycles distributed to ST girl students have increased from **9418** during **2010-2011** to **95,183** during **2011-2015**.

## Old age pension:

• Old age pension @ Rs 1000/- p.m. is being paid to 1.32 lakh Scheduled tribe BPL beneficiaries above 60 years.

## **Assistance to Kendu leave collectors:**

- To ensure employment in the lean season, during 2011 to 2014 Rs.13.48 Crore was disbursed from State Plan fund to create 6,29,547 person-days for "Kendu leaves collectors".
- Tribal Boards: Three new Boards, viz. 'Mayel Lyang Lepcha Development Board', 'Mangar Development Board', 'Tamang Development and Cultural Board' and 'Sherpa Cultural Board' were constituted for the welfare and development of the communities during last couple of years.

## **Coaching for Meritorious students:**

- The Department has introduced special coaching for Jt. Entrance Examination through 16 centres located in different districts. On an average 650 ST students are being enrolled. The Department is also providing Engineering/ Medical books for first year to all the successful candidates.
- ST aspirants for IAS / WBCS examinations were sponsored by the State Government to attend training courses both at Delhi and at ATI. In the year 2014-15, 7 ST aspirants were sent to Delhi and 10 ST aspirants are attending course at ATI, Salt Lake.

## **Skill Development Training:**

Emphasis has been accorded for creating employment opportunities through skill Development in various sectors.
 During last three years job/ self employment opportunities were extended to more than 5000 candidates as security Guard, Machine operator-Plastics Engineering & Technology, wood & Bamboo craft, Hospitality, Retail etc. "Ethnic Beauty Care", an innovative scheme of skill training in 'Beauty and personal care' has opened up new livelihood options as beautician for more than 1700 ST female candidates in rural areas.

#### **Forest Pattas:**

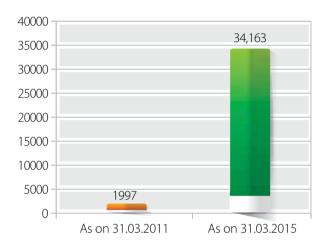
 Forest Rights Act, 2006, has been translated into Santhali and distributed to all concerned. Large numbers of rejected claims were revisited, and additional 8317 pattas has been distributed.



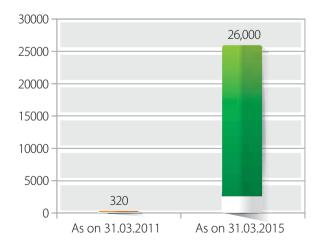








No of Local folk artists identified



No. of Folk artists receiving retainer fee

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- Revitalizing the Folk Arts of Bengal
- More than 18 times increase in number of folk artists identified
- More than 60,000 identified up to Nov. 2015 and rising

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- Increased focus on social security
- More than 80 times increase in number of folk artists receiving retainer fee
- More than 47,000 up to Nov. 2015
- 55,000 likely by May, 2016

- The Department regularly organises tableaux in the Republic Day Parade at New Delhi and Kolkata. West Bengal won the best tableau award for participating in Republic Day Parade, 2014 at New Delhi.
- The Department has participated at the India International Trade Fair at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.
- . Remembering and paying tributes on the Birth/Death anniversary of eminent personalities is done on a regular basis. 175 such programs have been organised, so far.
- More than 21,000 Cine and Television workers have been covered so far under Group Medical Insurance scheme which of Rs.1.5 lakh per family and Group Personal Accident Insurance of Rs.1 lakh per family.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from Rs. 68.58 crore during 2007-2011 to Rs. 296.1 crore during 2011-2015.

## **Lok Prasar Prokolpo:**

- . It is a unique project aimed at reviving the different folk forms of Bengal. Under this project, the folk artistes are getting Retainer Fee and Pension of Rs. 1000/- per month. Apart from this, they are getting Rs.1000/- as Performance Fee, per programme. All these are directly disbursed to the bank accounts of the folk artistes.
- The folk artistes are taking active role to propagate different unique schemes such as Kanyasree, Yubasree, Sikshasree, etc., through their performances. This project has brought tremendous enthusiasm among the folk artistes of Bengal.
- More than 77,000 folk & tribal artists participated in about 27,000 campaign programmes for effective information dissemination about various government schemes and initiatives.
- . Identification of local folk artists has increased from 1997 during 2007-2011 to more than 60,000 and rising during 2011-2015.
- Financial Assistance to Theatre Groups & Jatra Artists: 300 theatre groups have received financial assistance of Rs. 50,000/- each till date.

## **Infrastructure Development Works**

. Ramakrishna Mission, Belur Math has renovated Roy Villa, associated with the memory of Sister Nivedita, in Darjeeling with financial assistance of Rs. 1 crore from this Department.

- Total Renovation and remodelling of Technicians' Studio at a cost of Rs. 39 crore has been completed in record time. It was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister on 08-02-2014.
- . **Repertory Theatre:** Minerva Natyasanskriti Charchakendra has formed repertory theatre for research on theatre production on social issues and engaged 16 repertory artistes.

## Formation & Rejuvenation of Academies:

- Paschimbanga Tele Academy has been set up in 2012 for the overall development of Television industry and artistes/technicians associated with it. Various initiatives like group medical insurance for Television workers, institution of 'Tele Samman', etc., have been undertaken under its aegis.
- Paschimbanga Kazi Nazrul Islam Academy has been established in 2011 for the cultivation of Kazi Nazrul Islam's multi-faceted works and to propagate and advance his thoughts and ideas. Regular workshops and programs on 'Nazrulgiti' as well as observance of his Birth/Death anniversary are being held.
- Birsa Munda Academy has been set up in 2012 for the socio-economic upliftment and cultural resurgence of aboriginal people of the State. Cultural programs and release of 'Sare Sakam' and various audio CDs in Mundari language are some of its initiatives.
- Paschimbanga Hindi Academy has been reconstituted in 2011 with the formation of a committee to look into the cultural upliftment of Hindi-speaking population of the State. Several meetings have been held to chalk out detailed plan of action. The Academy has a library that is a treasure trove of invaluable books and research papers.
- Rajbangshi Bhasa Academy has been established in 2011 for the preservation, propagation and advancement of 'Rajbangshi' language. The reconstructed Victor Palace in Cooch Behar houses its office. Seminars, discussions, felicitation programs, etc., are held on a regular basis.
- Awards and Sammans: The State Govt. has constituted Bangabibhusan and Bangabhusan awards, Sangeet Mahasamman & Sangeet Samman, Mahanayak Sammanana, Tele Awards, Shilpi Mahasamman & Shilpi Samman and Shanti Gopal & Tapan Kumar Puraskar etc.
- During last 4 years 170 State Level Exhibitions were organized. In last 4 years photography competitions were organised.
- Old, manually written or typed press cards were replaced by modern laminated plastic cards for journalists. E-mail & SMS system was introduced as a fast & effective tool of communication with the journalists since 2013.

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- 'Paschimbanga' in Bengali, Hindi, Urdu, Santhali and English is regularly published by the department. Some special issues like 'Unnayner Pathe Manusher Sathhe', 'Hope to Reality', 'Let Bengal Show the Way', 'Path Dekhabe Paschimbanga' etc were also published during this period.
- Basumati Patrika has been revived. 'Masik Basumati', the literary magazine, is now published regularly.
- 10 (Ten) acres of land has been secured at Baruipur, South 24 Parganas for West Bengal Tele Academy, where infrastructure for Television industry will be constructed in future.
- Kolkata International Film Festivals were organized each year from 2011 to 2014. In 2014 Film Festival became competitive with the highest award money in the country. It has secured more involvement of the people and has become a true people's festival.
- Nandan-I has been upgraded by introducing digital cinema projection. Nandan-II also renovated and upgraded.
- Renovation Works of the auditorium adjacent to Cinema Centenary Building & Studio-floor at Radha Studio have been completed at the cost of Rs. 2.03 crores.
- Excavation at Mogolmari: Excavation work at Saakhisena mound at Moghalmari in Pashchim Medinipur was initiated in November 2013 and is still in progress. So far the archaeologists have successfully unearthed structure of 6th century Buddhist monastery with shell, sanctum, pradikshinapatha etc. A good number of antiquities including one mixed metal coin, gold pendent, terracotta seal with late brahmi inscription, stone Buddha image have been recovered.
- . 11 gold coins of Gupta period, i.e. of 4th / 5th century A.D have been recovered during the construction of NH-34 extension work near Ahiran Bridge of Murshidabad district. Exploration of around 600 square kilometers area has been completed. These gold coins and other antiquities recovered were preserved in State Archaeology Museum, Kolkata.
- In last 4 years **West Bengal Heritage Commission has identified 42 heritage sites** including the Danish Tavern at Serampore, Hooghly, Old Governor General's House at Barrackpore, North 24 Parganas, Nilkuthi at Karandighi, Uttar Dinajpur etc.
- Utilising funds placed by the 13th Finance Commission, restoration and conservation work of 22 projects has been completed. Work is in progress for another 33 projects.

















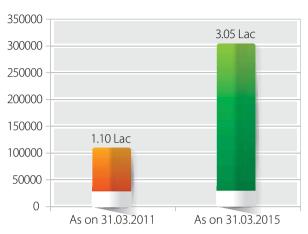


- **3** HCM distributing Financial Assistance to Folk Artistes
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- 5 HCM at the inauguration of the the 20th Kolkata International Film Festival
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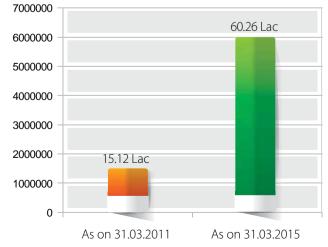




Number of Patta (NGNB, Agricultural & Forest)
Distributed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Ensuring secured tenure to landless persons

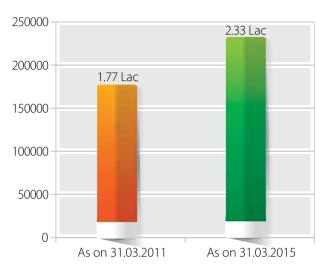


Number of Applications for Mutation of Land disposed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Almost 4 times rise in number of Mutation case disposal

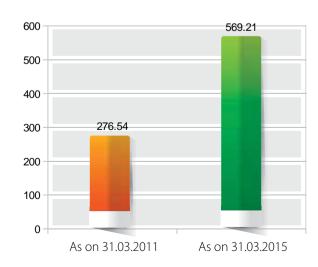
Almost 1.5 times rise in number of Conversion case disposal



Number of Applications for Conversion of Land disposed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



 More than 2 times rise in amount of land revenue



Annual Revenue Collection (in ₹ crore)

Niio Griha Niio Bhumi Prakalpo

- Nijo Griha Nijo Bhumi Prakalpo was launched on 18th October, 2011 by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of West Bengal for providing 5 decimal of land to each identified eligible beneficiary family i.e. to all landless homesteadless agricultural labourers, village artisans and fishermen in rural areas. Till date, total of 2,01,070 pattas under NGNB scheme have been distributed.
- Distribution of Patta (NGNB, Agricultural & Forest) has increased from 1,10,000 during 2007-2011 to 3,05,215 during 2011-2015.

### **More Efficient Citizen Centric Services**

- Through the Over The Counter (OTC) counters in 345 BL&LRO Offices 67.15 million RoR and Plot information were delivered in 2014-15 (upto Feb.). Process of conversion is also simplified.
- Service level for disposing mutation petition reduced to 45-60 days from 60-120 days and for conversion petition to 60 days from 90 days. Service level for disposing mutation petition for establishing industry is reduced to 21 days and for conversion for establishing industry it reduced to 30 days only.
- For the purpose of easing out the difficulties faced by the Thika Tenants in Kolkata for availing various services, the State Government has provided them recognition by issuing Thika Tenancy Certificates.
- Delivery of Plot Information' has increased from 49,24,487 during 2007-2011 to 1,41,63,005 during 2011-2015.
- Delivery of Record of Rights (Parcha) has increased from 54,95,291 during 2007-2011 to 86,34,368 during 2011-2015.
- Disposal of Mutation cases has increased from 15,12,772 during 2007-2011 to 60,26,540 during 2011-2015.

## **Amendment of WBLR Act**

- To meet the changing needs and in keeping with the technological development/ICT, the section 50(2) of the Act was amended to incorporate **digital signature in RoR for online service delivery.**
- Amendments in section 14Y of the West Bengal Land Reforms Act, 1955 was made to enlarge the scope for procuring required land by entrepreneurs/ industrial units and industrial park, industrial hub or industrial estate, food Park, agro-industry, ICT, power plant, fishery, township, transportation or terminal, logistic hub etc have been included.

#### **Amendment Of WBEA Rules**

Required changes have been made in the West Bengal Estates Acquisition Rules, 1954 to optimise the utilization of land resource and work force available in the tea gardens and also to make the management of all such tea gardens accountable keeping in view the increasing cases of closure, abandonment of tea gardens by some unscrupulous tea planters and also to protect the interests of employees and labourers of all such tea gardens.

## **Land Related Policy Interventions**

- Land Allotment Policy: In order to reduce scope of discretion and case by case decision
  making for disposal, allotment or leasing out land or assets of Government and its parastatals,
  a standardized policy for allotment of land was framed and published.
- Land Purchase Policy: State Government has introduced a policy for direct purchase of required land for development of essential infrastructures like roads, bridges, embankments and other projects of public interests from the rayats, who voluntarily intend to sell their land to the Government for faster completion of such projects. The stated policy of the present Government is not to have forceful acquisition / purchase of land. Thus the 'West Bengal Land Purchase Policy' has been published, under which notice seeking offers from interested owners of required land would be published on case to case basis and required area of land would be purchased from the intending rayats through concerned Zilla Parishad or the government parastatals against payment of market price of land with certain amount of incentives.
- . New Tea Tourism Policy: In order to promote tea tourism, allow the tea gardens to diversify, generate local employment and augment local income by using the lands of tea gardens (retained u/s 6(3) of the EA Act,1953), where tea plantation is not possible, a new Tea Tourism Policy has been framed.

## **Conversion Of Forest Villages Into Revenue Villages**

• With a holistic view to ensure the rights of settlement of Scheduled Tribes and other traditional forest dwellers on forest lands, some forest villages in the district of Alipurduar (69 mouzas) and Jalpaiguri (25 mouzas) have already been converted into revenue villages.

## **Digitization Of Land Records & Modernization Of Record Room**

• Land records of 41,841 mouzas out of 42,136 mouzas were digitized and available to citizens. All physical RS and LR records are being scanned and indexed for easy retrival. This will immensely help to dispose miscellaneous petition easily. Upto March, 2015, 177 Modern Record Rooms are completed and remaining will be completed in 2015-16.

## **Interconnectivity & Central Data Processing**

 All the service locations of Land & Land Reforms Department are being interconnected with MPLS-VPN connectivity so that service locations will access land records database from central server at State Data Centre (SDC). Upto March, 2015, land records of 218 BL&LRO Offices out of 346 BL&LRO Offices were collocated at SDC. Upto March, land records of 66 BL&LRO offices were e-integrated with 59 ADSR office.

## Infrastructural Development

• Out of 346 BL&LRO offices, 183 BL&LRO Offices are located in department owned building and construction of 146 BL&LRO Offices is going on. Construction of balance 17 BL&LRO Offices will be undertaken in 2015-16. Out of 65 SDL&LRO offices, 35 SDL&LRO offices are located in department owned building and construction of 18 SDL&LRO offices are going on. Construction of balance 13 SDL&LRO offices will be undertaken in 2015-16. Construction of two DL&LRO offices is also sanctioned. Construction of four Circuit Houses viz. Jhargram of Paschim Medinipur, Buniadpur of Dakshin Dinajpur. Dimondharbour of South 24 Parganas and Rampurhat of Birbhum districts are going on.

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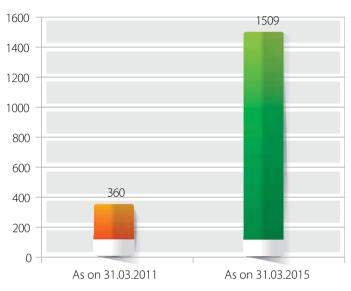




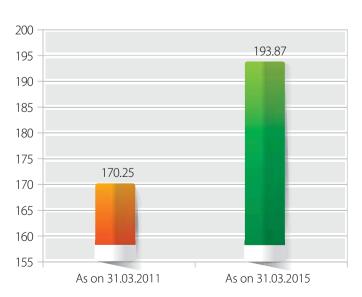
- A family benefited by NGNB
- NGNB benefits Spinach and some other leafy vegetables
   A family that planted
- timber trees in their micro plot
- Kitchen garden Modern Record Room at Domjur
- 6 Modern Record Room at Sankrail







Number of Bengal Dairy (previously Mother Dairy) Kiosks opened during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Milk production during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in lakh MT)

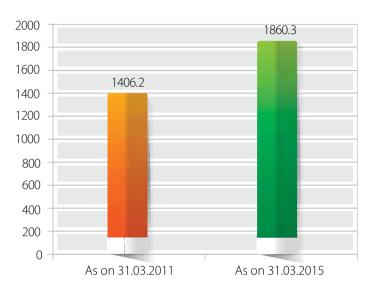
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Increased emphasis on self-employment

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Enhancing selfreliance in milk production  $\overline{A}$ 

Enhancing self-reliance in egg production



Egg production during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in crore)

- Bishesh Go-Sampad Bikash Abhijan (a special campaign for breed improvement of cattle for augmenting milk production) extended from 100 to 341 Blocks of the State from 2014-15 with additional about 6 lakhs Heifer being brought under the Scientific Management System yearly.
- 3204 numbers of Pranibandhus are performing Artificial insemination. During 2014-15, another 2650 Pranibandhus has been selected for engagement in Gram Panchayats.
- 25 Mobile Veterinary Clinics (MVC) has been launched during 2014-15 to provide animal Health care services in the remote areas of the State. Another 15 Mobile Veterinary Clinics (MVC) will be launched during 2015-16.

Item	2007-2011	2011-2015
New Bengal Dairy Kiosks	360	1509
Milk production	170.25 lakh MT	193.87 lakh MT
Egg production	1406.2 crore	1860.3 crore
Distribution of chicks/ducklings	74.64 lakh	174.28 lakh
Amount of Plan Expenditure	`275.73 crore	`534.8 crore

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- Reviving production at State Dairy, Burdwan by Bengal Dairy Calcutta after a long gap of 10 years with an expenditure of Rs. 5.74 Crore only. Decision has also been made to hand over State Dairy, Durgapur to Bengal Dairy for revival of production of Milk products with a project cost of Rs.3 Crore
- New District Milk Union established in the District of Purba Medinipur named as "Tamralipta Milk Union" along with 79 new MPCS with procurement volume of about 2.60 lakh litre per day.
- . West Bengal Livestock Development Corporation (WBLDC) is selling Fair Price Chicken through 48 outlets of its own & 46 outlets in collaboration with Kolkata Municipal Corporation, West Bengal Poultry Federation, Bengal Dairy & Government Dairy in Kolkata & suburbs to maintain stable price of chicken in the city and other districts of the State. To serve hygienic meat to the people, WBLDC has converted 20 outlets into Hygienic Meat Processing Units and another 50 nos. of such outlets will be opened soon in Kolkata & other districts of the State.
- West Bengal Livestock Development Corporation (WBLDC) has launched some new processed meat products like chicken pop-corn, chicken salami, chicken cheese, etc. and some non conventional meat products like quail, duck, turkey & rabbit. WBLDC has expanded its business to a great extent and entered into business with some reputed business houses like Spencer's Retail, resulting in 400% increase of sales during last 4 years.
- State Poultry Farm at Medinipur with modern infrastructure was completed at a project cost of Rs.8.65 Crore with a production capacity of 4 lakh chicks per year and the construction of similar two State Poultry Farms at Suri & Haringhata are in progress.
- Since 2011-12, 34 BLDO-cum-BAHC with Training Centre, 79 Vet. Hospitals / Animal Health Centre and three Vet. Poly Clinics at Siliguri, Burdwan & Coochbehar are constructed. Construction work of 22 BLDO-cum-BAHC with Training Centre, 73 Hospitals / Animal Health Centres, a new Bull Mother Farm at State Livestock Farm, Kalyani and modernization of Haringhata Dairy for increasing its capacity to 50,000 ltrs are in progress. Construction of another 8 BLDO-cum-BAHC –cum-Training Centre with a project cost of Rs.852 Lakh, 7 Addl Block Animal Health Centers with a project

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cost of Rs.549.92 Lakh and a new Pig Breeding Farm at Murarui, Birbhum with a project cost of Rs.1025.54 Lakh will be started soon.

- Launching of SMS & Web based Reporting System of ARD activities from Grass Root level with an expenditure of Rs. 0.76 Crores only.
- Undergraduate section of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Faculty of West Bengal University of Animal & Fisheries Sciences (WBUAFS) has been shifted to Mohonpur Campus in Nadia district. The Masters Degree and PhD course will be continued at Belgachhia Campus.
- West Bengal University of Animal & Fisheries Sciences (WBUAFS) has launched a Special Rural Livelihood Programme at Jhargram, Paschim Medinipur with a project cost of Rs.9 Crore.
- Constructional works of Academy of Animal Resources Management (AARM) has almost been completed with a project cost of Rs.2592 Lakh to facilitate Rural Management including Animal Resources Management studies for the aspiring students of Eastern & North Eastern States and the decision for handing over this property to a reputed Management Institute of the Country is in process.
- Bengal Dairy, Calcutta has launched some new varieties of processed milk, ice-cream, sweet meat, 'ghol' etc.
- A Memorandum of Understanding is made with Venkateshwara Hatcheries Group to set up two Hatcheries for Broiler breeding in North Bengal and South Bengal, one Health Products Manufacturing Unit for Poultry and Large Animals at Hainghata and one Modern Poultry Meat Processing Plant for 60,000 birds / day with a total investment of Rs. 263 crore. Land at Salboni has already been identified and process for handing over is initiated. Another plot of Land at Haringhata has already been shown to the Company which is under active consideration.
- Thacker Dairy Products Private Limited has started establishing a new Milk Processing Plant of 5 lakh litres per day (Expandable) with Integrated Automated Dairy Farm of 2500 Animals at Haringhata with a project cost of Rs.90 crore. The Milk Processing Plant is ready with trial runs started and construction of Farms has been initiated.

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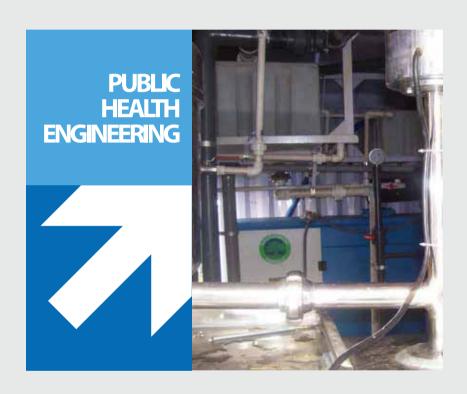


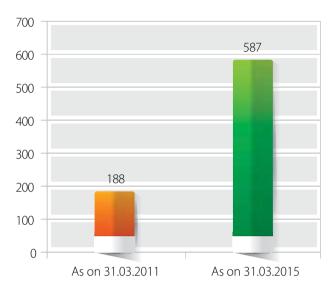






- Chick Distribution
- 2 Cattle Feed distribution
- Tagging of heifer Panskura BLDO cum BAHC with Training Centre
- Tarakeswar BLDO cum BAHC with Training Centre





New Piped Water Supply Schemes commissioned during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

- Increased focus on basic amenities
- More than 3 times increase in number of water supply schemes
- 664 up to Nov. 2015
- 704 likely by May, 2016

- A 'Vision 2020' document has been adopted by the Department to provide safe drinking water supply to each and every household at an estimated cost of ` 21,125.00 Crores @ 70 Liters Per Capita Per Day (LPCD).
- During this period 18,769 Hand Pump Tubewells have been commissioned benefitting a large number of people. The achievement is quite significant compared to progress during 2007-2011, where 10,309 hand pump tubewells were commissioned.
- In arsenic affected areas about 91.2% (from 64% in 2010-11) of the total risk population in arsenic affected area Block has been covered and it is expected that the entire arsenic affected area will be covered with safe water supply by 2016 by implementation of a Master Plan on Arsenic Mitigation. Also, Piped Water Supply coverage jumped up to 48.10% on April 2015 (as compared to 37.95% on 2011) and when all the ongoing schemes will be completed the rural population coverage by piped water supply shall stand as 70%.
- 10,419 source less schools and Anganwadis were provisioned with safe drinking water and 500 more are expected by May, 2016.
- Commissioning of new Piped Water Supply Scheme has increased from 188 during 2007-2011 to 664 during 2011-2015.
- In order to solve the long standing drinking water crisis as the arid district of Bankura, a comprehensive piped water supply project for Bankura District under

Backward Region Grant Fund (BRGF) project at an estimated cost of ` 1,011.12 Crores to benefit a population of 30.15 lakh has been taken up. The project is expected to be partly commissioned by end of 2015, thereby giving relief to the people of the district.

- Similarly, for the other arid district of Purulia, a comprehensive Purulia Piped water supply project with the external assistance of JICA Japan at an estimated cost of 1,173.10 Crores to benefit a population of 29.10 lakh has been taken up.
- In saline and arsenic affected areas of district South 24 Parganasdistrict, a Mega Project named as "Falta-Mathurapur piped water supply Scheme" at an estimated cost of ` 1,332.41 Crores to benefit a population of 32.89 lakh has been taken up.
- The Government has given special attention to the people of Jangal-mahal area by taking up 50 piped water supply schemes with an estimated cost of 141.70 Crores proposed to benefit a population of 3.77 lakh (Census 2011), 48 out of the aforesaid 50 have already been commissioned.
- Also, Solar power based water supply system (704) in Jangal-mahal Area at cost of ` 51.67 Crores have been taken up with around 600 such schemes already completed benefitting 1.76 lac people.
- Production of packaged drinking water bottles named "Prandhara" through 8 plants have been started. 4 (four) more such plants shall be implemented in next financial year.
- In order to achieve ownership and management of the Rural Piped Water Supply Schemes by PHED, formationof Village Water &Sanitation Committee (VWSC) including training to VWSC members in all the Gram Panchayetsis under process. Social mobilization across all districts through mass meeting on best practices and linkages of health and sanitation has been carried out and shall be a continuing process.
- This Department is consistently paying special attention on Water Quality Surveillance and Monitoring through existing network of 120 water testing laboratories. Recently, another 100 laboratories have been added to the existing network of 120 laboratories.
- PHE Department has a very strong workforce to tackle the drinking water crisis due to disaster caused by flood or drought. The fleet of Mobile Treatment Units (MTUs) in PHED has been increased to 15 (fifteen) which are utilized for supply of safe drinking water during disaster or any emergency situation. In 2014-15, 7 (seven) more MTU's have been sanctioned.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 1295.42 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 2847.27 crore during 2011-2015.

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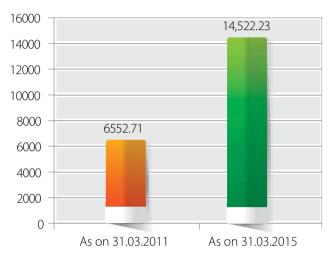


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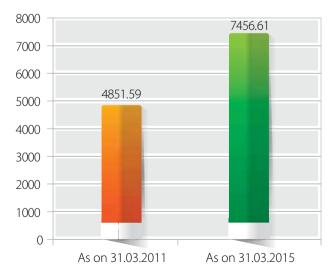
- 1 Mega Surface Water Based Water Supply Scheme for Falta-Mathurapur
- 2 Clarifalculator at Falta-Mathurapur Mega Water Supply Scheme
- 3 Construction activity at Falta-Mathurapur Mega Water Supply Scheme
- 4 Surface Water Based Water Supply Scheme for Arsenic affected areas of Murshidabad District
- 5 Holding tank at Surface Water Based Water Supply Scheme for Arsenic affected areas of Murshidabad District
- 6 Inside view of Surface Water Based Water Supply Scheme for Arsenic affected areas of Murshidabad District







Amount of expenditure incurred under MGNREGA during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)



Person-days generated under MGNREGA during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in lakh)

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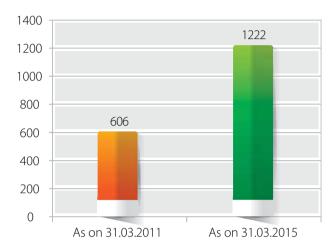
- More job security and creation of durable assets
- More than 2 times rise in expenditure
- `17,588. 53 crore up to Nov. 2015
- 22,444 crore likely by May, 2016



- Significant increase in person-days generated
- 8451.22 lakh persondays up to Nov. 2015
- 10,031 lakh persondays likely by May, 2016

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- Increased rural connectivity
- More than 2 times rise in rural roads constructed



Rural roads constructed under RIDF (Rural Infrastructure Development Fund) during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in km)

## • 100-days work scheme:

The State has achieved unique milestones under this scheme. West Bengal reached its peak in 2013-14 by generating 23.15 crore person-days, the highest in the country. In 2014-15, owing to non-availability of adequate fund from Government of India like the previous year, only 16.77 crore person-days could be generated although in terms of expenditure the State retained its premier position with an expenditure of ` 4014.89 crore and a pending liability of ` 1823.12 crore. Women's participation in MGNREGA has increased to 41 per cent which is all time high in the State. The other major achievements lie in a series of innovative activities including mango orchards in Bankura-Purulia; support to IAY housing; cowshed, goatery & poultry sheds under Individual Benefit Schemes; reclamation of land leading to productivity enhancement and convergence with different programmes of other Departments etc. Due to outstanding convergence model Lego Gram Panchayat in the District of Bankura within Joypur Block of the District received national award for overall and effective performance in MGNREGA in 2012-13 on the NREGA Day (2 February, 2014). Convergence in MGNREGS is now attempted in a big way and different line departments are pumping in their resources to enhance productivity through combined initiatives. The convergence portfolio is expected to be 30% of the total MGNREGA expenditure from next financial year onwards.

Expenditure incurred under MGNREGA has increased from `6552.71 crore during 2007-2011 to `17,588.53 crore during 2011-2015.

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Person-days generated under MGNREGA has increased from 4851.59 lakh during 2007-2011 to 8451.22 lakh during 2011-2015.

## Mission Nirmal Bangla:

Amidst the all out publicity of the Central Government on "Swachh Bharat Mission", West Bengal has been working silently for "Mission Nirmal Bangla" and making it a great success. After the Baseline Survey in 2012, West Bengal has registered an achievement, which is the highest in the country, through construction of 13.55 lakh Individual Household Latrines (IIHL) under this programme, In 2014-15 alone, the State's IHHL count was 8.47 Lakh, the highest in the country. Among the top four districts in the country, our Nadia is at No.1 and is immediately followed by Hooghly and Burdwan in terms of construction of individual toilets. In record time, Nadia district has reached out to all the households and constructed more than 3.47 lakh toilets to ensure that everyone in the district has got access to sanitation. Nadia is now open defecation free, the first in the country in last two years.

## • Construction of Rural Roads:

2268 roads measuring 9979.32 km were sanctioned with a total value of Rs.10585.53 crore in the last 3 years as against the total sanction of 4947 roads of 24987.42 km since inception in 2000-2001. Out of the 2268 roads sanctioned, 1550 roads of 6876.67 km were constructed in the State in the last 3 years with a total expenditure of Rs.3217.47 crore as against 3369 roads measuring 17567.28 km since inception. In 2013-14, 1356 habitations were connected - a fact which stands highest in the country. An extensive post-five year maintenance of 1140 roads measuring 6516 km have been undertaken in 2014-15.

#### . Anandadhara:

Till 2014-15, protocols and guidelines for revolving fund to SHGs, Community Investment Fund to Sanghas, constitution and functioning of Sub-Clusters and Clusters, identification of Community Cadres (Community Service Providers) and their engagement by Sanghas etc. have been made functional. Books and Registers for SHGs have been standardized. Process of registering Sanghas under the West Bengal State Cooperative Society Act has been taken up. The average amount of bank credit per SHG has increased from Rs.72,000/- in March 2014 to Rs.87,000/- in December 2014. A State-wide drive to digitize data of over 4 lakh SHGs has been taken up and duly accomplished to build a comprehensive SHG directory.

## Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF):

Over the last 3 years, this fund has been utilized through planned interventions by 3-tier Panchayats in 11 BRGF districts in a convergent manner to bridge critical gaps among the flagship programmes.



The other major achievements include construction of ICDS centres, creation of infrastructure of Gram Panchayats, construction of all-weather roads connecting small habitations, passenger sheds, arsenic-free drinking water sources, market complex, minor irrigation and supplementary nutrition.

## • Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF):

Under RIDF, projects for Roads and Bridges, Drainages, Anganwadi Centres, Shishu Shiksha Kendra / Madhyamik Shiksha Kendra, Rural Hats / Markets etc. were implemented across the State contributing to overall rural development.

Rural road constructed under RIDF has increased from 606 km during 2007-2011 to 1222 km during 2011-2015.

## Strengthening the 3-tier Panchayat System:

Reservation of 50% per cent of seats and offices in Panchayats for women and reservation of 50 per cent of seats and offices including those reserved for women in favour of SC, ST and BC have been ensured through enactment in 2012 and Panchayat Elections in 2013. The accounts of all the Panchayats have been fully computerized. **Training infrastructure has been expanded to have, besides one State Institute of Panchayats & Rural Development and 5 Extension Training Centres, 30 District Training Centres across the State – a fact that has been adjudged by Government of India as one of the best in the country.** All Elected Representatives (around 58,000) have been trained after the Panchayat Elections in 2013, followed by regular refresher training for them as well as other functionaries through different means, e.g., institution-based residential training, mobile training and satellite channel-based training. The World Bank supported Institutional Strengthening of Gram Panchayats (ISGP) Project has generated over the last 3 years innumerable good practices and innovative & Social Management Framework etc. thereby creating a scope for replication of these initiatives across the State.

## • National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP):

Under NSAP, financial assistance has been regularly provided to BPL beneficiaries – 15,95,990 under Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS), 6,23,970 under Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS) and 73,021 under Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS) and one-time family benefit to 10586 households under National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS). Fund is given to the beneficiaries through their accounts held at Banks / Post Offices.

• Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `6846.16 crore during 2007-2011 to `11,041.99 crore during 2011-2015.

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- Uniformed Sales Team with ID Card at Malda DTC
- Construction of Bridge at Egra-II PS from BRGF
- Raising Mango Orchard at Baricha & Vedua in Bankura
- PMGSY road in Kumargram Gram Panchayat, Habra-I Block, North 24 Parganas
- Construction of a road under RIDF under Barrackpore-II Development Block, the information board indicates the scheme details
- Construction of Individual Household latrine -Sabar Souchagar







## **INVESTMENT SCENARIO**

## **Industries Set Up:**

435 manufacturing units with a declared investment of Rs.
 84,923.86 crore and employment of 2,29,346 persons have been set up (already operational or under construction).

## **Investment Intentions:**

 In addition, investment intentions expressed by entrepreneurs, through Industrial Entrepreneur's Memorandum (for large scale) filed with the DIPP-GOI, or through Entrepreneur's Memorandum (medium scale) filed with the Directorate of Industries, for 221 large and medium manufacturing units, with a proposed investment of Rs. 70,587.15 crore and employment of 86,725 persons.

## Investment Proposals in Bengal Global Business Summit-2015:

 Proposals of investment of 2,43,100 crore have been received in the Bengal Global Business Summit – 2015.

## **Andal Airport:**

 Airport at Andal, developed by BAPL has been commissioned and has started flying operations. It is the first greenfield airport in the private sector in the country.

## Shilpa Sathi:

 Government of West Bengal has launched Shilpa Sathi (a Single Window Cell), Task Force and Relationship Manager to assist the investors in setting up industries in the State and to minimize the hassles of getting clearances, NOCs from various departments.

## **Ease of Doing Business:**

A slew of business-friendly initiatives like Shilpa Sathi, Task
Force for concerned department, online land pricing policy,
online terms and condition for allotment of land in Industrial
Parks, online monitoring of application for 14Y land
allotment, simplification of registration to get incentives for
new large-scale industries, etc. have been started to attract
more investments in the State. More such initiatives are in
the offing. A booklet named 'The Next Level Doing Business
In Bengal - Faster Procedures, More Transperancy' has been
published in this regard.

## **Deep Sea Port at Sagar Island:**

 An initiative for development of a deep sea port has been started at Sagar Island jointly with Central government (KoPT)

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with cost participation of the State as 26%. Total project cost for the first phase is Rs. 7,820 crore including the cost of rail and road connectivity over the river Muriganga. The agreement for formation of a Joint venture Company with KoPT was signed on 07-01-2015.

#### **Achievements of WBIDC:**

- West Bengal Industrial Development Corporation (WBIDC) the premier nodal agency of Commerce and Industries Department, Government of West Bengal is actively engaged in catalyzing investment through promotion and showcasing of West Bengal as an investment destination. Some of the major achievement during the above period as follows:
- A number of Major Projects have either completed or on the verge of completion e.g.Tata Hitachi Construction Machinery Company Pvt. Ltd., Xpro India Ltd (Expansion), OCL India Ltd., BAPL (airport), Matix Fertilisers & Chemicals Ltd.
- Major companies commenced project works are Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd., ITC Ltd., Reliance Cement Company Private Ltd., Emami Cement Pvt. Ltd. H&R Johnson Ltd., TIL Ltd., BASF India Ltd., BRG Group, AMUL Dairy, IRCTC etc.
- WBIDC has completed a number of Industrial Parks to facilitate entrepreneurs in setting up their units such as Rishi Bankim Shilpaudyan, Food Park, Phase-III, Gems & Jewellery Park, Ankurhati, Godapiasal Industrial Park, Sahachawk Industrial Park, Garment Park, Phase-II.
- WBIDC has also initiated setting up of new Industrial Parks e.g. Goaltore Industrial Park at Paschim Medinipur, Garment Park, Budge Budge at South 24 Parganas, Haldia Industrial Park, at Haldia, Purba Medinipur, Haringhata Industrial Park at Nadia.

## **Core Committee on Industry:**

 Sector Committees have been set up for industries with a mix of senior bureaucrats and business leaders, who deliberate on sector challenges, recommend policy initiatives, and suggest streamlining of processes and report to a Steering Committee, comprising the heads of Government Departments as well as business leaders. At the highest level is the Core Committee on Industry headed by the Chief Minister, West Bengal.

#### **Task Force:**

• Set up w. e. f. 04.12.2013, to pursue with different authorities for statutory clearances to large and medium manufacturing

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industries, had taken up 72 cases. 49 cases have been disposed of. 9 cases are pending for default on the part of the respective companies and the rest 14 cases (13 of WBIDC Parks), pending with BLLROs and DLLROs, are being cleared in phases.

## **Transfer of Tea Gardens:**

rransfer of tea gardens under WBTDCL to the private players is a significant step in revitalizing and reviving the ailing tea industry in North Bengal and will be instrumental in creating a conducive investor-friendly climate in the State. Five tea gardens belonging to West Bengal Tea Development Corporation Ltd. under this Department which had been incurring huge losses for years, have been handed over to the selected bidders and leases. There has been no retrenchment of workers during the said transfer process. Total bid value of Rs 28.31 crore would be used to partially repay the loan liability of the State Government. This disinvestment would also significantly reduce the Plan and Non Plan expenditure of the State Government, incurred every year in maintaining and running the gardens, amounting to around Rupees 13 crore with additional interest liability of 16 crore rupees accumulated every year.

## Other Important projects/Schemes:

## **Creation of Pollution Control Infrastructure:**

- Construction of Treated Effluent Sump and Pumping Station (TESPS) was completed in Calcutta Leather Complex, Bantala (CLC) and handed over to CLCTA on 17.04.2012.
- KMDA has been entrusted with the construction of CETP (5th & 6th Modules) being long overdue. KMDA has already prepared the DPR.

#### SSWDS:

- CLRI is now preparing the DPR with latest technology for Safe Solid Waste Disposal System (SSWDS) or commonly known as secured land fill, for safe disposal hazardous waste.
- For close monitoring of environmental pollution, WBPCB has opened a site office within CLC.
- Notification for setting up Industrial Township Authority has also been issued by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

# Assistance to States for Infrastructure Development for Exports (ASIDE) Scheme:

- Out of the 17 projects of infrastructure for export promotion, taken up in these 4 years, with a total cost of Rs. 79 crore, 10 projects have been completed, for a total cost of Rs. 59.56 Crore.
- 3 new projects, worth Rs.31.88 crore, have recently been approved.
- Modified Industrial Infrastructure Up-gradation Scheme (MIIUS)
- Two projects of Rubber & Polymer Industry Park (projected investment Rs. 59.05 crore and projected employment of 16000) and Foundry Park (proposed investment of Rs. 500.00 crore and projected employment of 4000) at Domjur in the district of Howrah, have been approved under this Central Sector Scheme, and are being implemented through the JVCs, formed by WBIDC with the respective industry associations (SARPOL and FCDA). Rubber & Polymer Park is nearing completion.
- Concessional lease has been given for holding ceiling surplus land of 110 acre by SARPOL for Rubber & Polymer Park and 227.24 acres by FCDA for Foundry Park.

# NEW INVESTMENT, NEW INFRASTRUCTURES AND NEW OPPORTUNITIES

# 14Y Clearance for holding ceiling surplus lands for setting up industries:-

- Permission has been granted by L&LR Department in 16 cases to hold ceiling surplus land u/s 14Y of WBLR Act, 1955, comprising of about 7,902.54 acres, with expected investment of Rs. 55,676.62 crore and expected employment generation of 87999 persons as direct and 1,52,993 persons as indirect (2011-2015).
- Another 17(seventeen) cases of 6,750.62 acres of land with expected investment of Rs. 18,332.60 crore and expected employment generation of 9,757 persons as direct and 13225 persons as indirect(2011-2015) are also in pipeline.













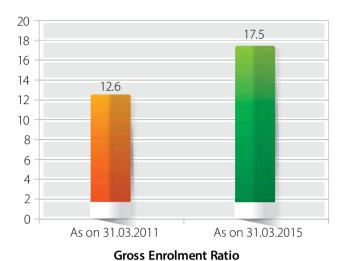




- 1 Kazi Nazrul Airport, Aerotropolis project, Andal, Burdwan Test flight at Kazi Nazrul
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- Central Footware Training Centre, Budge
- Budge Vidyasagar Indusrial Park, Kharagpur
- Leather Goods Manufacruring Training Centre Building, Bantala

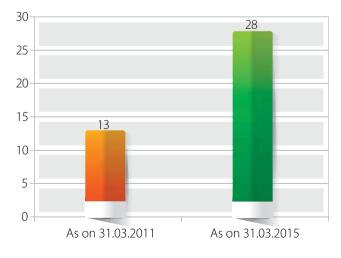






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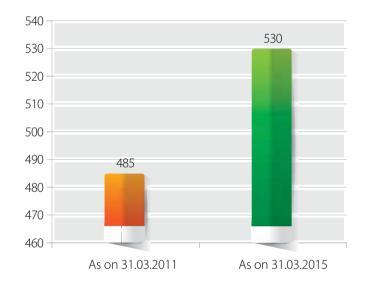
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- More opportunities in higher education
- More than 2 times increase in Universities
- 15 new Universities so far



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- Spurt in new Degree Colleges
- Accelerating the spread of Higher Education
- 46 new colleges set up so far



#### **New Universities:**

 Number of Universities has increased from 13 during 2007-2011 to 28 during 2011-2015.

#### **New Colleges:**

- . The State's first Hindi-medium General Degree College named Banarhat Kartick Oraon Hindi Govt. College, Jalpaiguri started functioning from August 2014.
- . 46 new colleges have been set up in the State.
- For the first time, Santhali introduced as a subject in the State Eligibility Test (SET) conducted by the West Bengal College Service Commission thereby opening up avenues for recruitment of Assistant Professors in Santhali in different colleges of the State.
- Number of Degree Colleges has increased from 485 during 2007-2011 to 530 during 2011-2015.

#### **Increase in Gross Enrolment Ratio in Higher Education:**

 As a result of the huge expansion in higher education, the State's Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) which was 12.6 in 2011 rose dramatically to 17.5 in 2014 (as per the Gol's All India Survey on Higher Education).

#### **Reservation for OBCs:**

The West Bengal State Higher Education Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2013 was enacted with a mandate to provide a 17% reservation for OBC students, to be achieved over a six-year period starting from 2014-15, without reducing the total number of seats available for the General Category students. In 2014-15, the very first year of implementation, a total of 59,612 OBC students were admitted, which was 10.6 % of all students admitted in the State's UG and PG level courses. The State has made an additional provision of `1000 crore to implement this.

#### **Utilisation of Plan Fund:**

- The annual expenditure under the Plan budget of the Higher Education Department has gone up from 111.74 crore in 2010-11 to 421.83 crore in 2015-16.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 374.27 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 885.77 crore during 2011-2015.

#### Filling up of vacant posts & Human Resource Development:

- To improve the quality of teaching, 1,545 teaching posts and 1022 non-teaching posts were created in the State-aided Universities, Government Colleges and Government-aided Colleges.
- The West Bengal College Service Commission selected candidates for filling up 126 vacant posts of Principals and 1,907 posts of Assistant Professor in Government-aided Colleges.
- The West Bengal Public Service Commission took up recruitment for 1,149 vacant and newly-created posts of Assistant Professors; by 1 April 2015, it had recommended nearly 850 candidates for appointment in Government Colleges. The Commission also started the recruitment exercise for 40 vacant posts of Principal in the State's Government Colleges.
- New Recruitment Rules were framed for the post of Principal, Assistant Professors and Librarians in Government Colleges and Government-aided Colleges.

#### **Scholarship for Meritorious Students:**

 Under the Vivekananda Merit-cum-Means Scholarship scheme, which provides financial assistance to meritorious students belonging to economically weaker sections of society, scholarships amounting to Rs.170 crore were granted to 1.78 Lac students.

#### **On-line Admission:**

• A major e-governance initiative was taken to bring in greater transparency and fairness in admissions to all UG and PG level courses by making admissions online in all Government and Government-aided higher educational institutions.















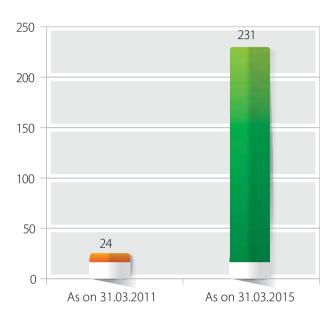


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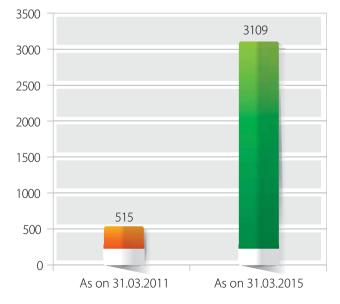
- 1 Academic Block of the Purulia Govt. engg. college
- 2 Construction activity nearing completion in the Academic Building of Cooch Behar Panchanan Barma University
- 3 New Administrative Building of Kaji Najrul University, Asansol
- The Academic Block of Bankura University
- 5 The newly constructed building of the Govt. General Degree College at Salbani, Paschim Medinipur







Number of New Set-up Primary Schools set up during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Number of Upper Primary Schools set up during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

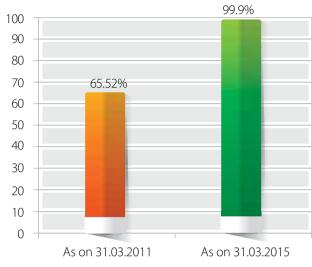
- Increased focus on school education
- Almost 10 times increase in New Set-up Primary Schools
- 758 up to Nov. 2015
- 808 likely by May, 2016



- More than 6 times increase in Upper Primary Schools
- 5851 up to Nov. 2015
- 5901 likely by May, 2016

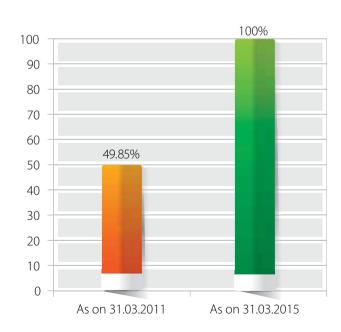
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Huge increase in Midday Meal Coverage



Mid-day Meal Coverage of Upper Primary students out of total enrolled (in %)

- Increased focus on girls' toilet construction
- Almost 2 times increase in 4 years



Sanitation facilities (Girls' Toilet) availability (in %)



#### Access:

• In the last few years the State has made spectacular progress to ensure access to schools as per RTE norms in all habitations of the State. New set up Primary schools and Upper Primary Schools have been constructed so that children have a school within walking distance all over the State. The State has also upgraded several Upper Primary Schools to Secondary Schools and Secondary schools to Higher Secondary schools so that students in remote corners of the State have access to High and Higher Secondary schools within a reasonable distance. The number of out of school children has declined sharply.

#### **Quality of Education:**

• In keeping with the State's commitment towards providing quality education, the existing school curriculum and syllabus has been revised and made attractive. Well-illustrated text books from Pre-Primary to class VIII (221 titles) have been developed. The new text books have been distributed to the children free of cost on the "Book Day" observed on 2nd January each year. The Teachers Training Module for the new text books has been developed and training of teachers is being continued in right earnest. In 2014-15 the Department has aided the West Bengal Board of Secondary Education in publishing text books for First language, English and Mathematics for class IX and the said books have been distributed among the students free of cost. Comprehensive Continuous Evaluation has replaced one time tests.

#### Mid-Day-Meal Programme:

- Almost all students upto Class VIII are being fed Mid Day meal in schools daily. Over the last few years the coverage has increased sharply. Efforts have been made to serve hygienic well cooked meals. A varied and nutritious menu is being prepared.
- Nirmal Vidyalaya Abhiyan is a special initiative of the State Government. This is a drive undertaken for activities relating to WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) in schools. The campaign aims to create an aesthetic school environment which is child centric. School Awards to incentivize good practices at different levels have been given. Three High and three Primary schools of the State are awarded the 'Jamini Roy Puraskar' for popularizing activities on WASH (Water, Sanitation & Hygiene) and for the best school environment. 63 schools (42 primary and 21 upper primary/ high) are awarded the 'Sishumitra Vidyalaya Puraskar' for creating child friendly environment in schools. 1443 schools were awarded at the district level with the Nirmal Vidyalaya Puraskar for maintenance of safety, security and cleanliness in schools. Nirmal Vidyalaya Saptaha, a weeklong school led hygiene drive across the State is also organised

#### **Utkarsha Abhijan:**

• Utkarsha Abhijan (large scale learning assessment) has been introduced in the State for the last two years. Children of two classes – one in primary and the other in upper primary are being tested on learning levels. This assessment is conducted during December and January with a standardized Testing Tool.

#### Infrastructure:

• School infrastructure has grown apace during the last few years. A lot of new schools (primary, upper primary), integrated schools (class 1 to 12) and model schools in backward blocks have been taken up. Gaps in infrastructure have been filled by construction of Additional Class Rooms, Toilets, Separate Girls'Toilets and Drinking Water facilities. Hostels especially for Girls students in Jungalmahal area have been built as a special initiative of the Government.

**Significant Achievements** 

Item	2007-2011	2011-2015
New Set-Up Primary Schools set up	24	758
Upper Primary Schools set up	515	5851
Upgradation of Secondary Schools	502	1813
Amount of Plan Expenditure	` 3187.12 crore	` 11,338.55 crore
Coverage of Mid-Day Meal	65.52%	Almost 100%
Availability of Girl Toilets at Schools	49.85%	100%

#### Sabuj Sathi:

• A new scheme in coordination with BCW department for providing bi-cycles to all school going students of class IX to XII has been launched to ensure better access to school. **Around 40 lac students will be covered under this scheme. In the first phase, 26 lac students will be provided bi-cycles by January, 2016.** 















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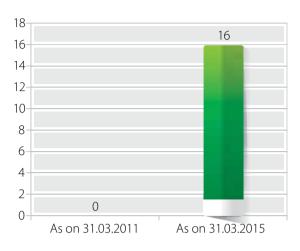
- 1 integrated School Building with Boys' and Girls' hostels under BRGF Scheme, Canning-I Block, South 24 Pgs
- Block, South 24 Pgs

  Krishnagar Holy Family
  Girls' H.S. School Under
  Krishnagar Municipality,
  Nadia
- Nadia
  Valaidiha Jr High School
  (Bankura)
- 4 SHG members working at a cluster kitchen at Kolkata
- 5 Muraliganj High School at Siliguri of Darjeeling District

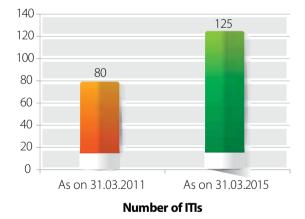








Number of new Skill Development Centres established during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

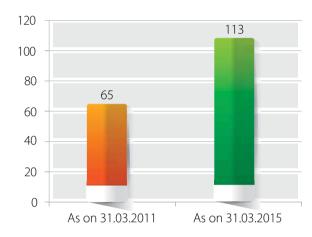


Enhanced focus on skill development

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- Huge focus on technical education
- Further 120 new
   ITIs in the offing

- Increased focus on vocational training
- Further 33 new Polytechnics in the offing



**Number of Polytechnics** 

#### Initiative on Focused interventions in Skill Development for an integrated approach to Skill Development in the State through:

- Formation of the West Bengal Skill Development Mission(WBSDM), with Hon'ble Chief Minister as the Chairperson.
- Constitution of the Paschim Banga Society for Skill Development with Chief Secretary as the Chairperson
- Enactment of the "The West Bengal State Council of Technical and Vocational Education and Skill Development Act" forming an overarching council.

#### Increase in Training Capacities (Govt. and Pvt. Sector):

- The number of Polytechnics has gone up from 65 in 2011 to 113 with seats on offer increasing from 16,655 to 30,805. A further 33 Polytechnics are being set up in the Government sector.
- . The number of ITIs has gone up from 80 in 2011 to 125 with seats on offer increasing from 17,500 to 23,112. A further 120 ITIs are being set up in the Government sector.

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 Planned nos. of seats shall be 1 Lakhs in the institutional sector after the above interventions are complete.

#### In the domain of Non Institutional Training

- . Establishment of Skill Development Centres has increased from 0 during 2007-2011 to 16 during 2011-2015.
- Under Skill Development Initiative (MES), 175,000 heads have been trained since 2011.
- 4265 trainees from different border blocks completed Placement linked Skill Development Training under BADP.
- Skill development has been taken up for around 60,000 people belonging to the minority communities.

Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from 549.47 crore during 2007-2011 to 1405.93 crore during 2011-2015.

During Bengal Global Business Summit (BGBS), 7 MoU were signed on 08.01.2015, and work has started on the ground.

Following Placement linked Skill Development Initiatives with Industry Participation have been taken up:

- Plumbing Sector: Training started aimed at covering 50,000 plumbers over a 3 year period.
- Security Sector: Advanced skill development programme on Security cum Fire Guard has been introduced in collaboration with Security Sector Skill Development Council for training at Jhalda and Balurghat with 5000 trainees being trained annually.

#### . Handloom Sector:

"The West Bengal Handloom Circuit Development Scheme-2014" has been started with an aim to **upskill 97,000 handloom weavers** and ancillary workers over three years.

A scheme for product diversification covering the skilling of 25,000 handloom weavers has been also started.

#### . Garmenting:

A Centre of Excellence has been established for imparting training at Mominpur (Kolkata) with Raymonds

Focused training on EmbroiderythroughAhmedabad Textile Industries Research Association (ATIRA) covering 5000 persons underway.

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- Service and Manufacturing Sector: Training initiated for Skilling of 5,000 persons in various sectors such as manufacturing, retail etc. in collaboration with FICCI & IL & FS at Burdwan, while a further 2500 people are under process of being trained at Kalimpong in the Hospitality and Services sector.
- **Gems and Jewellery :** Training initiated for Skilling of 5,000 persons as Jewellers over 5 years by ASSOCHAM at Kolkata.
- **Paint Sector :** Training started covering 5,000 persons at Painter Workmen and Supervisory levels in collaboration with Berger Paints, in a 3 tier Skill Development programme.
- Consumer Electronics Sector: Four (4) Technical Labs have been set up covering 5 Govt. ITIs jointly with Samsung India Electronics Pvt Ltd for giving advanced training in Consumer Electronics appliances

#### . Women's Hostels:

25 women hostels are being constructed in various Polytechnics across the State with 21 completed.

- 5 government polytechnics have successfully implemented the e-Yantra programme on Robotics under National Mission on Education in Information and Communication Technology.
- From the Academic session, 2014 centralized online admission and counseling process has been introduced for admission to different Govt. ITIs/ITCs/Jr. Polytechnic.

#### . Awards at National Level:

- West Bengal has been declared as the best State in the 49th& 50th All India Skill Competitions held in January 2013 and January 2014 for the all round performance of the trainees that participated from different ITIs of the State.
- Beside this, three Apprentices appeared from West Bengal have been declared as the best Apprentices in three different Trades in 92nd All India Competition of Apprentices held in May 2014.
- 1st Batch of 4564 Students under NVEQF (National Vocational Education Quality Framework) appeared in Secondary Examinations in February, 2015 from 93 Schools in the ITES, Retail, and Automobile & Security sectors.
- The Department also commissioned the **new office premises at** "Karigori Bhawan", Action Area –III, New Town, Rajarhat.

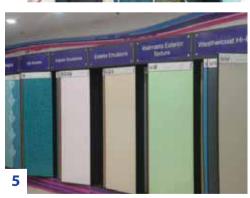












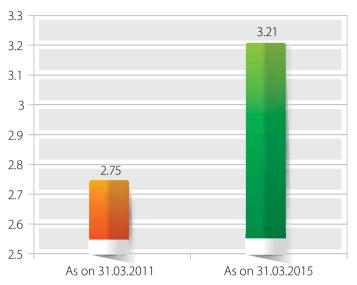


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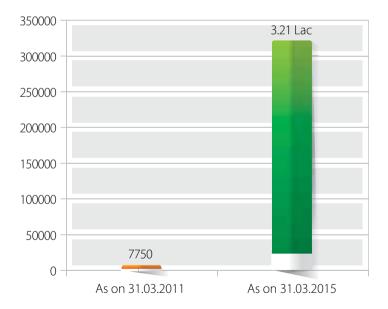
- 1 Newly constructed ITI at Haroa
- 2 Security cum Firefighter Training Camp in association with CAPSI at Balurghat, DakshinDinajpur
- 3 State of the Art Training Programme in association with Samsung
- 4 Newly constructed Women's Hostel at Coochbehar Polytechnic
- 5 Painters' Workman Training Centre in association with Berger Paints at Karigori Bhawan, Rajarhat







Number of beneficiaries distributed food grains at ₹ 2 per kg per annum (in crore)



Godown capacity created during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in MT)

# Pro-poor outlook

- Significant increase in number of beneficiaries getting food grains at subsidised rate
- 7 crore beneficiaries by Jan. 2016



- Huge increase in infrastructure for preservation of food grains
- 4.52 lakh MT up to Nov. 2015 and rising

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- . 7 crore people of the State being covered under food and nutritional security by ensuring quality foodgrains @ ` 2/- per kg under the National Food Security Act and Rajya Khadya Suraksha Yojana from January 27, 2016. Apart from these, persons filling up 'white' form shall be provided foodgrains at half the price.
- Allocation of foodgrains under PDS in 4 years for 2007-08 to 2010-11 was 144.48 LMT. It was raised by 13% to 163.20 LMT in the next 4 years (2011-12 to 2014-15).
- During the last 4 years ending on 31.03.2015, 67.02 LMT of rice was procured as against 54.12 LMT of rice procured during preceding 4 years.
- Distribution of rice at Rs. 2/kg to 3.21 crore beneficiaries including all Primitive Tribal Group, workers of closed Tea Gardens, Pavement dwellers of Kolkata, 'Aila' affected people, unwilling cheque recipients of Singur and inhabitants of Jungal Mahal areas as against 2.75 crore during FY 2010-11.
- Distribution of rice and wheat @ 40kg of rice and 15 kg of wheat /month/family to 377 TOTO families free of cost.
- State subsidy on food-grains has increased from ` 994.65 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 2605.49 crore during 2011-2015.
- Pioneering a noble project of sustaining nutrition level of Severely Acute Malnourished children coming out of Nutritional Rehabitation Centre through distribution of a package of 5 kg of rice, 2 kg of wheat, 1 kg masur dal and 1 kg of Bengal Gram per month free of cost.
- Issue of new control orders in keeping with the spirit of PDS/TPDS.
- Generating Public awareness regarding their PDS/TPDS entitlement through AIR, display of banners in important public places, miking at GP and ward-level, regular publication and wide circulation of monthly periodical named "Sambadnama".

- Introduction of Uniform Colour Code for PDS commodities carrying vehicle.
- Implementation of phase-I of supply chain management covering lifting and supply of food grains to FP Shops.
- Introduction of on-line renewal of various licenses under this Department.
- Setting up of a 24x7 call centre for redressal of public grievances and communication of the details of supply of food grains in FP Shops to 1,09,961 registered mobile users of the State including the public representatives.
- Achievement of more than 95% target for digitisation of ration cards.
- Elimination of middleman in paddy procurement system through opening of zero balance account for farmers participating in procurement operation and payment through account payee cheques.
- Purchase of paddy at the MSP directly from farmers by a/c payee cheques through organising 10000 camps on an average in a year, with focus on remote areas of the state.
- Introduction of web-cum-sms based system of reporting procurement.

- Massive storage capacity build-up of 4.52 LMT during the last 4 years as against the creation of paltry capacity of 7750 MT during the preceding 4 years.
- Setting up the Transparency portal as https://wbpds.gov.in
- Infrastructural upgradation of the offices in Districts and Subdivisions through construction of 52 offices and undertaking construction of 17 buildings for 22 offices including the new Khadya Bhawan (G+7) at an estimated cost of Rs.59.00 crore.
- Strengthening of block level infrastructure through construction of office buildings in all the 341 blocks and equipping them with computerised infrastructure and back-up support (120 blocks completed)
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `60.08 crore during 2007-2011 to `386.27 crore during 2011-2015.
- Strengthening of Quality control through setting up of modernised QC Laboratories (3 completed and balance 1 under tendering process) across the State along with integration of back-end mini quality control laboratories constructed/ under construction in 57 Government go downs.
- Construction of 29 additional FPS outlets in Jungle Mahal areas and 6 model FP Shops in closed Tea-Garden areas to be operated by Self-Help Groups.













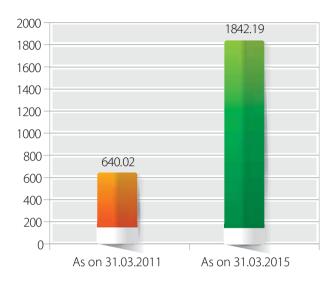




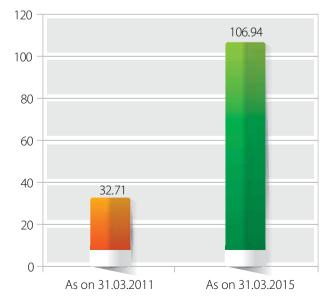
- 5000 MT capacity godown at Katwa, Burdwan
- Paddy purchase camp at Jalpaiguri Khadya Bhawan-Howrah NFSA benejficiaries
- with prototype digital ration cards which were handed over by Hon'ble
- **5** Inauguration ceremony of construction of New Khadya Bhawan held on 13.03.2015
- Roudro Bristi- A model outlet







Embankments constructed/reconstructed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in km)



Area brought under irrigation through creation/ restoration of irrigation potential during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in thousand hectare)

- Better prepared against flood
- Almost 3 times increase in renovation of embankments
- 2013 km up to Nov.
   2015
- 2238 km likely by May, 2016

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- Ensuring water and consequently food security
- More than 3 times increase in irrigation potential
- 111 thousand hectare up to Nov. 2015 and increasing



#### **Development of Irrigation**

- Area brought under irrigation through creation of new irrigation potential as well as restoration of lost irrigation potential has increased from 32.71 thousand hectare during 2007-2011 to 111 thousand hectare during 2011-2015.
- Abandoned Karotowa-Talma Irrigation Project in block Rajgunj, District Jalpaiguri has been modernized to provide irrigation in a command area of 5600 Ha.
- Irrigation through Left Bank Canal of Teesta Barrage Project started during 2011-12.

#### **Anti-erosion and flood mitigation**

- Embankment repair/construction/reconstruction has increased from 640.02 km during 2007-2011 to 2013 km during 2011-2015. Another 225 km likely by May, 2016.
- Resuscitation in the tail reaches of river Ichamati along Indo-Bangladesh Border, resuscitation of Keliaghai-Kapaleswari-Baghai-Chandia and its branch canals, anti-erosion works on banks of river Teesta, Bhagirathi, Karala and Ganga-Padma, Rupnarayan and other rivers for about 1634 km. have more or less been completed.
- Work on Rs. 439 crore Kandi Master Plan is going on in full swing.
- Protection of 8.32 km sea coast from Udaypur upto Chandpur-Jalda including beautification completed in 2014-15.
- Major drainage channels in the State have either been re-excavated or are being taken up, the length of which is around 344 km.
- 24X7 Flood control rooms in the districts and Kolkata HQ,Toll free Helplines, Flood data dissemination through e-governance.

#### Improvement in communication

- Construction of 43 no. of RCC bridges on rivers, canals and channels have been completed. Further 62 no.
  of RCC bridges envisaging replacement of old dilapidated wooden bridges over canals in many places
  have been taken up, one notable example being Pre-stressed Concrete double lane Road Bridge on river
  Kangsabati at Lalgarh in Jungle Mahal.
- In order to avoid traffic congestion and provide alternate road communication for inspection of various canals, almost 300 km of inspection paths have been modernized in most of the districts.
- A new jetty at Kakdwip Lot No.8, providing 24 x 7 connectivity between Kakdwip Mainland and Sagar Island has been commissioned during 2013-14.
- Modernization of jetties on the bank of River Hooghly at Chandpal Ghat in Kolkata and Ramkrishnapur Ghat in Howrah undertaken during 2014-15.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `1095.54 crore during 2007-2011 to `2688.59 crore during 2011-2015.

#### **Drinking water**

- In the drought prone western parts of the State, Kangsabati Dam, Purulia Dams and Barrages are providing storage for drinking water throughout the year.
- In Purulia district, 12 no. of check dams in blocks Arsha, Jalda-I, Para, Barabazar, Purulia-I have been completed to irrigate 420 Ha. Further 25 no. of check dams are in the process of execution.

#### **Revenue Generation**

• This department was assigned the responsibility to issue short term quarry permits of River Bed Materials from the 3rd quarter of 2014-15. A total sum of nearly ` 24.00 crore could be collected till 31st March, 2015.

















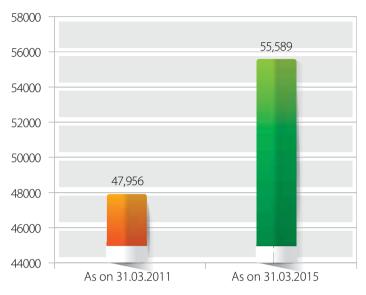
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- 1 Re-construction of Bishnupur branch canal within Onda Block
- New Jetty at Lot No. 8, Muriganga River, Kakdwip
- **3** Drainage Pumping Station for Keorapukur, Kudghat
- **4** Futiary Irrigation Scheme, Hura, Purulia
- **5** Protection of Shankarpur-Old Digha-New Digha sea coast
- 6 Mini Barrage on River Kuia at Khanpur, Labpur

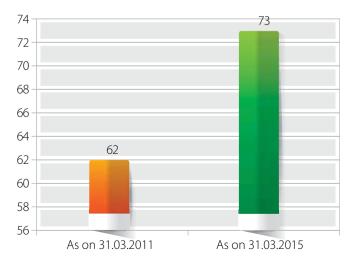






Number of houses constructed for Urban Poor under BSUP (Basic Services to the Urban Poor)during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

Increased focus on housing for the poor



Number of new Water Supply Schemes commissioned during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



- Operationalisation of Parama Island Park Circus Flyover named 'Ma'.
- Operationalisation of Jai Hind (Dhapa) and Garden Reach Water Supply Schemes.
- Formulation of Township Policy based on the West Bengal Town & Country (Planning & development) Act 1979 and West Bengal Town & Country Planning (Development of Township Projects) Rules, 2008.
- Creation of Gangasagar Bakkhali Development Authority (in 2013), Furfurah Sharif Development Authority (in 2015) & Tarapith Rampurhat Development Authority (in 2015).
- Amendment of the West Bengal Town and Country (Planning and Development ) Act, 1979 for formation of Eco Tourism Board.
- Construction of house for urban poor under BSUP (Basic Services to the Urban Poor) has increased from 47,956 during 2007-2011 to 55,589 during 2011-2015.
- Commissioning of new Water Supply Scheme has increased from 62 during 2007-2011 to 73 during 2011-2015.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `3209.65 crore during 2007-2011 to `5473.57 crore during 2011-2015.
- Construction of Gitanjali Stadium , Up-gradation and renovation of Nazrul Mancha .
- Construction of Eco Tourism Park Prakriti Tirtha at NewTown,
   Mandela Park at Burdwan, Eco Park at Dumurjala Lake area.
- Construction of Rabindra Tirtha, Nazrul Tirtha, Mothers Wax Museum, Kolkata International Convention Centre (under construction) at Newtown Kolkata Planning area.
- Beautification work of Elevated walkways at Milleneum park, Baishnabghata-Patuli Water Bodies – Benubanochaya, Howrah River Front, Rejuvenation / Development of Rabindra Sarobar Phase-I.

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- Construction of Milan Mela Subway ,Bediapara Underpass .
- Construction of Jinjirabazar-Batanagar Flyover (under process), Elevated Corridor from Kestopur to Jora Mandir on Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue.
- Development of tourism amenities in Millennium Park and Dakshineswar Sky-Walk (under process).
- Construction of Baruipur Polytechnic Collage, Diamond Harbour Polytechnic Collage, Womens' College for minority community and up-gradation work of Kings Building within the campus of J.C. Ghosh Polytechnic at Mayur Bhani Road.
- Construction of Storm Water drainage for South Dum Dum Municipality and other municipalities like Bansberia, Bidhannagar, Budge Budge, Baranagar, Kamarhati Municipality within Kolkata.
- Construction of Water Supply Project at Kanaipur & Water supply Scheme for Garulia, Baruipur, Bally, Bhatpara Municipal Area, and Water Treatment Plant at Dhapa, Bansberia, Pujali Municipality, Panchla etc.
- Trans-Municipal project for management of Municipal Solid Waste within 6 Municipalities in Hooghly district.
- Construction of community markets, Football and Cricket ground, auto manual traffic signals, pay and use toilets with restaurant at the 1st floor at various locations of New Town area, Installation of canal-top 500 kw solar project at Newtown, roof top solar power plant at NKDA building and 80 Kwp Grid-connected Solar P.V. Power Plant at Nagarayan & Nirman Bhavan, Salt lake.

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- For the first time in West Bengal, introduction of Auto DCR -ALDPSAS enabling automatic scrutiny of building proposal by reading CAD (computer aided design) drawing submitted by Architect/Applicant with multiple advantages for architects and citizens within Siliguri Jalpaiguri Planning area.
- Construction of Gateway of Haldia, Satish Samanta Haldia Trade Centre at Haldia, Welcome Gate of Digha including illumination at Digha
- Construction of Emergent Road from Chemaguri New Bus Terminal to G.S. Mela Emergency Jetty on Battala River for Facilitating Pilgrims and local people of Sagar to avail the water route of Namkhana-Benuban-Chemaguri within Gangasagar Bakkhali Planning Area Upgradation of R.N. Tagore Memorial Garden and Expansion of Nimtala Burning Ghat, Pollution Abatement of Beliaghata Circular Canal under National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA) Program Construction of Guest House at Prantik Township and Indoor Sports Complex within Sriniketan
- Shantiniketan Planning area Construction of River Protection works at Hasimara Jhora, Jaigaon.
- 6 theme based townships coming up at **Dabgram** ('Teesta'), Bolpur ('Gitabitan'), Asansol ('Agnibina'), Kalyani ('Samriddhi'), Baruipur ('Uttam City') and Dumurjala.











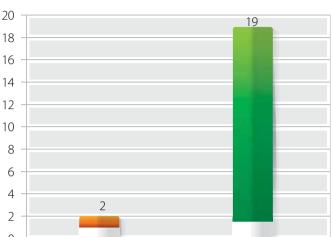




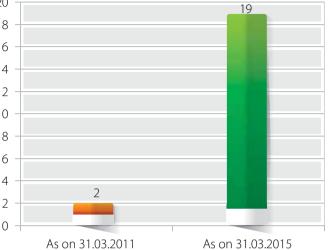


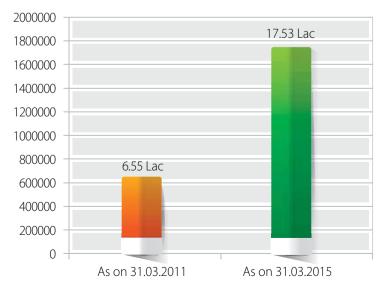
- Rabindra Tirtha a centre for research and appreciation of Tagore's work.
- Beautification Project At Baishanbghata-Patuli Area- Benubanachaya
- 3 Eco -Park- Prakriti Tirtha4 Gitanjali Stadium-A multiple-advantages Sports Complex incl. Gymnasium 7 various indoor games, Cricket, Football and Outdoor games with 4000 capacity
- NAZRUL TIRTHA
- Haldia Trade Centre at Ranichak





**Number of new Water Supply Schemes commissioned** during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015





Number of BPL families benefitted under Social Assistance Schemes during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

- Increased focus on basic amenities
- More than 9 times increase in new Water **Supply Schemes**
- 41 up to Nov. 2015
- 55 likely by May, 2016



- **Pro-poor policy**
- More than 2.5 times rise in number of **BPLs** getting assistance

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- Constitution of three Municipalities at Haringhata in the District of Nadia, Domkal in the District of Murshidabad and Buniadpur in the District of Dakshin Dinajpur.
- Proposal for constitution of **three more new municipalities** (Belda, Mallarpur and Bagnan) are also in the advance stages.
- Two more Industrial Township constitution are in the final stage Golden City Industrial Township at Andal and Sector VI Industrial Township at Calcutta Leather Complex.
- New Municipal Corporation with Bidhannagar Municipality and Rajarhat Gopalpur Municipality and adjoining Areas.
- Inclusion of Jamuria Municipality, Raniganj Municipality, Kulti Municipality with Asansol Municipal Corporation and Bally Municipality with Howrah Municipal Corporation.
- In order to provide dwelling unit for economically weaker section of the society in urban areas a scheme "Nijo Bhumi Nijo Griha" similar in line with the same scheme in Panchayat and Rural Development Department has been introduced in the urban areas. This will help such persons residing on vested land, municipal land and departmental land to have a long term lease for 99 years with a token salami of Re.1/-. The land shall be distributed as per recommendation of the Committee to be constituted from each ULB.
- 22 Water Supply Projects outside KMA area is completed under UIDSSMT, JNNURM and Special BRGF.
- Commissioning of new Water Supply Scheme has increased from 2 during 2007-2011 to 19 during 2011-2015.
- Installation of ornamental **street lights** has been **completed in 52 Urban Local Bodies** under supervision of State Urban Development Agency and implemented by Municipal Engineering Directorate. Besides, a large number of ULBs have also installed ornamental street lights from their end from Government grant and own fund.
- Entire stretch of **Belghoria Expressway**, the stretch road from Ultadanga to Barasat (Length of more than 20 km.) and stretch of Jessore Road (Between R.G. Kar Medical college and Gate No. 1 of Kolkata Airport) has been illuminated by ornamental street lights.
- 18,026 new houses under IHSDP and 3531 new houses have been constructed under "Housing for Urban Poor" altogether 21,557 houses.
- BPL families benefitted under Social Assistance Scheme has increased from 6,55,921 during 2007-2011 to 17,53,587 during 2011-2015.
- Ease of Doing Business: A slew of business-friendly initiatives like online payment of Property Tax, Trade Licence, Building Plan, etc., have been started to attract more investments in the State. More such initiatives are in the offing.
- All 127 ULBs have published notification indicating timeline for each service under Right to Public Service Act, 2013.

- Loan and Technical Assistance Grant to the tune of `1098 crore from Asian Development Bank under Innovative Municipal Financing Facility for the various urban infrastructure project has been approved by the State Cabinet and presently under consideration of Ministry of Finance.
- Two Amendments of KMC Act, 1980 has been made during 2014-15 on various issues relating to the decisions taken by Group of Ministers like incremental FAR, Green Building, Mass housing projects, Annual Valuation etc.
- During the last 4 years Rs. 5068.79 crore has been released under Plan grant to all the ULBs for various infrastructure purposes.
- In order to prevent fire accidents, **Fire hazard and Mitigation Plans for Kolkata and Howrah** have been prepared in consultation with concerned Municipal Corporations and Fire Services Department and has been notified in Kolkata Gazette.
- 124 ULBs have prepared and submitted their Vision Document alongwith their Development Objectives in several Municipal Functions and Sectoral Activities.
- After cessation of KEIP on 30.06.2013, implementation of **Kolkata Environment Improvement Investment Programme (KEIIP) i.e. KEIP (Phase-II)** has been approved by the State Cabinet in 6 wards as pilot project and in other wards of KMC (1 to 9, 56 to 59, 63 to 66, 97, 98, 101 to 132 and necessary agreements have been signed.
- Under Rajiv Awas Yojana, 6 Pilot Projects have been sanctioned by the Govt. of India which includes slumimprovement around Mayer Bariat KMC, Bhatpara, Asansol Municipal Corporation, Chandernagar Municipal Corporation, Kalyani and Hooghly Chinsurah Municipality with a total project cost of Rs. 83.86 crore.
- Comprehensive Capacity Building Programme has been sanctioned by Ministry of Urban Development with project cost of `68.90 crore to implement the various activities for capacity development of the Elected Representatives and the functionaries of 127 Urban Local Bodies of West Bengal and the State Government Officials. 15 towns have been selected, primarily one town in each district from non-KMA areas, so as to take up Capacity Building of other ULBs of the concerned districts.
- Under Housing for All by 2022 State Plan of Action has been submitted to the Govt. of India for urban West Bengal.
- Steps have been taken to **standardize the rate** for obtaining issuance of certificate of Enlistment for Professional, Trade & Callings (**Trade License**) in all ULBs along with standardization of document required for this purpose.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `3329.61 crore during 2007-2011 to `5051.87 crore during 2011-2015.
- **Ease of Doing Business:** A slew of business-friendly initiatives like simplification of issuance of Trade Licence, mutation, single window clearance etc. have been started to make the departmental processes more user friendly. More such initiatives are in the offing.

#### MAJOR WORKS UNDERTAKEN BY KOLKATA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

- . Tallah-Palta Dedicated Transmission Main Project under JnNURM.
- Beautification and Development of Hooghly River Front, Kolkata side including beautification and illumination of Millennium Park.
- 43 nos. of modern scientific waste compactor stations at various points under KMC from Borough-I to XV and also construction work of 5 nos. stations are going on.
- Already 300 nos. of Trash Bins were set up on the roadside for use of pedestrians, shop owners and commercial purposes.
- The Third Electric Crematorium Furnace work with Air Pollution Device at Garia Adi Mahasthan and Cossipore Mahasamsan (Formerly Ramkrishna Mission).
- Construction of modern abattoir at 74, D.C. Dey Road at Tangra. Cost.
- . Construction of Intake Jetty and Pump House at Mayer Ghat
- Construction of 2.0 MG capacity semi-underground reservoir-cum-pumping station at G. J. Khan Road in ward no 66
- . Construction of 15.0 MGD capacity WTP at Garden Reach
- . Construction of water supply Booster Pumping Station at Chetla
- Construction of 110 MGD Jetty and Raw Water Pumping Station, Raw Water Transmission Main, 50 MGD Water Treatment Plant and Clear Water Pumping Station at Garden Reach area.
- . Construction of 2.0 MG SUGR and Booster Pumping Station at Chaulpatty Road
- . Construction of 2.0 MG Booster Pumping Station at the adjacent area of Layalka Road
- Completion of construction work of upgradation of Man-Entry Sewer.
- . Construction of new Pumping Station (Civil Work) at Chowlpatty Road.
- Construction of Storm Water Drainage Pumping Station at Jagannath Ghat.
- Construction of 6 Night Shelters.
- Renovation of Town Hall.
- Development of Bhukailash Rajbari and Bhukailash Maidan.













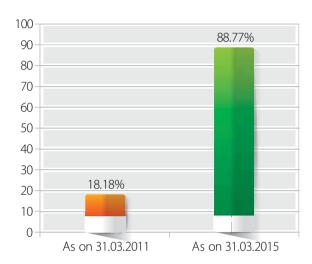




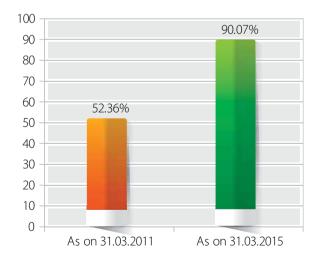


- 1 Motor Control Centre at
- Water Supply Project, Old Malda
  Housing under IHSDP,
  Darjeeling
- 3 Intake structure of Water Supply Project at Diamond Harbour
- 4 Overhead Reservoir at Water Supply Project, Egra
- 5 Intake Structure of Water Supply Project, Katwa
- 6 Housing units for leprosy-affected community under IHSDP at Purulia





Percentage of BPL households electrified



Percentage of APL households electrified



- 90.49% up to Nov. 2015
- 100% by May, 2016



- Almost 2 times rise in electrification of APL households.
- 96.22% up to Nov.2015
- 100% by May, 2016

#### **ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION**

- West Bengal is amongst a few states in the country which supplied 24 X 7 hours electricity all classes of consumers over the State during the period.
- . West Bengal was the only state in the country besides Himachal Pradesh which reduced the average tariff charged to consumers in 2014-15 compared to 2013-14. It thus supplied affordable power to domestic and agriculture consumers.
- Universal electrification of all households with grid connection by the end of 2015-16 is the most important initiative under 'Sabar Ghare Alo' programme initiated in June, 2012.
- Work in 11 (Eleven) Backward Districts under Special Backward Region Grant Fund (BRGF) to cover all categories of consumers(both BPL and APL) with an estimated project cost of Rs 2560 crore was initiated in June 2012 and is going on in full swing. Approx 13.79 lac household service connection have been installed out of which 13.36 lac have been effected till date.
- Workin the remaining 7(seven) districts of Coochbehar, Siliguri MP, Nadia, Bardhaman, Hooghly, Howrah and North 24 Parganas covering BPL households under RGGVY XIIth Plan(GOI Rural Electrification Scheme) with project cost of Rs.609.61 Cr was taken up in October, 2014 and expected to be completed during first half of 2016-17. In these projects, 5706 nos. of villages will be covered and 2.51 lakh BPL connections will be effected. Infrastructure for effecting 3.44 lakh APL connections will also be created.
- The Balance work of universal electrification in APL households in the above 7 districts and all remaining households in the Urban areas of the State, Sagar and Sundarban areas was taken up with State Government funding in with an estimated cost of Rs.371 cr. and is expected to be completed during first half of 2016-17.
- A new scheme "Sech Bandhu' for the purpose of segregation of agriculture feeders and energisation of agriculture pump sets at a project cost of Rs. 4240 crore was approved in 2014-15. WBSEDCL would be the first implementation agency in the country.
- Number of WBSEDCL consumers crossed the 1.59 Crore milestone as of now.
- New service connection effected upto March, 2015 is 65.71 lakhs out of which BPL connection through RE effected was 25.11 lakh.
- Number of new agricultural connection effected during this period was 1,59,946.
- . A new Scheme to provide electric connections to both BPL free of cost and APL consumers (with load demand upto 200 watts) on a deferred payment basis was very popular. About twenty eight (28) lakh new connections have been provided under this scheme which is an all time record for the State.
- For quick disposal of applications for connections to shallow tube wells a unique initiative was taken up in 2012-13 to allow for quick short-term connections. In this system, the applicant was required to deposit Rs. 1400/- per HP one time for availing connection up to 125 days. During the last Boro season around 30,000 number of such short term connections were given. The same system is continuing in the current Boro season also.

- Grid power was extended to Gosaba island in the Sunderbans (Commissioned on 16th April, 2012).
- . Record power generation in excess of demand conserved through Power Banking process.
- State-of-the-Art Data Centre and Disaster Recovery Centre of WBSEDCL first of its kind in India made operational.
- Under R-APDRP Part- B, a project of Rs. 809 Cr. has been sanctioned under 11th plan for the purpose of renovation, modernization and strengthening of the distribution system and existing network Infrastructure and for reduction of AT & C losses for 63 (sixty three) towns in West Bengal. Work of 39 towns has been completed. Rest to be completed within May, 2016.
- A number initiatives were initiated towards achieving better customer satisfaction during this period which includes intensive condition monitoring of equipments of 33/11 AV sub-stations, deployment of over 1100 HT & LT Mobile Maintenance Vans and installation of Interactive Voice Response System (IVRS) for complaint registration by customers. Spot billing system has been introduced in all customer care centres. Online applications for new connections have been introduced in all Customer Care Centre.
- Number of new 33/11kV sub-stationed commissioned by WBSEDCL during this period was 66.
- During this period, around 60000 new distribution transformers of various capacities have been erected across the State by WBSEDCL.
- WBSEDCL system peak demand increased from 4785 MW in 2011-12 to 5411 MW in 2014-15.
- One (1) new Region office ,twelve (12) new Divisional offices and 25 (twenty five) new Customer Care Centres were opened and one hundred sixty one (161) Customer Care Centres were modernised for providing better services to the customers.
- . WBSEDCL successfully completed the Renovation and Modernisation works of 35 years old Jaldhaka Hydel Project along with addition of one new unit of 9 MW at stage I, commissioned in August 2012.
- Lodhama Inter-connection Scheme meant for interconnecting the Lodhama River with the existing Rammam tunnel to utilize the water of the river Lodhama for supplementing the Generation in non-monsoon months, commissioned on 29th January, 2013. The Scheme has enabled augmentation of generation in non-monsoon period by 30 MW.
- 4(four) new Hydel Generation plants in Darjeeling district with a combined capacity of 393 MW were approved to be build by NHPC with full power purchase by WBSEDCL.

#### **ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION**

- Muriganga River Crossing Line was completed by WBSETCL and has extended grid power to Sagar Island from the mainland from 19th October, 2011.
- WBSETCL commissioned 9 sub-stations at Dalkhola (220kV), Kalna (132kV), Khatra (132kV), Kakdwip(132kV), Kurseong(132kV), Sankrail Food Park at Howrah District (132kV) Foundry

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Park (220kV) in Howrah, Hura (220kV) in Purulia and Kharagpur (400kV). A Gas Insulated substation (GIS) (132kV) at Salt Lake and two other at Bagnan(132kV) and Kuli (132kV) were also commissioned which are first of its kind in the State. GIS requires substantially less quantum of land and also requires less maintenance.

- WBSETCL has taken up construction of EHV sub-stations at Sirakol (132kV) in South 24 Paraganas, Khejuria (Malda), Mathabangha (Coochbehar) and Najirpur (Nadia) and in this way 1292 MVA will be added to the system and an addition of 1076 CKM of transmission lines in various parts of the State has been planned. Out of these four EHV sub-stations, Sirakole 132/33kV sub-station in 24 Paraganas (S) District and Khejuria 132/33kV GIS in Malda District (conversion from 132 kV switching station to 132/33 kV Grid Sub-station) have already been commissioned during 2014-15. Around 1132.6 MVA transformation capacities added in the system including augmentation of transformer capacity at existing sub-stations during 2014-15.
- Installation of 220kV GIS at Vidyasagar Park (West Midnapur) and Dharampur (Nadia) and 132kV sub-stations at Ujanoo (Darjeeling), Mathabhanga and Najirpur are going on and expected to be completed by 2015-16 and work on two 400kV sub-stations at Gokarna (Murshidabad) and Chanditala (Hooghly), 220 kV Egra and 132 kV Bajkul sub-stations are going on and are expected to completed by 2016-17.
- Number of new 33 kV sub-station added for Rural Electrification Extension Work by WBSETCL is 7.
- Capacity addition by WBSETCL from May 2011 to March, 2015:
  - a) Transformation capacity: 6216 MVA, b) Transmission Line: 1157 CKM.
- WBSETCL has completed change of ACSR Panther Conductor of Malda Malda (PG) 132 kV D/C line with HTLS (High Temperature Low Sag) Conductor in 2014-15. It will enable enhancement of power transfer capacity almost double of existing capacity without constructing new transmission line.
- WBSETCL has also taken up for change of conductor by HTLS for the following lines:

Gokarna–Berhampur 132 kV D/C line Jeerat – Dharampur 132 kV D/C line Dharampur – Titagarh 132 kV D/C line

Durgapur – Ukhra 132 kV D/C line

- Hura Raghunathpur 220 KV D/C (67 CKM), Subhasgram (PG) Saintala 220 KV D/C (25 CKM) and part of Kharagpur – Vidyasagar Park 220 kV D/C line (27 CKM) have been completed during 2014-15 resulting addition of total 119 CKM to the system.
- A comprehensive action plan to mitigate low voltage problem in 18 identified locations/ areas in the State was initiated. Worh already completed in 5 areas by March 2015.
- In recognition of its continuing quest for excellence in performance, the West Bengal State Electricity Transmission Company Ltd. (WBSETCL) was adjudged to be the winner of 'Power Line Awards 2012' in the category of 'Best Performing Transmission Company' in India. The coveted award was handed over by Hon'ble Minister of Power, Govt. of India to WBSETCL on 15th May, 2012 at New Delhi.

West Bengal has been named 2nd in All India ranking of power distribution companies in March, 2013 as per rating conducted by the Power Finance Corporation with the help of ICRA and CARE.

#### **ELECTRICITY GENERATION**

- Construction of a new 250 MW (No. 6) power plant of Santaldih Thermal Power Station was completed on a war-footing. Started commercial operation from 30th September, 2011.
- . Construction work of Unit No. 3 of 500 MW capacity in Sagardighi Thermal Power Plant has been completed and inaugurated on December 16, 2015.
- . Unit No. 8 of 250 MW capacity at Durgapur was inaugurated by the Hon'ble C.M. in July, 2014 and commissioned on 1.10.2014.
- . Renovation work of 215 MW (unit No. 5) of Bandel Thermal Power station (World Bank aided) has been completed and inaugurated on November 24, 2015.
- WBPDCL being the largest power generation company in the state has achieved following unique feats during 2014-15: i. All time record generation of 23854.458 MU surpassing previous record of 23809 MU, ii. Least specific oil consumption of 1.44 ml per unit, and iii. Record coal stock of 9.29 Lac MT on 31.03.15.
- In August 2014 all Captive coal blocks of WBPDCL e.g. Tara (East & West), Barjore, Gangaramchak & Gangaramchak Bhadulia, Pachwara (North) were de-allocated by the order of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. 6(six) Blocks i.e. Tara (East & West), Barjore, Barjora (North), Gangaramchak & Gangaramchak Bhadulia, Pachwara (North), Kasta (East) were allocated by Government of India and on 31st March 2015 vesting orders for these six coal blocks were issued in favour of WBPDCL. About 35% coal requirement of WBPDCL was met by captive coal blocks. Since appointment of new Mine Development Operators will take at least 4-6 months after allocation, a record coal stock of 9.29 lakh MT was built up by the end of March, 2015 which will help manage coal requirement till June 2015 end.
- Durgapur Projects Limited (DPL) has made significant achievement in winning the bid for coal mine under the auction route of Trans Damodar Coal Mine located at Barjora Coal Field, Tehsil Barjora organized by the Ministry of Coal in February, 2015. The Coal Mine Development & Production Agreement (CMDPA) for the Mine was executed on 02.03.2015.

#### **RENEWABLE ENERGY**

- First ever Policy on Co-generation and Generation of Electricity from Renewable Energy Sources was launched in June, 2012.
- A new Centre of Excellence in the field of Renewable Energy was established by the State Government in collaboration with the Bengal Engineering and Science University, Shibpur.
- Capacity of grid connected Solar Power generation station of West Bengal Green Energy Development Corporation Limited at Jamuria enhanced from 1 MW to 2 MW.



- Under a Pilot Project a 10 MW Solar Project on the bank of Teesta Canal Fall Stage II H.E. in Uttar
  Dinajpur district with a project cost of Rs.69.74 cr has been initiated. In-principle approval
  for the project has already been obtained from the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy,
  Government of India. Work of the project will commence in 2015-16 and will be completed
  by end 2016.
- Small rooftop solar PV Power Systems of about 2 MW capacity were installed. Some of the important installations are:
- Installation of 55 kWp grid connected solar PV Power Plant at Chhatna, Bankura
- Installation of 40 kWp grid connected solar PV power Plant Bidyut Unnayan Bhawn, Saltlake, Kolkata
- Installation of 12 kW grid Connected Power Plant at NKDA office Building
- Installation of 10 kW floating structured grid connected solar PV Power plant at Newtown
- WBREDA had taken up off-grid school electrification programme for 100 schools in Sundarbans area. So far 70 schools have been provided with 5 kW solar PV systems and work in progress for remaining schools. The solar systems have been designed in such a manner that in future if the schools are electrified through conventional means, the PV system shall be operated in grid connected mode and net metering benefit could be availed.
- WBREDA has taken up another project of installation of 10 kWp roof top grid connected PV Power Plant with net metering arrangement at 100 numbers of Government and Government aided Schools at different districts of West Bengal. This project is expected to be completed by 2015-16.
- A state-of the art Solar Dome is planned at the Eco Park, Rajarhat which will be a truncated spherical dome with diameter 45 m. It may house a marine aquarium, dome theater, viewing gallery, integrated solar PV power Plant with grid connection and emergency battery back-up. WBSEDCL is executing the project for which selection of consultant has been made and initial fund has been sanctioned by HIDCO.













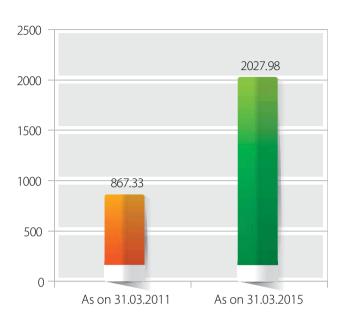




- Pump-set in operation Rural Electrification work Sagardighi Thermal Power Station Turga Hydel Project Medinipur WBSEDCL Sub-
- Station



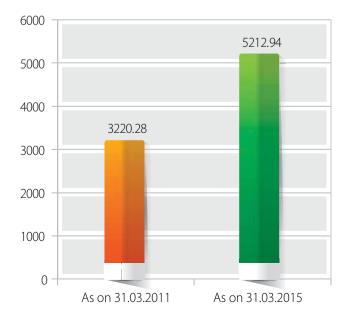




State Highway improved & renovated during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in km)

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- Focus on improved connectivity
- Almost 2.5 times rise in State Highway improvement and renovation



Other roads improved & renovated during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in km)

Significant increase in improvement of other roads, as well



#### **Road construction & other important Projects:**

- . 986 kms of road upgraded to two lane.
- . 2875 kms of road upgraded to Intermediate lane.
- . 3380 kms of different category of road strengthened and improved.
- . 55 bridges and 8 Road Over Bridges( at Barrackpore, Baruipur, Dankuni, Durgapore, Bagnan, Miapur, IIT Kharagpur and Jhargram) constructed.

Item	2007-2011	2011-2015
State Highway improved & renovated	867.33 km	2027.98 km
Other roads improved & renovated	3220.28 km	5212.94 km

- Under Special BRGF, PWD has taken 171 projects involving widening and strengthening / strengthening of 2086.95 km of roads and construction of 18 bridges in 11 backward districts at a cost of Rs. 1867.80 crore. Till date 1983 km of road and 6 bridges have been completed at cost of Rs. 1664.53 crore.
- Under West Bengal Compensatory Entry Tax Fund PWD has taken 151 projects involving widening and strengthening / strengthening of 1781.00 km of roads and construction of approach of one bridge at a cost of Rs. 2548.21 crore. Till date 451.38 km of road have been completed and expenditure made Rs. 750.41 crore.
- 1.9 km length elevated corridor (Flyover) on VIP Road from Kestopur to Joramandir constructed at a cost of Rs. 313.65 crore which reduce the congestion for Airport-bound traffic on VIP Road.
- . Dunlop Right Turn Flyover constructed at a cost of Rs. 35.00 crore to reduce traffic congestion at Dunlop.
- Improvement of riding quality of road from 0.00 kmp (Panagarh) to kmp 48.00 (Dubrajpur) of Panagarh Moregaram Road in the district of Birbhum at a cost of Rs. 135.20 crore.
- Widening & strengthening Panskura Durgachak Road from km 29.90 to km 62.10 in the district of Purba Midnapore at a cost of Rs. 46.29 crore.
- Widening and Strengthening of Debra Sabong Road from 0.00 to 26.80 km in the district of Paschim Midnapore at a Rs. 94.20 crore.
- Strengthening of Contai Belda Road from 35.00 to 5.00 kmp in the district of Purba Medinipur at a cost of Rs. 20.92 crore
- Widening and Strengthening of existing road from Taratala More to Joka Tram Deport from 0.00 to 7.16 Km on NH 117 via James Long Sarani in the district of South 24 Parganas at a cost of Rs. 36.56 crore
- Improvement of Riding quality of Kolkata Basanti road from 0.00 to 29.00 kmp & Widening & Strengthening from 60.00 kmp to 86.00 kmp (Excepting 16.00 kmp to 19.00 km and 64.00 to 67.00 kmp) at a cost of Rs. 49.73 crore.
- Construction of alternate route to existing Siliguri Jalpaiguri Road (NH 31D) from 0.00 to 46.50 km at a cost of Rs. 118.29 crore.

- Strengthening of Barakar Purulia Road (SH-5) from 0.00 Km to 32.00 Kmp and from 33.50 to 74.00 kmp at a cost of Rs. 45.82 crore.
- Widening and strengthening of Bishnupur Kotulpur Jayrambati Kamarpukur road from 0.00 to 36.00 km in the district of Bankura and Hooghly at a cos of Rs. 55.40 crore.
- Widening and strengthening of Bankura Saltora Road from 0.00 to 44.96 km at a cost of Rs. 85.92 crore.
- Widening & Strengthening of Purulia Ranchi Road (SH 4A) from 17.50 km to 25.00 kmp & from 27.00 to 56.80 km in the district of Purulia at a cost of Rs. 29.91 crore.
- Widening from Intermediate Lane to standard 2 lane Highway including strengthening of Maynaguri Changrabandha road from 1.50 to 18.50 km at a cost of Rs. 28.61 crore.
- Strengthening of G.T.Road from Howrah up to Memari at a cost of Rs. 79.06 crore
- Widening & Strengthening of Ranaghat Krishnagar Road from (SH-11) 0.00 kmp to 25.162 km at a cost of Rs. 41.28 crore.
- Road side facilities like Pather Sathi and pay & use toilets for the convenience of road users, a total of 12 nos Pather Sathi and 106 nos. Toilet Blocks have already been completed.
- A Seven storied building for Rheumatology Department & Guest House over two storied night shelter for patient party at SSKM Hospital.
- Completion of works relating to Medical Council of India in IPGME, Calcutta Medical College, N.R.S., R.G. Kar, Bankura Medical College, North Bengal Medical College, and Burdwan Medical College.
- . Commencement of Dhana Dhanya Project consisting of 2000 capacity Open Air Thatre, Multilayer Car Parking, 2600 capacity Auditorium and Kolkata House at Alipore
- . e-tendering for all works above Rs. 5.00 lakhs.
- Restructuring of Electrical, Mechanical, Civil & Architecture wing of PWD by reorganizing the different Circles and Divisions to make the department more effective in execution of work.
- . WBHDCL has taken up 4 Lanning work between Dankuni to Kalyani More via Mogra at a cost of Rs. 638.72 crore. The Corporation has also started two lanning work with paved shoulder between Adisaptagram to Guptipara, Barjora to Mejhia, Ghatakpukur to Sarberia and Chanditala to Champadanga road at a total cost of Rs. 571.31 crore.
- . Theworkon Asian Highway 2 connecting Nepal Border (Kakarbhita) to Bangladesh Border (Banglabandha) at a cost of Rs. 600.87 crore has already started. The work on Asian Highway 48 connecting Bangladesh Border (Burimari) to Bhutan Border (Pasakha) at a cost of Rs. 971.40 crore would commence very soon.
- . Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `2107.88 crore during 2007-2011 to `5973.92 crore during 2011-2015.

#### **National Highways**

- . 93 km road length of NH-60 (Kharagpur to Moregram) widened & strengthened.
- 24.54 km of road length of NH-2B (Burdwan to Bolpur) widened and strengthened.
- . 37.00 km lengths of NH 31C are strengthened.

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- 25.94 km lengths of NH 31 from 743.00 to 768.945 (Falakata Pundibari) including realignment of Falakata – Pundibari road in the district of Jalpaiguri are widened and strengthened.
- Completion of improvement work from Siliguri to Dhupguri section of NH-31D (km.86.85 to 137.7) and from 674.175 km. to 692.10 km of NH-31
- Construction of High Level River Bridge over river Hatania Doania at Namkhana (for connectivity from main land to Bakkhali Island) in the district of South 24 Parganas against sanctioned cost of Rs. 225.93 Cr is going on.
- 350 kms of road widened and strengthened in Jungal Mahal area to improve connectivity. 1 bridge completed, construction of another 8 bridges are going on to improve connectivity.

#### **Important Building Projects**

- Building for Linear Accelerator facility under Radio Therapy Department at NRS Medical College & Hospital completed.
- Two storied building for Labour Room at ground floor and Neo Natal Unit at 1st floor of Uluberia Sub Divisional Hospital completed.
- Trauma Centre & Orthopedic Centre at SSKM and R. G. Kar Hospital,
- 6-stroied building at Lumbini Park Mental Hospital,
- New Academy Building of IPGME&R at SSKM Hospital,
- Govt. college of Engineering and Leather Technology at Salt lake completed
- Annexe Building of Baker Govt. Hostel at Kolkata completed
- Minority Bhavan & Meeting Hall in the district of Hooghly for Minority & Madrasah Education completed
- Aliah University at Kolkata is in progress.
- State aided Women University at Diamond Harbour is in progress
- Kazi Nazrul Islam University at Burdwan is in progress.
- State aided University at Bankura is in progress.
- Office building of Consumer Affairs Department at Kolkata completed.
- Administrative Building for Development & Planning Department and Panchayat & rural Development department at Kolkata completed.
- Adalat Bhavan at Barasat completed.











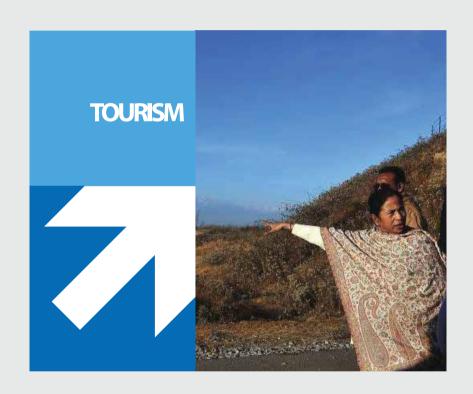


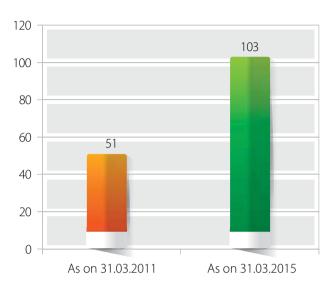




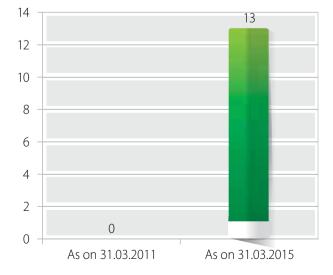
- Lalpool bridge, Darjeeling Technicians' Studio ROB on VIP Road

- Nabanna
- Purulia-Ranchi Rd.





Number of tourism projects completed under State Funding during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Number of PPP projects coming up during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

- Nearly 2 times increase in tourism project completion
- Enhanced thrust on creating infrastructure



- Public-Private Partnership
- Unique initiative of its kind

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- New incentive policy: A new Tourism Incentive Policy 2015 has been introduced covering Eco Tourism, Home Tourism and Tea Tourism. This will help attract evermore investment in these sectors, thereby creating huge employment opportunities.
- Better connectivity: Helicopter services have been introduced (between Kolkata and other tourism destinations like Shantiniketan, Maldah, Durgapur, Balurghat, Gangasagar, Haldia and Digha) for connecting different tourist destinations and remote towns of the State.
- Development of tourism in North Bengal: Construction of 12 Log Huts at Kalimpong, 11 new cottages at Jaldapara, 28 new cotteges at Murti, Gorkha Museum at Batasia loop, development of Eagle's Craig at Kurseong, development of different tourist spots in Kalimpong, construction of 3 cottages and reconstruction of approach road, etc. at Roy Villa, Darjeeling and improvement and widening of Tiger Hill Road in Darjeeling has given a much-needed boost to tourism in North Bengal. 'North Bengal Wild Animals Park' with exciting features, such as facility for wildlife safari, etc. is being brought up near Siliguri.
- Development of tourism in South Bengal: Our government has constituted 'Gangasagar-Bakkhali Development Authority' to bring about comprehensive development with emphasis on tourism at Gangasagar and its surrounding areas. Creation of several infrastructural facilities, like construction of 100-seated Tourist Lodge and 20-bedded cottages, development of road, car parking, lighting arrangement, food court, etc. at Gangasagar has been completed. New tourist spots centering 'Gour Dighi', 'Mahipal Dighi' and 'Tapan Dighi' have been developed. Development of 'Bhor Sagar', 'Dheu Sagar' and 'Roop Sagar' beaches into world-class tourist destinations is in the offing. The world's first zoo inside a mangrove forest Byaghra Sundari is being brought up at Jharkhali.
- Development of Eco/Rural-Tourism: Heritage Eco Tourism Development Project at Jhargram Rajbari, Rural Tourism Project at Jaichandipahar and Muruthbaha Eco Tourism Project at Susunia have been completed. Work on major iconic projects like Gajoldoba Mega Tourism Project, Jharkhali Eco Tourism Project and Sabujdweep Eco Tourism Project, in PPP mode, is on in full swing. Moreover, development of home-stay at Magurmari village at Jalpaiguri, Sittong and Pokhriatar villages at Darjeeling is in the pipeline.
- Development of Motijheel: Construction of several new infrastructural facilities including cottages, guest house, landscaping, beautification, etc., at Motijheel Tourism Destination Project has provided a boost to tourism in the historical city of Murshidabad.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `67.54 crore during 2007-2011 to `302.28 crore during 2011-2015.
- Completion of projects under State Funding has increased from 51 during 2007-2011 to 103 during 2011-2015.
- Taking up of PPP (Public-Private Partnership) Projects has increased from 0 during 2007-2011 to 13 during 2011-2015.

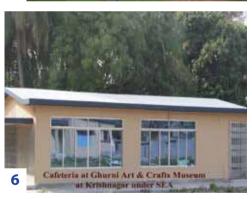












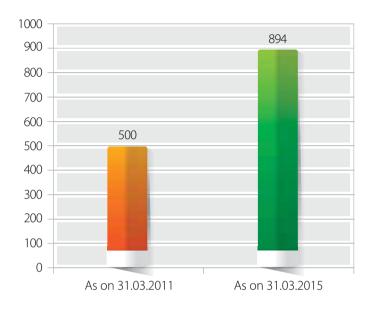


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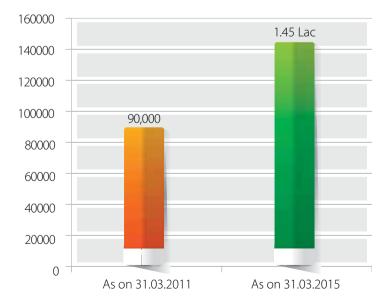
- Top view of Motijheel Tourism Destination, Murshidabad
- 2 Development of Rural Tourism Project at Jaichandipahar at Raghunathpur in Purulia District
- 3 Development of Rural Tourism Project at Susunia in Bankura District.
- 4 Tourist Cottages at Bandarbhola
- 5 Development of Tourism at Mahipal Dighi under Kushmandi Block, Dakshin Dinajpur.
- 6 Construction of Art & Craft Museum Complex at Ghurni, Krishnanagar, Nadia.







Number of IT companies doing business



Professionals employed in IT sector

- Providing an enabling environment for IT companies
- Almost 79% increase in number of companies

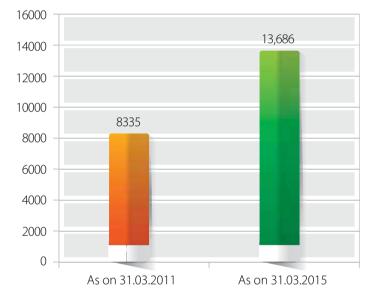
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- Generating more employment in IT sector
- About 61% rise in IT professionals

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About 64% rise in total export



Total export from IT sector per annum (in ₹ crore)



#### The Vision:

The vision of the State, as described in its ICT Policy 2012, is to become one of the leading States in India in the IT and ITeS and ESDM sectors and to enable West Bengal to transform into a knowledge-driven welfare society.

#### 79% growth in IT business:

The State has presence of about 894 IT companies, up from near 500 in 2010-11 showing a rise of about 79%. Almost all the leading IT Software companies such as Wipro, Mentor Graphics, Ericcson, Cap Gemini, Tech Mahindra, Accenture, TCS, Cognizant, ITC Infotech, British Telecom etc. are expanding their facilities in the State at the moment.

#### 61% growth in employment:

From the 2010-11 figure of 90,000, the IT sector of the State today employs 1,45,000 IT professionals - a growth of about 61%, reflecting an annual growth rate of more than 20%. The projected figure of 2015-16 is at least 2,00,000, out of which 30,000 will be covered through the IT Parks and EMCs currently being developed by the State Govt.

#### 64% growth in export:

The total export from the IT Industry of the State is estimated at Rs. 13,686 crore in 2013-14 as compared to Rs. 8335 crore of 2010-11 showing a growth of about 64% in only 3 (three) years or more than 20% year-on-year.

#### **Indian Institute of Information Technology, Kalyani:**

The first IIIT of the State has rolled on from 2014 itself. 54 Students have been enrolled and the first year classes are going on from a temporary campus. IIEST (BESU), Shibpur has become the mentor institute.

#### Reaching the destinations beyond Kolkata & Salt Lake:

15 IT Parks, 2 Electronic Manufacturing Clusters and 1 Hardware Park are being developed at different district towns and surroundings. They are expected to start operating one after another from 2015 onwards as per the administrative calendar.

#### Centre of Excellence:

The Microsoft Centre of Excellence in collaboration with the state Government is ready to be operationalised.

#### **Start-up Warehouse:**

The State Government has established a Start-up warehouse in collaboration with NASSCOM for benefit of new ventures and Start-ups in the IT/ITeS sector.

#### **Recognition:**

The state has received prestigious Dataguest Award on e-readiness as a landmark for its efforts.

#### **Paperless office:**

- e-Office has been launched all over the State
- Similarly, e-District project has been launched in November, 2015

#### **Electronic document archive:**

• A Web-based Document Management System (DMS) has been made operational in 14 District Collectorates with about 1.29 crores of documents.

#### M-Governance:

Push based SMS system implemented by IT & E Deptt, has been used effectively
to reach the citizens of the State for various matters including SMS alerts about
rumour-mongering on supply crunch and price rise of Salt, AIDS Awareness,
Blood donation camps, DVC water release warning, Greetings on festivals such as
Durga Puja and Eid etc. SMS based complaint redressal system for Eve Teasing &
Taxi Refusal incidents for Howrah City Police has been implemented by the IT & E
Deptt.

#### **Assisting other Departments in e-Governance**:

• IT & E Deptt has been providing end-to-end technical consultancy including Business Process Reengineering (BPR), Technical specifications, Preparation of DPR and RFP, Selection of Implementation agencies through technical evaluation of Bids, preparation and signing of Contract/SLA agreements for various Departments on their e-Governance projects. Major projects where IT & E department played a vital role include Integrated Finance Management System (IFMS), Kanyashree, Commercial Tax, Profession Tax, Labour Helpline, Fisheries GIS Mapping, Surveillance System in Correctional Homes, Website development of various Govt. Departments and State Strengthening of Statistical Programme (SSSP) etc.

#### **Capacity Building:**

• IT & E Department has conducted e-Governance workshops for District level officials in all Districts and for other senior State-level officials.

#### Repository of Govt. data and applications:

• The State Data Centre is operational from May, 2011. For huge demand, its capacity is under expansion at the moment.

#### Delivery of Govt. services through electronic mode:

• e-District, a Mission Mode G-2-C e-Governance Project with end-to-end service delivery is operating in 2 (two) Districts (Pilot) with 11 services. Operation in other 9 Districts with 12 services is expected by April, 2015.

#### **Govt. communication network through computer:**

• WBSWAN, the backbone computer communication network is operational in the State with vertical and horizontal connectivity from Block level to State level through Districts and Sub-Divisions having about 369 Points of Presence and 500 horizontal links.

















- 1 Purulia IT Park under construction
- Rajarhat New Town IT Park under construction
- 3 Durgapur IT Park under construction
- **4** Barjora IT Park under construction
- **5** Kharagpur IT Park under construction
- 6 Siliguri IT Park under construction



- Over ` 100 crores has been sanctioned for upgradation and improvement of stadiums, swimming pools etc.
- The works which have been **completed so far** are upgradation work of Jhargram Stadium, Salboni Stadium, Gorkha Stadium at Lebong, floodlighting of Kanchanjunga Stadium at Siliguri, new flood lights for Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan, Purulia Sports Hostel, Medinipur Swimming Club, Subhas Sarobar Swimming Pool and the improvement of East Bengal, Mohun Bagan and Md. Sporting club grounds.
- The work of upgradation of stadiums at Krishnanagar, Suri, Uluberia, Arabinda Stadium at Contail, Rakhal Memorial stadium at Tammluk, Sports Hostel at Purulia, Jhargram Sports Academmy, Khatra Sports Academy, Purulia Mini Indoor stadium, Malda DSA Stadium, Balurghat stadium, Diamond Harbour Stadium, Gangrampur Stadium are nearing completion.
- Development of new stadiums at Bhatar, Nayagram, Naihati, Barrackpore and Indoor stadium at Balurghat have been sanctioned for which work will start soon.
- Sanction has also been granted for construction of Swimming Pools at Canning and Barijhati in Hooghly besides development of state of the art diving Pool at Subhash Sarobar stadium, Kolkata.
- All the stadiums/sports facilities in Kolkata like Netaji Indoor stadium, Rabindra Sarobar stadium, Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan (VYBK), Subhas Sarobar swimming pool and Kishore Bharati Stadium have been taken up for major upgradation and modernization. More specifically renovation and upgradation for VYBK includes installation of 25,000 plastic bucket seats, drainage and toilet improvement, construction of 2 new international standard dressing rooms, and refurbishment of gymnasium. In keeping with the requirements for organizing Under-17 FIFA world cup, the artificial turf at VYBK is being replaced with a natural grass turf and 2 practice grounds of similar standards have also been sanctioned. Sanction has also been granted for replacement of the synthetic athletic track with a new international standard track.
- Khel Samman Awards have been constituted under four categories namely (i) Life time Achievement Award having cash prize of Rs. 5 lakhs and a citation; (ii) Krira Guru Awards having cash prize of Rs. 1 lakh and a citation; (iii) Banglar Gourav Award having cash prize of Rs. 1 lakh and a citation; and (iv) Khel Samman Award having a prize money of Rs. 50,000/- and a citation. These awards have been conferred consecutively since 2013.
- District Sports Councils and Sub-Divisional Sports Councils have

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been **reconstituted** and funds are being released to them for development and promotion of sports at the district and sub-divisional levels.

- Clubs/NGOs provided grants for development and promotion of sports have increased from 2486 during 2007-2011 to 20,380 during 2011-2015.
- **Non-residential coaching camps** have been started for Table Tennis, Gymnastics, Badminton and Karate at Khudiram Anushilan Kendra and for Volleyball and Kho Kho at Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan.
- **Residential Football Academy** has been started at Khardah since June, 2014.
- In order to promote and popularize sports in far-flung and backward areas,
   Jungle Mahal Cup, Himal Tarai Dooars Cup and Sunderban Cup are regularly organized involving the local clubs and youth.
- North Bengal Board for Development of Sports & Games has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Shri Baichung Bhutia, eminent footballer to promote sports activities and monitoring infrastructure development schemes in the seven districts of North Bengal.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `103.97 crore during 2007-2011 to `349.43 crore during 2011-2015.

#### **FUTURE INITIATIVES OF THIS DEPARTMENT**

- Swimming Academy will be started at Subhas Sarobar Swimming Pool at Beleghata; Archery and Volleyball Academy will be set up at Jhargram; Gymnastics Academy will be set up at Purulia.
- Completion of main ground development of Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan will be taken up.
- Grant to nearly **8000 Club/Organization/Association** for improvement of sporting infrastructure will be distributed.
- A scheme for financial support to recognized Sports Association will be prepared to provide support for district level coaching, establishment of Nurseries and organizing State and National level Sports competitions
- A Board, consisting of eminent sports personalities for identification of talented sports person will be constituted to select budding and promising sports person in the State
- The new Sports Policy has been declared for giving further impetus to development and promotion of sports in the state and also to give encouragement and incentives to sportspersons
- Creation/renovation/modernization of sports infrastructure in various districts of the state will be continued.

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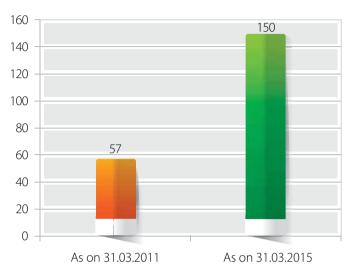


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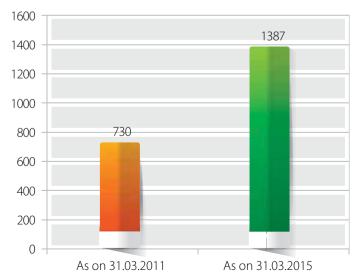
- 1 Balurghat Stadium
- 2 Felicitation ceremony for Atletico De Kolkata At Netaji Indoor Stadium, 2014
- 3 Newly installed Bucket seats at Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan
- **4** Subhas Sarobar Swimming Pool
- 5 Newly renovated International standard Dressing Room at Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan
- **6** Gorkha Stadium at Lebong, Darjeeling







Number of new Bus Stands constructed/ renovated during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Number of new Bus routes introduced during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

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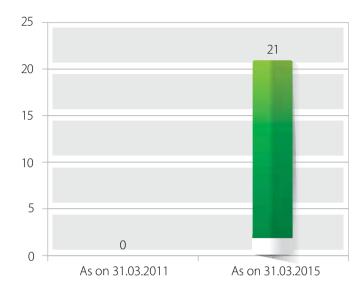
# Increased focus on passenger amenities

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- Spreading transport to far-flung places and generating employment
- Almost 2 times rise in Bus routes

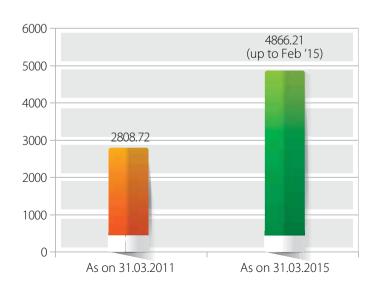
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- Decentralizing Transport Offices
- Facilitating common people in remote areas



Number of new ARTOs set up during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

- More resource for development
- Almost 2 times in revenue generated



Amount of revenue generated during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)

### **New Infrastructures and Services**

Item	2007-2011	2011-2015
Construction of new Bus Stands	57	150
Introduction of new (bus) routes	730	1387
Revenue generation	` 2808.72 crore	` 4866.21 crore
Amount of Plan Expenditure	` 751.83 crore	` 980.15 crore

• Kolkata-Dhaka-Agartala bus service has been introduced which will cut travel time and foster people-to-people contact.

### ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING / REFORMS

- Twenty four (24) new Motor Vehicles Offices opened to cater to the needs of the people in an effective, decentralised manner.
- . Trifurcation of PVD, Kolkata (with two new units at Kasba and Salt Lake) achieved for decentralised services in Kolkata
- Implementation of Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) achieved in the overstaffed STUs leading to VRS to 987 employees in order to make the STUs self-reliant and productive.
- Operational integration and synergisation effected among different STUs through command area specification and route rationalization in order to reduce inefficient and counter-productive competition among the different STUs.
- . Optimal utilization and monetization of idle land assets of the State Transport Undertakings initiated: process completed in 3(three) depots, initiated in 2(two) more.

### ROAD TRANSPORT SERVICES

- . More than 1500 new high standard AC as well as non-AC buses in the State sector rolled out. Another 250 AC Bus to ply very soon.
- 15000 comfortable 'no refusal taxis' in the urban centres introduced.
- . About 4000 private bus permit issued.

- Introduction/initiation of Intelligent Transport System facilities in the CSTC/NBSTC/SBSTC to the benefit of the passengers and also to ensure their security, particularly of the women passengers.
- Concretization of major tram tracks, introduction of indigenously built new look AC and Non-AC trams and re-introduction of closed tram routes achieved.
- Decentralisation of system of Stage Carriage Permits and National Permits for goods carriages services achieved.

### WATER TRANSPORT SERVICES

. Construction/renovation of 30 (thirty) jetties and promotion of waterways activities leading to enhanced number of attractive river cruises- including to Dakshineswar, Belur and other heritage Ghats on the river Ganga in Kolkata metropolis.

### **CIVIL AVIATION**

- Introduction of low-cost passenger-friendly helicopter connectivity between Kolkata and other tourism destinations like Shantiniketan, Maldah, Durgapur, Balurghat, Gangasagar, Haldia and Digha.
- . First Greenfield airport in private sector at Andal-Durgapur functional. New Durgapur Kolkata New Delhi flight introduced.
- . Through active support of State Government, night-landing facilities at Bagdogra Airport has commenced.

### INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING

- Construction of Mridangabhanga Bridge at Bolerbazar, Mathurapur, South 24 Parganas has been completed for ensuring better connectivity.
- . Construction of the Beckbagan ramp of the A.J.C. Bose Road Flyover has been completed for ensuring better connectivity.



















- AC Tram
  Newly constructed
  Beckbagan Ramp
  Intra-state helicopter
  service by Pawan Hans
  Jetty constructed
  by WBTIDCL at Dakshineswar, North 24 Parganas
- River Cruise Services, WBSTC
- Newly constructed Bus Terminus at Santragachi





### **Regulatory Reforms**

Agricultural Produce Marketing (Regulation) Act 1972 has been amended in Deccember'2014 with provisions of Farmers' Market, Consumers' Market and Direct Marketing etc with a view to accelerate agricultural marketing reforms in the state. This act allows setting up of Farmers' Market for marketing of their produce directly to the consumers. This is an unprecedented legislative step in West Bengal towards empowerment of farmers.

In keeping with the Amended Act, Subdivision level regulated market committees have been abolished and Zilla Regulated Market Committees have been formed for better management of Krishak Bazars and Individual farmers and Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) are being encouraged for conducting primary transaction of agricultural produces at those Kishan Bazars to have competitive prices and maximum share in consumer's price.

### **Waiver of Market levy:**

Market levy on Vegetables, Fruits, Potato, Onion, Poultry feed and Poultry products have been waived in the interest of producers and consumers.

### **Creation of New Infrastructure and Assets**

Investment in market infrastructure has increased from `77.26 crore during 2007-2011 to `240.14 crore during 2011-2015.

Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 128.2 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 357.49 crore during 2011-2015.

### **Amar Fasal Amar Gola**

Under this scheme, one time financial assistance (OTA) has been provided directly to the Bank A/c of more than 16000 Beneficiaries for construction of different types of Storage Structures for farm yard storage of Paddy / Onion. An additional 8000 beneficiaries lilely to be covered by May, 2016.

### **Amar Fasal Amar Gari**

Under this scheme, one time financial assistance (OTA) has been provided directly to the Bank A/c of more than 21000

beneficiaries for purchase of 'Cart Crate combo' for smooth transportation of vegetables from the field. An additional 3000 beneficiaries lilely to be covered by May, 2016.

# "AMAR DHAN AMAR CHATAL" under BGREI of RKVY introduced in F.Y. 2014-15

Under this scheme, one time financial assistance (OTA) has been provided directly to the Bank A/c of more than 22000 beneficiaries for construction of Household Paddy Processing Unit (HPPU). An additional 22000 beneficiaries lilely to be covered by May, 2016.

### **Sufal Bangla Project**

New initiative taken by Govt. of West Bengal and supervised by this Department, with an objective to ensure maximum share of producer in consumer's price by procuring agricultural commodities directly from the farmers and selling to the consumers within Kolkata and Howrah area. Presently agricultural commodities are being directly purchased from Producers' groups at Singur Krisak Bazaar Hub and being sold through 22 numbers of mobile vans and 3 numbers of static outlets in a moderate price. Total Sales till date more than 2900 MT of fruits and vegetables

### **Training at NSTIAM**

Total 2162 rural youths have been trained in this Institute under 94 different training modules funded by NIAM, Jaipur and State Budget which include: Entrepreneurship development program for Rural Youths; Low Cost Food Preservation techniques for SHG members and Franchisee development program for 'Sufal Bangla' involving trainees from different districts of West Bengal.

### **Infrastructural Development**

to the tune of more than `5.5 crore

No of Krishak Bazars already completed: 121

No of Krishak Bazars expected to be completed by May, 2016: 160

New cold storage capacity created: More than 7.7 lac MT. An additional 87000 MT likely by May, 2016.



















- Krishak Bazar
- Amar Fasal Amar Gola Amar Fasal Amar Gari

- Departmenal Stall in Mati Utsav Paddy Procurement in Krishak Bazar
- Training of Rural Youth at NSTIAM



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The Department of Biotechnology, Government of West Bengal established in year 2006 along with West Bengal Biotech Development Corporation has taken up various activities, especially in the areas of agriculture, medicine, health care, environment, bio-diversity conservation and biotech-based industry by utilizing the rich human and natural resources in this state.

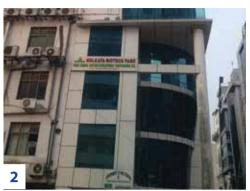
Some of the notable achievements of the Department of Biotechnology in the last four years are given below:

- Commissioning and improvement of Bioincubation Facility, and a complete ultra-modern genomics laboratory, in Kolkata Biotech Park in collaboration with Dr. B. C. Guha Centre of Genetic Engineering under University of Calcutta as knowledge Partner.
- National Institute of Biomedical Genomics (NIBMG), Kalyani with the financial support from Department of Biotechnology has formed a Cohort of about 20,000 individuals drawn from villages in and around Kalyani
- Financial assistance has been extended for improvement of infrastructure of Under Graduate & Post Graduate degree Colleges & Universities in West Bengal by providing necessary equipment based support under a scheme entitled 'Biotechnology based Opportunities Offered to Science & Technology Departments' or BOOST Programme.
- Financial support extended for Biotechnology based Research and Development projects in different areas important for human wellbeing viz, thalassemia, diabetes, ovarian cancer, leukemia, anemia, medicinal plant, agriculture, etc.

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- Promotion of Rural Biotechnology was undertaken in the Jangal Mahal area of Paschim Medinipore for sustainable development of livelihood of tribal people by taking up improved agriculture practices and promoting cultivation of flamingiasemialata, a host plant for lac Cultivation and other cash crops. International Mass Awareness Programme (iMAP), a Kolkata based NGO is implementing this project with the financial support of the Department.
- Financial Assistance extended to organize a mass awareness programme named "Sabujer Aahawan" at Dhansol Village of Gopiballavpur to create awareness amongst the local people on the benefits of biotechnology based interventions in agriculture practices in the lateritic soil of the area for the wellbeing of the society.
- Supported Non-Governmental Organizations in design & execution of biotechnology based interventions for improvement in Banana Cultivation in laterite soil, in Gopiballovpur, vermicomposting and potato plant Tissue Culture development in Burdwan and improvement in the quality of Pisiculture in Sunderbans of North 24 Parganas.
- Bio-informatics Centres (KIOSKs) for dissemination and exchange of knowledge in biotechnology in the rural areas have been set up at Pashim Medinipore, Purulia and Burdwan.
- Women Technology Park (WTP), located at the Sagar Island in the Bay of Bengal, was set up by Vivekananda Institute of Biotechnology of Sri Ramkrishna Ashram, Nimpith, as a resource centre for hardening of tissue cultured plantlets and skill development with the financial assistance of this Department.

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- 1 Laboratory at Gopiballavpur, Paschim Medinipur
- 2 Kolkata Biotech Park
- **3** Plantation of flamingiasemialata, host plant for lac cultivation in barren land at Paschim Medinipur
- Women entrepreneurs after the training on cultivation and management of hardened banana plantlets at Gangasagar
   Bio-informatics Centres
- 5 Bio-informatics Centres (KIOSK) – exchanging knowledge through Video Conference
- Video Conference

  6 "Sabuj Disha" Soil
  and plant disease
  testing Laboratory at
  Gopiballavpur, Paschim
  Medinipur.



- Civil Defence West Bengal was declared No-1 by Directorate of Civil Defence MHA, Gol, New Delhi in the country based on its activities and achievements.
- Construction works of Multi Disciplinary Centre at Asansol-Burdwan, Hatighisa-Siliguri, Rescue Centre at Mohanpur-Paschim Medinipur, Basirhat-North 24 Pgs., Pursura-Hooghly & New Admn. Building of WWCD have been completed in due time. Hundred Seated training hall equipped with E-board, projector and laptop etc. and garages were constructed at Central Civil Defence training institute.
- Unique I-card for civil Defence volunteers conceptualised by Director of Civil Defence West Bengal was accepted by Gol and subsequently decided to introduce throughout the country.
- CD Rescue vehicle equipped with Modern Rescue equipments, conceptualised by the Director of CD West Bengal have been handed over to the District Magistrate during the district visit of Hon'ble CM West Bengal and rest of the Rescue Vehicle has been handed over at School of Tropical Medicine, Kolkata.
- The rescue vehicle conceptualised by director of CD West Bengal was declared Role Model in the country by DGCD MHA, Gol, New Delhi.
- In the year 2013 camp based Modern Equipments training was held and a total no. of trainee 1155Civil Defence Volunteers were trained. Another 15 days camp based Multi Disciplinary

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training in four phases has been going on at New Administrative Building of WWCD Kalyani, Nadia during the financial **year 2014-15, 1867 Civil Defence volunteers have already been trained**.

- Insurance Policy for Civil Defence Volunteers has been appreciated by Directorate of Civil Defence MHA GOI.
- Five CDVs were awarded HG & CD President's Meritorious Service Medal on the occasion of Independence Day-2014.
- A seven days training programme comprising with 125 boys & girls including NULIAS of coastal area of Digha, Purba Medinipur was conducted in the month of August 2014 for patrolling sea coast to save the visitors from drowning during the time of bath in the Sea. A training to save flood victims with available local resources (Indigenous) was conducted at Ranaghat, Nadia.
- Mock Drill as a part of recapitulation and awareness programme organised in the different districts across the state on zone basis – (At Cooch Behar, CTI Itahar, Gothlu, Krishnanagar Nadia, Chinsura Hooghly, Kharagpur Paschim Medinipur, Asansol Burdwan and CCDTI West Bengal).
- In spite of manpower constraint, Commendable service rendered by WWCD & WBCEF during last monsoon. They have performed expectacular duties in Gangasagar Mela with OBM & Inflatable boats at different points (lot-8, Kachuberia, Namkhana, Chemaguri, Benuban and Sagar Point).

















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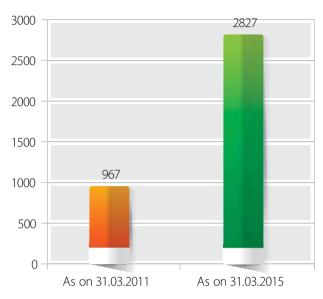


- 1 Annual Sports Meet at Dumdum
- Administrative Building of WWCD HQ, Kalyani
- **3** Aquatic Training at Amrabati Lake, Digha
- 4 HCM handing over CDRV to DM, North 24 Parganas
- **5** Raising Day Parade, 2015
- **6** Multi-Disciplinary Centre, Asansol

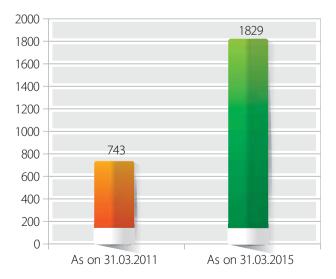


# **Graphical Representation**





Number of applications filed for redressal of consumer disputes



Number of disposal of applications filed for redressal of consumer disputes

An aware consumer is an empowered consumer

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Almost 2.5 times increase in number of disposals

Traditional function of this Department is to take actions for protection of interest of consumers. For this purpose, it has 3 (three) wings: -

- 1. State Commission & District Forum
- 2. Directorate of Consumer Affairs & Fair Business Practices
- 3. Directorate of Legal Metrology

Since 2013, this Department is also the Nodal Department for enactment and monitoring the implementation of the West Bengal Right to Public Services Act, 2013.

### **State Commission & District Forum**

- 1 (one) Additional Bench of State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission has been set up.
- 2 (two) new Circuit Benches of State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, West Bengal – one at Siliguri and another at Asansol are going to be set up soon. The cabinet has accorded approval in this regard.
- 1 (one) new District Consumer Disputes Redressal Forum, named as **C.D.R.F., Kolkata Unit-III has been set up at Kolkata,** to meet the growing demand of the consumers for redressal of their grievances, in addition to the 2 (two) already existing Fora, namely C.D.R.F., Kolkata Unit-I and C.D.R.F., Kolkata Unit-II in Kolkata.
- 1 (one) new District Consumer Disputes Redressal Forum has also been set up at the newly formed District at Alipurduar.
- . The total no. of cases filed during the period of 01-04-2011 to 28-02-2014 is 28,335 and the no. of cases disposed of during this period is 23,989.
- The CONFONET Project is going on in full swing throughout all the 22 (twenty two) Forums.

### **Directorate of Legal Metrology**

- Principal function of the Legal Metrology Directorate under Consumer Affairs Department, Government of West Bengal, is to protect Consumer's Rights through standardisation of weighing and measurement system.
- For the upgradation of Secondary Standard Laboratory and Working Standard Laboratory the officials of this Directorate has been trained at National Physical Laboratory (NPL), Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Fluid Control Research Institute (FCRI) and Indian Institute of Legal Metrology (IILM).

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- The working standards are checked and verified by the trained officers of the Secondary Standard Laboratory.
- Mobile Weighing Kit for checking Weigh Bridge, Field Standard Test Capacity Measures
  for checking of measuring instruments, Master Flow Meter for checking CNG and
  LPG dispensers has been provided to the field officers to augment their activity for
  consumer's interest.
- Special care has been given to cover the markets at remote villages through camp office and enforcement

### **Directorate of CA & FBP**

- Consumer Awareness Programmes have been organised through seminars, camps, fairs, magic shows, folk songs, workshops, quiz contest etc. Consumer Awareness has also been made through hoardings, display of banners, plying of tableau, installation of stalls in fairs, telecast of messages through satellite T.Vs, broadcast of messages through F.M. channels, advertisement through leading daily newspapers and display of messages through T.V. installed at all 23 Metro Stations.
- Toll free Consumer Helpline (1800-345-2808) of the Consumer affairs department has started functioning w.e.f. 24.12.2011. Its object is to provide necessary information and guidance on Consumer Protection to the consumers.
- Consumer Assistance Bureaus (CABs) are formed in 10 (ten) places i.e. Saltlake, Barasat, Barrackpore, CDRF Unit-I (Kolkata), CDRF Unit-II (Kolkata), Howrah, Burdwan, Durgapur, Siliguri and Raiganj. Those CABs run by Voluntary Consumer Organisation (VCO) started functioning since July, 2014. Its object is to provide assistance to the aggrieved consumers for filing complaints at Consumer Forum. 475 (Four hundred seventy five) complaints have been lodged in the District Forum till February, 2015.
- Filing of Consumer Complaints at Consumer Forum u/s 12(1)(d) of C.P. Act -1986 : In order to curb Unfair Trade Practices (UTP) and Restrictive Trade Practices (RTP) 6(six) such complaints have been filed in Consumer Forum till date. Out of 6(Six) 1(one) complaint is resolved in favour of the Department and in case of other 3(three) complaints opposite parties appeal at NCDRC against the Judgement of State Commission, West Bengal and 2(two) complaints are pending at State Commission, West Bengal. The Directorate has taken initiatives to lodge more complaints u/s 12(1) (d) of C.P. Act -1986.
- Alternative Grievance Redressal Mechanism: It is a mechanism of pre-litigation settlement of consumer complaints and it becomes very popular among the consumers throughout the State of West Bengal. During the last 4 (four) financial

years (till February 2015) the number of complaints received and redressed are increasing year after year.

- Consumer Clubs have been formed in 400 (Four hundred) schools throughout the State of West Bengal. Its object is to educate the students about consumer rights and duties. It is a central sector scheme. A large no. of educational institutions have also consented to open Consumer Clubs in their respective premises. Proposal for opening consumer clubs at 1087 number of schools has been sent to the Government of India for approval.
- Kreta Suraksha Mela was organised at Netaji Indoor Stadium, Kolkata during the period from 24.11.2014 to 27.11.2014 with a view to propagating consumer awareness among common people. A good number of Government Organisations, Public Sector and Private Sector companies participated the fair. Thousands of people visited the fair during 4(four) days. It was organised in 2013 also. Some photographs are enclosed herewith.
- Inclusion of consumer protection related issues in the curriculum of Class-VI, VII & Class-VIII of West Bengal Board of Secondary Education: It has been incorporated during the current Academic Year 2015-16.

### West Bengal Right to Public Services Act -2013 (WBRTPS Act- 2013):

Consumer Affairs Department has enacted the West Bengal Right to Public Services Act, 2013 and made Rule thereunder. To make the Act operative, the Department has taken following actions:

- Implementation was pursued with all the Departments and so far 22 Departments have issued Notifications under this Act notifying the Services, Designated Officers and other Authorities.
- Extensive awareness campaign has been made through different media throughout West Bengal and through the Regional Offices of the Directorate of Consumer Affairs and Fair Business Practices to aware the general public regarding the Act.
- Training to the employees of different Public Service Providers made with the help of ATI and the Directorate of CA&FBP.
- All the Departments who issued Notification were allotted fund for printing of Forms under the Rule.
- The District Magistrates were allotted fund for holding sensitisation programmes in the Districts and other related works for implementation of the Act.
- Periodical review meetings held with the Nodal Officers of the Departments.















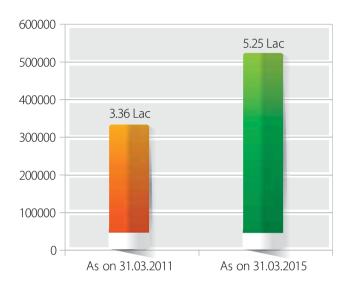


- 1 Celebration of National Conusumer Day 2014
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- **4** Workshop on 'Smoyer Sathi'
- **5** Awarness programme on consumer protection

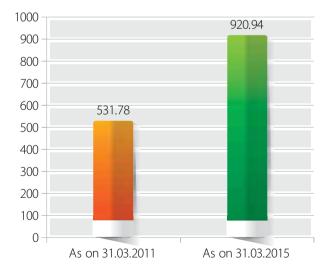


# **Graphical Representation**





Number of SHGs credit linked during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Amount of loan disbursed to SHGs during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)

Higher credit linkage Better financial inclusion

More than 1.5 times increase in amount of loan disbursed

- State Government's increased financial assistance has provided a special thrust on Co-operatives in the State in recent years.
- The Co-operative Sector through its 3-tier structure in Short Term Credit Sector in rural areas and through Urban Credit Sector in urban areas have enhanced financial inclusion and have augmented loan for diversified purposes.
- Membership / Borrowing Membership Coverage in Rural Bengal : 2,64,517 nos. of new members have been enrolled and 1,56,989 nos. of new members have been provided with loan during the period.
- Crop Loan Disbursement : During the period crop loan of ` 10,11,933 lakh has been issued.

### **Self Help Groups & Women Empowerment:**

- During the period an additional 27,150 nos. of SHGs have been formed raising the total no. to 1,92,850 comprising of 16,26,241 women members. 38,194 nos. of new SHGs have been credit linked during the period raising the total nos. to 1,51,631. Loan of `45,022.08 lakh has been issued to the members of the SHGs during the period.
- Financial assistance to the tune of ` 200.07 lakh has been sanctioned for development of Women Cooperative Societies during the period.

### **Joint Liability Group:**

• 8132 nos. of new Joint Liability Groups have been formed during the period from May, 2011 to March, 2015 raising the progressive no. of JLGs to 13,626 to facilitate credit dispensation to the weaker section & landless farmers of the rural Bengal.



### **Resource Mobilization:**

• The total deposit of Short Term Co-operative Credit Structure has reached `20,75,948.00 lakh with enhancement of `11,20,194.65 lakh during the period.

### Marketing & Processing - Increase in Storage Capacity:

• Total storage capacity of Storage Godowns has been enhanced from 6.03 lakh MT to 7.01 lakh MT during the period with enhancement of 0.98 lakh MT. Capacity of Cold Storage has been increased from 3.20 lakh MT to 3.30 lakh MT with enhancement of 0.10 lakh MT. In addition, construction of 16 new Storage Godowns having capacity of 30600 MT and 6 new Cold Storage Units having capacity of 49000 MT has been taken up.

### **Fertilizer business through Cooperatives:**

• During the period Fertilizer of value `202179.50 lakh and other Agril. Inputs worth `12469.15 lakh has been distributed.

### Samabay Bhavan:

Special programme for accommodation of all offices of Cooperation
Department under one roof has been taken up in Burdwan-III,
Burdwan-I, Paschim Medinipur, Malda, Bankura, Purulia & North
24-Pgs. Ranges, of which the Samabay Bhavan at Burdwan-I Range
has already been completed. `1630.28 lakh has been sanctioned
during the period under State Plan for the purpose.

### Formation of Students' Consumers' Cooperatives:

 A special initiative was taken during the year 2014-15 for formation of Students' Consumers' Cooperative Societies and as a result 217 nos. of Students' Consumers' Cooperative Societies have been

registered and of which 69 societies have been given financial assistance.

### **Special Initiative for Revival of Co-operative Banks:**

• The State Government has taken special initiative for strengthening of different types of weak Co-operative Banks and sanctioned `1000.00 lakh for strengthening of the West Bengal State Cooperative Bank along with 4 Central Cooperative Banks. Financial assistance to the tune of `296.00 lakh has also been sanctioned for revival of 3 weak Urban Cooperative Banks during the financial year 2014-15.

### **Modernization/Mechanization Initiatives:**

 Initiatives have been taken for modernization of Cooperative Cold Storages by installation of Conveyer Belt and changing of cooling system for better handling of potato during loading and unloading and for reducing electricity consumption.

### **Major Policy Decisions / Reforms:**

- Cooperative Election Commission has been constituted on 15-03-2012 for conducting free & fair election in all types of cooperative societies. During the period the said Commission has conducted election of Board of Directors in 3224 no. of cooperative societies.
- The State Government agreed and participated in the Revival Package of unlicensed Central Cooperative Banks formulated by the Government of India and released its share of ` 39.00 crore along with NABARD's share of ` 7.80 crore for revival of Birbhum DCCB Ltd.



















- Fertilizer stock in SKUS
   Organic Farming at Bhagabanpur SKUS
   Paddy Procurement
- 4 Potato Procurement
- Roof top water harvest-ing at Dogram SKUS Seed Village



In West Bengal, the correctional homes are regarded as abode of correction and rehabilitation of the inmates and to put them on the right track after their release from correctional homes. There are 58 correctional homes of different types.

Major Achievements of Department of Correctional Administration (D.C.A.) in last 4 years:

### **Major Works**

- Construction of 2 (two) new Sub-Correctional Homes at Tehatta, Nadia & Raghunathpur, Purulia.
- Commissioning of Open Correctional Home at Durgapur.
- Construction of Hospitals at Balurghat, Siliguri, Hooghly and Presidency Correctional Homes.
- Construction of Female Wards at Durgapur and Kalyani Sub-Corrctional Homes.
- Installation of water treatment system at Alipore CCH, Jalpaiguri CCH and Balurghat DCH
- Notification of 3 (three) Open Correctional Home at Midnapore, Bankura & Purulia
- Awarding Correctional Services Medals & Cash incentives to the Correctional Services Personnel ( Re-introduced in 2015).
- Change of duty hours of guarding staff from two shift to single shift of 8 hours (apprx)
- Improvement of quality of food for the inmates of Correctional Homes
- Change of Dinner Timings (now at 8 p.m. instead of 4 p.m.) for better care of the inmates.

### **Modern Instruments installed:**

- Installation of Cell Phone Jammer Presidency, Alipore and Dum Dum Central Correctional Homes.
- Installation of CCTVs at Central Correctional Homes.
- Installation of surveillance cameras for better monitoring.
- Provision of Communication devices (Walkie-Talkie sets) to Correctional Homes.

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- Installation of COSA (Computerization of Salary Accounts) and CHMS (Correctional Home Management System).
- Installation of X-ray Baggage scanners at Central Correctional Homes.
- Introduction of e-Prisons Suite covering all the Correctional Homes.

### **Educational, Cultural and Recreational Activities:**

- Correctional Home Festival at Rabindra Sadan Complex.
- Stage performances of "Balmiki Pratibha", "Mokshagati", "Mukta Beri", "Dhrubojyoti Tumi", "Gahi Samyer Gaan", etc., at various auditoriums in Kolkata.

### **Welfare Activities:**

- Ramkrishna Mission, Don Bosco Prison Ministry, etc., have been imparting various training programmes in different Correctional Homes of the State.
- Legal Aid counseling, Stress Management, Yoga, Literacy programme, Post Literacy programme, Healing therapy are continuing in different Correctional Homes.
- Premature release of life Convicts is done to enable them to live in society for the rest of their lives.

### **Rehabilitation and Vocational Activities:**

- Various vocational courses on Basic Computer, DTP, Automobile, Tailoring, Electrical, Jute Handicraft, Wood Work, Food processing, Incense Stick making, beautician course etc are continuing in different Correctional Homes
- Various training programmes are going on in various fields like leather craft, Embroidery, Stitching, Arts and Crafts in different Correctional homes.

### **Other Activities:**

- Regular training programmes are held at RICA, Dum Dum for correctional service Officers of West Bengal and North-Eastern states.
- A number of training programs for correctional service staff as well as staff of other departments are organized at the Training Institute, Midnapore.
- Introduction of e-tendering in procurement of dietary items and medicines for inmates of correctional homes



















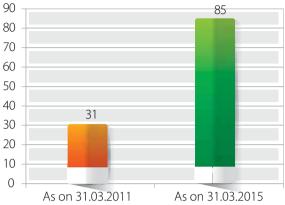
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- **1** Durgapur Open Correctional Home.
- 2 Women inmates of Correctional Homes at vocational training
- 3 Inmates of Correctional Homes at handloom works
- 4 Newly Constructed Tehatta Sub-Correctional Home on the occasion of its inauguration
- **5** Agricultural activities of the inmates of Correctional Homes
- 6 Newly constructed Raghunathpur Sub-Correctional Home



## **Graphical Representation**





**Number of Cyclone/ Flood Shelters** constructed during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

- Better prepared for natural calamities
- **Almost 3 times** increase in cyclone/flood shelter

### Flood in 2015

Heavy rainfall accompanied by high tides and huge discharges from dams caused extensive floods in 12 districts of West Bengal. Huge loss of crops, agricultural land, horticulture, fisheries and plantation produce, roads, bridges, houses and other infrastructure was reported. So far, damages have been assessed at 24,741.6 crore. Extensive relief and rescue operations were carried out. Repair and reconstruction work has also started.

### International/Inter-State Co-operation

 West Bengal has cooperated extensively with neighbouring Nepal and Odisha in relief and rehabilitation activities after the recent natural calamities.

### **Establishment of round the clock Emergency Operation Centre**

An Emergency Operation Centre (EOC) has been established at the Department which is operational 24X7, 365 days and responds to any natural disaster anywhere in the State and outside also in quick time.

### **SMS based Early Warning System**

The Department developed SMS based Early Warning System thorugh the IT Department for alerting all the mobile users in the districts of the State regarding advent of natural calamities like cyclone, tsunami, heavy rainfall, etc. Early Warning SMS service for the government officials at State, district, block and up to Gram Panchayat level are operational.

### **Construction of Multi Purpose Cyclone Shelter, Flood Shelter** and Relief Godown:

- Construction of cyclone/flood shelter has increased from 31 during 2007-2011 to 85 during 2011-2015.
- The Department is constructing 225 Multi Purpose Cyclone Shelters at the 3 coastal districts of North 24 Parganas, South 24 Parganas and East Medinipur, out of which 30 have already been handed over to the District Authorities. The Department has constructed 334 Flood Shelters (from State Fund) and 99 are under construction. 221 Relief Godowns have been constructed and 45 are under construction in the districts, sub divisions and blocks of the state.

• Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 33.6 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 60.82 crore in 2011-2015.

### **Disaster Management Kit**

- This was introduced during the year 2013-14 for distribution among the victims of natural calamities..
   This composite family Kit comprises of two sub-kits namely Shelter /Clothing kit and Utensil kit.

   Till date 26,550 Disaster Management Kits were distributed in the flood hit areas. 28,447
   Number of such Kits are kept in reserve for any exigencies.
- Distribution of Ex-Gratia Grant has risen from ` 24.15 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 84.06 crore during 2011-2015.

### **National School Safety Programme**

This programme was started with a view to "Capture the Young Mind" through capacity building
and creating awareness among the officials, teachers and students on Earthquake and Landslides
in 200 schools each in the districts of Darjeeling, Jalpaiguri & Cooch Behar for which Rs. 2,62,73,264/was allotted.

### **Constitution of State Disaster Response Force**

• Seven Companies from West Bengal SAP Battalion have been working as State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) at Barrackpore (2 units), Sandhya-Krishnagar, Asansol, Kasba-Uttar Dinajpur, Barjora-Bankura and Dabgram-Jalpaiguri. Three Company strength of Disaster Management Group (DMG) of Kolkata Police has been operating in Kolkata and posted at Police Training School with full equipments.

### **Quick Response Team**

 Comprising trained civil defence volunteers and vehicles fitted with necessary equipments have been kept as standalone force at District & Sub-divisional level to combat any sort of natural/ manmade calamity.

### Multi disciplinary training through Civil Defence

 The Department provides fund to Civil Defence Department for giving training to the Civil Defence Volunteers throughout the year. 2100 volunteers have been trained in 2014-15 through different training courses such as search and rescue, Deep Divers' Training, Rescue training in flood & tidal water, etc.

### Implementation of Web Based Incidence Response System

• The Department is **implementing a Web Based Incidence Response System at the EOC through WEBEL Technology Ltd for better management of disasters by real time analysis of data.** 

### **IEC materials & Mock Drills**

 Awareness generation amongst the masses through Melas such as Subhas Mela, Millan Mela, Ganga Sagar Mela, Vivek Mela, Mati Utsav, Sramik Mela, Sundarban Mela, Kreta Surakha Mela etc. and though advertisements in TV Channels, magazines and awareness camps and also through printing of 1 lakh Calendars, Leaflets & Booklets depicting pictures of seasonal hazards and Dos and Don'ts during the disasters. Mock Drills on Flood, Earthquake and Cyclone are regularly conducted in selected districts. Last year it was conducted in Malda, Murshidabad, Nadia, East Medinipur, South 24 Parganas & Darjeeling.

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- 1 Training on rescue by Civil Defence
- Training on Teachers at Haldibari Dev.
- National School Safety Programme in Haldibari
- 4 Equipments procured by DMG West Bengal Police and Kolkata Police
- **5** Multi-Purpose Cyclone Shelters
- 6 Hon'ble Chief Minister distributing disaster management kit to disaster-affected families



The Department of Environment is primarily a regulatory department which lays down regulatory parameters for various environment related matters. Implementation and enforcement of these regulations in most instances are being undertaken by other Departments. The Department works through its following wings:

- 1. West Bengal Pollution Control Board(WBPCB)
- 2. State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA)
- 3. West Bengal Coastal Zone Management Authority (WBCZMA)
- 4. West Bengal Biodiversity Board (WBBB)
- 5. East Kolkata Wetlands Management Authority (EKWMA)
- 6. Institute of Environment and Wetland Management (IESWM)
- 7. Climate change cell

During the last 4 years, the achievements of various wings of the department are as under:

#### **West Bengal Pollution Control Board**

- Conducted pollution surveillance on more than 4000 Industries
- More than 11000 Industries given Consent to Establish after due verification
- Establishment of the pilot scale biodegradable municipal solid waste treatment facility at the Barasat municipality is in progress.
- Installation of additional five automatic ambient noise monitoring stations in Kolkata
- Setting up of 90 highway site toilets with help of PWD in 12 district locations with WBPCB partfunding to the tune of Rs.2.5 crore. The project has already been completed
- Solar Energy plants established in 70 schools ( 2KW in 10 schools and 5 KW in 60 locations and 20 PHCs( 10 KW each) through WBGEDC
- Decentralization of the public hearing implemented
- Afforestation programme initiated (fully funded by the WBPCB) through the Forest department in the Industrial belt of Durgapaur- Asansol and Purba Medinipur

#### **State Environment Impact Assessment Authority**

• 51 Environment clearances were given (8 Industries, 34 Residential projects, 8 non-coal mining and one infrastructure projects respectively) during 2014-15 vis-a-vis 37 during 2010-11

#### **West Bengal Coastal Zonal Management Authority**

• 15 CRZ clearances were issued during 2011-2015 vis-a-vis 7 during 2007-2010

#### **West Bengal Biodiversity Board**

 Biodiversity Management Committee (BMC) at Block / Municipality Level aims to enforce sustainable utilization of resources by way of imposing access fees from the industries exploiting bio-resources without caring for its sustainability. Established 67 new Biodiversity Management Committees out of the total 161 established since 2005



- Peoples' Biodiversity Register (PBR) is a legal document containing a list of all the Bio-resources available
  in a Block / Gram Panchayat Area involving traditional knowledge, which can be used in case of any biopiracy case. Prepared 17 People's Biodiversity Registers (PBR) out of a total of 81 prepared so far.
- Declaration of two Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHS) in the Darjeeling District.
- `Tradable Bio resources` of West Bengal documented for the first time
- Set up State Biodiversity Fund from the Bio resources based Industries using the Access and Benefit sharing (ABS) of the Biodiversity Act and now has more than Rs. 4 lakhs

#### **East Kolkata Wetlands Management Authority**

- 167 FIRs were registered and 93 charge sheets were filed against violations under the EKWMA Act & Rules during 2011-2015, compared to 123 FIRs and 49 charge sheets during 2007-2010
- For the first time boundary demarcation work started. Virtual boundary demarcation of the East Kolkata wetlands within the 24-Parganas (N) is over and the one in 24-Parganas (S) is under progress.

#### **Institute of Environment and Wetland Management**

- Coastal zone maps for 4 specific projects prepared.
- Preparation of the Integrated Coastal Zone Management Plan, taken up under the ICZM project is under progress.
- 100% Electrification of the Sagar island taken up under the ICZM project has been successfully completed.
- 19 Rainwater harvesting system have been set up in different districts and 11 demonstration system constructed in different districts

#### **Climate Change Cell**

- Climate Change Cell has already been set up
- West Bengal was the first state in India to have State Action plan on Climate change( SAPCC) that was duly endorsed by the MoEF
- A study on Coastal vulnerability of the WB coast due to climate change has just been completed by the TERI (The Energy and Resources Institute, Delhi), financed by the Government of West Bengal to the tune of Rs. 1 crore and part of the approved West Bengal Action Plan on Climate Change
- Climate change adaptation measures such as RWH systems, Solar electrification are being implemented by the sister organizations
- GIZ funded project on climate change adaptation demonstration projects completed in the district of Malda, Murshidabad and Sunderbans
- A Kolkata-based NGO receives a \$2.5 million funding from the `Adaptation Fund` (AF) first in India facilitated through the Department on `Enhancing adaptive capacity and resilience of small and marginal farmers in the wake of Climate change in the district of Bankura (Chatna Block) and Purulia (Kashipur) Block`.













- 1 Inspection on a factory premises (a mechanized Rice Mill) by WBPCB officials
- 2 Inspection of a clarifier in a Pharmaceutical firm by the WBPCB officials
- 3 Sagar Island in Sunderbans has been fully electrified under the ICZM project executed through the IESWM
- 4 Rainwater harvesting system installed at the Girl`s College, Mahisadal, Purba Medinipur by the IESWM





#### Infrastructure Development of fire stations:

- The existing Nos. of fire station have increased from 108 to 117 during the last four years. Another 40 new fire stations are being set up.
- Renovation of Fire Stations has increased from 24 during 2007-2011 to 108 during 2011-2015.

#### Procurement of modern/sophisticated equipment:

- Highly sophisticated and modern equipment such as Hydraulic Rescue Platform with aerial ladder of height, 54 meters and 42 meters etc. have been purchased / procured for effective and efficient fire fighting which has minimized casualty and loss of property.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `56.07 crore during 2007-2011 to `104.59 crore during 2011-2015.

#### **Modernization of Control Room**

The Control Room of the Fire Directorate has been modernized and most of the fire tenders have been fitted with GPS System. This ensures minimum response time and smooth monitoring of the fire fighting vehicles to the place of accident.

#### **Creation of Awareness**

• Awareness to mitigate and fight fire have been taken up among the common people through campaigns in almost all categories of public places like Educational Institution, Cinema Halls, Shopping Malls, Markets, Hospitals and the like.

















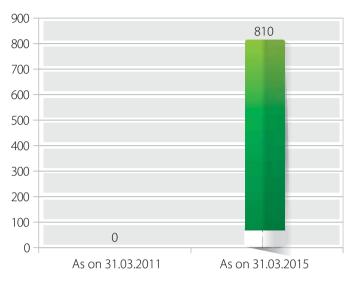


- Midsize Water Tender (Mswt)
- Hydraulic Platform Low Cost Pump
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- Ambulance Tripod Hoist With 200 Kg Lifting Capacity
- Modernisation Of Control Room

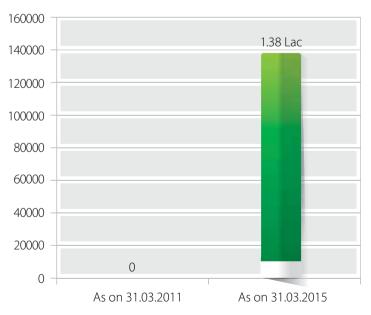


## **Graphical Representation**





Number of big water bodies (>20 acre) developed and fish production started



Number of Biometric I-Cards distributed to marine fishermen

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Increase in self-reliance in fish production

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Enhancing safety and security of marine fishermen

#### **Production of Fish:**

- Number of big water bodies where fish production started has increased from 0 during 2007-2011 to 810 during 2011-2015.
- In order to increase production of fish during the indicated period about 1000 lakh fish fingerlings have been distributed in 33000 water bodies under various schemes

#### **Growth in production:**

. Nutritionally balanced floating feed have been supplied (8741.94 Ton) free of cost to 13,000 fish farmers for the first time in West Bengal with a financial involvement of Rs. 23 crore (approx) to encourage and popular use of formulated feed for growth.

#### **Bringing more area under pisciculture:**

• Fish fingerlings have been released in about 23000 pond excavated under "Jal Dharo Jal Bharo" programe to cover more area under pisciculture in last four years.

#### **Production of Big sized fish:**

 With the aim to production of Big sized fish in Big water bodies initiative have been taken in 245 waterbodies in last few years under review.

#### Social welfare initiatives:

 Several social welfare schemes have been implemented in last four years for the socio-economic upliftment of fishermen community, like distribution of JAL-HUNDI: 3600 unit, DWELLING HOUSE: 13000, INSULATED BOX: 33000, CYCLE WITH BOX: 6820, MATSYAJAN: 1237, Pension @ Rs. 1000/- per month are given for 8500 old fishermen.

#### Safety and security for marine fishermen:

• The safety and security of marine fishermen have been taken by introducing:-

#### **Biometric I Card:**

1.38 lakh cards are already distributed among marine fishermen.



#### **Distress Alert Transmitter:**

 Distributed 1000. Procurement process started for another 1500.

#### **E-registration of Fishing Vessel:**

 The process of e-registration of fishing vessels has been started by the Fisheries Department in the coastal districts of West Bengal. 11409, certificates have been issued.

#### **Conservation of indigenous local fish:**

. Efforts have been taken to liberate indigenous fish in the water body like beels, backyard pond etc. and about 2000 unit (fish fingerlings, fish feed, lime and other inputs) have been liberated in aforesaid ponds.

#### **Training and extension:**

 For dissemination of technical knowhow to the farmers regular training programme, awareness camp in the form of Krishi mela, Wetland Day, Fish farmers Day, Mela etc are regularly organized.
 During last four years about 36700 fish farmers have been trained (from GP level to State level).

#### **Development of Tribal Fishermen:**

• To develop tribal fishermen community TSP scheme have been implemented and Fish along with other culture inputs have been distributed among 1400 no of Tribal Fishermen.

#### **Construction of Block level Laboratory:**

• In order to establish quality water management in pisciculture 261 nos. of Block level laboratory have been completed under RKVY.

#### **Investment Promotion Unit and other activity:**

For encouraging investment in fisheries sector a dedicated cell "Investment Promotion Unit" have been set up during 2014-15. Investment proposal to the tune of Rs. 999.60 crores has already been received through signing of 13 MOU with investors.

#### Hilsa conservation and Research Centre (HCRC):

• To combat the issue of declining trend of Hilsa fishery over the past decade and keeping in line with the national initiative (viz. GOI, ICAR institutes) the Department of Fisheries, Govt. of West Bengal has established Hilsa conservation and Research Centre (HCRC) at Sultanpur. This centre is engaged for huge public awareness by organizing Camp (140 no), monitoring market and landing

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centre (35 times), awareness through public addressing system (70@ 4 hours/day), display board board-20, leaflet (10000 nos – 2 types), flex, banner, poster (6000 nos), Add in leading newspapers (9), radio campaigning with effect from June 15 (16 times/day in 4 different AIR station), TV campaigning at DD Bangla Published Books, Brochures: both in Bengali and English etc.

#### **Hatchery Accreditation:**

• Availability of quality fish seed have been ensured in 120 Hatcheries through accreditation .

#### **Mapping of Water body:**

• Satellite mapping of water bodies (5 kotha above) in all districts have been completed.

#### **Infrastructure development:**

- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `342.48 crore during 2007-2011 to `518.18 crore during 2011-2015.
- Fisheries Department had to develop infrastructure both for Inland and Marine Fisheries . The Major achievement marked within the stipulated period are: I) Up-gradation of Navigability of Sumadrakhal at Junput with project cost of Rs. 12.38 crore. The project would improve safe berthing of the sea going vessels. (II) Upgradation of Navigability of Shankarpur Fishing Harbour with a project cost of Rs.711.40 Lakh may stop the erosion of beach and bank at Diigha Mohana. (III) Construction of Fish Seed Market at Naihati in the district North 24 Pgs with a project cost of Rs.751.05 Lakh and construction of Fish Seed Market at Ramsagar under Bankura District enable the fishermen to improve the livelihood and control over the quality of seedling as well as selling of accredited seed. (IV) De-siltation, earth excavation and dyke construction at Henry Island enable State Fisheries Development Corporation to enhance fish production. (V) Development and Beautification of Captain Bhery has created an eco friendly environment besides pisciculture. (VI) Dredging of Muriganga River on the eve of Sagar Mela paved the way to Pilgrims in last six financial years.

#### **Marketisation of Fish:**

 Refrigerated mobile vans for marketing fish to the consumers in hygienic way through Fishermen's Cooperative Societies have been taken up with the Assistance of NFDB. Ten numbers of Cooperatives have been benefitted through this initiative.















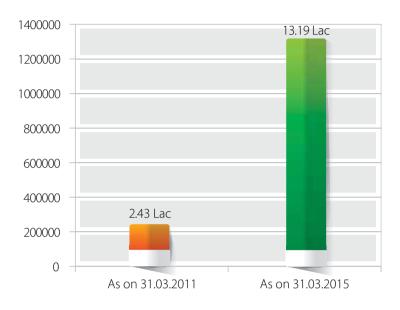
- 1 Construction of Fish Seed Market at Naihati in the Dist. of North 24 Parganas.
- Mobile insulated vehicle for carrying fish
   Fish culture activity in a Tribal pond
- Upgradation of navigability of Shankarpur Fishing Harbour by groyne and
- dredging

  5 Completion of work of face-lifting and beautification of Captain Bhery Aquatic Park and Hub

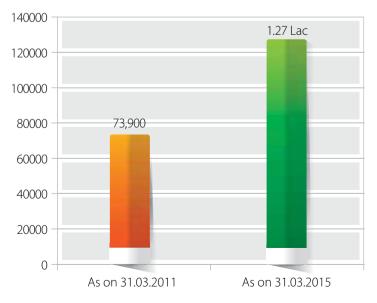


## **Graphical Representation**





Shade Net Cover created during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in sq. m.)



Poly House created during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in sq. m.)

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Tremendous focus on horticulture and allied industries

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Almost 2 times increase in Poly House created

- Use of Shade Nets for improved cultivation of vegetable crops has become popular in farming communities. From the year 2007-08 to 2010-11, a total of only 243, 431 sq.m. was covered in the State where as for the next 4 years i.e. from the year 2011-12 to 2014-15, an area of 1,319,800 sq.m. was achieved. An increase of 81.56% was observed in this case.
- In case of Poly House, an area of 73900 sq.m. was achieved for the year from 2007-08 to 2010-11 and an area of 127600 sq.m. was achieved during the next 4 years i.e. from the year 2011-12 to 2014-15. An increase of 42.08% was observed in this case.
- For Vermicompost, a total of 1726 no. of units were established during the period from 2007-08 to 2010-11 where as for the next 4 years i.e. from the year 2011-12 to 2014-15, 6418 nos. of Vermicompost units were established. An increase of 73.11% was observed in this case.
- Similarly for water resources, 51.51% increase was observed from the year 2007-08 to 2010-11 (4years) in comparison to the next 4 years (2011-12 to 2014-15).
- In the core plant sector of Horticulture, an increase of 54.43% was observed from the year 2007-08 to 2010-11 (4years) in comparison to the next 4 years (2011-12 to 2014-15).





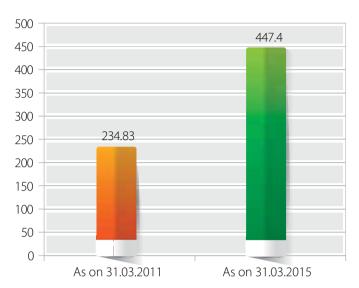




- Cherry Tomato Red Cabbage Parsley Kharif Onion Cultivation
- Protected Cultivation In Shade Net House
- Tuberose Cultivation A ProfitableVenture



#### **Graphical Representation**



Revenue collected during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)

- More resource for
- Almost 2 times rise in revenue collection

development

Forest Department of West Bengal manages 11,879 sq kms of forests in the state, i.e, 13.38 % of the total geographical area. Some of the notable achievements between 2011- 2015 are:

#### . Forest cover

The forest cover of the state has been on the increase. Between 2011 & 2013, it has gone up by 3810 sq.km, the highest in the country, up by 4.29%. (Source: FSI, 2013). In the last 4 years, the Directorate has afforested 46.8 sq.km of forest area. As the Forestry Management in West Bengal is 150 years old, hence the Department has come out with a commemorative volume "150 years of Forestry-1864-2014" in Dec, 2014.

#### . Revenue Collection

Revenue Collection has increased from `234.83 crore during 2007-2011 to `447.4 crore during 2011-2015.

Net revenue collection was `60.85 corers in 2013-14 and it reached `117.56 corers in 2014-15. Revenue earning of the Forest Development Corporation from all sources in 2013-14 was `59.34 corers and it is `64.38 corers during 2014-15.

- . Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 137.02 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 304.26 crore during 2011-2015.
- The **Wild Life Wing** of Forest Department manages 4692 sq km of protected area network, i.e., 5.28% of geographical area of state, up from 4.56% prior to 2013. **The biggest success stories are the conservation of Rhino and Elephant habitat.** The population of Rhinos touched 236 and Elephants touched 647, the highest in the last



few decades. Recent 'Camera Trap' technology showed healthy population of tigers in the wild and for the first time, a census of crocodiles was done in 2012 in state.

- WB Forest Development Corp. has initiated the greening of S. Bengal with 30,000 ha of plantation over in next ten years in wasteland in partnership with the villagers. Lac cultivation, with an outlay of Rs 254.83 lakhs is implemented for upliftment of forest fringe population to benefit 4000 families. Honey collection in Sunderbans gone up from 20,000 kgs (2010) to 80,000 kgs (2014). Online booking of ecotourism facilities was started in 2014
- West Bengal Zoo Authority (WBZA). The most notable initiatives of West Bengal Zoo Authority are starting of works of Sunderban Wild Animal Park at Jharkhali and North Bengal wild Animal Park at Siliguri. Padmaza Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park, Darjeeling now acquired the status of best zoological park in the country. The Construction of Bengal Natural History Museum at Darjeeling Zoo has been completed during the year 2014
- W.B State Forest Development Agency was institutionalised in 2014. A new mechanism of implementation for National Afforestation Programme, Rashtriya Krishi Vigyan Yojana and Green India Mission is evolved.
- . Eco Tourism Development: Major Eco Tourism activities have been undertaken in Duars and Hill areas in Darjeeling and Kalimpong through the participation of Lamahata Forest Protection Committee. This project has been completed. An Eco Tourism Board under the chairmanship of Hon'ble CM has been set up.
- Eco-tourism projects in Tinchuley Village at Darjeeling, Gosainhat and Sipchu Village at Jalpaiguri are under process with the collaboration of Tourism Department.
- **WB Waste Land Dev. Corp.,** over the last few years, has done landscaping work in campus of ECL, DVC, Mejhia and Raghunathpur Power Station. It has also contributed for development of 480 acres of Eco Park in Rajarhat, Kolkata, beautification of areas within Kolkata Port Trust.
- The **Research, Monitoring & Development Wing** has launched 7 Medicinal Plant Conservation Areas with an outlay of Rs 210 lakhs and scheme for Socio-Economic Upliftment of JFMC through 'Medicinal Plants, Value Addition & Marketing' with an out lay of Rs 930 lakhs. The wing has renovated the Modern Nurseries at Arabari & Sarugara and soil testing labs at Midnapore & Sarugara, the Lloyd Botanical Garden at Darjeeling and Ex-situ medicinal plant germ plasm conservation area at Amlachati, Jhargram.
- Working Plan & GIS Circle: Forest Directorate scientifically manages the forest areas as per 'Working Plans' approved by Gol. Working Plan & GIS Circle introduced latest technologies like ARC View GIS, ERDAS Image Processing, AutoCAD Map 2000 & Geo Media Professional soft-wares for preparation of Working Plans as per code of 'National Working Plan Code,2014'. Out of 25 units covering the entire state, the working plans of 23 units of the state have already been approved.

















## GALLERY



- 1 Elephant Herd
- 2 Royal Bengal Tiger in its natural habitat
- Honey Collection In Sunderbans
- 4 Inaguration of open-air aviary at Alipore Zoo by HCM
- 5 Forest Right of Tribal people secured
- 6 New Corporate Office of WB Forest Development Corporaton



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- The Tripartite Memorandum of Agreement for creation of Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA) was signed on 18/07/2011.
- Subsequently The GTA Act was notified on 12/3/2012.
- Election to GTA Sabha was held on 29/7/2012 and Swearing in of the Members was held on 3/8/2012.
- Review meetings on implementation of the provisions of Memorandum of Agreement with the Gorkha Jana Mukti Morcha (GJMM), Government of India and the State of West Bengal have been held periodically.
- Notification for transfer of departments/offices to the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration has already been issued by 35 Departments. Some departments have no offices in Gorkhaland Territorial Administration area and for Offices such as of the District Information Officer which will continue to function under the Government, GTA has been asked to create new departments if they deem it fit, subject to the approval of the State Government.
- · In principle decision has been taken by the State Cabinet to make Kalimpong a new district.
- Rural Electrification has been made in remote areas of GTA including 12 nos. of un-electrified villages, 22 nos. of habitation containing 261 nos. of BPL families.
- For equitable development of different Hill communities, the State Government has constituted various Boards, like Mayel Lyang Lepcha Development Board (for Lepchas), Mangar Development Board (for Mangars), Tamang Development & Cultural Board (for Tamangs), Sherpa Development Board (for Sherpas) and Bhutia Development Board (for Bhutias).
- A massive scheme of clearing and cleaning of springs (jhoras) has been undertaken to encourage water conservation through rainwater harvesting in rural and urban areas and spring shed development and green cultivation through afforestation, development of horticulture and medicinal plants that will also boost the local livelihood.
- Singla Eco-Tourism Destination is being developed at a cost of over Rs. 12 crore with facilities like cottages, restaurants, open-air theatre, organic gardens and farms, etc. to cater to tourists, both foreign and domestic. Tourists will have the opportunity of fishing, trekking, swimming, alongwith access to organically processed food.
- Apart from this, 240 households have been imparted training on hospitality, hygiene and waste management for catering to tourists interested in Rural Home Stays.
- For promotion of Tourism industry, various steps are being taken like development of basic infrastructure, tourist & entertainment facilities, sensitization of local bodies, conservation & preservation of natural resources, beauty and heritage etc. Home Tourism, Tea Tourism etc., have been developed at Lamahatta along with development of tourism infrastructure at Tiger Hill.

- 33 nos. of drinking water supply (DWS) schemes have been implemented including DWS scheme from Naxal Khola to Upper Kumai under Garubathan Block, water supply scheme for Sukna areas under Kurseong Block, Piped water supply scheme for Teesta Valley under Block Rungli Rungliot, water supply scheme for several villages within Giddha Pahar.
- Darjeeling Drinking Water Supply Project has been commissioned by harnessing water from river Balason and using Sinchan Lake as reservoir.
- 74 m Span Steel Bridge over Riyang Khola along the road from Nalidara to Jogighat under Kurseong Development Block has been constructed reducing travelling distance of about 10000 people of backward region by 40 km. and 20 km. for reaching Siliguri and Darjeeling respectively.
- **Upgradation of Health Centres** have been made viz. upgradation of Takling Sub Centre into a 10-bedded health centre to serve more than 2000 families of as many as 7 villages and providing a new building with 30 beds for Gorubathan BPHC that serves as many as 35 villages.
- Effective steps have been taken for promotion of orange cultivation by reviving almost 70% of the abandoned orchards under "Citrus Dieback Research Project" and expanding & extending the area for the cultivation under "Operation Mandarin Project".
- · 'Clean Darjeeling, Green Darjeeling':

An ambitious mission has been launched in Darjeeling to address two major malaises affecting the district, i.e., decaying natural springs and lack of cleanliness. The major objectives of this special mission are:

- I. Improvement of overall cleanliness with specific interventions in the spheres of:
  - Jhora cleaning including cleaning of drains
  - Construction of toilets (under Mission Nirmal Bangla) for all the households of the district
  - Solid Waste Management facilities for the Municipal areas
  - Regular cleaning of roads, especially in the municipal towns
  - Community Sanitary Complexes in areas of public congregation
- II. Increasing green cover in the Hills by:
  - Comprehensive spring-based development initiatives in the 8 blocks of the hills through 100-days' work
  - Comprehensive afforestation and soil conservation work by the Department of Forest

This initiative will benefit more than 18 lakh people and provide a boost to tourism in the region.















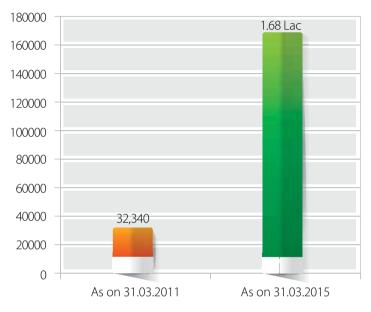


- Construction of Open Air Theatre at Chowrasta, Darjeeling
   Development of Manju Tourism Spot, Mirik (Phase-I)
   Development of Giddha
- Pahar as Tourist Spot, Kurseong
- Development of Changay Falls, Kalimpong
   Takling PHC under Rungli Rungliot Block



#### **Graphical Representation**





Number of houses constructed under Economically Weaker Section Housing Scheme

- Providing roof over homeless peoples' head
- Quantum leap in number of EWS housing
- 1.78 lakh up to Nov. 2015.
- 1.99 lakh likely by May, 2016

- To mitigate the acute housing shortage, the Housing Department launched a Flagship Programme namely "GEETANJALI" and "AMARTHIKANA" for the people belonging to Economically Weaker Section (EWS) who have no residential accommodation and monthly family income Rs. 6,000/- or less.
- In 2014-15, "AMAR THIKANA" has been merged with "GEETANJALI" and now only "GEETANJALI" Scheme is in existence.
- From 2011-15, 1,78,753 houses have been constructed for the people belonging to economically weaker section. Expected to reach 1,99,804 by March, 2016.
- Considering felt needs, Department has taken up programme to construct Night Shelters within the campus of Medical Colleges/Districts/Sub-Divisional Govt. Hospitals in Urban areas for the purpose of benefit of Patient parties. One Night Shelter (100 bedded) has been constructed at N.R.S. Medical College & Hospital. Another three such shelters are under construction at Diamond Harbour District Hospital (90 bedded), Medical College, Kolkata (72 bedded) and Baruipur Sub-Divisional Hospital (90 bedded).
- To sort out the accommodation problem of Working Women in different Municipalities and Municipal Corporation areas, Department has already constructed a 40 bedded Hostel "ANANYA" at Durgapur and 44 bedded Hostel at "SWAYANGSIDDHA" at Salt Lake. Seven more such Hostels at Ibrahimpur Road RHE Campus, Jadavpur (76 bedded), Sahapur (150 bedded), Banamali Naskar Road (61

bedded), H.K. Seth Road (76 bedded), Becharam Chatterjee Street (34 bedded), C.N. Roy Road (123 bedded) and Malbazar (61 bedded) are **in different phases of construction and planning.** 

 To sort out the accommodation problem of Government employees of different Categories, Department has taken up the project of constructing new Rental Housing Estates at different places of the State:

#### **Completed:**

24 nos. of flats at Diamond Harbour, South 24 Pgs., 60 nos. of flats at Khatra, Bankura, 48 nos. of flats at Bishnupur, Bankura and 24 nos. of flats at Bachurdoba, Jhargram, West Medinipur.

#### In Progress:

36 nos. of flats at Contai, Purba Medinipur, 30 nos. of flats at City Centre, Durgapur, 30 nos. of flats at Gangarampur, South Dinajpur, 112 nos. of flats at Coochbehar and 24 nos. of flats at Swyambhara Complex, Salt Lake.

#### In Planning Stage:

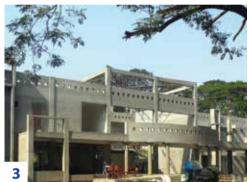
Sitla at Asansol, Ghosali at Katwa, Barapathar at Paschim Medinipur, Mahesh,Borai,Jalaghata all at Hooghly and A.K. Mukherjee Road at Kolkata.

- One Auditorium has been constructed at Public Rental Housing Estate Campus, Kusthia.
- . Department is implementing a huge Project namely "PATHA SATHI" (Road site Motel with the facility of Pay & use Toilet, Waiting room, Night shelter and Restaurant) which are being constructed at every 50 Kms. of National Highway, State Highway and Other important Roads throughout the State. P.W.D. with the financial assistance of Housing Department has completed construction of 9(Nine) nos. "PATHA SATHI"s (Raghunathpur, Karjona, Haringhata, Krishnanagar, Diamond Harbour, Pailan, Beharampur, Bagdogra and Chalsa) and 3(three) Others (Santipur, Jamaldaha and Nandakumar) will be completed shortly.
- Department is constructing 18(Eighteen) nos. "PATHA SATHI" directly through Housing Directorate.
  - 1. **Methapukur, Tarakeswar, Jhargram, Kharagpur, Debra and Narayangarh**: To be completed by 30th April,2015.
  - 2. **Old Malda, Hilli, Tapan and Patiram :** To be completed by 31st May,2015.
  - 3. Bolpur, Mechada, Gaighata, Petrapol, Ashokenagar, Farakka,Matigara and Fulbari: To be completed by 30th September, 2015.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 222.28 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 1797.79 crore during 2011-2015.
- Department to construct housing at 'no profit, no loss' for Government Employees under 'AKANKSHA' and for Police Personnel under 'PRATYASHA'.

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## GALLERY



- 1 SAYANSIDDHA, Women's Hostel, Salt Lake
- Patient Party Night Shelter at N.R.S. Medical College, Kolkata
- Motel at Narayanpur,
  West Medinipur
- **4** New Auditorium, KUSTHIA
- **5** Facelifting of Minto Park R.H.E. at Kolkata
- **6** ANANYA, new working women's Hostel at Durgapur



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- During the financial year 2011-12, the on-going construction of 16(sixteen) Court Buildings at places namely (1) Kharagpur (Pascmim Medinipur) (2) Diamond Harbour (South 24 Parganas) (3) Barrackpur (North 24 Parganas) (4) Berhampur (Murshidabad) (5) Barasat (North 24 Parganas) (6) Gorubathan (Darjeeling) (7) Siliguri (Darjeeling) (8) Tamluk (Purba Medinipur) (9) Alipore (South 24 Parganas) (10) Tufangaunj (Cooch-Behar) (11) Kalna (Burdwan) (12) Kakdwip (South 24 Parganas) (13) Berhampur F.T.C. (Murshidabad) (14) Chanchal Rajbari (Malda) (15) Bolpore (Birbhum) and (16) Bishnupur (Bankura) had been continued and a total fund of Rs. 82,88,59,791/- (Rupees eighty two crore eighty eight lakh fifty nine thousand seven hundred and ninety one) only had been sanctioned and released for that purpose.
- During the financial year **2012-13, the on-going construction of 7(seven) Court Buildings** at places namely (1) Diamond Harbour (South 24 Parganas) (2) Siliguri (Darjeeling) (3) Kakdwip (South 24 Parganas) (4) Berhampur F.T.C. (Murshidabad) (5) Islampur(Uttar Dinajpur) (6) Tehatta (Nadia)(7) Malda had been continued and a total fund of Rs. 11,50,00,000/- (Rupees eleven crore and fifty lakh) only had been sanctioned and released for that purpose.
- During the financial year **2013-14, the on-going construction of 17(seventeen) Court Buildings** at places namely (1) Kharagpur (Pascmim Medinipur) (2) Diamond Harbour (South 24 Parganas) (3) Barrackpur (North 24 Parganas) (4) Berhampur (Murshidabad) (5) Barasat (North 24 Parganas) (6) Gorubathan (Darjeeling) (7) Siliguri (Darjeeling) (8) Tamluk (Purba Medinipur) (9) Alipore (South 24 Parganas) (10) Tufangaunj (Cooch-Behar) (11) Kalna (Burdwan) (12) Kakdwip (South 24 Parganas) (13) Berhampur F.T.C. (Murshidabad) (14) Chanchal Rajbari(Malda) (15) Bolpore (Birbhum) (16) Bishnupur (Bankura) and (17) Islampore (Uttar Dinajpur) had been continued and a total fund of Rs. 31,92,63,267/- (Rupees thirty one crore ninety two lakh sixty three thousand two hundred and sixty seven) only had been sanctioned and released for that purpose.
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- During the financial year **2015-16** (up to **08.09.2015**), the on-going construction of **3(three)** Court **Buildings** at places namely (1) Kakdwip (South 24 Parganas) (2) Bolepore (Birbhum) (3) Bishnupur (Bankura) has been continued and a total fund of Rs. 1,22,00,000/- (Rupees one crore and twenty two lakh) only has been sanctioned and released for this purpose.
- During the financial year **2011-12, the on-going construction of 12 (twelve) Residential Quarters** for the Judicial Officers at places namely (1) Siliguri (Darjeeling) (2) Kurseong (Darjeeling) (3) Kakdwip (South 24 Parganas) (4) Kalyani (Nadia) (5) Ranaghat (Nadia) (6) Purulia (7) Golapbag (Murshidabad) (8) Chanchal Rajbari(Malda) (9) Krishnagar (Nadia) (10) Kenduadihi (Bankura) (11) Krishnagar HJO (Nadia) (12) Nabadwip (Nadia) had been continued and a total fund of Rs. 17,73,93,968/- (Rupees seventeen crore seventy three lakh ninety three thousand nine hundred and sixty eight) only had been sanctioned and released for that purpose.
- During the financial year **2012-13**, **the on-going construction of 4(four) Residential Quarters** for the Judicial Officers at Places namely (1) Kakdwip (South 24 Parganas) (2) Kalyani (Nadia) (3) Krishnagar (Nadia) and Nabadwip (Nadia) had been continued and a total fund of Rs. 1,06,20,303/- (Rupees one crore six lakh twenty thousand and three hundred and three) only had been sanctioned and released for this purpose.
- During the financial year **2013-14, the on-going construction of 14 (fourteen) Residential Quarters** for the Judicial Officers at Places namely (1) Siliguri (Darjeeling) (2) Kurseong (Darjeeling) (3) Kakdwip (South 24 Parganas) (4) Kalyani (Nadia) (5) Ranaghat (Nadia) (6) Purulia (7) Golapbag (Murshidabad) (8)Chanchal Rajbari(Malda) (9) Krishnagar (Nadia) (10) Kenduadihi (Bankura) (11) Krishnagar HJO (Nadia(12) Nabadwip



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- During the financial year **2014-15, the on-going construction of 10 (ten) Residential Quarters** for the Judicial Officers at Places namely (1) Kakdwip (South 24 Parganas) (2) Siliguri (Darjeeling) (3) Golapbag (Murshidabad) (4) Chanchal(Malda) (5) Krishnagar (Nadia) (6) Kenduadihi (Bankura) (7) Krishnagar HJO (Nadia) (8) Nabadwip (Nadia)) (9) Asansol (Burdwan) (10) Berhampore (Murshidabad) had been continued and a total fund of Rs. 6,95,21,684/- (Rupees six crore ninety five lakh twenty one thousand six hundred and eighty four) only had been sanctioned and released for that purpose.
- Construction of the building complex of the Judicial Academy on 5 acre of land at Rajarhat, Action Area-III is in full swing. An amount of Rs.14,45,78,560/- (Rupees fourteen crore forty five lakh seventy eight thousand five hundred and sixty) only has been released from the fund of 13th F.C. during the current financial year for the construction of the project.
- Extension of building in between centenary and Sesqui-centenary building at High Court, Calcutta is under construction. An amount of Rs. 79,50,000/- (Rupees seventy nine lakh and fifty thousand) only has been released for this purpose during the financial year 2014-15.
- Installation of travelator at High Court for connecting three buildings of the High Court, Calcutta is in full swing. An amount of Rs. 4,00,00,000/- (Rupees four crore) only has been released for this purpose during the financial year 2014-15.
- Various civil works at the District Judge's Court Compound, Paschim Medinipur have been done. An amount of Rs.1,03,11,125/- (Rupees one crore three lakh eleven thousand one hundred and twenty five) only has been released for this purpose during the financial year 2014-15.
- Electrical work relating to installation of 2 (two) elevators having capacity of 20(twenty) passengers at the main building, High Court, Calcutta has been done. An amount of Rs. 85,00,000/- (Rupees eighty five lakh) only has been released for this purpose during the financial year 2014-15.
- 88 (eighty eight) Fast track Courts exclusively with the State Budget have been set up out of which 51 (fifty one) are designated as "Mahila" Courts.
- 8 (eight) new CBI Courts have been operationalized and 3 (three) CBI Courts will be shortly operationalized.
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) centres opened in 11 (eleven) districts.
- · 1381 newly empanelled Advocates have been provided welfare fund @ Rs 12,000 p.a.
- Steps have been taken towards starting the North Bengal Circuit Bench.
- Government Advocates in districts of West Bengal have been imparted training and provided with law books.
- 34 (thirty four) regular courts of Civil Judge (Senior Division) and 31 (thirty one) regular courts of Civil Judge (Senior Judge)/ Judicial Magistrate have been created.
- The process of increasing the strength of High Court Judges to 72 (seventy two) from the present strength of 58 (fifty eight) has been initiated.
- AC facilities have been provided to all Bar Association rooms of the High Court, Calcutta at a cost of Rs. 27,85,60,999 /-.
- Permanent Secretaries of District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) have been posted in all the 19 districts.













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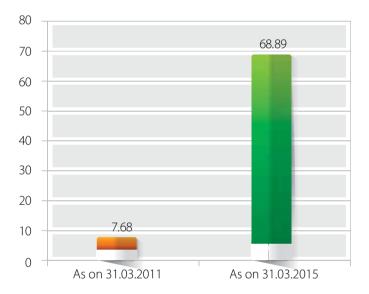


- 1 Chetana Sathi Legal Awareness Vehicles launched in 20 Districts of West Bengal by Hon'ble Chief Minister. Project cost 1.2 crore
- 2 Court Buildings at Diamond Harbour at the cost of Rs.7.43 crore.
- 3 Court Buildings at Kakdwip at the cost of Rs.11
- 4 On-going construction of 4 Storied Court Buildings at Berhampore at the Cost of Rs.6.52 Crore



## **Graphical Representation**





Amount of benefits disbursed under SASPFUW (State-Assisted Scheme of Provident Fund for Unorganised Workers) during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)

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- Ensuring protection of unorganised workers
- Almost 9 times rise in benefits disbursed

#### Mandays lost due to strike:

. Mandays lost due to strike came down from 94 lakh in 2010-11 to nil, so far.

#### **Social Security Schemes:**

As part of empowering unorganised workers, 82.71 lac workers have been covered under different social security schemes, against only 26 lacs as on May, 2011. Some of these are as follows:

#### **Scheme for Construction Workers:**

• A social security scheme for extending financial assistance to the registered construction workers.

Item	2007-2011	2011-2015
Registration of beneficiaries under BOCWA (Building and Other Construction Workers Act)	2.72 lakh	26.04 lakh
Persons receiving benefits under BOCWA	0.08 lakh	13.20 lakh
Amount of benefit disbursed under BOCWA	` 1.57 crore	` 424.42 crore

#### State Assisted Scheme of Provident Fund for Unorganised Workers (SASPFUW):

• This is basically a provident fund scheme for the unorganised workers. The scheme got momentum from the financial year 2011-12 and now the number of beneficiaries has crossed the important milestone of 50 lakh.

Item	2007-2011	2011-2015
Registration of Beneficiaries under SASPFUW (State-Assisted Scheme of Provident Fund for Unorganised Workers)	15.25 lakh	26.56 lakh
Amount of benefit disbursed under SASPFUW	` 7.68 crore	` 68.89 crore



#### Samajik Mukti card (SMC):

 So far, 31.50 lakh Samajik Mukti Cards issued to unorganised workers. A smart card, which facilitate prompt payment of financial benefits.

## Improved scheme for Transport workers including Auto and Taxi drivers:

 This scheme was launched by Hon'ble Chief Minister on 12.02.2015 at Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata. More than ten lakh will benefit from this scheme.

#### West Bengal Tea Plantation Employees' Welfare Fund:

 In order to provide better housing, sanitary and drinking water facilities in the tea garden, a fund of 100 crore has been set up. This fund will also be utilized for revival of sick/closed Tea Gardens. A separate Board has been set up to administer this fund.

#### YUVASREE:

 'Yuvasree' was launched on 03.10.2013 for first one lakh jobseekers enrolled in Employment Bank to enable them to enhance their employability. At present 1 lakh youths are getting a monthly assistance of `1,500/-

#### ESI:

"Pain Management Institute", opened at ESI Hospital, Sealdah on 06.09.2013. This institute is of immense help to workers who suffer from illness and pain.

#### **Special Grant from ESI Corporation, New Delhi:**

- An incentive grant of `23.00 crore has been received from the ESI Corporation, New Delhi in 2014-15 for outstanding performance of ESI hospitals in West Bengal. No other state has ever received such incentive grant in the history of ESI Corporation.
- ESI Hospital, Manicktala upgraded to Post Graduate Institute of Medical Science and Research in 2013. To start with, Post Graduate courses on Anesthesiology and Pathology going on.

. Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `213.55 crore during 2007-2011 to `689.97 crore during 2011-2015.

#### **Online Factory Licence:**

• Online submission of application for Registration and grant of license for factories, approval of plans and renewal of license for factories has been introduced from 1st April, 2014.

#### **Ease of Doing Business:**

 A slew of business-friendly initiatives like online application for Factory License, online registration, changes and renewal under Shops and Establishments Act, single inspection strategy, launch of labour department helpline (1800-103-0009), single window system, etc., have been started to attract more investments in the State. More such initiatives are in the offing.

# Inauguration of Welders' Training Centre at Taratala and Asansol:

• The training centre was inaugurated on 08.02.2014. Out of 33 trainees, 28 have got job through campus interview on completion of training in February, 2015. Welders' Training Centre at Asansol was also inaugurated on August, 2015.

#### Regional Offices at Siliguri & Asansol:

• The Foundation Stones of two regional SHARAMA BHAWANs have been laid by Hon'ble Chief Minister, West Bengal – one at Siliguri on 17.07.2014 and another at Asansol on 27.11.2014.

#### **Shramik Mela:**

 Fairs are being organized at different places of the State for awareness generation about welfare schemes, labourers' rights etc.















- ESI Hospital New look holiday home at Digha Inauguration of Shramik Mela at Milon Mela
- HCM distributing benefits to unorganised sector workers at Yuvabharati Krirangan





The importance of the Law Department, earlier known as Legislative Department can hardly be denied in the overall set up of the West Bengal Government. The Law Department is required to give a definite shape to a legislation considered to be necessary by any administrative Department of the State Government. The Law Department is also actively engaged in the task of publication, printing and translation when necessary, of Central or State Acts, Bills or Ordinances and the compilation, printing and distribution of certain periodical publications. It may further be mentioned that the Law Department is the nodal Department for control and management of the West Bengal Legal Service, a State Service. Law Department is the nodal Department for operating and monitoring a web portal called 'SARTHAC' (Systemised Administration and Regulation of Tendering and Handling of All Court Cases).

#### **MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS**

- 121 Acts have been enacted during this period and those Acts are available in electronic form in the Law Department's website, namely, wb.gov.in/portal/wblaw.
- For the purpose of effective monitoring of the court cases by way of co-ordinating and communicating with the State Respondents and the Ld. State Advocates in those cases and bridging the communication gap, if any, between them, maintaining the database of those documents and cases and monitoring compliance, whenever necessary, of orders and directions of the High Court at Calcutta in those cases a cell called High Court Cases Monitoring Cell to look after the web portal called 'SARTHAC' (Systemised Administration and Regulation of Tendering and Handling of All Court Cases) has been inaugurated on the 27th February, 2014.
- The West Bengal Code, Volume XII, has been published and printed during this period.
- The West Bengal Legal Service, a State Service, has been extended to the District level to cater to the needs of the legal expert in the district. 70 new posts of Law Officers under the West Bengal Legal Service have been created for different offices of the District Magistrate, Directorate Offices, Universities and Government Departments etc.









#### A. Library Services Directorate

- A special thrust was made for the development of public libraries in Jangal Mahal, SC/ ST areas, Sundarban Area, Hill areas and Minority areas. Rs. 94.10 crore was spent for the development of Public Library Services. Rs. 76.39 crore was released as special ad-hoc grant to Govt.-sponsored Public Libraries and special grants to Govt. Libraries.
- An endeavour to modernize public libraries in the State was initiated by networking through a Wide Area Network (WAN) linking the apex State Central Library and the 25 District Libraries through creation of a Web Portal. 170 Town Libraries & 200 Rural/Primary Unit/ Area Libraries have been taken up under the purview of computerization programme. Training is being imparted to the Librarians in these libraries. Nearly 40,000 rare and old books have been converted into the digital format. Out of this, nearly 13,000 books are now available in the digital archives of the portal. Retro-conversion work for almost 3,25,000 documents has also been made during this period.
- State Govt. organized Career Counseling / Guidance Centers in different Govt. and Govt. Sponsored District and Town / Sub divisional Libraries with financial assistance of Rs. 26.05 lakh per year to help the unemployed youths by providing various information, books, journals, newspapers, periodicals etc. for appearing in competitive examinations.
- Around 40 Womens' Corners in different Govt. & Govt. sponsored libraries in the State have been opened to increase access to women readers, including neo-literates in identified areas, particularly in areas of minority population concentration in the State.
- Supply of books to public libraries in Nepali, Santhali, Urdu and Hindi languages has been undertaken by the Book Selection Committee for selection of books under the matching scheme of State Govt. Raja Rammohan Roy Library Foundation.
- A unique experiment in convergence has been initiated whereby the **Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU)** which was facing a shortage of study centres in the State was **allowed to utilize the existing infrastructure of the public libraries under this Department.** NSOU's study centres were opened in 7 Govt. Public Libraries benefitting thousands of students through open distance learning mode.
- To emphasise the importance of public libraries in the State, the **Government notified 31st August** as the "Public Library Day" in West Bengal. The same has observed in a befitting manner at the State, district and sub-district levels for the last two years. During this last four years, Book Fairs were successfully held in all districts of the State including Darjeeling, where this event was hosted after a long gap.

#### **B. Mass Education Extention Directorate**

 During the last four years, 8 evaluation exercises were conducted, covering 10,19,033 neo-literates/ learners under the Saakshar Bharat Programme in 10 districts (Jalpaiguri, Alipurduar, Coochbehar, Malda, Uttar Dinajpur, Dakshin Dinajpur, Birbhum, Murshidabad, Bankura & Purulia)



- **20 Model Adult Education Centres under SBP have been set up** sponsored by CONCOR, under CSR assistance in Saakshar Bharat districts. Each Model Adult Education Centres has been supplied with computers, furniture, pedestal fans, TV, etc.
- A new State Welfare Home for 100 inmates at Dudhkundi in the LWE affected Jhargram Sub-Division of Paschim Medinipur district has been set up. Possession of 1.5 acres land has been taken up for construction of building for Contai State Welfare Home for Girls in the district of Purba Medinipur.
- Construction of 100-bed dormitory building for Girls' at Bankura State Welfare Home was completed. Possession of 10 acres land for establishment of a State Welfare Home at Purulia-II Developmen Block in the Jangal Mahal area was received. Possession of 1.52 acres land for setting up of a State Welfare Home at Islampur in the district of Uttar Dinajpur.
- A new scheme for conducting educational tours in Govt. Sponsored Schools for the students with disabilities was introduced.
- A structured syllabus was introduced for the pre-primary students of all categories of disabilities including mental retardation.
- During last 4 years, scholarships were awarded to 5837 disabled students studying in Class IX and onwards.
- The first State-level Felicitation Function for the disabled students and students of State Welfare Home was organized in 2014. Altogether, 1470 students, who excelled in the Madhyamik & Uchcha Madhyamik examination in last four years, were felicitated through cash prizes and certificates.
- The management structure of the Special Schools sponsored by the State Govt. has been revamped with a view to bringing about qualitative change and transparency in management.
- A new scheme was introduced for holding a State-level Sports and Cultural Meet for the inmates of Social Welfare Homes.
- A new scheme was introduced to provide reference Books to the students of Social Welfare Homes.
- The Directorate of Mass Education Extension organized the International Literacy Day on 8th September throughout the State in a befitting manner. The central programme was organized in Rabindra Sadan, Kolkata.
- Sports and cultural teams of the learners and neo-literates under Government Sponsored Literacy scheme from different parts of the State participated in the State level Sports and Cultural Meet. During the last 4 years, around 3150 learners from different districts attended the sports meet with full enthusiasm.















- 1 Exhibition on activities of State Govt and Kanyasree Prakalpa at State Central Library
- **2** Felicitation of the students with disabilities 2014 scholar receiving award
- Children Corner of Burdwan Uday Chand District Library
- 4 Book Fair on the River
- Ganges
  5 Newly constructed 100 bedded dormitory of Bankura State Welfare Home for Girls' - funded by MEE & LS D
- 6 Womens' Corner of Howrah District Library





- **Significant Achievements**
- Construction work of the Branch Secretariat Building at Fulbari, Siliguri has been completed by the Department in a record time of less than one year. The Branch Secretariat has been named Uttarkanya and was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 20th January, 2014.
- Construction work of Multi Disciplinary Civil Defence Centre at Hathighisa, Naxalbari has been completed and has been handed over to Civil Defence Department.
- The construction of three new major roads in Uttar Dinajpur District viz.,
  - i) Const. of road from Churamohan to Lalgani
  - Const. of road from Baitola to Joyhat
  - Const. of road from Barodighighat to Lalgani taken up by the Department at an estimated cost of Rs. 1264.68 lakh have been completed.
- Construction work of alternate road from Siliguri to Jalpaiguri via Eastern Bypass – Sahudangi – Ambari Falakata-Belacoba-Gosala-3 no. Ghumti has been completed.
- Construction of RCC bridge over river Sahu at Kholachand Fafri village, Salugara, Jalpaiguri, has been completed.
- Construction of RCC bridge over river Sahu at Choto Fafri village, Salugara, Jalpaiguri, has been completed.
- Up-gradation & renovation works of Dinbandhu Mancha at Siliguri has been completed.
- The construction of **Bhutni bridge** (1.8 Km long) at Manikchak, Malda at an estimated cost of Rs. 9897.00 lakh has been taken up.
- Construction of bridge over river Kaljani in Coochbehar at an estimated cost of Rs. 1910.00 lakh has **commenced**.
- Construction of 2 new Govt. Colleges (Banarhat (Hindi) and Chopra) is **complete**, while **3 new Govt. Colleges** (Dhupguri, Ghoksadanga and Nishiganj) are in final stages of **completion**..
- Extension works of Rajganj College, Baxirhat College and Dewanhat College have been completed.
- Development of Fathema and Mary Gorethi Schools at Birpara, Jalpaiguri has been completed.

- Construction of three ITIs (at Chopra, Kumarganj and Kushmandi) has been completed.
- Construction work of ITI at Khoribari, under Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad, has started.
- Improvement works of Shantinagar Underground Drainage Scheme at Dabgram at an estimated cost of Rs. 1700.00 lakh has been completed.
- Construction of Indoor Stadium at Jalpaiguri Sports village, a flagship project of the Department at an estimated cost of Rs. 1950.00 lakh has been completed. Second phase developmental works of Sports Village has also started.
- Construction of Indoor Stadium at Alipurduar, having 500 seating capacity, has been completed. The total project cost is Rs. 397 lakh.
- Renovation of Rabindra Bhawan, Raiganj has commenced with an estimated cost of `489.00 lakh.
- Construction of Natya Utkarsha Kendra at Balurghat has started with an estimated cost of `924.25 lakh.
- Administrative approval for the construction of modern auditorium (500 seater) at Cooch Behar with an estimated cost of ` 1410.00 lakh has been issued by the Department. The work will start soon.
- Administrative approval & financial sanction for an amount of `1556.30 lakh has been issued by the Department for the construction of mixed Herbivore Safari Park, near Salugara, Jalpaiguri. The project is being implemented by the West Bengal Zoo Authority.
- Construction of two major bridges at Kahalai under Hemtabad Block and at Partapur over river Siriani, Goalpokhar-I Block is in final stage of completion.
- Construction work of electric crematorium at Balurghat has commenced.













- 1 Alipurduar Indoor Stadium2 Ornamental Grill
- and Boundary Wall & Beautification of
- Baghajatin Park, Siliguri Dinabandhu Mancha, Siliguri
- Multi-disciplinary Civil Defence resource centre at Hatighisha





- Parliamentary Affairs Deptt. runs only one Plan Scheme namely in West Bengal Youth Parliament Competition Scheme in Educational Institutions, the object being to strengthen the fundamentals of Parliamentary Democracy in the country through preparing the new generations for greater and better participation in the institutions of Parliamentary Democracy.
- Since 2011, the ambit of the Scheme has expanded vastly both in terms of financial outlay and fund utilization as well as in terms of diversification of the Scheme. In 2010-11 the allocation for the Scheme was Rs.4 crore. Over the years the allocation has been rising to reach 8 crore in 2014-15 with 91.29% of fund utilisation in the year.
- · Allocation and utilisation of fund for programmes at different levels have also substantially increased.
- Since 2012-13, a State Level Essay Competition has been introduced for school and college students and the winners are felicitated in State Level functions. Winners are given cash rewards to the tune of Rs.20,000/-, Rs.15,000/- and Rs.10,000/besides merit certificate and full sets of Rabindra Rachanabali.

- Since 2014-15, new components like Extempore Speech Competition and Quiz Contest on Character Building have been introduced to sharpen the wit, intellect and confidence level of students.
- To ensure involvement of greater number of students at the final level of competition from far flung districts, Division level competition has been introduced instead of a single State level competition. Winners in Division level competitions are felicitated in a state level function in a grand manner. This leads to greater participation of teachers and students in the final level event.
- To generate better enthusiasm and interest among the educational institutions and students, a provision of cash rewards has been initiated for top ranking institutions and students in the district level and as also Division/State level competitions.
- Measures have been taken for proper documentation of the work of the Department in terms of regular publication of Annual Report and compilation of Prize winning essays in State level Essay Competition.











# GALLERY



- 1 Felicitation ceremony – State-level essay competition
- Felicitation ceremony Youth Parliament & Quiz Contest
- 3 Flower Show at WBLA



- Paschimanchal Unnayan Affairs Department has taken up various developmental works in 74 backward blocks including 23 LWE affected blocks spread over 5 districts in South Bengal (Bankura, Birbhum, Burdwan, Paschim Medinipur & Purulia). Many projects have been taken up till today in various sectors such as water conservation, irrigation, agriculture, education, health, roads and culverts, drinking water supply and other socio-economic schemes. Moreover Lac Cultivation under employment generation scheme, Construction of Aganwari Centres, Construction of Nutritional Rehabilitation Centres, execution of Plan Schemes by Panchyat Samities are some of the other major schemes undertaken by Paschimanchal Unnayan Affairs Department. To improve irrigation potential of this lateritic zone is another area of priority for which location of construction of check dams (21 Nos. ) have been identified in Jungle Mahal Area. Sectors like Rural Connectivity, Drinking Water, Education, Health, Soil and Water Conservation etc. are also being prioritized while taking up the the schemes for implementation.
- Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 160.37 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 608.69 crore during 2011-2015.

#### **MAJOR SCHEMES COMPLETED DURING 2011-2012**

- Constructions of building and other civil works for Upgradation of Raipur Rural Hospital In Raipur Block of Bankura at an estimated cost of Rs.3.84 crore.
- Lac cultivation in Block Baghmundi, Jhalda, Bandwan and Manbazaar in the district of Purulia at an estimated cost of Rs.1.00 crore.
- Construction of RCC bridge at Jharukhamar over Purulia-Barakar Road at an estimated cost of Rs.2.53 crore.
- 3 nutrition Rehabilitation centers (NRC) at Bari, Bandwan and Sirkabad of Block Primary Health Centre (BPHC) in the district of Purulia at an estimated cost of Rs.47.79 lakh.
- Drinking water schemes in 11 L.W.E. blocks at Paschim Medinipur. Total estimated cost Rs.4.67 crore.
- Construction of building and staff quarter to Referral Eye Hospital in Lokeswarananda Eye Hospital at Para which is a joint collaboration with Health Department was completed at a cost Rs.3.00 crore.

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- Construction of a Vocational Training Centre and Gents Hostel at Sarenga in the district of Bankura by "Amader Hospital". Sanctioned amount Rs.20,87,192.00. Poor people of this area will be benefitted.
- 3 nos. of Brood Lac Farms in Joypur, Raghunathpur-l and Kashipur Block in the district of Purulia.

#### **MAJOR SCHEMES COMPLETED DURING 2012-2013**

- Construction of 4 nutrition Rehabilitation Centre (NRC) at Bankura (Sarenga, Ranibandh, Simlipal and Roypur) and 5 numbers of NRC at Paschim Medinipur (Keyakul, Mohanpur, Chandra, Tapsia and Chilkigarh BPHC). Total fund allotted Rs.1.25 crore. People of 35 blocks benefitted.
- Extension of Sick Newborn Care Unit and Gynae and Maternity Ward at Deben Mahato Sadar Hospital, Purulia. Allotment is Rs.1.57 crore.
- Improvement of quality and strengthening of five roads |(1) Rampurhat to Dumka, (2) Suri to Mohammad Bazar, (3) Khagra to Joydev, (4) Bolepur to Illambazar and |(5) Suri to Rajnagar in Birbhum. Fund allotted Rs.11.1 crores.
- **Widening and strengthening** of (1) Gopiballavpur-Nayagram Road and Jhargram –Jamboni Road. Fund allotted Rs.9.93 crore.
- Renovation of 9 RLI in Paschim Medinipur and 7 RLI in Bankura. Fund allotted Rs. 3.92 crore.
- Infrastructure development of Silda Chandra Sekhar College in Paschim Medinipur at Rs. 2.37 crore.
- Mini Barrage over River Kana Ajoy in Bolpur Block of Birbhum Distrct. Fund allotted Rs. 184.47 Lacs.
- Extension and development of Lokeswaranand Eye Foundation (Referral eye Hospital) at Para. Fund allotted Rs. 2.49 crore (Medical Equipments and Medical van have already been purchased).
- Scheme for conducting regular medical camps in Paschim Medinipur, Purulia and Bankura. Fund allotted Rs. 4.11 crore.
- Construction of Blood Bank at khatra S.D. Hospital Complex, Bankura. Fund provided Rs. 75.87 lakhs.
- Financial grant for anti erosion work along with the left bank of river Kangsabati at Mouza Dherua in Medinipur(Sadar) block, Paschim Medinipur. Fund allotted Rs. 51.56 lakhs.

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- Construction of boundary wall of a muslim graveyard at Dahijuri under Binpur-I Panchyat Samity, Paschim Medinipur. Fund allotted 11.22 lakhs.
- Endogenous tourism project at Chatna Block, Bankura. Fund allotted Rs. 19.63 lakhs.
- 13 Major schemes submitted to the Finance Department under RIDF with total estimated cost of about Rs. 45.35 crore, which involve widening and strengthening of various important roads, re-excavation of irrigation canals and supply of pipe water for drinking purpose are under consideration of Finance Department and NABARD for approval.
- 9 water purifier plants in different BPHC/RH in Paschim Medinipur at an estimated cost of Rs.2,48,10,939.00.

#### **MAJOR SCHEMES COMPLETED DURING 2013-2014**

- . Under Jungle Mahal package announced by Hon'ble Chief Minister of 9 schemes at a total cost of Rs.1.86 crore, all the nine schemes have been completed by January, 2014. As part of Jungle Mahal Package, the construction of 9 approach roads to Ramgarh Polytechnic Girls 'Hostels of Lalgarh, Krishnabandh integrated School, Nayagram College, ITI at Salboni, ITI at Khatra, Salboni College, Gopiballavpur Model School, Mirga Integrated School have been completed as per the time schedule as announced by the Government.
- Construction of Anganwari Centres (712 numbers of AWCs) at a cost of Rs.49.09 crore in Bankura, Purulia, Birbhum and Burdwan districts.
- **615 plan fund schemes in 74 blocks** under District Plan in five Districts at a cost of Rs.37.0 crore in phase-I.
- For construction of Black Top Roads in Ayodhya Hills in Purulia District, Rs.6.57 crore has been sanctioned for the road from Shirkhabad Hospital More to Ayodhya Hill and road from Begunkodar to Saharjuri (Ayodhya) via Bamni in Purulia District.
- . Sinking of 595 mark-II tube wells for providing drinking water in Khatra Sub-Division, Bankura District and in 5 blocks in Paschim Medinipur District at a cost of Rs.8.60 crore.
- Execution of 10 schemes of surface flow minor irrigation at 10 Blocks of Purulia District at a cost of Rs.3.11 crore.
- So far 4661 Geetanjali Houses for poor and needy have also been fully completed and handed over to the beneficiaries out

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of target of 7561. The balance units are also being constructed and are nearing completion.

#### **MAJOR SCHEMES COMPLETED DURING 2014-2015**

- **.** Construction of Anganwari Centre's (696 numbers of AWCs) at a cost of Rs.50.39 crore in Bankura, Purulia, Birbhum and Burdwan Districts in 2014-2015.
- 550 plan schemes in 74 Blocks under district plan in five Districts at a cost of Rs.37.0 crore in phase I in 2014-2015.

#### For the employment generation through Lac Cultivation

- A sum of Rs.95.83 lakhs has been released for 2nd and 3rd phase Lac Cultivation in Purulia and Bankura district in favour of West Bengal Forest Development Corporation for self-employment of 2500 beneficiaries
- A sum of Rs.1.36 crore has been released in favour of Paschimanchal Unnayan Parshad for Lac Cultivation in non-forestry areas of 6 blocks in Bankura, Purulia, Paschim Medinipur for self-employment of 3000 beneficiaries.
- A sum of Rs.1,00,50,000.00 has been sanctioned for scientific Lac Cultivation in Purulia District for self-employment of 2500 beneficiaries.
- A sum of Rs.1,98,00,000.00 has been sanctioned for scientific Lac Cultivation in non-forest area for self-employment of 5000 beneficiaries for 6 blocks in the District of Purulia and Bankura.
- Construction of 6 nos. Nutritional Rehabilitation centers in Jungle Mahal area in Paschim Medinipur nearing completion.
- For construction of Black Top Roads in Ayodhya Hills in Purulia District, Rs.9.83 crore has been sanctioned for
  - Road from Shirkhabad Hospital More to Ayodhya Hill,
  - Road from Begunkokal to Saharjuri (Ayodhya) via Bamni,
  - Road from Chhatrajara to Usuldungi within Ayodhya Hills (Bagmundi PS).
- Papatpur bridge construction over the river Tarafeni and Bhairab Banki Junction at a cost of Rs.20.81 crore at Binpur-I block.
- Lalgarh-Dherua Road construction at cost of Rs.25.3 crore.
- Kalaikunda Salua CRPF Road construction at a cost of Rs.8.2 crore.

















- NRC at Bandwan Kangsabati Reservoir Project
- Construction of bridge at ekchala (Marakanali), Gangajalghati, Bankura
   Black top road from
- Shirkabad Hospital More to Ayodhya Hills in Purulia District
- Drinking Water tube well in Kharagpur, Paschim Medinipur





#### Development of LWE affected areas during 2011 to 2015

• In West Bengal total twenty-four (24) number of Blocks in three (3) districts - Paschim Medinipur (11 Blocks), Bankura (4 Blocks) and Purulia (9 Blocks) have been identified as LWE BLOCKS and those have been included under Integrated Action Plan for Development. During the period from 2011 to 2015, Rs.270 core has been received from Planning Commission, Government of India. Total 4731 no. of projects have been taken under IAP out of which 4313 no. of schemes have been completed. All schemes have been implemented by the District Authority through various executing agencies.

# Special Development Package announced by Hon'ble Chief Minister for Jungle Mahal area:

- Hon'ble Chief Minister during the year 2011 announced Special Development Package for Jungle Mahal area of the State. In the package, different departments are implementing a number of schemes in the districts of Paschim Medinipur, Purulia and Bankura. Department of Planning is entrusted to monitor the implementation of programmes. All scheme, excepting four schemes which are near completion, have been completed. Several schemes have been taken up subsequently also.
- Jungle Mahal Action Plan (JAP): Fund has been released for comprehensive development of Jungle Mahal areas including the district of Birbhum.

#### Bidhayak Elaka Unnayan Prakalpa (BEUP)

• From 2011-2015 Rs.669.60 has been released under BEUP. In this Programme, schemes have been recommended by Hon'ble MLAs for their concern areas and schemes are implemented by District Authority through various implementing agencies

## Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS)

 On recommendation of Hon'ble MPs for their concern areas different developmental schemes have been taken up under MPLADs. During the tenure of 15th Lok Sabha, Rs.814.17 crore was available under MPLAD. All the recommended schemes have been implemented by the District Authority through various agencies.

#### Approval of Schemes by State Planning Board (SPB)

• From 2011-2015, total 51 no. of Schemes of various Departments, having schematic value more than Rs. 20 crore have been approved by the State Planning Board.

#### District Human Development Report (DHDR)

• In 2011, DHDR of Bardhaman, Hooghly, Paschim Medinipur and Purba Medinipur were published. In 2012, DHDRs of Nadia and Purulia were published. Now, the work of second edition of DHDR Bardhaman has been taken up.

















- 1 Pipe line water supply at Keshiapata, Sankrail Block
- 2 Construction of Tribal Cultural Center at Rohini, Sankrail Block
- 3 Check Dam at Raipur Block
- 4 Construction of minor box bridge over Tantiberi Khal at Sarenga Block
- **5** Parasia Khal Bridge at Sarenga Block



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Erstwhile Public Enterprises Department and Industrial Reconstruction department have been unified to create the "Public Enterprises & Industrial Reconstruction Department" and the Rules of Business have been amended accordingly in October 2014.

#### **Activities of the Department:**

#### This Department

- Plays a facilitating role for the revival, rehabilitation and of closed and sick industrial units (large/medium) in private & Govt. sectors in the State by way of proactive guidance and co-coordinating the implementation of revival packages with support of certain relief and concessions; For this, State Government is represented at Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction(BIFR) and Appellate Authority for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction(AAIFR).
- Restructuring of public sector enterprises under the administrative control of different Departments.
- Co-coordinating recycling of the idle/excess land of closed and sick industrial units to generate resources for investment in their revival efforts vis-à-vis for setting up of new projects therein by intending entrepreneurs, to ensure continued productive use.

#### A. Role in restructuring of Public Sector Undertakings:

- Six (6) Public Sector Enterprises are under the direct administrative control of this Department.
- Saraswaty Press Ltd. is an ISO 9001-2008 Quality System Certified Company and is paying dividend to the Government regularly.
   Its activities are regularly monitored by appointing a Senior Officer of the Department as a nominated director in the Board of Directors of the Company.

- Gluconate Health Ltd. manufactures and supplies medicine to Home (Jail), Health & F.W. and Child Dev. Dept. and KMC and other states like Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Tripura and some neighbouring countries. Many of its products are high in demand and the Company is striving to enhance and improvement its product line through research and development with the support of the Department.
- However, this Department has also to administer 4 (four) other PSEs.
- Out of these PSEs, National Iron & Steel Co. Ltd. (NISCO), Neo Pipes & Tubes Ltd. (NPT) and Lily Products Ltd. (LPL) are critically sick and the performance of Durgapur Chemicals Ltd. (DCL) has also not been up to the mark for a number of factors the foremost of which is lack of adequate fund for capital expenditure to boost up production to the optimal level.
- Considering all factors, the Cabinet has had already accorded approval to the proposal of restructuring all the 4 (four) PSEs. The Department engaged the services of Transaction Advisers (TA) from out of the panel of TAs maintained by the Finance Department and their reports have been received. The Department expects to complete review/examination of the reports within a short time to decide upon the course of action to be taken. Pending finalization of the restructuring proposals, action has already been taken by this Department for effective and productive utilization of man-power of the first three PSEs through suitable placement in accordance with the framework laid down by the Finance Department in this respect.

# B. Rolein Revival of Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSU) and private sector units:

• To protect the employees from possible unemployment following winding up effected through the Court of Law by



unsecured creditors, 8(eight) ailing industrial units have been declared as 'Relief Undertaking', which include well known corporate entities like National Jute Manufacturers Corporation Ltd.(NJMC, a CPSU), Bengal Waterproof Ltd., Dunlop India Ltd., etc. Such relief has been able to arrest mass unemployment at least to some extent at present.

- Necessary registration and eligibility certificates have been granted to 6(six) industrial units under the West Bengal Industrial Renewal Scheme, 2001 (WBIRS, 2001) for availing relief like waiver of electricity duty, etc. Recommendations have also been sent to the appropriate authority for grant of Sales Tax loan at low rate of interest as per the provisions of WBIRS, 2001 in accordance with sanctioned revival schemes approved by the BIFR.
- The Department played the pivotal facilitating role for transfer of the factory land of the closed Mining & Allied Machineries Corporation (MAMC) owned by GOWB to Strategic Joint Venture partners comprising three major CPSUs, viz., Bharat Earth Movers Limited (BEML), Coal India Limited (CIL) and Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) who have jointly promoted a company under the name of MAMC Industries Ltd., for reopening of the closed plant of the erstwhile MAMC at Durgapur.
- This Department has progressed in the matter of creation of a Sick Industries Land Bank through unblocking of surplus/unused land of sick/closed industries in the State with information available from the report submitted by Price Waterhouse Coopers Pvt. Ltd. The information is being shared with the Land & Land Reforms Department to formulate a mechanism for unblocking and resumption of such idle/surplus land locked under the sick/closed industries and put those into productive use.



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- The sole aim of Refugee Relief and Rehabilitation Department is to rehabilitate the refugees who came to West Bengal before 25th. March, 1971. The main activities & achievements during the last four years are as follows:-
- Issue of free-hold title deeds to each refugee family. This Deptt. has issued as many as 7,000 free-hold title deeds in the last 4 years.
- There are eight Camps & Homes under the care of R.R. & R. ( Department for old & infirm persons. Total no of inmates in those camps are 474.
- They are provided dole in the form of Cash, Foodgrains, Clothing, Woolen Blanket etc.
- Cash dole has been increased from ` 400/- per head per month to ` 1,000/- from 01.01.2012.
- The amount for footling of incapacitated inmates of Kartickpur Wing has been enhanced from `520/-to` 1,300/-since 01.01.2013.
- Bon-Hooghly Scheme has been taken up by West Bengal Govt.
   With Eden Reality Ventures Limited under PPP model on an area more or less 18 acres.

- Total occupants of Bon Hooghly Tenements Scheme-756.
- 166 occupants have already been rehabilitated in 2011 in the 1st. phase.
- Remaining 590 families have been taken up in 2nd phase during the year 2012-13 and they are expected to be rehabilitated latest by June, 2016.
- 540 nos. of families will be given a flat of 60 sq.rots. for their rehabilitation.
- The estimated market value of each flat upon 'construction is pegged at ` 25 Lac each.
- RR & R Department undertakes different schemes like construction of roads, improvement of drainage system, creating of drinking water sources, community toilet etc. in different R.R. & R. colonies.
- Total seventy seven nos. of infrastructural development schemes have been executed in last 4 years in seventy seven no. of colonies & Rehabilitation Industrial Corporation spending Rs.34.65 Crore.
- More than 2 lakhs refugees are directly benefitted due to execution of these schemes.

















- Bituminous Road at Ahil Colony, Malda
- Bonhooghly Tenement
- Drinking Water Source at Purba Panchannagram
  Colony, South 24 Pgs.
  4 Construction of
- Community Latrine at Prasanta Sur Nagar Colony, South 24 Pgs 5 Boundary Wall at
- Gayeshpur RIC
- **6** Construction of Drain at Sukanta Pally Colony, South 24 Parganas



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Department of Science & Technology promotes Science & Technology for Human Welfare and Socio-economic development of the State, since 1988. In the last four years, many noteworthy achievements have been recorded. Some of these are listed below against areas of activity.

#### **Geoinformatics & Remote Sensing:**

- Project on Space Based Information Support for Decentralized Planning - landuse / landcover, drainage and infrastructure database is being generated for the entire State on 1:10,000 scale using high resolution satellite data for the first time. Gram Panchayat-wise natural resources database will be available for the entire State in the near future.
- National Rural Drinking Water Mission (NRDWM) Phase IIIB & IV

   terrain-specific water quality maps for the entire State has been
   prepared both for the shallow and deep aquifer which is a new
   initiative.
- Study on Changing Pattern of River Courses in Flood Prone Areas of Southern & Western part of West Bengal for Disaster Mitigation and Study of Mountain Ecosystem of West Bengal sequential shifting of river courses for the entire State with periodicity of 5 years using satellite data of the last 40 years has been attempted for the first time. Future trends in changes in river courses can be analysed from this data.

#### **Patent Information Centre (PIC):**

- Operational in WBSCST since 1987 and Category-I PIC under DST, Gol
- 24 patents filed

- Geographical Indication registration for Joynagar Moa and completed four projects on GI registration Burdwan Mihidana, Sitabhog, Tulaipanji Rice and Gobindabhog rice. Gobindabhog rice has already been registered under PPVFR Act, Gol
- Six IPR cells constituted at different Universities.

#### **Scientific R&D Projects:**

 About 100 numbers R&D projects have been sponsored in the field of Public Health, Medicinal plants, Physical science, Chemical science, Agriculture, Bioscience, Biotechnology, Environment and Energy.

#### . Science Popularization and other Programmes:

More than 150 sensitization programmes have been organized through Universities, Colleges, Schools and NGOs in disciplines like Drinking Water, Energy, Medicinal plants, Global warming, Biofertilizer, Biopesticide, Rainwater harvesting etc. Documentaries on Superstition and Water conservation have been prepared in 2013-14.

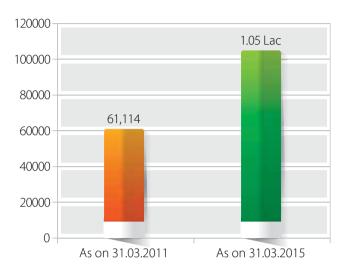
- Science & Technology Congress 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd WB State Science & Technology Congress was held in the years 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 at SINP, IIEST, Burdwan University and North Bengal University respectively, to popularize science in Bengali.
- **Science Camps** Eight residential camps were organised in six districts namely North 24 parganas, South 24-Parganas, Purulia, Midnapur West, Midnapur East, Darjeeling in 2014-2015.
- **Skill Development** 20 numbers of programmes sponsored in various trades with special emphasis on SC, ST and OBC.

- Entrepreneurship development programme 20 numbers of such programmes were supported as career options among Engineering, Technical and Science students.
- West Bengal DST Fund for Improvement of Science and Technology infrastructure (WBDST-FIST) Programme
   Improved S&T infrastructure and laboratory facility is to be provided for Science, Engineering & Medical Institutions for three years. Rs. 3 crores has been provided in 2014-15.
- Model Science lab for SC and ST community schools Rs.
   1.70 crore has been provided for setting up of labs in 19 districts.
- Construction of Vigyan Bhavan: A plot of land measuring 11.785 cottah at Salt lake, DD Block, Sector-I was allotted to WBSCST for construction of office building, named 'Vigyan Chetana Bhawan'. The entire work has been entrusted to Public Work Department and was inaugurated on December 29, 2015.

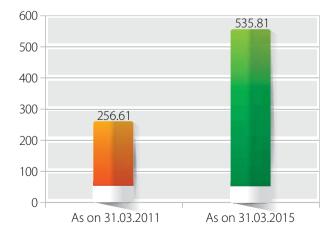


## **Graphical Representation**





Number of SVSKP cases sanctioned during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015



Amount of subsidy disbursed under SVSKP during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in ₹ crore)

- **Phenomenal** boost to self employment
- Huge increase in **SVSKP**
- 1.26 lakh up to Nov. 2015
- 1.48 lakh likely by May, 2016

- Increased focus on self reliance
- More than 2 times rise in subsidy disbursed
- ` 734.52 crore up to Nov. 2015
- 860 crore likely by May 2016

#### West Bengal Swanirbhar Sahayak Prakalpa (WBSSP)

- The Department has undertaken this Interest Subsidy Scheme for the benefit of Self Help Groups which aims at reducing the interest burden on their loans.
- . Total amount of Rs. 86.38 crore has been disbursed as Interest Subsidy so far. Total no. of 5,53,458 SHGs have been benefitted.

#### **Skill Development and Vocational Training**

- With a view to creating employment opportunity, upgrading the skill, developing qualitative standard of the products, various training programmes have been organized by the Department on tailoring, mushroom cultivation, embroidery, computer training, electric repairing, food processing, mobile repairing, jute products manufacturing, vermicompost, terracotta, fast food & glass painting etc.
- . Rs. 31.30 crore has so far been released and total no. of SHG members trained is 1,09,759 on various trades out of which 49,650 members employed after completion of training.

### **Construction of Training-cum-Marketing Complex (Karmathirtha)**

 Department has undertaken a programme for setting up of projects on construction of Training-cum-Marketing Complexes at the District & Sub-Divisional Head Quarters under RIDF & State Plan to facilitate training of Self Help Groups for skill development & for marketing of their products.



#### **Interest Subsidy**

. Bank interest for SHGs has been reduced from 4% to 2%.

#### **Muktidhara (Sustainable Livelihood Programme)**

- It is a project aimed to provide Sustainable Livelihood to the Self Help Groups on their selected livelihood activities, viz. Homestead garden, Poultry, Vegetable Cultivation etc. The project (Muktidhara) is being implemented in 5 blocks of Purulia and 8 blocks of Paschim Medinipur. A sum of Rs.394.80 lakh and Rs.239.20 lakh has been released respectively for the above two districts as State share for this purpose.
- In Purulia, 215 SHGs of 5 blocks have got credit linkage of ` 204.39 lakh from the banks. Total nos. of families benefitted from the project is 2384.
- In PaschimMedinipur, 48 SHGs in 8 blocks have got credit linkage of `46 lakh from the Banks. Total nos. of families benefitted is 381.

#### **Fairs & Exhibitions**

- To give marketing exposure to the products of the entrepreneurs and SHG members of the State, several fairs and exhibitions have been organized every year. A State level exhibition-cum-fair has been organized in the name and style- State SabalaMela at Kolkata and District SabalaMela in the districts are organized.
- A sum of ` 9,07,32,500/- has been released for State Sabala Mela.
   Total sales More than ` 5,79,78,387/-.

## **Employment Generation**

- Total no. of self employment generated till date is as follows:
- Out of Self Employment Programme (SVSKP) 66,047.
- Out of Skill Development Programme—19,000.
- Out of SHG based activities—1,185.

- Sanctioning of SVSKP (Swami Vivekananda Swanirbhar Karimasansthan Prakalpa) cases has increased from 61,114 during 2007-2011 to 1,26,781 during 2011-2015.
- Subsidy disbursed under SVSKP has increased from `256.61 crore during 2007-2011 to `734.52 crore during 2011-2015.

#### **New Initiatives**

- . With a view to providing insurance coverage for all SHG members in West Bengal, SHG & SE Department is implementing an Insurance Scheme through West Bengal Swarojgar Corporation Ltd., a Govt. owned Company under administrative control of this Department. The Scheme will provide insurance coverage of Rs.1 lakh for accidental death, permanent total disablement, permanent partial disablement and temporary total disablement with normal death benefit of `40,000/-. Members of SHGs within the age group from 16 to 60 years shall come under the Scheme.
- In order to provide further support to the SHGs against their Bank loan, the State Government has decided to bring down the effective rate of interest from 4% p.a. to 2% p.a. by way of increasing the interest subsidy under WBSSP Scheme.

Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased has increased from ` 304.72 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 710.43 crore during 2011-2015.

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# GALLERY



- 1 Training programme on Kitchen Garden for SHG members in Naora, South 24Parganas District
- Khandaghosh Training Cum Marketing Complex- Kharmathirtha, Burdwan
- 3 Madhabdihi Training Cum Marketing Complex- Kharmathirtha, Burdwan
- **4** Training on soft-toy making
- 5 Setting up of Training Centre Cum Retail Outlet at Baghbazar
- **6** Training on Kitchen Garden in Naora





#### **Initiation of E-Governance Project:**

System of data collection is being made using IT on real time basis online for compilation and analysis.

#### **Infrastructural Improvements:**

District Statistical Offices have been constructed at Paschim Medinipur, North 24 Parganas, Birbhum, Nadia and a Range office has been constructed at Kandi.

#### **Infrastructural Improvements:**

District Statistical Offices are being constructed at Howrah, Burdwan , South 24 Parganas , Bankura and Dakshin Dinajpur.

## Implementation of Centrally sponsored scheme:

West Bengal State Strategic Statistical Plan at project cost of Rs. 22.386 Cr. involving creation of IT infrastructure, creation of data base of 20 key statistical activities, civil infrastructure development, training for capacity development and skill enhancement etc.

## Implementation of schemes taken under XIII th **Finance Commission grant:**

- Preparation of Business Register, Study of Local Bodies accounts and collection of Farm activities data etc. are being done after availing 3rd instalment last year.
- Conduct of 6th Economic Census: This exercise was successfully completed during last three years at approx. total cost of Rs 45 Cr. received from the Min. of Statistics and Prog. Implementation.



This department has emphasized on connectivity in the Sundarban region by adopting several kilometers of Brick – Paved Roads, near about 100.00 K.m. of Bituminous & Concrete Roads, a number of reinforced Cement Concrete Jetties and some reinforced Cement Concrete Bridges.

Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from ` 459.46 crore during 2007-2011 to ` 755 crore during 2011-2015.

Some major works which were completed by the Sundarban Affairs Department during the last 4 (four) years are as follows: -

#### R.C.C. BRIDGES

- Mridanga Setu at Bolerhat over Mridanga Bhanga River in Mathurapur – Il Block, South 24 – Parganas District (completed during 2014). Project Cost – `5911.00 Lakh; Length – 1000.00 m (with approach road); Carriage Way – 7.50 m.
- Saptamukhi Bridge at Gangadharpur Durbachati over River Saptamukhi, connecting Patharpratima & Kakdwip Blocks in South 24 – Parganas District (completed during 2013). Project Cost - 2280.00 Lakh; Length – 375.00 m; Carriage Way – 7.50 m.
- **Sutarbag Bridge** at Saratnagar Banstala Barogheri over Sutarbag River in Mathurapur I Block, South 24 Parganas District (completed during 2013). Project Cost ` 202.43 Lakh; Length 33.00 m; Carriage Way 7.50 m.
- Adibasi Bazar Bridge over Atherogachi Canal (tidal) in Patharpratima Block, South 24 Parganas District (completed during 2014). Project Cost ` 154.16 Lakh; Length 68.10 m; Carriage Way 4.25 m.
- **Kumarpur Bazar Bridge** over Atherogachi Canal (tidal) in Patharpratima Blockin South 24 Parganas District (completed during 2014). Project Cost ` 248.35 Lakh; Length 66.10 m; Carriage Way 4.25 m.
- **Sikirhat Bridge** over Sikrhat Khal, connecting Joynagar II & Kultali Blocks under South 24 Parganas District (completed during 2013). Project Cost `60.50 Lakh; Length 27.00 m; Carriage Way 4.25 m.

#### **SPORTS COMPLEX:**

Raidighi Sports Complex in Mathurapur – I Block, South 24
 Parganas District (completed during 2014). Project Cost – `
 325.00 Lakh.

#### JETTY:

 Permanent Jetty At Lot No. 8 in Kakdwip Block, South 24 – Parganas District. Project Cost – `595.2977 Lakh.

#### **EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN:**

• **Distribution Of 84045 Nos. Of Ladies Bicycles** amongst the girl students reading in Class – IX in the Sundarban region, during the last 4 (four) financial years.

#### **AGRICULTURAL INPUTS DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMME:**

- 2, 60,871 numbers of beneficiaries have been benefitted through the distribution programme of agricultural seeds (Moong, Elephant Foot Yam, Vegetable Seeds, Sunflower, Til, Boro Paddy) input assistance for betel vine cultivators, inorganic fertilizer, vermicompost and small agricultural implements (sprayer, pedal driven paddy thresher) during the last 4 (four) financial years.
- Fish feed and lime has been distributed among the 18,200 nos. of beneficiaries during the last 4 (four) financial years.
- 3450 nos. of beneficiaries were trained on agriculture and improved pisciculture during the last 4 (four) financial years.

#### **TOURISM IN SUNDERBANS:**

- Our government has constituted 'Gangasagar-Bakkhali Development Authority' to bring about comprehensive development with emphasis on tourism at Gangasagar and its surrounding areas. Creation of several infrastructural facilities, like construction of 100-seated Tourist Lodge and 20-bedded cottages, development of road, car parking, lighting arrangement, food court, etc. at Gangasagar has been completed. Development of 'Bhor Sagar', 'Dheu Sagar' and 'Roop Sagar' beaches into world-class tourist destinations is in the offing. The world's first zoo inside a mangrove forest Byaghra Sundari is being brought up at Jharkhali.
- Jharkhali Eco Tourism Project in PPP mode is on in full swing.

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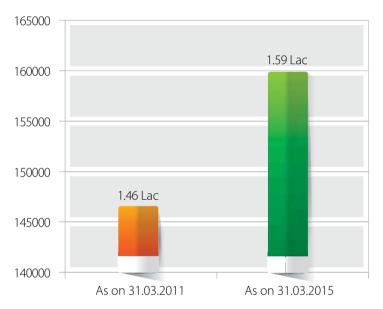


- Adibashi Bazar Bridge Raidighi Sports Complex Saptamukhi Bridge Mridanga Setu Jetty at Lot 8 Electricity pylons across river Muriganga



## **Graphical Representation**





Minor Irrigation potential created/revived during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015 (in hectare)



- Enhancing potential for agriculture
- Significant increase in area brought under irrigation

#### **Jal Dharo Jal Bharo**

- No. of ponds (pond equivalents) created / renovated under DWRI&D:
- No. of ponds in convergence with 100-days work under P&RD Department: 1,03,633
- Total: Around 1.45 Lac against a target of 50,000

# Expansion of Minor Irrigation facilities from different programmes.

- . No. of Minor Irrigation schemes installed / revived : 12,027 including 9151 Deep/Shallow Tube Wells, 522 River Lift Irrigations, 525 Water Harvesting Tanks, Check Dams & SFMIS, 1631 Solar power operated sprinklers, 73 Rain water harvesting & Artificial Recharge to Ground Water schemes and 874 other schemes.
- No. of Minor Irrigation schemes likely to installed/revived by May, 2016: 1764
- Minor Irrigation potential created/revived has increased from 1,46,650 hectare during 2007-2011 to 1,59,853 hectare during 2011-2015.
- Besides Culturable Command Area(CCA) brought under irrigation through Command Area Development & Water Management programme by construction of Field Channels: 18,949 Hectare
- Introduction of Micro Irrigation system viz, Sprinkler, Drip etc, to enhance water use efficiency.
- In Sundarban area of South 24 Parganas district due to salinity problem in ground and surface water, irrigation sources are only from harvesting of rain water in Pond, Tank, Khal, Canal etc. 47 such water bodies have been re-excavated including 110 km Khal with Sluice gate covering command area 2253 ha and 3 are in progress. 55 eco-friendly solar power operated MI schemes covering command area of 99 ha have been installed in remote areas due to non-availability of conventional energy sources.

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 Operation and maintenance of more than 8000 departmentally operated MI schemes for providing irrigation water to about 6.39 Lakh Hectare.

#### **Jalatirtha**

- A special programme to increase irrigation coverage in the arid districts of Birbhum, Bankura, Purulia and Paschim Medinipur has been taken up from 2014-15.
- Total 424 Check Dams have so far been taken up for implementation by DWRI&D, PWD in Birbhum, P&RD in Bankura, I&WD in Purulia, PUA in Paschim Medinipur and Forest Department in forest areas of Bankura & Purulia with targeted creation of approx. 9,000 ha CCA.
- More than 930 other MI schemes viz, different types of Deep Tube Wells &LDTW, River Lift Irrigation, Check Dam, SFMIS etc, taken up with an estimated cost of about Rs.280.00 crore in the first phase of the programme with targeted creation of approx. 29,000 ha CCA.
- Besides the above more than 1400 MI structures taken up under other ongoing programmes viz., RIDF, WBADMIP, RKVY to bring approx. 14000 ha under minor irrigation facility.
- After completion of all these projects approx. 52000 ha area will be brought under minor irrigation facility in these four districts.

# World Bank assisted West Bengal Accelerated Development of Minor Irrigation Project

- Theprojecttarget:No.ofMlscheme:4660,Estimatedcost:1,380crore, and CCA: 1.39 lakh hectare
- No. of schemes handed over after completion: 376
- Minor Irrigation Potential created: 24,298 hectare

# Improve governance in production & Water management technologies by

- No. of Water User's Association formed: 717
- No. of Demonstration (Agri/Horti/Fishery) completed: 3794
- No. of Training of Farmers completed: 470
- No. of Solar operated MI Schemes taken up: 58 out of which 18 completed & 40 in progress.

#### **Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF)**

- Minor Irrigation Potential created/revived: 90,807 hectare
- Minor Irrigation Potential created/revived: 38,533 hectare

#### **Works under State Water Investigation Directorate (SWID)**

- Issuance of 6566 Permit for extraction of ground water and 6191 Registration of existing tube wells under 'West Bengal Ground Water Resources(Management, Control & Regulation) Act,2005'
- Periodical monitoring of ground water level and quality through more than 2000 permanent hydrograph station.
- Assessment of dynamic ground water resources in the State jointly with Central Ground Water Board.
- Modernization & Up gradation of the Chemical & Hydrological Laboratory at Sech Bhawan, Salt Lake.
- 4th Minor Irrigation Census with reference year 2006-2007 has been published in January, 2012.
- 5th Minor Irrigation Census with reference year 2013-14 to be conducted jointly with Department of Technical Education and Science & Technology.

Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget has increased from `431.15 crore during 2007-2011 to `674.23 crore during 2011-2015.

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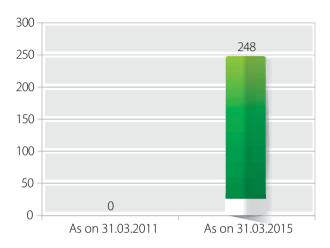
- Minor Irrigation tank at Gengara, Purulia
- Renovation of Laxmipur
- Banai Khal at Kulpi

  3 Ongoing Surface Flow
  Minor Irrigation Scheme
  (SFMIS) at Rajnagar, Birbhum
- **4** Ongoing re-excavation of 'Sarasanka' water body at Dantan-I
- Pisciculture in 'Jal Dharo Jal Bharo' pond
- Solar-powered irrigation scheme at Daspur, Patharpratima



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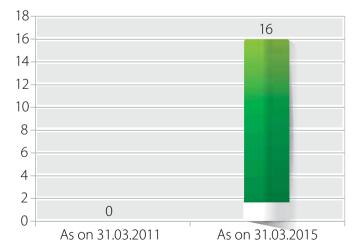




Number of playgrounds developed



Enhanced focus on sports at grass-root level



Number of existing Youth Hostels opened after repair/renovation

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Rejuvenating sports infrastructure

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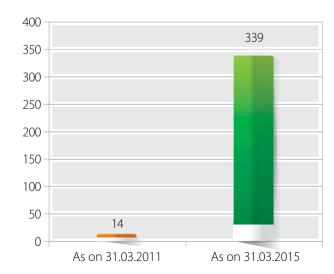
- Increased focus on fitness and wellbeing of youths
- More than 23 times increase in no. of Multi-Gyms

1800 1600 1400 1200 1000 800 600 400 200 As on 31.03.2011 As on 31.03.2015

Number of Multi-Gyms set up during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

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Almost 25 times increase in mini indoor complexes



Number of Mini Indoor Games Complexes set up during 2007-11 vs. 2011-2015

#### **Sanction of new Youth Hostels:**

- 18 new youth hostel projects taken up with a total cost of 59 Cr.
- Old Youth Hostels opened after repair/renovation has increased from 0 during 2007-2011 to 16 during 2011-2015.
- · Online booking of all Youth Hostels has been introduced in website address www.youthhostelbooking.wb.gov.in

#### **Construction of Community Hall-cum-Recreation Centres**

 Especially for Jungle Mahal Gram Panchayats, in Purulia, Bankura and Paschim Medinipur districts, 91 nos. community hall-cum-recreation centres have been constructed with an expenditure of Rs.16.88 crores.

#### Financial support to the mountaineers for expedition to Mt. **Everest**

- 8(eight) mountaineers so far climbed Mt. Everest in the last four years and 13 mountaineers have started their Mt. Everest expedition in the current year.
- Department has introduced "Tenzing Norgey Radhanath **Sikdar" Award** with a prize money of Rs.1 lakh for the mountaineers, climbing Mt. Everest. Apart from that for women mountaineers "Chhanda Gayen Bravery Award" with a provision of Rs.75,000/prize money for climbing Mt. Everest or other peak has also been introduced.

#### **Other Important Achievements**

- The **monthly pension** for the **Ex-Olympian** has been increased from Rs.2,000/- in 2010 to Rs.10,000/- in 2014.
- Youth Computer Training Centre (YCTC) syllabus has been completely revamped and new courses have been introduced after a long gap of eight years.
- **Vocational Training** has been started in each Sub-Division in collaboration with TE&T Department, Govt. of West Bengal.
- The West Bengal State Mission for Employment (WBSME)
  has been formed for regular monitoring, achievement of targets
  for self-employment, skill development and wage employment
  generated in the State.
- During the financial year 2014-15, 10.36 lakh unemployed youth were provided assistance for Self Employment/ Wage Employment/ Skill Upgradation.
- A new organization named **Bangla Yuba Kendra (BYK)** has been formed to spread activities of the Department at grass root level.

Item	2007-2011	2011-2015
Development of playgrounds	0	248
Setting up of multi-gyms	64	1526
Setting up of Mini Indoor Games Complexes	14	339
Amount incurred in organising Rural Sports	` 1.91 crore	` 77.07 crore
Amount of Plan Expenditure	` 27.75 crore	` 346.37 crore

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2 Rakhi Bandhan Utsab, 2014 at Kolkata

- 3 Lalbagh Youth Hostel, Murshidabad Renovated at a cost of Rs 1.01 Crore
- 4 State Youth Centre, Moulali, Kolkata renovated at a cost of Rs 7.28 Crore
- 5 Radhanath Sikdar -Tenzing Norgay Adventure Award Ceremony,2013 at Town Hall, Kolkata
- 6 Nabaprajanma State Youth Hostel, VYBK, Salt Lake renovated at a cost of Rs 13.51 Crore





