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Foreword



At the outset, I would like to express my deep sense of gratitude to the people of my state for reposing faith in us yet again in 2016 assembly elections.

We are in power now for six consecutive years, yet for the Government of Ma, Maati, Manush, the journey continues. We are surging ahead, the hunger for growth and excellence fuelling the process.

When we came to power in West Bengal ending a long period of Left Front misrule, hardly anyone took our state seriously. From the beginning our challenge therefore was to try and restore to our state the glory and good name of the past.

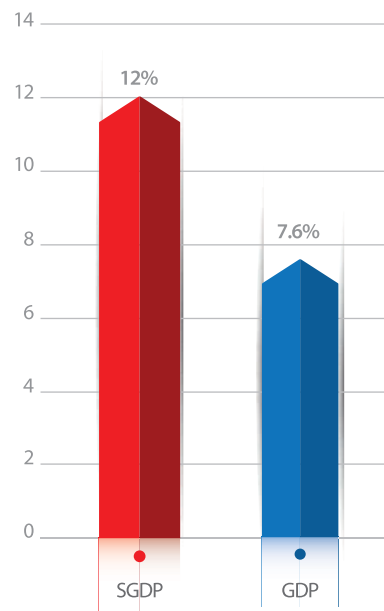
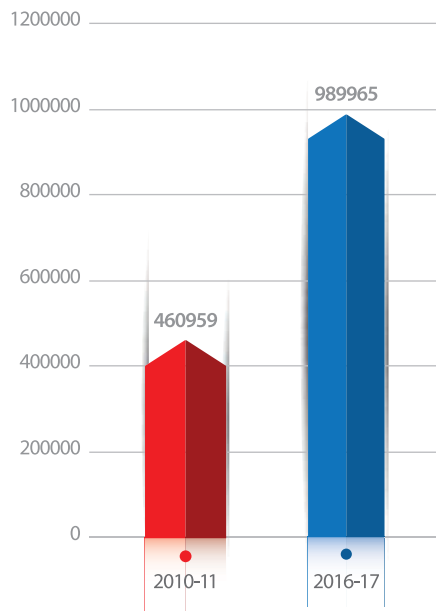
During the period 2011-12 to 2015-16, the State Government had to repay a whopping amount of nearly Rs. one lakh forty two thousand crore towards outstanding principal and interest of previous regimes.

Then came the sudden and unwarranted decision of demonetisation further aggravating our difficulties. The State economy was badly hit and its ill effects continue unabated even today. Besides poor people the small and medium industry sectors were the worst hit. They include beedi workers, jute and tea garden workers, traders, shopkeepers and workers of the unorganised sectors. The farmers too had to bear the brunt of this ill advised decision. In the current financial year we apprehend a substantial fall in revenue earnings on account of demonetisation.

Thousands of skilled workers from different parts of the country have returned to Bengal. In order to stand by them at this hour of need, our Government has introduced a scheme, "Samarthan", to provide one-time financial assistance of Rs. 50,000 to 50,000 such workers. We opposed demonetisation as a policy measure and deplored the agony and plight it had inflicted upon the poor and the daily wage earners.

Our sustained commitment to ensure development in every sphere has now started showing results. We are now the 4th largest economy in India. From a paltry economy size of Rs. 4,60,959 crore in 2010-11, our thriving economy can now boast of a size of Rs. 9,89,965 crore in 2016-17.

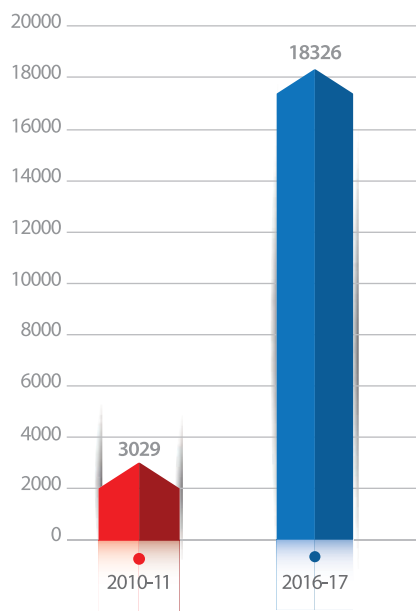
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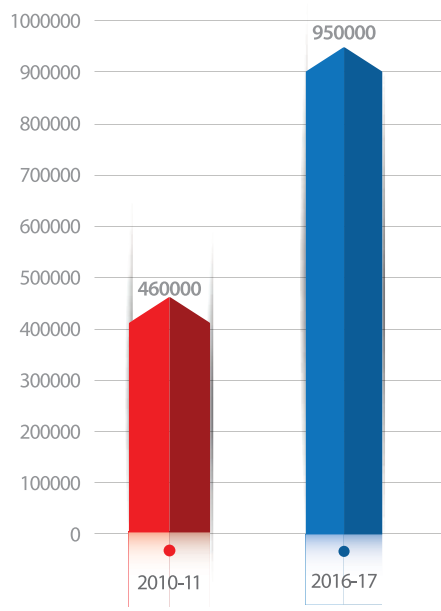
Bengal has witnessed a surge in the fields of economic and infrastructural development.

- The State Domestic Product has grown at an impressive 12% compared to the GDP, which grew only by 7.6% during the same period.
- The per capita income of the State also grew at a rate more than double that of the national rate.

Agri & Agri-allied including Rural Development (Rs. Cr.)



Gross State Domestic Product (in Rs. Cr.)



Online Tax Collection (in Rs. Cr.)



- Investment in agriculture and allied sectors grew by five and a half times, expenditure on plan sector witnessed a fourfold increase, the infrastructure grew by three and a half times and investment in building permanent assets increased by seven folds.
- Online tax collection has risen from rupees twenty-one thousand crore to rupees forty-two thousand crore in the last few years.

International and National Recognition

Several key initiatives undertaken by our government have drawn praise and recognition across the country and the world, paving the way for a brighter tomorrow.

Kanyashree: The Kanyashree Scheme is a pioneering initiative by the State Government. More than 40 lakh 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.

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.

Mission Nirmal Bangla: The Mission 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 districts have already achieved this distinction in the State.

Rural Craft Hub, supported by UNESCO: The Rural Craft Hub Project, organised with several forms of handicrafts by artisans in 15 districts, has received a rare honour. The artisans were nominated to exhibit their crafts at the UNESCO headquarters in Paris.

In the national arena, our schemes and performances have also received prestigious awards and citations. Here are a few of them:

- **Kanyashree** has received the following awards:
 - Manthan Award for Digital Inclusion for Development (South Asia and Asia Pacific) 2014 under the category E-Women and Empowerment
 - National E-governance Award 2014 – 15 awarded by the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, Government of India
 - Skoch Winner Award and Order of Merit 2015 for Smart Governance
 - CSI-Nihilent Award for e-Governance, 2014-15
 - United Nations WSIS Prize 2016 Champion in e-Government Category (WSIS Action Line C7)
 - Finalist in GEMTech Awards 2016 hosted by UNWOMEN & ITU
- **WFTS (Workflow Based File Tracking System)** 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
- **Golden Peacock in 2016** for e-services in taxation

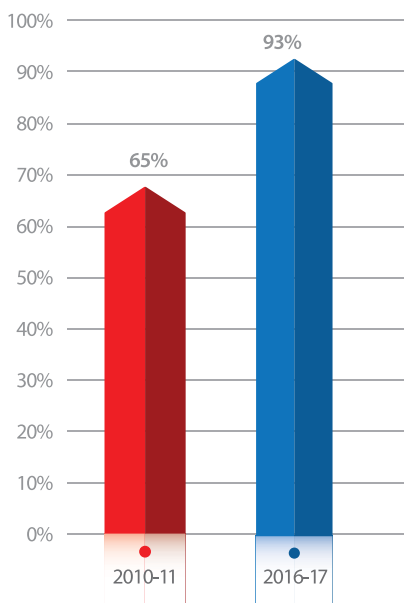
Effective and Responsible Administration

- As many as 153 (one-hundred and fifty three) district level Development Review Meetings have been held with the administrative and police officials to continuously review and evaluate the on-going Government projects in order to deliver time bound benefits to the people in every corner of the State.
- Administrative Calendar of the Government is being published regularly from the year 2014 to monitor and achieve period-wise targets set by the different departments. As a monitoring tool, this initiative has been very effective. Self-Attestation has been introduced in many departments of the Government.
- An effective Government should always work in close coordination with people and provide time-bound and quality service to them. Alipurduar district was created with this objective in mind. Now, 3 more new districts — Kalimpong, Jhargram and Paschim Bardhaman, have also been set up. Two new divisions, namely Malda and Medinipur have also been created. Moreover, 3 new Sub-Divisions of Mirik (Darjeeling), Jhalda and Manbazar (Purulia) have also been created to take administration and government service closer to the people.
- As a measure of administrative reforms, the number of departments in the State Government has also been reduced from 63 to 50. Moreover, Public Sector Undertakings of the State have been restructured from 90 to 47 to optimize performance and efficiency.

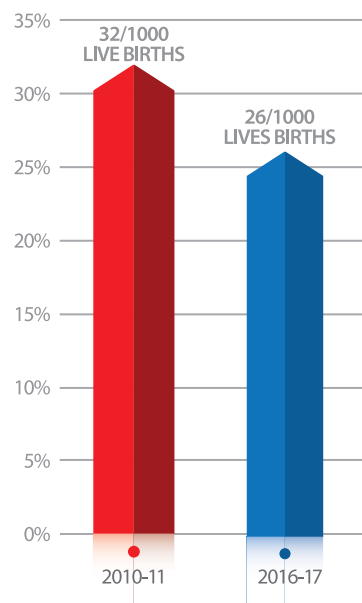
Health For All

- To ensure health for all, healthcare has received unprecedented boost in the State during our period. People can now avail medicines and treatment completely free of charge at Government and medical college hospitals in various districts.
- 112 fair price medicine shops and 95 fair price diagnostic centres have been established in government hospitals providing medicines, implants and diagnostics at very affordable rates. 34 out of 42 new multi specialty hospitals are now serving people across the state. Number of beds in Government run hospitals has increased by 27,000.
- Bengal is the only State, where people get the benefits of CCU/HDU treatment even at sub divisional levels.
- More than 70 CCU/HDU/CCU facilities have been added to the critical care management of the State health system. No CCU / HDU existed in any district / sub divisional hospital before 2011.
- 307 SNSUs have been made operational. No SNSU existed in any Government health facility before 2011.
- 65 SNCUs are already operational in the State, 5 more will be operational in the year 2017-18. Only 6 SNCUs existed before 2011.
- 6 Mother and Child Hubs with state-of-the-art facilities for mother and infant care have become operational. 3 more will be operational within December, 2017. In total, 16 MCH Hubs have been proposed, so far.

Institutional Delivery Has Increased



Infant Mortality Rate Has Declined



- Institutional Delivery in the State has increased from 65% in 2010 to over 93% in 2016, a phenomenal improvement in a few years.
- Infant Mortality Rate has seen a significant decline from 32 per 1000 live births in 2011 to 26 in 2015.
- Age of retirement of doctors has been increased to 65 to ensure a greater availability of talent pool for medical services.

Bengal reaches out to the world

West Bengal is now the favoured destination for investors and in order to unlock the industrial potential of the state, our Government has been organizing the Bengal Global Business Summit (BGBS), for 3 years in a row.

The first two editions held in 2015 and 2016 were highly successful and investment proposals worth more than four lakh ninety-three thousand crore rupees were received. These are now under various stages of implementation. BGBS-2017 was also a grand success and was attended by delegates from 29 different countries. Investment proposals received there (amounting to nearly two lakh thirty-six thousand crore rupees) are also in different stages of evaluation and implementation.

High level delegations comprising eminent industrialists under the leadership of Chief Minister visited Bhutan, Bangladesh, Singapore, Germany and Great Britain to showcase the investment possibilities of the State. A number of important agreements (MoU) were signed during these visits.

Special focus is also being given to North Bengal which has tremendous potential in terms of industry, business and commercial activities. A Bengal Business Summit North Bengal version was held in May, 2017 in which investment proposals more than Rs. 1000 Crore was received from prospective investors.

Mandays lost due to strike is zero over the last 6 years. The work culture has significantly improved to create a congenial environment for industries and enterprises to function smoothly.

Micro, small and medium enterprises sector in Bengal is witnessing remarkable growth. The credit flow in this sector amounting to around one lakh twenty two thousand crore rupees has been among the highest in India. Special thrust is given to formation of clusters of specific small industry-based activities, development of skills of artisans and providing them with support for manufacturing and marketing of their products including credit support. More than 300 new clusters have been set up by our government to give special thrust in the area.

We started e-Governance actively in 2012 for introducing transparency and efficiency in government services.

We are the first State in the country to use the e-Kuber of RBI. The State is proud to have received the Golden Peacock in 2016 for e-Services in taxation.

In continuance of such initiatives, Bengal is introducing an online e-Pension system for primary and secondary teachers and non-teaching staff, which will benefit nearly 4 lakh employees in the education sector.

Now, it takes around 2-3 years to receive a Pension Payment Order due to the manual nature of verification by different authorities.

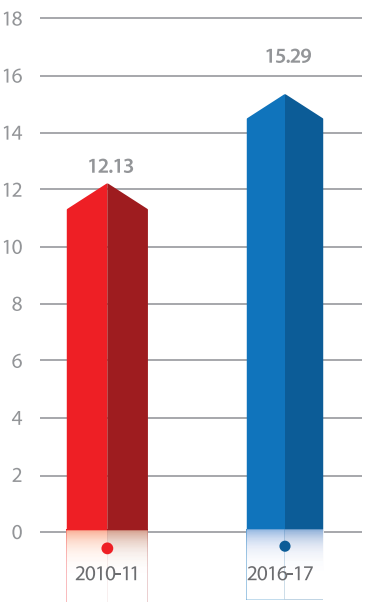
With our new e-Pension Portal, the whole process will be online and paperless, bringing total transparency and cutting down on time.

Gratuity will be paid immediately on the date of retirement and pension will be released in the bank account on due date i.e. immediately after completion of first month after retirement.

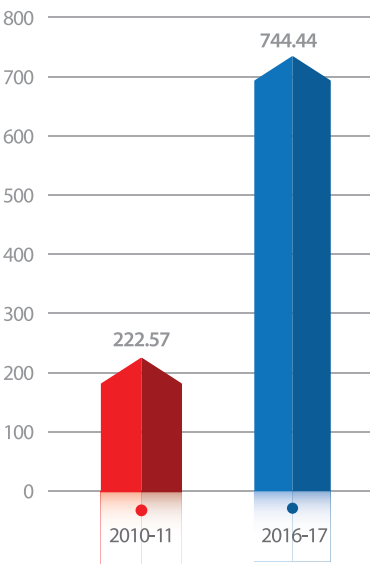
To give special thrust in e-Governance, we have created a full-fledged e-Governance branch headed by a Minister, under the PAR Department.

The tourism sector in Bengal has received tremendous boost under our government. Tourists coming to Bengal from within the country and from all over the world has increased phenomenally.

Foreign Tourist Arrival (in lakh)



Domestic Tourist Arrival (in lakh)



Policies and schemes that made the difference

- The State Government has introduced the Investment & Industrial Policy, Policy on PPP, MSME and Textile Policy, Design Policy, Export Strategy and other investor friendly policies and strategies. “Shilpa Sathi” – the Single Window System for receipt, processing and issue of statutory licenses and permissions, has also been introduced.
- We have Land Bank and Land Use Policy. Sufficient quantum of land is available in the Land Bank and the different Industrial Parks which can be used for setting up of industries.

From Birth to Death – Our Government is always with the people

The welfare activities of the Government have made an impact on the lives of one and all. At every stage of one's life cycle from the cradle to the grave a citizen is now entitled to get one or the other relief offered by the State Government.

- As soon as a child is born, he is being gifted with the sapling of a valuable plant. On attaining 20 years of age, his or her educational and other expenses can be taken care of from the proceeds of this valuable plant. This new initiative of the Government has been named as ‘Sabujshree’.
- Under ‘Sabuj Sathee’ programme, school-goers belonging to Class IX to XII are given 70 lakh bicycles. This environment friendly initiative of the State Government will help to secure the future of the next generation by helping them to attend school properly and reducing the rate of drop-outs. Text books and school shoes are also being given to school students.
- To meet education, hostel and other expenses, the State Government is providing stipend to all SC and ST school students under ‘Shikshashree’ programme. Rate of assistance per year is Rs. 800/- for ST students and between Rs. 750/- & Rs. 800/- for SC students. So far, thirty eight lakh students have been covered under this initiative.
- ‘Swami Vivekananda Merit-cum-Means Scholarship’ is provided to the students belonging to socio-economically backward sections of the society to help them to pursue studies.
- During the F.Y. 2016-17, the State Government has spent two hundred crore rupees for this purpose, which is a 5 time increase from the allocation of forty crore rupees made in 2015-16.
- Today, the State has more than 40 lakh ‘Kanyashree’ beneficiaries. Under this programme, all unmarried schoolgirls of 13-18 years of age are provided with a yearly stipend of Rs.750/- and on attaining 18 years of age and continuing studies, with a one-time financial assistance of Rs. 25,000/-.
- Under ‘Yuvasree’ programme, financial assistance is being provided to the State's youth registered under ‘Employment Bank’. This will help them improve their skills. The number of ‘Yuvasree’ beneficiaries in the State is about two lakh twenty thousand.



- In order to bring self-sufficiency among the youth in the Transport Sector, the Government has introduced the 'Gatidhara' scheme. So far, more than 14 thousand people have been provided financial assistance and bank loan under this initiative for purchasing different kinds of vehicles for self-employment.
- Almost 90% of the State's population are receiving subsidised food grains at Rs. 2/- per kg. under 'Khadya Sathi' programme. For outstanding success in food grain production, the State Government has received 'Krishi Karman' award from the Government of India, 5 times in a row.
- Treatment, diagnostics and medicine is free for all in Bengal. More than 70% people of the State depend on state healthcare system. Improving health infrastructure, recruiting doctors, nurses, technicians and ensuring quality treatment for all has been a priority area of action of our government.
- Health Scheme-'Swasthya Sathee' has been introduced for providing health insurance cover to the Panchayat functionaries, ASHA & ICDS workers and contractual employees. Monthly remuneration for ASHA and ICDS workers has been increased by Rs. 500/- per month.
- Cremation grounds are being extensively renovated and new ones created in the state under "Baitarini" scheme. Boundary walls of nearly 3500 graveyards are being constructed all over the State. To help very poor people to perform last rites of deceased family members, our government has introduced 'Samabyathi' scheme to provide a one-time financial assistance of Rs. 2000.

Bengal on the rise

The State is blossoming. It is soaring to newer heights, discovering newer avenues of growth. Our support has been pivotal in inspiring this change. The last 6 glorious years have witnessed a number of small steps that have helped Bengal march ahead, steadily but surely.

West Bengal is No. 1 in the country in terms of providing scholarships to minority students. Under different scholarship schemes, more than one crore ten lakh students of minority communities have been provided scholarships worth more than two thousand three hundred and fifty crore rupees.

16 new universities and 47 new colleges have been added in the State in the higher education sector. 9 new medical colleges are being added to the medical education system in Bengal. 2 more Medical Colleges are also proposed to come up. Setting up of so many institutions within a span of less than 6 years has contributed to the proliferation of the higher and medical education sectors of the State.

The State is now No. 1 in the country in Skill Development. West Bengal has bagged the top position in the All India Skill Competition, for 2 years in succession.

Our Government has set up the 'West Bengal Skill Development Mission' and 'Paschim Banga Society for Skill Development'. The aim is to ensure "Integrated Placement Linked Skill Development" for the skilled students so that they find themselves in an advantageous position in the job market.

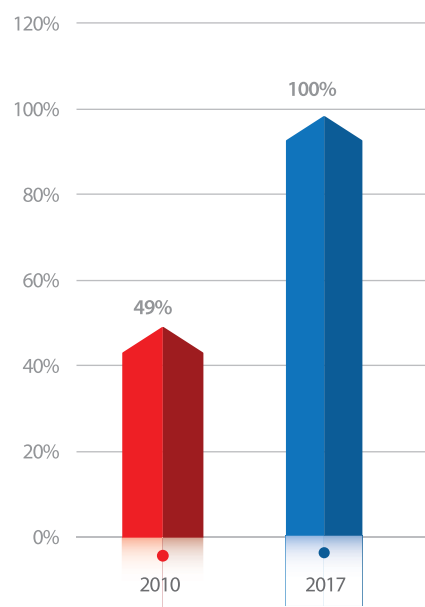
To cope with the rapid strides in industrialisation, a huge pool of industry ready skilled manpower is being created. Our aim has been to have one ITI in every block and one Polytechnic in every sub-division of the State. Once complete, these institutions are made operational very quickly. 155 number of new ITIs and 81 number of new polytechnics have already been added to the State Technical Education sector and more are coming up rapidly. Such interventions of the Government have brought about a revolution in the field of Technical Education. Employment opportunities have been created for a sizeable number of students. In fact, the progress achieved within a span of less than 6 years is nothing less than spectacular.

100 days' work is one of the most important sources of livelihood for the rural populace. The achievements of the Government, in this sector too, are noteworthy. The Government has been able to spend 128% of its labour budget under this scheme. Expenditure incurred amounting to five thousand six hundred crore rupees is also the highest in the country.

'Mission Nirmal Bangla' is yet another feather in the Government's cap. Five districts of the State, namely Nadia, Hooghly, North 24 Parganas, Purba Medinipur and Coochbehar, have been declared 'Open Defecation Free'. Sixteen thousand villages in different parts of the State have also been declared the same. Almost fifty lakh toilets have been constructed throughout the State since May 2011.

Construction of toilets for all the schools of the State is also complete. In 2011, before this Government came to power, only 49% schools had toilet facility.

Construction of Toilets



More than eighty-one lakh people have also been provided with jobs and employment in State. In addition, nearly 100 Crore mandays have also been created over the last 6 years. Numbers are on the rise as more and more employment and livelihood opportunities are being created all across the state.

To revive the folk culture of the State and to enhance its popularity, 'Lokprasar' Project has been launched. This initiative has provided financial benefit to around eighty five thousand folk artists. Another one lakh fifteen thousand artists have already been enrolled and would soon start getting financial assistance.

Our government has instituted the State's highest civilian award "Banga Bibhusan", "Banga Bhusan", "Sangeet Mahasamman", "Sangeet Samman" and several other awards and citations to honour outstanding contributors across multiple disciplines and performance areas.

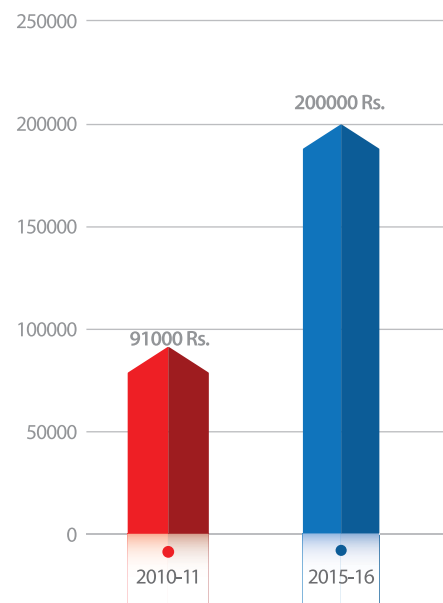
Across all sectors, from education to health, public services to journalism, sports to entertainment, agriculture to fisheries and many, many more sectors, our government has acknowledged talent and worthy contributions and suitably honoured all.

Upper age limit for securing Government jobs has also been increased. For Group-C and Group-D jobs, it has already been increased to 40 years. Now the said limit for Group-A posts and Group-B posts has been increased to 36 and 39 years respectively. SC/ST and OBC candidates will get further relaxation of 5 and 3 years above such upper age limit respectively. Special recruitment drives are underway to ensure filling up of vacancies for SC/ST/OBC candidates as per rules.

Reservation for OBC categories have been enhanced to 17% to offer greater scope of higher education and government jobs to youth belonging to OBC categories of the state, including the minorities. We have increased the list of OBC for which nearly 97% of the Muslim communities in the state can now avail benefits of reservation in jobs and higher education. Rs. 1000 Crore provision has been made to create additional infrastructure over 6 years in the higher education sector of the State to accommodate increasing number of OBC candidates, without disturbing the seats of general candidates.

Average yearly family income of farmers has witnessed a steep climb. It was only ninety one thousand rupees in 2010-11 but has gone up to about two lakh rupees in 2015-16.

Average Yearly Family Income of Farmers

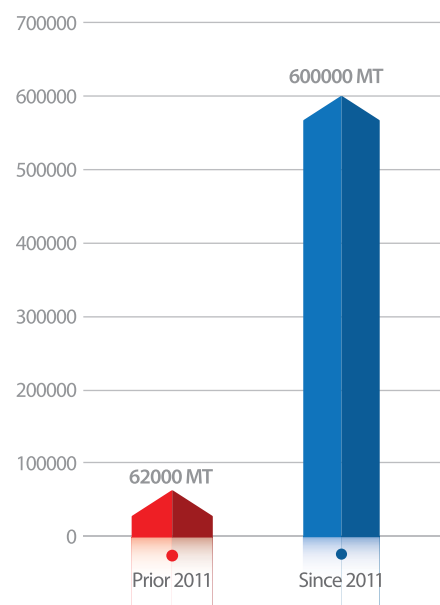


To provide financial stability to the small and marginal farmers, the State Government procures paddy from them at a rate higher than the Minimum Support Price and utilizes the same in Government programmes. In 2015-16, a total of thirty eight lakh fifty seven thousand metric tonnes of paddy have been directly procured – which is a record.

Procurement for the financial year 2016-17 is also in progress. In fact the rice being distributed to the people of the State is being procured entirely from the farmers of the State. In addition, a number of steps have been taken to keep the prices of commodities in check. To protect the interest of the farmers, payment against procurement is being credited directly to their bank accounts.

Prior to May-2011, the storage capacity of food grains in the entire State was just sixty two thousand metric tonnes. The same has now been enhanced to nearly six lakh metric tonnes, which is a record. Further enhancement of three lakh twelve thousand metric tonnes of storage capacity is being done.

Storage Capacity of Food Grains



The road sector has witnessed unprecedented growth and development over the last 6 years. More than 12,500 km of rural roads and 12,400 km of highways and other roads have been added to the state system over the last 6 years including up-gradation.

The Law & Order situation in the State has shown remarkable improvement over the last few years. The rate of crime if compared with the previous regime has gone down remarkably. Even when compared to the other Indian States, West Bengal's record in the field of law and order looks exemplary. Incidents of crime against women, dacoity, robbery, murder, etc., are on the decline.

Kolkata is the safest city in terms of incidents of crime against women, according to latest data released by the NCRB (National Crime Records Bureau).

5 new Police Commissionerates at Howrah, Barrackpur, Asansol-Durgapur, Siliguri and Bidhannagar, 7 new police districts, 108 new police stations, 48 new women police stations out of 73 planned so far, 44 fast track courts have been set up to ensure better management of crime and law and order and faster delivery of justice.

Darjeeling is smiling once again. The atmosphere of animosity and hatred that prevailed during the tenure of the previous regime has now disappeared. A spree of development activities have started in all districts of North Bengal. The Government is organising 'Uttarbanga Utsav' and 'Himal-Tarai-Dooars Sports' every year. Birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose and many other programmes are being regularly organised in this region.

16 new Development Boards for indigenous communities like Lepcha, Tamang, Sherpa, Bhutia, Limboo, Mangar, Khambu Rai, Bhujel, Damai, Kami, Sarki, Newar, Gurung, Gorkha, Khas, Paharia Minority communities have been set up for focussed preservation and development of their culture and traditions and overall well being of the people belonging to these communities. More than Rs. 320 Crore has already been allotted to the Boards for various development activities including housing, employment generation and creation of social assets.

Peace and normalcy has returned to Jangalmahal districts. Violence and killings are things of the past. Our government is carrying out extensive development activities to ensure development of all people in the area. Jangalmahal Sports and Jangalmahal Festival are being held regularly to promote local talent. More than 33,000 youth of the area have been inducted in the police force in various capacities.

Darjeeling and Jangalmahal are now models of peace and development in the country.

Our Government proudly salutes the resilience and the indomitable spirit of the people of Singur. Land acquired for setting up the car factory has been returned to the farmers following the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court, well before the deadline. The land has been made fit for agriculture and agricultural activities have also commenced. A number of development initiatives have been taken up in the area to improve the socio-economic condition of the people.

We believe in unity, integrity, peace, harmony and development for all. Our target is to make Bengal No.1.

If we can work together, there is no reason why we cannot scale newer heights. The hard work of the State Government and the blessings of the people have transformed Bengal. 'Bangla' is now 'Biswa Bangla'. It is a land of possibilities, a major destination of investors in the country. Gone are the days of despair and darkness. Development is now taking place at a rapid pace and the State is now well poised to make its presence on the global map.

We are taking all possible measures to secure the interest of the new generation and to uphold the glory of Bengal. In spite of the stupendous loan burden confronting us, we aspire to make our State the best in the world. This will always remain our foremost objective.

Let us pledge for a brighter tomorrow. A horizon radiant with prosperity. Together, let us walk towards it.

Wishing you health and happiness.

Jai Hind

Jai Bengal

Yours
Mamata

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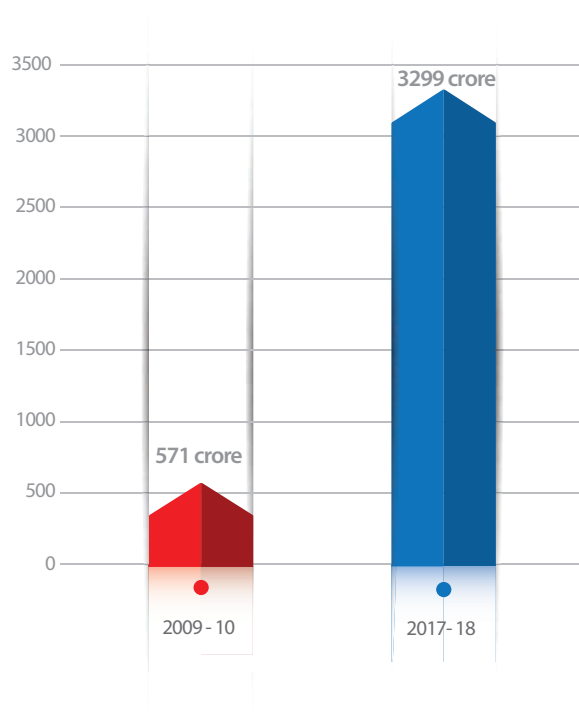


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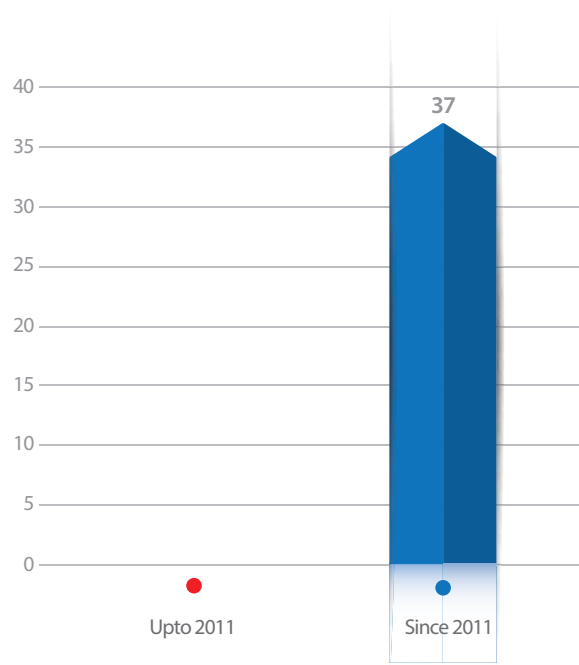
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE ➡

Graphical Representation



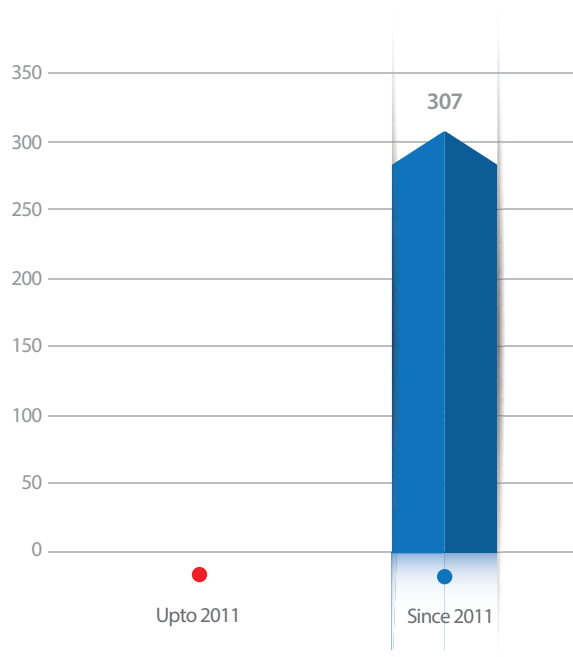
- Astounding rise of almost 6 times
- Huge resource for development

Amount of Plan Budget (in ₹)



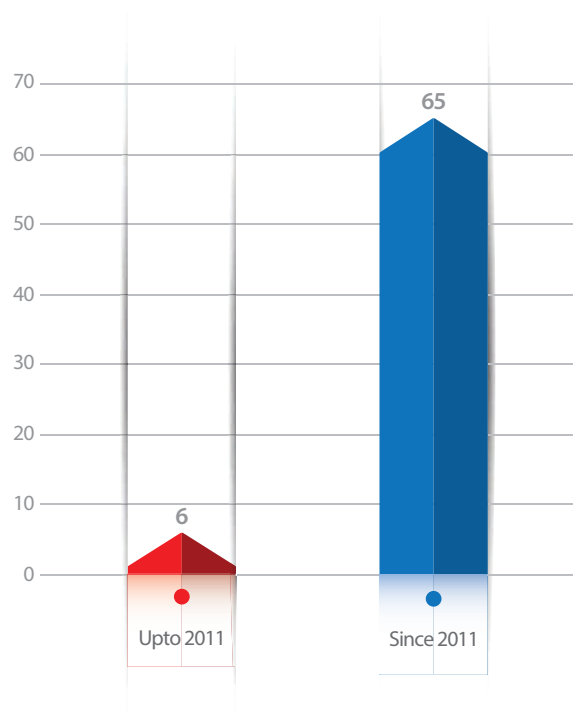
- Emphasis on critical care
- 51 expected by March, 2018

Critical Care Units (CCUs) at District / Sub-Divisional Hospitals



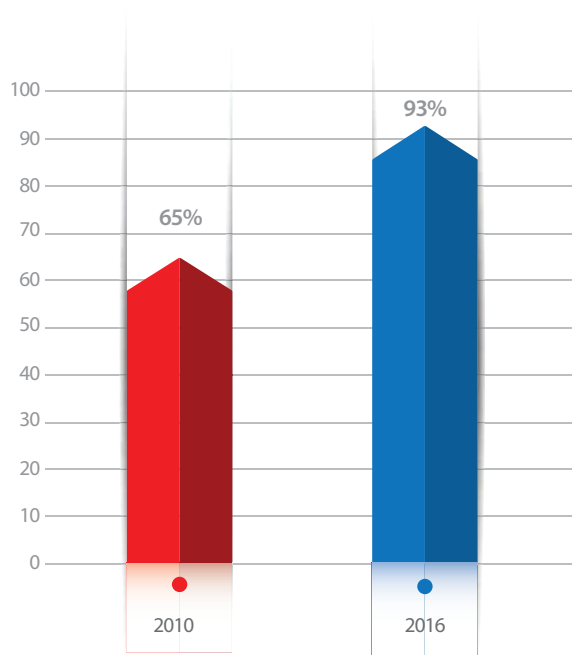
- Prominence in comprehensive neonatal care-307 new SNSUs set up
- Results reflected in declining infant mortality rate

Sick Newborn Stabilisation Units (SNSUs)



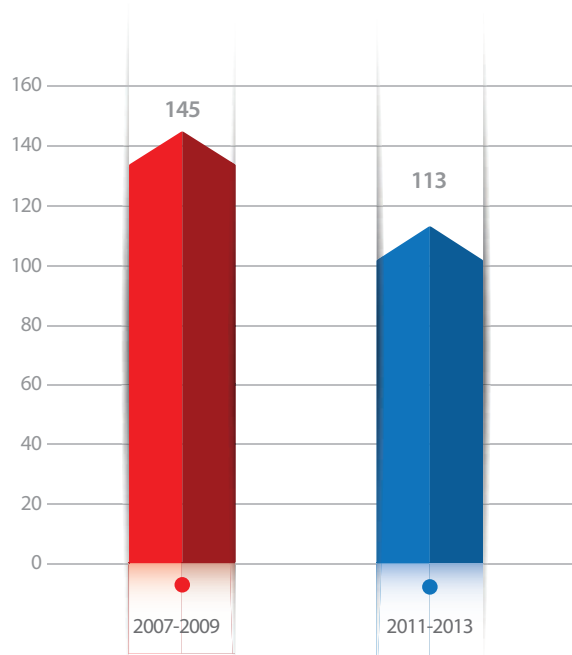
- Increased focus on specialised care of newborns
- 70 expected by March, 2018

Sick Newborn Care Units (SNCUs)



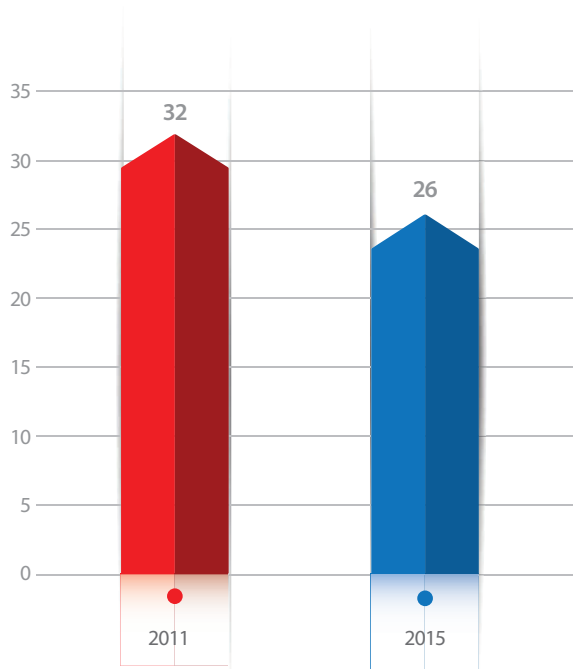
- Remarkable improvement in institutional delivery leading to sharp decline in IMR
- Betterment of health of mother and child

Institutional Delivery



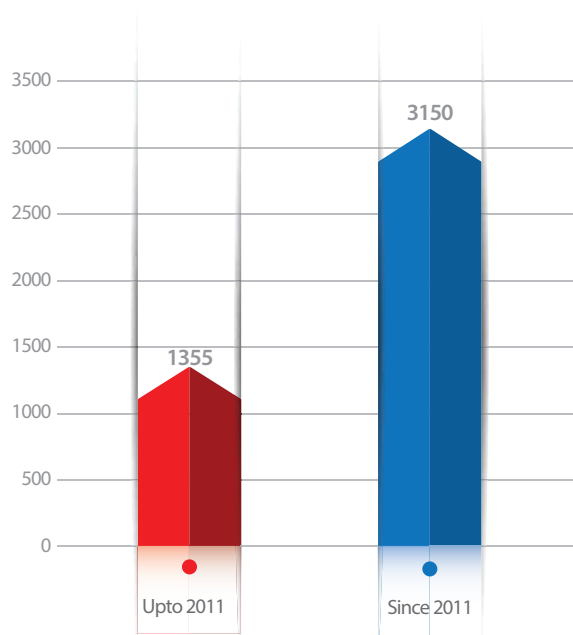
- Significant decline in maternal mortality
- Positive reflection on mother and child care measures undertaken by the government

Maternal Mortality Ratio (per lakh Live Births)



- Remarkable improvement in institutional delivery
- Enhancing the State's human resource

Infant Mortality Rate (per thousand Live Births)



- Medical seats more than doubled
- Better access to healthcare

Seats for MBBS / BDS Courses



Budgetary Allocation:

- Plan Budget has been increased from ₹ 571 crore during 2009-10 to ₹ 3299 crore during 2017-18 – a whopping increase of almost 6 times in a short span of time.

Ensuring Transparency in Healthcare:

- A unique and most effective piece of legislation – West Bengal Clinical Establishment (Registration, Regulation and Transparency) Act, 2017 has been enacted with effect from 17 March, 2017. It aims at ensuring transparent functioning of clinical establishments.
- West Bengal Clinical Establishment Regulatory Commission with adequate powers of monitoring, supervision and regulation has been constituted and is functioning from its office at Standard Insurance Building, 32, BBD Bag, Kolkata – 700 001. It is chaired by Hon'ble Justice Ashim Kumar Roy of Calcutta High Court.

Any aggrieved party can lodge complaint:

- Physically at the commission's office
- Telephonically on 2262 8447
- Electronically on the commission's website – www.wbcerc.gov.in or by sending an email at wbcerc@wb.gov.in

Free Treatment For All:

- In a bold and unprecedented policy decision, the Government has withdrawn all types of user charges in Government hospitals with a view to providing OPD and IPD services including medicine and investigation to the patients absolutely free of cost.

Fair Price Medicine Shops / Diagnostic Centres:

- 112 Fair Price Medicine Shops have been set up, so far, at locations ranging from Medical Colleges to Rural hospitals to provide quality medicines, surgical items, consumables, implants, pacemakers, cardiac stents, etc., at discounts of 48 – 78% on MRP.

- Till February 2017, sales worth ₹ 1399 crore have been recorded and more than 3 crore persons have benefitted by availing discounts amounting to ₹ 873 crore.
- 95 Fair Price Diagnostic Centers have been set up to provide diagnostic services at affordable cost. 33 haemodialysis centres have also been set up in government hospitals.

Focus on Mother and Child Care:

- 307 SNSUs (Sick Newborn Stabilisation Units) have been operationalised to provide comprehensive neonatal care. No SNSU existed in any government health facility prior to 2011.
- 65 SNCUs (Sick Newborn Care Units) with 2063 beds are functional in the State providing specialized care to newborns with an aim to reduce neonatal and infant mortality. Another 5 SNCUs will be made operational within this year. Only 6 SNCUs existed in the State prior to 2011.
- Out of 16 Mother and Child Hubs (MCHs) proposed to be set up, 6 MCHs with state-of-the-art facilities for mother and infant care have been operationalised. Another 3 MCHs will be made operational within this year.
- Waiting Hut – an innovative project has been initiated to provide timely management of Obstetric complications to pregnant mothers in the hard-to-reach areas of the State. 3 such Waiting Huts have already been made functional.
- As a result of these interventions, institutional delivery in the State has increased from 65% in 2010 to over 93% in 2016 – a phenomenal improvement within a few years against heavy odds.
- Maternal Mortality Ratio has seen a significant decline from 145 during 2007-09 to 113 during 2011-13.
- Infant Mortality Rate has seen a sharp decline from 32 in 2011 to 26 in 2015.

Augmenting Health Infrastructure:

- 7 new Medical Colleges (4 Government and 3 Private) have been set up and medical education has commenced. 9 more Medical Colleges are coming up at Coochbehar (2), Raiganj, Purulia, Rampurhat, Diamond Harbour, Bhangor, Nadia and Kurseong.
- 42 Multi/Super Specialty Hospitals of 300/500 bed capacity are being constructed across the State at a cost of about ₹ 2800 crore. OPDs are already functional in 34 Hospitals and IPD services have commenced in 24 Hospitals.

- 37 Critical Care Units (CCUs) and 21 High Dependency Units (HDUs) have been set up in tertiary and secondary level hospitals. 14 more CCUs/HDUs will be made functional within this year. No CCU existed in any district or sub-divisional hospitals before 2011.
- As a result of these massive upgradation in health infrastructure across all tiers, over 27,000 beds have been added in the existing and new Government hospitals, enhancing the total number of beds to more than 1 lakh.

Overcoming Shortage of Healthcare Professionals and Skill Development:

- With a view of retaining existing Medical Officers, the age of superannuation for West Bengal Health Services and West Bengal Public Health-cum-Administrative Services has been raised from 62 to 65 years.
- Recruitment Rules for the post of GDMO (General Duty Medical Officer) have been revised making MBBS doctors registered outside the State eligible for appointment in West Bengal. As a result, the State will benefit with a considerable number of Medical Practitioners coming to practice from outside the State. Out of a total of 897 Medical Officers recommended by the Health Recruitment Board recently, 143 GDMOs were found to be registered outside the State.
- In an unprecedented move, almost 15,000 medical and paramedical personnel have been appointed by the Health Recruitment Board, so far, during the last 6 years.
- Postgraduate Diplomate National Board (DNB) courses have been introduced in 10 District Hospitals with the creation of 80 seats. A first of its kind initiative in the field of Medical Education, this will help overcome shortage of specialist doctors and has drawn accolades from the Government of India and other State Governments.
- 317 Postgraduate and 31 Postdoctoral seats have also been added in the existing Medical Colleges.
- 1795 seats (MBBS and Dental) have been increased in existing as well as new Medical Colleges taking the total number of seats to 3150.
- 9 new Nursing Training Schools have been set up with a view to increase the number of trained nurses. 5 additional Nursing Training Schools are expected to start functioning within this year.
- 365 nursing seats have already been added and 960 more seats would be added within this year.
- 20 Skill Laboratories have been set up, so far, at the Colleges of Nursing / Nursing Training Schools with the objective of reducing maternal and infant mortality by improving the skills of in-service Nursing Personnel. No such Skill Laboratories existed prior to 2011.

- Specialized training programme for specific skills in critical care support has been completed with technical support of Singhealth (Singapore Government) and about 250 medical and paramedical personnel have been imparted advanced critical care training.

Providing Health Insurance:

- ‘Swasthya Sathi’ – Panchayat functionaries and para-workers like ASHA, Anganwadi Workers, Civic Volunteers, etc., have been brought under this unique cashless group health protection scheme. More than 35 lakh beneficiaries have been enrolled and more than 13,000 have already availed healthcare services.
- RSBY smart card holders have increased to more than 62 lakh during 2016-17 from about 45 lakh during 2011-12. Burn-Out-Ratio (Claim raised vs. Premium paid) has gone up to 252 during 2016-17 from 45 during 2011-12. For the first time in the country, RSBY cards are being issued in the name of women head of the family.

Innovative Initiatives:

- ‘Sishu Saathi’ - A unique programme has been launched for providing free of cost operation of children upto the age of 18 years covering the treatment of congenital cardiac diseases, cleft lip / palate and club foot. Almost 12,000 children have been treated under this scheme, so far.
- ‘Madhursneha’ – First Human Milk Bank in Eastern India has been set up at SSKM Hospital.
- A Cord Blood Bank has also been set up at the School of Tropical Medicine.
- Institute of Public Health has been set up at Kalyani. The training of first batch in Master of Public Health has commenced in 2016.
- Telemedicine activities have been started in 5 Medical Colleges (Burdwan Medical College, Bankura Sammilani Medical College, Medinipur Medical College, Kalyani JNM Hospital and NRS Medical College). Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences (SGPGIMS), Lucknow is networked with these institutions for discussions on academic and telehealth consultation services.

Revamping Health Administration:

- 8 new health districts (including 3 new administrative districts) have been created at Kalimpong, Jhargram, Paschim Bardhaman, Nandigram, Bishnupur, Rampurhat, Diamond Harbour and Basirhat in order to streamline and strengthen the functioning of health administration at the district level.
- New licensing software has been developed for Clinical Establishment licensing which is fully electronic with no physical interface. Dematerialized license can be downloaded from the website.
- New Stores Management Information System (SMIS) has been developed to make entire drug indenting, procurement and issue of medicines completely electronic, thus eliminating the physical maintenance of ledgers and registers.
- File Tracking System has been implemented in all sections of the Department to minimize procedural delays.

Recognizing Contribution:

- ‘Swasthya Samman’ award has been instituted for recognition of commendable services rendered by healthcare personnel in government sector. 50 doctors and 50 Staff Nurses, selected from different tiers, have been conferred with this prestigious award, so far.

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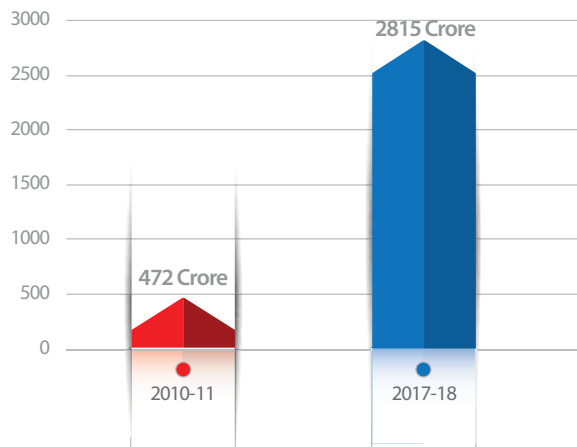
- Critical Care Unit 1
- Fair Price Dialysis Unit 2
- Fair Price Medicine Shop 3
- Mother & Child Hub 4
- Waiting Hut 5





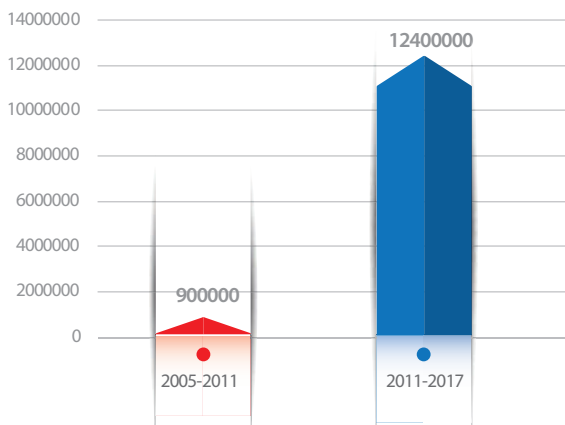
MINORITY AFFAIRS AND MADRASAH EDUCATION





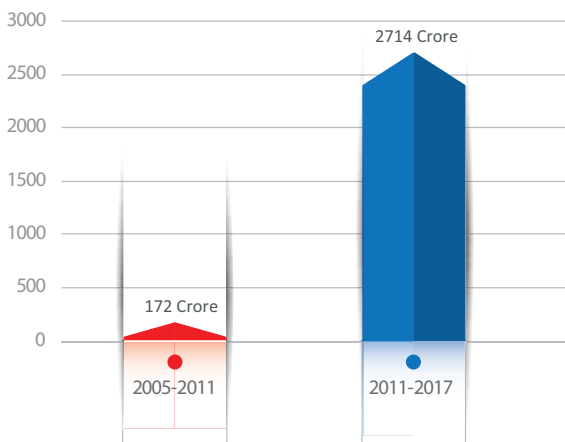
- Phenomenal increase of almost 6 times
- Increased resource for development

Amount of Plan Budget (in ₹)



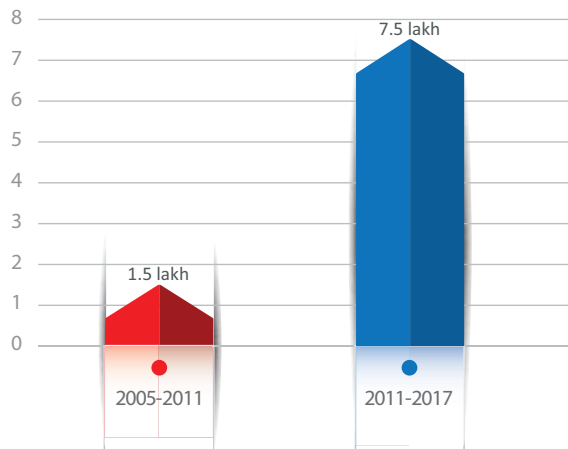
- No. 1 in the country in terms of number of scholarships awarded
- Stupendous rise of more than 14 times

Number of Student Scholarships Disbursed



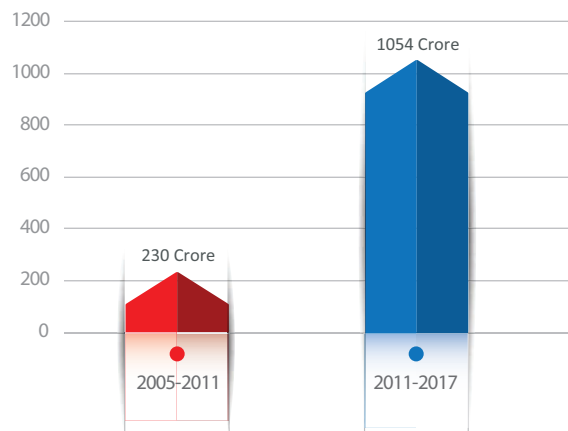
- No. 1 in the country in terms of amount of scholarships awarded
- Astounding hike of more than 15 times

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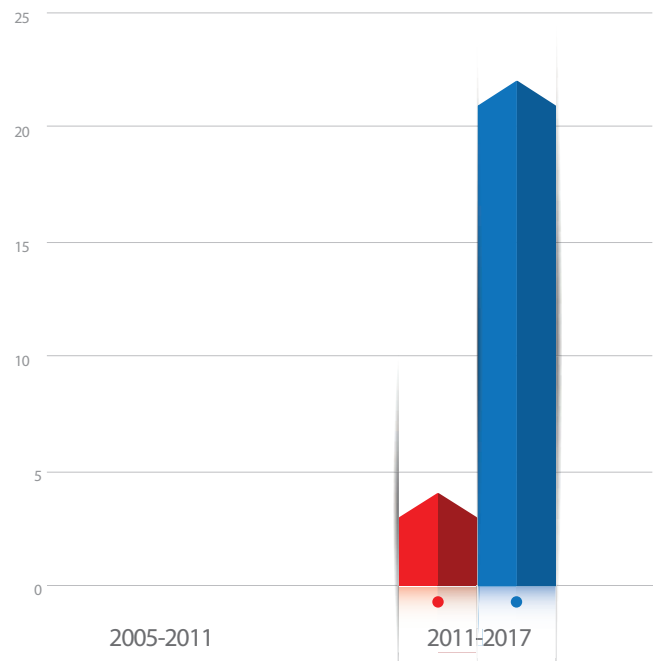
- No. 1 in the country in terms of number of loans disbursed
- All-time record increase of almost 5 times

Number of Loans & Micro Credits Disbursed



- No. 1 in the country in terms of amount of loans disbursed
- Significant increase of almost 5 times

Amount of Loans Disbursed (in ₹)



■ Polytechnics ■ ITIs

- Emphasis on technical education
- Enhancing scope of employment

Number of Polytechnics & ITIs Constructed (in Minority Concentrated Areas)



Budgetary Allocation & Creation of Assets:

- Plan Budget has been increased 6 times to a record ₹ 2815 crore in 2017-18 from ₹ 472 crore in 2010-11.
- More than ₹ 200 crore has been released under IMDP (Integrated Minority Development Programme) to meet critical infrastructural gaps in 31 IMDP Blocks.
- West Bengal stands first in the country with respect to drawal and utilisation of MSDP (Multi-Sectoral Development Programme) fund during the 12th Plan period. More than ₹ 2400 crore has been released to bridge critical infrastructural gaps in 151 Minority Concentrated Blocks during 2011-2017.
- Under this scheme, more than 12,000 classrooms, more than 12,000 ICDS Centres, more than 1000 Health Centres and more than 8000 drinking water facilities have been constructed during this period to augment critical infrastructure in rural areas.

Reservation in Government Sector and Higher Education:

- By introducing a new legislation, the list of OBCs in West Bengal has been extended to include additional 107 Muslim communities. As a result, more than 97% of Muslim population of the State has been recognised as OBC and thus become eligible for reservation in Government jobs and higher education.
- 17% reservation has been granted by West Bengal State Higher Education Institution (Reservation in Education) Act, 2013, without curtailing the general category seats. The students belonging to minority communities have benefited immensely from this initiative of the State Government.
- 17% reservation in State Government jobs for OBC category has also been introduced.

Development Board:

- West Bengal Paharia Minorities Development Board has been established with an objective of more focused development of minorities of the Hill Region. An initial allotment of ₹ 10 crore has been released for this purpose.

Scholarships and Loans:

- More than 1 crore 24 lakh minority students have been awarded scholarships (an all-time record) during 2011-2017, so far, compared to about 9 lakh scholarships awarded during 2005-2011.
- This signifies an amount of ₹ 2714 crore scholarships disbursed during 2011-2017, so far, compared to about ₹ 172 crore scholarships disbursed during 2005-2011.

- Almost 7.5 lakh minority youths & SHGs have been provided with Term Loans and Micro Credit to create sustainable employment during 2011-2017, so far, compared to about 1.5 lakh provided during 2005-2011.
- This translates to about ₹ 1054 crore Term Loans and Micro Credit disbursed during 2011-2017, so far, compared to about ₹ 230 crore disbursed during 2005-2011.

Educational Upliftment:

- State-of-the-art Aliah University has been established in New Town with an additional campus at Park Circus at a project cost of ₹ 517 crore.
- With a view to boost technical education and employability of youths, 8 new Polytechnics and 39 new ITIs are being set up in Minority Concentrated Areas. So far, 4 new Polytechnics and 22 new ITIs have been constructed.
- English medium Madrasahs are being set up all across the State to fulfil the aspiration of younger generation for modern education. Already 9 such Madrasahs are functional, so far.
- West Bengal is among the very few States in the country to provide Digital Literacy to students in government-aided Madrasahs. Almost 2 lakh students have been trained, so far.
- To usher in educational upliftment, 419 hostels for minority students are being set up across the State at a cost of more than ₹ 400 crore. Out of these, 147 hostels have been operationalised, so far.

Skill Development and Employment:

- Vocational and Skill Development Training Programmes have been restructured following the Modular Employability Skill (MES) norms. Almost 1.5 lakh youths have been provided training, so far. Another batch of about 30,000 youths is undergoing training at present.
- 302 'Karmatirthas' (Marketing Hubs) are being set up at a project cost of more than ₹ 750 crore for providing self employment opportunities to minority youths and SHGs in Minority Concentrated Areas.

Housing:

- In order to improve the quality of life of minority communities in West Bengal and to fulfil the commitment of the State Government of providing 'Shelter for All', almost 1.5 lakh housing units have been constructed under various housing schemes at a cost of ₹ 1200 crore, so far.

Promotion of Languages:

Significant Achievements

- West Bengal Official Language (Amendment) Act, 2012 has been enacted to provide languages like Urdu, Nepali, Gurumukhi, etc., the status of Official Languages in areas having more than 10% people speaking these languages. This legislation has in effect redressed the long pending demand of the people speaking these languages to interact in their mother tongue in government offices.
- The budgetary allocation of West Bengal Urdu Academy has been enhanced by over 5 times, during the last six years.

Minority Bhawans:

- To consolidate minority welfare activities, Minority Bhawans have been set up in every District Headquarters. So far, 19 such Bhawans are functional.

Haj Pilgrimage:

- New state-of-the-art Haj House named 'Madinatul Hujjaj' has been built in New Town at a cost of ₹ 100 crore.
- A record number of almost 60,000 Haj Pilgrims have performed Haj Pilgrimage, so far, during the last six years with active support from the State Government.

Boundary Walls around Graveyards:

- In order to protect the dignity of the departed, boundary walls around almost 3500 graveyards belonging to minority communities are being constructed. More than ₹ 300 crore has been released for this purpose. So far, boundary walls around 1700 graveyards have been completed.

Social Activities of Imams and Moazzins:

- Almost 65,000 Imams and Moazzins have been deployed by West Bengal Board of Auqaf, so far, to aid the Government in generating public awareness regarding dropouts in schools and Madrasahs, immunization, sanitation and other social issues. They are also helping the Board of Auqaf in protecting Auqaf properties.



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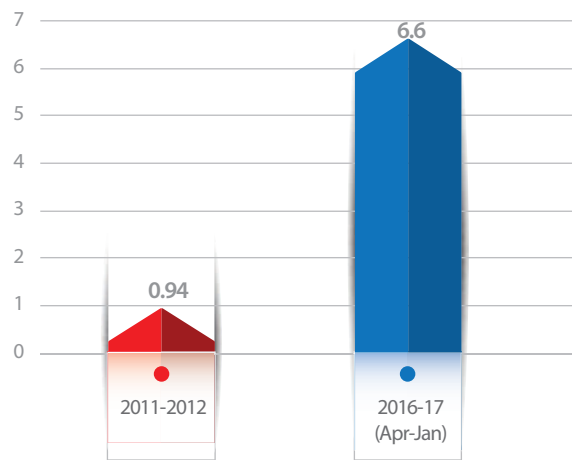
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- Digital Literacy in Madrasah 2
- English Medium Madrasah 3
- IMDP_Drinking Water 4
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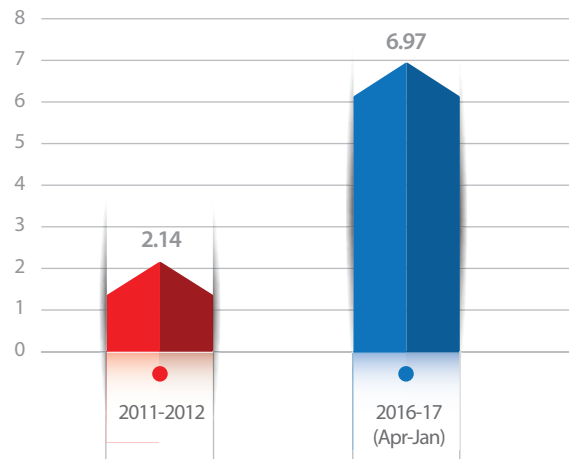


INDUSTRY, COMMERCE AND ENTERPRISES ➡
(Commerce & Industries Wing)

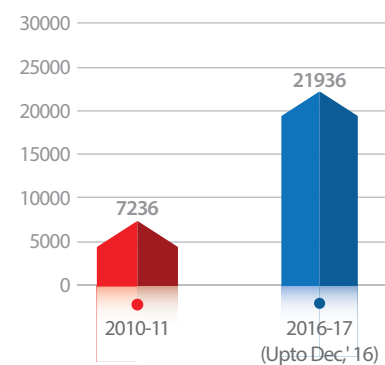
Growth of Index of Industrial Production
(Manufacturing) in West Bengal



Growth of Index of Industrial
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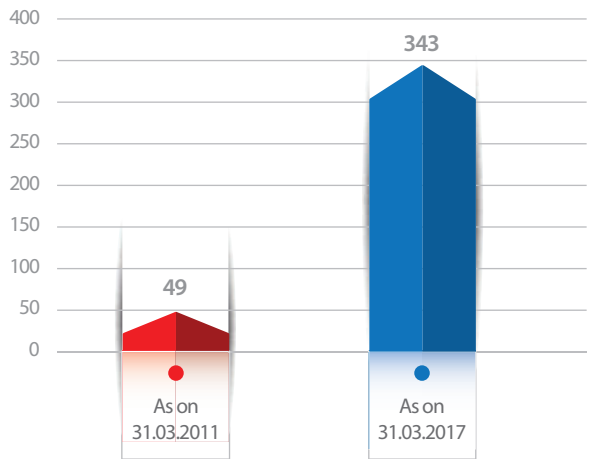


Bank Credit Flow
to MSME sector (in ₹ Crore)

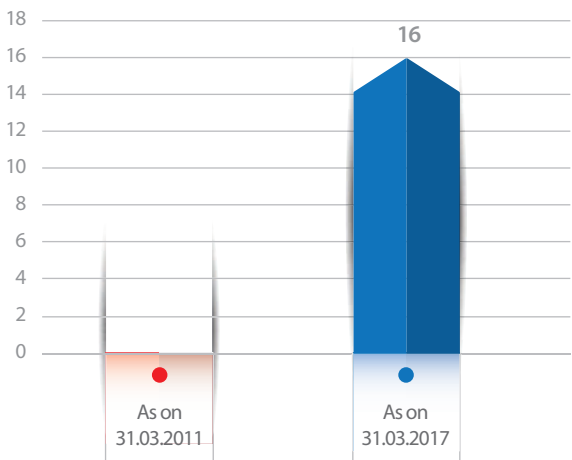




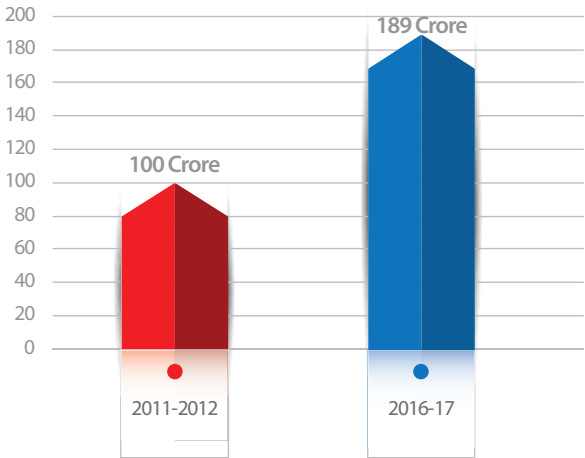
Number of Clusters



Number of Rural Haat/Urban Haat/Karmatirtha started



Business generated from fairs & exhibitions



Operating profit/loss by Manjusha





MULTIDIMENSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE INDUSTRY SECTOR IN WEST BENGAL

- **Major indicator of Industrial growth in West Bengal : 2011-12 to 2016-17**

The **Index of Industrial Production (IIP)** is the key growth indicator of industrial development in a State. The bar-diagram on page 25 shows the remarkable achievement of West Bengal over the last six years.

It has been the constant endeavor of the state Government since coming to power in 2011 to consistently pursue the cause of industrial growth and development under the visionary leadership of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Mamata Banerjee.

- Bengal's industrial growth has clocked far above that of National Industrial Growth. For example, while India's industrial growth in 2015-16 reached 7.3%, Bengal's industrial growth clocked a higher growth of 10.6%.
- Some landmark achievements in industry and industrial infrastructure development are enlisted below:

- **INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT;**

- **NEW INDUSTRIAL PARKS / GROWTH CENTERS initiated in the last six years:**

- Gems and Jewellery Park at Ankurhati, Howrah.
- Garment Park at Budge Budge in South 24 Parganas,
- Goaltore Industrial Park at Goaltore in PaschimMedinipur
- Haringhata Industrial Park at Haringhata in Nadia
- Food Park (Phase –III) at Sankhrail, Howrah
- Coochbehar Growth Center at Chakchaka, Coochbehar
- Falta Industrial Growth Center at Falta

- **REVAMPED / UPGRADED INDUSTRIAL PARKS / GROWTH CENTERS in the last six years:**

Revamping and enlarging by investing significantly on infrastructure of several parks to make them World Class: The entire infrastructure of existing parks has been revamped and recast into world class with major investments which has in turn attracted significant investment from several entrepreneurs. A small though significant feature is installation of Solar Powered street lighting systems in all the Industrial growth Centers. The industrial parks/growth centers falling under this category are:

- Rishi BankimShilpaUdyan at Naihati in North 24 Parganas,
- Vidyasagar Industrial Park at Kharagpur in PaschimMedinipur
- Panagarh Industrial Park at Burdwan
- Plasto Steel Park in Barjora at Bankura
- UluberiaIndustrial Growth Center at Howrah
- Kharagpur Industrial Growth Center in PaschimMedinipur
- Dabgram Industrial Growth Center in Siliguri
- Raninagar Industrial Growth Center in Jalpaiguri
- Examples of MAJOR INVESTMENT PROJECTS BY TOP COMPANIES OF INDIA AND ABROAD THAT HAVE COMMENCED COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OR IN THE PROCESS OF DOING SO, **in the last six years :**
 - BASF India Ltd. (Germany),
 - Mahindra & Mahindra,
 - ShapoorjiPallonji,
 - Pepsico India (Expansion),
 - Tata Hitachi Construction Company Ltd.,
 - Matix Fertilizers Ltd.,
 - BAPL – Airport at Andal,
 - OCL Cements,
 - JSW Cements,
 - Shree Cements,
 - AMUL Dairy,
 - Shriram Infrastructure ,
 - Aditya Birla Group (Jayshree Textiles) (Expansion),
 - L&T,
 - Farida Group (Largest shoe exporter in India),

Significant Achievements

- Future Group (Kishore Biyani),
 - SAIL – Modernization & Expansion,
 - ITC – Integrated Food Park,
 - ITC- Infotech Park,
 - CESC (RPG Group),
 - EXIDE Industries,
 - BRG Group,
 - Globus Spirit,
 - CPF (India) Pvt. Ltd. ,
 - Inox Air products,
 - Brahm Energy,
 - Xpro India Ltd ,
 - IRCTC ,
 - Reliance Cement Company Private Ltd.,
 - H&R Johnson Ltd.,
 - TIL Ltd.,
 - Indian Oil Corporation Ltd ,
 - Titagarh Wagons Ltd.,
 - Texmaco (Adventz Group),
 - Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd., etc.
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- **AMRITSAR-KOLKATA INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR PROJECT:** The Amritsar-Kolkata Industrial Corridor (AKIC) has been approved along the alignment of the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) which traverses a route length of **1839 Km** extending from **Ludhiana in Punjab to Dankuni in West Bengal**.
 - **Raghunathpur Industrial Park** in Purulia district has been selected as the priority site for developing the proposed **Integrated Manufacturing Cluster (IMC) over 2483 acres of land**.

- **NEW INTERVENTION: PETROCHEMICALS AND PLASTICS SECTOR**

- Haldia Petrochemicals Limited which had gone to BIFR before the Govt. came to power has been brought back from the brink of failure. It is now going full throttle at 97% capacity use, employing **over 3000 workers**.
- This has provided the **raw material for the 2500 downstream industry in the plastic sector and now provides employment for about 5 lakh people**.
- The erstwhile Mitsubishi Chemicals has been revamped- which **now employs about 2500 people**.

- **NEW INTERVENTIONS IN MINING SECTOR:**

SPURT in Revenue Collection

(A) Minor Mineral (Rs in Crore)

Year	Royalty & Cess	Bid Money	Total
2010-11	88.66	0	88.66
2011-12	121.98	0	121.98
2012-13	177.44	0	177.44
2013-14	157.1	0	157.1
2014-15	107.19	0	107.19
2015-16	180.39	0	180.39
2016-17	302.75	225.5	528.25

(B) Major Mineral (Rs. In Crore)

Year	Coal	CBM	Total
2014-15	1643.57	22.04	1665.61
2015-16	1662.47	23.54	1686.01
2016-17	1771.21	24.06	1795.27

- **Deocha Panchami Harinsingha** Coal blocks in Birbhum with a coal reserve of 2102 million tonne is the World's second largest deposit, capable of meeting the requirement of Power sector for the next 50 years. This is in the process of being commissioned and a JV company has been already formed.
- Agreement has been signed with **KIOCL Ltd.** (a national public sector company) for a joint venture company for **Iron Ore exploration and extraction in West Bengal.**
- Necessary statutory intervention has been made through introduction of new rules, amendment of existing rules etc. to make mining more transparent, competitive, environment friendly and structured.
- District Mineral Foundation (DMF) Account has been opened in 19 districts in 2016-17 and revenue collection has begun. This revenue collection will be used for building social infrastructures at local level where mining operations are being conducted.
- During 2015-16 **Mining Leases has been executed in respect of seven Coal Blocks**, viz. WBPDC 4 Coal Blocks, DPL 1 Block, DVC 1 Block and CESC 1 Block.
- **NEW INITIATIVE - CITY GAS DISTRIBUTION IN AND AROUND KOLKATA:**
- The Greater Calcutta Gas Supply Corporation Ltd. has received the authorization from the PNGRB for this project. **A JVC between GAIL and GCGSCL will drive the implementation of the project.**
- On realisation of the CGD network project the people of **Kolkata** and five adjoining districts including **North 24-Parganas, South 24-Parganas, Howrah, Hooghly and Nadia** would be immensely benefited. It will not only cater to the domestic sector but also cover the **transport, commercial and industrial sectors** as well.
- **SHOWCASING BENGAL AS AN ATTRACTIVE INVESTMENT DESTINATION: -**
- **BENGAL GLOBAL BUSINESS SUMMITS:**
The Department has organized three Bengal Global Business Summits at Milan Mela Grounds:
BGBS 2015: The first edition was organized on the 08th & 09th Jan 2015 attracting investment proposals of **Rs. 2, 43,100 Cr** with participation from 20 countries
BGBS 2016: Second edition was organized on the 16th & 17th Jan 2016 attracting investment intentions of **Rs. 2, 50, 253.74 Cr** with participation from 26 countries
INVESTMENT INTENTIONS WORTH RS.1,08,837 CRORE OF BGBS 2015 AND RS.78,604.63 CRORE OF BGBS 2016 ARE UNDER VARIOUS STAGES OF IMPLEMENTATION .

BGBS 2017: The third edition of Bengal Global Business Summit 2017 was held on 20th and 21st of Jan 2017, with the theme of “Come to Bengal, Ride the Growth” and saw participation from across India and **29 Countries**.

- Despite the economic slowdown triggered by the ill- timed and poorly executed demonetisation drive by the Government of India, a total of **Rs. 2,35,290.03 Crore** of business announcements, business document exchanges, expressions of interest and investment proposals were received at the two day Summit.
- This underlined the primacy of West Bengal as an attractive investment destination and reflected the progressive policy regime of the government of West Bengal.
- **Partner countries in BGBS 2017:**
 - Japan
 - Italy
 - Poland
 - Germany
- In addition, large business delegations came from
 - Russia,
 - South Korea,
 - China.
- **NEW FEATURES IN THE SUMMIT:**

Vendor development programs - led by the **Mahindra group and the Future group** were organised to give a 360 degree boost towards revamping the ecosystem and thereby attracting manufacturing industries in Bengal.

ASEAN business development session—a special session was conducted viz.“Rising Bengal in Emerging Asia” participated by academicians and businessmen

Clothing and Apparel— a sector specific session
- **MAJOR INITIATIVES IN PORTS AND MARITIME SECTOR:**
- **Tajpur Port:** The State has taken an initiative to develop a Deep Sea Port near Tajpur in the District of PurbaMedinipur.The proposed port would be set up over reclaimed land of 178 ha. in the first phase at an approximate cost of **Rs 4800 Crore**.

BhorSagar Port: The state government has taken an initiative to develop a Deep Sea Port at Sagar Island of South 24-Parganas through a Joint Venture Company between GoWB and KoPT.

The State has proposed to Gol that urgently, a bridge be built to connect the mainland with the Sagar islands which is the site of the annual Kumbh mela of the Eastern India attracting over 20 lakh pilgrims and tourists.

- **EASE OF DOING BUSINESS AND ONLINE SERVICES:**
- Government has decided to simplify procedures for setting up industries in the State.
- Amongst all the States, West Bengal has been recognized for certain best practices viz., online solutions for registrations, payments and returns for VAT, CST, PT, Entertainment Tax and Entry Tax, Single Window (ShilpaSathi) for large industries.
- Important initiatives taken by the State Government are well defined for electricity, water and sewer connections, online application for electricity connections and for property registration and payment.
- Government has also exempted 49 industries/activities from Pollution Control Board clearances as a prerequisite to start business.
- For the benefit of Large Scale Industrial Units, an internet based software on 'Online Single Window Clearance System' for obtaining 11 kinds of statutory clearances from different Government Departments for setting up of large scale industrial units has already been developed.
- **Time bound clearances under the ShilpaSathi Single Window Services:**
 - Timeline for clearance for Mutation of Land has been fixed at 21 days
 - Timeline for clearance for Conversion of Land has been fixed at 30 days
 - Timeline for clearance for Consent to establish from WBPCB has been fixed at :
 - Red Category: 60 days
 - Orange Category: 30 days
 - Green Category: 15 days
 - Timeline for clearance for Consent to operate from WBPCB has been fixed at :
 - Red Category: 60 days
 - Orange Category: 30 days
 - Green Category: 15 days
 - Timeline for registration, license and its renewal under Factories act fixed at 65 days

- Timeline for clearance for permit of groundwater has been fixed at 30 to 15 days
- Timeline for clearance for permit of surface water has been fixed at 21 days
- Timeline for clearance for permit of bulk power supply has been fixed at 15 days for upto 125 KVA
- Timeline for clearance for fire license has been fixed at 60 days
- **Rejuvenation of Tea Gardens:**
- Five tea gardens belonging to West Bengal Tea Development Corporation Ltd. under this Department have been handed over to the selected bidders and leases have been executed in favour of the new buyers with a view to rejuvenate the gardens. There has been no retrenchment of workers during the said transfer process.
- **Best Practices:** In its Inspection Audit for accounts of 2015-16, C&AG lauded the corporation for best practices- "The company had executed sale of tea gardens through open bidding process by observing the norms of transparency, better value realization, ensuring the security of employees etc. "

A. Major initiatives under taken/implemented

1. **Cluster Development:** Aimed at enhancing productivity and competitiveness of MSMEs of homogeneous nature in a contiguous area.
2. **Comprehensive Handloom Development Scheme:** In Dakshin Dinajpur district with a cost of **Rs. 46 crore** covering **11,153 weavers**.
3. **Rural Craft Hub (RCH) and Rural Craft & Cultural Hub (RCCH):** A Rs 28 crore **joint venture with UNESCO** for promoting crafts of Bengal and providing sustainable livelihood to artisans. Covers 10 crafts in 9 districts and 3000 artisans. Expanded as **Rural Craft & Cultural Hub (RCCH)** to groom 15 locations of the State to grow as tourist destinations by incorporating folk songs/dance too.
4. **Project Muslin :** Aimed at reviving Muslin covering **3,000 weavers** in Murshidabad, Birbhum, Nadia, Burdwan, Bankura, Hooghly, Howrah, Paschim Medinipur, North 24 parganas and Malda districts. The project is **Rs. 62 crore**.
5. **Project Baluchari:** An initiative to revive Baluchari saree, a GI product of Bishnupur covering **2000 weavers** with a project cost of **Rs. 10 crore**. Baluchari showroom set up at Park Street.
6. **Project Mat:** Covers nearly **2,500** artisans of Paschim Medinipur & Purba Medinipur districts for providing infrastructure, technology, skill and marketing support.

7. **Rejuvenation of Calcutta Leather Complex:** Being developed as a mega leather cluster including setting up a leather footwear park and refurbishment of existing CETPs as also setting up two new CETPs.
8. **Schemes for promoting private parties to set up industrial parks:** Under Schemes of Approved Industrial Park and Texpro, private entities are being promoted for setting up industrial parks across the State. 30 such parks being developed.
9. **West Bengal MSME Venture Capital Fund:** Rs. 200 cr fund created for equity support to MSMEs.
10. **Tanti Sathi:** Provides handloom and accessories to loom less weavers to enhance productivity & sustained employment in the Handloom sector.
11. **Karma Tirtha:** Being set up for providing marketing and allied infrastructure for artisan, weavers and village industries. Total 422 KT planned, 54 for IC&E Department.
12. **Urban/Rural Haat:** For year round exclusive marketing opportunities to the rural artisans/weavers, the haats provide permanent structure along with other facilities in different locations all over the State.
13. **West Bengal Handloom Circuit Development Scheme:** Being implemented in collaboration with the Department of TE&T for skill up-gradation of technician/weavers.
14. Development of **Howrah MSME Hub** taken up for MSME led development in Howrah. Development plan has been prepared by CRISIL. Sectors for propelling growth and growth enablers location have been identified.
15. Development of **Industrial Growth Corridor (IGC)** taken up for accelerated industrial growth along NHs and SHs.
16. Synergy MSME: A unique service-delivery event. Started in 2013 to provide customized solutions to MSME business needs under one umbrella at the decentralized levels. One state level Synergy and 11 regional level Synergy events have been organised successfully so far.

B. Highlights of major achievements in the last 6 years

1. MSME Policy, Textiles Policy 2013-18 launched in 2013
2. Start Up Policy launched in 2016
3. **Rs. 1,22,875 crore** (up to December, 2016) Bank credit flow to MSME sector in the State
4. **455 lakh** additional maydays created in Handloom sector
5. **294** (MSME-175, Handloom-77, Khadi-42) new clusters undertaken

6. **8** Urban/Rural Haat being set up; 7 completed
7. Close to **Rs. 600 crore** incentive disbursed to MSMEs
8. **54** Karma Tirtha (Marketing infrastructure) being set up; 10 already completed in last one year.
9. **Rs. 717 crore** sales made from different fairs & exhibitions.
10. Tantuja and Manjusha making profit for the last three years. Tantuja achieved Rs. 6.19 crore operating profit in FY 2016-17 and Rs. 4.81 crore operating profit achieved by Manjusha in FY 2016-17.
11. **8** Biswa Bangla showrooms set up and functioning
12. **10** Rural Craft Hubs (RCH) developed in collaboration with UNESCO.
13. **Total 30** industrial parks covering 2935 acres of land are being set up with support from government under Scheme of Approved Industrial Park (SAIP) and Texpro. Investment potential Rs. 72,600 crore and employment potential 9,87,000.
14. **Rs 200 cr** MSME Venture Capital Fund launched in 2015. 39 proposals received, 19 proposals were considered, 10 got in-principle approval and 3 already disbursed.
15. **Nearly 4000** entrepreneurs facilitated through **Finance Clinic** for credit linkage involving Rs. 500 cr. in last one & half year.
16. **Technology Facilitation Centre (TFC)** set up in collaboration with CSIR in Kolkata provided technology support to 183 clusters and 10 Rural Craft Hub projects.
17. **More than 62,200** loom less handloom weavers provided with looms & accessories under **Tanti Sathi**.
18. **5,31,772** Artisan Identity cards issued
19. **5,31,075** Weavers Identity Cards issued
20. One stop statutory portal **www.myenterprisewb.in** launched for MSMEs with online facility for submission of statutory application through **Single application Gateway (SAG)**
21. More than **7600** clearances/licenses issued in last one & half years through **23 Industry Facilitation Centre (IFC)** –a single window service provider at district level.
22. **Over 48,500** entrepreneurs have availed services in **one State Level Synergy and 11 regional Synergy events**.
23. **MSME Finance Portal www.msmebengalinvest.in** launched as a virtual meeting ground of entrepreneurs, investors and professional experts. It also has on-line credit assessment powered by IIMC for every project proposal uploaded.



GALLERY



- Bengal Global Business Summit 2017 1
- Bengal Global Business Summit 2016 2
- Bengal Global Business Summit 2015 3
- Synergy Msme 2013 4
- Synergy Hooghly 2017 5
- Synergy Bankura 2017 6
- Kalyani Industrial Growth Centre, Phase I, Gayespur, Nadia 7
- Karmatirtha: Bamangola, Malda 8



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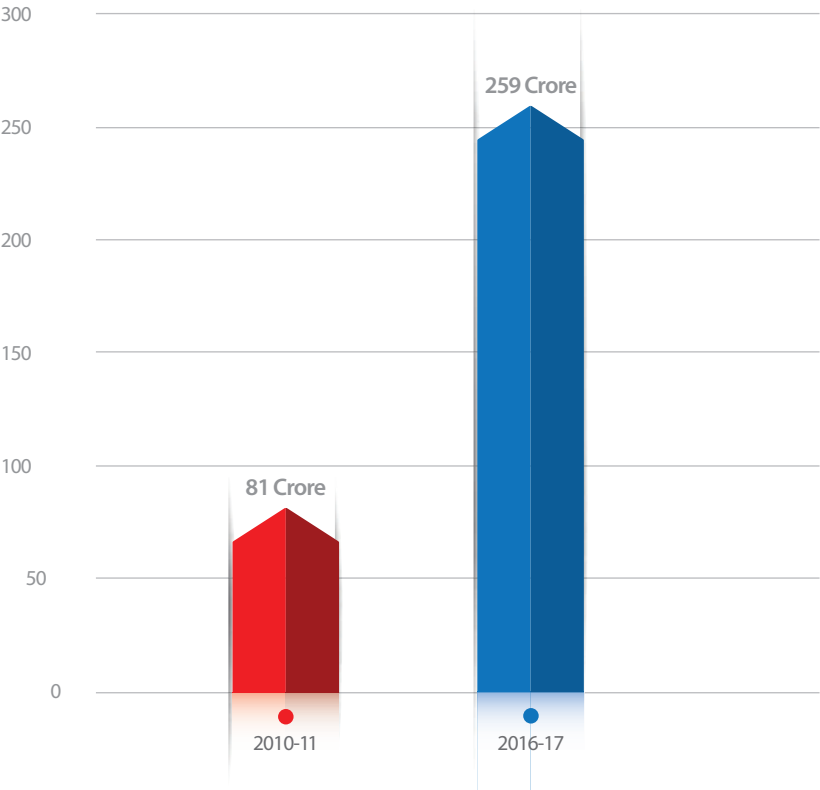


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HOME AND HILL AFFAIRS ➡

Graphical Representation



- Massive increase of more than 3 times
- Enhanced focus on providing peace and security to citizens

Plan Expenditure under Home [Police] (in ₹)



Law and Order:

- The State has remained peaceful without any major incidents of violence or communal tension.
- Life in Jangalmahal and Darjeeling continues to be normal.
- Incidents of crime against women, dacoity, robbery, murder, etc., are on the decline.
- Kolkata is the safest city in terms of incidents of crime against women, according to latest data released by the NCRB (National Crime Records Bureau).
- Government is adopting a 'Zero tolerance' towards crime against women.
- All these improvements are reflected in the Plan Expenditure, under Home (Police), which has shot up to ₹ 259 crore in 2016-17 compared to ₹ 81 crore in 2010-11.

Safe Drive, Save Life:

- The Government is committed not only to provide a secure environment in general but also to ensure safety on the roads. Keeping this objective in mind, 'Safe Drive, Save Life' campaign has been launched to reduce road and traffic accidents.
- Under this initiative, a wide ranging publicity campaign has been made to spread awareness among the citizens. Special camps have been separately held by the Police authorities with vehicle drivers, auto drivers and school children.
- 1100 CCTV Cameras, 16 LED Screens, 10 Speed Laser Guns and Speed Enforcer Cameras have been deployed at crucial junctions and spots under the Kolkata Police jurisdiction.
- 25 vehicles have been deployed for monitoring purpose in similar number of identified Black Spots under the West Bengal Police jurisdiction.
- Apart from these, speed signages at important crossings and spots have been installed to alert drivers. Guard Rails are positioned every night at crucial junctions and crossings to check rash driving.

Land Boundary Agreement:

- Bringing to an end a long vexing issue, enclaves (chhitmahalss) were exchanged between India and Bangladesh on the midnight of July 31, 2015 by implementing the latest amendment to the India-Bangladesh Land Boundary Agreement, 1974.
- During this land swap, all 51 Bangladeshi enclaves, located within Indian territory, were amalgamated with Coochbehar district comprising an area of more than 7,000 acre with a population of almost 15,000 people.

- Residents of these former enclaves have been welcomed into the mainstream with:
 - o 100% coverage under 'Khadyasathi' scheme
 - o 100% coverage under Job Card, AADHAR and EPIC
 - o Land survey being completed and record correction process ongoing
- Drinking water, electricity, health facilities, irrigation and other socio-economic facilities have been extended by the State government.
- In order to provide gainful employment, they are being provided employment under 100 days' work. About 60 SHGs have been formed and trained for self employment.
- Additionally, almost 1,000 persons comprising more than 200 families of erstwhile Indian enclaves located within Bangladeshi territory entered into India.
- They have been settled in 3 Resettlement Camps located at Mekhliganj, Haldibari and Dinhata.
- Gruel kitchens for all the returnees were arranged at these camps for 1 month.
- Free ration of 30 kg rice, 5 kg dal, 5 liter kerosene, 1 kg milk powder, 5 liter mustard oil and 1.5 kg iodized salt per family is being provided to them by the State government.

Community Policing:

- Under the West Bengal Police jurisdiction, annual sporting festivals are regularly being organized involving the youth and local clubs of the region with the aim of inculcating healthy habits and social cohesion:
 - o Jangalmahal Cup comprising the districts of Paschim Medinipur, Jhargram, Bankura and Purulia
 - o Himal-Terai-Dooars Cup comprising the Hills districts
 - o Sundarban Cup comprising the Sundarban areas
 - o Koch Bihar Cup comprising the Coochbehar district
- Under the Kolkata Police jurisdiction, 3 new Community Policing projects have been initiated:
 - o GOALZ and SAMPARK involving the underprivileged youth
 - o SUKANYA for providing self defence training to school-going girls

Welfare of Surrendered Left Wing Extremists (LWEs):

- During 2011-2017, more than 220 surrendered LWEs have been provided funds under existing rehabilitation scheme to enable them to join the mainstream. Similar process is on for 100 more surrendered LWEs.
- 205 surrendered LWEs have been enrolled as Special Home Guards in different districts. Enrolment process is on for 20 more surrendered LWEs.

Bolstering Police Administration:

- 5 new Police Commissionerates have been established - Siliguri, Barrackpore, Bidhannagar, Asansol-Durgapur and Howrah.
- 7 new Police Districts have been notified – Jhargram, Alipurduar, Purba Bardhaman, Paschim Bardhaman, Sundarban, Diamond Harbour and Baruipur.
- Since 2011, 108 new Police Stations, Coastal Police Stations and Cyber Police Stations have been created under West Bengal and Kolkata Police.
- Out of proposed 73 Women Police Stations, 48 have already been made functional.
- All Police Stations in the State have been declared as 'Child Friendly' Police Stations for implementation of Juvenile Justice Act, 2015.

Increasing Manpower:

- During 2011-2017, almost 40,000 different new posts of Police personnel have been created, against which recruitment of about 24,000 personnel have been completed.
- This is in addition to almost 1,50,000 Civic Police Volunteers and 4000 Village Police Volunteers engaged during the same period.

Augmenting Police Infrastructure:

- Construction of 18 Fortified Police Stations in 3 LWE districts has been completed.
- New buildings for Haridevpur, Bansdroni, Patuli Police Stations have been constructed. New buildings for Wattgunge and Park Street Police Stations have been constructed with residential accommodation.
- New buildings for Patuli, Amherst Street, Wattgunge and Tollygunge Women Police Stations have been constructed in a very short time.
- Aquatic Training Centre with a swimming pool of international standard has been developed at Swami Vivekananda State Police Academy, Barrackpore.

Ongoing Important Police Infrastructural Projects:

- Construction of Kolkata Police Training Academy near Kamardanga STP area in Howrah.
- Construction of Police Training School at Salua.
- Construction of Special Infrastructure Scheme (SIS) Projects in 3 LWE Districts, mainly for accommodation of the security forces.
- Construction of 64 new Police Station buildings under WBP.

- Construction of Bidhannagar Police Line, barracks & East Bidhannagar Police Station.
- Construction of various Police infrastructure for Jhargram and Purba Medinipur districts. Construction of various Police infrastructure for Alipurduar district has been sanctioned and work will start soon.
- Physical infrastructural development of New Market, Park Street, Shyampukur, Narkeldanga, Behala, Lake and Kalighat Police Stations.

Forensic Science Laboratory:

- Pendency of cases has been brought down significantly. Pendency of old cases in all sections (except Biology and Ballistics) is zero.

Hill Affairs:

- GTA Act was notified in 2012. 35 Departments of the Government have notified the setting up of their Offices under GTA.
- More than Rs.3925 Crores has been allocated from the Hill Affairs Department for the hills over the last six years.
- The situation in the Hill areas of Darjeeling district and that of Dooars has remained peaceful due to sustained efforts on the part of this Government. Developmental measures aimed at benefitting the people in the Hill areas and Dooars have culminated in significant socio-economic improvement of the people residing in these areas. The overall impact of such activities has resulted in building up a peaceful and calm atmosphere in the region. Notable among the steps taken is creation of a separate district of Kalimpong and a separate Sub-Division of Mirik, both of which have started functioning.
- 16 (Sixteen) Development Boards have been formed for the indigenous communities of the hills and nearly Rs.320 Crore has already been disbursed to them for various developmental activities including preservation and promotion of their ancient culture and traditions.
- The development of road infrastructure in the Hill areas has been a priority of this Government. Renovation of NH-55 between Tindharia and Paglajhora and NH-10 between Sevoke and Sikkim border which were badly damaged due to landslides has been taken up. The work of construction of AH-2 and AH-48 is underway which will improve the connectivity of West Bengal with Sikkim, Nepal, Bangladesh and Bhutan.
- In the Tourism sector of Hill Areas, considerable thrust has been imposed for providing boost to Tourism. At Kalimpong, eight (8) cottages have been constructed within the premises of Morgan House Tourist Lodge. Two Cultural Tourism Centres are being developed at Kalimpong-I and Sukhiapokhri Blocks for focusing of Lepcha culture and heritage. One hundred bedded Youth Hostel is under construction at Kalimpong. Development of a number of new Tourist destinations have been undertaken at a cost of Rs. 29.40 crore. Four Executive class buses for foreign tourists as well as four small vehicles for local sightseeing have been introduced at a cost of Rs. 2 crore. In Darjeeling, an ecofriendly Tourist Lodge is being developed at Tiger Hill. The Siliguri Royal Tiger Safari has been introduced which will be the first Tiger Safari in West Bengal.

- Model schools at Sukna, Mongarjung and RKSP at Darjeeling have been established. The Model Schools will be commissioned from the session 2017-18. Two degree colleges have been established at Pedong and Gorubathan. A new ITI and one Polytechnic college are being built up at Kalimpong. Another ITI is being set up at Gorubathan. In Kurseong, Dow Hill is being developed as an Education Hub. The Himalayan Centre of Presidency University is also being established at the same place.
- In the Health Sector of Hill Areas due priority has been attached. In Kalimpong, one HDU has been set up. Eight SNSUs have been set up in the district of Darjeeling. Two CCUs have been established at Siliguri and Darjeeling. Four Fair Price Medicine shops have been established at Darjeeling, Siliguri, Kurseong and Naxalbari. In Kurseong, one new Medical College is being set up while a hundred bedded ESI Hospital is being established at Siliguri. Moreover, four Sub-Centres are ready to be commissioned.
- The Government proposes to lay emphasis on Eco and Village Tourism, setting up of new Health centres, Agriculture and Horticulture as well as Skill development schemes in the areas of Hospitality, Security Services (Unarmed), Handloom, Handicrafts etc. Himal-Terai-Dooars sports festivals have been held to encourage the youth of the region for participating in sports and games activities.

GALLERY



G+3 Barrack at Barrackpore – Rs. 3.805 crore 1

Gopiballavpur Fortified Police Station (in LWE area) – Rs. 2 crore. 2

Haridevpur P.S (Kolkata) –Rs. 4.50 Crore. 3

Lalgarh Fortified P.S (in LWE area) Rs. 2 crore. 4

Sarenga Fortified P.S (in LWE area) Rs. – 2 crore. 5

Traffic Training School at Tala (Kolkata) Rs. – 2.62 crore. 6

Kotshila Fortified P.S (in LWE area) –Rs. 2 crore. 7

Women P.S at Jalpaiguri Rs. 1 crore. 8

Kotshila Fortified P.S (in LWE area) –Rs. 2 crore. 9





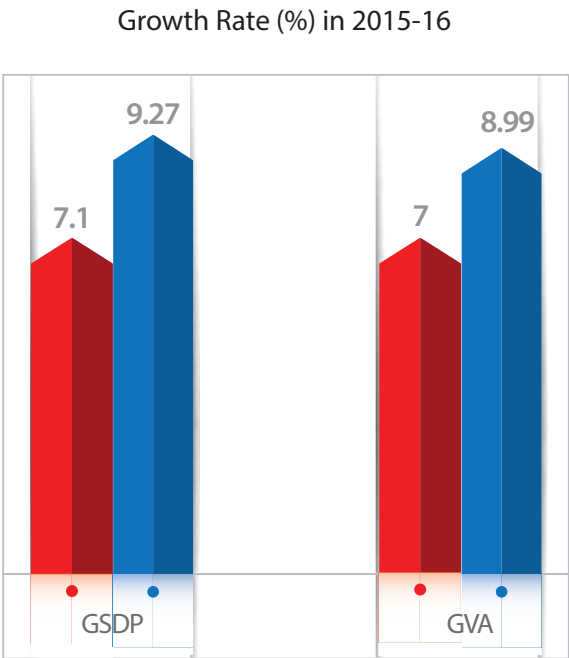


FINANCE ➡

Macro Economic Indicators

- a. In 2016-17, State’s GSDP at constant prices grew by 9.27% in comparison to India’s 7.1% growth during corresponding period.
- b. West Bengal’s Gross Value Added (GVA) growth in 2016-17 at factor cost is 8.99% against India’s 7% at constant prices.
- c. Industry sector of West Bengal grew at an impressive 7.24% compared to India’s 5.2% as count of GVA.
- d. Service sector of West Bengal grew at 11.19% against India’s 8.8% as count of GVA.
- e. The state has seen a steady growth of GSDP (2004-05 base) due to the overall development measures of the state government.

	2010-2011	2016-17
GSDP (In Rs Cr.)	4,60,959	9,89,965



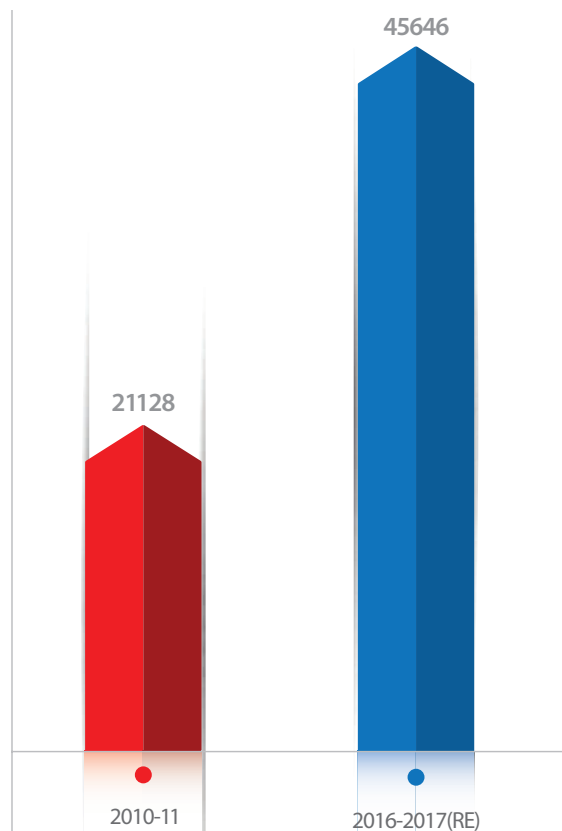
Fiscal Management

1. Debt Management

Annual debt has been contained within 3% of GSDP. Debt : GSDP Ratio has declined consistently in last 6 years.

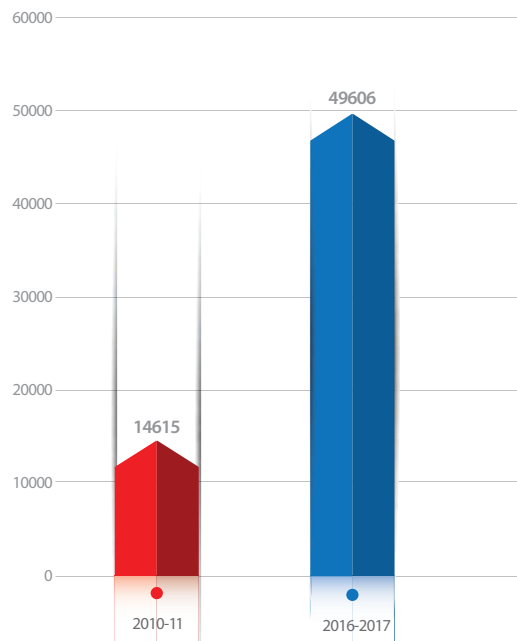
2. State Own Tax Revenue

- Massive reforms in tax administration through e-governance and simplification of tax rules and procedures- mandatory online filing of VAT returns, e-registration, e-payment of taxes, e-stamping, electronic refund, etc.
- Extensive re-organization of Commercial Taxes, Excise and Stamp & Registration Directorates.
- Increase in tax base through introduction of compensatory entry tax, increase in VAT rates, alignment of circle rates with market rates, first point duty collection of excise, supplementary licences of country and foreign liquor, introduction of MRP based excise duty collection in country liquor etc.
- The gross collection of State's **Own Tax Revenue has more than doubled** from Rs. 21,128 Cr in 2010-11 to Rs. 45,646 Cr in 2016-17.



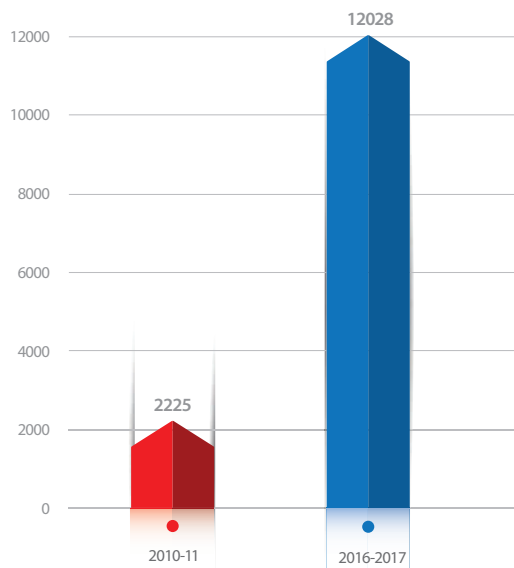
3. Plan Expenditure

The total State Plan expenditure has increased 3.5 times from Rs. 14,615 Crore in 2010-11 to Rs. 49,606 Crore in 2016-17.



5. Capital Expenditure:

The Capital Expenditure has increased 5.5 times from Rs. 2,225 Crore in 2010-11 to Rs. 12,028 Crore in 2016-17.



Sectoral Expenditure

1. Social Infrastructure

(Education, Sports, Art & Culture, Health & Family Welfare, Water Supply, Sanitation, Housing, Information & Broadcasting, Labour & Labour Welfare, Welfare of SC, ST and OBC, Social Welfare and Nutrition)

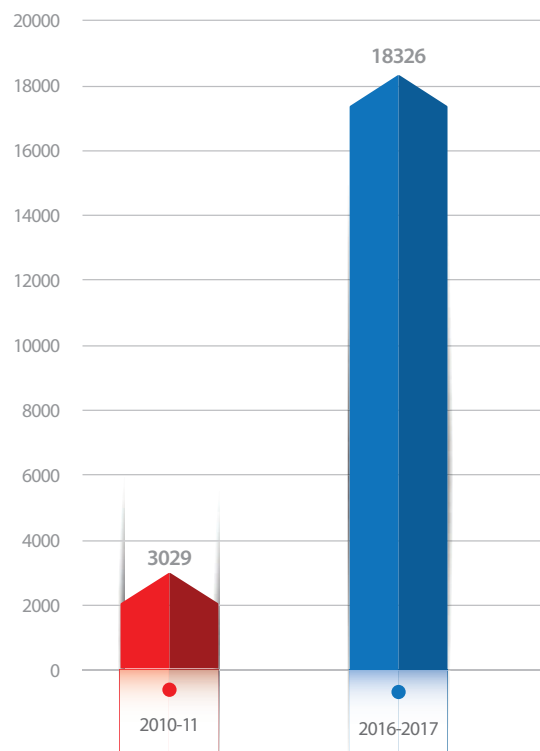
The **Expenditure on social Infrastructure** has increased more than 3.5 times from Rs. 6,845 Crore in 2010-11 to Rs. 25,120 Crore in 2016-17.



2. Agri and Agri-allied including Rural Development:

(Includes Agriculture & allied activities, Rural Development, Special Areas Program and Irrigation and Flood).

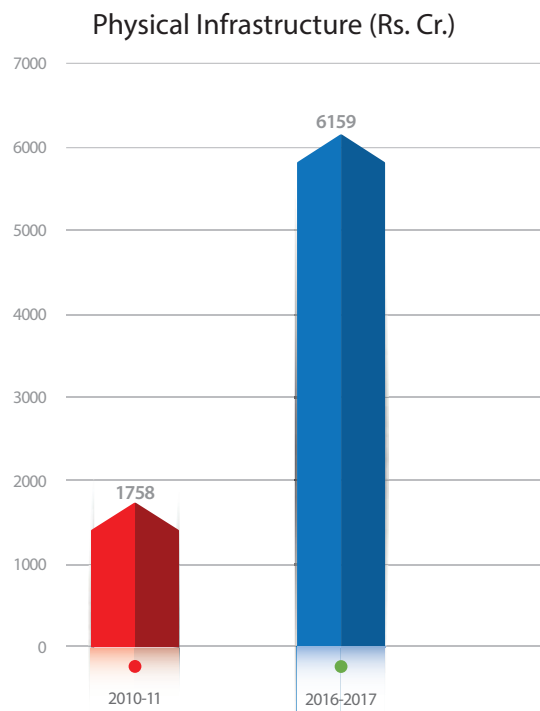
The **Expenditure in Agri and Agri-allied Sector has increased more than 6 times** from Rs. 3,029 Crore in 2010-11 to Rs. 18,326 Crore in 2016-17



3. Physical Infrastructure :

(Includes Energy, Industry and Minerals, Transport, Science Technology & Environment, General Economic Service)

The **Expenditure on Physical Infrastructure** has increased more than 3.5 times from Rs. 1,758 Crore in 2010-11 to Rs. 6,159 Crore in 2016-17.



Financial Management

1. **Implemented Integrated Financial management System [IFMS]**, a web-based Application for better Financial and Fiscal Management of state government. About 3.32 Crores beneficiaries including employees, students, Social Security, beneficiaries, etc. are receiving online payments of their salaries, pensions, scholarships, etc. IFMS is an end to end and the biggest G2G and G2C e-Governance Project by any state in the country.

West Bengal is the first state in the country to integrate its treasuries directly with e-Kuber portal of RBI to make direct online payments to beneficiaries (DBT).

IFMS has been awarded **Award of Excellence by Computer Society of India-Nihilent e-Governance Awards 2015.**

2. Implemented **Government Receipts Portal System (GRIPS)** – a Portal for facilitating citizens to Online deposit Tax and Non-Tax Revenues / Fees of the government. About 90% Revenue of government is received Online.
3. Introduced **e-Pension** system for convenient **Online** application, processing and timely payment of Gratuity and Pension of over 6 lakhs school teachers and panchayat / municipal employees.
4. **e-tendering** has been made mandatory for tenders over Rs. 5 lakhs in all Government departments, local bodies and all parastatal organisations since 2012.

Streamlining the Tax Administration

Directorate of Registration

1. The process of registration of properties has been made fully computerised in all Registration Offices with implementation of **e-Nathikaran**.
2. Registration related services and information are provided online to the citizen through www.wbregistration.gov.in portal. Following **Online services** are available to citizen :
 - a. Assessment of Market Value of immovable properties
 - b. Online payment of stamp duty
 - c. Online Searching Facility on registered deeds
 - d. Online availability of scanned copies of registered deeds
 - e. Queue Management System to avoid long queue and inordinate delay.
 - f. Simultaneous mutation of names after registration of deeds.
3. Old manual records of registration are being digitised and uploaded to the web-site to facilitate online searching and inspection of old documents.
4. 51 facilitation centres have been set up in various registration offices to provide fast and smooth services to the registrant public.
5. The **collection of revenue has doubled** from Rs. 2,418 Crore in 2010-11 to Rs. 4,328 Crore in 2016-2017.

Commercial Tax Directorate

1. Universal Computerisation of the Commercial Tax System including Profession Tax during 2011-12. The

e-Governance in Commercial Directorate has got nine (9) national awards and appreciations including National e-governance award, Golden Peacock Award, National Silver Award, Skoch Award and CII appreciation.

Revenue Collection has almost doubled in past six years from Rs. 18,367 Crore to Rs. 31,898 Crore.

2. Reforms in Tax Administration :

- i. Payments of Tax and refunds have been made Online since 2015-16.
- ii. Registration, amendment of registration, filing of returns, generation of statutory forms and filing of appeal have been made Online and are now paperless and without any physical interface.
- iii. Registration granted statutorily within 24 working hours; submissions of physical copy and pre-registration verification have been done away.
- iv. To provide relief to small traders, threshold for registration has been increased from Rs. 5 Lakh to 20 Lakh.
- v. Refund procedure has been simplified.
- vi. Reduction in number of assessment to protect tax payers from undue harassment by replacing selection on discretion of assessing officers by "Risk Based Selection".
- vii. Linking of TDS with IFMS for better collection of TDS and TCS. **TDS Collection increased four (4) times** from Rs. 335.34 Crore in 2011-12 to Rs. 1,235.58 Crore in 2016-17.

Excise Directorate

1. Revenue mobilisation:

The collection of **Excise Revenue has increased three (3) folds** from Rs. 1,769 crores in 2010-11 to Rs. 5,199 crores in 2016-17.

2. Ease in doing business and transparency:

(i) Reforms in licensing:

Introduction of OFF counters in Foreign Liquor ON shops to stream line the illegal sale of bottles from ON shops and giving supplementary licences to Country Spirit shops to sell Foreign Liquor and Foreign liquor shops to sell Country spirit, thus almost doubling counters without opening a single new shop.

(ii) E- Governance:

Started a comprehensive e-Governance system namely e-Abgari. Most of the department's services now can

be applied, processed and delivered Online bringing in a high degree of transparency and efficiency. This has obviated the need for service-applicants to come to Excise Department offices. In a published report of Asian Development Bank 2015 it is commented that the e-Abgari, the digital inclusion system adopted by the West Bengal Excise Department contributed in increasing the revenue.

(iii) QR code based Holographic security labels:

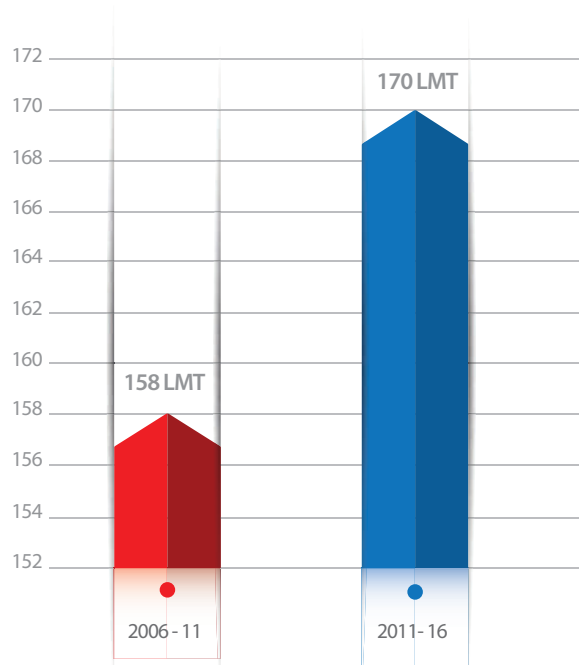
West Bengal has introduced **QR code based Holographic security labels** affixed on each and every liquor bottled manufactured in the state. The QR code uniquely identifies each bottle of liquor and is a tool for verification of authenticity through electronic means.

3. Setting up of WBSBCL:

A new beverages corporation namely West Bengal State Beverages Corporation Ltd. has been set up to take over the distribution of liquor throughout the state of West Bengal so that the issue of illicit / counterfeit / spurious liquors can be checked.

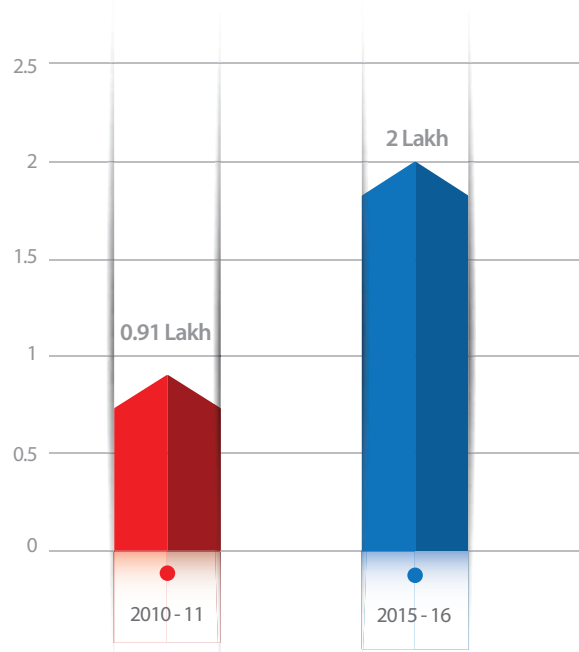


AGRICULTURE ➡



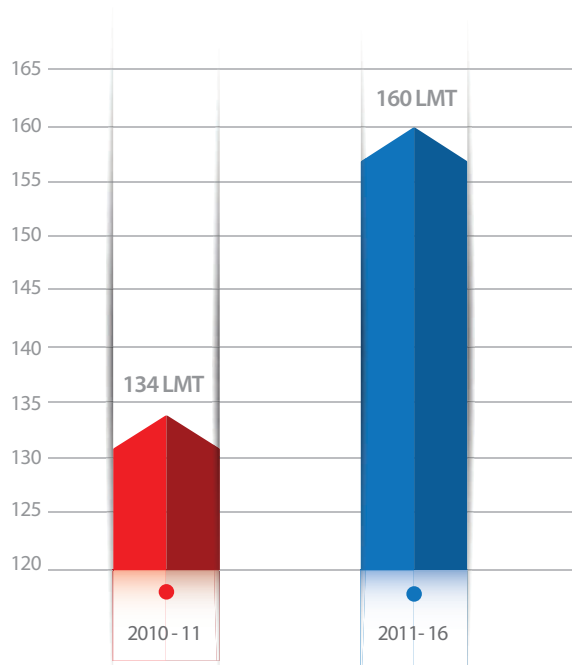
- Remarkable rise in production of food grain
- Received 'Krishi Karman' award five times in a row

Average Food Grain Production Per Annum (in lakh metric ton)



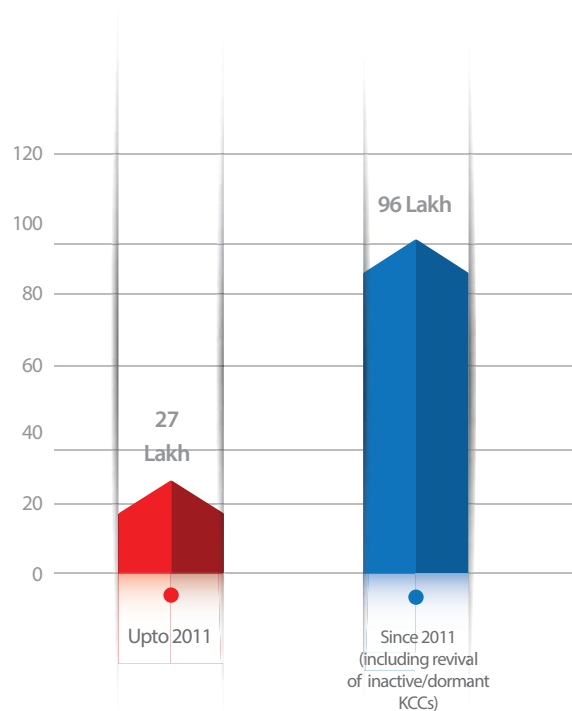
- Farmer's household income more than doubled
- Increased prosperity for farmers and their families

Household Income of Farmer (in ₹)



- Sharp increase in production of rice
- Retained leadership position in the country

Rice Production (in lakh metric ton)



- More than 69 Lakh KCCs distributed, so far
- Bringing affordable credit within reach of farmers

Kishan Credit Card (KCC) Distribution



- Krishi Karman Award (of Government of India) has been conferred upon the State five times in a row for record:
 - o Pulses production in 2011-12
 - o Total food grain production in 2012-13
 - o Coarse cereal production in 2013-14
 - o Oilseed production in 2014-15
 - o Pulse production in 2015-16after sustaining significant growth in food and grain production.
- Agricultural income has increased remarkably in the past six years. As per latest data, farmer's household annual income has witnessed a quantum jump from about ₹ 91,000 in 2010-11 to almost ₹ 2,00,000 in 2015-16.
- In a bold initiative, the State Government has decided to waive tax on agricultural land. This will go a long way in not only mitigating hardship faced by the farmers but also boost agricultural output and income in future.
- Erstwhile 'Singur Project Area' has been made suitable for cultivation before handing over the land to the farmers. Boro paddy has already been cultivated in 230 acres of land, apart from other crops.
- 'Mati Utsab' is being observed annually for the 1st time in India since 2013 to recognize the importance of soil and farmers' role in feeding mankind and conserving the ecosystem. A permanent exhibition ground named 'Mati-Tirtha – Krishi Katha' has been set up at Burdwan. This novel programme has earned the accolade of Food and Agriculture Organisation of UNO.
- West Bengal has been among the very few States in the country to promote setting up of Custom Hiring Centres in order to facilitate easy access of modern large farm machineries to small and marginal farmers at affordable hiring cost. Subsidy worth more than ₹ 40 crore has been provided to rural entrepreneurs for setting up of about 600 Custom Hiring Centres across the State, so far.
- West Bengal has successfully and timely implemented 'Bangla Fasal Bima Yojona' in order to safeguard poor farmers from crop losses due to natural calamities. The State Government is contributing 100% farmers' share of premium along with the share meant for the government. The coverage has gone upto 31 lakh farmers, so far.
- An innovative Soil Health Card (SHC) scheme has been started in 2015-16 for sustainable management of soil health through soil analysis and issuing SHCs along with advisory on judicious use of fertilizer and micro-nutrients essential for different crops. About 31 lakh SHCs have been issued to the farmers, so far.

- Three new Colleges of Agriculture have been established at Sadhanpur, Chhatna (under Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya) and Tapan (under Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya).

Increase in Production and Area of Coverage:

- Average food grain production per annum during 2011-2016 has increased to almost 170 lakh metric ton (LMT) compared to about 158 LMT produced during 2006-2011.
- West Bengal retained its leadership in rice production in India with almost 160 LMT produced during 2015-16 notwithstanding severe inundation, which was about 26 LMT higher than the amount produced during 2010-11.
- During the last six years, the area of coverage and amount produced with respect to different crops have increased substantially as detailed hereunder:
 - o In case of maize, by almost 73% and 88%, respectively
 - o In case of pulses, by almost 35% and 47%, respectively
 - o In case of food grain, by almost 14% and 20%, respectively
 - o In case of oilseed, by almost 17% and 26%, respectively
 - o In case of rice, by almost 12% and 19%, respectively

Connecting Soil-Based Activities:

- Dissemination of information on agricultural technologies and ongoing Government Schemes is being undertaken through Mass Education, annual Block Krishi Melas (1670 organised, so far), Sub-Divisional Krishi Melas (48 organised, so far) and District Krishi Melas (17 organised, so far).
- For the very first time, farmers are being felicitated with KRISHAK RATNAs at the Block level and KRISHAK SAMMANs at the State level.

Agricultural Credit:

- West Bengal started the campaign for “Universalisation of KCC (Kishan Credit Card)” in 2011-12 in order to facilitate institutional credit to farmers and save them from rural money lenders. More than 69 lakh KCCs have been distributed, so far, during the last six years compared to about 27 lakh KCC distributed upto 2011.
- West Bengal is the 1st State in India where Government subsidy is directly credited into the farmers’ KCC bank accounts (started in 2012-13). Almost ₹ 330 crore subsidy has been credited into these accounts, so far, for purchasing agricultural implements.

Introduction of New Technology and Modernisation of Techniques:

- New methods of crop cultivation like SRI (System of Rice Intensification), Zero Tillage and SARP (System of Assured Rice Production) for paddy and Zero Tillage for wheat have been introduced and area under such methods has increased significantly.
- 17 new varieties of Rice including an arsenic-tolerant variety named ‘Muktashree’, 8 new varieties of pulses and 6 new varieties of oilseeds have been developed and released by the Agriculture Department, so far, during the last six years.
- In order to facilitate mechanization in agriculture, farm implements like tractors, power tillers, reaper, pump sets as well as a host of other small implements have been distributed among almost 3.5 lakh farmers at a cost of about ₹ 340 crore, so far.
- Technical-level residential training courses on Farm Mechanisation are being conducted and almost 1500 trainees have benefited, so far, since 2012-13.
- About 1630 MT certified potato seed tuber has been produced, so far, as a maiden initiative in different Farms/ Research Stations of the State.
- Two new Seed Testing Laboratories have been established at Krishnanagar (Nadia) and Bankura.
- Four new Soil Testing Labs and one Fertilizer Quality Control Lab at Coochbehar and one Bio-fertilizer Control Lab at Burdwan have been established.

Innovative Initiatives:

- A state-of-the-art ICT-enabled Agri-Extension Project, i.e., 'Matir Katha' has been launched in 2013-14 to address farm-related problems using hand-held Tablet PCs and a dedicated portal (www.matirkatha.gov.in). The program has also proved to be a very useful tool for monitoring agri-extension activities.
- A farmer-friendly mobile app, namely 'Matir Katha-Krishaker Katha' has been developed so that farmers can upload their farm-related queries directly to 'Matir Katha' portal.
- In order to address the farmer's queries and to broadcast live discussion by Agricultural Experts, 234 live phone-in programmes have been broadcasted, so far, over All India Radio under the name 'Amra Chas Kari Anande'.
- Promotion of 'Farmer Producer Organisation (FPO)' has been undertaken in the State for organizing small and marginal farmers into cluster of groups to facilitate enhancement of farmers' income by increasing producers' share in consumers' price.

Disaster Damage Relief and Weather Stations:

- Agricultural input subsidy relief worth almost ₹ 1400 crore has been disbursed among about 33 lakh farmers, so far, to help them tide over crop damages due to natural calamities like hailstorm, unseasonal heavy rain, flood, drought, etc. No other previous Governments in West Bengal have ever provided input subsidy relief on this scale.
- 141 Automatic Weather Stations have been established, so far, in different agricultural farms for automatic uninterrupted recording of weather data. These data are of immense help for development of decision support framework including support to the affected farmers through Crop Insurance.

Significant Achievements



Other Achievements:

- Under Farmers' Old Age Pension Scheme (FOAP), annual assistance of around ₹ 60 crore is being provided to more than 66,000 farmers.
- Soil Conservation wing of Agriculture Department has undertaken land development and creation of irrigation potential in more than 45,000 hectare with an investment of about ₹ 175 crore, so far.
- Special emphasis is being placed on organic farming in cluster approach. 120 clusters have been formed in 11 districts of the State, so far.



GALLERY



- Krishak Samman award 1
- SDRF: Cheque distribution to farmers affected by natural calamity 2
- HCM handing over Krishak Samman Awards at Mati Utsav 2017 3
- Mati Utsav at Burdwan 4
- Preparation of land for cultivation at Singur project area 5
- Singur Project area: Potato Cultivation 6





**PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
AND e-GOVERNANCE**





Rationalisation of Administrative Units:

- With a view to ensuring focussed development, speedy service delivery and administrative as well as public convenience, the government has carved out:
 - o 2 new Divisions of Medinipur and Malda
 - o 4 new Districts of Alipurduar, Kalimpong, Jhargram and Paschim Bardhaman
 - o 3 new Sub-Divisions of Mirik (Darjeeling), Jhalda and Manbazar (Purulia)
- 2 more Districts of Sundarban and Basirhat will be created very soon.

Administrative Meetings / Calendar:

- 153 district-level Administrative Meetings (for intensive monitoring of developmental issues) have been organised over the years, so far, with the objective of taking the highest level of administration to the grassroots – effectively connecting the CMO with the BDOs.
- Administrative Calendar has been made an integral part of governance since 2014 to ensure time-bound achievement of stated goals of the departments.

Self Attestation / Declaration:

- 'Self Attestation' in lieu of attestation by gazetted officers and 'Self Declaration' in lieu of affidavit has been introduced for more than 70 services, so far, in order to minimise hassle of the general public.

Integrated Administrative Complex:

- A unique concept of integrated administrative complex has been initiated to bring all the important district-level offices under one roof. This will not only improve interdepartmental coordination and administrative efficiency but also facilitate better access to services for the citizens.
- 2 complexes at Purba Medinipur and Alipurduar districts are nearing completion. Other such projects will be undertaken shortly for the newly created districts.

Coping with Manpower Shortage:

- Cadre strength of IAS officers has been increased to 359 from 314 at the intervention of the State Government. This has helped bridge the gap in availability of officers.
- Career movement of WBCS (Exe) officers has been expedited with the strength of Special Secretaries and Joint Secretaries having been increased from 25 to 60 and from 145 to 215, respectively.
- Upper age limit for entry into government services has been increased from 32 to 36 years for Group-A posts, from 32 to 39 years for Group-B posts and to 40 years for Group-C and D posts. SC / ST and OBC candidates will continue to

get upper age relaxation of 5 years and 3 years, respectively, as per rules.

- West Bengal Group-D Recruitment Board has been constituted to fill up vacancies in different government offices.

Building Training Capacity and Skill Upgradation:

- Administrative Training Institute (ATI), West Bengal, an ISO 9001 : 2008 Certified organisation, has received National Award for Excellence in Training for 'Trainer Development for Decentralized Training through Regional Training Centres' and for 'Use of Technology to Bring Innovation in Training' for the years 2015 and 2016, respectively.
- In a significant step towards taking training closer to the workplace, ATI is currently conducting training programmes through Regional Training Centres (RTCs) located in different districts.
- ATI has been selected by the Government of India for induction level training for SCS / NSCS officers promoted to IAS, earlier organized only by Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie.
- In the recent past, ATI has conducted different e-Governance module and also participated in capacity development programmes on e-Governance.
- Civil Services Study Centre has been set up at ATI campus to impart guidance and subject-wise coaching for the candidates appearing for Civil Services Examination.
- A composite training programme for the WBCS (Exe) officers has been introduced – one week in India and another week in Oxford University, UK or LQ University of Public Policy, Singapore – to impart training on state-of-the-art tools of governance.
- Communicative English course for W. B.C.S. [Exe.] officers has been initiated to hone communication skill of the officers in collaboration with the British Council.

Towards a Transparent Administration:

- Anti Corruption Branch under the direct control of the P and AR Department has been set up to enquire into complaints of administrative irregularities and corruption against employees of the State Government, local bodies, Public Sector Undertakings, Corporations, Societies, etc. This has strengthened the anti-corruption machinery of the Government.

Sensitive Governance:

- Civil Services Day has been celebrated for the first time in the State on 21 April, 2017 to acknowledge yeoman services rendered by the Civil Servants.
- Introduction of Paternity-cum-Child Care Leave of 30 days is yet another milestone after allowing Maternity-cum-Child Care Leave of 730 days for government employees.
- In yet another instance of government's humane approach towards its employees, ownership housing schemes for IAS and WBCS (Exe) officers have been introduced.



GALLERY



Civil Services Day Celebration 1

Proposed Integrated Administrative Complex, Nimtouri, Purba Medinipur
(Estimated Cost: 150 Crores (Approx) 2

Proposed Integrated Collectorate Building at Alipurduar for a Project cost of Rs. 49.83 Crore (Front view) 3



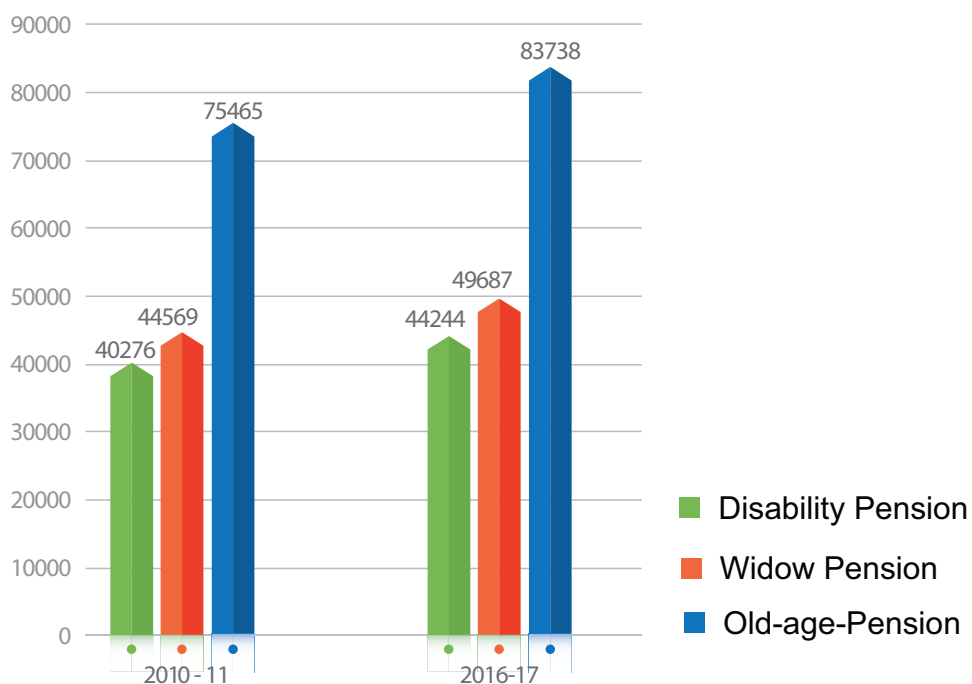


WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL WELFARE





Numer of beneficiaries covered under social welfare pension during the period 2010-11 to 2016-17





Highlights of Major Achievements of DWCD&SW – June 2011 to May 2017

Part I: SNAPSHOT OF SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE LAST SIX YEARS

1. KANYASHREE PRAKALPA

Kanyashree Prakalpa- Inspired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister was launched on 1st October, 2013. The scheme aims to curb child marriage.

- The Scheme has brought almost 40 lakh adolescent girls under its fold covering over 15,500 institutions in every corner of the state – in formal schools, madrasahs, colleges open schools and universities, institutes of vocational training, industrial training, and even sports institutes.
- Over 5000 girls have been trained in Self Defense technique so far
- “Kanyashree Dishari”- a special educational and awareness exposure visit of Kanyashree girls in North 24 Parganas District is launched.
- Many Kanyashree girls are being given vocational and other skill development training.
- Awards received by Kanyashree till Date are:
- West Bengal Chief Minister’s Award for Empowerment of Girls, 2014
- Manthan Award for Digital Inclusion for Development (South Asia and Asia Pacific) 2014 under the category E-Women and Empowerment
- National E-governance Award 2014 – 2015 awarded by the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, Government of India
- Skoch Winner Award and Order of Merit 2015 for Smart Governance
- CSI-Nihilent Award for e-governance, 2014-15
- United Nations WSIS Prize 2016 Champion in e-Government Category (WSIS Action Line C7)
- Finalist in GEMTech Awards 2016 hosted by UNWOMEN & ITU

2. SWAWLAMBAN

Implemented through with NGOs/Companies, Swawlamban imparts vocational training to socially marginalized and distressed women, victims of trafficking, sex workers, transgender community, and women in moral danger in the age group 18-35 years; if necessary the upper age limit for such category of women is relaxed up to 45 years.

Significant Achievements

- Beneficiaries successfully placed at different renowned outlets like Wow momo, Pantaloons, Kothari, Au Bon Pain etc.
- 30 Kanyashree girls trained under Swawlamban organized by BRAINWARE on Unarmed Security Guard out of which 16 successfully placed in different organizations.

3. MUKTIR ALO

Launched by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 4th Sept. 2015, Muktir Alo is a new scheme for rehabilitation of sex workers and trafficked victims.

- 50 victims of human trafficking trained on block printing and spice grinding with the help of Women's Interlink Foundation.
- 26 commercial sex workers of Munsiganj red light area in Kolkata were trained on 'recycled tyre products' & cafeteria management in collaboration with an NGO named Divine Script Society, out of 12 were rehabilitated in recycled tyre product manufacturing unit and 12 placed at self-manned kiosks

4. SWAWLAMBAN SPECIAL

- Swawlamban Special was launched under the existing Swawlamban Scheme for providing vocational training to sex workers and their vulnerable children of Kolkata region, with the aim to create alternate livelihood and integrate them with the mainstream society.
- 25 beneficiaries were trained on Acting as Junior Artist as well as other activities related to Tele-serial Production in different Television Production Houses, (through a three-month training program by an NGO named GOAL India), out of which all were absorbed in different tele-houses

5. WEST BENGAL TRANSGENDER DEVELOPMENT BOARD

- The West Bengal Transgender Development Board was constituted for the transgender community in July 2015 to extend the benefits of all welfare schemes to the community.
- The Department received the 'Skoch Smart Governance Award' under 'Social Minorities Including Sexual Minorities' category on Sept. 2015 for constituting the West Bengal Transgender Development Board
- Mass awareness drive on transgender issues has been initiated through playing jingles on FM radio channels, and distributing brochures and leaflets at different gatherings.
- The WBTDB was awarded at the Social Awareness Advertising Award Contest in 'Cinematheque 2017' on the theme Transgender on 24th March, 2017.

- To generate mass awareness on schemes and programmes of the department FM Radio Channels are being used since 2015
- A booklet on Entitlement of women for various schemes under the Govt. of West Bengal was published in 2016
- West Bengal State Policy for Empowerment of Women was framed in 2013.

6. INTEGRATED CHILD PROTECTION SCHEME

- State Committee for Protection of Child Rights has been set up in the state
- Directorate of Child Rights and Trafficking created in 2015 in order to give special focus to child protection issues
- District Child Protection Units formed in every district including Alipurduar.
- State Juvenile Police Unit formed in every district except Alipurduar.
- Child Welfare Committee and Juvenile Justice Boards formed in all districts.
- Currently CHILDLINE is functional in 19 districts.
- The Child Care Institutes (CCI) which were functional otherwise were brought under the purview of ICPS. 58 new CCIs were set up in the state out of which 19 are Government run and the rest 39 are run by NGO.
- Currently 24 Open Shelters are running in Kolkata, Howrah, North 24 Parganas, Darjeeling & Siliguri.
- 21 Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAA) were set up across the state which are fully operational.
- 408 children (as on May 2017) have received training on various trades out of which some have found employment in retail stores and as beauticians.
- Currently 13 children from different homes are undergoing training in ITI Tollygunge by Maruti Udyog Ltd. auto body painting which will make them self-reliant
- Bibi Russel a designer of international repute has been roped in to train the home inmates at SMM Liluah in weaving.
- 'Muktir Alo', a scheme of West Bengal Government for rehabilitation of survivors of trafficking was also introduced.
- 341 Block Level CPCs, 1543 Ward Level CPCs and 38487 Village Level CPCs have been set up across the state providing a robust safety network for children



- The West Bengal Task Force on Trafficking and RRRI of Women and Children has facilitated repatriation of 607 Bangladeshi Nationals in the last 6 years. This task Force is now the nodal agency for Rescue, Return and Repatriation of victims of trafficking and cross border movement from Bangladesh as well as for victims within the state.

7. SOCIAL WELFARE PENSION (DISABILITY PENSION, WIDOW PENSION, OLD AGE PENSION)

- Pension Quota for Jangal Mahal Districts viz. Bankura, Purulia, Birbhum, Paschim Medinipur have been enhanced w.e.f. July 2015 and for Tea Garden Districts Jalpaiguri, Darjeeling, Alipurduar w.e.f. February 2016.
- Pension Portal (www.wbswpension.gov.in) in connection with the Social Welfare Pension was launched on 1st January 2016 providing transparent and better service to the pensioners.

8. SCHEME FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS (SABLA)

- SABLA Scheme for Adolescent Girls (which aims to improve nutritional & health status of girls between 11-18 years and equip them with life skills training) is being implemented on a pilot basis in seven districts namely Coochbehar, Jalpaiguri, Alipurduar, Malda, Nadia, Kolkata & Purulia since July 2011 through 29444 AWCs from 141 ICDS projects.
- 12.72 lakh adolescent girls of 11-18 years have received the benefits of SABLA and have been equipped with life skills and knowledge on family welfare, health and hygiene, information and guidance on existing public services
- About 1.6 Lakh out of school adolescent girls received supplementary nutrition
- School drop- out among adolescent girls declined from 2.8 lacs in 2010-11 to 92,000 in 2016-17.
- About 41000 out of school adolescent girls aged 16-18 years trained through NGOs/VTPs under vocational training in different trades like beautician, handicrafts, knitting, printing and dying, food processing during last six years from all the districts.
- In convergence with Kanyashree Prakalpa in FY 2015-16, SABLA has been able to provide SNP to about 98,820 KP girls during the last 2 years
- About 1600 out-of-school girls were readmitted to formal/informal education system and 50% of them were linked with Kanyashree Prakalpa benefits.

9. INTEGRATED CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES SCHEME (ICDS)

- Integrated Child Development Services currently reaches out to 76 lakh children below 6 years and 14 lakh pregnant and lactating women spread across 23 districts and covered by 114915 operational AWCs.
- A new Directorate for ICDS was created in 2015 in order to give special focus to child health & nutrition issues
- Child underweight has reduced from 34.43 % point in March 2011 to 13.88 % point in March 2017 as per ICDS MPR of the state.
- Focus on development of AWC infrastructure has resulted in construction of 28893 AWCs in last six years.
- Energy dense protein rich ready to eat food “ Poustik laddu/ Poustik powder” has been introduced by the DWCD&SW under ICDS SNP for all severely malnourished children menu of which was developed with support from Food & Nutrition Board and DoH&FW
- Hot cooked meal is being provided to all children and pregnant and lactating mothers whereas morning snacks are provided to children in addition to this under Supplementary Nutrition Programme.
- Additional nutrition for identified severely malnourished children has been introduced by the Department @ Rs.4/- per head per day for one year in 2015-16
- Community level identification, referral and follow up of Severely Acute Malnourished (SAM) children for WHO protocol treatment at health facility/ NRC are being undertaken in collaboration with DoH&FW. Joint protocol and guidelines have been developed and issued.
- 2000 “Sishu Aloy” has been developed across all districts for rolling out of Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) to facilitate early childhood learning, development; and make children school ready. Two “Sishu Aloys” have been developed in Dum Dum and Alipore Correctional Homes to facilitate ECE for children of inmates.
- Improved ECCE kits provided to all 2002 “Sishu Aloys” in the state.

GALLERY

- Campaign against Child Marriage 1
- Kanyashree Girls_Nursing Training 2
- Kanyashree Sangha 3
- Martial Art Training_Kanyashree Girls 4
- Exposure Visit of Kanyashree girls to the Police Station in Kalchini Block of Alipurduar 5
- Kanyashree Girls' Training Session in Jalpaiguri District 6
- Exposure Visit of Kanyashree girls to District Land and Land Reform Office in Nadia 7
- Bandhan Home Inmates undergoing Retail Management Training under Swawlamban Scheme 8
- Kanyashree Girls undergoing Unarmed Security Guard Training Programme under Swawlamban scheme 9



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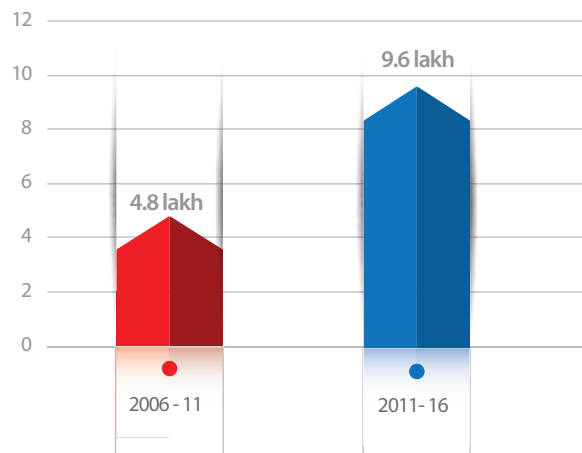


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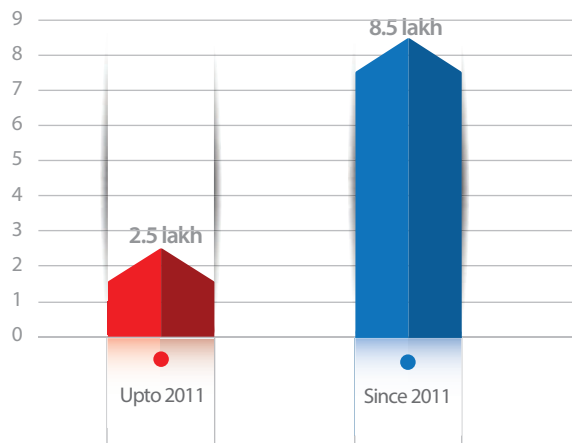


BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE ➡



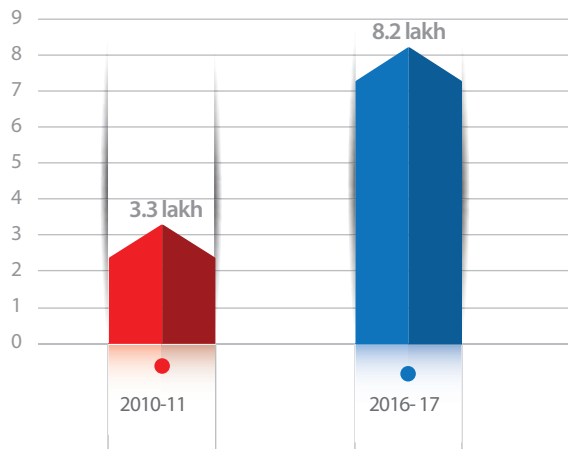
- Issuance of certificates doubled
- Creating opportunity for affirmative action

SC / OBC Certificates Issued



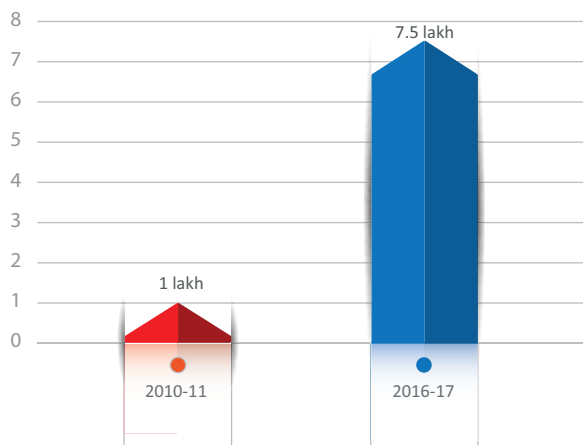
- Average more than tripled
- Positive reflection on government's priority

Average Number of SC / OBC Certificates Issued Per Annum



- Remarkable rise of almost 2.5 times
- Empowering education among the disadvantaged

Number of SC Scholarships Awarded



- Astounding rise of 7.5 times
- Widening educational avenue for the underprivileged

Number of OBC Scholarships Awarded



Shikshashree:

- 'Shikshashree' scholarship scheme has been introduced for SC students from class V to VIII in 2014-15. During 2014-2017, almost 38 lakh students were covered under the new scheme. Scholarship is being paid directly to bank accounts of the students. The scheme will be brought under the e-governance regime from current fiscal.

Sabooj Sathi:

- 'Sabooj Sathi' scheme has been declared for distribution of bicycles to students from class IX to XII in 2015-16. During 2015-2017, about 35 lakh students received bicycles under this scheme. Distribution of another 30 lakh bicycles is likely to be completed by the end of this year. Implementation is managed through a single window portal www.wbsaboojsathi.gov.in and records are available in the public domain to ensure transparency.

Reservation in Government Sector and Higher Education:

- The list of OBCs in West Bengal has been extended to include additional 107 Muslim communities through the introduction of a new legislation. As a result, more than 97% of the Muslim population of the State has been recognised as OBC and thus become eligible for reservation in Government jobs and higher education.
- 17% reservation for OBCs has been granted by West Bengal State Higher Education Institution (Reservation in Education) Act, 2013, without curtailing the general category seats.
- 17% reservation in State Government jobs for OBCs has also been introduced.
- Special recruitment drive has been initiated to fill up vacant posts (reserved category) of various department with an objective to maintain the overall percentage of reservation in services and posts. Almost 10,000 vacancies in 16 departments have been identified and recruitment process has started to fill up about 3,500 vacancies in the first phase.

Development / Cultural Boards:

- 16 new Development / Cultural Boards have been constituted under Department of Backward Classes Welfare and Department of Tribal Development for the focused welfare and development of the respective communities. An initial tranche of ₹320 crore has been allocated for this purpose. West Bengal Rajbanshi Development and Cultural Board under the Department of Backward Classes Welfare is going to be constituted very soon.

- 10 Boards under the Department of Backward Classes Welfare are:
 - o West Bengal Mangar Development Board
 - o West Bengal Khambu Rai Development Board
 - o West Bengal Bhujel Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Damai Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Kami Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Sarki Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Newar Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Gurung Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Kurmi Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Terai, Dooars, Siliguri Development & Cultural Board (Gorkha Communities)
- 6 Boards under the Department of Tribal Development are:
 - o West Bengal Mayel Lyang Lepcha Development Board
 - o West Bengal Tamang Development and Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Sherpa Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Bhutia Development Board
 - o West Bengal Limboo Development Board
 - o West Bengal Adibasi Development and Cultural Board

Caste Certificates:

- e-enabled services for issuance of caste certificates and disbursement of scholarships have been introduced resulting in greater transparency, speedy disposal of cases, easy access, retrieval and increased coverage. Online processing of Caste Certificate is operational all the Sub-Divisions of the State. Time for processing caste certificate applications has been reduced from 8 weeks to 4 weeks.
- Average number of SC and OBC certificates being issued per annum has more than tripled to more than 8.5 lakh certificates compared to about 2.5 lakh prior to 2011. During the last six years, more than 52 lakh SC & OBC certificates have been issued, so far.
- Approximately 35 lakh old certificates issued since 1980 have been scanned and uploaded on the department's portal for reference and verification.



Educational Loans, Scholarships and Awards:

- In a first of its kind initiative in India, educational loans with low rates of interest are being extended to SC students aspiring for technical, professional and higher education. Easy loans upto ₹ 10 lakh for studying full-time courses within the country and upto ₹ 20 for studying courses abroad in recognized institutions / universities is available under this scheme. During the last six years, 750 students have availed this opportunity, so far. Entire process is managed online on www.wbscstcorp.gov.in
- During the last six years, almost 44 lakh SC and 27 lakh OBC students have been awarded scholarships, so far.
- Under the 'Ambedkar Medha Puroshkar' scheme more than 3,000 SC students have been awarded cash ward of ₹ 5,000, so far, for their meritorious outcome in 10th Standard Board Examinations.

Creating Educational and Job Opportunities:

- To cater to the demands of outstation SC students, 35 hostels have been approved during 2011-2017 compared to 9 hostels during 2007-2011.
- Special emphasis has been accorded on creating employment opportunities through skill development in various sectors like Ethnic Beauty Care, Beauty and Personal Care, etc. During the last six years, about 55,000 SC candidates have been provided skill development training in different sectors, so far. Of these, about 45,000 candidates have achieved self / job employment. Additionally, about 22,000 SC female folk artists were provided livelihood opportunity in beauty care segment.
- SC persons having low income are being provided opportunity for self employment in various sectors through loan and subsidy assistance. Average annual coverage of the scheme has gone up considerably to 60,000 compared to about 35,000 prior to 2011. Per capita investment has also been increased considerably.

Pabitra Din

- The august memory of Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar – 'Father of the Indian Constitution' – is being annually commemorated on his birth anniversary on 14th April as 'Pabitra Din' throughout the State.



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HCM giving away 'Sabooj Sathi' bicycles 1

Bicycles under 'Sabooj Sathi' 2

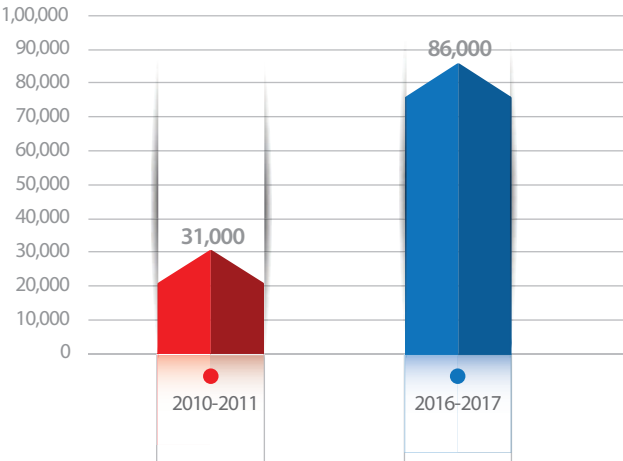
Commemoration of Pabitra Din on 14th April 3





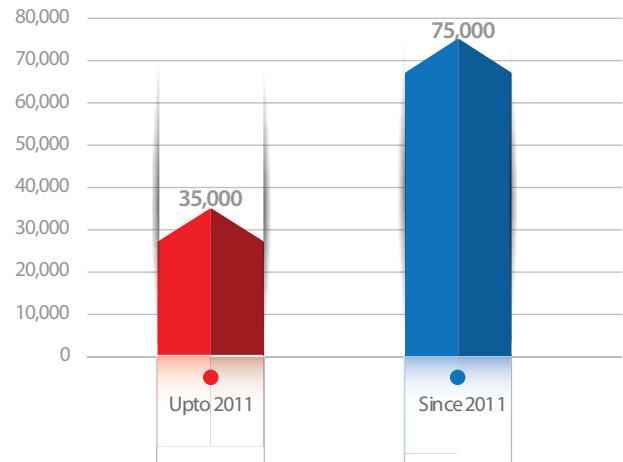


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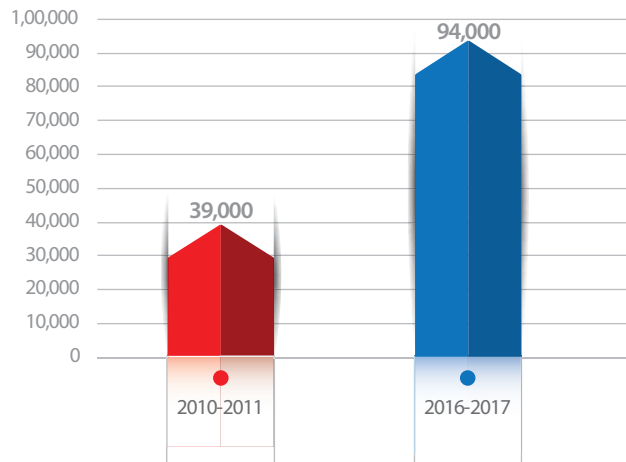
- Issuance of certificates almost tripled
- Increased access to opportunities

ST Certificates Issued



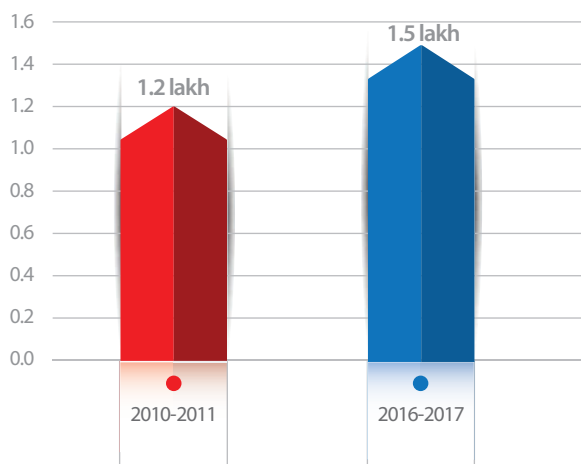
- Average more than doubled
- Positive reflection on reduction in procedural delay

Average Number of ST Certificates Issued Per Annum



- Remarkable rise of almost 2.5 times
- Better educational opportunities

Number of ST Scholarships Awarded



- Significant increase in disbursement
- Ensuring social security for the elderly

Number of Old Age Pension Disbursed



Shikshashree:

- Newly created Department of Tribal Development has introduced 'Shikshashree' scholarship scheme for ST students from class V to VIII in 2014-15. During 2014-2017, almost 7 lakh students were covered under the new scheme. Scholarship is being paid directly to bank accounts of the students. The scheme will be brought under the e-governance regime from current fiscal.

Development / Cultural Boards and Advisory Council:

- 16 new Development / Cultural Boards have been constituted under Department of Tribal Development and Department of Backward Classes Welfare for the focused welfare and development of the respective communities. An initial tranche of ₹320 crore has been allocated for this purpose. West Bengal Rajbanshi Development and Cultural Board under the Department of Backward Classes Welfare is going to be constituted very soon.
- 6 Boards under the Department of Tribal Development are:
 - o West Bengal Mayel Lyang Lepcha Development Board
 - o West Bengal Tamang Development and Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Sherpa Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Bhutia Development Board
 - o West Bengal Limboo Development Board
 - o West Bengal Adibasi Development and Cultural Board
- 10 Boards under the Department of Backward Classes Welfare are:
 - o West Bengal Mangar Development Board
 - o West Bengal Khambu Rai Development Board
 - o West Bengal Bhujel Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Damai Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Kami Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Sarki Development & Cultural Board
 - o West Bengal Newar Development & Cultural Board

- o West Bengal Gurung Development & Cultural Board
- o West Bengal Kurmi Development & Cultural Board
- o West Bengal Terai, Dooars, Siliguri Development & Cultural Board (Gorkha Communities)
- Tribes' Advisory Council has been reconstituted and given a meaningful role to play in various aspects of tribal development.

ST Certificates:

- e-enabled services for issuance of ST certificates have been introduced resulting in easy transparent access and increased coverage. Online processing of ST certificate is operational in all the Sub-Divisions of the State. Time for processing ST certificate applications has been reduced from 8 weeks to 4 weeks.
- Average number of ST certificates issued per year has more than doubled to 75,000 during the last six years compared to 35,000 prior to 2011. During the last six years, 4.6 lakh certificates have been issued, so far.

Educational Loans and Scholarships:

- In a first of its kind initiative in India, educational loans with low rates of interest are being extended to ST students aspiring for technical, professional and higher education. Easy loans upto ₹ 10 lakh for studying full-time courses within the country and upto ₹ 20 for studying courses abroad in recognized institutions / universities is available under this scheme.
- Introduction of on-line processing and disbursement of scholarships through 'Direct Benefit Transfer' into the bank account of the students has immensely benefitted the ST students resulting in enhanced coverage. During the last six years, more than 4 lakh ST students have been awarded scholarships, so far.

Creating Educational and Job Opportunities:

- ST aspirants for IAS / WBCS examinations are being sponsored to attend training courses at reputed institutions.
- Special coaching for ST students appearing for Joint Entrance Examination has been introduced through 16 centres located in different districts. On an average 700 ST students are being enrolled. All successful candidates are also being provided with Engineering / Medical books for the first year.
- Special emphasis has been accorded on creating employment opportunities through skill development in various sectors like Ethnic Beauty Care, Beauty and Personal Care, etc. During the last six years, about 20,000



ST candidates have been provided skill development training in different sectors, so far. Of these, about 16,000 candidates have achieved self / job employment. Additionally, about 6,000 ST female folk artists were provided livelihood opportunity in beauty care segment.

- ST beneficiaries having low income are being provided opportunity of self employment through various schemes in agriculture and allied sectors. Average annual coverage of the scheme has gone up considerably to 20,000 compared to about 12,000 prior to 2011. Per capita investment has also been increased considerably.

Old Age Pension and Social Security:

- Old age pension is being provided almost 1.5 lakh ST BPL beneficiaries above 60 years of age at the rate of ₹ 1,000 per month. The quota has gradually been increased by more than 14,000 during the last few years.
- 'Social Security Scheme for Kendu leaves Collectors' has been enacted during 2014-15 to provided social security to workers associated with this profession. So far, more than 31,000 beneficiaries have been registered under this scheme.
- More than ₹ 17 crore has been disbursed to create about 9.5 lakh persondays for Kendu leaves collectors to ensure employment during the lean seasons.

Other Activities:

- During 2011-2015 and before the launch of 'Sabooj Sathi' scheme, almost 95,000 bicycles were distributed to ST girl students to promote mobility and reduce drop-outs.
- Forest Rights Act, 2006, has been translated into Santhali and distributed to all concerned. During the last six years, almost 45,000 Individual Rights and 741 Community Rights were provided to the forest dwellers.



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'Sabooj Sathi' bicycles







INFORMATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS





We are proud of our culture and heritage. The Information & Cultural Affairs Department is working tirelessly to promote and preserve the cultural heritage of Bengal and to disseminate information about the activities & achievements of the state government through different media.

Lok Prasar Prakalpa:

- A flagship programme has been initiated to rejuvenate the Folk Arts of Bengal coupled with the aim of dissemination of social messages and information on government schemes.
- Benefits in the form of monthly Retainer Fee, Pension and Performance Fee have been extended to nearly 85,000 Folk Artists under this scheme, so far. By the end of this year, another 1 lakh 15 thousand folk artistes will be included in the LPP scheme.

Fostering Unity in Diversity:

- Nepali, Urdu, Odia, Santhali and Gurmukhi (Punjabi) have been conferred the status of Official Language of the State to honour the sensibility of the people speaking these languages. The State Government has decided to recognize Kurukh - the language of the Oraon Community, as a State Official Language. Further, Government has also constituted an Expert Committee to look into the issue of recognition of Kamtapuri (Rajbanshi) as a State Official Language of West Bengal.

Promoting Culture and Heritage:

- Baul Academy: Baul is one of the prominent folk-forms of West Bengal. To preserve and promote its cultural heritage, a Baul Academy has been set up recently.
- Apart from Baul Academy, following academies have been constituted in last six years to nurture and preserve the rich cultural heritage of Bengal:
 - Nazrul Academy
 - Tele Academy
 - Rajbanshi Bhasa Academy
 - Birsa-Munda Academy
 - Kabita Academy

- Successful excavation at Moghalmari has yielded historical treasures of the Gupta era, further enriching the history of Bengal.
- Basumati Patrika has been uplifted to its past glory with regular publications. Restoration of its heritage building has been completed in recent time.
- West Bengal Heritage Commission has already declared 174 buildings / sites as State Heritage, so far.
- Workshops and competitions on Song, Dance, Music, Painting and Dramas are being organised throughout the State in last six years.

Honouring Luminaries:

- The State Govt. has continued to honour the contribution of the distinguished personalities through commemoration of their birth and death anniversaries.
- 150th Birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, Rabindranath Tagore and D.L. Ray have been celebrated throughout the State with proper hue and glory.
- 23rd January – the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose – is being celebrated with grandeur in Darjeeling and other parts of the State.
- Birth & Death Anniversaries of Mahatma Gandhi, Rabindranath Tagore, Kazi Nazrul Islam and many others are also observed in befitting manner.
- Bhasa Dibas, Hool Dibas, Birsha Munda Divas etc. are also observed throughout the state.
- Apart from various programmes throughout the state, nearly 100 numbers of State Ceremonies commemorating the Birth and Death anniversaries of renowned personalities of our country are observed by present government at Nabanna every year and nearly 80 numbers of State Ceremonies are also observed every year in and around Kolkata.
- I&CA Department also celebrates Republic day and observes Independence Day throughout the state.
- Apart from constituting Banga Bhushan and Banga Bibhushan, the Highest Civilian Award of State Government, various other awards have been instituted in last six years to felicitate renowned personalities of cultural world such as:

- Sangeet Samman
- Mahanayak Award Samman
- Tele Samman
- Sharod Samman
- Tapan Kumar and Santigopal Jatra Award
- Silpi Maha Samman
- Girish Puraskar
- Thakur Ponchanan Burma
- Uday Shankar Puraskar

Festivals and Fairs:

- Major events and customs of Bengal are being encouraged to thrive by organising the following festivals and utsavs:
 - Mati Utsav
 - Sidhu-Kanu Utsav
 - International Children Film Festival
 - Natya Mela
 - Uday Shankar Utsav
 - Jatra Utsav
 - Sangeet Mela
 - Vivek Chetana Utsav

- Barsha Baran Utsav
 - Barsha Purti Utsav
 - Poush Utsav
 - Sishu Kishor Utsav
 - Agamoni Utsav
 - National Theatre Festival
 - Biswa Bangla Lok Sanskriti Utsav
- Durga Puja Carnival at Red Road: To promote the Biswa Banga brand globally and to draw attention of the international tourists, Durga Puja Carnival was organized by the Information & Cultural Affairs Department at Red Road on 14th October 2016. Renowned Durga Pujo committees from all over Kolkata took part in the processions. Huge gathering and carnival like ambience made this road show a grand success. State Government will continue to organise this Carnival in the coming years also.
 - KIFF (Kolkata International Film Festival) with more and more participation of common people during our time has become a platform for globally emerging filmmakers by evolving into a competitive festival of international repute.
 - After a gap of 12 years, the State has been regularly participating in the Republic Day Parade in New Delhi since 2012 and has been selected as the 'Best Tableau' twice.
 - West Bengal has participated as a partner State in the prestigious IITF (India International Trade Fair) organised at New Delhi.

Providing Health / Social Security:

- Maavoi – Health insurance scheme has been introduced by our government for all accredited journalists and their family members.

- All Journalists accredited with I&CA Department are getting Free travel facilities on Buses/Trams operated by State Transport Undertakings.
- Mediclaim facilities are being extended to about 22,000 cine artists and technicians, so far by present government.
- Literary and cultural pension are being extended to around 200 eminent personalities who are the pride of the State.
- Financial Assistance has been extended to more than 300 Jatra artists and more than 300 groups for theatre production.

Upgrading Infrastructure:

- Major Repair & Renovation have been initiated or completed in respect of the following prestigious or heritage buildings of Bengal in last six years:
 - Mahajati Sadan
 - Nazrul Mancha
 - Sisir Mancha
 - Rabindra Sadan
 - Nandan
 - Mongpoo Villa (steeped in memories of Rabindranath Tagore)
 - Ancestral Home of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose at Kodalía
 - Roy Villa, Darjeeling (to honour the memory of Sister Nivedita)
 - Technicians' Studio (with 6 new floors)
 - State Archaeological Museum (with a new floor and 4 new galleries)
 - University Institute Hall

- Sangeet Academy Bhavan
- Cinema Centenary Building
- Rathindra Mancha at Jorasanko
- Durga Temple at Antpur
- Rabindra Okakura Bhavan
- 32 Rabindra Bhavans in Districts

Ushering Digital Age:

- Official Portal of the Government of West Bengal, 'egiyebangla.gov.in', has been designed, developed and hosted.
- Digitisation of manuscripts of eminent authors of Bengal has been completed. Digitisation of films, music and paintings is under process.
- One window system has been introduced by our government to facilitate organisation of Jatras.
- Digital Management and analysis cell has been created recently with a view to digital management, analysis and record keeping of all media releases.

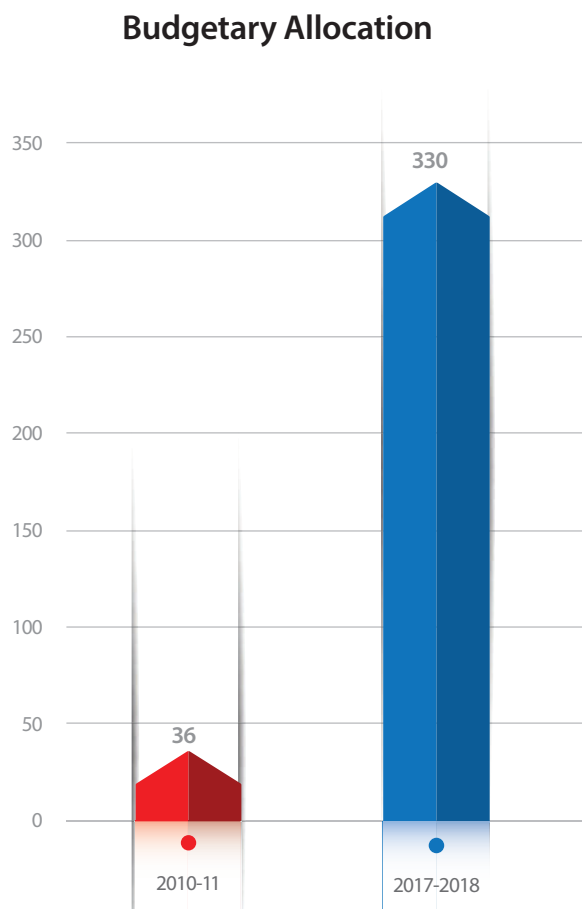
Publications

- The Department regularly publishes the journals like Paschimbanga in Bengali, West Bengal in English, PaschimBangal in Hindi, Maghrebi Bengal in Urdu, Pachhim Bangla in Santhali and Nepali. These journals are regularly coming out with special issues also.
- Archaeological publication includes publication of 2nd & 3rd volume of Archaeology and Museum Directorate's Annual Journal "Puravritto" and Reprinting of Jelar Purakirti Series.
- The department has decided to publish the complete works of Rabindranath Tagore in 17 volumes, out of which 16 volumes have already been published through Paschimbanga Bangla Academy. The complete works of Bankim Chandra Chottopadhyay has also been published in 5 volumes by Paschimbanga Bangla Academy.
- Since June 2011, 49 classics of Basumati Sahitya Mandir have been reprinted and another 38 will be reprinted

shortly. Quality achieved by Basumati in job-printing works during the year has earned much praise. Significant progress has been made in digitizing the priceless and fragile classics printed by Basumati since its inception.

Increase in Plan Allocation:

- Plan budget allocation of I&CA Department has increased from Rs. 36 crore in 2010-11 to Rs 330 crore in 2017-18. Increase of more than 9 times.



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Tribute to poet Bhanubhakta Acharya by H.E. President Sri Pranab Mukherjee and Hon'ble CM Mamata Banerjee in presence of Governor at Darjeeling

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Hon'ble CM paying tribute to Uttam Kumar at Nazrul Mancha

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Special immersion procession of Durga idol at Red Road

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Inauguration of 22nd KIFF at Netaji Indoor Stadium

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Inauguration of Bangla Sangeet Mela at Nazrul Mancha

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Bhasa Diwas at Deshapriyo Park

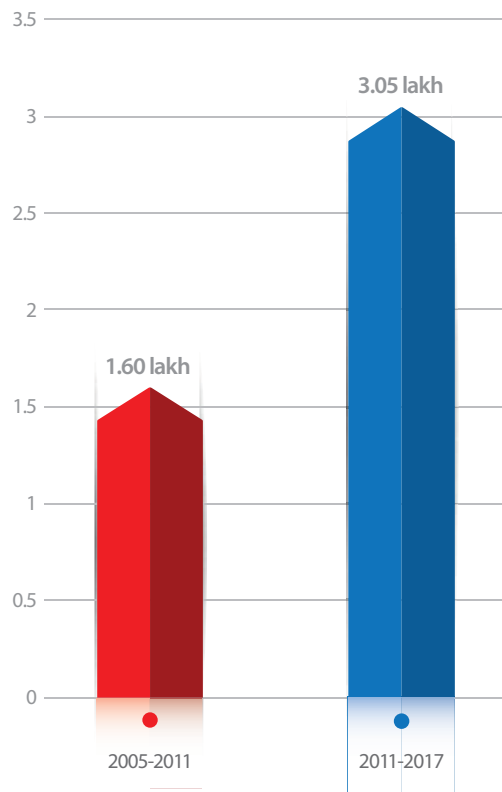
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**LAND AND LAND REFORMS AND REFUGEE RELIEF
AND REHABILITATION**



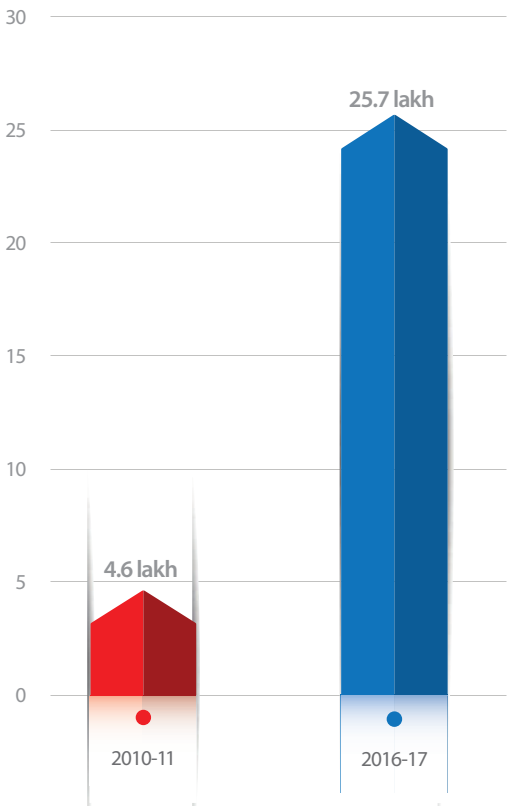


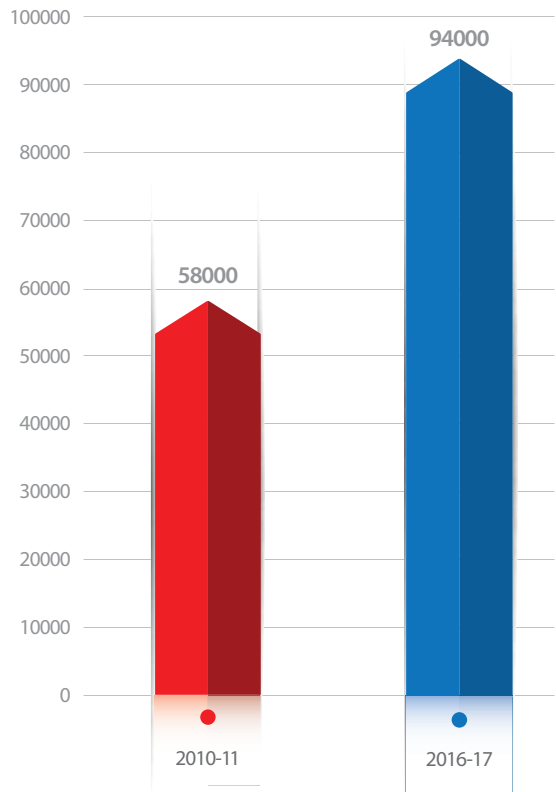
- More than 3 lakh Patta distributed, so far
- Towards a secured tenure for the landless

Number of Patta Distributed (NGNB, Agri and Forest)

- Stupendous rise of almost 6 times
- Time-bound delivery of service assured

Number of Mutation Petitions Disposed



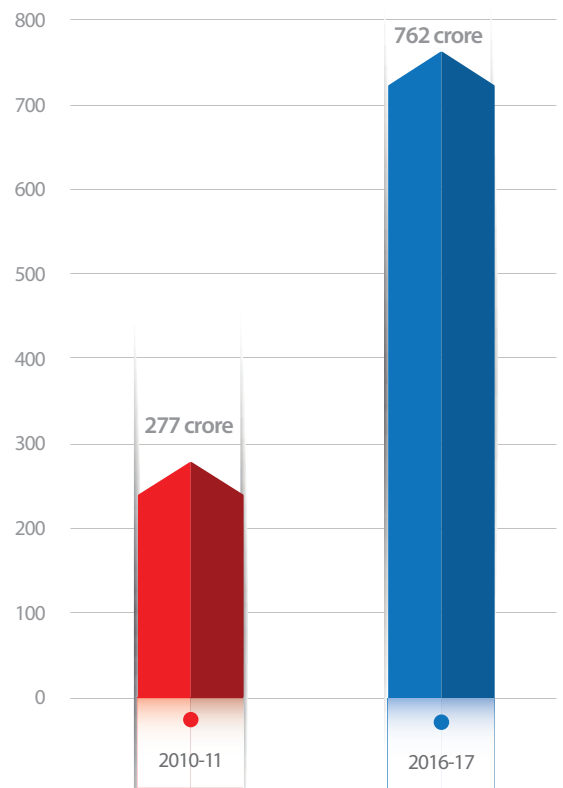


- Remarkable rise in conversion of land
- Emphasis on minimizing procedural delay

Number of Conversion Petitions Disposed

- Revenue collection almost tripled
- Increased resource for development

Annual Revenue Collection (in ₹)





'Nijo Griha Nijo Bhumi' (NGNB) / Other Pattas:

- NGNB (launched in 2011) provides upto 5 decimal land to eligible beneficiary families (all rural landless and homesteadless agricultural labourers / artisans / fishermen). Almost 2.2 lakh NGNB Pattas have been distributed under this scheme, so far.
- During 2011-2017, more than 3 lakh Pattas (NGNB / Agricultural / Forest Pattas) have been distributed, so far.

Singur Verdict:

- In compliance of the landmark verdict by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, possession of land amounting to almost 980 acre (situated within the erstwhile Singur Project Area) has been returned to almost 12,000 families dispossessed due to the project, after making the land suitable for cultivation.

Land Policy:

- During 2011-2017, many important policy decisions have been taken for achieving better administration, regulation and management of land:
 - In a bold policy initiative, the State Government has decided to waive tax on agricultural land. This will go a long way in not only mitigating hardship faced by the farmers but also boost agricultural output and income in future.
 - Land Allotment Policy has been formulated in 2012-13 in order to introduce uniformity, reduce discretion and ensure transparency while dealing with public assets. The policy laid down a transparent process for allotment of land along with the terms for such allotment.
 - Land Purchase Policy has been introduced in 2014-15 in order to enable the State Government and its parastatal agencies to purchase land for infrastructure projects through a process of direct negotiations with willing land owners against just compensation and incentive. The scope of this policy has been extended to land purchase for central government departments as well in 2016-17. The stated policy of the State Government is that there will be no forceful acquisition of land. The purchase policy of the Government is thus consent based and transparent. So far the Standing Committee on Industry, Infrastructure and Employment has cleared direct purchase of about 950 acre of land for various projects of public importance.

- State Land Use Board has developed a Land Bank of available land in respect of all districts of West Bengal with a view to ensuring availability of land for infrastructural development for industries and other developmental works including flagship projects of the state.
- Amendment to Section 14Y of the West Bengal Land Reforms Act, 1955 has been carried out in 2014 which broadened the scope of the section. Now, entrepreneurs may with prior permission of government, utilize ceiling surplus lands to set up units for various industrial and social infrastructural activities in sectors namely IT, shipbuilding, township, transportation terminal, logistics hub, etc., in addition to existing sectors.
- New Tea Tourism Policy has been framed to promote tea tourism and to allow the tea gardens to diversify in sectors like hydel power, horticulture, medicinal plants, etc., thereby generating local employment and augment income by using the land of tea gardens, where tea plantation is not possible.
- In order to ease the stressed situation of tea industry, two major policy interventions have been introduced in 2016-17:
 - First, tea gardeners have been allowed to pay salami in installments.
 - Second, compensation for tea bushes and shade trees in connection with acquisition of land comprised within tea gardens has been enhanced after a gap of 10 years.
- Revised guidelines for regularisation of existing brick fields and setting up of new units have been issued in 2016-17 wherein the time limit for regularization has been extended by a period of one year in order to mitigate the hardship faced by brick field owners.
- For the purpose of easing difficulties faced by the Thika Tenants in Kolkata for availing various services, the State Government has provided them recognition by issuing Thika Tenancy Certificates.
- Lessee khatians have been introduced to record the names of the lessees / assignees in the R-o-Rs in order to recognize the lessee rights and to help them to get easier clearance from different authorities.
- Land Use Map utilizing the concept of index-linked land use zoning maps has been introduced in the year 2011-12 for use of investors. Land Use Maps broadly contain parameters like Dry / Barren land, Single Crop land, Double / Multi-crop land, Forest land, Metal roads, National / State Highway, Railway Network, Water bodies, etc.

Resource Mobilisation:

- Collection from land revenue has almost tripled to ₹ 762 crore in 2016-17 from ₹ 277 crore in 2010-11.

Citizen Centric Services:

- Over-the-Counter (OTC) Services – Certified copies of Record of Rights (R-o-R – Porcha) and plot information are being delivered over-the-counter at all BL&LRO offices. On an average, 60 lakh certified copies of R-o-R are being delivered annually.
- e-District:- Plot information and certified copy of R-o-R are also being provided through the e-District portal since 2016-17, wherein digitally signed certified copy of R-o-Rs are provided online.
- Disposal time for mutation petition has been improved to 45 - 60 days from the earlier standard of 60 - 120 days.
- Disposal time for conversion petition has been improved to 60 days in place of earlier 90 days.
- Time limit for delivery of these services has been brought under the Right to Public Services Act to ensure time-bound delivery. Special drives have been undertaken for disposal of backlog cases.
- Almost 26 lakh mutation and 94,000 conversion petitions have been disposed during 2016-17, so far, compared to almost 5 lakh mutation and 58,000 petitions disposed during 2010-11.

Ease Of Doing Business:

- In order to create a favourable environment for industry and business enterprises, 42 Blocks across the State have been identified as industrial blocks:
- Disposal time for mutation of land for industrial purpose has been fixed at 21 days.
- Disposal time for conversion of land for industrial purpose has been fixed at 30 days.
- These services have been brought under the West Bengal Right to Public services Act.
- Online Single Window Clearance System (OSWICS) has been rolled out in 42 Blocks of the State wherein

entrepreneurs can apply online through Common Application Form (CAF) for various clearances required for setting up business / industry. The services of mutation and conversion for industrial purposes have been integrated with this system.

- 'Shilpa Sathi' has been launched by the Government of West Bengal to assist the investors / entrepreneurs, expedite required clearances and redress their grievances. A nodal officer has been appointed to ensure expeditious disposal of land related matters.

e-Governance:

- e-Bhuchitra – Collocation of land records and implementation of web-based e-Bhuchitra application software has been done in 341 out of 346 BL&LRO offices. Live data of land records pertaining to these Blocks is being displayed for public access in the departmental website at <http://banglarbhumi.gov.in>. Automated SMS is being transmitted and notices for mutation hearing and status of mutation cases can also be tracked from the above website.
- Integration of land records data (e-Bhuchitra) with registration data (e-nathikaran) has been implemented in 341 Blocks. Once a sale deed is registered at the sub-registrar's office, automatic trigger for initiation of mutation case against the sale is initiated in the respective BL&LRO office.
- Scanning and indexing of legacy records was started in 2014-15. The RS R-o-Rs and the LR mother volumes have been scanned and indexed in all the 346 Blocks. This has ensured security and enhanced shelf life of old records, easy retrieval and protection against tampering.

Infrastructure Development:

- 289 modern record rooms (MRRs) have been constructed at BL&LRO offices for safe preservation of land records.
- Block-level data centers have been constructed at all 346 BL&LRO offices.

- Construction of 126 new BL&LRO offices has been done during these six years. Presently, another 41 BL&LRO offices are under construction.

Government Estate Management:

- Long Term Settlement (LTS) of land involving more than 4000 acre of land has been sanctioned during this period, so far.
- Almost 1,300 cases of inter-departmental transfer of land involving about 6,000 acre have been sanctioned for development projects of various departments, so far.
- Permission to hold ceiling surplus land for specific purposes u/s 14Y of the WBLR Act has been granted in 36 cases involving about 10,000 acre of land, so far.

Refugee, Relief And Rehabilitation:

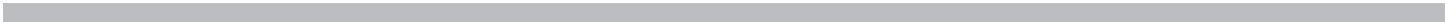
- Almost 13,000 freehold title deeds have been distributed to displaced families living in R.R. Colonies located in 18 districts in West Bengal, so far.
- About ₹ 150 crore has been spent from the State plan for infrastructure development of the R.R. colonies, so far.
- BonHooghly Housing Project (BONORINI) at Baranagar, North 24 Parganas has been successfully undertaken in PPP Mode. The old structure which was in a dilapidated condition is being replaced with new infrastructure. A total of 334 flats have already been distributed to the refugee families under the project.
- The unapproved refugee colonies, namely Collegepara Udbastu Colony, Indiranagar Colony, Babupara Udbastu Colony, Kharimala Khagrabari Colony and Talacompany Colony in Coochbehar district were declared as Special Group of Colonies.



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- Modern record rooms **1** **2**
- Over-the counter services **3** **4**
- NGNB Patta **5**
- Kitchen garden on NGNB land **6**







ANIMAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ➡



Major policy decisions/ reforms/ infrastructure development projects/ achievements from May, 2011 to May, 2017

- Annual Milk production increased from 44.72 Lakh MT in 2010-11 to 51.83 Lakh MT in 2016-17, i.e. 16% increase in last six years.
- Annual Egg production increased from 400.1 Crore in 2010-11 to 655.3 Crore in 2016-17, i.e. 64% increase in last six years.
- Annual Meat production increased from 5.77 Lakh MT in 2010-11 to 7.06 Lakh MT in 2016-17, i.e. 22% increase in last six years.
- Distributed approx. 282.97 lakh chicks and ducklings and 1.15 Lakh goats amongst BPL families to promote backyard livestock & poultry farming.
- As directed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, West Bengal, a special plan has been taken up vide Notification No. 768/BGT/14/PRS/ARD/2017 dated 17.04.2017 to mitigate the gap between demand & supply of eggs in the State.
- Launched 100 numbers Mobile Veterinary Clinics (MVC) to provide doorstep animal health care services in remote blocks.
- Engage 5681 women of SHG members **"PRANIMITRA"** for engagement as Small Animal Vaccinator self-employment.
- Approx. 9.70 crore livestock and poultry birds were treated and approx. 15.27 crore livestock and poultry birds were vaccinated in Veterinary Hospitals and through organization of over 1,32,630 animal health camps.
- Foundation stone laid by the Hon'ble CM for a new Veterinary College at Moynaguri of Jalpaiguri district to meet the growing demand of Veterinarians in the State.
- Incorporation of Mother Dairy, Calcutta as a Wholly Owned Public Sector Company under ARD Department and renamed **'BANGLAR DAIRY LTD'**.
- Relocated 850 surplus employees of the Directorate of Dairy Development to Health & Family Welfare Department.
- New District Milk Union established in the District of Purba Medinipur named as "Tamralipta Milk Union" along with 79 new MPCS.
- Launched SMS & Web based Bovine Breeding Management & Reporting System **"e-PBGSBS Management**

System” and e-PBGSBS Management System won ‘SKOCH AWARD-2015’ for Smart Governance.

- All the three Frozen Semen Bull Stations of Haringhata, Salboni & Beldanga run by the Paschim Banga Go-Samnpad Bikash Sanstha, are accredited as Grade-‘A’ by the Central Monitoring Team, Govt. of India and Frozen Semen Bull Station, Salboni ranked 2nd in India for quality production & management.
- Conducted 230.15 lakh Artificial Insemination that yielded 79.58 lakh up-graded/ cross bred high yielding calves during this period.
- Produced 214.49 lakh high quality Frozen Semen Straws for up-gradation / Crossbreeding of local low producing cattle through artificial Insemination.
- 4.61 lakh valuable cattle were insured during this period
- Distributed 9000 hand driven chaff cutter and 322 power driven chaff cutter to the cattle farmers
- **West Bengal Livestock Development Corporation (WBLDC)** expanded its business to a great extent and entered into business with some reputed business houses like Spencer’s Retail, resulting in increase of sales from Rs.40.61 lakh in 2010-11 to Rs. 590.31 Lakh in 2016-17.
- Successfully completed “**Ahare Bangla: A Food Festival Celebrating Bengal**” at Milan Mela, Kolkata in consecutive two years 2015 & 2016 to promote some unique food products produced by our farmers and introduce these unique products into the food platter of the Bengalees as well as promote food & tourism of the state.
- Approx 5.57 lakh up-graded/ Cross bred high yielding heifers were brought under scientific management System under Bishesh Go-Sampad Bikash Avijan project by providing insurance, feed, medicines and vaccination support.

Human Resource Development:

- Trained about 14.17 lakh farmers for better animal husbandry practices.
- Started one year Certificate Course of Livestock Development Assistant (PRANIRAKSHAK) for unemployed youth in the Academy of Animal Resources Management (AARM) & Haringhata Farm at Haringhata of Nadia district and Animal Development Training Centre at Medinipur. During 2016-17, 410 numbers of youths has already been trained for self employment in animal husbandry sector. Another batch of similar numbers of youths has been started from January, 2017.

- To meet up the shortage of artificial insemination workers, started a “Six months Certificate Course on Artificial Insemination (PRANI SEBEE)” in collaboration with Paschim Banga Society for Skill Development (PBSSD) as the first inter departmental collaborative program under the ambit of the Utkarsh Bangla in 66 Vocational Training Centers. During 2016-17, 1446 numbers of youths are being trained for self employment in animal husbandry sector. Training of another batch of 1980 number of youths has been started from January, 2017.
- Started a course on two years ‘Diploma in Veterinary Pharmacy’ (DVP) under the West Bengal University of Animal & Fishery Sciences at Haringhata of Nadia District with yearly seat capacity of 30 students.

Infrastructure:

- Constructed 53 BLDO-cum-BAHC with Training Centre, 197 Vet. Hospitals / Animal Health Centre and three Vet. Poly Clinics at Siliguri, Burdwan & Coochbehar to provide modern treatment to livestock & poultry.
- Established Modern Poultry Farms at Medinipur, Suri & Haringhata at a project cost of Rs. 26 Crore with a production capacity of 4 lakh chicks per year from each farm to meet up the growing demand of Low Input Birds for backyard poultry farming. The constructional works of other two similar projects at Suri & Haringhata are almost completed.
- Starting of a new 2000 capacity Black Bengal Goat Farm at Haringhata, Nadia at a project cost of Rs. 1.19 crore to conserve and propagate this world famous breed of Goat.
- Established a new Embryo Transfer Laboratory for Cattle & Buffalo at Salboni, Paschim Medinipur.
- Set up a new Bull Mother Farm at State Livestock Farm, Kalyani with a project cost of Rs.6.13 crore to meet up the growing demand of Bulls for Frozen Semen production.
- Renovated and modernized Haringhata Dairy at a project cost of Rs.15.50 crore with a milk processing capacity of 50000 ltrs. Per day.
- MDC took over State Dairy Burdwan, closed for more than 10 years and Started production after renovation with an expenditure of Rs. 5.74 Crore. State Dairy, Durgapur also handed over to Mother Dairy for revival of production of Milk products with a project cost of Rs.7.64 Crore and the production will be started soon.
- As a revival programme of HIMUL and to make uninterrupted supply of hygienic milk to the people of North Bengal, Mother Dairy Calcutta has been entrusted to repair & operate Matigara Dairy Plant of HIMUL since 1st October, 2016. Within a very short span of time, MDC enhances the production of Matigara Dairy Plant and is now processing about 20000 Ltr. of milk per day for supplying to the people of North Bengal.

- **West Bengal Co-operative Milk Producers' Federation Ltd.** installed 34 Bulk Milk Cooling Units having a chilling capacity of 55, 500 LPD in the State.
- Starting of New semi-automatic Chicken Processing Plant at Haringhata, Nadia with a capacity of 500 birds per hour at a project cost of Rs. 5.50 crore.
- Started construction of a Modern Chicken & Pork Processing Plant at Phansidewa block of Darjeeling district with a production capacity of 8 MT Chicken & 8MT Pork per day at a project cost of Rs. 36.25 crore to meet the demand of the State & North Eastern States for hygienic raw and value added products of chicken & pork.
- Mother Dairy Calcutta set up 50 numbers of modernized Milk Depots in collaboration with WB Livestock Dev Corporation and Directorate of Dairy Development to sell their products jointly all over Kolkata and 1879 Kiosk for self-employment in the State.
- Mother Dairy Calcutta launched 100 numbers of ice cream push carts to expand its sale of ice cream products in Kolkata.
- **West Bengal Livestock Development Corporation (WBLDC)** selling Fair Price Chicken through 48 outlets of its own & 52 outlets in collaboration with Kolkata Municipal Corporation, West Bengal Poultry Federation, Mother Dairy & Government Dairy in Kolkata & suburbs to maintain stable price of chicken in the city and other districts of the State.
- **West Bengal Livestock Development Corporation (WBLDC)** serving hygienic meat to the people, converted 55 outlets into Hygienic Meat Processing Units.
- Production capacity increased to 44,150 M.T. of cattle feed, poultry feed and fish feed at its 5 units at Kalyani, Durgapur, Salboni, Gajole and Siliguri.
- **West Bengal Dairy & Poultry Development Corporation Limited** established new floating fish feed Plant at Kalyani, Nadia with a production capacity of 1.5 MT per hour and restructuring of Feed Plant of Salboni, Kalyani & Siliguri at a project cost of Rs. 12 crore.
- To meet up the demand of Cattle & Poultry Pellet feed, setting up of a Pellet Feed Plant with a production capacity of 150 MT per day has been started at Kalyani, Nadia with a project cost of Rs.825 Lakh.
- **West Bengal University of Animal and Fishery Sciences (WBUAFS)** modernized Mohonpur Campus in Nadia district and Undergraduate section of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Faculty has been shifted

**PHYSICAL PERFORMANCE INCLUDING PLAN EXPENDITURE OF THE ANIMAL
RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FROM FY 2010-11 TO 2016-17**

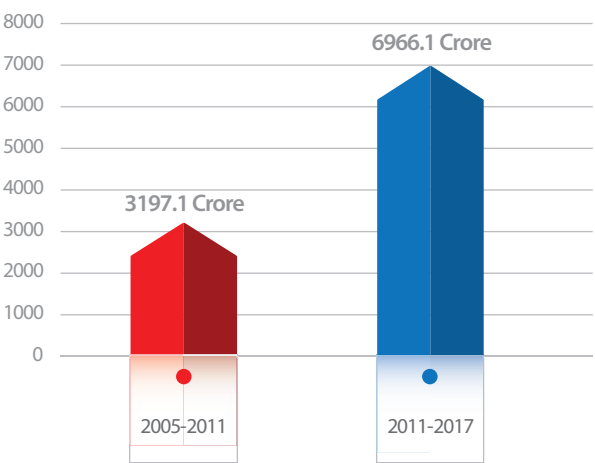
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ANIMAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

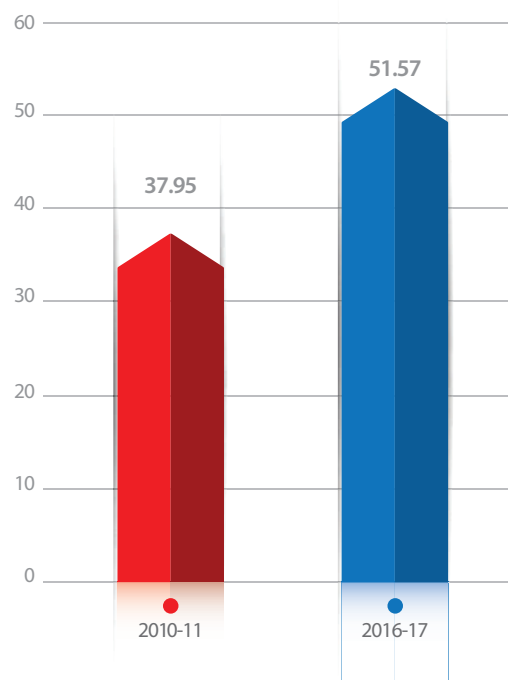
1	Milk Production (In Lakh MT)	44.72	51.83
2	Meat Production (In Lakh MT)	5.77	7.06
3	Egg Production (In Million Nos.)	4001	6553
4	Distribution of Chicks/ Ducklings (In Lakh Nos.)	24.14	50.18
5	Animals treatment (No. in Lakh)	112.74	206.79
6	Vaccination (No. in Lakh)	97.46	363
7	Animal Health camps (No. in Thousands)	9.98	40.66
8	Vaccine Production at IAH&VB (No. in Lakh)	109.29	339
9	Artificial Insemination (In Lakh Nos.)	32.9	38.12
10	Cross bred/ up-graded Calves born (No. in Lakh)	10.92	12.37
11	Production of Frozen semen straws (No. in Lakh)	20.21	45.99
12	Amount of Plan Expenditure out of State Budget (CORE+RKVY+RID +NCDC+OCASPS) (Rs. In Crore)	83.02	293.44



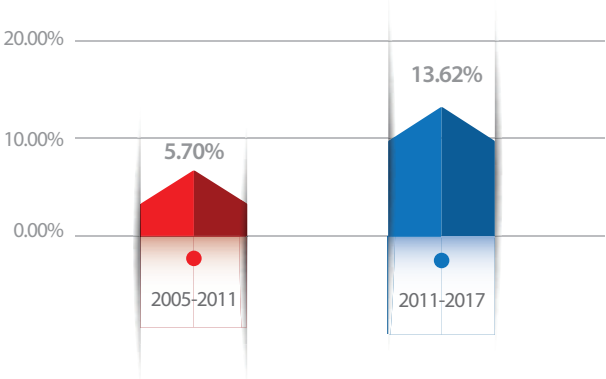
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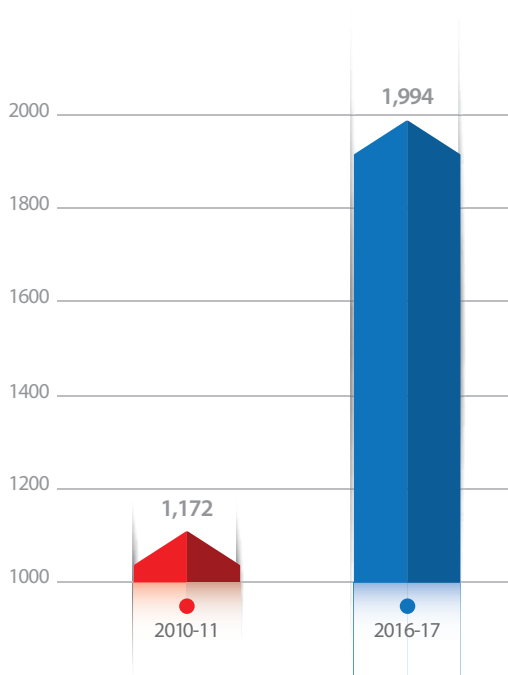
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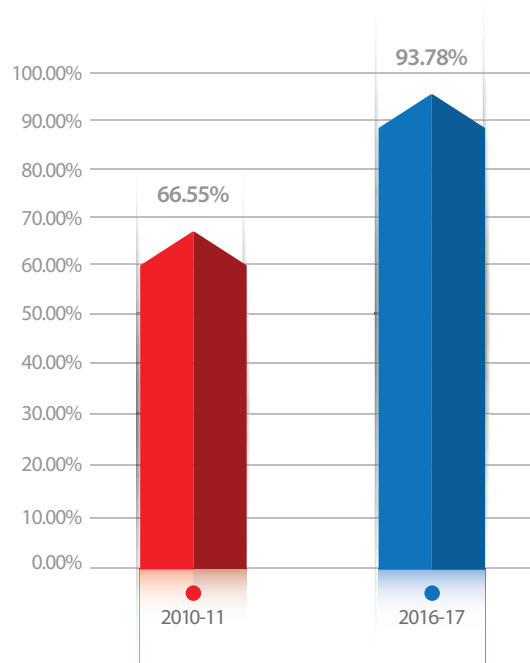
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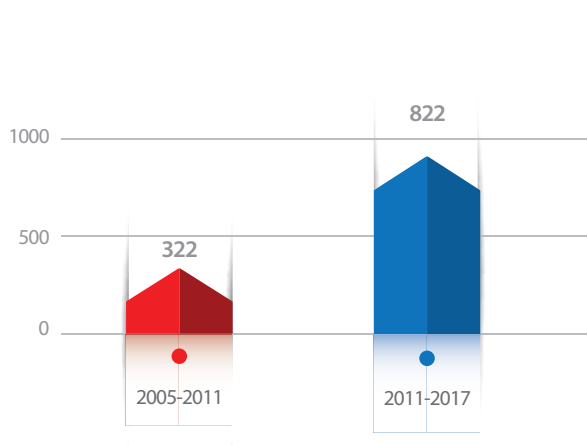
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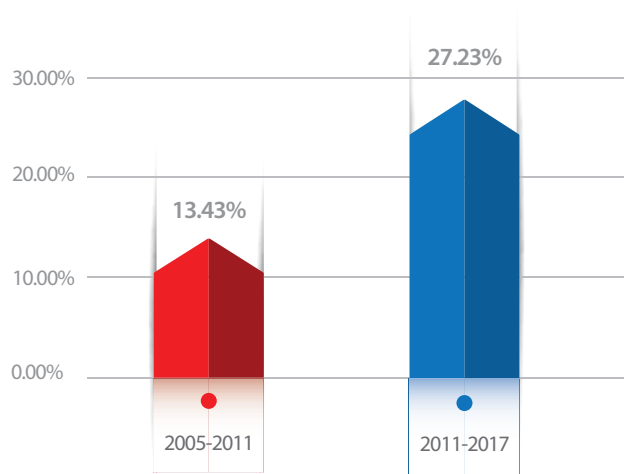
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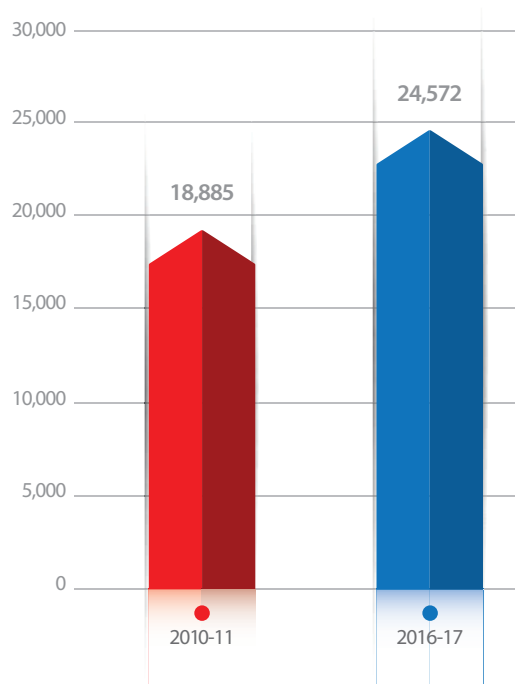
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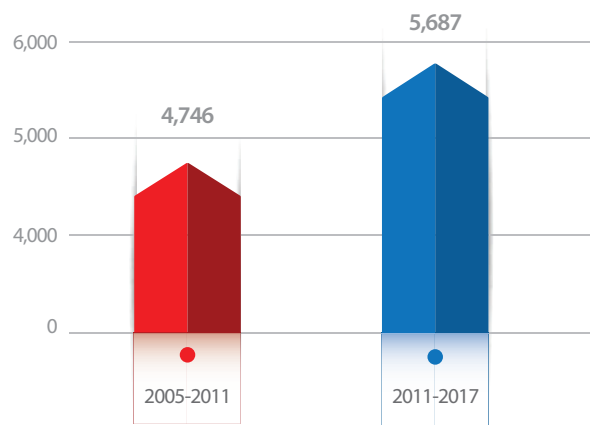
Increase in total no. of commissioned PWSS



**Increase in % of coverage of Arsenic affected
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No. of sourceless schools covered



Increase in no. of sourceless schools covered

Snapshot of significant achievements of Public Health Engineering Department during the last six years (May 2011 to May 2017)

- There has been a **paradigm shift** in rural drinking water supply during the last 6 years. For the first time, a '**Vision – 2020**' document was prepared and adopted by the Department to provide safe drinking water to every household @ 70 lpcd, at an estimated cost of **₹21,125.00 Crores**.
- During April 2011 to till date about **822 nos.** of rural piped water supply schemes (PWSS) and **20,687 nos. of Hand Pump Tube-wells** and **14,310 nos. of Rig Bored Tube wells** have been commissioned benefitting a total population of **1.85 Crores**. The achievement is quite significant compared to progress during **2005-2011**, where **322 nos.** of piped water supply schemes and **15,309 nos.** hand pump tube-wells were commissioned benefitting a population of **63.96 lakh**.
- Moreover April 2011 to till date about **759 nos.** of rural piped water supply schemes (PWSS) have been sanctioned at an estimated cost of **₹10,042.31 Crores** to benefit a total population of **1.78 Crores**.
- The investment in rural water supply sector, which was **₹3,197.10 Crores** in the period 2005-2011, has been doubled during 2011 to 2017 amounting of **₹6,966.11 Crores**.
- The department is presently implementing **471 nos.** of piped water supply schemes (PWSS) with a total estimated cost of **₹8,070.17 Crores**, which on completion will benefit **2.55 Crores** of rural population.
- The coverage of Piped Water Supply Scheme in the rural population, which was **37.95% in May 2011** has already been increased to **51.57%** by the end of the last financial year 2016-17. It is worth mentioning that the coverage of rural population will rise to **73.34%**, on implementation of all the ongoing schemes.
- In arsenic affected areas the coverage of total risk population by safe water supply was **66.55% in May 2011**, which has already been increased to **93.52%** and it is expected to rise to **97%** by the end of **December 2017**.
- A comprehensive action plan for **Fluoride mitigation** has been prepared at an estimated cost of **₹1,580.00 Crores** which shall be executed in a phased manner in **43 Fluoride affected Blocks of 7 Districts** namely Birbhum, Bankura, Dakshin Dinajpur, Uttar Dinajpur, Purulia, Malda and South 24 Parganas. Apart from above, a good number of piped water supply schemes based either on sub-surface river water or on Fluoride-free ground aquifer (as source) are being implemented in the affected area of the districts
- 14 Blocks of District Bankura which is one of the most water scarce area of the State, has been covered under phase-I with a sustainable drinking water supply project under Backward Region Grant Fund (BRGF) at an estimated cost of **₹1,011.12 Crores** to benefit a population of **30.15 lakh**. Moreover, **Bankura Piped Water Supply Scheme, Phase-II**, covering the remaining 8 numbers of Blocks of Bankura District amounting to **₹833.79 Crore** and benefiting a population of 9.54 Lakh (census 2011) has been taken up recently with the funding from Asian Development Bank. Therefore the piped water supply coverage in Bankura district which was **15.12%** in 2011 has increased to **43.21%** and expected to be **100%** when all the ongoing and proposed PWSS are commissioned.
- Similarly, a sustainable piped water supply project, at an estimated cost of **₹1,173.10 Crores**, have been taken

up with the external assistance of JICA Japan to benefit a population of **29.10 lakh** for the **District Purulia, another water scarce and fluoride affected areas of the State**. The piped water supply coverage in Purulia district which was 18.00% in 2011 has already increased to **27.0%** and the coverage would be **72.34%** when all the ongoing and proposed PWSS are commissioned.

- Sub Surface Water Based Piped Water Supply Scheme in the fluoride affected areas of District Dakshin Dinajpur in **Tapan** and **Gangarampur** Blocks with a total estimated cost of **₹310.51 Crores** have been taken up for implementation and a total population of **5.13 Lakh** (census 2011) are going to be benefitted out of these two schemes.
- The Government has given special attention to the people of **Jangalmahal area** (Districts of Purulia, Bankura and Paschim Medinipur) for drinking water supply. Total coverage of PWSS in Jangalmahal area is **now 29.57%**, which was **13.34% in the year 2011**, and on implementation of all the ongoing schemes in Jangalmahal area the coverage **will rise to 51.67%**.
- The piped water supply coverage in Paschim Medinipur district which was only 9.56% in 2011 has already been increased to **22.18%** and expected to be **28.35%** when all the ongoing and proposed PWSS are commissioned.
- Surface Water based Water Supply Scheme for **Falta-Mathurapur & Adjoining Mouzas** is under implementation in the District of South 24 Parganas covering 10 (ten) nos. Saline Blocks, viz., Kulpi, Diamond Harbour – I/II, Falta, Jaynagar – II, Kultali, Magrahat – I, Mandirbazar, Mathurapur – I/II. Total number of mouzas proposed to be covered is 902 and number of habitations covered is 2,740. Design population of the scheme is **32.89 lakhs** and the estimated cost is **₹1,332.41 Crores**. Mention that after completion of this project 19 blocks out total 29 blocks in the district whose ground water is affected with arsenic and salinity, will be covered by surface water
- In the arsenic affected areas of the district North 24 Parganas, this department has already taken up two nos. of Surface water based schemes one for **Habra- Gaighata** and another for **Haroa Rajarhat & Bhangar II** (in the South 24 Parganas) with a total Estimated cost of **₹1,265.88 Crores** and to benefit a Population of **26.11 lakhs**. The 'Haroa Rajarhat & Bhangar II' project has been sent to the Asian Development Bank for necessary Funding. Moreover it has been emphasized by this government to cover all the left out arsenic affected habitations by piped water supply schemes based on surface water. In view of that **another 3 nos. of schemes** for the blocks of (i) Bongaon & Bagda (ii) Baduria, Barasat-II, Basirhat-I, Basirhat-II, Swarupnagar & Hasnabad (iii) Hingalganj, Minakhan, Sandeshkhali – I & II at a total estimated cost of **₹3,784.00 Crores** have been proposed under the **National Water Quality Submission**.
- **Bally-Jagachha Surface Water Based Project (Phase-I)** has been taken up at an estimated cost of **₹150.68 Crores** in quality affected blocks of Bally-Jagachha areas of Howrah District covering 6 (six) nos. of census towns covering a design population of **2.86 lakhs**. Moreover, another Surface Water Based water Supply Scheme for **Bally-Jagachha (Phase-II)**, amounting to **₹45.88 Crores** and benefiting a population of **5.68 Lakhs** (census 2011) in Domjur Block of Howrah district to be taken up.
- For an intermediate relief to the people of arsenic affected habitations yet to be covered by any piped water supply scheme this government is implementing **solar power driven community based water purification**



plants. This Department has already taken up installation of 385 no. of such community based water purification plants in the districts of Malda, Murshidabad, Nadia and North 24 Parganas which involves a cost of **₹50.98 crores.**

- Work for Intake Structure and laying of Raw Water conveyance main for **100 MGD** water supply to Kolkata New Town, Nabadiganta, Salt lake; South Dumdum Municipality; Haroa, Rajarhat and adjoining rural areas at an estimated cost of **₹348.37 Crores** is recently been completed. Raw water from the River Hooghly is now conveyed to the New Town WTPs for treatment and subsequent supply to the residents of New Town Kolkata.
- This Department is also emphasizing on use of **renewable energy sources**. For that purpose, a Solar Power based Water Supply Schemes for **Shridharkati**, Block-Hingalgunj, district North 24 Parganas with an estimated cost of **₹63.53 Crores** have been taken up. In addition to this, **704 nos. of solar power based dual Piped Water Supply Schemes** in the Districts of Bankura, Paschim Medinipur and Purulia have been commissioned in 2015-16, at an estimated cost of **₹51.67 Crores**. Moreover **400 more** such **solar power based dual Piped Water Supply Schemes** in the district of Purulia, Paschim Medinipur, Uttar Dinajpur, Dakshin Dinajpur, Purba Medinipur, North & South 24 Parganas and Birbhum has been taken up and expected to be commissioned in 2017.
- **The Water ATM** is an innovative concept in the field of water treatment which can be customized for installation of a water treatment plant with microbial disinfection and with a water chiller facility. The Water ATM will dispense one liter of purified, ambient chilled water against an affordable cost. PHE has already installed such type of Water ATMs for the common people in some of the Government Hospitals and other significant locations at Kolkata. Also, more than **200 nos. of Water ATMs** have been installed in different **school** premises in arsenic affected areas of North 24 Parganas district which will provide safe drinking water to the students as well as people of nearby habitation free of cost.
- PHE Department has a very strong workforce to tackle the drinking water crisis due to disaster caused by flood or drought. PHE Department has **21 (Twenty-one) Mobile Treatment Units**, in its possession which are utilized for supply of safe drinking water during disaster or emergency situation.
- PHE Department has implemented 13 (thirteen) nos. of Drinking Water Bottling Plants to cater to the emergency situations like drought, flood and to ensure safe drinking water to the gathering of people in different occasions like mela etc.
- PHED also giving emphasis on the water supply to the **Tea gardens** in the districts of Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri and Darjeeling through PWSS or by sinking hand pump tube wells. Water supply arrangement has been made in **41 nos. of stressed tea gardens** in these districts.
- PHED has recently introduced **100 nos.** of fully equipped state of art Water quality testing laboratories spread all over all the districts of West Bengal increasing the total nos. of Water testing laboratories to **218**. **The state has the highest number of water testing Laboratories in India at present.** The **state referral Laboratory** at Dakshin Roypur WTP complex at South 24 Parganas has recently been **NABL accredited**.

GALLERY

Chakdaha Surface Water Based Water Supply Scheme (Commissioned) 1a 1b

Haringhata Surface Water Based Water Supply Scheme (Commissioned) 2a 2b

Nadia Northern Sector Water Supply Scheme (Commissioned) 3

Mega Surface Water Based Water Supply Scheme For Falta -
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BANKURA W/S SCHEMES (Phase – I)
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S/W based PWSS for Habra – Gaighata in the district of North 24 Parganas
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West Bengal Piped W/S Project – Purulia (Phase I)
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Surface Water based Piped Water Supply Schemes for Haroa,
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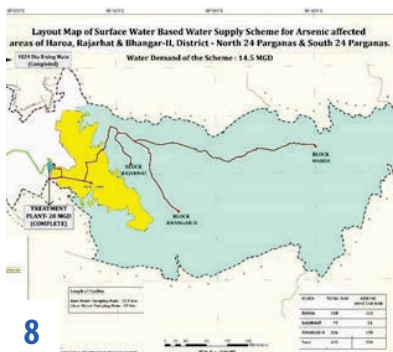
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PANCHAYAT & RURAL DEVELOPMENT ➡



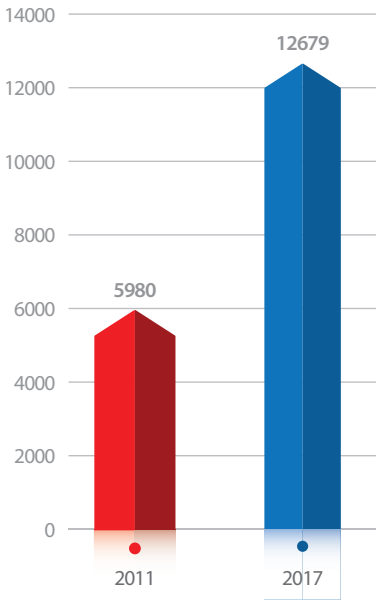
APA Qualified GPs under ISGPP	
Year	APA qualified GPs (out of 1000 GPs)
2011-12	483
2012-13	792
2013-14	794
2014-15	861
2015-16	960
2016-17	987

Institutional performance in the areas of planning, Financial Management, Auditing & Accountability increased over the years

ISGPP grant went up over the years	
Year	ISGPP grant (Rs. Crore)
2011-12	44.09
2012-13	108.94
2013-14	147.71
2014-15	202.79
2015-16	240.14
2016-17	294.37

Project Grant (Untied Grant) flow to GPs increased steadily over the years

Number of Habitations Connected
by Road Network



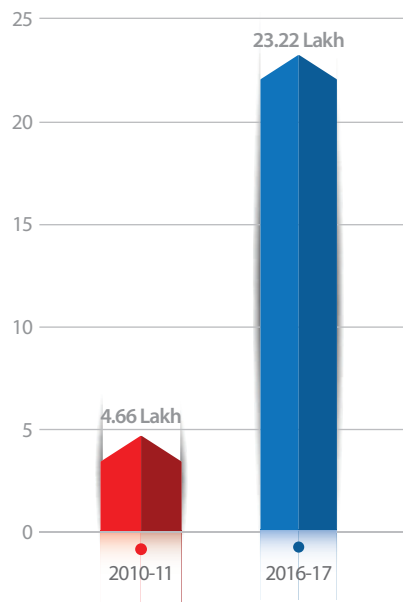
Physical Achievment: West Bengal						
	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
IGNOAPS	1741778	1652288	1338545	1539501	1557510	1428187
IGNWPS	370724	441933	658554	819196	827235	823762
IGNDPS	34475	38031	40821	58653	63231	66892
NFBS	21220	39501	26416	25390	29167	26533
TOTAL NSAP	2168197	2171753	2064336	2442740	2477143	2345374

(Rs. in lakh)

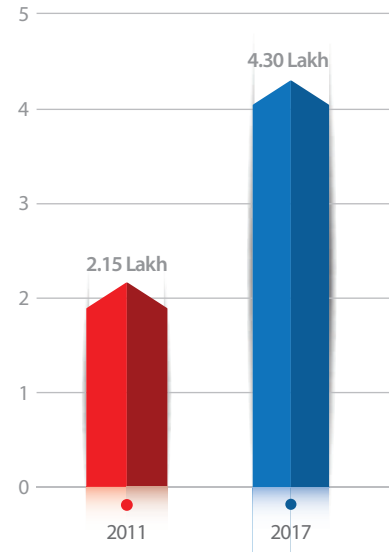
Financial Achievment: West Bengal						
	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17
IGNOAPS	68065.62	69476.97	104802.01	91629.24	94840.17	81517.51
IGNWPS	19271.01	17045.33	55368.27	56488.44	59224.89	54749.64
IGNDPS	982.19	1489.47	3515.56	4011.07	4884.88	4459.67
NFBS	2379.59	4046.74	5274.29	9287.24	12149.54	10636.71
TOTAL NSAP	90698.41	92058.50	168960.13	161415.99	171099.48	151363.53

(Rs. in crore)

Fund released: West Bengal						
	2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17
NSAP	908.14	932.26	2320.51	1413.96	1559.94	2200.78

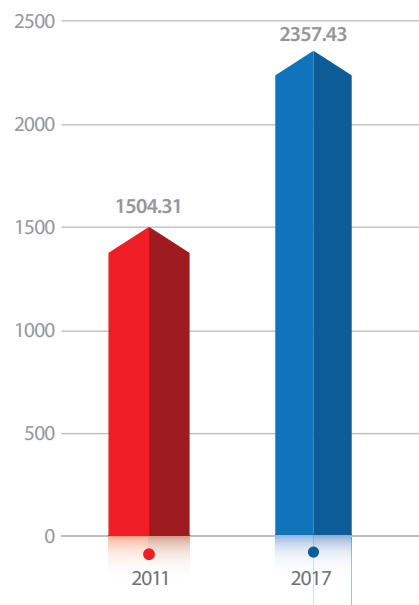


Construction of Individual Household Latrine (IHHL)



Rural Housing Sanctioned

Person days generated in 100 days' work (in lakh)





SURGING AHEAD: ACTIVITIES OF THE PANCHAYATS & RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IN WEST BENGAL IN THE LAST SIX YEARS

Institutional set up

- West Bengal Panchayat Act was amended in 2012 to bring reservation for the Backward Classes in all the three tiers within the overall ceiling of 50 percent reservation for the Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and the Backward Classes taken together. In the amended version of the Panchayat Act, reservation of seats for women in all the tiers and across all the groups (SC, ST and Backward Classes) has been raised from thirty three to fifty percent. Panchayat General Election 2013 was held on basis of such revised reservation, thereby making the Panchayat system more inclusive and gender sensitive
- In 2015, West Bengal Panchayat Act and Rules were amended to bring in the element of Ease of Doing Business by simplifying the system of licences and permissions for building construction and running business establishments in the Panchayat area
- Zilla Parishads for Alipurduar (in 2014), Jhargram (in 2017) and Paschim Bardhaman (in 2017) have been constituted following bifurcation of the districts of Jalpaiguri, Paschim Medinipur and Bardhaman respectively
- Honoraria of the office bearers of the three-tier PRI bodies- Pradhan and Upa-Pradhan of the Gram Panchayat, Sabhapati and Sahakari Sabhapati of the Panchayat Samity and Sabhadhipati, Sahakari Sabhadhipati and Karmadhakshyas of Zilla Parishads as well as Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad were enhanced in February 2017. Honorarium was also introduced for the general members of all the three-tiers of the Panchayats.

Under Right to Public Services Act, 2013 specific time schedules and procedures were notified for providing the followings services:

- Granting permission for construction of building
- Registration for trade and
- Registration for vehicles (other than those covered by the Motor Vehicles Act)

A new pro-poor initiative, named 'Samabyathi' has been introduced from January 2017 by providing Rs.2000.00 in favour of the next kien of a deceased person in rural areas for organising funeral. Since introduction of the programme, 25478 households have been benefitted by this initiative and a sum of Rs.5.1 crore has so far been utilized

100 Days' Work

- In 100 days' work West Bengal improved its performance over the years and established itself as the leader in enhancing both quantity and quality of programme implementation. Quantity-wise, over the period of the last six years from July 2011, 127.16 crore person-days could be generated, which was way better than the quantum of employment generation from inception of work under the Act in 2006 till June 2011 (54.15 Crore). In terms of expenditure, it was more than 27682.05 crore in INR with an average of Rs.4614 crore per year. Expenditure per Gram Panchayat rose from Rs.87.39 lakh in 2011-12 to Rs.212.22 lakh in 2016-17. In 2016-17, the State's expenditure in MGNREGA was as high as Rs.7283.45 crore.
- On the qualitative front, West Bengal brought in a series of innovative programmes in MGNREGA, which included, but not restricted to Fly Ash Brick manufacturing units, shared plantation by the Self-help Groups on lease-hold land, stabilization of river embankments through bio engineering etc. for river bank protection, a special variety of grasses, vetiver with its penetrating roots capable of holding earth from erosion has been introduced. The programme, introduced at scale in Nadia district was christened by the Chief Minister as 'Sabujayan' and has spread over to 13 districts.
- Over the years, West Bengal emerged as the major player in achieving convergence with different departments and programmes, thereby extending the reach of development interventions in rural area. 26 Departments of the State Government comprising of 33 programmes / schemes could be brought under convergence portfolio.
- Ensuring survival of trees planted under 100 days' work West Bengal received accolades for its 'Briksha Patta' initiative giving usufruct rights to the job seekers over trees assigned to them for maintenance for a period of three years. Around 3.5 million plants were assigned to 30000 households; job-card holders under the programme were engaged in plantation activities linking the wage rate on survival of plants. The job-card holders possess usufruct right on minor produce with share in timber value under the initiative.
- A pilot initiative has been taken in 40 springs in Darjeeling to address the problem of dwindling water supply in the springs of the region. Springshed Development initiative, named as 'Banglar Jharnadhara Prakalpa' is all set to make positive changes in water availability in the hills. 13 springs in Jalpaiguri and 8 in the District of Alipurduar have also been included in the pilot.
- In a diversified initiative under 100 days' work river rejuvenation project has been taken up for Gandeswari (30 km), Birai (22km) and Damodar (20 km) in the Districts of Bankura and Hooghly. This particular initiative has been named as 'Banglar Srotodhara Prakalpa' is expected to make major contribution in enhancing livelihood of the rural poor in the catchment areas.

Mission Nirmal Bangla

- A baseline survey conducted in 2012-13 identified 67.77 lakh households without access to toilets. Since 2013-14 concerted effort resulted in ensuring access to 52.62 lakh households raising the coverage rate to 90 percent of the rural households
- After launching of the Swachh Bharat Mission by the Government of India on 2 October 2014, West Bengal alone reported 44.92 lakh household toilets, which was more than 11 percent of the all India achievement on this count
- The number of IHHLs covered during 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 has been 6.08 lakh, 8.47 lakh, 14.32 lakh and 23.22 lakh respectively
- Nadia emerged in April 2015 as the first Open Defecation Free district of the country after launching of the Swachh Bharat Mission. In 2016-17, four more districts, viz., Hooghly, North 24-Parganas, Purba Medinipur and Coochbehar have achieved ODF status. Moreover, undivided Bardhaman and South 24-Parganas districts have declared themselves as ODF and the state level verification in these two districts is continuing.
- The State reported 21324 villages as 'Declared ODF', covering 1929 GPs till 17.05.2017, again highest in the country.

Banglar Awas Yojana

- In the last six years from 2011-12 (i.e., from 2011-12 to 2015-16) 18.94 lakh houses were sanctioned under the programme. Construction could be completed in respect of 14.62 lakh houses sanction till 1015-16. 4.30 lakh houses sanctioned in 2016-17 are in different stages of construction.
- The Department could obtain a total amount of Rs.10563.76 crore during the last six years out of which Rs.9870.63 crore has been utilized under the programme.
- In 2016-17, West Bengal could successfully integrate Socio Economic Caste Census data in selection of beneficiaries for the housing intervention.

Grameen Sadak Yojana

- Out of total road length constructed to the tune of 23857.56 km since inception of the programme, a length of 12459.36 km of road was constructed in the State during the last six years. The financial year-wise (from 2011-12 to 2016-17) length of road constructed under the programme stand as 1132.52 km, 1271.62 km, 2548.38 km, 2215.16 km, 2466.15 km and 2825.53 km respectively. 689, 803, 1132, 869, 1111 and 1162 habitations were connected during the last six years respectively,
- Out of the total envisaged road length of 36000 km as per Core Network of Rural Roads, this Department has received sanctions of 29846.9 km.
- Detailed Project Report (DPR) of 2831.9 km road length has already been submitted to the Ministry of Rural

Development.

- Out of 14173 number of targeted habitations, 12679 habitations are already connected through road network and it is expected that the rest will be connected by March 2019.
- Under State Maintenance Policy, 8602 km of old rural road have been brought under maintenance through funding from the State Government only.

Anandadhara

- West Bengal State Rural Livelihoods Mission was formed and registered as a society (on 10 May 2012) under the West Bengal Societies Registration Act, 1961, under the Panchayats and Rural Development Department, Government of West Bengal to initiate a major anti-poverty programme for the rural poor by organizing women into Self Help Groups (SHGs). The Hon'ble Chief Minister launched the flagship programme named as Anandadhara on 17 May 2012.
- On programme intensification, it may be pointed out that number of intensive Blocks under the programme has increased from 32 in 2012-13 to 158 in the current financial year.
- The following table indicates the data on formation of Self Help Groups and Federations:

Year	Number of SHGs	Number of Upa Sanghas	Number of Sanghas
2012-13	318180	22715	2425
2013-14	324444	27026	2688
2014-15	337833	30756	2796
2015-16	377078	34029	3115
2016-17	457967	35199	3179
From 2012-13 to 2016-17, the number of SHGs have increased from 3.18 lakh to 4.58 lakh; in 2016-17 credit accessed from the Banks have been Rs.3329.81 lakh against a target of Rs.3274.9 lakh (101.68%).			

- In 2015-16 and 2016-17, Rs.9851.67 lakh and Rs.14087.44 lakh were the cumulative amount of community investment fund disbursed, cumulative amounts of revolving / Pragati Fund disbursed in the respective years have been Rs.52543.3 lakh and Rs.54668.7 lakh.

- The following table indicates the information on engagement of community professionals for 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17:

Year	No. of community Service Providers engaged by Sangha	No. of Sangha Coordinators engaged by Sangha	No. of District Level Trainers
2014-15	5241	121	537
2015-16	7349	305	616
2016-17	9430	309	627

- The fund utilization figures in respect of Anandadhra is indicated in the following tables:

(Amount in Rs. lakh)

Year	Approved Budget		Total approved budget	Total receipt		Total Receipt
	NRLP	NRLM		NRLP	NRLM	
2013-14	10468	9676	20144	5770.53	4288.24	10058.77
2014-15	9646	4095	13741	7496.39	6503.40	13999.79
2015-16	10740	3539.05	14279.05	6359.92	10617.08	16977.00
2016-17	10850	6459.82	17309.82	12589.8	8632.54	21222.34

Year	Utilization		Total Utilisation	% utilisation of allocation		% utilisation of total fund
	NRLP	NRLM		NRLP	NRLM	
2013-14	3138.02	2015.33	5153.35	54.38	47.00	51.23
2014-15	4756.5	3897.12	8653.62	63.45	59.92	61.81
2015-16	5805.09	9514.67	15319.76	91.28	89.62	90.24
2016-17	12057.50	8370.74	20428.24	95.77	96.97	96.26

Capacity Building and Training of elected representatives and functionaries of Panchayats

- Training infrastructure has been expanded across the State. Now there are one apex institute, viz., State Institute of Panchayats & Rural Development (now renamed as B. R. Ambedkar Institute of Panchayats & Rural Development), five Extension Training Centres and thirty District Training Centres. The expanded training infrastructure has been regarded by Government of India as one of the best in the country.
- All Elected Representatives of Panchayats (around 58,000) have been trained after the Panchayat General Elections held in 2013. Refresher training programmes have been organized couple of times.
- Elected Representatives and Functionaries trained over the six years are as follows:- 138163 during 2011-12, 140846 during 2012-13, 135745 during 2013-14, 139452 during 2014-15, 111546 during 2015-16 and 142345 during 2016-17.
- Construction and setting up of District Panchayat Training and Resource Centre: Until April 2017, 23 District Panchayat Training and Resource Centres (DPTRCs) have been set up. These training centres are used to train the Gram Panchayat members on various policy and institutional issues on panchayats; hand-holding support are given for exposure to different government programmes implemented by the PRI Bodies. All the DPTRCs have hostel accommodation.

Institutional Strengthening of Gram Panchayats Project

- The World Bank supported ISGP Project was launched in September 2010 covering 1000 selected Gram Panchayats in nine Districts of the State. The Objective of ISGPP was to strengthen the Gram Panchayat as an institution thereby enabling for improved service delivery to citizens. The ISGPP phase-I has been completed in June 2016; and then following success in Phase-I, P&RD Deptt. initiated ISGPP phase-II from July 1, 2016 for all 3342 GPs in all districts in the State.
- External Annual Performance Assessment (APA)-based Untied Grant Transfer system has been introduced in 2010-11 and rolled-out continuously every year; the APA system has proved effective for enhancing performance of the Gram Panchayats. The number of APA qualifying GPs increased from 483 to 987 (out of 1000 GPs) between 2011 to 2016-17.
- The total quantum of Untied Grant to ISGPP GPs increased from Rs.44 crore in 2011 to Rs.294 crore in 2017, similarly, allocation per Gram Panchayat increased from Rs.4.6 lakh in 2011 to Rs.30 lakh in 2017.
- Untied performance grant under ISGPP helped in creating need-based infrastructure viz., village pucca roads (4383 km roads constructed), drinking water sources (25430 tube wells), piped water supply (3500 km), construction of ICDS building, solar street lighting (2000 km), drainage system (2440 km) were created. Performance Grant combined with mentoring support helped in timely utilisation of untied grants of different nature from 55% to 91% during the six years.
- Onsite hand holding support (mentoring) followed by formal training established and emerged effective for enhancing capacities of GPs in timely planning and implementation, financial management, procurement, transparency and accountability.
- Environment and Social Management Framework (ESMF) Protocol was established in planning and implementation process. The Vulnerable Group Development Index (VGDI) facilitated in identification of backward areas and habitations through Vulnerability Mapping and prioritizing in planning process.
- Introduction and roll-out of GIS-based integrated planning and monitoring system across all nine Project Districts enhanced real time monitoring system.
- Introduction and roll-out of web-based management information system (WBMIS) enabled Project GPs to capture physical and financial progress on real time basis and also enabled to get customized report of any project/sub project

National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP)

Major schemes running under NSAP have been i) Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS) ii) Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS) iii) Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS) and iv) National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS)

- Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS)

Total beneficiaries in the scheme during the last six years have been 17.42 lakh, 16.52 lakh, 13.39 lakh, 15.40 lakh, 15.58 lakh and 14.28 lakh respectively from 2011-12 to 2016-17. Total amount disbursed because of this pension have been Rs.68065.62 lakh, Rs.69476.97 lakh, Rs.104802.01 lakh, Rs.91629.24 lakh, Rs.94840.17 lakh and Rs.81517.51 lakh for the indicated years respectively.

- Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS)

In the respective financial years from 2011-12 to 2016-17, 3.70 lakh, 4.41 lakh, 6.59 lakh, 8.19 lakh, 8.27 lakh and 8.24 lakh beneficiaries were covered under the programme. Total amount utilized in the respective years have been: Rs.19271.01 lakh, Rs.17045.33 lakh, Rs.55368.27 lakh, Rs.56488.44 lakh, Rs.59224.89 lakh and Rs.54749.64 lakh.

- Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS)

In the respective financial years from 2011-12 to 2016-17, 34475, 38031, 40821, 58653, 63231 and 66892 number of beneficiaries were covered under the programme. Total amount utilized in the respective years have been: Rs.982.19 lakh, Rs.1489.47 lakh, Rs.3515.56 lakh, Rs.4011.07lakh, Rs.4884.88 lakh and Rs.4459.67lakh.


- National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS)

Benefit under NFBS has been disbursed to 21220, 39501, 26416, 25390, 29167 and 26533 number of households from 2011-12 to 2016-17 respectively. Amount disbursed is Rs.2379.59 lakh, Rs.4046.74 lakh, Rs.5274.29 lakh, Rs.9287.24 lakh, Rs.12149.54 lakh and Rs.10636.71 lakh in the respective years.

Paschim Banga Rajya Sishu Siksha Mission (PBRSSM)

- A good number of MSKs participated in the National Children Science Congress Programme – 2016. After completion of the District Level competition, four projects were selected for participation in the National Children Science Congress at Maharashtra. In National Level competition, two projects of Bhirkasole MSK of Barjora Block of Bankura District have been selected in top thirty projects in the said competition.
- New School Buildings in 3112 SSKs and 255 in respect of MSKs have been constructed during the period under review. Construction of additional class rooms to the tune of 10254 and 1733 respectively have been completed in SSKs and MSKs.
- An initiative has been taken for electricity connection in respect of all SSKs & MSKs; at the current, 3474 number of SSKs and 995 number of MSKs have electricity connection.
- Recording and airing of the radio programme bearing name: 'Shishu Shiksha-O-Madhyamik Shikshar Asar' (aired through Kolkata-A and Siliguri stations) on every Thursday in the All India Radio is a notable initiative of the Mission which has gained popularity among the students and teachers.

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- 1 Demonstration of IEC documents under MGNREGA to the officials of Govt. of India
 - 2 Plantation activities taken up under MGNREGA in the District of Purba Medinipur within the approved activities in respect of 2016-17
 - 3 Strengthening of river embankment through plantation of Vetiver plants in the District of Nadia under MGNREGA
 - 4 PMGSY Road in Rajganj Block in the District of Uttar Dinajpur
 - 5 A constructed road under PMGSY in Bagda in the District of North 24-Parganas
 - 6 PMGSY Road in Bongaon, North 24-Parganas
 - 7 Catering Training conducted to the SHG members in the District of Coochbehar under Anandadhara
 - 8 A Milk Parlour in the District of Hooghly run by SHG members
 - 9 A 'Pusti' Production unit run by SHG members in the District of Birbhum
 - 10 Training on Micro Investment Planning led by the SHG members in the District of Darjeeling
 - 11 Newly inaugurated DPTRC at Dhaniakhali in the District of Hooghly
 - 12 DPTRC at Fulpahari in the District of Paschim Medinipur
 - 13 Sri Subrata Mukherjee, Hon'ble MIC of Department of P&RD and Department of PHE addressing the trainees in the training session for Lady Pradhans in Paschim Medinipur
 - 14 Training programme on Pradhans, Nimtouri, Purba Medinipur
 - 15 Classroom transaction at Labdah CP MSK in the District of Darjeeling
 - 16 Newly constructed additional classroom in a MSK in the District of Murshidabad
 - 17 Delegation led by students of SSKs & MSKs in New Delhi during the National Science Congress, 2016
 - 18 "Amar Boi" released by Paschimbanga Rajya Sishu Siksha Mission for the SSK students
 - 19 Celebration of Nirmal Nadia and Declaration of Nirmal Bangla Diwas
 - 20 IEC document on Health & Public Hygiene relating to hand washing
 - 21 Hand washing day celebration in the District of North 24-Parganas in December 2015



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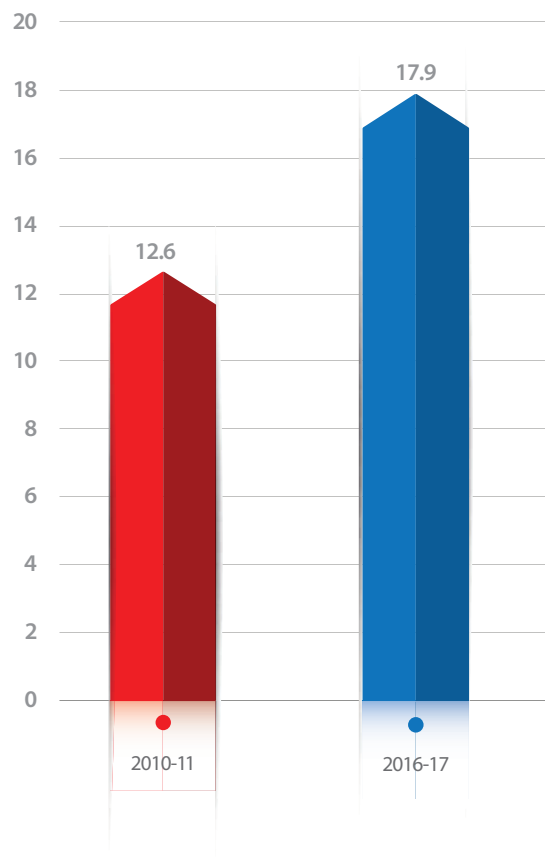


HIGHER EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY





Gross Enrolment Ratio



	Total Enrolment		
Year	Male	Female	Total
2011	855873	641146	1497019
2017	1028677	924019	1952696

Significant Steps Taken for Improvement of Higher Education (May 2011 and May 2017)

Huge expansion

1. Sixteen new Universities have been set up. Of these, seven are State-aided and nine are private universities. All are functional. The sixteenth (ninth private) university, i.e. St. Xavier's College, Kolkata will start classes from July 2017.
2. Thirty one new Government Colleges and sixteen Government-aided colleges have been set up. All are functional. A new Government College has also been sanctioned in 2016 at Narayangarh in Paschim Medinipur and is expected to start classes shortly.

Record rise in GER

3. 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 18 in 2016. The State's enrolment in higher education institutions has risen from 14,97,019 in 2011 to 19,52,696 in April 2017. This means an addition of 4,55,677 new seats at the UG and PG levels in the State during the last six years.

Four-fold increase of Plan expenditure in four years

4. The annual expenditure under the Plan budget of the Higher Education Department has gone up from Rs. 111.74 crore in 2010-11 to Rs. 465 crore in 2016-17; more than four hundred percent increase over five years.

Record number of posts created

5. A total of 2,816 teaching and non-teaching posts have been created in the State-funded universities, Government colleges and Government-aided colleges.

Largest teacher recruitment drive

6. A total of 5,931 Assistant Professors were recruited by the State's Public Service Commission and the College

Service Commission, thereby significantly improving the teaching standards in the State-funded colleges.

Ensuring Access and Equity

7. 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 (apart from 22% to SC and 6% to ST students. In 2014-15, the very first year of implementation, a total of 59,612 OBC students were admitted in the State's UG and PG level courses. During 2015-16, a total of 99,310 OBC students were admitted into the UG and PG level courses.

Mandatory Accreditation - Improving Quality of Higher Education

8. Indicating the steady improvement in the State's higher education institutions, as many as 276 institutions (May 2017) have obtained UGC-NAAC's (National Assessment and Accreditation Council) accreditation while 95 institutions are awaiting NAAC's visit, to be assessed and accredited shortly.

Virtual Classrooms/ e-learning initiative

9. To usher in the educational benefits of the internet, 732 virtual/ smart classrooms in the State-aided Universities, Government Colleges and Government-aided Colleges have been set up, at a cost of Rs. 22 crore.
10. An e-learning space has been created in every State-funded higher education institution where free WiFi/ internet facility has been made available for the students and teachers during work hours. Several universities and colleges have also completed full campus wifi coverage.

e-Governance initiatives

11. A major e-governance initiative has been 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 education institutions, from the academic session 2015-16 onwards. Each year, this benefits more than eight lakh applicants across the State.
12. The salary accounts of all universities and colleges have been made online, with funds being transferred directly into

the beneficiary's account under the Human Resource Management System (HRMS) software. All fund allocation from the Government is being done through the 'e-bantan' and 'e-pradaan' softwares under the Integrated Financial Management System. e-tender/ e-procurement in the higher education institutions has been made mandatory for any procurement above Rs.5 lakh. From 2017-18, a new Pension Portal has been operationalised for teaching and non-teaching staff of Government-aided colleges.

GIS mapping

13. GIS mapping of the entire State's land use, land cover, drainage and infrastructure has been generated by the Science & Technology Branch of the Department. Further, GIS mapping of the 32 towns covered under the National Health Mission as well as GIS-based spatial digital mapping for Kolkata Police and Howrah Municipal Corporation areas have been successfully completed.

Revamping the Swami Vivekananda Scholarship Scheme

14. To meaningfully assist the meritorious students belonging to the economically backward sections of the population, the budget for the Swami Vivekananda Merit cum Means Scholarship Scheme, which was Rs.45 crore in 2015-16 has been enhanced to Rs. 200 crore in 2016-17. This has increased the quantum of scholarships as also the number of beneficiaries in engineering, medical, technical and general degree courses besides students of classes XI and XII. During 2016-17, a total of 73,744 students have got the benefit of the scholarships.

Promotion of languages other than Bengali

15. The State's first Hindi-medium General Degree College at Banarhat, Jalpaiguri started functioning from August 2014. For the first time, Santhali has been introduced as a subject in the State Eligibility Test (SET) conducted by the West Bengal College Service Commission in 2015. Urdu has been introduced in several colleges.
16. To recognise the contributions of teachers in universities and colleges, the State Government has started the '**Siksha Ratna Samman**' in which public felicitation of outstanding teachers from higher education institutions is done on Teacher's Day.

Multiple Measures for the Welfare of Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff

17. The State Government has addressed long-pending service matters and issues, and implemented the following measures:
- (i) Enhancement of retirement age of teachers of universities and colleges from 60 years to 62 years, with effect from 1/1/2017; (ii) Grant of Leave Travel Concession (LTC) facility to university and college teachers; (iii) Bringing the university and college teachers under the West Bengal Health Scheme (WBHS); (iv) Conferment of Child Care Leave on female teachers of universities and colleges; (v) Conferment of Paternity Leave on male teachers of universities and colleges; (vi) Grant of advance increments for Ph.D./ M.Phil and other higher Degrees to university and college teachers; (vii) Treating the time spent by a teacher under the “Faculty Improvement Programme” as “on duty”; (viii) Encashment of accumulated Earned Leave (upto 300 days) at the time of superannuation; (ix) Conferment of teaching status on Librarians, Deputy Librarians and Assistant Librarians of Government-aided colleges, and Graduate Laboratory Instructors (GLIs), along with all attendant financial and service benefits including Career Advancement Scheme and leave encashment of 300 days; (x) Allowing College teachers to act as Guide for M.Phil and Ph.D. students in terms of UGC’s Regulations, 2016; (xi) Conferment of the benefit of ‘Study Leave with Pay’ on Govt.-approved Part Time Teachers (PTTs), Contractual Whole time Teachers (CWTTs) for acquiring higher Degrees such as Ph.D. (xii) Enhancement of the upper age limit of Govt.-approved Part Time Teachers (PTTs), Contractual Whole time Teachers (CWTTs) for applying for the post of Assistant Professor through the West Bengal College Service Commission, from 37 years to 42 years while also giving weightage for ‘teaching experience’ in the interview; (xiii) Bringing the Govt.-approved Part Time Teachers (PTTs), Contractual Whole Time Teachers (CWTTs) and casual non-teaching staff under the ‘Swasthya Sathi’ Scheme; (xiv) Conferment of Group D / non-teaching employee status upon hostel and mess employees of State-aided universities and Government-aided colleges, along with the attendant benefits of pension, GPF, encashment of leave salary, etc.

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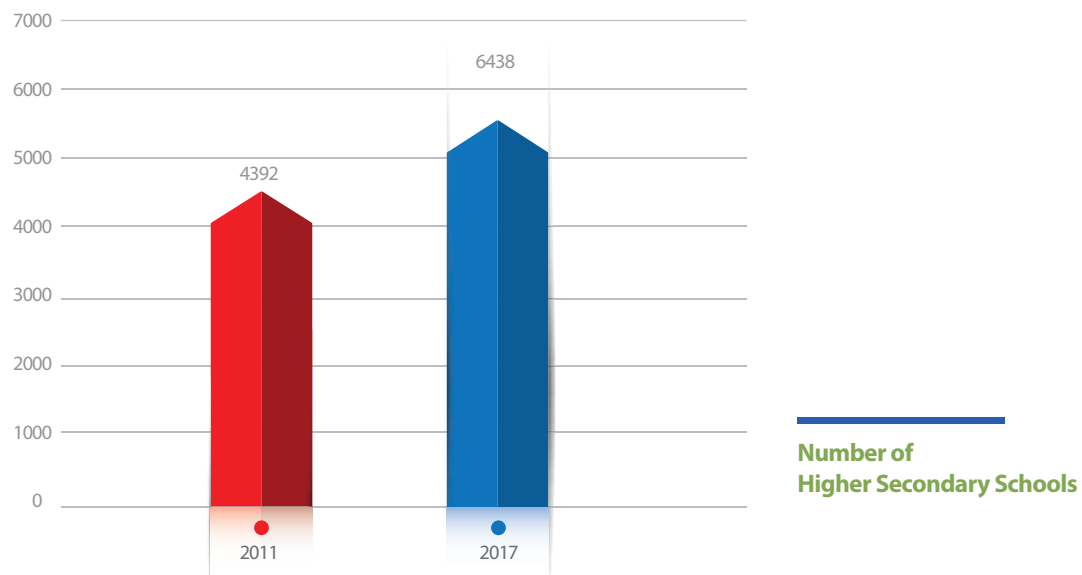
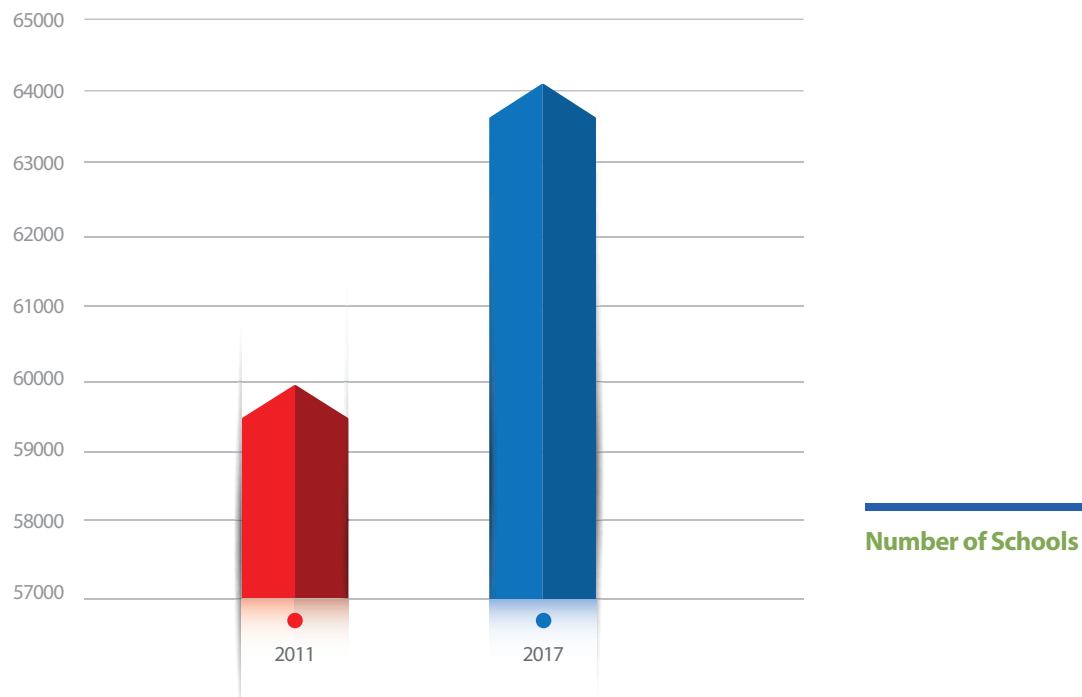


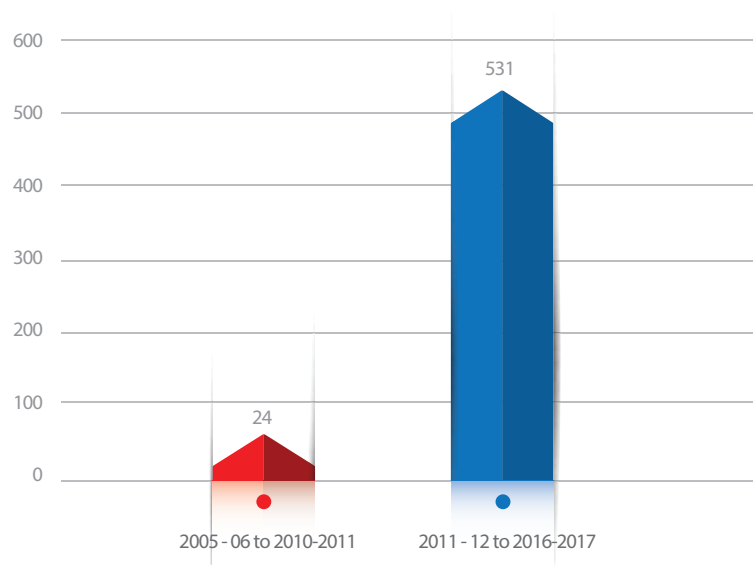
- Academy Building of Bankura University at the sanctioned cost of 20 Crores 1
- Diamond Harbour Womens' University at the sanctioned cost of 30 Crores 2
- Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Government College' at New Town at the sanctioned cost of 16 Crores 3
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- Nayagram Pandit Raghunath Murmu Govt. College at Paschim Medinipur at the sanctioned cost of 10 Crores 5
- Students in the Workshop of Purulia Govt. Engineering College at the sanctioned cost of 40 Crores 6



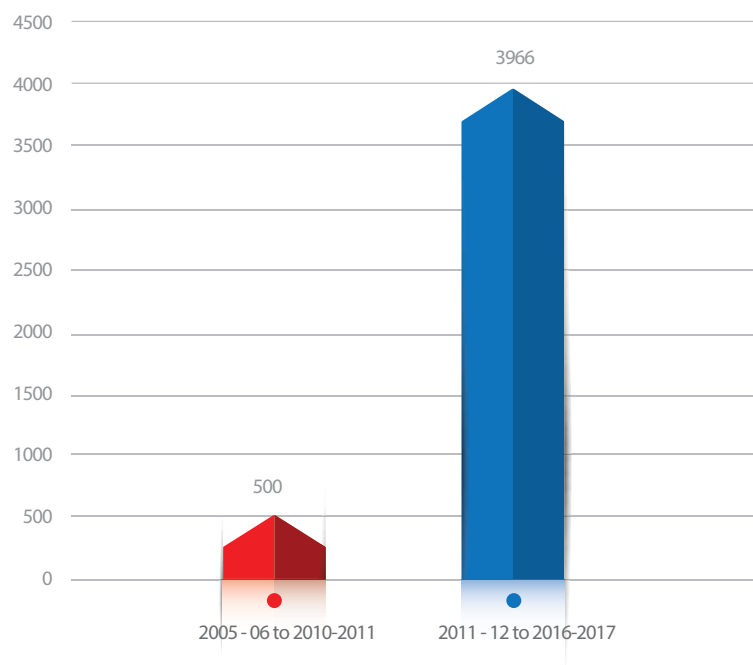


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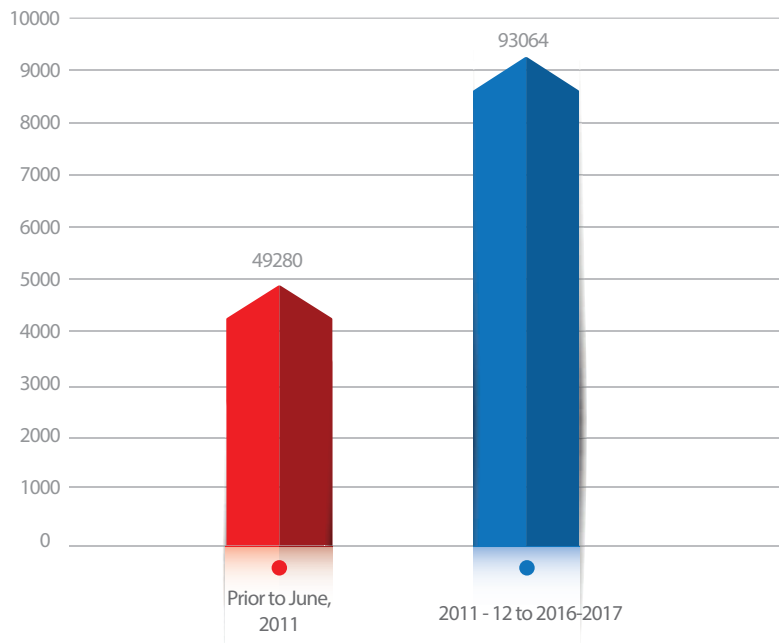




Construction of New School Building (Primary)



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**Construction of
Additional Class Room**

Significant Achievements



1. Government of West Bengal is providing **free text books** to all students of Pre **Primary to class XII** . Total no of text book titles are **296**. Nearly **9.5 crores books** are printed and distributed annually.
2. Specially designed **Braille text books** are given to all visually challenged students.
3. **50.32 lakhs** primary school students were provided with **school shoes** free of cost in last one year.
4. School education department provided **free school uniform** to all Class I to VIII students each year
5. **Mid Day Meal to 1.2 crores elementary level students** is provided **on daily basis** involving self help groups.
6. **50,426 Primary school teachers** are recruited in Primary Schools
7. **27,572 Teachers** were recruited in **upper primary and secondary schools**
8. **All schools** are provided with **safe drinking water and toilets**.
9. **As a new initiative E-class rooms** infrastructure is provided in **2000 secondary schools** in last one year.
10. **As a new initiative recreational infrastructure** (see-saw, swing and slide)was provided in **990 primary schools** in last one year .
11. **To develop academic infrastructure 93,064 Additional class rooms** were constructed in schools in last six years.
12. New Buildings of **531 new set up primary schools, 3966 new set up upper primary schools, 2706 SSK, 166 MSK** were constructed in last six years.
13. In 3915 secondary schools **39300** computers were provided to encourage use of computers in schools
14. In last six years **564** Junior High schools were upgraded to High schools
15. In last six years **1909** Secondary schools were upgraded to Higher Secondary schools
16. In **3014** schools library grant to develop library infrastructure was provided to tune of Rs 15.46 crores
17. In **3714** schools Laboratory grant to develop school infrastructure was provided to tune of Rs 62.11 crores



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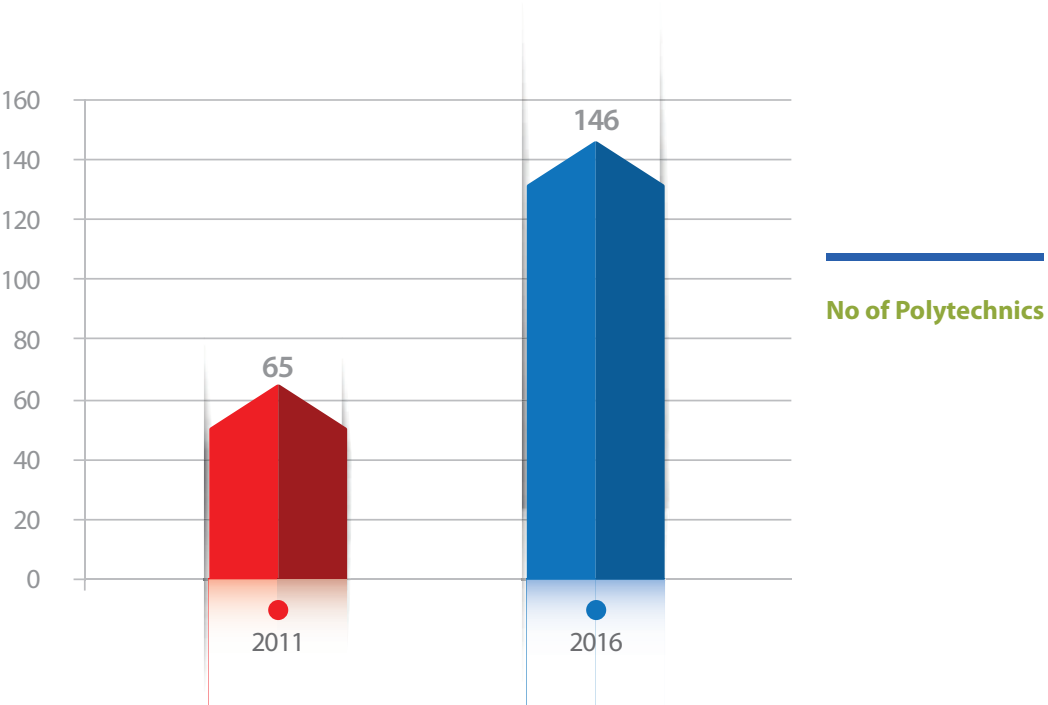
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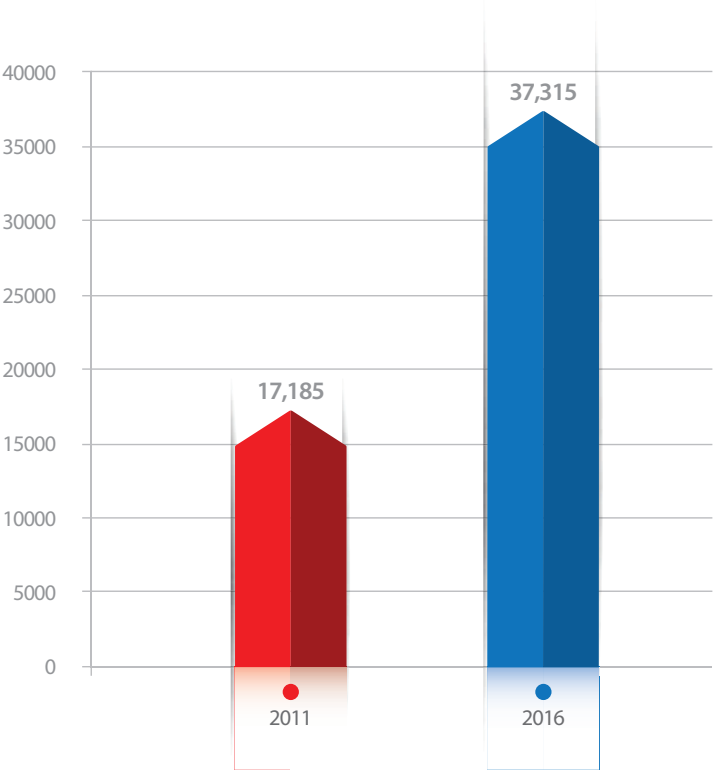


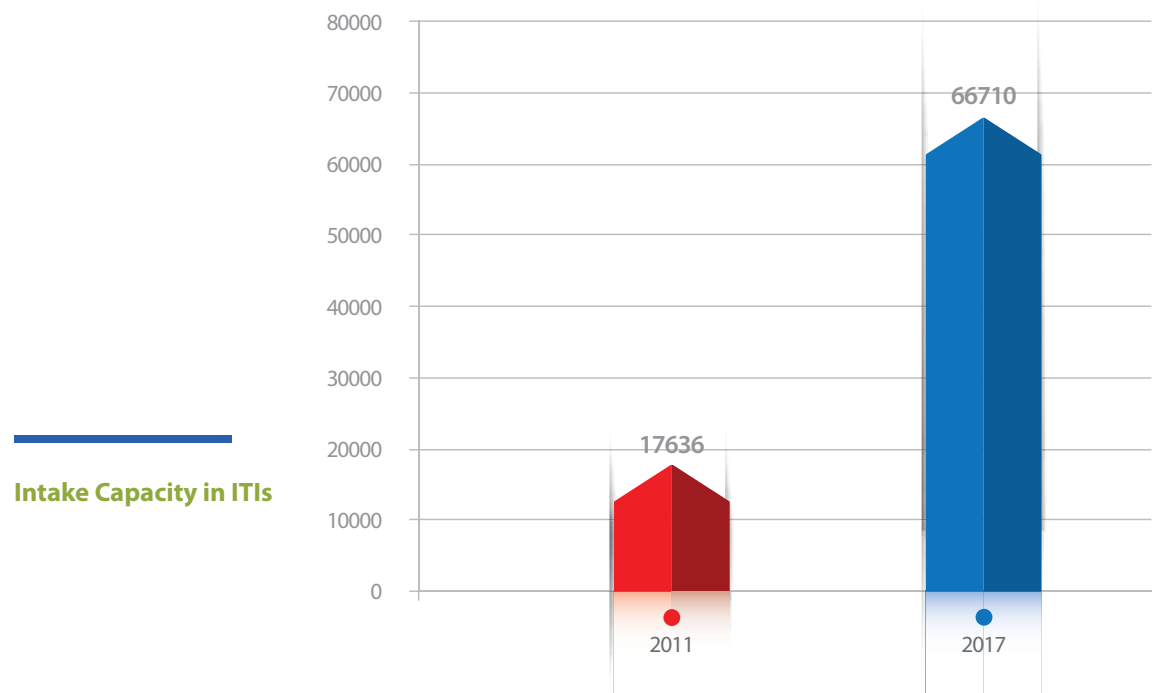
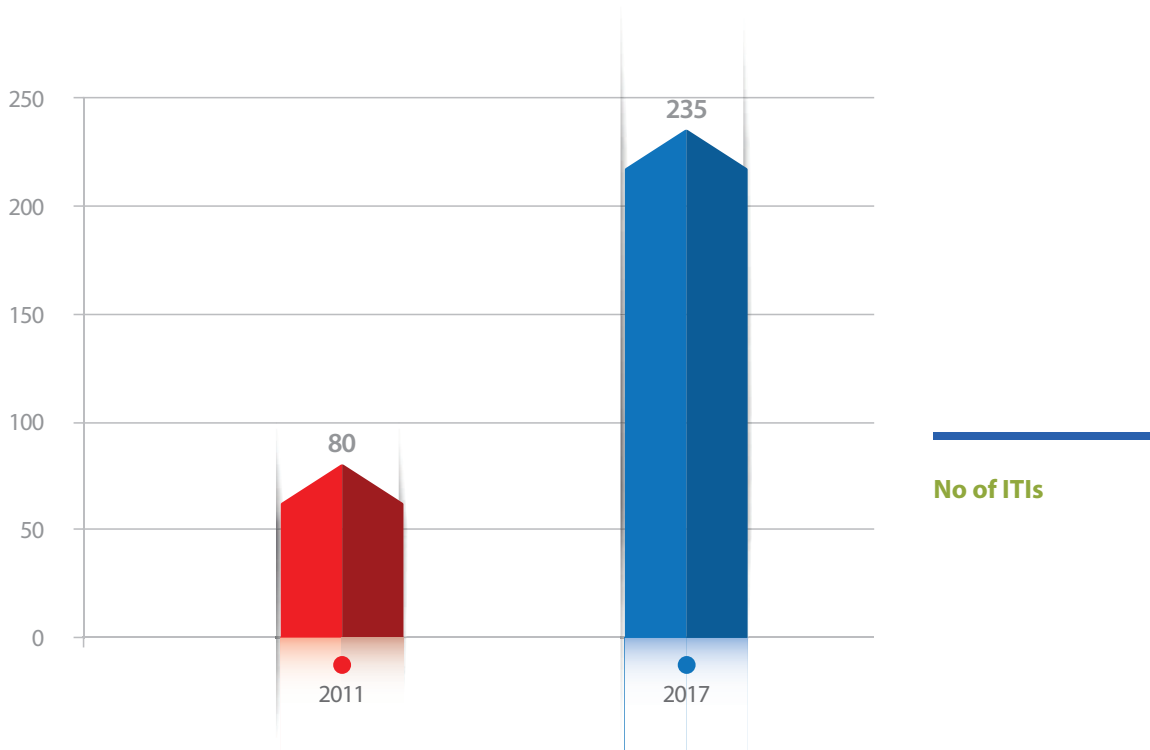
**TECHNICAL EDUCATION, TRAINING
AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT**





Intake Capacity in Polytechnics







West Bengal is among the few states having an integrated Skill Development Policy, wherein the **West Bengal Skill Development Mission** under Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister is providing the policy guidance while the **Paschim Banga Society For Skill Development (PBSSD)** under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary is the coordinating agency for Skill Development in the State.

- On 16th February'2016, **"Utkarsh Bangla"** has been launched as the flagship scheme for Skill Development in the State. Project, Non-Project as well as RPL mode interventions in Utkarsh Bangla have already started and 4,91,570 youths have already trained.
- The State of West Bengal has been selected as the **Best State at the All India Skill Competition** organized by Govt. of India for the year of 2016. It may also be mentioned that the State stood first in the year of 2013 for the 1st time and followed it up in 2014.

Polytechnics :

- The Government has adopted a policy of ensuring one (01) Polytechnic in each Sub-division
- In 2011, 26 sub-division of the State had a total number of 65 Polytechnics, while in 2017 total no. of operational Polytechnics across the State has reached 146.
- The intake capacity in Polytechnics has gone now up to 37,315 as compare to a total of 17,185 in 2011.
- E-learning contents have already been developed for 50 subjects and being taught since 2015-16.
- 60 Polytechnics have been converted into Wi-Fi campus.
- WBSCT&VE&SD, the unified Council has completed the task of modernization of syllabus for the diploma courses to make them at par with the country.
- E-Yantra Labs have been set up at 05 Govt. Polytechnics on Robotics in collaboration with IIT, Mumbai
- Students of APC Roy Polytechnic stood first in the All India Students Robotics Competition resulting in award of internship for 06 weeks at IIT, Mumbai.

ITIs :

- The Government has adopted a policy of ensuring one (01) ITI in each block
- In 2011, only 39 blocks of the State had a total no. of 80 ITIs, while in 2017 total no. of operational ITIs across the State has reached 235.
- Biennial intake capacity (on account of 4 semesters) of the ITIs has now gone up to 66710 in comparison with total intake of 17636 in 2011.
- It may be further mentioned that 71 of the Govt. ITIs have been operationalized in 2016 -17 in PPP mode.

Skill Development Centres :

- After 2011, the department has constructed 11 nos. of SDCs of which the SDC at Midnapore is being utilized for short term course through TATA Metaliks Ltd. Other 10 no. of SDCs will be utilized for short term courses through different Industries / Organizations.
- 04 more SDCs are being setup.
- At present 24,560 students are pursuing Vocational Education under NSQF Programme from Class IX (Level-I) to Class XII (Level-IV) in 289 schools. Additional 311 no. of schools will start NSQF Programme shortly.
- Under **West Bengal Handloom Circuit Development Scheme, 2014**, 3 tier skill development and efficiency improvement programme has been introduced in collaboration with Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Textile Department with the objective of imparting skills and technology up gradation in Handloom Sectors. 63185 trainees from weaver family have completed different module of training in 75 Skill Training Centers.
- 63 Advance Vocational Training Centers in 62 Sub-division across the State on **"Pranee Sebee"** Programme have been operationalized in collaboration with ARD Department, Govt. of West Bengal.

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- Berger-Centre of Training 2
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- BTC (Chemical), Hooghly, Workshop- CNC Workshop 5
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- BTC (Chemical), Hooghly, Workshop- Turning 7
- Ilambazar-ITI 8
- ITI-Bhatar 9
- ITI-Tollygunge-CNC Lab 10
- ITI-Tollygunge-Machine Shop 11
- Ramgarh Govt. Polytechnic 12
- Raymonds' Training Centre Machine Room 13
- Samsung Tech Lab 14



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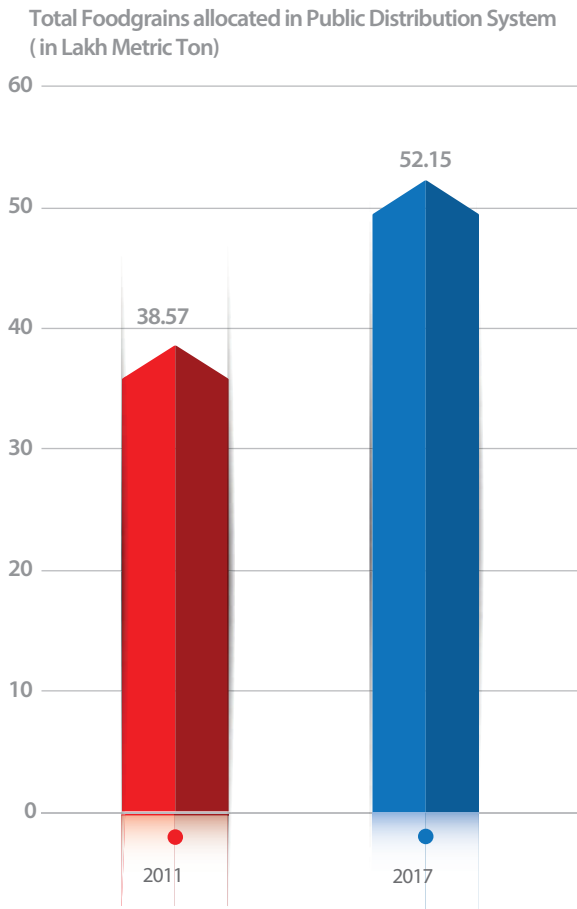
FOOD AND SUPPLIES





Improved Public Distribution System to cover 8.66 Crore persons under Khadyosathi Programme:

- Managing Targeted Public Distribution System (TDPS) and procurement of paddy / rice are the principal activities of this Department. Major challenge is to ensure that subsidized food grains reach the poorest of the poor.
- A flagship program – ‘Khadyasathi’ – has been launched on 27 January, 2016, which covered 7.96 crore persons on that day under food security. As on date, the coverage has been extended to 8.66 crore of our population. 90.6% of ‘Khadyasathi’ beneficiaries are supplied 5 kg food grains per month at the rate of ₹ 2 per kg. Beneficiaries under the program include the people of Jangalmahal area, Aila-affected families, farmers of Singur, workers and non-workers of closed tea gardens, hill areas, destitute and homeless persons under the special package.
- Allocation of food grains under PDS has been increased manifold during the last 6 years.



- 2. Nutritional Package for Severely Acute Malnourished Children:** A special drive in association with Health and Family Welfare Department has been taken up to provide free of cost nutritional support (package of 5 Kgs of rice, 2.5 Kg wheat, 1 Kg Mosur Dal & 1 Kg Bengal gram/ per month) to approximately 4000 Severely Acute Malnourished (SAM) children and their mothers per annum with effect from the financial year 2014-15.
- 3. Significant achievements in regard to procurement of paddy and CMR during the last six years:**
- Before the KMS 2014-15 the system of purchase of paddy through Krishak Bazars was not prevalent in the state. Paddy was purchased on behalf of the CMR Agencies by the respective Co-operative Societies by way of organising paddy purchase camps at the Co-operative Society premises or elsewhere depending upon the need of local farmers. During the KMS 2014-15, 46 Kisan Mandis having required infrastructural facilities were identified as Centralised Procurement Centres (CPCs). In order to incentivise the farmers in bringing paddy to those CPCs, Rs.15/- per Quintal of common paddy was allowed as incentive over and above, MSP of Rs.1360/- per Quintal.
 - Being encouraged by the spontaneity of farmer's participation, 285 CPCs have been opened at all major paddy producing blocks in the KMS 2015-16.
 - In the KMS 2016-17, additional CPCs have been opened at 43 blocks where paddy is produced intensively, thereby bringing the tally of total number of CPCs to 328 and the amount of incentive payable to the farmers has been enhanced to Rs.20 per quintal of common paddy.
 - In the KMS 2016-17, it has been made mandatory to employ e-Procurement software which is capable of recording all relevant information of the farmers as well as recording the details of transactions.
 - **The system of payment of sale proceeds of paddy directly to the farmers' Bank Account through NEFT has been introduced in the KMS 2016-17.**
 - **In case of procurement of paddy through co-operative societies, in the KMS 2016-17, CMR agencies are making direct payments of sale proceeds of paddy to the farmers within 3 days from the date of sale.**
 - Since the KMS 2015-16, the Department of Food & Supplies has started making advance payments to the CMR agencies to facilitate them to undertake procurement operations in a greater way.
 - Participation of Women's Self Help Groups and Sanghas in paddy procurement operation is being encouraged and have shown remarkable results.
 - Dependence on FCI for rice has got substantially reduced during the last 6 years. No rice from FCI which were lifted from other states have been taken since 2015-16 because the entire requirement of this State has been fulfilled from the own DCP stock of the State.
 - There is no incidence of distress sale of paddy during the last 2 financial years.

- 4. End-to End reforms in PDS management** The Government has also taken major reform measures towards establishing good governance in Public Distribution System. Major TPDS reforms activity hinges on use of Information Communication Technology in management of TPDS. The major activities includes creation of electronic databank of all the stake holders of PDS, online allocation of foodgrains up to the FPS levels, doorstep delivery by distributors to dealers and SMS based information to the FPS-wise registered mobile users regarding allocation and availability of foodgrains, complete online supply chain management and call centre based public grievance redressal system including voice recording mechanism, online renewal of licence for more than 21,000 FPS dealers and distributors, 31000 Superior Kerosene Oil Dealers and Agents and 10000 licensees of other Petroleum products like LPG, Lubricating oil, Petrol pump etc, Integrated online MIS generation from the SCF&S level and upwards, publication of new PDS Control Orders and Modified Control Order for distribution of foodgrains in tea garden areas through government outlets.

Another major achievement is completion of digitization of 8.66 crore ration card data as on date and completion of on-line supply chain management for distribution of food grains.

- 5. Physical infrastructure augmented at block, district and subdivision level:** After introduction of NFSA and RKSY the Department decided to strengthen the infrastructure upto the grass root level and therefore, has taken several initiatives to upgrade infrastructure at all levels as given hereunder.

Construction of Office Buildings (Khadya Bhavan):

- accordance with the policy of shifting different offices from rented accommodation to its own building, the Department has already constructed own office buildings (Khadya Bhavan) in last six years at 30 locations for accommodating office of DCF&S and SCF&S. In case of urban areas 18 Nos. of offices have been shifted from rented premises to Govt. offices. The Department of Food and Supplies has also taken initiative for construction of Khadya Bhavan at 13 locations (which are still ongoing) including New Khadya Bhawan (G+7 building) within the campus of Khadya Bhawan, Kolkata. Construction of Khadya Bhavans at Tamluk, Suri, Bolpur, Chanchol and Chandanagore is under active consideration of this department.

Construction of office of Block Food Inspector:

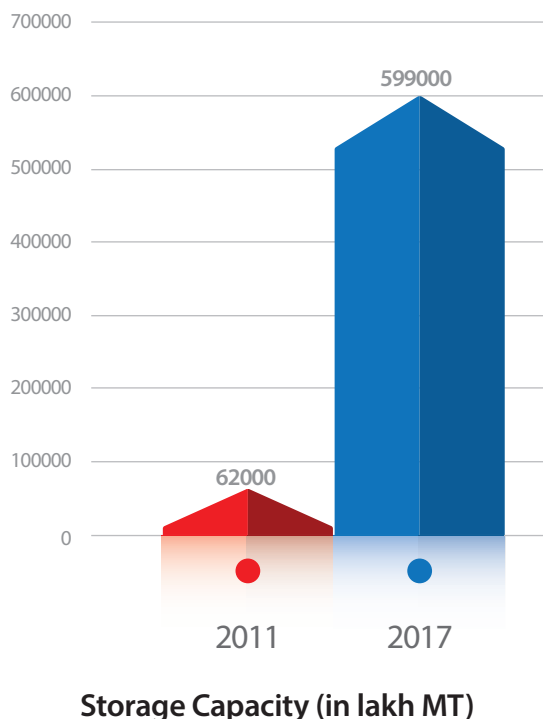
- With a view to raising the block level infrastructure in all 341 blocks of the State, the department has completed construction of 341 No. of offices of Block level Food Inspector and has equipped these offices with computer along with peripherals so that these offices can serve as node of public interface with the public in issue of ration card, PDS issue, and grievance redressal.

- **Civil construction of Model FP Shops in closed Tea Garden:**

Considering the plight of closed tea garden workers and non-workers of Closed Tea Gardens for getting their PDS entitlement, the Department has already set up infrastructure of 6 Model FP Shops within the premises of the Closed Tea Garden at a cost of Rs.7,69,059/- per shop. Moreover, construction of 126 nos. of FPS is ongoing in the districts of Alipurduar, Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri which are expected to be completed by end of 2017 at a cost of of Rs.8,72,088/- for each FPS.

6. Storage Capacity enhanced from 62,000 MT to 6 Lakh MT:

- Maintenance and creation of storage capacity is the key stone for running the PDS successfully and to prevent distress sale of farmers. As a result of various initiatives taken during the last six years under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) scheme, Rastriya Krishi Vikash Yojana (RKVY), Private Entrepreneurship Guarantee (PEG) scheme and core plan fund schemes this Department has created 3.05 LMT, .0456 LMT, 1.350LMT and 0.517 MT storage capacity respectively during the period from May, 2011 to May, 2017 which aggregates to 5.373 LMT. As a result the storage capacity has increased from 62,000 MT in May, 2011 to 5.99 Lakh MT in May 2017.
 - In May 2011, storage capacity was 62000 MT .
 - In May 2017, storage capacity augmented to 5.99 LMT under RIDF, RKVY, PEG and core plan fund scheme.



7. Quality Control mechanism:

Distribution of Foodgrains while maintaining proper quality is one of the utmost priority activities of the department. With a view to achieving that goal this department has taken the following initiatives through Directorate of Inspection & Quality Control:

- Modernisation & Up gradation of Quality Control Laboratory at H.Q.s, Nadia and Burdwan for effective quality control, checking of food grains and its supervision. This was implemented at a cost of Rs.1,84,745,15/-, Rs. 1,77,178,47/- and Rs. 1,78,83,146/- during 2014-15 to 2016-17.
- 72 Mini Q.C. laboratories have been constructed in Govt. Godowns and Q.C. materials and equipments have been provided thereon in the Financial Year of 2014-2015.
- 120 Mini Q.C. laboratories have been set up in Pvt. Godowns across the state by utilising State Budget fund of Rs. 73.91 lakh in the Financial Year 2014-2015.
- 3 Mini Q.C. laboratory have been constructed in Govt. Godowns and Q.C. materials and equipments have been supplied there on in the Financial Year 2015-2016.
- Specialised laboratory furniture and modern Bench Top Digital Refractometer for the laboratories at HQ and Burdwan have been arranged during F.Y.2016-201
- **Sample checking:**

Year	Samples analysed in HQ QC Lab of F&S Deptt. (except fortified Atta)
2010-11	243
2016-17	766

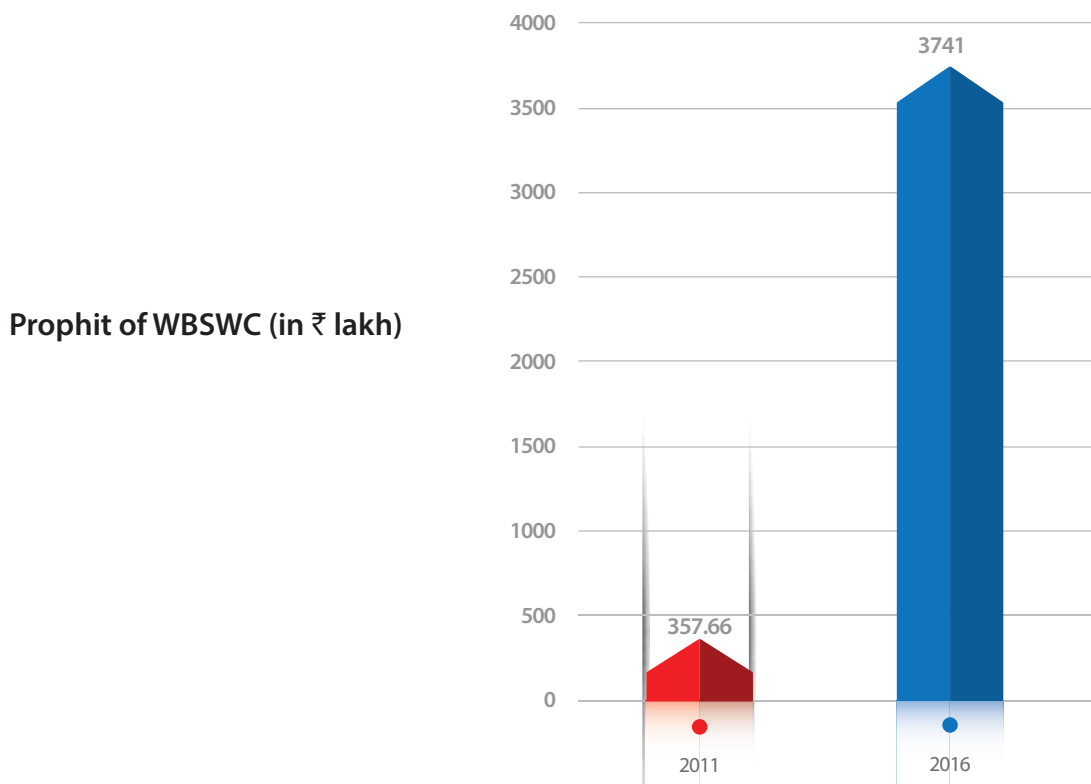
8. **Effective measures to generate awareness of people regarding Public Distribution System:** This department has also taken massive drive for generating public awareness regarding their entitlement through TPDS. Regular publicity of audio spots through All India Radio, display of banners, publicity by miking at Gram Panchayat and ward level of municipalities. A monthly periodical named "Sanbadnama" is published by the Department regularly. Since 2016, 27th January is being observed as Khodyasathi Dibosh.
9. **Robust grievance redressal system through toll free help line:** Establishing a good feedback mechanism is an important instrument for establishing good governance. A 12x7 call centre equipped with call resource management and document management system has been set up. General people can get information or can lodge their complaints using this toll-free help line on 1800-345-5505 and 1967. People can also track the status of their grievance redressal on-line through the transparency portal of the department. In all districts, an Additional District Magistrate has been designated as District Grievance Redressal Officer to address complaints related to public distribution system.

10. Plan outlay increased by 800 per cent: For achieving the above goals the State Government has increased the planned budgetary outlay manifold during this period. Whereas during 2011-12 the total plan outlay for PDS was only Rs. 33.00 Crore, during 2013-14 it was increased to Rs. 118.00 Crore and during 2014-15 total plan outlay of the Department is Rs.191 crore and in 2017-18 the plan outlay jumped to Rs.270.3 Crore. This is an enhancement by more than 800 per cent.

11. West Bengal State Warehousing Corporation is a body corporate established in 1958 by a Parliamentary Act and it came under the purview of Department of Food & Supplies, Govt. of W.B. in February 2014. The following are the achievements of the Corporation from May 2011 to May 2017.

- Enhancement of Profit by more 10 times i.e. from Rs.3.58 crore (in 2011-12) to Rs.37.41 crore (in 2016-17).
- The Income of the WBSWC has enhanced from Rs.1,104.10 lakh to Rs.4,396.42 lakh during the period of 2013-14 to 2015-16.
- The Storage capacity of the WBSWC was merely 2.12 LMT in 2011-12 which has been increased to 6.84 LMT upto May, 2017. This includes 58 godowns handed over to WBSWC by the Department.

The above noted achievements have been depicted in the following charts:

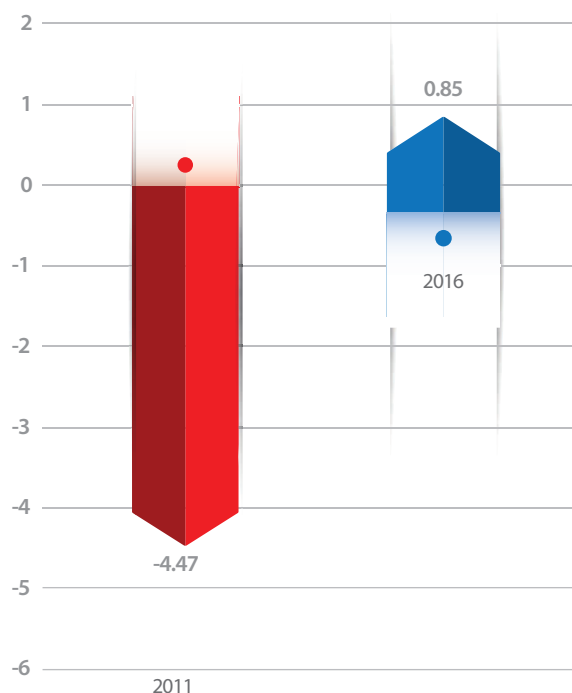


12. **West Bengal Essential Commodities Supplies Corporation Ltd.** is corporation with 8 operating divisions under the umbrella of the Food & Supplies Department. The gradual rise of the financial performance of the said corporation from May, 2011 to May 2017 is shown below:

STATUS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF WBECSC LTD. FROM MAY 2011 TO MAY 2017

Sl.	Financial Year	(in cr.)	Profit/ Loss (in cr.)
1	2011-12	1480	(-)4.67
2	2012-13	1851	(-)5.56
3	2013-14	1741	(-)0.37
4	2014-15	2149	(+)0.29
5	2015-16	2525	(+)0.85

Increase in profit of WBECSC LTD.



Opening of Roudrabristi: A Retail Outlet has been opened in Khadya Bhavan premises in 2014 providing local and branded grocery items, state produced like aromatic Rice, Tea, Honey, cosmetics, toiletries and other stationery items at very reasonable rates. No Ration Card is required to purchase any product from Roudrabristi. Moreover, initiative is being taken for opening of such outlets in the Municipalities throughout the State.

13. Other achievements of the Food & Supplies Department:

a. **Cancellation of Ration Cards:** The Food & Supplies Department has given special drive during the period of 2011-12 till 2016-17 for a.cancellation of Ration Cards. During the entire period of 2011-12 to 2015-17 total 1,52,69,547 Ration Cards have been cancelled in old TPDS. Also 1,99,740 ration cards have been cancelled after implementation of NFSA during the period of 2015-16 to 2016-17.

b. **Updation of accounts and development of mechanism for smooth payment to the farmers:**


- At the end of the 2010-11 PDS annual accounts had a backlog of 4 accounting years starting from 2007-08. Today to confirm the transparency of the system this department has successfully updated accounts for last 7 financial years starting from 2007-08 to 2016-17. The Department had also introduced a software named PDS Saral for computerisation of accounts and therefore has abolished the system of updating of accounts manually.

c. **Introduction of Non-PD items in PDS system:**

- The number of items introduced for PDS network has increased from 10 in 2011 to 29 in 2017. Not only the achievement is significant in terms of numbers but also in introducing branded companies including GlaxoSmithKline, Sunrise, Karnataka Soap, etc. in PDS network at cheaper rates.
- Another notable achievement is increase in collection of administrative charges from Rs.62 lakhs during the period of 2011 to Rs.131 lakhs in 2017.

d. **Strengthening of manpower to achieve the goals of the Department:**

Till May, 2011 there was huge vacancy for the posts of Sub-Inspector (Food) and Lower Division Clerk which were 1616 and 702 respectively. The Department took much effort towards filling up of respective posts during the period of May 2011 to May 2017. As a result 691 numbers of Sub-Inspector (Food) and 161 numbers of Lower Division



Clerk have not only been appointment but also been trained by this Department so that they discharge their duties effectively. Moreover, of late the Food & Supplies Department has received sanction from Cabinet for recruitment of 694 numbers of Sub-Inspector (Food) and 150 numbers of Lower Division Clerks. The concrete proposal in this regards has already been sent to WBSSC.

GALLERY



- Block Inspector Office at Sahid Matongini Block. (2014-16) 1
- Block Inspector Office Newly Built at Salanpur Block 2
- Block Inspector Office Sitalkuchi 3
- Celebration of World Food Day 2016 of Khadya Bhavan, Kolkata 4
- Cheques being handed over to farmers against paddy purchased in KMS 2015-16 5
- CONTROL ROOM, WBECSCSCL- Online payment to farmers against purchase of paddy launched from KMS 2016-17 6
- Dedicated online payment system through Procurement Software launched from KMS 2016-17 7
- Hon'ble MIC F&S Department and Other Dignitaries at World Food Day programme 2016 at Khadya Bhavan Kolkata. 8
- Inauguration of Khadya Sathi by Hon'ble CM on 27.01.2016 9
- Khadya Sathi Tablue at Red Road during Independence Day 2016 Celebration 10
- Model shop Roudra Bristi run by WBECSC 11
- Newly built Khadya Bhavan (Office building) of SCF&S Uluberia, Howrah. (2016-17) 12
- Newly built Khadya Bhavan (Office building) of SCF&S Jangipur, Murshidabad. (2016-17) 13
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- Checking of food sample at Inspection & Quality Control Lab Kolkata (HQ) 17
- Tathya Bikhana (Training centre) of F&S Department. 18



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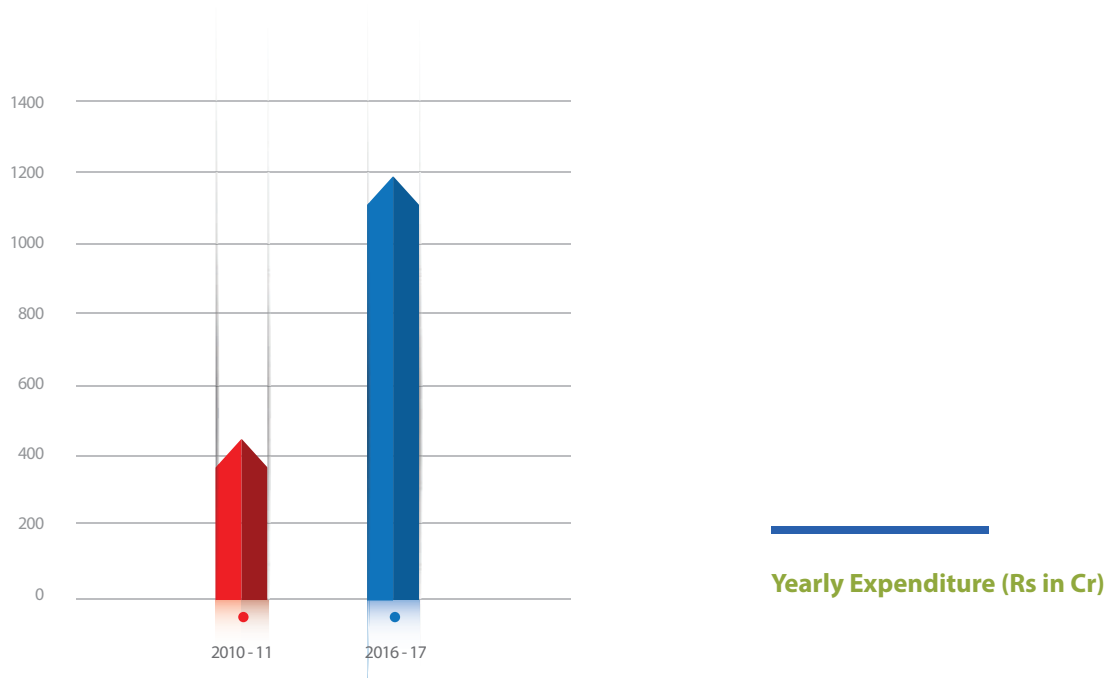


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IRRIGATION & WATERWAYS ➡

A. GROWTH IN PLAN FUND EXPENDITURE DURING LAST 6 YEARS



Sl no	Key indicators	Unit	Achievements during last 6 years	Annual average since June 2011	Annual average prior to June 2011
1	Length of embankments repaired/constructed/strengthened	KM	2614	436	160
2	Length of ainage channels /rivers excavated	KM	1240	207	100
3	Additional area brought under irrigation	Hectare	143,850	23,975	9325
4	Permanent bridges constructed	Nos	249	41	5



Notable achievements of the Department during the last six years (May- 2011 to May-2017)

- The Irrigation & Waterways Department maintains around 10284 Kilometres of river embankments across the State to minimise flood devastation in the approximate 37760 square Kilometre of flood prone areas. During last six years, 2614 Kilometres of flood embankments have been strengthened, renovated or raised to ensure flood protection.
- Around 8244 Kilometre of drainage channels are maintained by this department across the State to ensure proper drainage and flood water discharge, particularly during monsoon. With a view to improve carrying capacities of silted up channels, around 1240 Kilometre of drainage channels/rivers have been excavated, during last six years.
- Special drive was taken up during the last 6 years to renovate old, dilapidated irrigation canals to revive lost irrigation potential. Moreover two new mini barrages, one hundred and thirty four check dams and also several Kilometres of new canals have also been constructed out of ongoing Major, Medium and Minor irrigation schemes. As a result an additional 1,43,850 Hectare of area could be brought under irrigation.
- The department has completed construction of 249 permanent bridges over irrigation canals, drainage channels and rivers, and 309 Kilometre of inspection paths along canals and channels which has improved rural connectivity to a considerable extent.
- Three new pump houses have been constructed in North 24-Parganas and South 24-Parganas to facilitate proper drainage and flood water discharge.

GALLERY



- 1 Introduction of Irrigation through left bank main canal of Teesta Barrage Project for irrigating 5,480 Hectare of area in Mal and Maynaguri blocks of Jalpaiguri district.
- 2 Newly constructed barrage in block Labhpur in the district Birbhum across Kuya river for irrigating 580 Hectare of area in Labhpur block. Expenditure- Rs.5.17 Crore
- 3 Coastal protection and beautification work along the Coast of Digha for a length of 8.85 KM, from Udaypur to Jalda. Expenditure- Rs. 83.00 Crore
- 4 Newly constructed 48.00 KM of river embankments at Aila affected areas in the Districts of North & South 24- Parganas, to ensure flood protection at 130 Square Kilometre of area. Expenditure- Rs. 456.00 Crore
- 5 River/drainage channels excavated for a total length of 286 Kilometres to improve Drainage Capacity of existing drainage channels/rivers in the districts of Purba & Paschim Medinipore under Keliaghai-Kapaleswari-Baghai Basin project. Expenditure- Rs. 305.00 Crore
- 6 Newly constructed Kurebhanga Pump House in block Canning-II in the district of 24- Parganas to facilitate drainage, in 16.00 Square Kilometre of area. Expenditure- Rs. 7.80 Crore
- 7 134 nos. of Check Dams have been constructed in the district of Purulia bringing 4020 Hectare of area under irrigation. Expenditure- Rs. 86.70 Crore
- 8 Constructed permanent bridge of length 650.00 Metre over river Kangsabati at Binpur-I block in the district of Paschim Medinipore benefitting 25 Lakh of people of Binpur-I, Binpur-II, Jhargram, Medinipore Sadar and Jhambani blocks. Expenditure- Rs.60.47 Crore
- 9 Newly constructed Midnapore Anicut structure over river Kangsabati in Paschim Midnapore for irrigating 35,385 Hectare of area in the blocks, Kharagpur-II, Debra, Pingla, Narayangarh and Panskura. Expenditure - Rs. 104.51 Crore

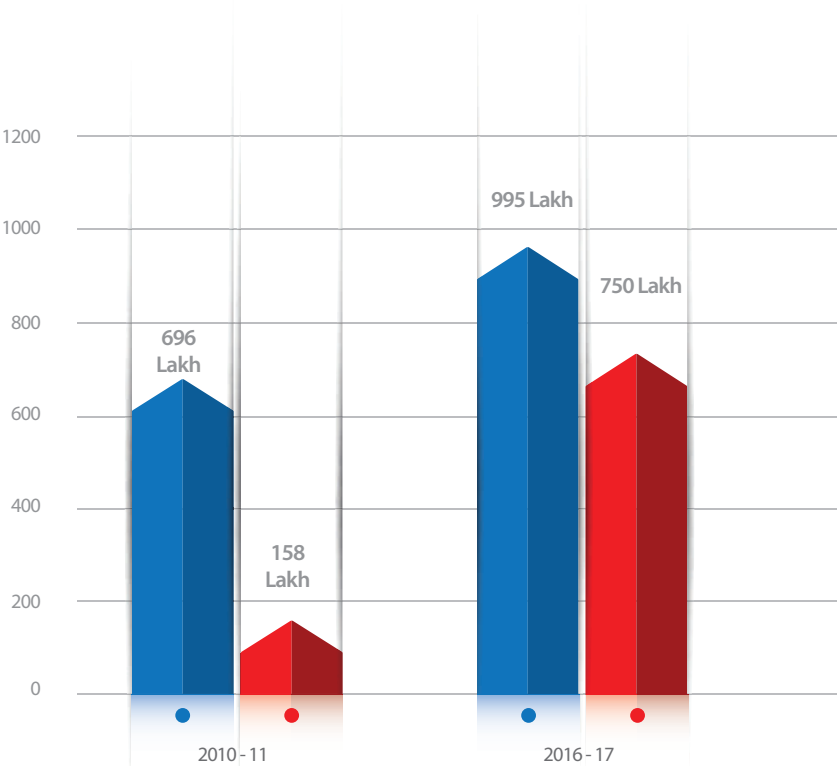






URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS



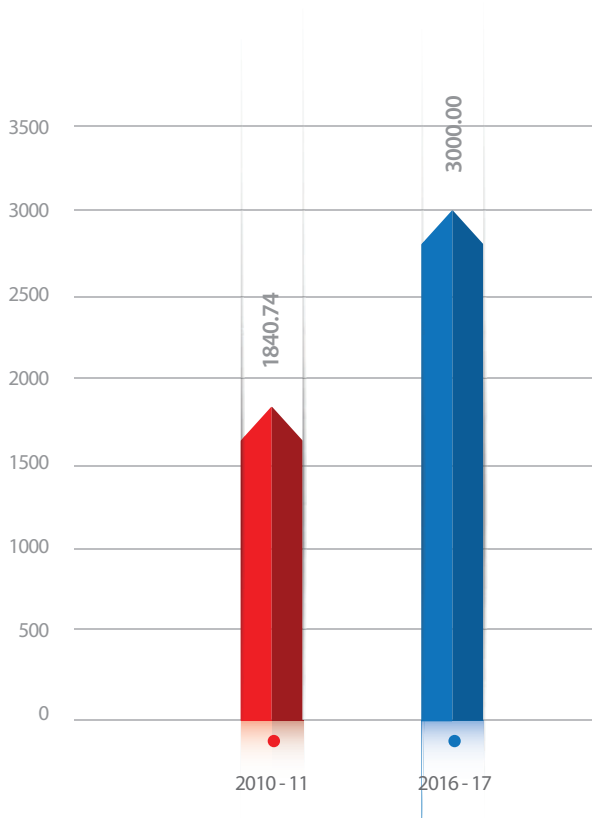


- MBBS Doctors
- Para Medical Staff

Primary Health Care Services in Urban Bodies

No. of Beneficiaries of Water Supply schemes





- Budget Provision

**Graph Showing
Budget Provision of
Plan Fund**

Significant Achievements

- Green City Mission launched by Govt. of West Bengal for all cities of the State to make it future-proof, talent friendly, investment oriented through adopting sustainable, resilient, environment friendly, livable, energy positive, IT friendly and safe programmes. Total 730 number of projects with total project cost of Rs.495 Crore are in operation.
- For up gradation of existing infrastructure and creation of new tourism attraction in planned manner, Five new Development Authority are constituted in Gangasagar Bakkhali Development Authority (in 2013), Furfurah Sharif Development Authority (in 2015) & Tarapith Rampurhat Development Authority (in 2015), Bakreswar Development Authority (in 2016), , Patharchapuri Development Authority (in 2016), and Mukutmanipur Development Authority (in 2017).
- Provisional permission for carrying out Integrated Township Projects at Sapkhali and Chakbagi Mouza under Bishnupur P.S of South 24 Parganas by Ambuja Housing & Urban Infrastructure Company Ltd. and provisional permission for carrying out township project for development of an 'Innovative Township' by Forum Properties Holding Pvt. Ltd at Jagadishpur Mouza under Rajarhat P.S , North 24 Parganas.
- Construction of "Maa Flyover", a 7.4 km of the elevated corridor erected to ensure an uninterrupted traffic movement from the heart of the city to 'Biswa Banga Sarani'
- A Fly over constructed on Eastern Railway main line along with approach road at Chandannagar.
- Rail over bridge constructed on A.P. Banerjee Road connecting Ghoshpara Road, Kalyani Highway in Ward no 5-8 of Bhatpara Municipality
- Major Water Supply Schemes: 14 nos at Kolkata Metropolitan Area (KMA) and 34 nos. at outside KMA completed.
- Construction of Gitanjali Stadium , Up-gradation and renovation of Nazrul Mancha .
- Eco Tourism Park - Prakriti Tirtha is 480 acres of land around a 112 acre central water body, on the side of Biswa Banga Sarani at New Town, this is the latest addition to the tourism map of Bengal.
- 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 Millennium park, Baishnabghata-Patuli Water Bodies –Benubanochaya, Howrah River Front, Rejuvenation /Development of Rabindra Sarobar Phase-I .
- 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 Gateway of Haldia, Satish Samanta Haldia Trade Centre at Haldia, Welcome Gate of Digha including illumination at Digha

- Construction of Hawkers Rehabilitation Center, Beach front beautification work in front of Saikatabas and other places, central bus stand , Digha Mohana Road, bituminous road at Sankarpur, Biswa Bangla Uddyan, bituminous road from Digha Gate to Mandarmoni (Marine Drive), bituminous road at Tajpur and development of Drainage 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
- Construction of Guest House at Prantik Township and Indoor Sports Complex within Sriniketan Shantiniketan Planning area
- Construction of the Office of North Bengal Development Department at 4th Market Complex, Hill Cart Road, Siliguri named as Vivekananda Bhavana & Fulbari Land Customs Station
- 4th Mahananda Bridge & approach road constructed at Siliguri to help in diversifying the traffic channel, reducing the distance and reducing the travel time during peak hours.
- The amendment of the Kolkata Municipal Corporation Building Rules, 2009, has been made by incorporating additional FAR in respect of green and other categories of buildings and similar amendment of the WB Municipal Building Rules, 2007, has been made. In both cases additional FAR of 10% for Green buildings and 15% additional FAR in cases of mass housing projects, hospitals, IT buildings, mega commercial projects, etc., has been granted.
- The Unit Area Based assessment of Property Tax has been introduced in Kolkata MC area and relevant sections of KMC Act has been amended and necessary amendment has been made in West Bengal Municipal Act 1993 for introduction of Unit Area Based Property Tax Assessment System in all municipalities including NDITA.
- Since 2011, constructions of 99747 Dwelling Units for Economically Weaker Section have been completed and 56359 DUs are under construction.
- 4 Districts – Nadia, North 24 Parganas, Hooghly and Purba Medinipur alongwith 55 Urban Local Bodies have achieved the status of Open Defecation Free (ODF) by way of constructing 107254 nos. of Individual Household Latrines
- Total 186 Movable & 22 Stationary Compactors with 18 Hookloaders have been provided to 123 ULBs for better and voluminous transportation of Solid Wastes. Trans-Municipal project for management of Municipal Solid Waste is in operation for 6 Municipalities in Hooghly district and 10 Integrated Municipal Solid Waste Management Projects of 14 ULBs – Dum Dum, North Dum Dum, South Dum Dum, Baranagr, Bhatpara, Naihati, Ashoknagar-Kalyangarh, Habra, Krishnanagar, Santipur, Nabadwip, Jalpaiguri, Kolkata MC and Asansol MC with total project cost of Rs. 427 Crore for generating Waste to Compost and Waste to Energy have been sanctioned and initiated under Mission Nirmal Bangla.

- Special Cleanliness Drive taken up in the year 2016 and 2017 for 7 days and 15 days respectively in all the ULBs with the aim of Generating Mass Movement to develop a coordinated effort for keeping the Environment of the Cities Clean, Healthy, Hygienic and Beautiful in sustained manner.
- 60 nos. of City Livelihood Centre established in the ULBs for providing information on skill & livelihood development programmes to urban poor & unemployed youth and also to develop linkage between the citizen & citizen centric service providers like electrician, carpenter, plumber etc.
- The beautification work like sitting shed, toilet block, plantation, fencing, land scaping, LED lighting, High Mask lighting, gardening, garden line etc of 23 Government Hospitals are near to completion with a total outlay of Rs. 11.50 Crore.
- 9498 nos. of families in 125 ULBs have received benefit from December 2016 to May 2017 in Somobyathi Scheme of State Government.
- Completed development of more than 385 parks and works of more than 425 parks are in different stages of execution in different ULBs as a part of Green space development programme with cost of Rs.97.00 Crore.
- For better traffic management, constructed a Ring Road around NDITA Area and also a Link Road with New Town is near completion.
- Online processing of Trade Licence and online collection of Property Tax has been made operational at NDITA.

Urban Health Programmes

- Urban Health are being implemented in the ULBs under the banner of UPHCS, CBPHCS & HHW scheme with the following objectives :
 - To provide primary health care service delivery to the requirements of the urban population with focus to BPL population.
 - To implement Public Health & National Health Programmes to the population of the Urban Local Bodies.
 - To ensure maximum utilisation of Govt. Institutions for referral services with regard to Maternity, Child Health, Diagnostic and Curative services.
- Health infrastructure created – 222 nos. of Health Administrative Unit, 1781 nos. of Sub-Centre, 48 nos. of Extended Specialised Out Patient Department, 35 nos. of Maternity Home and 26 nos. of Diagnostic Centre.
- To strengthen existing primary health care services, National Urban Health Mission are being implemented in 88 ULBs having population 50,000 and above.
- Under NUHM, 458 nos. of Urban Primary Health Centre sanctioned, 499 nos. of Clinical, 592 nos. of Paramedical staff engaged.
- IEC i.e. holding of rally, tabloid, group meeting, public meeting, distribution of leaflet, display of banners, hoardings, miking done regularly.
- Prevention & Control of Dengue / Chikunguniya :**
 - Fund is being provided for procurement of Larvicide, IEC & Training to all ULBs.
 - House to House activity for fever surveillance, identification & destruction of larvae breeding sites done since the year 2013 in 29 ULBs, 2014 to 2016 in 41 ULBs and 2017 in 90 ULBs.

(Fig. in lakh)

Year	No. of Household covered by House to House Team	No. of Fever Cases with joint pain	Environmental Management		
			No. of Container Examined	No. of Container where larve found	No. of Container cleaned & rubbed
2013	19.66	1.35	125.24	4.46	24.83
2014	23.89	2.99	168.60	3.32	52.76
2015	25.97	1.59	191.92	1.74	51.06
2016	26.46	2.96	320.21	2.61	104.68

- **Special Cleanliness Drive** conducted for 08 days in all the ULBs in the year 2016 and for 15 days in the year 2017.

	From 29.08.16 to 05.09.16
No. of ULBs	125
No. of Wards	2,927
Manpower engaged in all 125 ULBs / day	87,810
Total Manpower engaged	7,02,480
Fund released to 125 ULBs	Rs. 1317.72 lakh

- **Senior Citizen Camp** conducted in all the ULBs in the year 2016 :

- 737 no. of camp held,
- 50,780 no. (Male – 23,130 & Female – 27,650) of senior citizen attended,
- 8,175 no. of referred.



GALLERY



Water Treatment Plant 1

Sub Station 2

Over Head Reservoir 3

Pump House 4

Office and Godown 5

Diagnostic test (Barrackpore) 6

Diagnostic Laboratory (Burdwan) 7

Health Check Up (Kandi) 8

Health Check Up (Tamluk) 9

Special Cleanliness Drive 10

Sub-Centre (Budge Budge) 11

Sub-Centre (Kandi) 12

X-ray (Uttarpara Kotrung) 13

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Parbati Sharma at Bolpur in HFA 15

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Compactor 17

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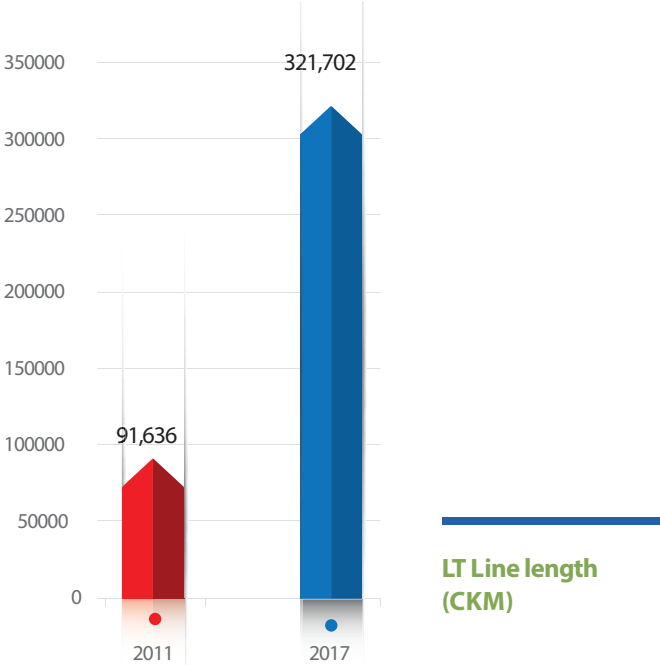
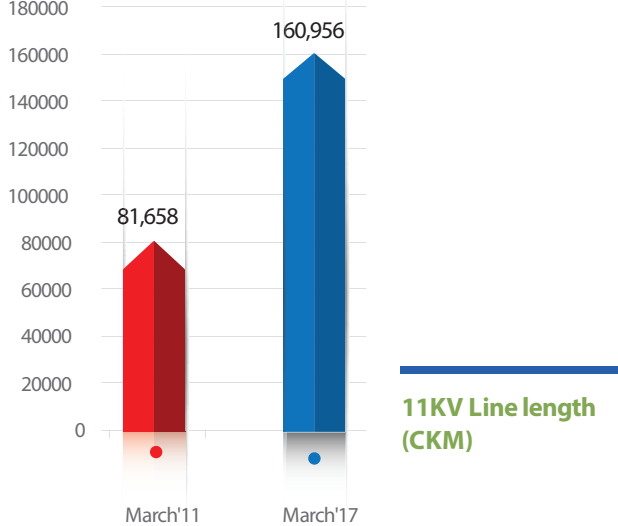
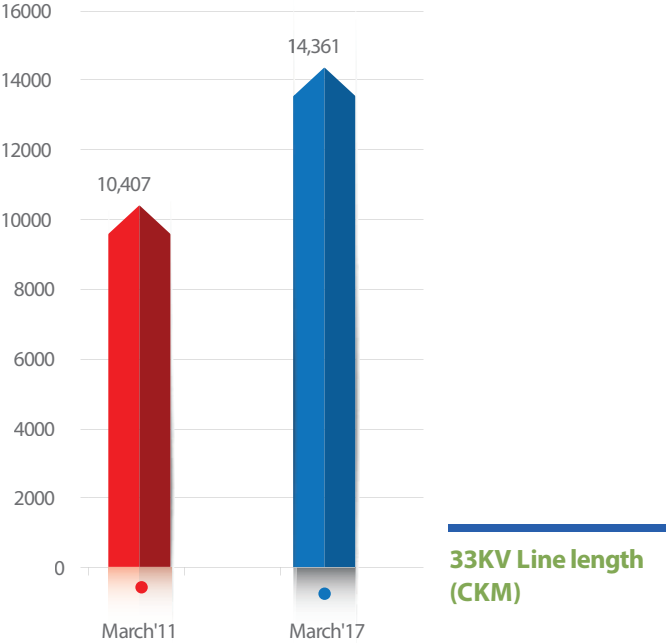
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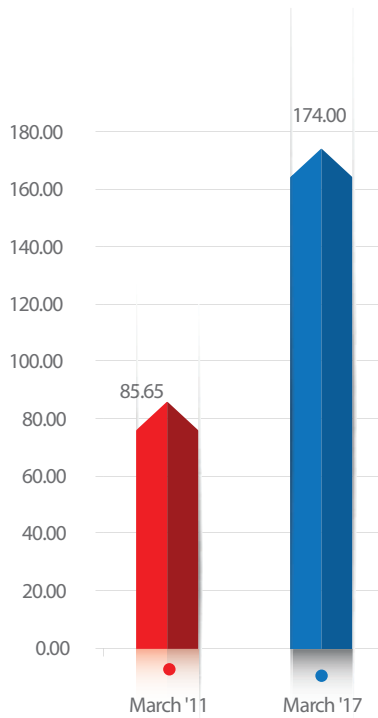


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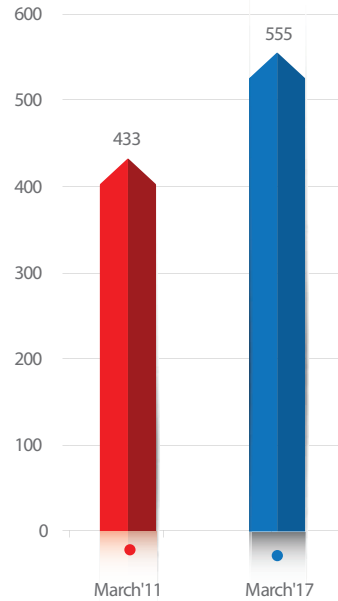


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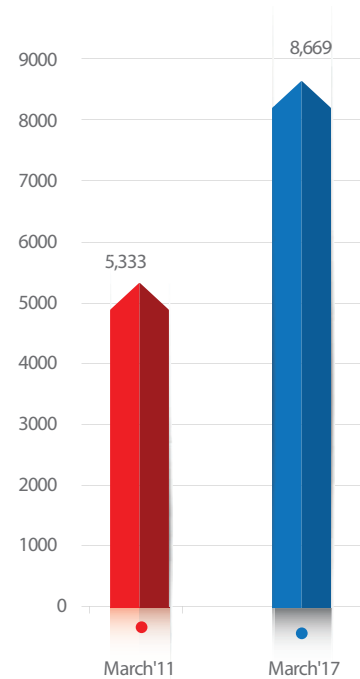




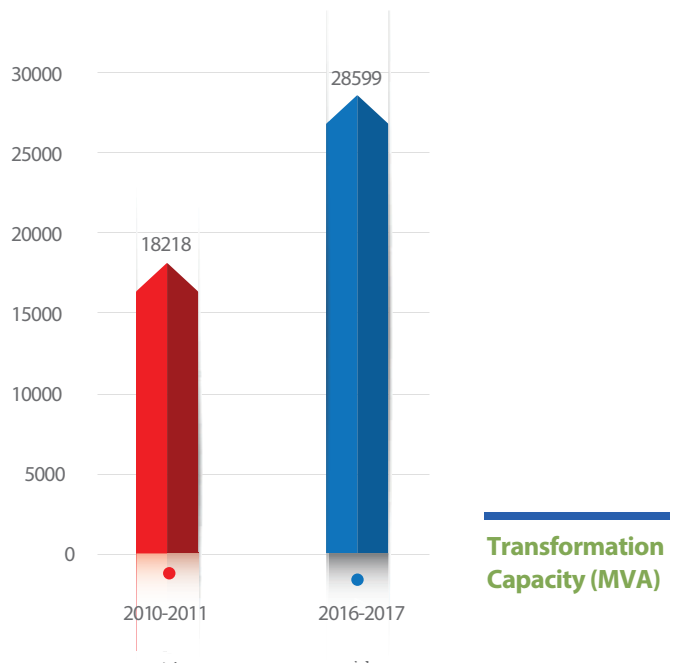
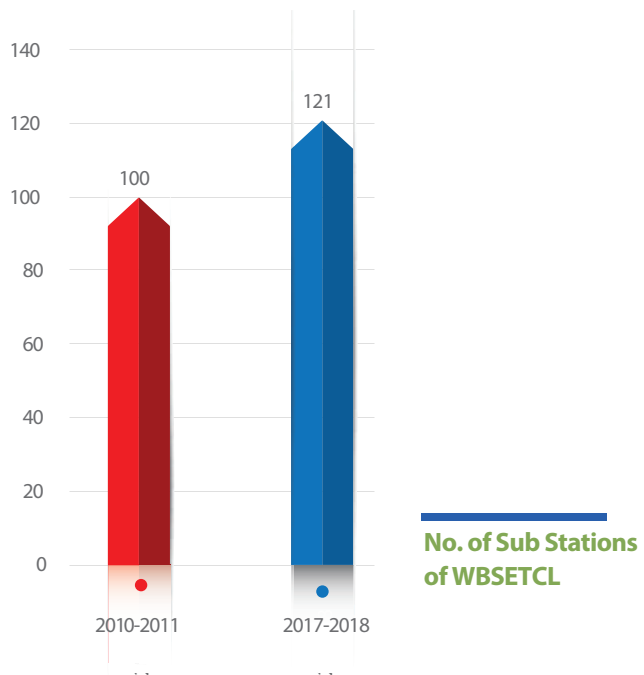
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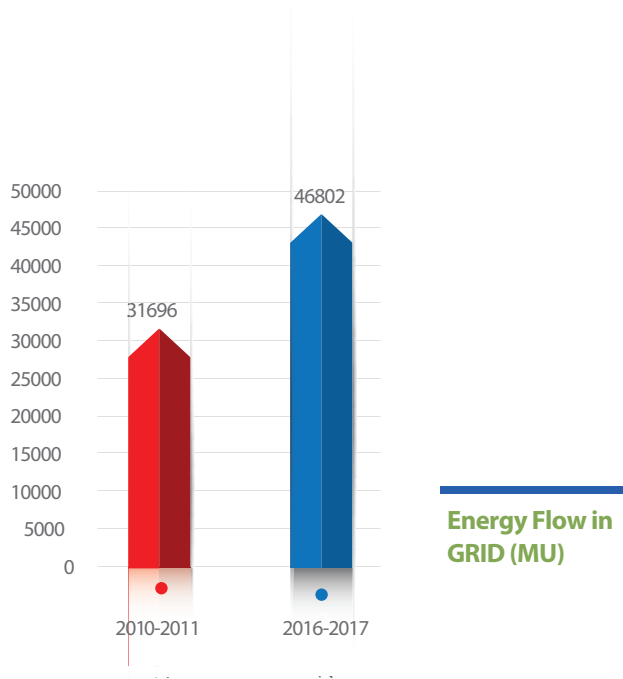
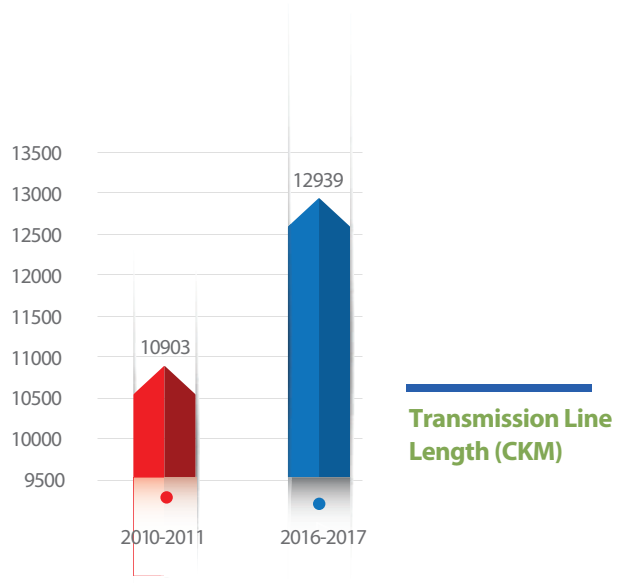


No of 33/11 KV S/Stn (Nos.)



Capacity of 33/11 KV
Sub-station (MVA)





ACHIEVEMENTS OF POWER & NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES DEPARTMENT FROM 2011-2017

GENERATION:

- Commercial Operation (COD) of Unit #3 (500MW) & #4 (500MW) at Sagardighi TPS of WBDCL was declared 1.7.2016 and 20.12.2016 respectively.
- Unit #5 of 215 MW capacity of Bandel TPS of WBDCL was commissioned on 24.11.2015 after implementation of the Energy Efficient Renovation and Modernization (EERM) programme.
- Foundation stone for the new Super Critical Thermal Power Unit #5 of 660 MW at Sagardighi TPS of WBDCL was laid on 12.4.2017 with a total project cost of ₹3800Cr.
- Commercial Operation (COD) of Unit #8 (250 MW) of DPL was declared on 1.10.2014.

TRANSMISSION:

- 18 new EHV Sub-Stations were commissioned increasing the total numbers from 103 to 121.
- Transformation Capacity has increased from 19236 MVA to 28599 MVA i.e. a 49% increase.
- Transmission Line Length (CKM) has been increased from 11095 CKM to 12939 CKM an increase of 16.5%.
- Energy Transmitted in WBSETCL System has increased from 34750 MU to 46802 MU an increase of 34%
- Transmission Availability maintained at 99.91%. Transmission Losses kept within 3% .

DISTRIBUTION:

- Total eHH coverage has improved from 55%(2011) to 99.45%(April , 2017)
- 24X7 power supply to all the consumers with average power supply 24 hrs for urban area & more than 23 hrs for Rural area have been achieved.
- A record number of 89.169 lac new consumers were added reaching consumer base as 174.81 lac. 48 nos. new Customer Care Centre(CCC), 18 nos. Division and 2 nos. Regions added for providing better service to consumers.
- 123 nos. new 33/11 KV Sub-stations having capacity 3335.85 MVA have been commissioned. 83251KM new sub-transmission line and 230066 KM new LT line commissioned.

- The first Canal Bank Solar PV project of the country of capacity 10MW at Haptiagachh, Uttar Dinajpur has been commissioned on 18.08.16. Generation up to 30.04.17 is 10.18 MU.
- Cumulative capacity of 1MWp, each plant size of 10KWp in 100 nos. of Govt. and Govt. aided schools in different districts of the state has been installed & commissioned.
- Uninterrupted power supply was provided to CESC area (Kolkata) on 23.2.17 when entire CESC system crashed. Similar support given to CESC, DPL and IPCL at different times for the greater interest of state consumers.
- Continuous export of power to Bangladesh since December, 2013.
- IT initiatives like Vidyut Sahajogi mobile Apps, spot billing & online payment system, State of the art Data Centre, Disaster Recovery Centre have been rolled out.
- Accolades:
Several Accolades by Ministry of Power, Chambers, independent federations & forum WBSEDCL, WBSETCL & WBREDA.

GALLERY



- Dharampur 220 Kv Gis 1
- Egra 220 Kv Gis 2
- Gokarna 400 Kv Substation 3
- Pachthupi (Gramsalika) 4
- Safety Awareness Programme At Sukanta Sadan By Barrakpore Division 5
- Sagardighi Unit 3 Anaug2 6
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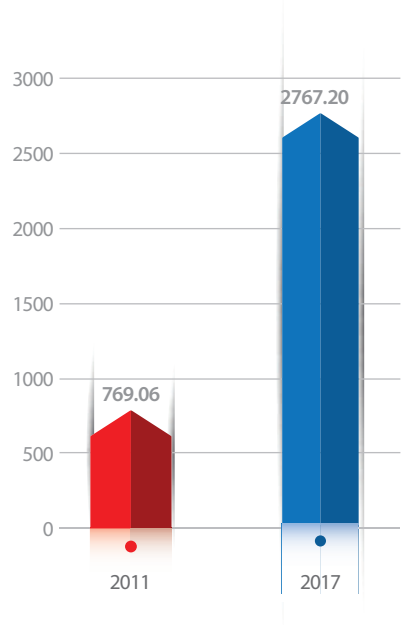




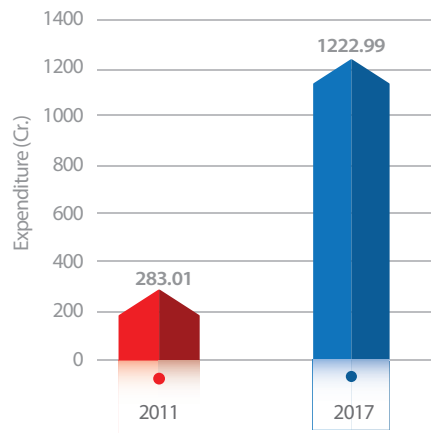


PUBLICWORKS 

Plan expenditure incurred on State roads (Cr.)



Expenditure made by National Highway wing on NH (Cr.)





Major Achievements of Public Works Department for last six years

- From 2001 – 2002 to April, 2011 total 2219.38 km State Highways and 4905.77 km of other roads were improved / widened & strengthened. Total Road length of 7125.15 km was improved / widened & strengthened.
- From May, 2011 to May, 2017, during this 6 years 3486.57 km State Highways have been widened & strengthened / improved which is 157% in comparison to preceding 10 years from May, 2011.
- From May, 2011 to May, 2017, during this 6 years 8976.53 km Other Roads have been widened & strengthened / improved which is 183% in comparison to preceding 10 years from May, 2011.
- Total widened & strengthened / improved road length during May, 2011 to May, 2017 is 12463 km which is 175% in comparison to preceding 10 years from May, 2011.
- From 2001 – 2002 to April, 2011; 87 Nos. bridge were constructed. But From May, 2011 to May, 2017 during 6 years same another 87 Nos. bridge have been constructed.
- Expenditure figure for 2001 – 2002 to 2010 – 2011 on Plan works was only Rs. 4242.99 cr. This figure for 2011 – 2012 to 2016 – 2017 is Rs. 12252.98 Cr. Which is 288% in comparison to preceding 10 years from May, 2011.

Roads and Bridges

- PWD maintains 3543 km State Highways. Out of this, during last 6 years 1586 km of State Highways have been widened & strengthened to remove capacity constraint. In the same time 1900.57 km State Highways have been strengthened and improved. Total 3486.57 km State Highways have been widened & strengthened / improved.
- PWD maintains 11982 km Other category Roads like Major District Roads & Rural Roads. Out of this, during last 6 years 3703.67 km of Other Roads have been widened & strengthened to remove capacity constraint. In the same time 5272.86 km of Other Roads have been improved. Total 8976.53 km Other Roads have been widened & strengthened / improved
- 79 bridges and 9 Nos. Road Over Bridge (Barrackpore, Baruipur, Dankuni, Durgapur, Bagnan, Miapur, IIT Kharagpur, Jhargram and Naihati) constructed. Another 18 nos. bridge and 4 nos. Road Over Bridge (Burdwan, Uluberia, Kamarkundu, and Alipurduar) are progressing in rapid speed.

Major Remarkable Projects completed :

- The longest river bridge in West Bengal (1.47 km.) named as “JUNGLEKANYA” over river Subarnarekha at Bhansraghat in the district of Paschim Medinipur has been constructed at a cost of Rs. 170 crore.
- 1.9 km long 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.
- Construction of Bridge over river Kaljani near Balarampur at 22 nd kmp of Dinhata Balarampur Chilakhana road at a cost of rs. 46.26 Cr.
- Widening including beautification and construction of Service road of V.I.P Road from Kolkata City to Kolkata Airport being constructed at a cost of Rs. 64.61 crore.
- Changrabandha Mathabhanga Cooch Behar Road from 18.00 Kmp. to 93.40 kmp have been widened & strengthened at a cost of Rs. 204.69 Cr. in the district of Coochbehar.
- 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.
- 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.
- Widening & strengthening of Arambagh - Goghat - Ramjibanpur road (SH - 7) from 0.00 to 21.45 km in the district of Hooghly at a cost of Rs. 96.67Cr.
- 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.
- Widening and strengthening of Bankura Saltora Road from 0.00 to 44.96 km at a cost of Rs. 85.92 crore.
- West Bengal Highway Development Corporation Limited (WBHDCL), a Public Limited Company, has been formed which has undertaken widening and strengthening of six number of important highways at a total estimated cost of Rs. 1209.58 crores. Out of these 4 have been completed and 2 is running.
- Widening & Strengthening to 2 lane / 2-lane with Paved shoulder configuration of Saptagram–Tribeni-Kalna–Katwa Road at a cost of Rs. 151.50 Cr has been completed.
- Strengthening & widening to 2 lane with paved shoulder from Barjora to Mejia at a cost of Rs. 74.74 cr has been completed.
- Widening & Strengthening to 2 lane / 2-lane with paved shoulder configuration of Ghatakpukur – Malancha – Sarberia Section of Kolkata – Basanti Road at a cost of Rs. 190.00 Cr. has been completed.

- Widening & Strengthening to 2 Lane/2-Lane with Paved shoulder configuration of Chanditala–Seakhala–Champadanga at a cost of Rs. 155.34 Cr. has been completed.

National Highways :

- 306 km NH have been widened & strengthened up to 2 lane with paved shoulder (10 m width) / 2 lane (7 m width).
- 190 km NH have been strengthened and improved.
- 18 Nos. bridge over different NH have already been newly constructed.
- Expenditure to the tune of Rs. 2935.98 crore was made during last 6 years for up gradation / widening & strengthening / improvement of different NH in the state of West Bengal and construction of different bridges over NH.

Important completed / ongoing Projects

- Strengthening with paved shoulder/Widening and strengthening with paved shoulder of NH-60 at different stretches at a cost of Rs. 486.32 Cr.
- Widening & Strengthening to 2 lane with paved shoulder from 0 km to 23.20 km of NH-81 at a cost of Rs 113.07 Cr.
- 4-laning of NH-34 between 16 km (Airport gate) to 23.20 km (Duckbunglow more) at a cost of Rs. 80.09 Cr.
- NH Wing of PWD has undertaken the works of rehabilitation & upgradation to 2/4 lane with paved shoulder configuration & strengthening of Asian Highway 2 connecting Nepal Border (Kakarbhita) to Bangladesh Border (Banglabandha) with a length of 37.27 km at a cost of Rs. 708.72 crore and Asian Highway 48 connecting Bhutan Border (Pasakha) to Bangladesh Border (Changrabandha) covering a length of 90.57 km with a cost of Rs. 971.40 crore are in progress in full swing
- Strengthening from 770.85 km to 815.435 km of NH-31 (Pundibari-Boxirhat portion) at a cost of Rs. 398.52 Cr. is going on.
- Strengthening with paved shoulder of Bankura-Purulia section of NH-60A at a cost of Rs. 340.34 Cr. is running.
- Construction of new road at the missing link portion of NH-81 between Harishchandrapur & Eastern approach of Kalindri Bridge from 46.857km to 59.50km at a cost of Rs 291.20 Cr. is going on.

- Bridge over river Fulahar at Nakatti point on NH-131A for connecting Mahanandatola and Belaimari in the district of Malda at a cost of Rs. 289.69 Cr is progressing in rapid speed.
- Construction of a Bridge over river Hatania–Doania at 113.297 km of NH-117 at a cost of Rs. 225.93 Cr. is going on.
- It is proposed to make all National Highways entrusted to PWD free from level crossings by construction of Road over Bridges (ROB). 19 ROB's have already been sanctioned costing Rs 2288.45 crore. Out of these ROB's, 2 nos. are on NH 2B at Talit and Vedia, 4 nos. are on NH 31 at Sevok, Oodlabari, Lataguri, Maynaguri, 5 nos. are on NH – 35 at Kajipara, Ashoknagar, Habra Gate no 1 & 2, Bongaon, 8 nos. are on NH – 60 at Bishnupur, Mejia, Topsy, Pandabeswar, Bhimgarh, Suri, Kubai and Kadamdiha. For Mejia ROB work has already been awarded at a project cost of Rs 27.742 cr.

Building & other Projects :

- 49 Nos. Pather Sathi have been constructed for convenience of road users.
- 201 No. Pay and use toilet blocks have been constructed for convenience of road users.
- 88 Nos. Jalthirtha (Check Dam) have already been constructed.
- 22 Nos. Permanent Helipad have been constructed.
- 1 No. Airport at Balurghat has been upgraded.
- A new scheme for construction of cremation places in rural areas and electric cremation in urban areas called Baitarani has been launched. 12 electric cremation and 489 cremation places are being taken up under this Scheme.
- A prestigious project, known as “Dhanadhanye”, is progressing in full swing by the Department at Alipore, Kolkata. The project is basically a cluster of high value buildings consisting of:
 - An Open Air Theatre named as Uttirno which has already been completed.
 - A Convention Centre with 2400 capacity auditorium
 - Multilayer Car Parking-cum- Commercial Complex

In addition, two more important projects are under implementation in Alipore, viz

- State Banquet Hall (Soujanya) Kolkata House for hosting State receptions
- Housing Complex for Hon'ble Ministers which has already been completed.

Enclave Rehabilitation Projects :

- Under the Enclave Project, construction of long span high level bridge over river Teesta connecting Haldibari with Subdivisional HQ at Mekhliganj in the district of Coochbehar at a cost of Rs. 414.99 crore is going on in full swing. The project would reduce the distance between these two towns by about 75 km.
- Under Enclave head PWD is constructing 61 km new road up to Black top stage to facilitate the movement of local habitants.

EGovernance :

- Department Shifts to bring in transparency and fairness, e – procurement and e – tendering have been made compulsory for all tenders above Rs. 5 lakh in value and any purchase above that amount. Due to this time for completion of tendering procedure has been reduced from 45 days to 21 days.
- Web and apps based project monitoring system, known as Samiksha has been introduced for better management of all works of this Department. Monthly progress reports of all works undertaken by PWD for different departments is now being sent to all concerned departmental Secretaries through ‘Samiksha’. The progress report of all on-going works in a district is now being sent to the concerned District Magistrate through “Samiksha”.
- Department has introduced a procedure debarment of contractors for bad work, delaying the work, fraud in tender process, not repairing the work during Defect Liability Period. So far 9 nos. of contractors have been black listed.
- For proper monitoring and maintenance of PWD roads, the department has introduced a Whatsapp No. “9073362000” for people to send their complaint & pictures for immediate rectification measures.

GALLERY



- Alternative Route to NH-31 1
- Asian HW2 2
- Asian HW48 3
- Bagnan ROB 3 4
- Baruipur ROB 5
- Bhasraghat Bridge 6
- Kaljani Bridge 7
- MCH Krishnanagar 8
- Motel_Basirhat 9
- Open Air Theatre 10
- PANAGARH-ILLAMBAZAR 11
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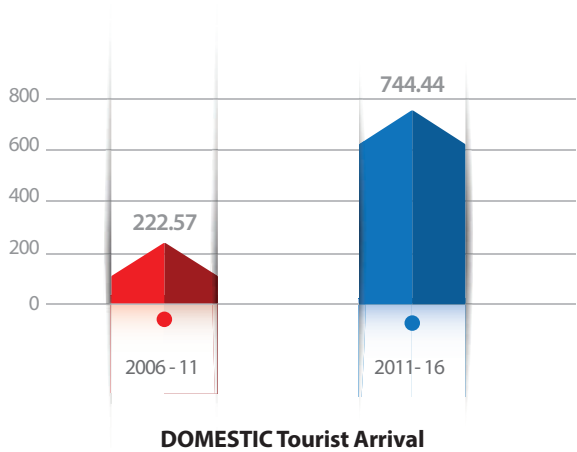
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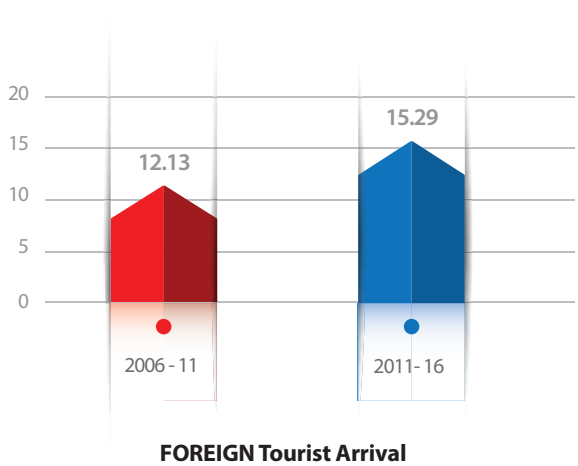


TOURISM 



- DOMESTIC Tourist in Lakh

Corparative figures of domestic and foreign tourist arrival in West Bengal



- FOREIGN Tourist in Lakh

Corparative figures of domestic and foreign tourist arrival in West Bengal



Snapshot of Achievements since June, 2011

Motijheel Tourism Destination project

- Construction of several infrastructural facilities including Cottages, guest house, landscaping, beautification etc. at Motijheel Tourism Destination project in Murshidabad.

Development of Gangasagar

- 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, construction guest house at Ramganga and development of road for Jharkhali eco tourism hub in South 24-Pargans.

Development of Jhargram Rajbari Tourism Complex

- Construction of Tourist complex at Jhargram Raj Bari and improvement of surrounding and development of Eco-Tourism facilities near Kakrajhore and development of trekking route from Knakrajhore beat office to Bholabheda Range office in Paschim Medinipore.

Art and Craft Museum complex at Ghurni

- Construction of Art and Craft Museum complex at Ghurni and construction of 04 Hats in Krisnanagar.

Development of Ajodhya Pahar and other places of Purulia

- Construction of several accommodation facilities and watchtowers in and around Ajodhya pahar (Kharaberi, sankupi, Ajoydhya hill top etc)
- Development of Pakbidra and Matha Tourism Project in Pancha , Purulia.
- Development of Garhpanchokot Tourism Complex and Muradi Eco Tourism Project.

Development of Birbhum

- Construction of cottages at “ Amar Kuthir ” and Bakreswar, construction of several tourist facilities at Bakreswar Hot Spring area, Birbhum.
- Construction of Welcome Gate at Joydev Kenduli and Pathar Chupuri.

Development in Bankura

- Construction of cottages, dormitory, restaurant and open air stage at Chatna Block and several tourism projects Mukutmanipur , Beharinath , Sushunia in Bankura.

Development of Plassey

- Construction of Main Gate to Warrior Samadhi and Construction of 05 cottages and dormitory at Plassey.

Development in North Bengal

- Construction of Loghuts and Nature Interpretation Centre at Tilabari and construction 10 numbers of cottages at Batabari , Jalpaiguri
- Construction of last mile connectivity and arrangement of power supply and other infrastructure development works for Mega Tourism Hub at Gajoldoba , Jalpaiguri.
- Development of North Bengal Wild Life Sanctuary.
- Development of Ray Villa in Darjeeling.
- Construction of new tourist spots and accommodation centering Gour dighi , Mahipal Dighi and Tapan Dighi and construction of Tourist lodge at Gangarampur in Dakshin Dinajpur.
- Development of Kulik Forest.
- Development of Tribhumi Eco Tourism Park, Dhupguri.

Construction of SIHM in Durgapur

- Construction of State Institute of Hotel Management in Durgapur.

Development & Beautification of Tourist spots :-

- Renovation & Beatification of Kolkata riverfront , Sahid Minar , Bumese Pagoda at Eden Garden , Island of Mayo road, general tank of Brigade parade ground , Monohar Das Tank,
- Renovation & Beatification of Ramkrishna Samadhi Prangan and meditation building at Coosipore Mahasahan , Illumination of Dakshineswar Kali temple etc in Kolkata.

Development of Eco/Home Stay Tourism:-

- Development of home stay at Magurmari , Sitong , Tinchuley , Pokrihatar , Takdha Khasmahr Villages in North Bengal.

Major PPP projects and providing infrastructural support there of :-

- Tourism Department has currently 03 major PPP projects for which this Department has constructed several supporting infrastructural facilities like road , power supply , water supply etc. having cost of Rupees of several crores. A synoptic status of the said three projects are given below :-

Name of the Project	Present status of the Project
Sabuj Dweep Eco Tourism Project at Hooghly	Two jetties, electricity, PHE water supply, approach road have been completed.
Bhorer Alo Eco Tourism Project at Gajoldoba, Jalpaiguri	Several works like arrangement of water supply system, construction of last mile connectivity, construction of Non-Bituminous Inner Ring Road and construction of 02 Nos of Ramp from Irrigation Tagging Bundh, Paved pathway with railing along the right bank of TMLC canal, Iron fencing along the forest boundary of Baikunthapur forest and arrangement of Power supply have been completed.
Jharkahli Eco Tourism Project	Several works like urgent repair and upgradation of the existing bituminous road from Jharkhali Raja More to SDB Jetty ghat and some link roads, construction of 360 metre approach road, extension of another 1200 metres of road, piped water supply arrangement and arrangement of electricity and power supply have already been completed.

Publicity and promotional activities :-

Participation in Fairs and Festivals

- Participation in different states of the country for tourism marketing along with different Tour/Travel Operators of the state and presentation of tourism products among media and tour operators of other states.

Promotion through Electronic Media and FM

- International Channels like BBC, Discovery, CNN IBN, Euro News,
- National Channels like NDTV, Aaj Tak, TV Today, India TV, Headlines Today
- Regional Channels like 24 Gahnta, Zee Bangla, ETV, Star Jalsa, TaraTV, Kolkata TV, Sangeet Bangla, Manorama TV.
- FM Channels like Radio Mirchi, Big FM, Red FM, Radio One, Radio City, Friends FM, Oye, Amar FM, Mantra, My FM both Regional and National.

Promotion through Print Media

- Magazines like Travel + Leisure, India Today, India Today Travel Plus, Lonely Planet, Discover India, National Geography, Kolkata on Wheels, Windows on Travel, Travel Chhuti, Long Journey, Turiosity, Banyapran, Outlook Traveler, Indian Express etc. Special supplement on West Bengal Tourism in association with India Today, Travel+Leisure and Financial Express

W.B.Tourism Incentive Scheme :-

- This Department has successfully disbursed several crores of rupees in the last few years under W.B. Tourism Incentive Scheme to encourage new investment in tourism sector.

Introduction of New Tourism Policy,2016 :-

This Department has successfully introduced W.B Tourism Policy , 2016



Top view of Motijheel Tourism Destinationcanal desiltation EKW	1
Motijheel Tourism Destination (Cottages)	2
Motijheel Tourism Destination (Musical Fountain)	3
Welcome Gate at Digha	4
Rural Tourism Project at Jaichandipahar	5
Tourist Cottages at Bandarbhola	6
Chain link fencing around the inside pond	7
Picnic Hut at Mela Prangan	8
Parking Bay in front of temple	9
Art & Craft Museum Complex at Ghurni,	10
At Mahipal Dighi under Kushmandi Development	11
Pathway near Millennium Park	12



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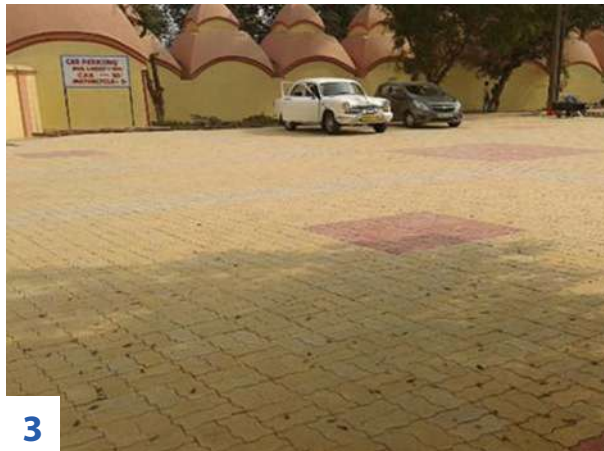




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Cafeteria at Ghurni Art & Crafts Museum
at Krishnagar under SEA



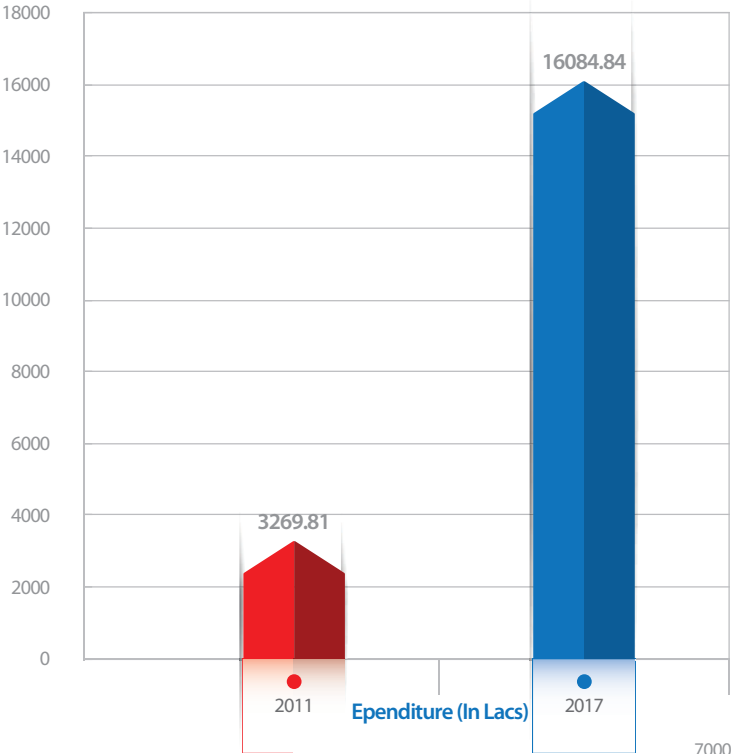
Krishnagar Art & Craft
Museum Front View





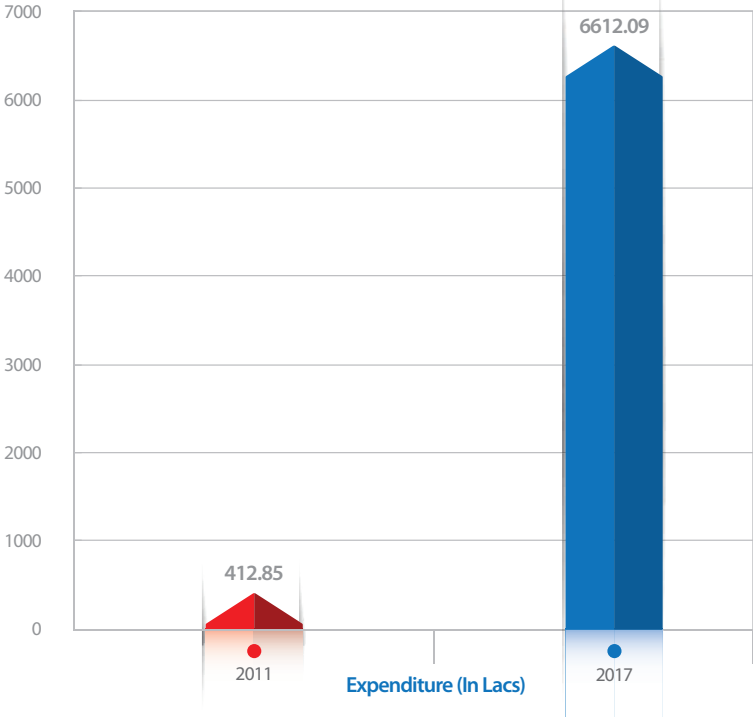
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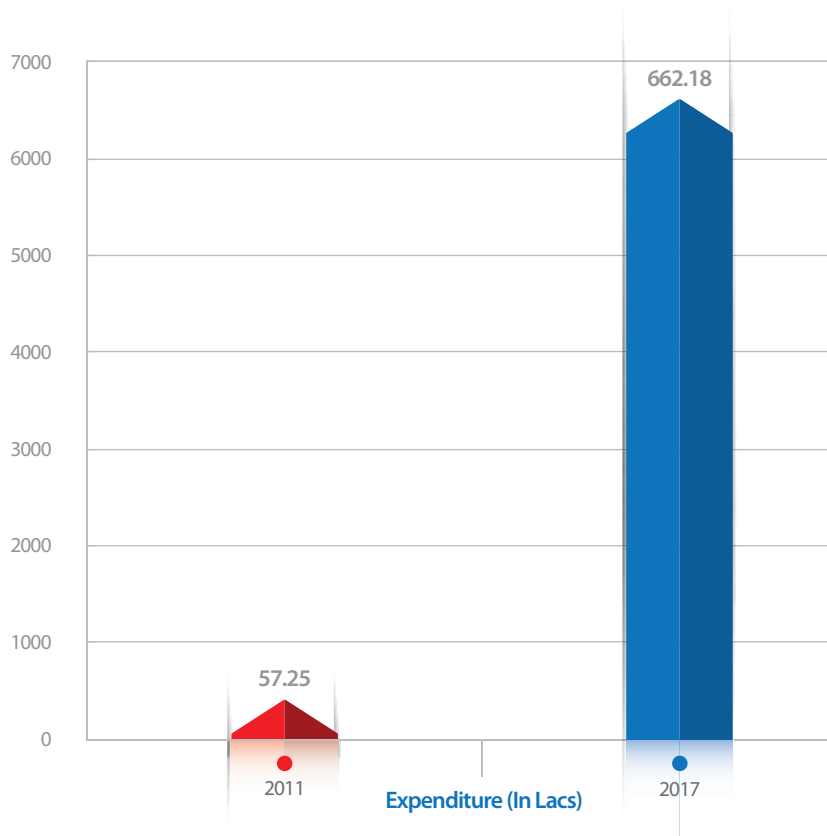




Absolute growth figures during last six years

For IT Parks





**Skill Development
Including Capacity
Building:**



Overall Growth of IT:

- Government expenditure in the IT&E sector witnessed an absolute growth of 453% more than 5 times over the last 6 years.

e-District:

- 40 online services operational,
- 140 additional services already identified,
- Online transaction had reached 594486 as on 17th May 2017,
- Expenditure grew 759% up till 2015-16 with an absolute outlay of Rs 3170.35 lakh till 2016-17.

West Bengal State Wide Area Network (WBSWAN):

- Horizontally connects 1359 government offices across the State,
- All District Headquarters are integrated with 1 GBPS NKN link,
- 401 POP locations have been revived,
- 48 Government buildings in Kolkata have been connected with WBSWAN Headquarters,
- Campus networking done in two Districts at Hooghly and Purba Bardhaman Collectorates,
- Expenditure grew 1170% up till 2015-16 with total expenditure incurred Rs 10084.35 lakh till 2016-17.

State Data Centre (SDC):

- Forty three (43) mission critical citizen centric applications are live,
- Providing 1 GBPS connectivity through National Knowledge Network (NKN) link along with a cloud enabled system and disaster recovery service,
- Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) application is in place,
- Expenditure grew 258% up till 2015-16 with government expenditure of Rs 4389.98 lakh till 2016-17.

IT Parks:

- Operationalised twelve (12) new IT parks out of 18 planned,
- Already six (6) of them are fully occupied,
- Setting up two (2) new 'Greenfield' Electronics Manufacturing Clusters (EMC) at Naihati and Falta,
- Expenditure under IT Parks grew 1501% up till 2016-17 with an absolute outlay of Rs 29397.17 lakh,

- Under EMC, expenditure spread was Rs 623.72 lakh over 2013-14 and 2016-17 fiscal years respectively.

ESDM Sonarpur Hardware Park:

- Spread over 11 acres and located at the prime south-eastern fringe of Kolkata,
- Plots are being auctioned through MSTC Limited, a GoI Enterprise amongst Hardware entrepreneurs,
- Total cost incurred by the Government is Rs 772.10 lakh up till 2016-17.

e-Office:

- Already implemented in seven (7) establishments including Departments, Commissions and Districts,
- Implementation under process in seven (7) more establishments since 2016-17 fiscal year,
- Centralised implementation of e-Office using Cloud-based architecture at SDC has already commenced,
- Expenditure spread was Rs 971.37 lakh over 2011-12, 2013-14 and 2016-17 fiscal years respectively.

State Portal and State Service Delivery Gateway (SP/SSDG):

- Inaugurated on 5th August 2016 by Hon'ble CM as "Egiye Bangla" at <https://westbengal.gov.in>
- More than 40 lakh visitors up till 31st March 2017,
- 33 e-services operated by more than 1.5 lakh users across all major Departments;
- Approximately 2 lakh applications submitted and processed through SP/SSDG up till end of 2016-17,
- A total of Rs 554.06 lakh has been utilised spread over 2014-15 and 2016-17 fiscal years respectively.

Online Single Window Clearance System (OSWiCS) and Single Sign On (SSO):

- Supported IC&E Department in successful implantation of OSWiCS,
- Rolled out SSO prior to BGBS 2017,
- Onboarded System Integrator (SI) for Rapid Application Development (RAD) based integration of Online services of various departments fulfilling EoDB norms,
- 33 services were taken up for brining under EoDB platform by 2016-17 fiscal year followed by remaining,
- Expenditure grew 767% up till 2016-16 with total government outlay of Rs 411.78 lakh.

Cyber Security Centre of Excellence and Institute of Data Science:

- Work on proposed Cyber Security Centre of Excellence comprising Cyber Governance and Compliance Framework, CERT-WB, R&D and Certification Lab, Digital Forensic Training Lab and awareness generation has been initiated in 2016-17 and presently ongoing,

- Similarly work on Institute of Data Science is on progress too,
- With regards to the former, an amount of Rs 4.54 lakh up till end of 2016-17.

Start Ups and New Initiatives:

- Expenditure shows a growth of 72% over the last six years with total spending of Rs 10627.72 lakh,
- New portal for accentuating Start-Ups in the State is underway,
- SNLTR developed Online Repository Rabindranath Tagore and other literary luminaries, Unicode compliant “Baisakhi” Bengali Keyboard, Bangla Spell Checker for Android, Alchiki Keyboard for Santhali language, Bengali OCR and various assistive technological solutions among other activities.

Skill Development and Capacity Building:

- Total expenditure incurred till 2016-17 fiscal year stands at Rs 2088.69 lakh, a growth of 1056%,
- New portal for accentuating Start-Ups in the State is underway,
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Mobile Governance (M-Governance):

- RFID based system for Mobile and Web-based Taxi Booking for Kolkata & Bidhannagar Police Commissionerates,
- Launch of Pull based G2C services integrating with MSDG for women harassment complaints,
- Government service-support SMS from various Departments viz. Disaster Management, Food and Supplies, Consumer Affairs etc. being sent in Bengali, Urdu besides English, as required,
- Area specific SMS service to reach the targeted beneficiary,
- Around 12 crore SMSes sent in 2011-12 and increasing every year thereafter @ 1 crore, approximately,
- Out Bound Dialer (OBD) facility created for sending Voice SMS rural mass locate at hinterlands,
- A total of Rs 40.67 lakh has been spent spread over last six years with a growth of 995%.

GALLERY



- Rajarhat IT Park 1
- Durgapur IT Park Phase II 2
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YOUTH SERVICES AND SPORTS





Youth Wing

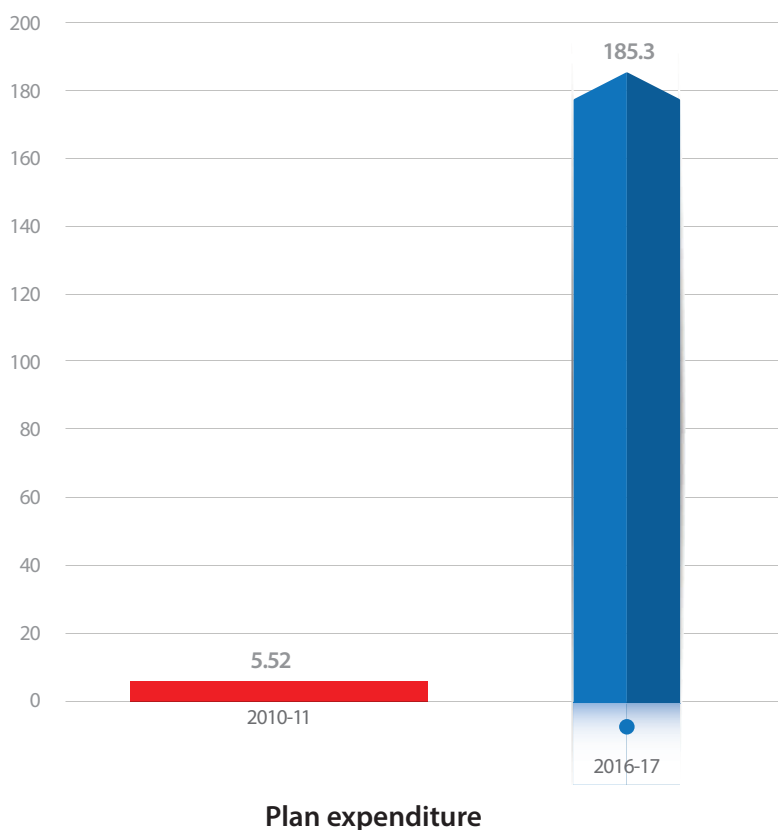
The Department of Youth Services & Sports (Youth Wing) has undertaken some positive programmes about the education, health, employment and holistic mental and physical development of the students and youth of this State. The major achievements are as follows :-

- Youth Hostel – 18 old Youth Hostels have been renovated and have been made operational. 3 New Youth Hostels have also been made operational. Another 23 New Youth Hostels are being constructed, and likely to be completed soon. Online booking of Youth Hostels through :www.youthhostelbooking.wb.gov.in
- **Financial Assistance to clubs for the Development of Sports infrastructure:-** 5800 clubs/organizations have been given grant under this scheme.
- **Development of Play Ground :-** Financial Assistance has been given to 331 institutions / organisations.
- **Setting Up of Multigym :-** Financial Assistance has been given to 2244 institutions / organizations.
- **Construction of Mini Indoor Games:-** Financial Assistance has been given to 635 institutions / organizations.
- This Department has organized “**Annual Youth Festivals, Safe Drive Save Life, Rakhibandhan Utsab, Vivek Chetana Utsab, Subhas Utsab, Jangalmahal Cup**” for the upliftment of the student & youths of our State.
- This Department has taken initiative for **1000** poor but meritorious students preparing for different job (WBCS) and professional courses (Medical & Engineering)
- To move forward towards the paths of self employment, this Department has organized

Vocational Training under the guidelines of the National Council of Vocational Training (NCVT) with the Technical Education , Training & Skill Development Department. So far **4000 youths have been given training.**

- Under **West Bengal Mountaineering and Adventure Sports Foundation (WBMAF)**, this Department has encouraged more youths for taking up Mountaineering and Adventure Sports activities. Since independence till the 19th May 2011, only 4 Mountaineers from State conquered the peak of Mt. Everest whereas another **18 Mountaineers** from the State conquered the peak thereafter. Due to sad incidents of accidental death, en-route to Mt. Everest some stringent rules have been framed to select the climbers for Mt. Everest and other 8000 mts above peaks. Besides this, **Rock Climbing Course, Coastal Trekking, expedition to different peaks, Mountaineering Course at HMI, Darjeeling, assistance to mountaineering clubs** are organized. **Radhanath Sikdar – Tenzing Norgay Adventure Award** and **Chhanda Gayen Bravery Award** have been introduced and given every year.

- To eradicate blind faith, superstitions and prejudices, and also inculcate the scientific approach amongst the State student and Youth, this Department has implemented two annual programmes:- **(1) Student's Science Seminar and (2) West Bengal State Student Youth Science Fare** with the Birla Industrial & Technical Museum (BITM).
- To create a healthy socio-cultural ambience, a three tier organization styled as **"Bangla Yuba Kendra"** has been set up to co-ordinate the different programmes of this Deptt. 462 Volunteers at the Block/ Municipal Level and 24 Co-ordinators at the district level are working for this purpose.
- About 1000 **Youth Computer Training Centres** are running throughout the state for providing low cost computer training to the student & youth to enable themselves fit for employment. **Online Examination and Third Party assessment** has been introduced.
- **Financial performance :- (Rs. in Crore)**



Sports Wing

A. **Infrastructure:** This deptt has taken major drives to create and renovate Sports infrastructure in the State thoroughly.

- **Newly created and taken up Sports infrastructure :-**

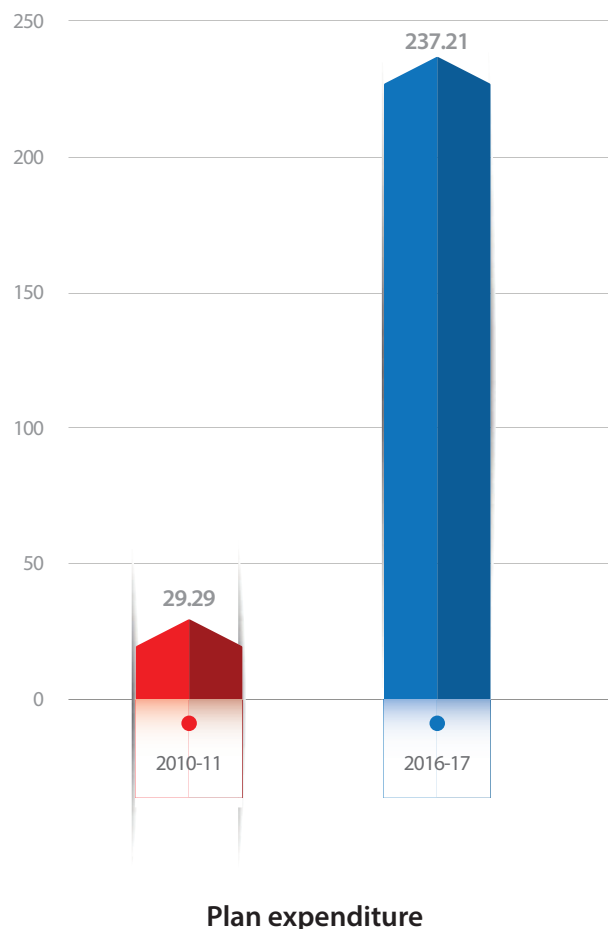
1. Nayagram Stadium of Jhargram
2. Archery Academy at Jhargram
3. Shalboni Stadium , Paschim Medinipur
4. Memari Stadium , Purba Bardhaman
5. Bhatar Stadium , Purba Bardhaman
6. Swimming Pool at Baruipur, South 24 Parganas
7. Swimming Pool at Canning, South 24 Parganas
8. Sports academy and Stadium at Khatra, Bankura
9. Barrackpore Sports Complex and Stadium, North 24 Parganas
10. Naihati Sports Complex and Stadium, North 24 Parganas
11. Uluberia Stadium, Howrah
12. Sports complex at Tala Park, Kolkata
13. Stadium at Islampur, Uttar Dinajpur
14. Onda Stadium, Bankura

- **Major renovation, modernisation done or taken up of existing Sports infrastructure**

1. Flood lighting system and renovation of infrastructure of Mohun Bagan, East Bengal, Md. Sporting Club ground, Kolkata

2. Renovation of Leborg Stadium, Darjeeling and Flood lighting of Kanchajungha Stadium, Siliguri , Darjeeling
 3. Repair/Renovation of Indoor Stadium, Rajbati Stadium Complex of Coochbehar
 4. Balurghat Indoor sports Complex of Dakshin Dinajpur
 5. Construction of Boundary wall with Barbed Fencing at Berhampore Stadium Complex, Murshidabad
 6. Development of DSA Stadium, Brindabani Park and Satya Chowdhuri Indoor Stadium of Malda
 7. Upgradation and renovation of Bolpur Stadium and Suri Stadium, Birbhum
 8. Upgradation and renovation of Ranaghat, Shantipur, Krishnagar,Kalyani, Nabadwip Stadium and construction of Club House-cum-Gallery at Bibhuti Club Play Gound (Birnagar),Nadia
 9. Construction and renovation of Stadiums of Diamond Harbour Sports Complex and Kultali Dr. BR Ambedkar College Stadium, South 24 Parganas.
 10. Rakhal Memorial Sports Complex and renovation of Aurobinda Stadium of Purba Medinipur
 11. Indoor Stadium, Sports Hostel at Purulia and Kashipore stadium at kashipore , Purulia
 12. Renovation of Howrah Municipal Corporation Stadium, Howrah
 13. Renovation of Eastern Ground , Chinsura, Swimming pool at Barijhati of Hooghly
 14. Renovation and upgradation of Spandan Sports Ground, Kalna Aghorenath Park Stadium of Purba Burdwan
 15. Renovation of Jhargram Stadium, Jhargram.
- B. Deptt of Youth Services and Sports has given emphasis on management and monitoring of Sports activities in the Distrcis and to achieve the goal District and Sub-Divisional Sports Councils have been reconstituted and functional.
- C. Deptt of Youth Services and Sports has a vision to recognise the achievements of the Sports persons in the past and present. **89** present players with **Khel Samman**, **114** players of yesteryears with **Banglar Gourab**, **34** eminent coaches with **Kriraguru Samman** and **8** eminent sports personalities with Life Time **Achievement Award** have been awarded during this period.

- D. Deptt of Youth Services and Sports has extended financial assistance to 8363 clubs of the state for sports activity and creation of durable assets. State level Sports Associations were provided financial assistance @ Rs. 5.00 lakh each for Sports activities.
- E. Deptt of Youth Services and Sports extended financial assistance to Police authority for conducting Sunderban Cup, Himal-Tarai Duars Sports festival
- F. FIFA U-17 World Cup is scheduled to be held in Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan in this year. For this purpose VYBK and its surroundings are being upgraded and beautified to match international standard. Complete face-lifting, Play ground, Light arrangement, practice ground, support facilities have been taken up to suit the international level of competition.
- G. Financial performance :-

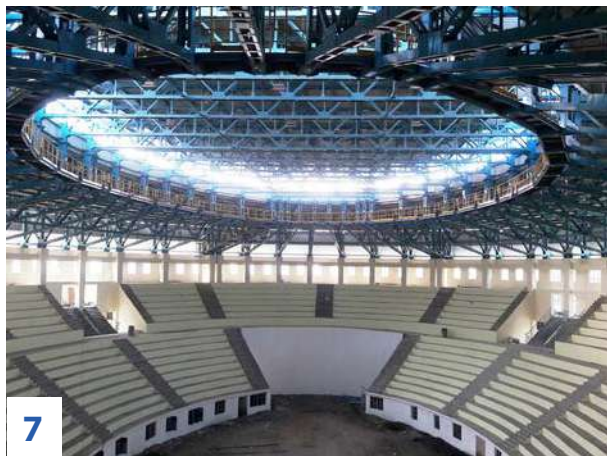


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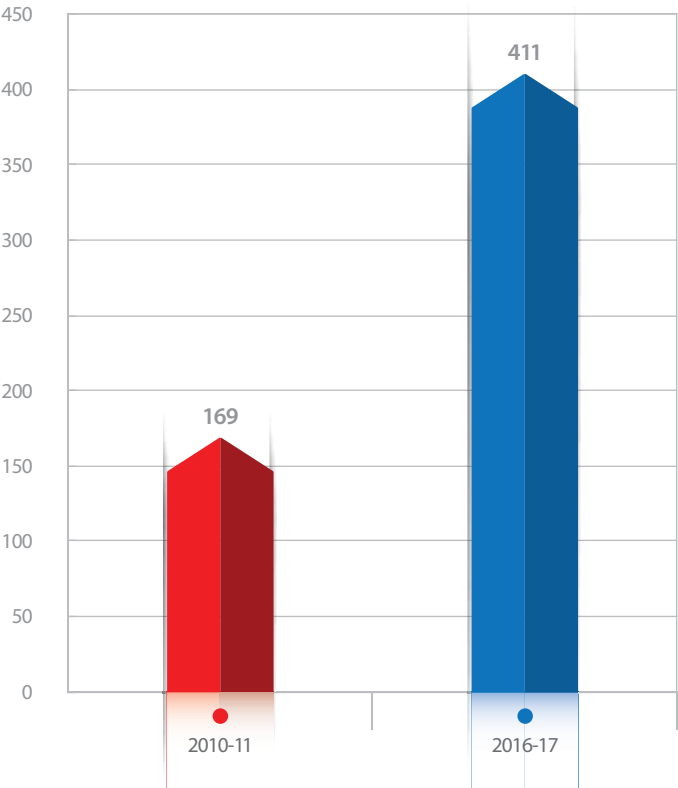
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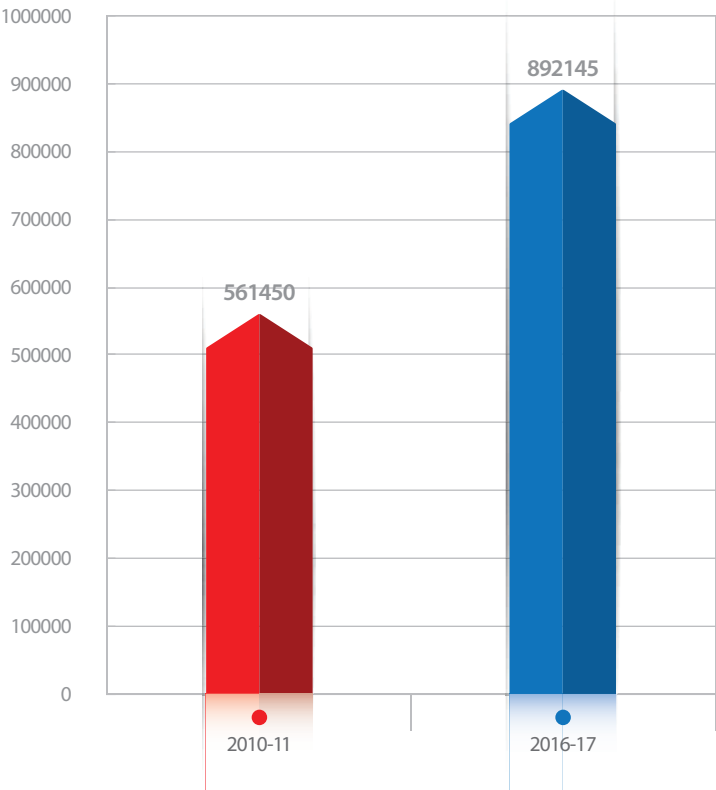
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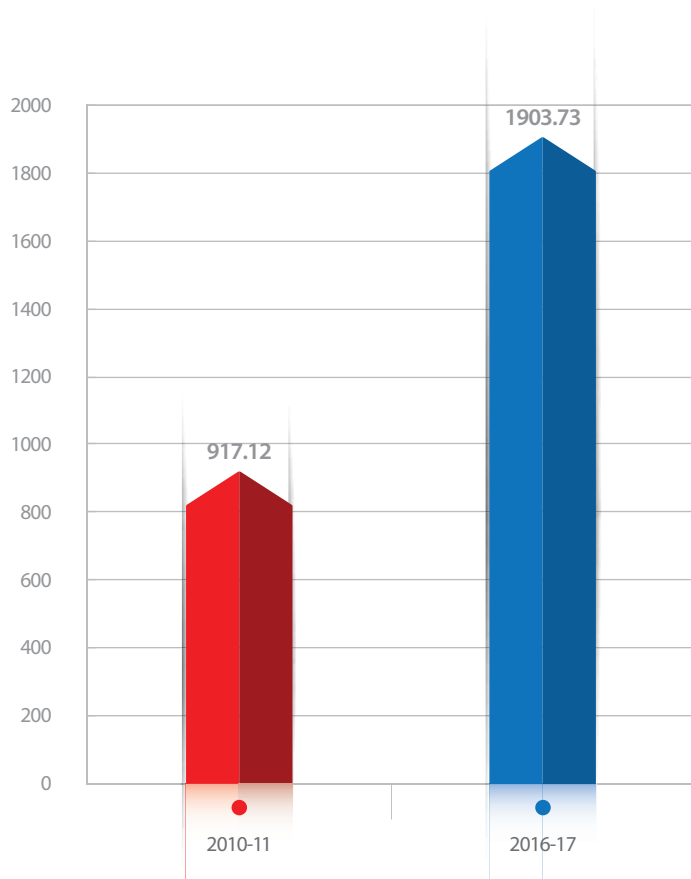
TRANSPORT ➡



Number of Bus routes introduced

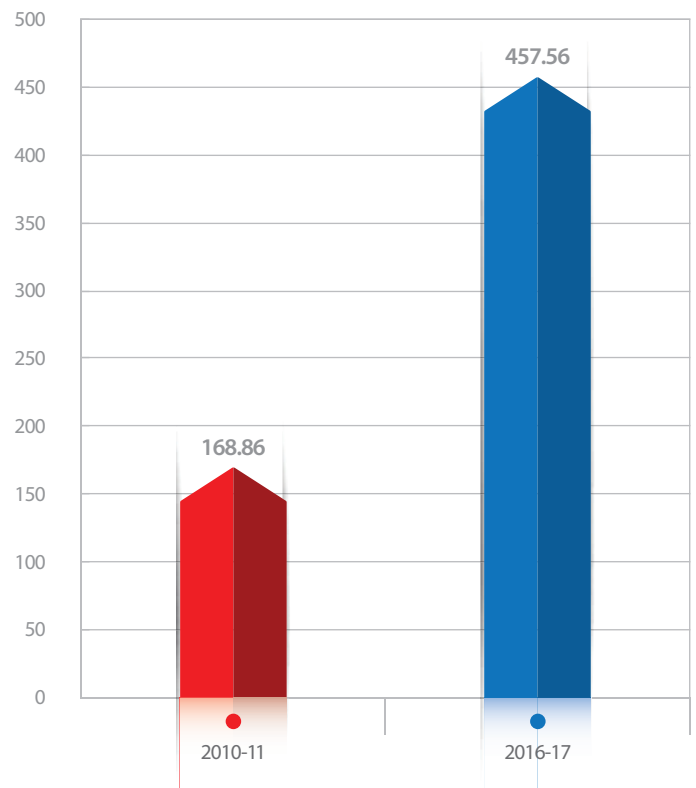


Total motor vehicle registered



**Total amount of Revenue generated.
(Rs. in Crore)**

Release in Crore rupees (Plan Fund)



Under the able and dynamic leadership of our Hon'ble Chief Minister, the department, during the last 6 years, has taken a number of major initiatives in order to provide an efficient, transparent and smart transport system for the state.

1. Name and brief description of major schemes:

- **GATIDHARA:** It is a 100% state funded subsidy scheme for the unemployed youth enrolled with the Employment Bank. Since adoption of this scheme in 2015-16 by Transport Department, so far total number of beneficiaries covered are 13,393 and the amount of subsidy release was Rs. 125 crore.
- **ROAD SAFETY:** With the inspiration of Hon'ble Chief Minister towards greater road safety, 'Safe Drive Save Life' campaign has been introduced since 2016-17. Fund to the tune of around Rs.50 crore has been allotted only in 2016-17 to different Police Authorities for procurement of traffic and road safety equipment and CCTV cameras. Besides, extensive campaigning has also been made to create awareness among the citizens.

2. RELEASE OF FUND:

During the last 6 years, budgetary provision has increased manifold and most of the plan fund has been released for creation of various Transport Infrastructure and to STUs.

3. Highlights of major achievements in the past 6 years:

A. Organizational Restructuring / Reforms:

- **District Level :**
 - ✓ Twenty five (25) new Motor Vehicles Offices and Three (3) Regional Transport Offices at the newly created districts- Kalimpong, Jhargram and Paschim Burdwan have been set.
 - ✓ Constitution of RTAs in the 3 (three) newly constituted Districts.
 - ✓ Trifurcation of PVD, Kolkata with two new units at Kasba and Saltlake set up for decentralized services in Kolkata. Further decentralization with another unit at Behala is in the offing.
- **Regional Level:** 2 Regional Offices of State Transport Authorities, one at Siliguri & other at Durgapury has been planned.
- **State Level :** Transport Directorate has been established to bring all the Motor Vehicle Offices under one umbrella and for better monitoring of the rendering of service delivery to the general people with 2 regions: Kolkata and outside Kolkata.
- **Voluntary Retirement Scheme:** 987 employees of STUs have been covered under VRS in order to make the STUs gradually self-reliant and viable entities.
- **STU Merger:** Operational and managerial integration among different STUs and route rationalization has been made. A common board of management for Kolkata based STUs (CSTC, CTC and WBSTC) namely West Bengal

Transport Corporation (WBTC) has been formed for better management of fleet, resources etc.

- **Optimal utilization and monetization of idle land assets** of the State Transport Undertakings initiated: Process completed in 5(five) depots and around Rs.300 crore have been mobilised.
- **State Road Safety Council and District Road Safety Committees** constituted to ensure co-ordinated action on Road Safety across the State.
- **4 check posts** to prevent overloading at Palsanda in Murshidabad District, Shaktigarh in Burdwan district, Boxirhat and Barobisha in Coochbehar district have been opened.
- **Two Motor Vehicle check posts**, namely Boxirhat and barobisha in Coochbehar have been opened with weighbridge complex on BOO basis to prevent overloading and other issues.
- Various major policy interventions to regulate Auto- rickshaws and to pave the way for introduction of e-rickshaw etc.

B. e-Governance and Intelligent Transport System

- ✓ e-Vahan has been introduced for registration of vehicles.
- ✓ Introduction of pre-paid West Bengal Transport Card in the buses run by WBTC.
- ✓ Introduction of a new passenger- friendly Mobile App, called PATHODISHA.
- ✓ Among other intelligent transportation system, Automated Fare Collection System (AFCS), ticket booking through Electronic Ticketing Machine (ETM) have been introduced in buses.

C. Surface Transport Services:

- ✓ 1972 new buses including 874 high standard AC as well as non-AC buses under extended JNNURM programme in the State sector have been rolled out in last six years.
- ✓ Introduction of International bus route from Kolkata to Agartala via Dhaka and Kolkata to Dhaka via Khulna.
- ✓ Permits for plying of about 7569 private buses have been issued for strengthening of public transport system throughout the state during this period.
- ✓ Fund for Construction / renovation of 213 bus termini in important locations like Garia, Jadavpur, Jhargram, various District head quarters and important localities including major municipal towns has been sanctioned in this period.
- ✓ Introduction of e-rickshaws and e-bike, the green mode of transport as “last mile connectivity” across the State has been introduced and within the regulatory framework.

D. Water Transport Services:

- ✓ In order to ensure safety of jetties / ferryghats and also to the passengers, Transport Department has issued circular prescribing Standard Operating Procedure to be implemented in jetties. So far 279 jetties/Ghats have been identified for which fund of Rs. @ rs. 10 lakhsh as been allotted to each jetty/ ferryghats.
- ✓ In order to ensure river safety, Construction/re-construction/repair of 45 Jetties including Nabadwip, Kukrahati, Nrishingapur, Falta etc and many other jetties have been taken up.
- ✓ To facilitate enhanced number of attractive river cruises, Steel hull tourist vessels have been deployed for heritage ghats including Dakshineswar, Belur on the river Ganga.
- ✓ Towards overall improvement of water Transportation Sector between Haldia and Farkka, an Inland Water Transportation Project has been envisaged for an amount of Rs 3591 crore through World Bank assistance. The 1st phase of this Project from Haldia to Tribeni has been formulated for an amount Rs. 1021 crore and is presently under consideration of the Government of India.

E. Civil Aviation

- ✓ Introduction of low cost-passenger –friendly helicopter connectivity between Kolkata and other destination like Maldah, Balurghat, Dighaand Gangasagar have been introduced.
- ✓ Commercial operations of Greenfield airport in private sector at Andal-Durgapore started.
- ✓ 26 helipads have been completed and put to use.

F. Infrastructure Engineering

- ✓ Construction of the Beckbagan ramp of the A.J.C Bose Road Flyover completed.
- ✓ Construction of 2 right turn flyovers at Santragachi with a cost involvement Rs.40 crore has been started in order to smooth movement of traffic flow for the Kolkata Central Bus Terminus at Santragachi.

G. Collection of motor vehicle revenue in West Bengal (Rupees in Crore.):

Major emphasis has been laid during the last six years and as a result the collection of motor vehicle revenue which was Rs. 986 crore in 11-12 has increased to Rs.1903.73 crore in 16-17.



AGRICULTURAL MARKETING ➡

Significant Achievements



Name of the Scheme	Financial(Rs. In Cr)
AMAR FASAL AMAR GOLA	2011 - May,2017 Cumulative
	29,05254
AMAR FASAL AMAR GARI	2011 - May,2017 Cumulative
	26.8848
AMAR DHAN AMAR CHATAL (BGREI)	2011 - May,2017 Cumulative
	44.3557
KRISHAK BAZAR	2011 - May,2017 Cumulative
	1024.8558
SUFAL BANGLA	2011 - May,2017 Cumulative
	16.84369856

Name of the Scheme	Physical (in Unit)
AMAR FASAL AMAR GOLA	2011 - May, 2017 Cumulative
	39,329
AMAR FASAL AMAR GARI	2011 - May, 2017 Cumulative
	26,781
AMAR DHAN AMAR CHATAL (BGREI)	2011 - May, 2017 Cumulative
	58,089
KRISHAK BAZAR	2011 - May, 2017 Cumulative
	178
SUFAL BANGLA	2011 - May, 2017 Cumulative
	40

CONCISE WRITE-UPS OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETING DEPARTMENT FROM MAY 2011 TO MAY 2017

Amar Fasal Amar Gola

- To prevent post harvest loss and to enhance farm level value addition, assistance is provided to the small and marginal farmers, Farmers' Interest groups, Self-Help-Groups for construction of different types of Storage Structures so that they can store food grains and Onion at farm level. The amount of subsidies are Rs 5000/-, 12000/- or 25000/- ; for traditional, RCC and Onion storage structure respectively.
- No. of farmers who have been benefitted during last 6 years is 39329 at the cost of Rs 29.05 Crore.

Amar Fasal Amar Gari

- With a view to minimize post harvest losses and facilitating transportation of agricultural produces from Farm to Market , assistance is provided to the small and marginal farmers, Farmers' Interest groups, Self-Help-Groups for purchasing a combination of one Van Rickshaw or Vending Cart and 6 nos perforated poly crates. The amount of subsidy is Rs 10,000/-.
- No. of farmers who have been benefitted during last 6 years is 26781 at the cost of Rs 26.88 Crore.

Amar Dhan Amar Chatal

- To prevent post harvest loss and to enhance farm level value addition , assistance is given @ Rs. 10,000/-, for constructing a Farm Family level paddy processing yard (Chatal) for sun drying of par boiled paddy and/or Rs. 8,000/-for purchasing a Manually operated grain drier as designed by IIT, Kharagpur and/or Rs. 5,000/- for constructing an improved low cost paddy and grain storage structures.
- No. of farmers who have been benefitted during last 6 years is 58089 at the cost of Rs 44.36 Crore.

Krishak Bazar

- Krishak Bazars are Block level primary markets with physical infrastructures for transactions, storage and packaging of agricultural produces, aggregated by the producers. Krishak Bazars are being set up in each block in a need based and phased manner.
- 178 Krishak Bazars have already been constructed at the cost of Rs 1024.86 Crore.

Sufal Bangla Project

- It is a new initiative taken by Govt. of West Bengal in September, 2014 and supervised by this Department. The objectives of this project are i) Developing a parallel business model of agricultural produces involving farmers in groups, ii) Enhancing competitiveness in agri-business iii) Empowering farmers in improving their bargaining power, iv) Maximization of Producers' Share in Consumers' price and v) Stabilization of Consumers' price through market interventions at appropriate times.
- Agricultural commodities are procured directly from the farmers and sold directly to the consumers with a view to ensuring remunerative prices for growers on one hand , and on the other, offering reasonable prices to the consumers. The project is being operated in Kolkata and its Suburban areas and districts like Howrah, Hooghly, North 24 Parganas, South 24 Parganas, Birbhum and Bankura through 40 outlets.
- It has been planned to open similar outlets throughout the State in near future. Some of them are under construction and likely to be completed very soon.
- Sufal Bangla successfully performed onion and potato market intervention programme respectively during 2015-16 and 2016-17 through selling at a fair price declared by Govt. of West Bengal.

GALLERY



Amar Dhan Amar Chatal 

Amar Fasal Amar Gari-3 

Amar Fasal Amar Gola (Traditional) 

Amar Fasal Amar Gola-Onion Storage Structure 

Exterior of a Sufal Bangla Retail Outlet 

Singur Krishak Hub 



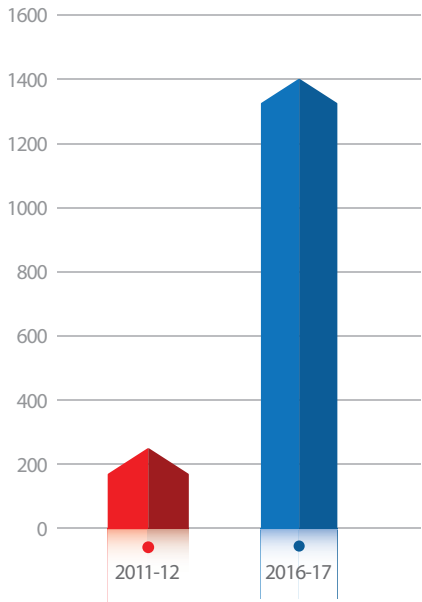


DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND CIVIC DEFENCE

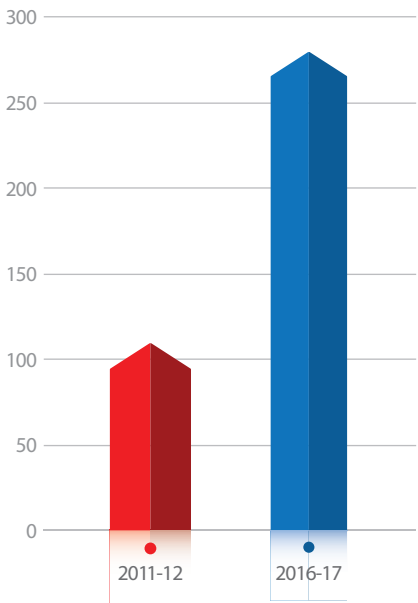




Flood Shelter



Relief Godown



Part-I : Snapshot of significant achievements of the department during the last six years

- 1) **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. A toll free number 1070 has been kept at the EOC for the masses to communicate.
- 2) **Preparation of Disaster Management Plan:** The Department prepares Disaster Management Plans at State Level, District Level, Sub-Division Level and Block Level and updates it every year. SOPs of all the Departments are included in this Plan. The DM Plan for 2016-17 has been prepared and put up to SDMA for approval.
- 3) **SMS based Early Warning System :** The Department developed SMS based Early Warning System through the IT Department in English and Bengali 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. In extreme cases, even the mass can be warned through this system.
- 4) **Construction of Flood Shelter and Relief Godown :** Flood Shelters and Relief Godowns are constructed in District/Sub-Division and Block level from State Plan Fund. The present rate for construction of a Flood Shelter is Rs 50.00 lakh and Relief Godown is Rs 13.76 lakh. Presently there are 493 number of Flood Shelters and 286 number of Relief Godowns in West Bengal
- 5) **Construction of Multi Purpose Cyclone Shelter:** The Department is constructing 225 Multi Purpose Cyclone Shelters in the 3 coastal districts in 18 number of Blocks of North 24 Parganas, South 24 Parganas and East Medinipur under the schemes National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project-II (NCRMP-II), Integrated Coastal Zone Management Project (ICZMP) and Prime Minister's National Relief Fund.
- 6) **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. From the year 2015-16, one more kit namely Dignity Kit for the women has been included in this Family Kit.
- 7) **National School Safety Programme :** This programme was started in 2011-12 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, 65,83,264/- was allotted. The programme ended on 30/6/2015 and all the selected 600 schools in 3 districts were covered successfully.

- 8) **Implementation of Web Based Incident Response Software:** The Department is implementing a Web Based Incident Response Software (Previstar CPS) at the EOC through WEBEL Technology Ltd for better management of disasters by real time analysis of data. Initially the project will cover the districts of Howrah, Hooghly, North 24 Parganas, South 24 Parganas and Kolkata. All the infrastructural data of the districts, along with the Latitude and Longitude, has been fed into the system for easy and real time access. Alerts for any situation can be sent to the group of officials of District/Sub-Division/Block/GP level and to anyone whose number is fed into the system simultaneously through SMS, e-mail and Voice Call. Any area, where a disaster strikes, can be monitored in real time if the incidents with lat/long data of the places are fed into the system. The effectiveness of this system has recently been checked in the Tsunami Mock Drill on 26/9/2015.
- 9) **Awareness Campaign:** 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 through advertisements in TV Channels, magazines and awareness camps and also through printing of 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. A weekly talk show on Natural Disaster was telecast in Door Darshan for 52 episodes. Experts explain the cause and Dos and Don'ts during disasters, answer all the queries from people over live calls.
- 10) **Pre-positioning of NDRF & SDRF Teams in strategic places :** For the last 3 years NDRF teams are being prepositioned at Siliguri, Kakdwip, Sandeshkhali and Ghatal for reducing response time to reach the disaster affected areas.
- 11) **Major Relief Works:** Department of Disaster Management organized relief operation during two major disasters during 2015-16. One is Flood in 12 Districts in South Bengal and the other is Landslide in Darjeeling.

GALLERY



- Multipurpose Cyclone Shelter at Bishnupur Khagendranath Balkrishna Vidhyapith, Sagar, under ICZMP 1
- MPCS at Kakdwip Shibkali Nagar Ishan Memorial High School, Kakdwip 2
- Multipurpose Cyclone Shelter at Narayanpur High School,, Namkhana, under PMNRF 3





CONSUMER AFFAIRS ➡



Significant achievements of the Consumer Affairs Department, Government of West Bengal from May, 2011 to May, 2017.

The Department of Consumer Affairs is entrusted to protect the rights and interests of the consumers which it carries out through the following 3 (three) wings :-

- 1) Directorate of Consumer Affairs & Fair Business Practices
- 2) Consumer Fora
- 3) Directorate of Legal Metrology

The Department, in the last 6 years, has spent an amount of Rs. 109,22,69,265/- to achieve its objectives. The salient features and its performance is detailed below.

Directorate of Consumer Affairs & Fair Business Practices

Consumer Awareness Programmes:

- All possible avenues and media are utilised for spreading of consumer awareness round the year, viz., seminars, camps, fairs, magic shows, folk songs, workshops, Quiz contests, hoardings, banners, tableau, body of public buses and trams, stalls in fairs, TV channels, F.M. channels, leading daily newspapers, T.V and hoardings installed at Metro Stations.
- Competition on Essay Writing, Poster Illustration, Slogan Writing and Quiz among the school students.
- Website (www.wbconsumers.gov.in) with all information of the Consumer Affairs Department
- Consumer Clubs have been formed in 840 (eight hundred forty) schools throughout the State of West Bengal.
- Kreta Suraksha Mela is organised every year. Last few years, it was held at Netaji Indoor Stadium, Kolkata
- Inclusion of consumer protection related issues in the curriculum of Class-VI, VII & Class-VIII of West Bengal Board of Secondary Education from the Academic Year 2015-2016.

Toll free Consumer Helpline (1800 345 2808) for consumer counselling has started functioning w.e.f. 24.12.2011.

Total number of phone calls received since inception is 47755.

Consumer Assistance Bureaus (CABs) are formed for providing legal assistance to the consumers for filing complaint in Consumer Forum

Filing of Consumer Complaints at Consumer Forum u/s 12(1)(d) of C.P. Act -1986 for curbing Unfair Trade Practices (UTP) and Restrictive Trade Practices (RTP). 6 (six) such complaints have been filed in Consumer Fora till date. 2 (two) complaints are resolved and rest are sub-judice

Alternative Disputes Redressal Mechanism: It is a pre-litigation mechanism for settlement of consumer disputes. During the period from May, 2011 to March, 2017 the number of complaints received were 50,977 and redressed 20,141 are detailed below:

Expenditure incurred from 2011-12 to 2016-17: (i) Infrastructural Development: Rs. 33,16,05,995/- (ii) Awareness: Rs. 59,58,09,786/-

State Commission & District Forum

Due to the active awareness campaign held by the Directorate of Consumer Affairs and Fair Business Practices the number of consumer cases in the State Commission as well as in the District Fora has increased many fold.

To meet the growing demand for speedy redressal of consumer grievances the following actions were taken:

- 1 (one) Additional Bench of State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission has been set up at Kolkata.
- 1 (one) new District Consumer Disputes Redressal Forum, named as C.D.R.F., Kolkata Unit-III has been set up at Kolkata 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 Online Case Monitoring System under CONFONET Scheme (Phase III) is in operation.
- The CONFONET Scheme is going on in full swing throughout all the 23 (twenty three) Fora and the State Commission. SMS alert are sent to litigants.
- Total no. cases filed in during the period from May, 2011 to 31-03-2017 was 53,327 and no. of cases disposed of was 43,829.
- Lok Adalat was organized on 05.12.2015, 09.04.2016, 09.07.2016 & 03.12.2016.
- Sensitization programme of Presidents and Members of 23 (twenty three) District Fora are being organized through WBNUJS regularly.

Expenditure incurred from 2011-12 to 2016-17: Rs. 4,41,88,701/-

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.
- The performance of this Directorate in this respect is as follows :

- For the upgradation of Secondary Standard Laboratory and Working Standard Laboratory the officials of this Directorate are being regularly trained at National Physical Laboratory (NPL), Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Fluid Control Research Institute (FCRI) and Indian Institute of Legal Metrology (IILM).
- The working standards are checked and verified. Working Standards (i.e. Weight measure, Length measure and Capacity measure) have been provided.
- Field Standard Test Capacity Measures and Master Flow Meter for checking CNG and LPG dispensers have been provided at the field level.
- Directorate procured Digital Comparator for Length Measures in the Secondary Standard Laboratories at Kankurgachi, Siliguri and at NNICE, Chinsura.
- Special care has been given to cover the markets through camp offices at remote villages through 144 Legal Metrology Units.
- On implementation of the Right to Public Services Act, 2013, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for issuance of new licenses for manufacture/ dealership/ repairer for weights and/or measures and registration certificates for packers/ importers were developed.

Expenditure incurred from 2011-12 to 2016-17: Rs. 9,43,14,045/-

The West Bengal Right to Public Services Act, 2013

- The West Bengal Right to Public Services Act, 2013 has come into force with effect from 3rd October, 2013.
- The Consumer Affairs Department is the Administrative Department in respect of this Act.
- A separate, dedicated website (www.publicservicesright.in) has been launched for this purpose.
- So far 23 Departments have issued Notifications under this Act and a large number of services have come under the purview of this Act, i.e., SC, ST, OBC Certificate, certificate for Physically Handicapped, Janani Suraksha Yojana, Scholarships under Kanyashree Prakalpa, etc.
- W.B.R.T.P.S. Commission has been set up with one Chief Commissioner and one Commissioner.



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Inauguration of Kreta Surakasha Mela 1

Consumer Awareness Program 2

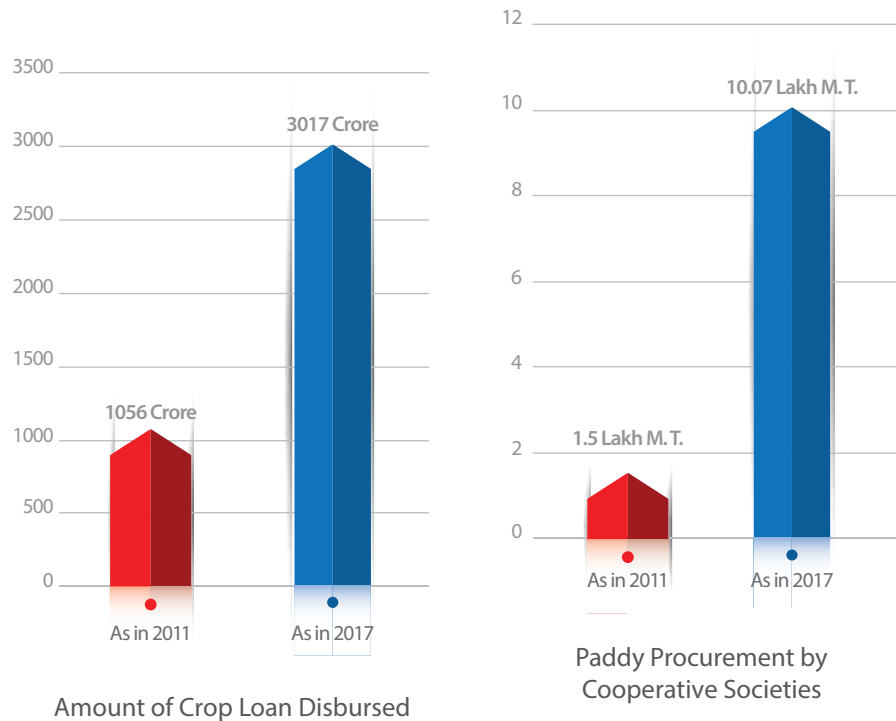
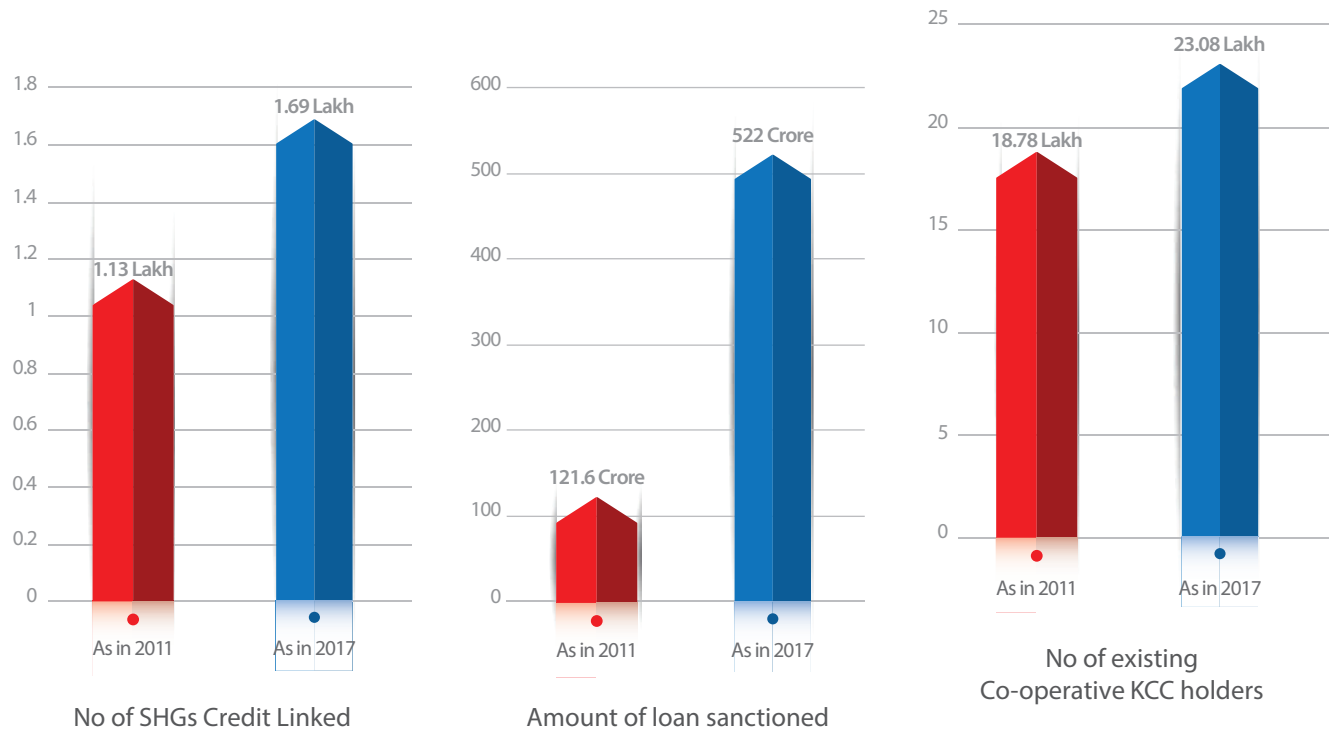
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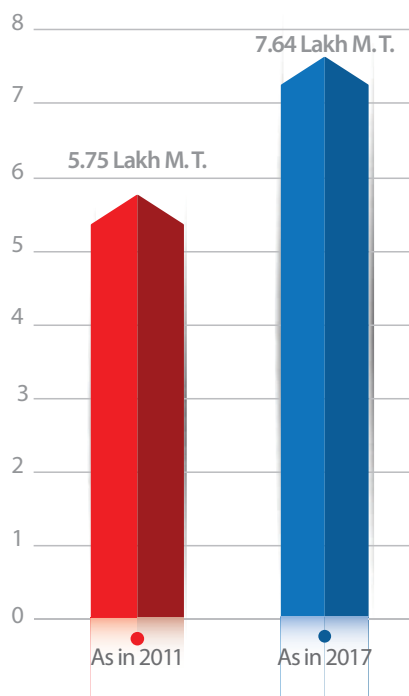
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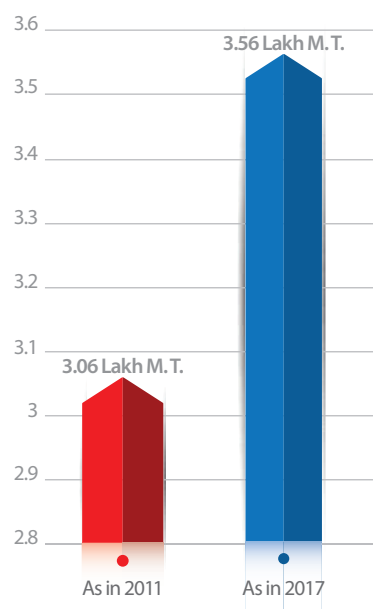


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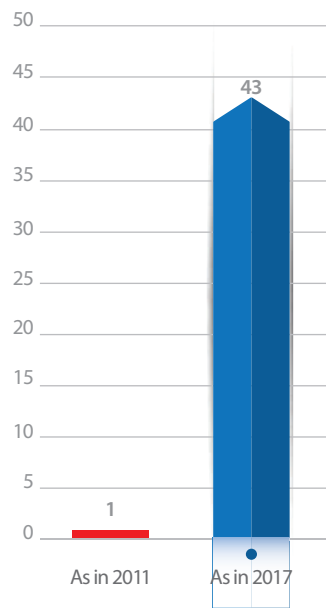
A - Creation of Storage Capacity for Agriculture and Allied Produce:



Capacity of Storage Godowns (in MT)



Capacity of Cold Storage (in M.T.)



Seed Processing Units
(Paddy, Potato & Vegetables)



SUFALA

A new initiative has been undertaken in the name of SUFALA. The venture is meant to ensure that farmers get remunerative price on their yields and at the same time produce of good quality is made available to consumers at a reasonable price. 30 SUFALA outlets have been opened across six districts. Additionally, 15 PACS' in Nadia have been equipped with mobile SUFALA units to ensure wider outreach. In addition, 50 mobile SUFALA units, are getting ready and will be added in different districts by June, 2017.

COMPUTERISATION OF PACS' (Primary Agricultural Co-operative Societies)

A new initiative has been undertaken by the State Government in 2015-16 to computerise all the PACS in the State for efficient, speedy and transparent services to members of PACS' - mainly small and marginal farmers, rural artisans and women SHG members. During the financial year 2016-17, 1,164 PACS have been brought under this scheme involving Rs. 19.43 Crore.

One Potato Cold Storage has been established at Malda Pioneer Co-operative Rice Mill Society Ltd. having capacity of 6000 MT involving Rs.800.88 lakh. Around 6000 local farmers would be benefitted by storing their produce.

Fresh Vegetables are being procured directly from the farmers and are being sold at the urban markets, as a result of which both the farmers and the consumers are being benefitted as the farmers are getting remunerative price of their produce and consumers are getting the same at a reasonable price.

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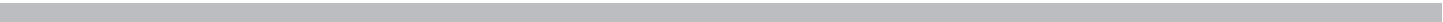
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- Cold Storage (6000 MT) of Malda Pioneer Co-operative Rice Mill Society Ltd. 1
- 'Sufala' Outlet under North 24-Pgs. Range 2
- Seed Processing Unit of Dharmapur SKUS Ltd. under North 24-Pgs. Range 3
- Seed Processing Unit of Gontra SKUS Ltd. under Nadia Range 4
- 2000 MT Storage Godown of Malda Mango Co-operative Society Ltd. 5





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CORRECTIONAL ADMINISTRATION ➡

Highlights of the major achievements of The Department of Correctional Administration From May, 2011 To May, 2017

PART – I

Snapshot

2011-2012

- A large number of development schemes in respect of repair, renovations, electrification, sanitation, hygiene, pure drinking water and medical facilities of the Correctional Homes of the State were undertaken and a sum of Rs. 29.6335 Crore out of 30 Crore of plan allocation has been spent to improve the living conditions of the inmates.
- 2 (two) new Subsidiary Correctional Homes (namely Raghunathpur SCH in Purulia District and Tehatta SCH in Nadia District) were constructed during this financial year.
- Simless Telephone facilities extended to Presidency CH, Alipore CCH & DumDum CCH to facilitate the opportunity for the inmates to talk with their kinsmen residing in remote and distant areas. Steps have been taken to extend the same facilities to other CCHs/DCHs.
- 'Prisoners Welfare Fund' has been set up to provide support to the inmates and their families in time of crisis and also for pursuing education. 'Self Help Groups' comprising of convict have been established to provide financial assistance to their families regularly.
- The Regional Institute of Correctional Administration (RICA) has done a commendable job since its inception (August, 2010) in imparting training to the officers and staff of the correctional services not only of West Bengal, but also to the Officers of some other North-Eastern (NE) States.
- A Comprehensive measure for gearing up security system of Correctional Homes had already been approved by the Departmental Approval Committee. This includes installation of Electronic Gadgets/Devices and CCTV with recording facilities.
- Installation of Mobile Jammers on trial basis in three Correctional Homes namely Alipore CCH, DumDum CCH & Presidency CH been completed.
- State wide Computer Networking System in the name of 'Correctional Home Management System' has been fully installed at all CCHs, Spcl. CH, DCHs and WCHs.
- Introduction of e-prison system including Prisoners Management System and Visitors Management System.
- Wages payable to the convicts have been enhanced in the following rates :-



- (i) For skilled labour @Rs.35/- per day from Rs. 25/- per day.
- (ii) For semi-skilled labour @Rs.30/- per day from Rs. 21/- per day.
- (iii) For un-skilled labour @ Rs. 26/- per day from Rs. 18/- per day.

2012-2013

- 20-Beded Male Hospital at Balurghat District Correctional Home started to function fully.
- A 32-Beded Male Hospital at Hooghly District Correctional Home started to function fully.
- Drinking Water Purification Plant installed at Krishnanagar District Correctional Home.
- Iron/Arsenic free Water Treatment Plant installed at Alipore Central Correctional Home.
- Video Conference room for court purpose constructed at Berhampore Central Correctional Home.
- Walkie-talkie sets and Search lights purchased for different Correctional Homes.

2013-2014

- Major Repairing works have been made for the damage caused by earthquake at Siliguri Special Correctional Home & Darjeeling Dist Correctional Home.
- Bio-Gas plant has been constructed at Malda Dist. Correctional Home.
- Two watch-towers have been constructed at Medinipur Central Correctional Home.
- 'Iron-Free Water Supply' has been arranged at Jalpaiguri Central Correctional Home.
- 62-bedded Male-barrack has been constructed at Balurghat District Correctional Home.
- CCTV installed at Dum Dum Central CH and Howrah Dist. Correctional Home.
- LPG Line connected with cooking oven and accessories at different Correctional Homes.
- Arsenic-free drinking water has been arranged at Basirhat Sub- Correctional Home.
- Walkie-talkies and search lights were purchased for different Correctional Homes.
- A Special & Secured telephone facility (Simless telephone) has started to function at Dum Dum Central Correctional Home, Alipore Central Correctional Home, Presidency Correctional Home and Alipore Women Correctional Home to ensure interaction between the inmates and their family members.
- X-Ray Baggage Scanner has been installed at six Correctional Homes.

2014-2015

- Cell-phone Jammers installed at three Kolkata based Correctional Homes viz. Presidency, Alipore Central and

Dum Dum Central.

- 'Iron-Free Water Supply' has been arranged at Balurghat District Correctional Home.
- 2 (Two) additional Watch-Towers at outside perimeter wall has been constructed at Midnapore Central Correctional Home.
- Female-Ward has been constructed at Durgapur Subsidiary Correctional Home.
- Vocational training to women inmates in Leather craft conducted by Workers' Welfare Society of Charmaja at Alipore Central Correctional Home.
- School Building vertically extended at Malda District Correctional Home.
- Interviewer's Room has been constructed at Midnapore Central Correctional Home.
- Female Cell has been constructed at Kalyani Subsidiary Correctional Home.

2015-2016

- Burdwan Central Correctional Home (by Upgradation of Burdwan District Correctional Home) has been established.
- Raigunj Open Correctional Home has been established.
- Alipurduar Spcl. Correctional Home upgraded to District Correctional Home.
- Jhargram Sub correctional Home upgraded to Spcl. Correctional Home.
- Barrackpore Sub Correctional Home upgraded to Spcl. Correctional Home.
- Purulia Spcl. Correctional Home for Inmates with Psychiatric problem (by conversion of Purulia Women's Correctional Home) has been established.
- Web-based 'e-Prison Suite' developed by NIC implemented at Correctional Homes as a part of e-Governance Project replacing erstwhile 'Correctional Home Management System.'
- Construction (primary phase) of new Subsidiary Correctional Home started at Khatra in Bankura District.
- Construction of perimeter wall of new District Correctional Home started at Nimtouri, Purba Medinipur.
- Building at Regional Institute of Correctional Administration, DumDum has been vertically extended.
- CCTV installed at Presidency Correctional Home, Siliguri Spcl. Correctional Home.
- Vocational training to inmates on 'Leather Craft' conducted by the W.B Charmaja Workers Welfare Society.
- Vocational training on Bamboo Craft conducted at Bankura District Correctional Home.

2016-2017

- Damage caused by earthquake has been suitably repaired at Siliguri Special Correctional Home.
- Watch Tower has been constructed at Siliguri Special Correctional Home.
- Vocational training to inmates on Leather Craft conducted by the West Bengal Charama Workers Welfare Society.
- Building has been vertically extended at Regional Institute of Correctional Administration, Dum Dum.
- Female Warder's Barrack has been constructed at Dum Dum Central Correctional Home.
- Female Dormitory has been constructed at Ranaghat Subsidiary Correctional Home.
- Female Ward of Purulia District Correctional Home has been renovated.
- CCTV cameras installed at Presidency Correctional Home & Siliguri Special Correctional Home.
- Alipurdwar Special Correctional Home upgraded to District Correctional Home.
- Augmented Drinking Water System installed at Bankura District Correctional Home.
- Computer Networking System in the name of 'e-Prisons Suite' has been upgraded statewide at different Correctional Homes which is a web-based software, as a part of e-Governance Project.
- Cultural therapy to inmates has been vigorously pursued in different correctional homes to perform different cultural activities in the form of Dance Drama, Jatra, Art, Culture etc. and to follow basic, medium and higher education for the pursuit of higher goal.
- Manufacturing units in different Central Correctional Homes like Tailoring, Wheat Grinding, Mustard Oil production, Carpentry, Bakery, Aluminum / Steel Utensil Making, Weaving, Candle Making, Jute Bag manufacturing etc. have been organized for earning the livelihood of the inmates after their incarceration.
- Various sporting tournaments viz. cricket; football and ka-ba-ddi regularly organized by the Sports Club of the Correctional Homes.
- Children's Play School at Alipore Women's Correctional Home has been established for the children of female inmates.
- Construction of a new Central Correctional Home has been started at Baruipur in South 24-Parganas district.
- Construction of first phase of a new District Correctional Home has been started at Nimtouri in Purba Medinipur district.
- Complete renovation of Sreerampore SCH undertaken.
- Dedicated CUG Mobile connections to Correctional Administration / services Officers.
- A new Oil Mill has been set-up at Jalpaiguri Central Correctional Home.
- The age-old Ghani Oil expellers at Presidency Correctional Home has also been fully restored.

- The C.A Department has taken over possession of 5.02 Acres of Govt. land from the ADM & DLLRO, Malda for the construction of proposed Sub-Correctional Home at Chanchal, Malda.
- Total expenditure incurred during this financial year is Rs. 39.98 Crores out of total 40 Crores of plan allocation.
- All Correctional Homes in West Bengal are now equipped with Prisoner Management System (PMS) module of e-prison suite enabling speeding up of back office job and citizen centric services related to prisoners in West Bengal
- As a part of e-governance, e-court project of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has been launched in 15 Correctional Homes to provide video-conferencing facilities between Courts and the Correctional Homes thereby facilitating recording of evidence in sensitive cases.
- A total of 987 correctional home inmates were trained in different trades in 2016-2017.
- Industrial and Agricultural Earning during calendar year 2016-17 :



ENVIRONMENT





POLLUTION CONTROL/REGULATION ACTIVITIES:

- During the period from May'2011 to May'2017, Air Quality Monitoring System had been installed and running in 75 (Seventy Five) different places of the state. In addition to that, Five (05) more Automatic Air Quality Monitoring System had been installed at Kolkata, Howrah, Haldia and Durgapur.
- Throughout the state, Water Quality Monitoring are being done on regular basis at river Ganges, Damodar, Ichhamati, Rupnarayan, Tista and Mahananda rivers at 102 nos. Strategic points.
- 40(Forty) projects had completed under " RAIN WATER CHARVESTING STRUCTURE" at 40 (Forty) Educational Institution of Bankura, Purulia, Birbhum and West Medinipur Districts. In addition to that, 90 (Ninety) Wetland Ecological Conservation Projects had been completed in 90 (Ninety) Wetlands of Kolkata, Howrah, Bidhannagar, North 24 Parganas, Purba Medinipur, Kochbehar and South 24 Parganas districts having total financial involvement of Rs. 29 Crores.
- Online Industrial Clearance System has since being introduced to make the process simple and speedy and flawless.
- In 2010, the areas of Haldia, Howrah and Asansol had been declared as CRITICALLY POLLUTING AREA. But, as now on things were made under control and as a result new industries had come up : OIL INSTALLATION, GAS INSTALLATION, PORT ACTIVITIES, FERRO ALLOY MANUFACTURING at Haldia, and EXPANSION OF COAL MINES at Asansol and STEEL MANUFACTURING at Howrah. In addition, 20 (Twenty) Green Buses has been introduced at Durgapur – Asansol industrial areas using COAL BED METHANE as fuel.

- 39 (Thirty Nine) Industries under “Grossly Polluting Industries” category in GANGA RIVER BASIN area had installed ONLINE EFFLUENT QUALITY MONITORING SYSTEM.
- In order to achieve CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION, 200 (Two Hundred) SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC CELL had been installed in different Educational Institutions and Health Centres.
- In collaboration with Forest Department, intensive plantation had been done in Durgapur-Asansol and West Medinipur industrial areas with financial involvement of Rs. 10 (Ten) Crores.

CLIMATE CHANGE ISSUE:

- One (01) Demonstrative Model in each of the Twenty (20) Districts (except recent constituted districts viz. Kalimpong & Jhargram) has been installed to show Roof Top Rainwater Harvesting System to mitigate the impact of local Climate Change on Wetlands. Five (05) other similar installations were made (apart from demonstrative one) in Three (03) districts, viz. Bankura, Hooghly and Purba-Medinipur.
- A mass scale Roof Top Rainwater Harvesting project has been started at Darjeeling Municipal Corporation Area to provide water to poorer sections of the hilly town. Estimated number of direct beneficiary families is 3200 and indirectly entire town is expected to be benefitted from the project. Total fund of Rs. 23.121 Crores has been granted by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change under National Adaptation Fund for Climate Change (NAFCC) in 2016.
- A Project on “Enhancing Adaptive Capacity and Increasing Resilience of Small and Marginal Farmers of Purulia and Bankura District” has been sanctioned (The estimated cost of Project is US\$ 2.5 million (Approx. Rs. 15 Crores) to DRCSC (DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH COMMUNICATION AND SERVICE CENTRE) facilitating the first Adaptation Fund Project of India in 2015.

- State Action Plan on Climate Change (SAPCC) has been prepared in 2012 and follow up actions are going on as regard adaptation/implementation.
- A vulnerability assessment project in the context of climate change has been started for Darjeeling and Kalimpong Districts. Total Project Cost of Rs. 2.16 Crores has been granted by Department of Science & Technology, New Delhi under National Mission for Sustaining Himalayan Ecosystem (NMSHE) in 2016.
- The State of West Bengal is the first state in India to implement the project of “Downscaling of Global Climate Change Model (GCM) Projections to district level projections in 2017 through IIT, Bombay.

ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE STATUS:

- During the period from May’2011 to May’2017, the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) gave Environmental Clearance to a total no. of 230 projects for INDUSTRY, THERMAL POWER PLANT, MINING, INFRASTRUCTURE AND BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND TOWNSHIPS, and AREA DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

INTEGRATED COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PROJECT (ICZMP): A WORLD BANK FUNDED PROJECT:

- 100% Electrification in Sagar Island is completed.
- Construction work of NAT MANDIR at Sagar Island under “Eco-Tourism Project in Sagar Island” is completed.
- Under “Sanitary Sewerage Scheme for Digha”, laying of 11.33 km sewer line is complete. A 6.7 mld sewage treatment plant is complete. This system will provide efficient municipal/public health service. Treated effluents will be discharged at sea which in turn will reduce coastal pollution.

- Under “Beachfront Development in Digha” project, Beach Beautification Phase –I is complete. Two (02) Watch Tower is complete. Open Air Theatre is complete. 219 Nos. Hawker are being rehabilitated through temporary and permanent kioks. Through these activities Digha Beach will be able to provide substantially improved facilities and reduced pollution level.
- Under “Multipurpose Cyclone Shelter (MPCS) in Five Coastal Blocks”, 25 (Twenty Five) MPCS has been constructed.

EAST KOLKATA WETLAND MANAGEMENT:

- During the period of May’2011 to May’2017, the Department had done Canal De-siltation of length 15.575 km, 6 km Road renovation and 6000 (Six Thousand) Seedlings were being planted and excavation of one (01) Bhery was done in the area of East Kolkata Wetland.



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Awareness EKW

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canal desiltation EKW

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FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES ➡



➤ **Opening of new Fire Stations and construction of new buildings for old Fire Stations:**

19 Nos. of new Fire Stations and 08 Nos. of new buildings for old Fire Stations have been constructed during the period from May, 2011 to May, 2017. These Fire Stations are –

- ❖ Falakata & Maynaguri in 2012-13,
- ❖ Gobardanga, Alampur, Bhadreswar (new building), Harishchandrapur and Haldibari in 2013-14,
- ❖ Panagarh (new building), Raniganj (new building), Rampurhat (new building) and Barobisha in the year 2014-15,
- ❖ Ramnagar, Baranagar (new building), Egra, Masterda Surya Sen (Bansdroni), Lalbagh, Khatra, Jhalda, Canning, Pragati Maidan and Panihati (new building) in 2015-16,
- ❖ Madhyamgram, Contai (new building), Kakdwip, Dankuni, Memari and Bally (new building) in 2016-17 (upto May, 2017).

➤ **Purchase of Fire Tenders and special equipments :** During this period a large number of Fire Tenders of different kinds and numerous sophisticated appliances have been procured. Yearwise details are given below.

- ❖ 2011-12 : Turn Table Ladder (30m) – 01, Air Compressor – 10,
- ❖ 2012-13 : Water Tender – 10, Portable Search Lights – 110, Walkie Talkie – 200, Bolero Camper – 30 and Motor Cycle – 60,
- ❖ 2013-14 : Motor Cycle – 36, Hydraulic Platform (54m) – 01, Hydraulic Platform (42m) – 01, Towing Vehicle – 03, Water Tender – 06, Mid Size Water Tender – 35, Ambulance – 02 and Portable Pump – 05,
- ❖ 2014-15 : Mid Size Water Tender – 20, and Portable Pump – 20,
- ❖ 2015-16 : Mini Water Tender – 36, Portable Pump of medium cost – 300, Water Bowser – 35, Water Tender – 50, Mid Size Water Tender – 20, Portable Pump of low cost – 301 and Water Carrier – 25,
- ❖ 2016-17 (Upto May, 2017) : Water Carrier – 25, Water Tender – 35 and Mid Size Water Tender – 30.

Of which, 54 m Hydraulic Platform, 42 m Hydraulic Platform and 30 m Turn Table Ladder are specially mention worthy.

➤ **Modernization of Control Room and Fleet Management System**

A Project of Modernization of Control Room and Fleet Management System was initiated in the financial year 2012-13 with total financial involvement of Rs. 5,46,18,981/- during past 6 years (May, 2011 to May, 2017) with the following details:

- (i) Installation of Vehicle Tracking System in Fire Tenders – 431 Nos.
- (ii) Installation of Video Wall – 01 No.
- (iii) Installation of Call under Group (CUG) Mobile Connection – 250 Nos.

- (iv) Installation of EPABX System with 128 ports.
- (v) 46" L.C.D. Monitor – 02 Nos.
- (vi) 12-Port Voice Logger – 01 No.
- **Creation of new Divisional Offices :** During this period 09 Nos. of new Divisional Offices have been opened. These are - Coochbehar, Uttar & Dakshin Dinajpur, Malda, Nadia, Birbhum, Bankura-Purulia, Purba Medinipur and Paschim Medinipur in the year 2012-13 and Kalimpong in the year 2016-17.
- **Creation of new posts :** During the period from May, 2011 to May, 2017 a total of 1121 Nos. of new posts of different categories have been created. Of which, number of Divisional Fire Officer – 09, Station Officer – 32, Sub-Officer – 90, Leader – 186, Fire Engine Operator cum Driver – 186, Fire Operator – 526, U.D.C. – 31, L.D.C. – 32, C.C.A. – 28 and Peon/Orderly – 01.
- **Fresh Appointment :** During the period from May, 2011 to May, 2017 a total of 406 Nos. of employees of different categories have been appointed under West Bengal Fire & Emergency Services. Among these No. of Fire Engine Operator cum Driver – 182, Fire Operator – 85, Assistant Mobilizing Officer – 09, Staff Car Driver – 08, L.D.C. – 80 and Group-D – 42.
- **Recruitment under Die-in Harness during last six years:** A total of 104 numbers of persons have been appointed under compassionate (die-in-harness) ground during the period from April-2016 to May-2017 with a detail of Group-D – 43, L.D.C. – 21, Staff Car Driver – 06, Assistant Mobilizing Officer – 10 and Fire Operator – 24.
- **Engagement of contractual employee :** During this period of 6 years a total of 1663 Nos. of contractual employees have been engaged out of which numbers of Auxiliary Fire Engine Operator cum Driver, Auxiliary Fire Operator and Auxiliary A.M.O. are 99, 1546 & 18 respectively.
- **Ease of Doing Business:** On-lining process of FSC, FSR and Fire Licence has been initiated during this period. Sign off of 9 (nine) services has already been done. This is on the verge of launch.
- **Achievement in various trainings conducted at IFS, Behala :** Various training of Fire Personnel, Communication personnel from West Bengal and other States have been conducted at IFS, Behala. A total of 5028 number of trainees obtained such training during the period from May, 2011 to May, 2017.
- **Number of Fire occurred and Property Saved:** During the years from 2011 to 2016 57,944 Nos. of fire incidents have taken place from which total property have been saved amounting to Rs. 936.78 crores approximately.
- **New Fire Stations under Construction:** At present 20 numbers of new Fire Stations are under construction and two numbers of existing Fire Stations are being upgraded. Besides, lands have been taken in possession for 14 numbers of proposed new Fire Stations.

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- Alampur 1
- Barobisha 2
- Canning 3
- Canning FS 4
- Falakata 5
- Fire Rally 6
- Fire Rally on Red Road 7
- Fire Service Week-2017 in Paschim Medinipur 8
- Harishchandrapur 9
- Hydraulic Platform 10
- Mainaguri 11
- Memari 12
- Nabanna 13



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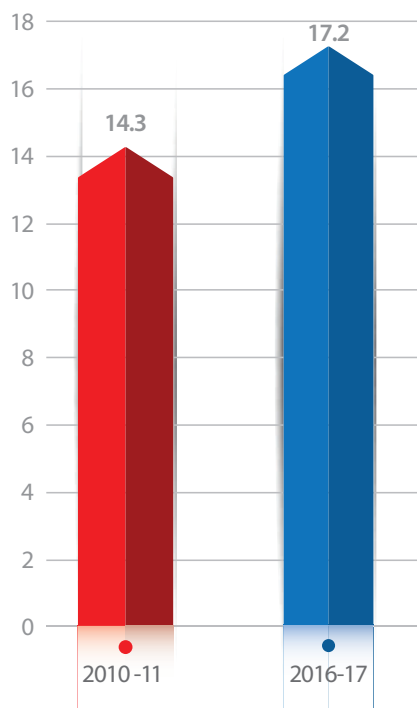
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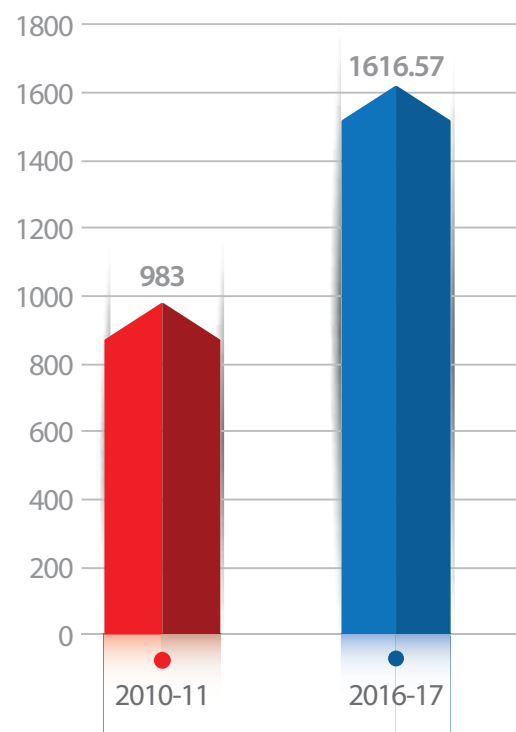
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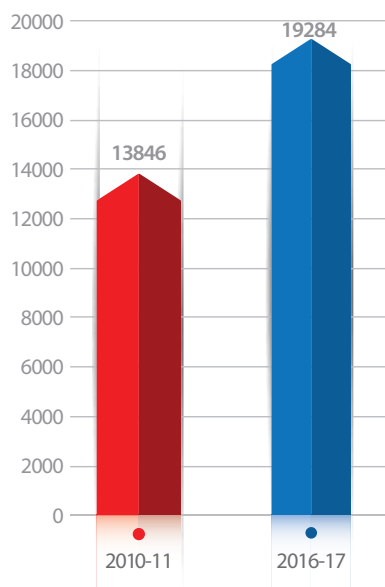
FISHERIES ➡



Fish Production (In Lakh MT)



Aquaculture Production of SFDC (In Mt)



Fish Seed Production (In million)

High Lights of Fishery Activity in Last Six Years for Department of Fisheries

- Fish and Fish seed production: Fish and Fish seed production in W.B have been increased from nearly 14 lakh MT and 1385 crore, respectively in 2011 to 17 lakh MT and 1928 crore in 2017.
- Distribution of Fish Seed: To increase production during the last six years about 1500 lakh fish fingerlings have been distributed in about 60000 ponds.
- Distribution of Fish Feed: From 2014-15 initiative have been taken to supply nutritionally balanced floating feed, free of cost and supplied 16200 MT to about 25,000 fish farmers in West Bengal with a financial involvement of Rs. about 45 crore. Another 5200 MT feed to be distributed within June-July 2017.
- Bringing more area under pisciculture: Pisciculture has been started in about 35000 pond excavated under “Jal Dharo Jal Bharo” programme 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 600 no of water bodies in last six years.
- Social welfare initiatives: For the socio-economic upliftment of fishermen community several social welfare scheme have been implemented in last Six years, like distribution of Jal-Hundi: 5000 unit, Dwelling House: 13000 no, Insulated Box -35000, Cycle with insulated box -8820, Matsyajana- 1237 no. Old Age Pension for Old and Infirm Fishermen @ Rs. 1000/- per month have been increased from 7500 to 8500 old fishers.
- **Safety and security for marine fishermen: For the safety and security of marine fishermen**
 - (1) **Biometric I Card:** 2.35 lakh cards are already distributed among marine fishermen. Capturing of photo and Biometric data are in process for the left out fishermen.
 - (2) **Distress Alert Transmitter:** Distributed 3656.
 - (3) With support from Government of India, the process of e-registration of fishing vessels have been started by the Fisheries Department in the coastal districts of West Bengal. 13207 nos of certificates has already been issued.
- Conservation of indigenous local fish: To conserve local indigenous fish species steps have been taken to liberate indigenous fish (i.e. pabda, Saral punti, Deshi tangra, Mourala, Chital, Folui etc.)in the water body like beels, backyard pond etc. Special emphasis have been given to increase production of Deshi Magur.
- 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 six years about 60000 fish farmers have been trained (from GP level to State level training programme).
- Development of Tribal Fishermen: To develop tribal fishermen community TSP scheme have been implemented and Fish Fingerlings of IMC and Magur along with other culture input have been distributed 6000 no of Tribal Fishermen.

- Development of Jhora Fisheries: To develop cold water fishery in the hilly area, under different schemes (TSP, MGNREGA convergence scheme, Social Fisheries etc.) about 2000 jhoras brought under pisciculture in last six years.
- Construction of Block level Laboratory: To analyze soil and water of fish ponds of farmers in all the blocks of West Bengal, initiatives has been taken by Fisheries Deptt. by Constructing and commissioning of Block Level lab. Work have been completed in 288 no. of Blocks. Construction is in progress for another 20 nos.
- Investment Promotion Unit and other activity: For encouraging investment in fisheries sector a dedicated cell "Investment Promotion Unit" have been set up. Investment proposal to the tune of Rs. 1000 crores has already been received through signing of 13 MOU with investors. Before BGBS-2016, another 14 no of MOU expected to be signed
- Fishery Policy: For overall development of fishery and also for being investment in this sector a new Fishery Incentive Policy, 2015 has been adopted by the Government.
- Hatchery Accreditation: To ensure quality fish seed initiative has been taken by Fisheries Department for accreditation of Hatchery. Already 212 no of Hatchery have been accredited and certificate have been given throughout the state.
- **Fish market :-**
 - Wholesale fish market at Haldibari Bazar, Haldibari, Cooch Behar has been completed & handed over to 283 nos. of beneficiaries.
 - Wholesale Fish Market at Hattala, Bolpur, Birbhum Phase-I completed and handed over to 38 nos. of retail fish vendors.
 - Fish market complex at Gangarampur, Dakshin Dinajpur has been completed and it is handed over to Gangarampur Matsyajibi Samabay Samity Ltd.
 - Fish market complex at Kalyani, Nadia is on-going and expected to be completed on September, 2017.
 - Multipurpose market complex at Bagula, Nadia has been completed and 254 stalls have been handed over to beneficiaries.
 - Rajendrapur Fish Seed Market at Rajendrapur Jora Battala, Naihati, 24 Parganas(North) has started on 04.01.2011 and was completed on 15.03.2014. Numbers of vendor are engaged in fish seed business including supply to adjacent states.
 - Fish Seed Market at Sinhati, Bishnupur, P.S.- Onda, Dist.-Bankura was started on 02.11.2010 and was completed in May, 2013. 59 nos. of stalls have been started operation.
- Cold Chain Develoment:-
- Construction of Integrated facility for Storage and Processing of fish and sea foods having central item as 200 MT Cold Storae, bl;ast freezer of 10MT/day and Pre-cooling chambr of 10 MT and other primary Processing

facilities at Deshapran Fishing Harbour, Petuaghat, Dist. Purba Medinipur, West Bengal has been started on 02.11.2015 and was completed in March, 2017.

- Dry-Fish Processing Centre at Junput, Purba Medinipore has been completed and production going on in full swing .1200 nos.of Fishrmen are benefitted .
- 200 MT Cold storage at Kalyani, Nadia has been completed and Ready for inauguration.
- 100 MT Ice Plant at Digha Mohana in the District of Purba Medinipur was started on 01.09.2010 and was completed on 30.09.2013.
- Improvement of Navigability :-
- Improvement of Entrance Channel of Minor Fishing Harbour at Harwood Point, Kakdwip, 24 Parganas South has started on 24.03.2015 and completed on 08.03.2016.
- Renovation of Dal Gangli Beel, Dist. Murshidabad was started on 22.01.2014 and completed on 06.04.2015.
- **Road for Fisheries Activities**
- Improvement of Road from Balanagar to Uladanga in Mouza Gamal Mati at Sagardighi, Dist. Murshidabad, has started on 21.02.2014 and completed on 06.01.2016.
- **Repairing of Boats etc.**
- Dry-Dock at Kakdwip Fishing Harbour, Kakdwip, South 24 Pgs. has been completed and 3000-5000 Fishermen is benefitted. They have got their Boat Repairing Station.

Inland Pisciculture and tourism activities under “THE STATE FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD.” have extended in its 15(fifteen) nos. of Projects where revenue earning for last six years are shown below:-



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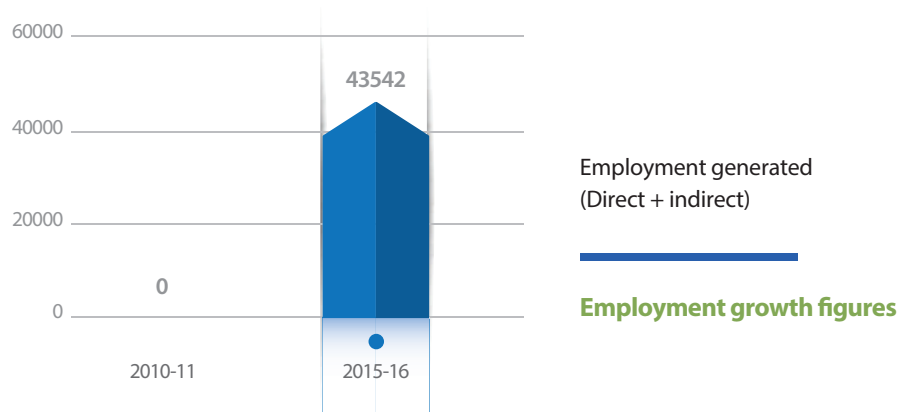
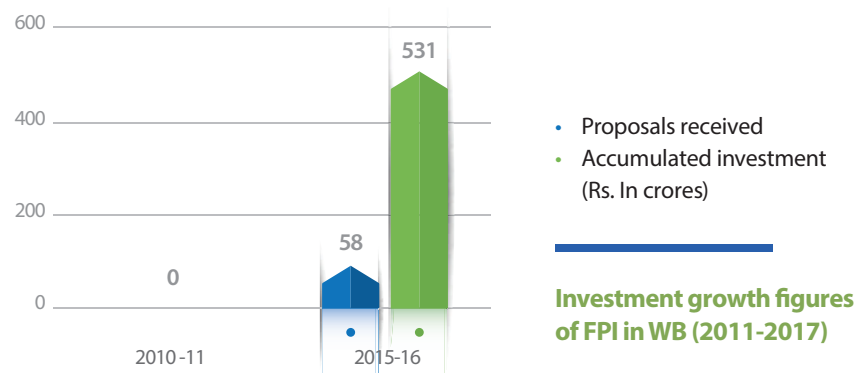






FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND HORTICULTURE



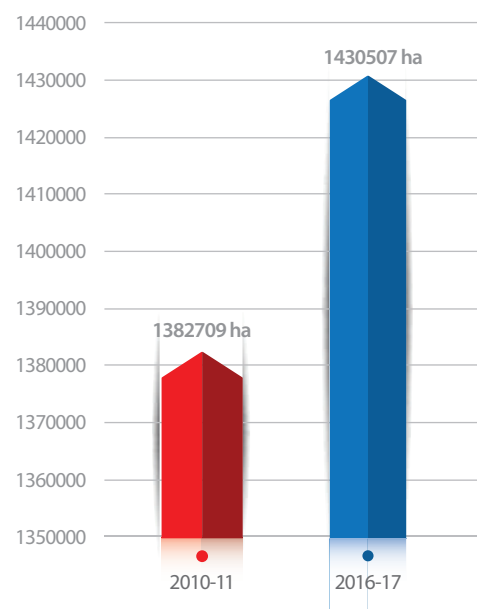


Growth figures during the last 6 years:

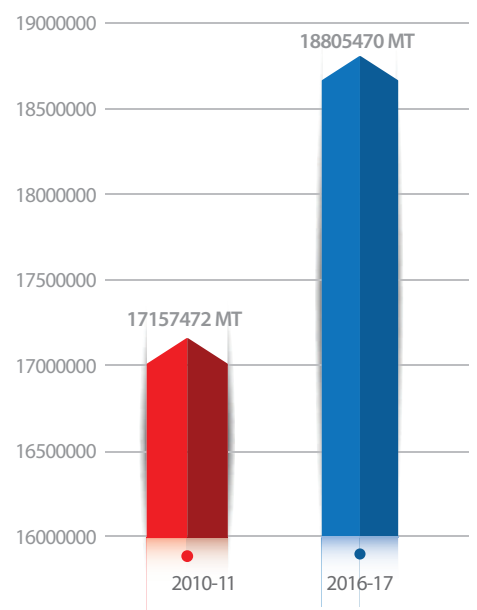
Particulars	Before 6 years	After 6 years
Floriculture Activities	Nil	Cultivation of Cymbidium and Tropical Orchids in commercial level both in plantations as well as in Growers Land.
Cultivation of Mandarin Orange	Cultivation in 218.51 acres of land at Latpanchor and Mungpoo.	Maintenance of 263 acres of Land and increase in area to 274 acres and expanded the cultivation to Munsong and Rongo.
Expansion of Rubber Plantation	Cultivation of Rubber in 159.38 acres of Land	Cultivation expanded to 358.42 acres.
Cultivation of Button and Oyster Mushroom	Nil	Cultivation commenced since 2012 and is presently cultivated in Tung, Kurseong, and Mungpoo.
Cultivation of Medicinal Plants (Ipecac)	Cultivation in 38.94 acres	Cultivation expanded to 84.96 acres till present date.
Cultivation of Chirata	Nil	Cultivation is done is 38.52 acres.
Cultivation of Coffee	Cultivation in 5.94 acres.	Cultivation expanded to 39.60 acres.
Cultivation of Kiwi	Pilot Scale cultivation in small chunk of land.	Commercial cultivation in 30.31 acres of land.
Infrastructure Development	Normal Rubber Processing House, Defunct Govt. Quinine Factory, Diosgenin and Downstream Factory and Govt. Emetine Factory	Rubber Processing House Developed in two unit, Renovation of Govt. Quinine Factory is ongoing, Setting up of Essential Oil Extraction Units, Mushroom Production Unit.
Development of Horticultural Crops	Pilot scale cultivation of peach, pear, plum, kiwi, coffee, mulberry.	Cultivation of peach, pear, plum, kiwi continued and Introduction of other Horticulture crops in small scale like Strawberry, Persimmon (Haluwabed), Hybrid Orange (New Zealand and Australia), Hybrid Apple (low Chilling requiring), Japanese Peach, Japanese Pear, Apricot (Khurpani), Walnut (Hybrid), Junar, Wild Garlic (Zimbu), Rosemary, Hot Chilly, Cherry (Japanese), Chestnut, Blackberry, Pear (Alubagara), Apple (Shimla), Dragon Fruit etc

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS OF HORTICULTURE SECTOR /DIRECTORATE UNDER FOOD PROCESSING AND HORTICULTURE DEPARTMENT (FROM MAY 2011 TO MAY 2017)

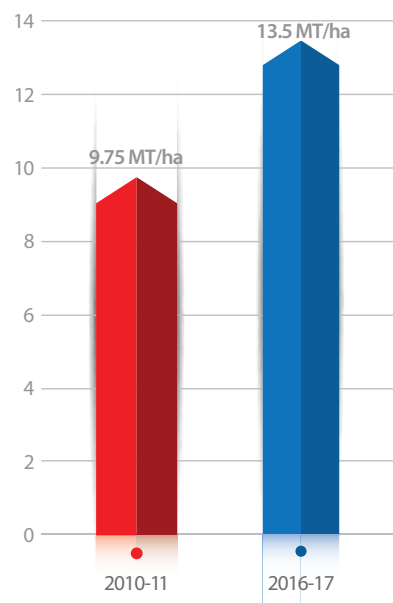
1. The Area of horticultural crops (fruits, vegetables, flowers, spices and plantation crops) has been increased from 13,82,709 ha to 14,30,507 ha during 2010-11 to 2016-17 registering a cumulative growth of 4.8 percent



2. The production of horticultural crops (fruits, vegetables, flowers, and spices) has been increased from 171,57,472 MT to 188,05,470 MT during 2010-11 to 2016-17 registering a cumulative growth 9.6 per cent.



3. The productivity of horticultural crops (fruits, vegetables, flowers, spices and plantation crops) has been increased from 9.75 MT/ha to 13.50 Mt/ha during 2010-11 to 2016-17 registering a cumulative growth of 38.46 percent



4. In all India basis, the state of West Bengal has ranked first in respect of annual production in pineapple (3,30,070 MT), Brinjal (30,03,580 MT), Okra(8,97,300 MT), Cabbage (22,58,030 MT),Cauliflower(1,88,909 MT) ,Radish (5,05,450 MT), second in Potato (84,27,300 MT),and third in Sweet potato(2,39,810 MT)and Ginger(1,29,020 MT) during 2015-16.
5. Kharif onion cultivation has been started from 2012-13 onwards and has been popularized in almost all districts of western and middle Bengal. Seeds of kharif onion which has been procured from Maharashtra is now being produced successfully at Taldangra, Bankura.
6. The production of onion has been increased in past few years. During the year 2015-16 a total of 5.44 lakh MT of onion is produced from 33,975 ha land area registering a cumulative increase of 56.73 % in area and 78.80 per cent in production over the base year 2011-12.

7. From May,2011 onwards total 172 Nos of nurseries (163 small,7 medium,2 big) and four Tissue culture Laboratories have been established for quality and quantity production of planting materials of Horticultural crops. So far 88 nos nurseries have been accredited by NHB.
8. Construction of Shade Net house for improved/high-tech cultivation of vegetable crops/betel vines/hardening of tissue cultured plantlets has become popular and remunerative among farming communities. From the years 2007-08 to 2010-11, a total of only 14,000 sq.m. of area under shade net house has been reported which now been increased to 31,62,600 sq.m. In case of Poly House, an area of 20,500 sq.m. was achieved up to May 2011, which has now been increased to 3,78,500 sq.m. These poly houses are utilized for cultivation of high value crops like Gerbera, Anthurium, Orchids, Coloured Capsicum, etc.
9. Construction of Vermi-compost production units have been increased to a remarkable extent, i.e., from total of 1,726 units to 11,202 units have been established from May, 2011 to May 2017.
10. During the period May 2011 to May 2017 special efforts were taken for construction of Multi-purpose Cold Storages in this state. Total 11 units of Multi-purpose Cold Storages were constructed resulting in generation of 82,708 M.T. storage space for horticultural crops in the State.
11. During May 2011 to May 2017 special efforts were taken for establishment of open air low cost onion storage structures (25 MT capacity) first time in this State. A total of 152 numbers of low cost onion storage structures, with storage capacity of 3800 MT has been created during last six years.
12. Since May 2011 special emphasis was given for construction of Technology Dissemination Centre (TDC) for imparting training on high tech crop o- the first time in the State. Ten numbers of TDCs have so far been setup in 10 districts and all of those were inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of West Bengal. Construction of two more TFCs is under progress in Paschim Burdwan and North 24 Parganas districts.
13. So far registration of 18 Nos. of Farmers' Producers Organizations have been completed to encourage for aggregation of farmers/producer. 18 Farmer Producer Organizations registered in Murshidabad (03), Nadia (02), North 24 parganas (02), South 24 Parganas (04), Hooghly (02), Howrah(02), Malda (01) and Purba Medinipur (02) to continue linkages of farmers with markets, reducing role of intermediaries.
14. For the first time the Department of Food Processing Industries and Horticulture has issued a Notification regarding participatory farming in Horticulture. Participatory Farming is an arrangement by way of an agreement between the Farmers' Producers Companies (FPCs) and the private entrepreneur/ company to grow /produce fruits, vegetables etc. of the choice of the private companies who shall compulsorily buy back the entire produce at the rates as may be mutually pre-decided between them. The Farmers Producers Companies can enter

into an agreement with Private Entrepreneur / Company for producing fruits and vegetables as may be required by the Private Entrepreneur. The ownership of the land shall always directly or indirectly remain with the farmers only and that it shall not even be leased out to the private

15. Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (WBCIS) has emerged as major thrust areas of the Government to provide financial supports in the event of natural calamities & adverse weather conditions to mitigate the risk in agriculture. From the period 2011, 32,667 nos. of Farmers were covered covering an area of 31622.950 ha. Till date total sum insured is of Rs.4494 lakh with State Govt. share of Premium subsidy release of Rs.244 lakh.
16. Under Horticulture mechanisation 2350 units of Power Tiller has been distributed amongst farmers.
17. In order to increase availability of water in Paschimanchal districts a total of 195 units of water harvesting structures have been created for plantation of horticultural crops.

Major achievement made in the last six years:

- Floriculture activities especially cultivation of Cymbidium Orchids in the District of Darjeeling initiated in 2012. Now, we have 17000 flowering plants.
- Cultivation of Mandarin Orange as part of diversification programme of the Directorate was initiated in 274 acres in Mungpoo and Latpanchor, which is extended to Rongo and Munsong.
- Expansion of Rubber Plantation to 358.42 acres of lands from 159.38 acres and increase in the production of Rubber Sheet and Rubber Scrap.
- Introduction of Button and Oyster Mushroom as part of Diversification programme and employment generation programme.
- Cultivation of Medicinal Plants in commercial scale viz. Chirata and Taxus baccata. The area under Ipecac and Cinchona increased by 45%.
- Cultivation of Aromatic plants like Citronella, Lemon Grass, Vetiver and Patchouli and extraction of essential oil of these plants started.
- Cultivation of Coffee, Large Cardamom and Kiwi in commercial scale initiated and presently acreage under these crops being 39.60 acres, 53.73 acres and 30.31 acres respectively.
- Development of 9000 mtr. of Plantation Road.
- Supply of Piped Drinking Water in 45% Labour Colonies achieved.
- Maintaining the eco-system through Afforestation Programme in 85 acres in 6 years.
- Construction of 131 (one hundred thirty one) nos. of Labour Model House as per the provision of Plantation Labour Act, 1951.
- Bulk Sale of dry Cinchona Bark and dry Ipecac roots generating revenue for the Govt. exchequer.
- Collection of wild species enriched with high valued medicinal properties and maintenance of the same in the Research Nursery of the Directorate under Research and Development Centre.
- Introduction of other Horticulture crops in small scale like Strawberry, Persimmon (Haluwabed), Hybrid Orange (New Zealand and Australia), Hybrid Apple (low Chilling requiring), Japanese Peach, Japanese Pear, Apricot (Khurpani), Walnut (Hybrid), Junar, Wild Garlic (Zimbu), Rosemary, Hot Chilly, Cherry (Japanese), Chestnut, Blackberry, Pear (Alubagara), Apple (Shimla), Dragon Fruit etc. on experimental basis.
- Development of Infrastructure for Rubber processing, essential oil extraction from aromatic plants.
- Renovation of Govt. Quinine Factory.
- Beautification of the Plantation area.
- Implementation of schemes like cultivation of plantation crops, Medicinal and Aromatic Plants, development of Vermi-Composting Unit, Construction of Poly Houses etc. in convergence with MGNREGA.

Food Processing Sector achievements since 2011:

- Total fund amounting Rs.25.60 crores has been expended out of total allotted-fund of Rs.25.63 crores in different sub schemes of National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) for the promotion of Food Processing Industries in the State.
- State with highest expenditure as on 27.08.2014 in all of India.
- Total 68 numbers of food processing units were provided financial assistance wherein an accumulated investment of nearly Rs. 510 crores have been made and also employment of around 4349 persons has been created in these units.
- E-application through dynamic website (www.wbfpigh.gov.in)
- Modified website on Government server (www.wbfpigh.gov.in) has been operational since 20.01.2017.
- Help Desk on FPI Survey:- This office was set up a “HELP DESK” to guide the entrepreneurs on opportunities in FPI and also respond to queries / clarification from 17.12.2012 to 15.03.2013.
- Participated in Bengal Global Summit 2015, 2016 and 2017. 44 numbers of MOU’s were signed with proposed investment of Rs.719 crores
- New initiative: WEST BENGAL COMPREHENSIVE POLICY ON POST HARVEST PROCESSING AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES, 2016: Developed an independent draft policy for the state of West Bengal, to move forward with the beneficial effects obtained under the erstwhile NMFP – pending approval

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FOREST ➡



The Department of Forests, 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 2011-2017 are:

- The **forest cover** of the state has been on the increase between 2011 & 2014; it has **gone up by 3810 sq.km**, 4.29%, the highest in the country. Incidentally, the Forestry Management in West Bengal is 150 years old- the Directorate has come out with a commemorative volume "150 years of Forestry - 1864-2014" in Dec.,2014.
- Between 2011-17, The Department has **afforested 72,697 hac.** of forest area, besides extensive soil & moisture conservation works. It has also created production capacity of 2 cr planting stock through '**Modern Nurseries**' there-by replacing almost entire capacity of conventional nurseries.
- Under **Joint Forest Management** initiative, the Directorate has distributed Rs 114.03 cr of FPC share to members of these committees during the period and has come out with the most progressive JFMC notification in the country.
- Inspired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, the '**Sabujshree**' program was launched with effect from 27 May, 2011 to provide a sapling to every new born child in the state to inculcate emotional bonding between the child and nature and also to provide an incentive of economic benefit in the future. Being implemented at the block level through- out the state, up-to March,2017, more than 2 lakhs seedling were distributed.
- Forestry Interventions for Clean Ganga for the state was sanctioned for Rs 534 cr and has been launched towards the end of 2016.
- The **Wild Life Wing** of Forest Directorate manages 4692 sq km of protected area network, i.e. 5.28% of geographical area of state, up from 4.56% prior to 2013. Emphasising the importance of conservation, two new wild life sanctuaries have been created: 1) the '**West Sunderbans WLS**' in 2013 over 556 sq.kms in 24 Paraganas (South) for keystone species of Sunderbans; and, 2) '**Pakhriban Wild Life Sanctuary**' over 14.09 sq. kms of water body for aquatic and migratory birds at Gajaldobha, Jalpaiguri in North Bengal.
- The biggest success story is the conservation of Rhino and Elephant habitat- the population of **Rhino reached 255 (2015) and Elephants reached 708 (2014)**, the highest in the last few decades. Recent '**Camera Trap**' technology showed healthy population of tigers in the wild. For the first time, census of crocodiles was done in 2012 in state.
- JICA assisted **West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Project (WBFBCP)** commenced on 24th August, 2012 with an outlay of Rs. 406 Crores. The Project Management Unit (PMU) is implementing the project in 600 JFMCs. Till 2016-17, the total plantation raised is 12358 hectares in forest and 934 hectares under social forestry.

- The **JICA** project of Directorate has expanded & renovated the WB Forest School at Dowhill. The **State Forest Training Institute, Hizli** was inaugurated on 11th Feb., 2016, thereby creating infrastructure facilities for human resource development in Forest Directorate.
- **WB Forest Development Corp.** has achieved new heights of physical and financial parameters. **Online booking of eco-tourism facilities** of Corporation was started in 2014. The new Corporate office was inaugurated in July, 2014 at Salt lake. E-Auction of the forest produce was started successfully in 2017 and is a major initiative.
- **West Bengal Zoo Authority (WBZA)** was institutionalized in April, 2012 with transfer of management of 11 zoos of the state. It started modernization of animal housings in Alipore and transformed Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park, Darjeeling, now considered the best Zoological Parks in the country. Rebuilding of Bengal Natural History Museum at Darjeeling was completed and **Bengal Safari**, Siliguri was inaugurated on 21st January, 2016. New enclosure for conservation breeding of Red Panda and Snow Leopard was commissioned at Topkeydara. **Sunderban Wild Animal Park** & Tiger rescue centre at Jharkhali was commissioned.
- **W.B. State Forest Development Agency** was institutionalized in 2014. Besides others, it is implementing plantation program of WB Pollution Control Board and MP LAD funding program in forestry sector. **On-line reservation** & payment gateway for 20 eco-tourism centres in the state was started in May, 2015. The Eco-tourism units at Takdha, Pokhriatar & Chimney have been commissioned.
- **WB Waste Land Dev. Corp.,** has over the last few years, taken up landscaping works at ECI, Raghunathpur Power Station, for Sports & Youth Affairs, Howrah Road & Bridge Corp., Technical Education, KMDA, Land Port Authority, Salt lake Stadium, Coal India Complex at Rajarhat and for Coast Guard. It has also contributed for development of **Eco Park in Rajarhat**, Harinalaya Park at Ecopark. and did the livelihood generation program under Paschimanchal Unnayan Parishad at Gorbetta.

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MODERN NURSERY TECHNIQUES & PLANTATION PATTERNS ARE USED FOR AFFORESTAION
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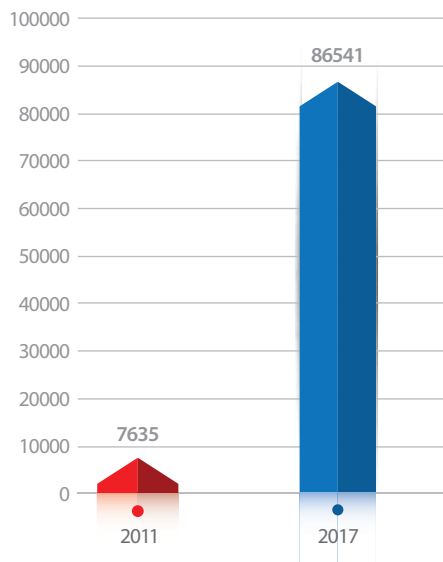




HOUSING ➡

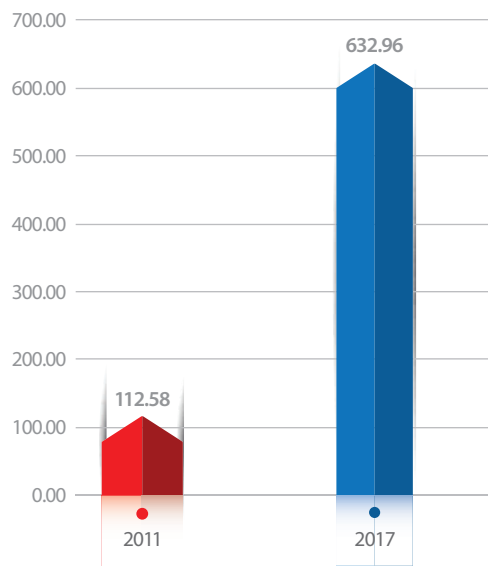


Status of EWS/Gitanjali Housing Scheme during the last six years



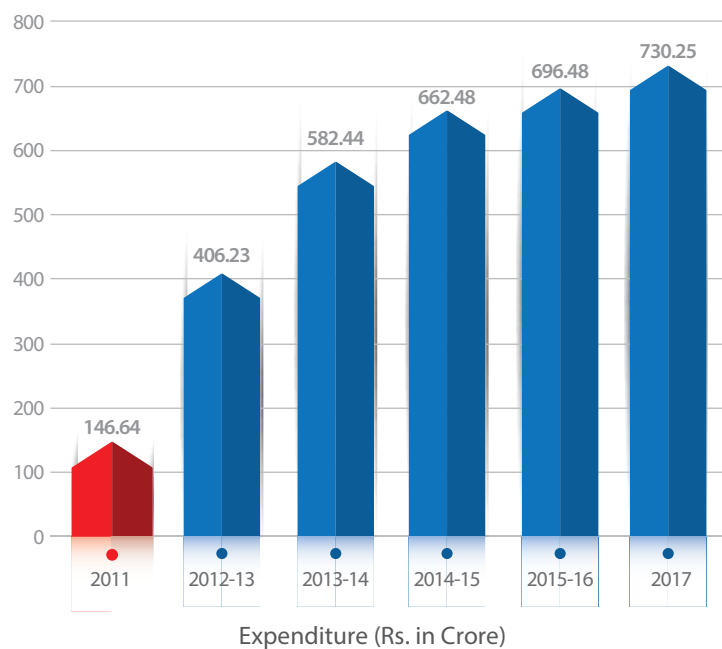
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Financial Status of Expenditure on EWS/Gitanjali Housing Scheme during the last six years



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Significant achievement of Housing Department since May, 2011

- Providing Shelter to the People belonging to Economically Weaker Section :**

“Geetanjali”, a new State Scheme was introduced to provide shelter to the People belonging to the Economically Weaker Sections. A grant of Seventy thousand rupees is provided to the beneficiary in the plain area. Additional five thousand is provided in the hills, Sundarbans & Jangal Mahal.

Achievement :

2011 - 12	2012 - 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015- 16	2016-17	2017-18 upto May
7635	50241	34476	42532	65394	86541	11926

Since May 2011, benefits have been extended to cover 2,98,745 families.

Target for the financial year 2017-18 : 1,00,000 units

720 dwelling units constructed under **“Gitanjali”** Housing Scheme at New Town area have been handed over to WBHIDCO for providing to the Project Affected People in HIDCO area.

- Developing Way Side Facilities on National & State Highways In all Sixty Seven (67 nos)** Way Side Facility named as **“PATHASATHI”** having bathroom, toilet, passenger’s waiting room, family rooms & Restaurant have been constructed by the side of the National Highway, State Highway and other important roads for travellers (specially for women) and all are in operational either through concerned District Magistrate by engaging Self Help Group /Societies / WBTDC or agencies.

- New Hostel for Working Women :**

Five new Working Women’s hostel are added in stock as on March 2017 and allotment has also been started. They are:-

- 1) Ananya, Durgapur **40** bedded ;
- 2) Swayangsiddha, Salt Lake **44** bedded;
- 3) Ibrahimpur Road, Jadavpur **76** bedded;
- 4) Banamali Naskar Road, Kolkata **61** bedded ;
- 5) Becharam Chatterjee Road, Kolkata **34** bedded ;

Construction of new Working Women's hostel is in progress :-

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| 1) Regent Park, Kolkata | 34 bedded (Status- in final stage); |
| 2) Malbazar, Jalpaiguri | 61 bedded (Status –Work in final stage); |
| 3) H. K. Seth Road, Kolkata | 76 bedded (Status –Work in Progress); |
| 4) C. N. Roy Road, Kolkata | 123 bedded (Status –Work in Progress) |

- **Night Shelter for Patient Parties**

For the benefit of Patient Parties, Short Stay facility, named as **Night Shelter**, attached to the following Government Hospitals are being developed;-

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| 1. N. R. S. Medical College, Kolkata : | 100 bedded. (Status - operational) |
| 2. Diamond Harbour District Hospital,
South 24-Parganas : | 90 bedded (Status –operational) |
| 3. Medical College, Kolkata : | 72 bedded (Status - operational) |
| 4. Baruipur Sub Division Hospital,
South 24-Parganas : | 90 bedded. (Status –construction is in final stage) |

- **Up-gradation of Rental Housing Estate for Government Employees**

Special repair & upgradation works were undertaken; in all 12,191 flats in 104 existing Housing Estate in the state. Repairs of **35 Estates in Kolkata** have been completed. The same for the rest one estate in Kolkata will be completed soon. Upgradation works in other estates located in districts and sub-divisions are also going on.

- **Construction of new Dwelling units under RHE**

Construction completed:

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| 1. Diamond Harbour, RHE, South 24-Parganas : | 24 flats. |
| 2. Lake Gardens, RHE, Kolkata : | 08 flats |
| 3. Bishnupur, RHE, Bankura : | 48 flats |
| 4. Bachurdoba, RHE, Jhargram : | 24 flats |
| 5. Khatra, RHE, Bankura : | 60 flats |
| 6. Durgapur City Centre, RHE, Burdwan : | 30 flats |
| 7. Contai, RHE, PurbaMedinipur : | 24 flats |
| 8. Ghatal, RHE, PaschimMedinipur : | 32 flats |
| 9. Buniadpur, DakshinDinajpur : | 30 flats |
| 10. Rice Mill Campus, Coochbehar : | 88 flats |



Construction in final stage :

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|----|---------------------------------|----------|
| 1. | Ghatal, RHE, PaschimMedinipur : | 16 flats |
| 2. | Contai, RHE, PurbaMedinipur : | 12 flats |
| 3. | Rice Mill Campus, Coochbehar : | 24 flats |
| 4. | Swyambhara, Salt Lake : | 24 flats |
| 5. | Sitala, Asansol : | 48 flats |
| 6. | Barapathar, Paschim Medinipur : | 96 flats |
| 7. | A. K. Mukherjee Rd, Kolkata : | 24 flats |

- **Developing Common Facility**





Three Auditorium have been constructed in i) Kusthia Public Rental Housing Estate. ii) Regent Park, R.H.E.&iii) Regent Park, P.R.H.E.

- **Housing scheme for Government Employees "AKANKSHA" : -**

Department will construct 50000 flats in different towns for its Employees who have no accommodation for themselves. It will be sold to them at actual cost without profit. On Pilot basis, 576 flats are being constructed at New Town. 422 flats have already been allotted and allotment for rest 154 flats has been started. Another Project will start soon at Belgachia.

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- Gitanjali Housing Scheme Bikarna Dey 
- Night shelter nrs 
- Pathsathi Tentulia N 24 Pgs 
- WWH IBRAHIMPUR 1 





JUDICIAL ➡

Significant Achievements

A fund of Rs. 129,00,00,000/- (Rupees one hundred and twenty nine crore) only has been allocated for meeting expenditure towards various developmental works under the State Plan Budget during the financial year 2016-2017. The special achievements during the financial year 2016-17 are as follows:

- No fund has yet been allotted by the Government of India during 2016-17 as Central Share to State of West Bengal under the Other Centrally Assisted Sponsored Plan Scheme for construction of Court Buildings and residential accommodation for Judges/Judicial Officers covering District and Subordinate Courts for utilization in accordance with the revised Central/State Share ratio of 60:40% (60% being Central Share). A total fund of Rs. 20,09,00,450/- (Rupees twenty crore nine lakh sixty four hundred and forty) only has been released for construction of Court Buildings and Residential Quarters for the Judicial Officers of West Bengal among which a fund of Rs.9,17,51,800/- (Rupees nine crore seventeen lakh fifty one thousand and eight hundred) only and Rs. 17,91,090/- (Rupees seventeen lakh ninety one thousand and ninety) only have been released in respect of construction of Court Buildings and Residential Quarters of the judicial Officers of West Bengal respectively as State Share during the current financial year.
- A fund of Rs. 6,71,79,799/- (Rupees six crore seventy one seventy nine thousand seven hundred and seventy nine) only has been released in favour of Calcutta High Court for purchase of new laptops for the 1000 (one thousand) Judicial Officers of West Bengal during the current financial year.
- A fund of Rs. 39,78,080/- (Rupees thirty nine lakh seventy eight thousand and eighty only) only has been released for towards digitization of Service Books of Judicial Officers of the State during the current financial year during the current financial year.
- For meeting up the expenditure of various developmental works of the district Courts, a fund of Rs. 14,88,34,170/- (Rupees fourteen crore eighty eight lakh thirty four thousand one hundred and seventy)only has been released during the current financial year.
- For meeting up the expenditure of various developmental works of the High Court, Calcutta a fund of Rs. 14,57,67,190/- (Rupees fourteen crore fifty seven lakh sixty seven thousand one hundred and ninety) only has been released.

Administrative approval to the tune of Rs. 352,24,12,032/- (Rupees three hundred and fifty two crore twenty four lakh twelve thousand and thirty two) only as well as sanction and release of Rs.11,00,00,000/- (Rupees eleven crore) only has been made for construction of Circuit Bench of Calcutta High Court at Jalpaiguri during the current financial year.



LABOUR





The Labour Department is one of the major departments of the government, mainly involved in:

“Increasing employability to ensure employment and maximum productivity through creation of an investment friendly set up, wherein safety, security and welfare measures are provided to the workforce leading to healthy and progressively enhanced quality of life.”

Significant achievement reports of the Department are furnished below:

1) SAMAJIK SURAKSHA YOJNA 2017(SSY)

- Five different Social Security Schemes for unorganized labour were operational with differing process of registration, benefits, scale of benefits and mode of payment complicating both the uptake by the beneficiaries and implementation. These schemes were integrated and converged in common single comprehensive scheme named SAMAJIK SURAKSHA YOJANA 2017, adopting the principle of maintaining uniform scale of benefit to all workers which was the highest in any of the existing Schemes. The Yojana is effective from April 1, 2017
- First of its kind scheme in the country moving towards providing a comprehensive package of social security benefits like provident fund, health cover, death and disability cover etc. universally to the unorganized workers of the State.
- The rules and guidelines for implementation were also simultaneously issued with number of simplifications with both sanction and disbursal decentralized to subdivision level which was hitherto centralized at Kolkata.
- A special benefit, first of its kind in the State was introduced in the Scheme for completion of UG education or equivalent skill development for girl child with admissibility only on remaining unmarried serving the twin goals of higher education and delay in age of marriage.
- Again as a new feature disability insurance has been introduced for the first time for full disability and partial disability.
- The medical benefits have been enhanced from Rs 10,000/ per year to Rs 20,000/ per year and medical benefits for surgery at Rs 60,000/ per year made uniform for all unorganised workers.

2) Convergence of databases related to all social security schemes

- As a first initiative in the country, different databases of workers are being compared, merged & de-duplicated to create a single database with a single Social Security Identification Number or SSIN to each beneficiary and registration, collection, claim and disbursement will be totally online.
- All beneficiaries will be issued Samajik Mukti Card with SSIN.

3) SAMARTHAN

Samarthan scheme was introduced by the Government of West Bengal in March 2017 to provide financial assistance amounting to Rs. 50,000/- as one-time grant to labourers/workers who were forced to migrate to the State following de-monetization by the Union Government in November'2016. The Labour can take up any scheme with this fund that can give him sustainable income.

4) EASE OF DOING BUSINESS

- A number of path breaking reforms were initiated for ease of doing business and the Department successfully implemented 106 out of 108 items in the Ease of Doing Business matrix becoming the amongst the best performing Department in the State and amongst the best performing Labour Departments in the country.
- A policy on risk profiling, inspection norms and self certification for Shops/Establishments/Units/Owners under 18 different labour laws was initiated which would greatly reduce the administrative burden of the Department as well as regulatory burden of the various organizations. This policy was amongst the most liberal in the country.
- A self certification scheme for Boilers and Economizers was initiated by which self certification with boilers having heating surface area of 1000sq metre or more by organizations was initiated. Also a scheme of third party inspections was initiated.
- The grant of license for factories was enhanced from 1 year to up to 10 years greatly reducing the administrative and regulatory burden of the Department and factories.

5) Employment Bank

- Employment Bank was launched on 26th July, 2012 by the Hon'ble Chief Minister to set an online bridge among the employers and the job-seekers.
- It is a State-owned internet based Job-portal and unique e-Governance initiative of the Labour Department, Government of West Bengal, to promote various Government to citizen, Government to Business and Government to Government services.
- This portal provides an interactive platform among the major stakeholders to widen the window of Job-opportunity to the job-seekers of the State in one hand and to provide online modules specially designed to cater the need of the job-providers throughout the country.
- Consequent upon closure of the 'National Employment Service Portal (NESP)' fresh registrations of the Employment Exchanges are now being done through Employment Bank only.
- Currently a total of 24,59,233 jobseekers have enrolled their particulars upto April 2017 and as per available reports more than 10 lakh Jobseekers enrolled in the Employment Bank have been able to found employment since inception.

5) Yuvasree

- The scheme was launched on 03/10/2013 by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, to extend financial assistance of Rs.1500 per month to 1 lakh job seekers enrolled under the.

6) Setting up of SINGULAR INTEGRATED LABOUR OFFICE in each district

- a. The Department aims to have one single building at each district that would house all its field offices of Directorates and Courts etc. within the same
- b. premises. Constructions works of two such offices viz. Regional Labour Offices at Siliguri and Asansol are going on.

- c. A new Welders' Training Centre at Kanyapur, Asansol was inaugurated on 31st August, 2015. A new building, dedicated for the Welders' Training Centre, Asansol is being constructed to increase the capacity and facilities of the Training Centre.

STATUS REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT BANK AND YUVASREE

No of beneficiaries Registered (Cumulative)	No of beneficiaries Benefitted (Cumulative)	No of enrolment in the Employment Bank	No of Live beneficiaries	YUVASREE PAYMENT DISBURSED (in Rs.)
up to 31.03.2017	up to 31.03.2017			
232440	138231	2459233	99762	266349000

SAMARTHAN: Present status of the scheme is as under:

	No. of Person Registered	No. of Person got benefitted till date	Fund released (Rs. in crore)
TOTAL	11727	11727	58.635

GALLERY

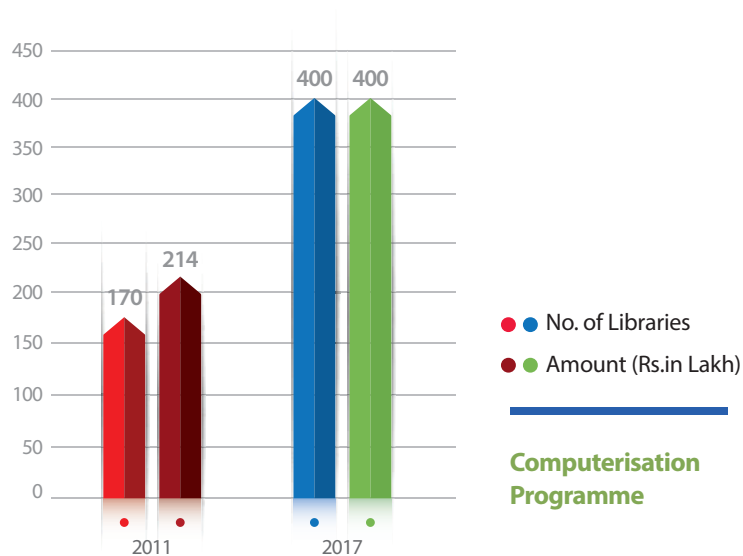
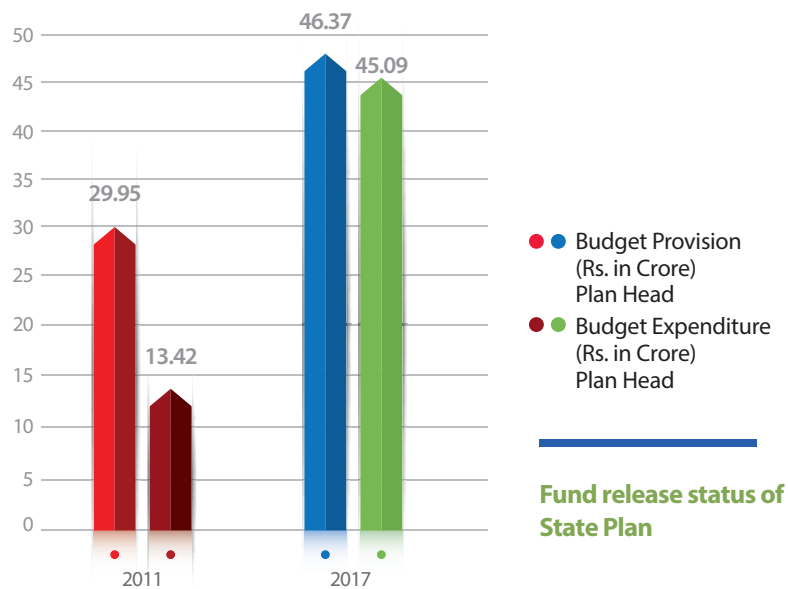


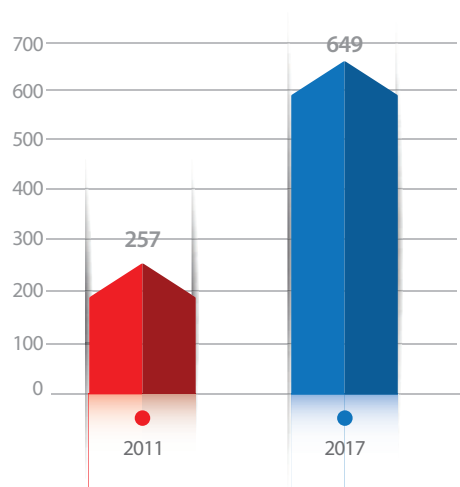




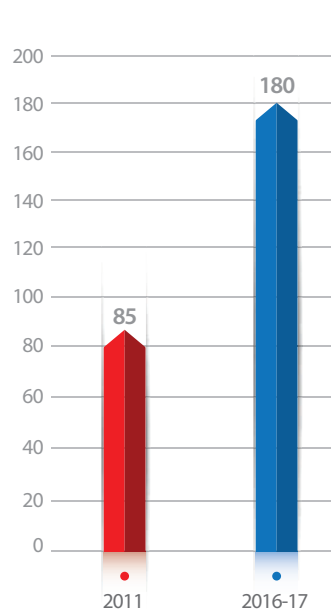
MASS EDUCATION AND LIBRARY ➡

Budgetary Allocation and Fund release status in different financial years under different Plan Heads in respect of the Directorate of Library Services under Dept. of Mass Education Extension & Library Services

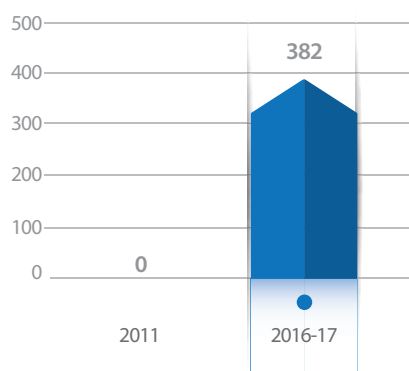




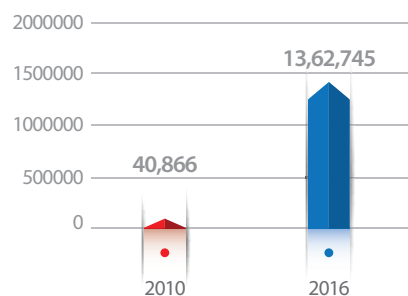
**Career Guidance
Centre in Libraries**



**Books distributed
to Libraries (in lakhs)**



**Information Corners
in Libraries**



**Number of persons
made literate**

Achievement of Directorate of Mass Education Extension

PART I

1. The management structure of Special schools sponsored by the State Government has been revamped with a view to cleansing the academic environment and bring about qualitative change and transparency;
2. Construction of 100 bedded dormitory buildings for Bankura State Welfare Home has been completed;
3. Possession of 1.5 acres land has been taken up for construction of building for Contai State Welfare Home for Girls in the district Purba Medinipur. Fund as first installment has been released for construction of building;
4. Saakshar Bharat Programme is now under implementation in 9 (nine) districts Coochbehar, Jalpaiguri, Uttar Dinajpur, Dakshin Dinajpur, Malda, Murshidabad, Birbhum, Bankura and Purulia of the State;
5. More than 49 lakhs non-literates were mobilized for undergoing Basic Literacy Course within a short span of time. Out of this, more than 40 lakhs learners have made literates;
6. Awareness campaign through padayatra with tableaux for eradication of illiteracy has been organized at State and Sub-division levels. A programme on the occasion of observance of 50th International Literacy Day on 8th September 2016 has been organized throughout the State in a befitting manner. The Central programme was organized at Rabindra Sadan, Kolkata;
7. State Level Sports Meet among the inmates of Social Welfare Homes has been organized in the year 2015-16. Over 700 participants attended in 2nd State level Sports Meet. This year in the 3rd State Level Meet has been organized in Kolkata. Number of participants were 800.
8. Introduction of new scheme to provide the School bag, School shoes to the inmates of Social Welfare Homes;
9. Introduction of new scheme to provide reference books to the inmates of Social Welfare Homes;
10. Special Schools and S.W. Homes under the control of MEE & LS Deptt. have been plotted on the GIS map along with relevant data;
11. Introduction of scheme of One time Grant for non recognized and non Sponsored institutions;
12. Grant for Educational Tour has also been sanctioned for the students with disabilities and inmates of Social Welfare Homes;
13. Enhancement of maintenance grant for the inmates of Social Welfare Homes under the administrative control of Mass Education Extension & Library Service Department from 1250/- to 1600/- per inmate per month;

14. The norm of fixing upper age limit for staying of inmates in the Social Welfare Homes has been modified and as per modified order the inmates are allowed to stay in the Social Welfare Homes till they pass H.S. Exam or attain 18 years of age whichever is earlier;
15. To meet the need of the districts, intake capacity of the Social welfare Homes have been increased from 6995 to 7587;
16. Enhancement of hostel subsidy and contingency of the students of Sponsored Special Schools under the administrative control of Mass Education Extension & Library Service Department from 1000/- to 1600/- per student per month and Rs.400 to Rs 700 per student per annum respectively;
17. Scholarship to differently-abled students studying in class IX and onwards has been awarded The rate of scholarship for the students with disabilities and the family income of the students have been also increased;
18. With a view to encourage the students with disabilities of the schools & inmates of social welfare homes, Greetings card on the eve of the new year 2017 have been printed with the sketches drawn by the students with disabilities and inmates of Social welfare homes;
19. Felicitation programme of the disabled students and inmates of State Welfare Homes was organized centrally in the financial year 2015-16. Certificates and prizes were awarded to the awardees by the Hon'ble Ministers and dignitaries present in the programmes;
20. Convergence with School Education Department in respect of free text book distribution, implementation of ICT and free mid-day meal among the students in Sponsored Special Schools;
21. Convergence with Health Department in respect of Free health check up of the students and inmates of Sponsored Special Schools and Welfare Homes Respectively;
22. Convergence with Women Development & Social Welfare Department in respect of Kanyashree Prakalpa for the Girl students of Sponsored Special Schools;
23. Hon'ble Chief Minister, West Bengal has inaugurated the regional office of Mass Eductaion Extension Directorate at Malda district foe better monitoring of the issues of 4 districts viz Malda, Uttar Dinajpur, Dakshin Dinajpur, Murshidabad;
24. Steps have been taken for upgradation of the Special schools, formulation of transfer policy of Staff of sponsored Special Schools and implementation of the scheme of VR for the staff of Sponsored Special Schools.

Achievement of the Directorate of Library Services

PART - I

SNAPSHOTS

May 2011 to March 2012

- In 2011-12, there was a quantum jump in fund release amounting to Rs. 92.46 lakhs to the 16 nos. public libraries in Jangal Mahal Areas.
- In 2011-12, 8 nos. libraries situated in Hill Areas of Darjeeling have received grant for building construction which involves Rs.74.54 lakh.
- In 2011-12, fund received by the libraries situated in the SC/ST areas was Rs.55.86 lakh.

April 2012 to March 2013

- In 2012-13 total fund released was amounting to Rs. 1.52 crore to the 20 nos. of public libraries in Jangal Mahal Areas.
- In 2012-13 total fund released was amounting to Rs.1.26 crore to the 13 nos. public libraries in Hill Areas
- In 2012-13 fund released amounting to Rs. 1.51 crore to the 35 nos. public libraries situated in the SC/ST areas.
- Disbursement of salaries of the employees of Government Sponsored Public Libraries has been ensured on the first day of the every month. Disbursement of these salaries has been ensured on the 'Zero Balance Salary Account' in individual employee's name through public sector Banks

April 2013 to March 2014

- In 2013-14 total fund released was amounting to Rs. 39.14 lakh to the 6 nos. of public libraries in Jangal Mahal Areas.
- In 2013-14 total fund released was amounting to Rs.1.98 crore to the 16 nos. public libraries in Hill Areas
- In 2013-14 total fund released amounting to Rs. 5.82 crore to the 82 nos. public libraries situated in the SC/ST areas.
- Public Library Day in West Bengal for the year 2013-2014 has been observed in a befitting manner for the first time.

April 2014 to March 2015

- In 2014-15 total fund released was amounting to Rs. 24 lakh to the 84 nos. of public libraries in Jangal Mahal Areas.
- In 2014-15 total fund released was amounting to Rs.1.22 crore to the 99 nos. public libraries in Hill Areas
- In 2014-15 total fund released amounting to Rs. 5.32 crore to the 743 nos. public libraries situated in the SC/ST areas.
- Existing functioning Govt. & Govt. Sponsored Public libraries in the State have been assisted with additional contingent expenditure at an enhanced rate.
- 682 age old Non Govt. Non Sponsored libraries in the State have been assisted with adhoc financial grant towards development of their infrastructure and collection. (Rs. 138.23 lakh).
- 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 dominated by the minorities and other marginalized segments of population in the State.
- Public Library Day in West Bengal for the year 2014-2015 has been observed in a befitting manner for the second time.
- Steps have been taken for opening of study centres in 7 Govt. Public Library for availing the study materials of Netaji Subhas Open University.

April 2015 to March 2016

- Enhanced book grant released amounting to Rs. 4.3828 Cr.
- Enhanced contingency released amounting to Rs.3.0193 Cr.
- Rs. 2.25 Cr has been released for Model Libraries.
- For the third time Public Library Day was observed at the State Level.
- Existing functioning Govt. & Govt. Sponsored Public libraries in the State have been assisted with additional contingent expenditure at an enhanced rate.
- 801 age old Non Govt. Non Sponsored libraries in the State have been assisted with adhoc financial grant towards development of their infrastructure and collection (Rs. 91.21lakh)

- 42 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 dominated by the minorities and other marginalized segments of population in the State.
- Public awareness has been made from the end of the Public Libraries towards implementation of 'Kanyasree Prakalpa' of Govt. of West Bengal.

April 2016 to March 2017

- Recruitment process started for 326 vacant posts across the state.
- Public Library Day was observed for the first time in all the libraries.
- Geo-tagging of all the Libraries has been completed.
- Thematic mapping completed. Convergence with School Education Department, for reference book corner strengthened.
- 400 Libraries to be given computers. Order issued.
- 1036 Non Govt. Non Sponsored Libraries in the State have been assisted with adhoc financial grant towards development of their infrastructure and books (Rs. 1.764 Cr.)
- 'BUSSU': Self English learning software has been installed in state Central Library which would be launched soon.
- Cyber corner at school has been set up for 20 readers which will be opened to the public soon.
- Steps taken for Digital Library.
- 52 important days has been selected and are being observed in each Library of the State, during 2017 calendar year.
- Convergence with Urban Department and Municipal Affairs under NULM project has been finalized and to be launched soon in 16 Municipalities.
- Convergence with P& RD Deptt., PHE Deptt. started.
- Concept of Model Libraries in West Bengal has been finalized and programme has been launched with the help of IPLM in 80 Libraries.
- Steps initiated for preparation of perspective plan.

GALLERY

(Library)



- Public Library Day observations since 2013 have made huge impact on the public 1
- Career Guidance in Libraries has been hugely popular with the unemployed youth 2
- Information Corners in libraries are also popular among the readers 3
- Information Corners in libraries are also popular among the readers 4
- Observance of Rabindra Jayanti 5
- Observance of Rabindra Jayanti 6



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GALLERY

(Mass Education Extension)



- Observance of 50th International Literacy Day on 8th September 2016 1
- Regional office of Directorate of Mass Education Extension at Malda inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister on 4.5.2017 2
- Health Check up of inmates of Prabartak Sangha Welfare Home, Hooghly in collaboration with Health & Family Welfare Department 3
- Newly constructed 100 bedded dormitory building of Bankura State Welfare Home 4
- State level sports meet 2017 for inmates of Welfare homes in Kolkata 5
- Evaluation of learners at Malda district under Saakshar Bharat Programme 6



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NORTH BENGAL DEVELOPMENT ➡

Major achievements of North Bengal Development Department during the period June, 2011 to May, 2017.

The total number of new schemes taken up by the Department, since its inception, is 1509 and out of this 1068 have been successfully completed within May, 2017. Some of the important achievements made by the Department during the period May, 2011 to May, 2017 are enumerated below.

Out of the 361 ongoing projects / schemes funded by **Uttar Banga Unnayan Parshad**, taken over by the Department, at the initial stage, 263 schemes have been completed through close monitoring and supervision of the Department. Out of 33 nos. of recommended schemes by the District Magistrates for completion, **of remaining 98 schemes**, 31 nos. of these schemes have been completed and rest of the schemes are at various stages of completion. Two schemes are expected to be completed within March, 2018.

In order to achieve all round development of North Bengal projects from all sectors of activities were taken up by the Department during last five years. Some of the important achievement made by the Department are enumerated below.

Roads & bridges.

- a) Construction of **Bailey bridge at Bijanbari, Darjeeling** has been completed.
- b) Construction of **Bhatnala Bridge** under Chopra Block, one of the incomplete scheme of UUP, has been completed.
- c) Construction of bridge at Lahil under Goalpokhar-II Block, incomplete scheme of UUP, has been completed.
- d) Construction of Netarghat Bridge over river Pitani under Goalpokhar-II block, incomplete scheme of UUP, has been completed.
- e) Construction of **Bridge (On pile foundation) at Kahalai (Channel) at Hemtabad, Uttar Dinajpur**, taken up by the Department at an estimated cost of Rs. 386.00 lakh has been completed.
- f) The construction of **three new major road scheme** in Uttar Dinajpur District viz.,
 - i) Const. of road from Churamohan to Lalganj .
 - ii) Const. of road from Baitola to Joyhat
 - iii) Const. of road from Barodighighat to Lalganj taken up by the Department at an estimated cost of Rs. 1264.68 lakh have been completed.
- g) For the construction work of **alternate road for Jalpaiguri from Siliguri via Eastern Bypass – Sahudangi – Ambari Falakata-Belacoba-Gosala-3 no. Ghumti** have been completed.
- h) The construction of **RCC bridge over river Sahu at Kholachand Fafri village, Salugara, Jalpaiguri**, have been completed.

- i) Construction of **RCC bridge over river Sahu at Choto Fafri village, Salugara, Jalpaiguri**, have been completed.
- j) Construction of Hanskhali Bridge at Chopra has been completed.
- k) Construction of bridge over river Jhumur at Dhupguri, Jalpaiguri has been completed.
- l) Construction of bridge over river Kalua, Dhupguri, Jalpaiguri has been completed.
- m) Construction of bridge over river Mara Raidak at Salbari II GP, Coochbehar has been completed.
- n) Construction of other major **bridges viz., at Parharipur over river Sui , bridge near Kacchua High Madrasah over river Gamari, bridge over river Punarbhaba at Balikapur-Kardaha road, Dakshin Dinajpur, bridge over river Kaljani in Coochbehar and bridge over river Sahu at Jugvita under Dabgram Fulbari, Jalpaiguri** are at various stages of completion and are expected to be completed shortly.
- o) 65% of the construction of **Bhutni bridge (1.8 KM long) at Manikchak, Malda** at an estimated cost of Rs. 9897.00 lakh have been completed.

Education

- a) Construction works of **6 new Govt. Colleges (Dhupguri, Ghoksadanga, Nishiganj, Banarhat (hindi), Manikchak & Chopra,) have been completed.** Construction of **Kumarganj college** is at final stage of completion.
- b) Construction works of **three ITIs** taken up by the Department, projects funded by Technical Education & Training Department & Minority Affairs & Madrasa Education Department, Governemnt of West Bengal, at **Kumarganj, Kushmandi & at Chopra** have been completed. Construction of ITI at Khoribari, under Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad has also been completed.
- c) Extension works of **Rajganj College, Dewanhat College , Baxirhat college & APC Roy college** have been completed.
- d) The constructions of the **Panchanan Barma University (phase-I) at Coochbehar** has been completed.
- e) **The construction work of Engineering College (phase-I) at Coochbehar has been completed.**
- f) Development works of **Fathema & Mary Gorethi Schools** at Birpara, Jalpaiguri have been completed.
- g) Construction works of two degree colleges at Naxalbari (Hindi) & at Ghosepukur , Phansidewa under Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad taken by the Department have been completed.
- h) Repair, renovation & extension works of the **Lilawati College at Falakata & Netaji Subhas Mahavidyalaya at Haldibari** are at final stages of completion.
- i) Repair, renovation & extension works of **Birpara College at Alipurduar** has been completed.

- j) About 70% works of the construction works of **Polytechnic College at Sujapur, Malda**, has been completed. It is expected to be completed within December, 2017.
- k) Construction of **Polytechnic College at Mathabhanga**, Coochbehar has started.
- l) Construction of new academic building of Jaigaon College, & Alipurduar College will be taken up in the current FY.

Sports

- a) Up-gradation of **Sports village at Jalpaiguri, a flagship project of the Department**, have been completed and handed over to Sports & Youth Affairs Department. At present it has been taken over by Sports Authority of India.
- b) The work of construction of **Indoor Stadium at Alipurduar (having 5000 seating capacity)**, have been completed.
- c) **Detailed Project Reports for the construction of Stadium at Falakata, Alipurduar, Coochbehar & at Chanchal at Malda is under way. All these projects shall be taken up for execution in the current FY once the DPR is finalised and the concurrence of the Finance Department is obtained.**
- d) **Detailed Project Reports for the installation of Flood light & the compound lighting of MJN Stadium at Coochbehar & of Brindabani Play Ground at Malda are at final stages of completion. These projects shall be taken up for execution in the current FY once the DPR is finalised and the concurrence of the Finance Department is obtained.**

Tourism

- a) NBDD, in collaboration with the Tourism & Forest Department, has established one **tourism hub at Lamahata, Darjeeling** & this was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister on 29th January, 2013.
- b) Repair & renovation of Morgan House, Hill Top & Tashiding Tourist Lodges at Kalimpong , tented accommodation at Jaldapara & at Moorty have been completed.
- c) Development of Chilapata Village in Alipurduar for making it into a place of tourist interest have been completed.
- d) Development of **eco-tourism & picnic spot surrounding Damdama Jhil at Bhogramguri, Mathabhanga, Coochbehar** with an estimated cost of Rs. 468.36 lakh has been started.
- e) An amount of Rs. 182.06 lakh has been allotted to Ram Krishna Sewa Ashram for the renovation works of **Roy**

Villa at Darjeeling. **Memoirs of Sister Nivedita**, during her stay at Darjeeling, and other valuable records have been kept there. There is a proposal to include this into a tourist map of Darjeeling.

- f) Work of the **development of Parade Ground at Alipurduar** has started.
- g) Supply & installation of Toy Train within the premises of Surya Sen Park at Siliguri has completed.

Cultural

- a) The construction work of **Natya Utkarsha Kendra at Balurghat** is nearing completion.
- b) Renovation works of **Rabindra Bhawan, Raiganj** have been completed.
- c) The work of vertical extension along with construction of boundary wall of **Jalpesh Guest House** at have been completed.
- d) Infrastructural developmental works of the **Ekramia Isale Saoab Mazaharsharif (Huzur Saheb) at Haldibari, Coochbehar** has been completed.
- e) Renovation works of **Dinbandhu Manch at Siliguri** has been completed.
- f) Renovation works of **Rabindra Bhawan at Shaktigarh, Siliguri, Jalpaiguri** has been completed.
- g) Construction works of state of the art **auditorium at Coochbehar** is at final stage of completion.
- h) Construction work of **auditorium at Alipurduar** has started.
- e) Detailed Project Report for the construction of auditorium at Tufanganj, Coochbehar and Rabindra Bhawan at Kushmandi, Dakshin Dinajpur have been finalised. **These two projects shall be taken up for execution in the current FY once the DPR is finalised and the concurrence of the Finance Department is obtained.**
- i) An amount of Rs. 517.00 lakh has been allotted to the District Magistrate, Malda for taking up the major repair & renovation works of Rabindra Bhawan at Malda.

Infrastructure Development

- a. **Improvement of Shantinagar Underground Drainage Scheme** at Dabgram, one of the major scheme taken up by the Department at an estimated cost of Rs. 1700.00 lakh have been completed. **About one lakh population** of that area have been benefitted.
- b. The construction works of **Multi Disciplinary Civil Defence Centre** at Hathighisa, Naxalbari have been completed and the same has been handed over to Civil Defence Department.
- c. Construction of **Central Bus Terminus at Malda** has been completed.

- d. Construction of **Market Complex (phase-I) at Gangarampur**, Dakshin Dinajpur has been completed.
- e. Const. of two storied Building of **Garidhura Police Out Post** including toilet Block, Kurseong, Darjeeling has been completed.
- f. Special repair & renovation of **Richmond Hill** (official residence of CM, West Bengal) at Darjeeling has been completed.
- g. Construction of two storied building comprising of the **office of the DSP Traffic & Police force Barrack at Bidhannagar**, Phansidewa has been completed.
- h. Special repairs and renovation including allied works & electric installations of the **Sukna Forest Rest House**, has been completed.
- i. Construction of G+5 storied **Guest House of the Department** at Himanchal Vihar-Phase II, Matigara has been completed.
- j. The construction work of **electric crematorium at Alipurduar** has completed.
- k. The construction works of **electric crematorium at Balurghat** has been completed.
- l. The construction works of **electric crematorium at Dabgram**, under Rajganj Block is nearing completion.
- m. **Branch offices of the Department** have started functioning at following places: **Raiganj, Malda, Buniyadpur, Kurseong & Coochbehar**.
- n. Construction of Bus **Terminus at Buniadpur, Harirampur (with market complex) & at Buniyadpur** have been completed.
- o. Construiction of new market sheds of 11 Haats in Coochbehar District, taken up under RIDF XXI, are at final stages of completion.

Drinking Water Supply Schemes:

- a) Works of the ground water based water supply scheme for Kilaram, Ketugabur, Bara Muniram Surajbar, Saubar and ChotoMuniram (Part) and its adjoining Mouzas under Naxalbari Block under Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad have been completed.
- b) Water supply scheme for BudhsinghMouza and its adjoining areas under Khoribari Block of Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad has been completed.
- c) Works of ground water based water supply scheme for Faudigach Mouza& its adjoining mouzas under Phansidewa Block under Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad has been completed.
- d) Water supply scheme for MouzaBhisti, Bhubangurir chat, Chaupukuria, Dalur Chat, & Hallal under Phansidewa Block under Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad have been completed.

- e) Water supply scheme for Banshidharpur, Kalipur, Kadambini TG & Raichenga under Falakata Block, Alipurduar is at final stage of completion.
- f) Surface based water supply scheme located at Buxa Fort area in Dooars region, Alipurduar is at final stage of completion.
- g) Installation works of 3 nos of Deep Tubewells with pump & plumbing machines along with pump house (3 nos) for augmentation of supply of drinking water in different wards of Jalpaiguri Municipality (near Sanghasree play ground, Din bazaar).has started.
- h) Installation works of 3 nos. iron elimination plants in Ward No. 13, 14 & 20 of Jalpaiguri Municipality for the supply of safe drinking water supply have been completed.

Irrigation & river embankment protection works.

- a) Entire funding for the segregation works of Karala river's embankment protection works at Jalpaiguri have been made by NBDD. The work was executed by Irrigation Department.
- b) 1st phase Improvement of drainage capacity of Gadadhar Channel, Jalpaiguri has been completed.
- c) 11 numbers of river embankment protection works taken up by the Department under RIDF XX in Jalpaiguri District (Dhupguri, Nagrakata & Rajganj Blocks) & 1 scheme in Alipurduar District (Kumargram Block) are in the final stages of completion.
- d) 13 numbers of river embankment protection works taken up by the Department under RIDF XX in Coochbehar District (Dinhata-I, Tufanganj- I&II, Sitai, Coochbehar-I & II Blocks) are in the final stages of completion.
- e) 07 numbers of river embankment protection works taken up by the Department under RIDF XX in Darjeeling District (Matigara, Naxalbari & Phansidewa Blocks) have been completed.
- f) 2nd Phase Improvement of drainage capacity of Gadadhar Channel, Jalpaiguri have been taken up under RIDF XXI & work will start soon.

Health

Considering the scope for improvement of better services of public utility the Department has undertaken many initiatives in this sector which has been appreciated and welcomed by many. The Department keeps getting proposals for infrastructural support from the Districts and has taken up many works of such nature as well as providing equipments etc. Some of the initiatives taken are detailed as follows :

Rs. 10 Crores has been sanctioned to Health Department for the procurement of high end equipments for five District Hospitals in North Bengal. These are as follows:

- Supply of 10 computer sets to the Siliguri District Hospital
- Improvement of the Drainage System of the Siliguri District Hospital
- Repair, renovation of Siliguri District Hospital.
- Repair and renovation work of the Darjeeling District Hospital under the then DGHC
- Re-modelling of Mother's sitting area in SNCU and toilet inside the lab of Siliguri District Hospital.
- Purchase of one Mahindra Bolero Plus Ambulance for use in Jalpaiguri District Hospital
- Supply and installation of 2 nos. of AC machine in the OT (orthopaedic) in Siliguri District Hospital
- Construction of patient waiting shed in front of fair price shop in Siliguri district hospital
- Construction of common collection unit for general and bio-medical waste including repair of septic tanks in Siliguri District hospital
- Upgradation of MJN District Hospital Heritage Building to accommodate newly set up Critical care unit.
- Repair & renovation of Malda Medical College.

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PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS



Significant Achievements



- The Department of Parliamentary Affairs, Government of West Bengal has been conducting the West Bengal Youth Parliament Competition Scheme in Educational Institutions.
- The aim of the initiative has been to make the School and College Students aware about the roles and activities of the Legislative Assembly and Parliament. The ultimate objective is to instil in the young generation a sense of respect for the institutions of Parliamentary Democracy in the country.
- The Programme also helps in development of many positive qualities among the students like leadership and motivating skills, tolerance of others' views, oratory, innovative thinking about contemporary social political and economic problems etc.
- To make the programme more attractive, the Department also runs Youth Parliament Quiz Contest programme on Indian National Movement, Indian Constitution and on various events in Parliament and Legislative Assembly.
- 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 budget allocation has been rising to reach Rs.10.00 crore in 2016-17 and 89.77% utilization in the year.
- Allocation and utilisation of fund for programmes at different levels have also substantially increased.
- **A State Level Essay Competition has been introduced for school and college students since 2012-13. The medium of the Competition is Bengali, Hindi, English, Nepali, Urdu and Santhali. 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.**
- **From 2014-15, the Department has introduced a new component of Extempore Speech Competition for the students of schools and colleges. The object is to promote eloquence and oratory skills and creative imagination among the students – the qualities which are required for a good Parliamentarian.**
- **Quiz contest on Character Building has also been introduced since 2014-15.**
- 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.
- At present eight Schools in each Block/Municipality Borough in case of Kolkata Municipal Corporation is covered. Rs. 6500/- is given to each School and College as grant. In all 3865 nos of Schools and 430 nos of colleges have been covered.
- To ensure involvement of greater number of students at the final level of competition from far flung districts, Division level competition has been introduced. 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.

- Measures have been taken for proper documentation of the work of the Department through regular publication of Annual report, compilation of award winning essays in State level Essay Competition, videography etc.

Achievement by West Bengal Legislative Assembly

Year	No. of Assembly Sessions held	Total no. of bills passed
2011	3	17
2012	4	39
2013	4	31
2014	3	27
2015	4	37
2016	4	6 (15 th assembly) + 17 (16 th Assembly)
2017 Upto March	2	21

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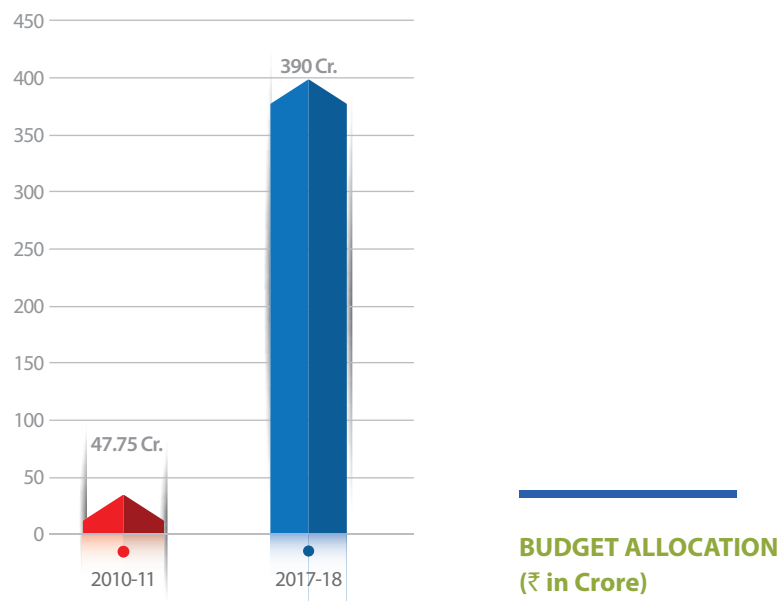
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**PASCHIMANCHAL UNNAYAN
AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT**





Significant Achievements of Paschimanchal Unnayan Affairs Department from May, 2011 to March, 2017

The Department of Paschimanchal Unnayan Affairs has taken up various developmental works in 74 blocks including 24 LWE affected blocks spread over 7 backward districts in West Bengal. Various projects have been taken up in different sectors such as Water Conservation, Irrigation, Agriculture, Education, Health, Roads and Culverts, Drinking water supply and other socio-economic development and livelihood schemes. The highlights are:

- **Increase in budgetary allotment** – The budgetary allocation has increased from Rs 45.75 crore in the F.Y. 2010-11, to Rs. 134.55 Crore in the F.Y. 2011-12 which is an increase of over 194%. In the current F.Y. 2017-18, the State Government has allocated Rs. 390 Crore under Plan head to PUA Department which is an increase of over 44% compared to the budgetary provisions in the last financial year.
- **Jungle Mahal Package** - With regard to Jungle Mahal Package, all the projects in the package, viz., construction of 9 roads, have been fully completed.
- **Geetanjali Housing** - With regard to Geetanjali Housing Scheme, out of 9913 units approved so far, 9330 units have been completed.
- **Livelihood Programme** - For employment generation through Lac Cultivation, several schemes have been taken up in non-forest areas in the district of Purulia, Paschim Medinipur and Bankura in different phases involving thousands of beneficiaries. Other livelihood programme such as organic vegetables farming, grape cultivation, onion cultivation, turmeric cultivation, poultry, goatery, sal leaf plate making, papad and candle making have been taken up during this period to improve socio-economic status of the people in PUP area.
- **ICDS Building Construction** - As per State Government's decision to construct Anganwadi Centres throughout the State in three Financial Years (2013-14, 2014-15 & 2015-16) to provide own buildings to as many AWCs as possible, 683 nos. of Anganwari Centres were sanctioned in the F.Y. 2013-14. Similarly, 696 nos. of Anganwari Centres were sanctioned in F.Y. 2014-15 and 558 nos. of Anganwari Centres were sanctioned in F.Y. 2015-16 involving a total amount of Rs. 141.87 Crore in three F.Y.s.
- **Irrigation & Jalatirtha** - Construction of check dams and water retention structures (64 nos.) in Purulia and Paschim Medinipur District were taken up under the 'Jalatirtha' project. In addition to this, several ponds, bundhs have been re-excavated. Different RLI schemes, deep tube-wells and water harvesting schemes, restoration of irrigation potential of irrigation channels have been taken up to improve the irrigation system of this drought prone red-laterite area. An approximate sum of Rs. 76 Crore has been sanctioned for 676 schemes in the irrigation sector.

- **Annual Action Plan** - For execution of different plan schemes through Panchayat Samities, a sum of Rs. 1 Crore to each of the 74 Blocks under the jurisdiction of Paschimanchal Unnayan Parshad is being sanctioned under the Annual Action Plan.
- **PUAD – Zilla Parishad Mega Scheme** – In order to implement major infrastructural projects in the Districts under PUP, Mega Scheme Programmes are being implemented through each Zilla Parishads of PUP area.
- **Connectivity** – In order to provide better connectivity in the PUP Area, numerous roads, bridges, culverts, guard walls etc. are being constructed through PUP funds. Construction of bridge at Papatpur Nadighat at Binpur-I Block in Jhargram District at a cost of about Rs. 26 Crore is PUP's single largest project till date and is progressing steadily. A sum of approximately Rs. 413.34 Crore has been sanctioned for 836 schemes in the connectivity sector.
- **Education** - For development of infrastructure in the education sector, construction of various school buildings, college buildings, hostel buildings, laboratories and library buildings, toilet blocks, boundary walls etc. have been taken up by the Department. A sum of approximately Rs. 76.77 Crore has been sanctioned for 362 schemes in the education sector.
- **Drinking Water** - Sinking of 900 nos. Indian Mark-II tube-wells in Paschim Medinipur and Jhargram District, construction of rig bore tube-wells in 10 Blocks and riverbed tube-wells in Burdwan District, safe drinking water supply in 18 nos. of habitations and 66 nos. of schools in Purulia District by installation of Fluoride Removal Plant, sinking of 332 deep Tube-wells for providing drinking water in different Blocks within Khatra Sub-Division of Bankura District, sinking of 9 India Mark-II tube-well and 124 MDTW with submersible pumps in Jhargram, improvement of water supply scheme for Mejira and adjoining areas of Burdwan and several other drinking water projects have been sanctioned in the previous years. A sum of approximately Rs. 46.21 Crore has been sanctioned for 2551 schemes in the drinking water sector.
- **Health** - 15 (fifteen) nos. of Nutritional Rehabilitation Centres have been constructed in the PUP Area. Other schemes such as infrastructural development of Deben Mahato Sadar Hospital, Raipur Rural Hospital, Amader Haspatal, Blood Bank at Khatra S.D. Hospital Complex, upgradation of Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation to a Referral Eye Hospital at Para, Purulia, construction of Nursing Training School at Lalgah have been taken up. Medical camps have been conducted in Paschim Medinipur, Purulia and Bankura Districts. A sum of approximately Rs. 30 Crore has been sanctioned for 83 schemes in the health sector.
- **Cultural Activities** – The Department of Paschimanchal Unnayan Affairs encourages cultural activities among the tribal population in the Jungle Mahal area. Musical instruments (Dhamsa, Madal) are being distributed to cultural groups since Jungle Mahal Utsab - 2014.

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- Construction Of R.c. Box Bridge Over Joyponda River On Taldanga To Nutungora Road Via Khiraisole, Tandangra, Bankura 1
- Construction Of Road From Chandankanta To Pubrokhia Khemajoli Pukur, Rampurhat-I, Birbhum 2
- Construction Of Anganwadi Centre, Baraboni Block, Burdwan 3
- Boring Of 125 Mm X 115 Mm Dia Ring Bored Tube-Wells At Bulantand Villages, Arsha, Purulia 4
- Construction Of Single Unit Hostel Building Comprising Ground Floor & First Floor (20 Bedded Each) At Asanbani Kajalkura Sm High School, Indpur, Bankura 5
- Construction Of First Floor Of School Building Of Organja Shri Ramakrishna Sarada Vidyaniketan, Garhbeta-iii, Paschim Medinipur 6





PLANNING, STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME MONITORING





Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS):

- As on May 2017, West Bengal holds **2nd top position** among all the states in terms of utilization of MPLADS fund over release.
- The Nodal Department, DoP&PM, has able to exhibit the significant progress in terms of usage, up gradation, training and **implementation of the new integrated web portal** of MPLADS throughout all the districts for better monitoring of the scheme since the launch of the portal i.e 01.04.2015.
- **Bengali version of MPLADS guidelines has been published** on May'2015 by this department for precise conception of the procedure in respect of the schemes and the copies have been circulated upto block level.
- DoP&PM has successfully conducted the '**Third Party Physical Inspection and Quality Checking**' of all completed schemes of all districts including Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) for the financial year 2011-12 and 2012-13 through an independent organization during 2014-2015.

Bidhayak Elaka Unnayan Prakaalpa (BEUP)

- The Bidhayak Elaka Unnayan Prakaalpa (BEUP) was introduced in state to enable the Members of Legislative Assembly (MLAs) to suggest and get executed development schemes for their respective constituencies. Under the scheme, each of the Members of Legislative Assembly (MLAs: 294 + Nominee) is entitled to recommend different schemes within total amount of Rs. 60.00 lakh in each financial year for their respective Constituency area.
- During 15th Assembly (2011-2016), i.e., the Financial Year from 2011-12 to 2015-16, ₹ 884.10 Crore was released. Total No. of schemes sanctioned was 34160.
- The 16th Assembly (2016-2021) has been formed after the General Assembly Election took place in the year 2016. During the 16th Assembly (2016-2017 and 2017-18), ₹ 161.10 Crore was released. Total No. of schemes sanctioned was 3639.

Integrated Action Plan (IAP) / Jangal Mahal Action Plan (JAP)

Integrated Action Plan:

- Integrated Action Plan (IAP) was started during 2010-11, with the aim of filling up the critical gaps of development in selected Tribal and Backward districts (Bankura, Purulia and Paschim Medinipur) under the State component of Additional Central Assistance (ACA).
- In the year 2013-2014, Govt. of India decided to continue assistance through a Scheme titled "ACA for LWE affected

districts” for the remaining years of the 12th Five Year Plan. Under this scheme, ₹ 10 Crore each were sanctioned to Paschim Medinipur, Bankura and Purulia. The total number of projects for Paschim Medinipur, Bankura and Purulia were 138, 85 and 74 respectively.

Jangal Mahal Action Plan:


- During restructuring of Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) and Central Assistance carried out by Government of India under 14th Finance Commission, the Scheme named Additional Central Assistance for LWE Blocks has been delinked from Central support. In view of the above situation, Government of West Bengal has decided to take up the Scheme under the State sector and to provide requisite budgetary support from the State Budget. It has also been proposed that as some part of Birbhum district are also affected by LWE, the Birbhum District (10 Blocks) will also be included under the Scheme. The Scheme has been renamed as “Jungle Mahal Action Plan” (JAP). The funds for JAP were sanctioned on 24/8/2015. The amount of allocation for the Financial Year 2015-2016 was ₹ 110 Crore. The total number of projects for Paschim Medinipur was 275, for Bankura was 24, for Purulia was 86 and for Birbhum was 148.
- For the Financial Year 2016-17, allotment enhanced and a sum of ₹ 115 Crore have been allotted and released. The total number of projects for Paschim Medinipur was 515, for Bankura was 113, for Purulia was 123 and for Birbhum was 177.

Bureau of Applied Economics and Statistics

- An ambitious **e-Governance implementation project**, has been undertaken with an objective of establishing hardware and network infrastructure till block level for real time data entry by enabling block level primary worker entering data through web based platform directly to the server at WBSDC.
- Construction of own building for district statistical offices.
- Construction of Parisankhyan Bhavan at Rampurhat, Birbhum is under progress.
- Construction of own sub-divisional level Range Offices.
- Besides regular works, field work of 3(three) additional Surveys have been completed on: i) Study on old age pension, widow pension and disability pension, ii) Survey on Employment Unemployment situation in 6 selected districts of West Bengal, viz.- Jalpaiguri, Dakshin Dinajpur, Malda, Bankura, Purulia and Paschim Medinipur, iii) Study in respect of Fodder crops.

- Additionally, the following **major Databases** are being maintained:
 - Database on Forest and Environment Statistics
 - Database on Labour and Employment Statistics
 - Database on Education and Literacy Statistics.
- Report of 6th Economic Census published.
- The following major regular works are undertaken during last six years:
 - Estimation of the State Domestic Product and District Domestic Product
 - Estimation of Block & GP wise yield rate & production of 19 Major Crops in West Bengal
 - Publication of Economic Review during Budget session
 - Preparation of IIP & CPI
 - Publication of State Statistical Handbook
 - Publication of Statistical Abstract
 - Publication of District Statistical Handbook for each district
 - Report on staff census.

GALLERY

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- Beautification of Vivekananda Park 1
 - Construction of Burning Ghat at Mangerjung Nagri, Darjeeling 2
 - Construction of Passenger Rest Shed in Itagarh Bus stand 3
 - Construction of additional class room of Sahapur Pry. School, Purba Medinipur 4
 - Construction of C.C. Road from the Dakshin Dinajpur 5
 - Passenger Shed at Shalbani, Paschim Medinipur District 6
 - Dharabandh weir structure under Jamboni Block 7
 - MDTW at Subalbandhi, Garbeta-II 8
 - Solar Submersible pump for drinking water at Kalinagar Bhokta para under Jhargram 9
 - Construction of Rangamati Box Bridge at Rangamati Khal at mouza 10
 - Cons. Of Indoor unit at Simlapal B.P.H.C. under Simlapal Block, Bankura 11
 - Construction of concrete road from maishamura pry school to mahishamura 12



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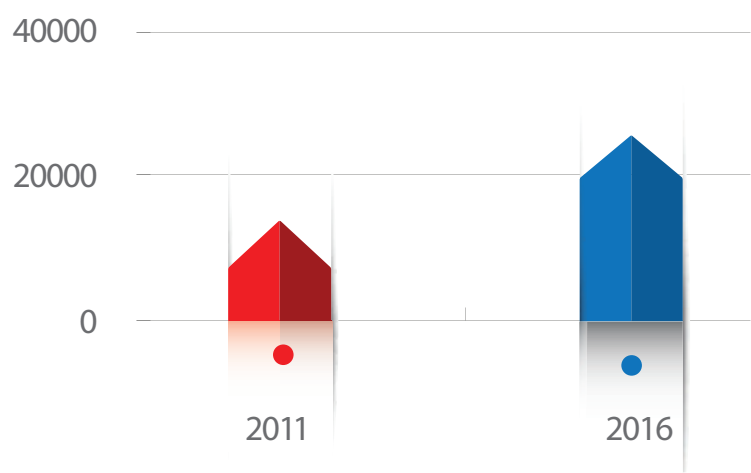


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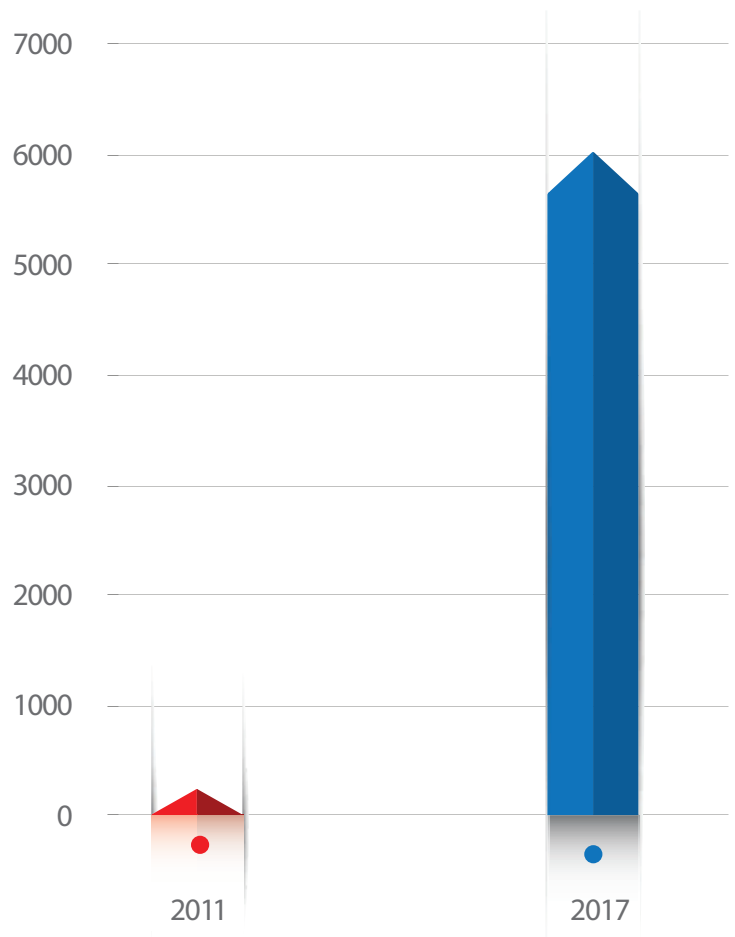




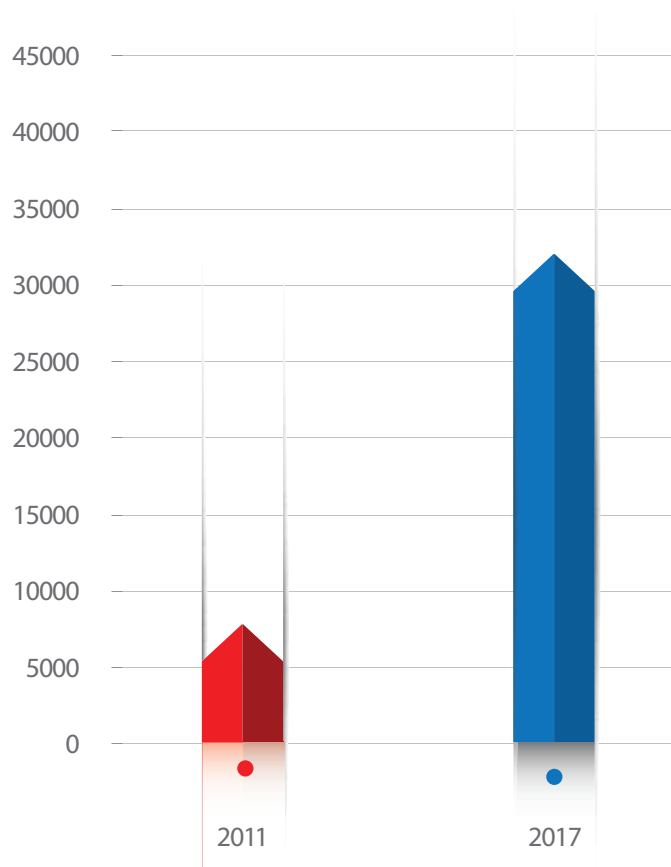
**SELF HELP GROUP & ➡
SELF EMPLOYMENT**



SVSKP: Growth Figures during the last six years



WBSSP: Growth Figures during the last six years



Skill Development & Vocational Training: Growth Figures during the last six years

Performance of the Department for the last Six years (May,2011 to May,2017)

1. **Swami Vivekananda Swanirbhar Karmasansthan Prakashan(SVSKP)-**

The project is implemented to create self-employment opportunities for unemployed youth. Unemployed youths are assisted to start individual or group enterprises with bank finance for project Cost up to Rs.10 lakhs for individual, Rs.25 lakhs for groups of 5 or above. A Govt. subsidy of Rs.1.5 lakh for individual and Rs.3.5 lakh for Group of five & above representing 30% of the Project Cost is provided and the balance is met through bank loan.

- a. No. of entrepreneurs provided subsidy – 170741
- b. Subsidy involved – Rs. 1073.76 crore.
- c. Bank loan—2813.44 crore

2. **West Bengal Swanirbhar Sahayak Prakashan(WBSSP)-**

This is an Interest Subsidy Scheme for the benefit of Self Help Groups which aims at reducing the interest burden on their loans. All SHGs who have taken bank loans will bear @ 2% interest only in their loans taken from banks and the rest of the interest not exceeding 9% is subsidized by the State Govt. The Department directly credits the subsidy to the account of SHGs through RTGS/NEFT.

- a. Interest Subvention– Rs. 152.78 crore.
- b. No of SHG benefitted-- 1051073

3. **Construction of Training-cum-Marketing Complex (Karmatirtha) :**

This Department has undertaken a programme for setting up of Karmatirtha to facilitate training of SHGs for Skill Development and for marketing of their products.

No. of projects completed – 16

No. of projects under construction – 13

No. of projects at different stages before starting of construction--35

Expenditure – Rs.85.83 crore.

4. Skill Development and Vocational Training :

With a view to create self-employment opportunities, upgrading the skill, developing qualitative standard of the products , various training programmes are organized by the Department on various trades viz. tailoring, mushroom cultivation, embroidery, computer training, electric repairing, food processing, mobile repairing, jute products manufacturing, vermicompost, terracotta, fast food & glass painting etc.

No. of SHG members and entrepreneurs trained – 1,53,712

Expenditure – Rs.70.09 crore.

5. Fair and Exhibition-

To give marketing exposure to the products of the entrepreneurs and SHG members of the State, several fairs and exhibitions are organized every year. Such marketing opportunities have led to increase in sale of products manufactured by the SHGs and sales have touched upto Rs.29.75 crore at such fairs. An amount of Rs.27.05 crore was spent by the department during this period.

6. Muktidhara-

The project aims to create and maintain sustainable livelihood to SHG members,

Overview of Achievements in Muktidhara :

843 nos. of SHGs have got bank loans of Rs. 859.62 lakh from Banks. Total nos. of family benefitted – 9522.

7. Personal Accident Insurance Scheme for SHGs :

The Personal Accident Insurance Scheme under the name ‘Samajsathi’ was launched in 2015 to provide accident benefit in case of death and disabilities to the member of Self Help Group at no premium to such insured. The State bears the entire expenditure towards the premium to the enlisted Insurance Companies.

Up to March 2017--

Persons insured—2035101

Persons Enrolled--2187292

Amount Spent as premium —43.88 crore

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- Karmatirtha, Khandaghosh, Bardhaman 1
- Karmatirtha, Raina-II, Bardhaman 2
- SABALA MELA -2016, PARK, SALT LAKE, KOLKATA 3 4
- Training on: Two Wheeler Repairing 5
- Training on: Tailoring 6
- Training on: Floriculture 7
- Training on: Vermicomposting 8
- SVSKP Entrepreneur, Medicine Shop 9
- SVSKP Entrepreneur, Tailoring 10
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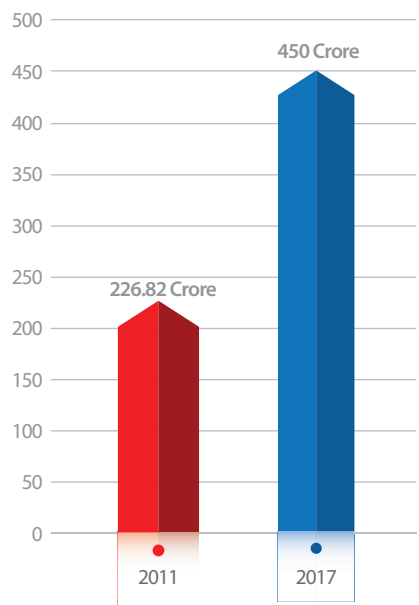
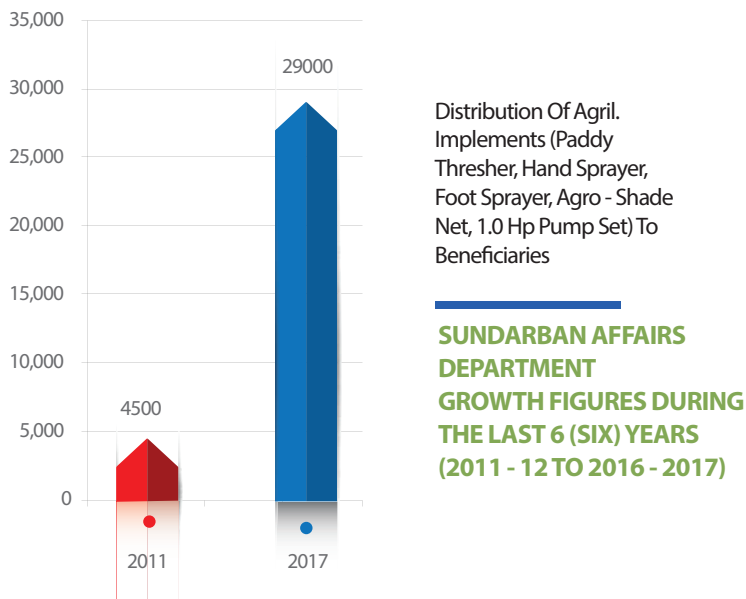
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SUNDARBAN AFFAIRS ➡



Plan Budget (in ₹ Crore)



MAJOR ACTIVITIES: -

The activities of the Sundarban Affairs Department are concerned with the area development programme of the State Government. The plan proposals and the work programme are prepared in such a manner that maximum benefit reaches out to the poorest of poor of the society.

- **The priority areas under the plan programme are: -**
 - Infrastructure development for the improvement of transport & communication network including landing facility in island areas.
 - Enhancement of production and employment generation in agriculture & allied sectors.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE PERIOD FROM 2011 – 12 to 2016 17:-

- **Infrastructure Development for Improvement of Transport & Communication Network including landing facility in Island area: -**
 - **ROADS :**
 - Construction of **1676.025 K.m** of Brick Paved Road.
 - Construction of **290.582 K.m** of Concrete Road.
 - Construction of **315.832 K.m** of Bituminous Road.
 - **BRIDGE :**
 - Construction of **6 (six)** numbers of R.C.C. Bridges, namely **Saptamukhi Bridge** over River Saptamukhi at Gangadharpur – Durbachati, joining Kakdwip and Patharpratima Blocks, **Sutarbag Bridge** over River Sutarbag at Banstala – Baragheri at Mathurapur – I Block, **Kumarpur Bazar Bridge** over **Atherogachi Canal** (Tidal) at Patharpratima Block, **Sikirhat Bridge** over **Sikirhat Khal** connecting **Joynagar – II** and **Kultali** Blocks, **Mridanga Setu** at **Bolerhat** over River **Mridanga Bhangha** connecting **Mathurapur – II** and **Patharpratima** Blocks and **Adibasi Bazar Bridge** over **Atherogachi Canal** at Patharpratima Block.

- **R.C.C. JETTY :**
 - Construction of 131 R.C.C. Jetty including Jetty at Lot No. 8.
- **SPORTS COMPLEX :**
 - The department has already completed construction of Sports Complex at **Raidighi & Canning**.

ACTIVITIES OF THE AGRICULTURE, FISHERY & SOCIAL FORESTRY DIVISION: -

- **AGRICULTURE:** - Over Fur Lakh of beneficiaries in the small and marginal farmers category were distributed various agricultural inputs like seeds of Yam, Sunflower, Vermicompost, etc and implements like paddy threshers, sprayers, pump sets, etc.
- **FISHERIES:** - Over Thirty Five Thousand beneficiaries in the poor fisherman category were distributed fingerlings, lime, fish feed, etc. and were trained to increase their capabilities.
- **SOCIAL FORESTRY:** - Nearly Four Thousand Hectares of land were brought under plantation of Mangrove, Jhaw, etc.



WATER RESOURCES INVESTIGATION AND DEVELOPMENT





Water Resources Investigation & Development

Jal Dharo Jal Bharo.

Total number of ponds excavated under Jal Dharo Jal Bharo has touched almost 2,00,000 mark against a target of 50,000 in first five years.

Expansion of Minor Irrigation facilities.

- Amount of Plan expenditure out of State Budget (SP): Rs. 1939.36 Crore.
- Minor Irrigation (MI) Potential created/revived: 3,09,171 hectare under different programmes.
- No. of Minor Irrigation schemes installed / revived : 15,418 including 10,659 Deep /Shallow Tube Wells/Dug wells, 1,280 River Lift Irrigations, 1,101 Water Harvesting Tanks, SFMIS etc, 175 Check Dams, 2,092 Solar power operated Sprinklers/Sprinklers/Hydrams, 111 Rain water harvesting & Artificial Recharge to Ground Water schemes.
- Besides Culturable Command Area (CCA) brought/ revived under irrigation through Command Area Development & Water Management and other programme by construction of Field Channels : 22,474 Hectare.
- Implementation of Micro Irrigation schemes viz, Sprinkler, Drip etc, to enhance water use efficiency.
- Operation and maintenance of more than 7,800 departmentally operated MI schemes for providing irrigation water to about 6.27 Lakh Hectare on demand of farmers.

Jalatirtha

- A special programme for increasing irrigation coverage of CCA 36,000 hectare in the arid districts of Birbhum, Bankura, Purulia and Paschim Medinipur was taken up from 2014-15 with emphasis on surface water conservation. Estimated Cost: Rs. 500 crore.(app.)
- This programme is being implemented by six departments viz. Water Resources Investigation & Development Department (WRI&DD), Irrigation & Waterways Department, Public Works Department, Panchayat & Rural Development Department, Paschimanchal Unnayan Affairs Department & Forest Department and WRI&DD has been designated as Nodal Department. Schemes viz. Check Dams (CD), Water harvesting tanks (WHT) & Surface Flow Minor Irrigation schemes (SFMIS) are being executed.
- Total no. of MI schemes taken by WRI&DD: 609 (113 CD, 243 WHT, 253 SFMIS), Estimated cost: about Rs. 471 crore and Target CCA: about 20,115 hectare.
- No. of schemes completed: 488 (90 CD, 196 WHT & 202 SFMIS) and CCA created : 16,244 hectare and rest of schemes are in progress.

- Schemes of Jalatirtha is extended for areas like Sundarban (North & South 24 Parganas) and in hilly areas in North Bengal (Darjeeling & Kalimpong).

World Bank assisted West Bengal Accelerated Development of Minor Irrigation Project

- The project target: No. of MI scheme: 2,000, Estimated cost : 1,380 crore, and CCA : 60,000 hectare
- Cumulative no. of schemes handed over after completion: 755
- Cumulative Minor Irrigation Potential created: 44,313 hectare
- Improve governance in production & Water management technologies by
 - a) No. of Water Users' Association- formed: 887
 - b) No. of Demonstration (Agri/Horti/Fishery)- completed: 7414
 - c) No. of Training of Farmers- completed: 729
- No. of Solar operated MI schemes : 99 completed.
- More than 70% of target in respect of Irrigation Potential to be created has already been achieved under WBADMIP by construction of different types of MI Schemes

Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF)

- Cumulative Minor Irrigation Potential created/revived: 1,43,660 hectare
- Cumulative no. of schemes handed over after completion: 7,372
- No. of schemes under construction : more than 6000
- No. of schemes awaiting energisation: about 1400, out of which MI potential to be created : more than 30,000 hectare.

Rashtriya Krishi Vikash Yozana (Green Revolution (Phase-I&II), RKVY(Stream-II) & RKVY)

- Cumulative Minor Irrigation Potential created/revived: 43,497 hectare
- Cumulative no. of schemes handed over after completion: 3,299
- To promote the use of eco-friendly solar energy for power generation a total 644 solar operated different types of minor irrigation schemes such as sprinklers, tubewells, pump dugwells etc. have been completed creating irrigation potential of 4136 Ha.

Works being implemented by State Water Investigation Directorate (SWID)

- Issuance of Permit for extraction of ground water and 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.
- onstruction of Roof Top Rain Water Harvesting & Artificial Recharge to Ground Water Schemes in different Government buildings/ Colleges/ Schools
- Assessment of dynamic ground water resources in the State jointly with Central Ground Water Board.
- Modernisation & Upgradation of the Chemical & Hydrological Laboratory at Sech Bhawan, Salt Lake.
- 4th Minor Irrigation Census report with reference year 2006-2007 has been published in January,2012.
- 5th Minor Irrigation Census with reference year 2013-14 is in progress jointly with Department of Technical Education and Science & Technology.

Minor Irrigation Works in arid districts viz. Birbhum, Bankura, Purulia & Paschim Medinipur

- In the arid districts of Birbhum, Bankura, Purulia and Paschim Medinipur, 3,171 different types of Minor Irrigation schemes viz. Check Dams, Water Harvesting Tanks, Surface Flow Minor Irrigation Schemes , Farm ponds & Minor Irrigation tanks, Tube wells, River Lift Irrigation, Micro Irrigation/ Sprinklers etc. with an irrigation potential of 90,177 hectare have been completed under different programmes.



Uludanga Solar operated Light Duty Tubewell (Cluster)in North 24 Parganas District under West Bengal Accelerated Development of Minor Irrigation Project, Estimated Cost- Rs. 34.38 Lakhs, Irrigation potential created- 72 hectare

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Construction of Check Dam in Purulia District under Jalatirtha (Phase II) Programme, Estimated Cost: Rs. 78.33 lakh, Irrigation Potential created- 32 hectare

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Construction of Surface Flow Minor Irrigation Scheme (SFMIS) in Purulia District under Jalatirtha (Phase II) Programme, Estimated Cost: Rs. 2.81 Crore, Irrigation Potential created- 76 hectare

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Water Detention Scheme (WDS) in Purba Midnapore District under West Bengal Accelerated Development in Minor Irrigation Project, Project Cost –Rs.119.39 Lakh, Irrigation Potential created – 189 Ha,

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Reexcavation of old keleghai in Purba Midnapore District under Core Sector Programme, Project Cost –Rs.469.15 Lakh

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Re excavation of Tank in Purba Midnapore District under MGNREGA, Wage Cost – Rs. 9.33 Lakh, (Unskilled Labour – 6180 Nos.)

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Re excavation of Tank in Purba Midnapore District under MGNREGA , Wage Cost – Rs. 2.08 Lakh (Un-skilled – 1496,)

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Construction of Field Channel in Purba Burdwan District under CAD&WM Programme, Cost of Expenditure- Rs. 52.47 Lakh, CCA covered- 110 Ha

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Roof Top Rain Water Harvesting and Artificial Recharge to Ground Water Scheme at New Alipore College Kolkata under Core Sector, Estimated Cost: Rs 34.98 lakh, Anticipated volume of ground water recharge per annum-900 cubic metre

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Solar operated sprinkler (hybrid) Scheme in Cooch Behar District under Enclave Development Programme

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Construction of Rubber Dam in Paschim Midnapore District under West Bengal Accelerated Development in Minor Irrigation Project, Estimated Cost- Rs. 17 Lakh, Irigation potential created-15.6 Hectare

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Modernization of Water Harvesting Reservoir in South 24 Parganas District under RIDF-XXI Programme, Estimated cost- Rs. 55.29 lakh, Irrigation Potential created- 58 hectare

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Solar Powered Sprinkler Irrigation Scheme in South 24 parganas District under RIDF-XXI Programme, Estimated cost- Rs. 4.61 lakh, Irrigation Potential created- 3 hectare 13

Raghubirpur Purba Mochpur Solar operated Light Duty Tubewell (Cluster)in North 24 Parganas District under West Bengal Accelerated Development of Minor Irrigation Project, Estimated Cost- Rs. 39.79 Lakhs, Irrigation potential created- 72 hectare (handed over to beneficiaries) 14

Hybrid (Solar and Electric operated) Light Duty Tube well Scheme in Chhitmahal area of Cooch Behar District under Enclave Development Project, Estimated cost- 9.24 Lakh, Irrigation Potential created- 12 Hectare 15

Poly House (Area 96 m2) in Cooch Behar District under West Bengal Accelerated Development of Minor Irrigation Project, Estimated cost- 1.50 Lakh, No. of Beneficiary Benefitted- 40 Nos 16

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