

X SOCIAL SERVICES

One of the central goals of Kerala's Eleventh Five Year Plan is to strengthen the States past achievements in Social Services by augmenting their reach and efficiency. The current stage of social development of the state, especially the adverse impact of globalisation demands concerted efforts on the part of State to ensure that the widely acclaimed gains of the State are sustained and strengthened.

Total allocation of the Social Services Sector for the Eleventh Plan Period taken together would be Rs. 9692.14 crores. In the second Annual Plan (2008-09) Rs. 2415.85 crores is provided to be allocated to the Social Service Sector. This makes an increase of Rs. 431.71 crores over 2007-08 Annual Plan outlay in the Social Service Sector.

10.1 GENERAL EDUCATION

A. SCHOOL EDUCATION

1. Attainment of Quality Education in Secondary Schools

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

Secondary level educational activities are the continuation of primary level educational activities. Primary level educational activities are effectively conducted under SSA. The secondary level educational activities are also to be conducted effectively for ensuring quality education. An amount of Rs 100 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

2. Improvement of Facilities in Government Special Schools

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

The scheme envisages for the improvement of facilities in existing government special schools. Several areas of development are to be covered under the scheme such as infrastructure development, academic, co-curricular and other connected areas. Higher Secondary and Vocational Higher Secondary courses have been started in two of the schools for the hearing impaired and therefore it is very essential to improve the existing hostel facilities. Supplying teaching- learning materials and teacher training are important components of the scheme. An amount of Rs 100 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

3. Work Oriented Education in Secondary Schools

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

Under this scheme, students and teachers are given training in socially useful productive works. Apart from this, the programme gives scientific training in jobs connected with traditional areas using readily available raw materials in the locality and manufacturing products useful for the society. Work experience fairs in Sub- District, Educational District and State level are conducted along with the State Schools science fairs every year. Procurement and supply of tools and

equipments is another important activity under work experience programme. The work experience unit of the Directorate of Public Instruction monitors the programme. An amount of Rs 50 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during 2008-09.

4. Vocational Higher Secondary Education

(Outlay Rs 700.00 lakh)

Vocational Higher Secondary Education was started in Kerala in 1983. Presently, there are 375 Vocational Higher Secondary Schools having 1000 vocational sections and an intake capacity of 50000 students. Major development activities proposed under this scheme during the Annual plan 2008-09 are introduction of new vocational higher secondary schools and courses; development of labs and libraries; teacher training; construction of work sheds; job training; production-cum-training centres; mobile collection-cum-sales unit; setting up of non formal vocational institutions; establishment of planning cell; teacher training; curriculum development workshop; setting up of State Institute of Vocational Education; career guidance and counselling centres; training cell; networking; establishing a monitoring and evaluation cell; strengthening of district offices; and strengthening of Directorate and examination wing. An amount of Rs 700 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

5. Establishment of District Centres of English

(Outlay Rs 10.00 lakh)

The scheme is intended to train the existing teachers to teach English as specialist teachers through developing practical command over the language, right use of the language, familiar with modern methods, approaches, strategies and techniques to be employed in class room teaching. In order to impart a modern scientific outlook in the teaching languages, the new concept i.e. Language Laboratory, can be provided in the existing District Centers. An amount of Rs 10 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during 2008-09.

6. Improvement of Laboratories and Libraries in GHS Schools (TFC)

(Outlay Rs 2500.00 lakh)

An amount of Rs 2500 lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09 for strengthening laboratories and libraries coming under the purview of Higher Secondary Education in the government sector. This amount is provided under the aegis of 12th Finance Commission Award.

7. International School of Dravidian Linguistics

(Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)

The International School of Dravidian Linguistics has been set up as an autonomous institution to promote research on the linguistic problems of four Southern States and Union Territory of Pondicherry. The major schemes already started are to be continued in the coming years also. An amount of Rs 20 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme in the Annual Plan 2008-09.

8. State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT)

(Outlay Rs 700.00 lakh)

The State Council of Educational Research and Training was established by Government of Kerala on the lines of NCERT at the national level as a resource body in academic matters for policy, research, vocationalisation of education, curriculum development and teacher development

programmes. With the introduction of grading and IT Examination in the High Schools intensive training in each subjects have to be imparted to all the teachers so as to empower them to facilitate the students. An amount of Rs 700 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

9. IT@ School Project/Educational Technology Scheme

(Outlay Rs 61.00 lakh)

IT@ School Project is being implemented in 2735 government, aided and unaided high schools of the State, Lakshadweep and Gulf Countries. Building up of infrastructure in schools, mobilising resources for IT education and IT enabled education and empowerment of teachers using technology to teach the subjects and languages they teach in classrooms are the main objectives of the project. Undertaking various educational technology schemes initiated by SIET which would be beneficial to the student community is another component of this scheme. An amount of Rs 61 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

10. Modernisation of Offices of the Education Department

(Outlay Rs 15.00 lakh)

It is proposed to modernise all offices coming under the purview of DPI with modern electronic equipments. An amount of Rs 15 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during Annual Plan 2008-09.

11. Improvement of Science Maths and Social Science Education in Schools & Rejuvenation of Various Clubs in High Schools

(Outlay Rs 60.00 lakh)

Improvement of science education is an on-going programme of the department. The major objective of the scheme is to create scientific temper among students and to supplement the learning of Science, Mathematics and Social Science in schools effectively. The scheme also envisages competition in the preparation of innovative teaching practices. Financial assistance to the best science clubs in each educational district is also provided under the scheme. An amount of Rs 60 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

12. Vocational Education at High School Stage

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

Electronics, Electrical Appliances, Mobile phone servicing, DTP, Animation, Aluminium Fabrication Fashion Technology, beautician courses etc are some of the fastest growing job oriented vocational courses. These courses can be introduced in some schools which will help students to obtain self or waged employment in future. Procurement of necessary tools and other materials are also proposed under this scheme. An amount of Rs 100 lakh is provided for implementing this scheme during 2008-09.

13. Promotion of Excellence among Gifted Children

(Outlay Rs 30.00 lakh)

The main objective behind this scheme is to impart special coaching to pupils who have brilliant academic qualities currently studying in Standard VIII and have secured above 75% of marks in the VIIth Standard Annual Examination. Analysis reveals that gifted children fairly do well and ahead in each and every spheres of activity as they pilot during their post-school years and

higher studies. The students selected were given a package of activities to enhance their academic capability in seminars, projects and visits etc. An amount of Rs 30 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

14. Financial Assistance to Poor Children Who Excel in Arts

(Outlay Rs 30.00 lakh)

Financial assistance to school children who excel in arts had been implemented from 1997-98 onwards. A large number of talented children could not participate in different fine arts competitions due to lack of financial assistance. As such talented children in arts who are financially disadvantaged are to be assisted to participate actively in different competitions at the district and state levels. An amount of Rs 30 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

15. Improvement of Facilities in Government TTIs (RIDF)

(Outlay Rs 400.00 lakh)

The scheme is meant for the improvement of existing facilities in Government Teacher Training Institutions in the state. At present 24 Government TTIs are functioning in the state. However, the facilities available in these schools are quite insufficient. There is also the need to adhere to the norms and standards prescribed by NCTE for TTIs. Hence urgent steps may be taken for the maintenance and renovation activities. An amount of Rs 400 lakh is provided under RIDF of NABARD during the Annual Plan (2008-09). The outlay would be utilized for implementing the project approved by NABARD. Detailed project reports have to be recommended by Government to NABARD for sanction.

16. Sarva Siksha Abhiyan (SSA)

(Outlay Rs 250.00 lakh)

The scheme *Sarva Siksha Abhiyan* aims to provide useful and relevant elementary education of satisfactory quality for all by 2010, by bridging all social and gender gaps with the active participation of the community. Financial assistance under Sarva Siksha Abhiyan is on 65:35 sharing between Central Government and State Government respectively. The implementation of the schemes is through a State Level Autonomous Society consisting of representatives of Education Department and LSGs. The society will receive funds from the Central and State governments for the programme. An amount of Rs 250 lakh is provided as state share for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

17. Kerala State Literacy Mission Authority (KSLMA)

(Outlay Rs 150.00 lakh)

Kerala State Literacy Mission Authority is the nodal agency in the state for implementing continuing education programme launched in the state in 1988 through local self governments and voluntary organisations. Presently, the Authority has over 4000 centres through which the programme is being implemented in the state. The major programmes being implemented through the continuing education programme are equivalency programme; income generating programmes; quality of life improvement programmes; individual interest promotion programmes; illiteracy eradication programme and so on. An amount of Rs 150 lakh is provided as state share for implementing the scheme under the Authority during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

18. Development of Sanskrit Education

(Outlay Rs 10.00 lakh)

Sanskrit, mother of all languages, narrates the origin of cultural heritage, basic principles of life and science. So this sacred language of great sanctity and rich heritage is to be promoted and propagated through launching various enrichment programmes. An amount of Rs 10 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

19. Capacity Building Programme at Offices under DPI

(Outlay Rs 15.00 lakh)

General Education Department is one of the major departments with personnel of different caliber and capacity. The department has different sub offices in the state at sub-district/district/state levels. In order to improve the professional capacity of all the staff of the department, operational effectiveness, recurrent training and monitoring of them have to be ensured. An amount of Rs 15 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

20. State Institute of Educational Management and Training (SIEMAT)-Kerala

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

Government of Kerala had sanctioned State Institute of Educational Management and Training-Kerala (SIEMAT) as envisaged in the National Policy on Education 1986 for capacity building of educational functionaries. Improvement of the quality of educational standards, overall capacity building of educational functionaries, modernization of management, planning and administrative policies in school education sector etc. are the main objectives of the Institute. An amount of Rs 100 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

21. Development of Higher Secondary Schools under NABARD Assisted Scheme (RIDF)

(Outlay Rs 800.00 lakh)

An amount of Rs 800 lakh is provided as plan outlay for the development of higher secondary schools under RIDF of NABARD in the general education sector during the Annual Plan (2008-09). The outlay would be utilized for implementing the project approved by NABARD as well as for implementing ongoing NABARD assisted projects. In the case of new projects detailed project reports have to be recommended by Government to NABARD for sanction.

22. Faculty Improvement Programme in Higher Secondary Schools

(Outlay Rs 300.00 lakh)

Consequent to the revision of curriculum of classes up to the Tenth Standard higher secondary curriculum is revised. Also grading system of evaluation is introduced at this level too. In order to acquaint the teachers with the changes, detailed faculty improvement programme is necessary. An amount of Rs 300 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme in the Annual Plan 2008-09.

23. Strengthening of Heritage Schools

(Outlay Rs 25.00 lakh)

The government high schools which have been in existence for more than 50 years with more than 3000 students and primary schools of more than 50 years old accommodating 2000 students or more are identified as traditional schools. These schools are selected for further improvement in both infrastructural and academic activities. Major activities proposed are:

1. Provision for beautification of school premises;
2. Preservation of the old school building by combining tradition and modernity;
3. Incentives for organizing Alumni Associations;
4. Incentives for co-curricular activities;
5. Provision for improving staff room facilities to the teachers;
6. Strengthening transportation facilities - School Buses;
7. Incentives to the pupils who excel in academic and co-curricular activities based on income;
8. Incentives for pupils belonging to low mean group and socio-economic background who pass in LSS, USS scholarships; and
9. Incentives and recognition for teachers who excel in their performance.

An amount of Rs 25 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

24. Quality Education – Pupil’s Right

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

Quality Education - Pupil's Right is a special package scheme of the Education Minister intended to implemented in 104 selected high schools where the percentage of result in the SSLC Examination March 2006 was 33 per cent and below. The scheme envisages a time bound programme for improving the SSLC result and quality of education in these 104 schools and to bring them to the level of State average. State level workshop; district level workshop; school level work shop, teacher training, monitoring and support measures, special programme in schools, special noon-meal programme, Edusat, preparation of CDs, preparation of rapid action/ preparation of materials, printing, cluster training, awareness programme to parents, training to local resource group, documentation, interim studies and surveys, preparation of annual report and T.A./D.A. to staff are the important components of this scheme. An amount of Rs 50 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

25. Computer Education in Schools

(Outlay Rs 339.00 lakh)

The IT education in Kerala started with the implementation of a Centrally Sponsored Scheme called Computer Literacy And Studies in Schools (CLASS). The scheme was discontinued in the year 1999 and no central assistance other than Finance Commission Grant was obtained from Government of India. The Government have decided to continue this scheme during the Eleventh Plan onwards. As per the approved norms, only 75 % of the total plan proposal would be granted by Government of India and the rest 25 % is to be met as state share. The state is expecting central assistance of Rs 1016 lakh for this scheme during 2008-09. So an amount of Rs 339 lakh is provided to earmark for this scheme as state share during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

26. Noon Meal for High School Students

(Outlay Rs 1000.00 lakh)

It has been shown by various studies on school education that a section of students do not get enough food or nourishment. This malady at the primary school level is handled by the local self governments using the central assistance for mid-day meals and mobilizing local resources. There is no such programme at secondary school classes. The scheme aim to provide nutritive mid-day meals to all needy children of secondary school classes. An amount of Rs 1000 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09. This amount would be taken from the One Time Additional Central Assistance set apart for the year 2008-09.

27. Scholarship for Higher Secondary School Students

(Outlay Rs 500.00 lakh)

To promote the quality of education at higher secondary school level it is intended to provide scholarships to 10,000 students per annum. The scholarship amount per student will be Rs 5,000 per annum. This will be awarded on a merit cum means basis so that it will be of some help to poor but bright students. The scholarships will be limited to students of government and aided schools. An amount of Rs 500 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

New Schemes

28. SUCCESS

(Outlay Rs. 400.00 lakh)

During the 11th plan period Government of India proposes to extend SSA project to the secondary level, bringing under its ambit secondary and higher secondary sector with the objective of universalization of enrolment and quality education access for secondary education. A frame work of the programme has been forwarded by Government of India to State Government and it is informed that the programme would be implemented from 2008-09 onwards. The pattern of funding between central and state governments is expected to be in the same ratio as in SSA, i.e. 65:35. An amount of Rs 400 lakh is set apart as the state share for this scheme during the year 2008-09. This amount would be taken from the One Time Additional Central Assistance set apart for the year 2008-09.

29. Quality Education for Challenged Children

(Outlay Rs. 100.00 lakh)

In Kerala 308 schools are catering to the needs of mentally challenged children as well as Children with learning disabilities. Most of these schools are run by Voluntary organization and around 16000 children are studying in these schools, 118 such schools are recognised by the Education Department. But only 50 schools are getting reimbursement of expenses from Government of India. The scheme is for financially supporting the remaining 68 schools which are not getting any assistance from the Government of India. The amount can also be utilised for timely identification and intervention of learning disabilities and autism in Children and counseling for parents and teachers. Amount of Rs.100 lakh is provided for the scheme during the year 2008-09. This amount would be taken from the One Time Additional Central Assistance set apart for the year 2008-09.

30. Curriculum Restructuring of Higher Secondary Education

(Outlay Rs. 200.00 lakh)

State council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) is initiating measures to restructure higher secondary curriculum. It is proposed to introduce an issue based curriculum to support critical pedagogy in higher secondary education. It is expected to implement the new curriculum and text books for 1st year higher secondary classes during the academic year 2009-10. In 2010-11 it will be extended to second year classes. 49 titles of text books each for first year and second year classes have to be developed. All textbooks except language textbooks have to be translated to Malayalam. It is proposed to undertake the following activities during the year 2008-09.

1. Preparation of Text books.
2. Translation of Textbook except language textbook.
3. Preparation of Teachers hand book.
4. Teacher Training
5. Development of Text book archives and study centres.

An amount of Rs. 200 lakh is provided for this scheme during 2008-09. This amount would be taken from the One Time Additional Central Assistance set apart for the year 2008-09.

B. HIGHER EDUCATION

1 Kerala University

(Outlay Rs 550.00 lakh)

The Kerala University was established in 1957. At present, the university has 41 departments of teaching and research under its control. There are 164 affiliated colleges, of which 46 are aided Arts & Science colleges and 15 are unaided. There are two Law colleges, 18 Engineering Colleges, 5 Medical Colleges (three are self-financing), 7 aided Teacher Training Colleges, 34 unaided Teacher Training Colleges, 4 Ayurveda Colleges, 1 Music College, 3 Dental Colleges (two are unaided), 4 unaided Pharmacy Colleges, and 1 College of Physical Education. Besides, there are four affiliated institutions conducting two year full time MBA courses, five colleges offering MCA and ten Nursing Colleges in the unaided sector. The University Engineering College offers courses in IT, Computer Science and Engineering, Electronics and Communications etc. The University has proposed the following schemes to be undertaken during the Annual Plan 2008-09:

1. Central computing facility and networking;
2. E Books and E Journals;
3. Digitization of Manuscripts;
4. Modernization of Departments;
5. Centres of Excellence;
6. Modernization of Laboratories;
7. Modernization of Administrative Wing;
8. Welfare measures for SC/ST;
9. Skill Development;
10. Establishment of various Centres;

11. Starting of Innovative Programmes;
12. Civil works;
13. Books and journals; and
14. Seminars and Conferences.

The amount of Rs 550 lakh is provided to earmark during Annual Plan 2008-09. Out of this amount Rs 200 lakh would be taken from the One Time Additional Central Assistance set apart for 2008-09.

2. Calicut University

(Outlay Rs. 600.00 lakh)

The University of Calicut was established in the year 1968. Now, the University has 30 various departments for teaching and research. Besides, there are 267 affiliated colleges which consist of 115 Arts and Science Colleges, 20 Engineering Colleges, 5 Medical Colleges, 3 Dental Colleges, 16 Nursing Colleges, 1 Homoeo College, 5 Ayurvedic Colleges, 9 Pharmacy Colleges, 55 Training Colleges, 2 Law Colleges, 23 Arabic Colleges, 7 Applied Science Colleges. And, the University has centres at Kadamath and Kavarati in the Lakshadweep also. The priorities fixed for the activities during the Annual Plan 2008-09 are:

1. Construction;
2. Modernization of Teaching Departments;
3. New Courses;
4. Development of Library;
5. Development of Laboratory;
6. Purchase of Furniture;
7. Modernization of Administration/Examination System;
8. New Teaching Departments;
9. Wireless Networking; and
10. Other Programmes.

The amount of Rs 600 lakh is provided during Annual Plan 2008-09. Out of this amount, Rs 200 lakh would be taken from the One Time Additional Central Assistance set apart for 2008-09.

3. Mahatma Gandhi University

(Outlay Rs 550.00 lakh)

Mahatma Gandhi University was established in 1983 and has 222 affiliated colleges, 19 departments/schools, 5 self-financing departments and 26 university centers. The main objectives to be realized during the Annual Plan 2008-09 are:

1. To improve the quality and excellence in teaching and research;
2. Completion of major construction works
3. Development of infrastructure facilities

An amount of Rs 550 lakh is provided for implementing the schemes during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

4. Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit

(Outlay Rs. 250.00 lakh)

Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit was established in 1993 for the promotion and development of the study of Sanskrit, Indology, Indian Philosophy and Indian languages. There are 25 departments functioning at main centre, Kalady and there are 8 regional centres in other parts of Kerala also i.e. Thiruvananthapuram, Panmana, Ettumanoor, Thuravoor, Tirur, Trissur, Koyilandy and Payyannur. No affiliated colleges are functioning under this University. At present, the University offers courses at graduate and postgraduate, M Phil and doctoral levels. Major developmental activities proposed in the Annual Plan 2008-09 are:

1. Academic development;
2. Development of Infrastructure;
3. Computerization and Networking;
4. Digital and Manuscript Library;
5. Preservation of Indigenous Knowledge;
6. Publication; and
7. Land Acquisition and Construction.

An amount of Rs 250 lakh is provided for implementing the schemes during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

5. Kannur University

(Outlay Rs 800.00 lakh)

Kannur University was established in 1995 with the objective of removing educational backwardness in the higher education sector in North Malabar. The districts of Kannur, Kasargod and Mananthavady Taluk of Wynad district come within the jurisdiction of the University. Therefore, it is unique in the sense that it is a multi-campus university with campuses located at various locations. The University has at present 20 teaching departments. Besides the School of Distance Education, it has 3 Teaching Education Centres and 3 IT Education centres also. There are 81 affiliated colleges and also a Community College which runs in collaboration with Institute of Handloom Textile Technology, Kannur offering postgraduate diploma in Fashion Designing and an extension Centre for Management Studies in collaboration with Institute of Co-operative Management. The broad policy of the University is to ensure balanced growth in higher education including professional education. The major activities proposed during the Annual Plan 2008-09 are:

1. Land acquisition for setting up of campuses at Kannur, Kasargod, Mananthavady, Payyannur, Kanhangad and Thalassery;
2. Development of existing and new Teaching Departments;
3. Development of Non-teaching Departments;
4. Networking and E-Governance;
5. Establishment of Advanced Diagnostic Laboratories;
6. Establishment of New Departments and University centres.

An amount of Rs 800 lakh is provided for implementing the schemes during the Annual Plan 2008-09. Out of this amount Rs 600 lakh would be taken from the One Time Additional Central Assistance set apart for 2008-09.

6. Construction of Buildings for Colleges and Hostels

(Outlay Rs 280.00lakh)

The Public Works Department operates this head of account. The construction of building already started in Govt College Kottayam, Govt College Kasargode and Govt, College Kalpetta have to be completed this year and the proposals for the construction of new building for other Government colleges are pending. The whole building of Govt College Munnar has been completely destroyed in the landslide during 2005. Now the College is functioning in the pre-metric hostel of ST department and it is inadequate. For the development and up-liftment of the backward area Government has started a new Government college at Kozhinjampara. This College needs building, hostel for students and staff quarters. There is a proposal for construction of Silver Jubilee Block building for Government. College, Manjeswaram at an estimated cost of Rs.130 lakh. Almost all colleges need students' hostel and staff quarters especially in the remote areas. The construction of compound walls is essential for almost all colleges, to protect the government properties from the public encroachment and to avoid disturbance to the students. Compound wall for University College, Thiruvananthapuram at eastern side, renovation of Malayalam block, compound walls for Government College Attingal and Kozhikode, new Chemistry block for Government College Kozhikode, a new building for Dy. Director of Collegiate Education, Ernakulam, drainage system for Maharajas College, Ernakulam and hostel for Government College Nedumangad are the works that need special attention. The office of the Director of Collegiate Education is now functioning in two distant buildings, one at the Vikas Bhavan complex and another at the Govt Sanskrit college Campus. This causes much difficulties and delay in the administrative matters. There is a joint proposal under consideration of Govt for the construction of a separate building for the Directorate of collegiate Education and The Commissionerate of Entrance Examinations in the land under Collegiate Education Department. An amount of Rs 280 lakh is provided for this programme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

7. Minor Construction Works

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

This scheme is intended for meeting the expenditure for Minor Works in the Colleges and Hostels. Preservation of old buildings & hostels of colleges are equally important as constructing new buildings. Most of the buildings of Government Colleges including hostel buildings require renovation, revised electrification, sanitation etc. An amount of Rs. 50 lakh is provided for implementing this scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

8. Development of Laboratories and Libraries in Government Colleges

(Outlay Rs 150.00lakh)

Almost all Government colleges in the state have laboratories and libraries with the old equipments and system. Since, new job-oriented courses are sanctioned by the Government in the colleges, the most modern facilities in the laboratory, computerised /digital library facilities with

network accessibility etc. are essential. In the modern education scenario, modern and new equipment are essential for the functioning of the laboratories and libraries. NAAC insist on the development of laboratories and libraries for giving accreditation to Colleges. The library/lab facilities at the recently started Government College at Kozhijampara also has to be improved. An amount of Rs 150 lakh is provided for implementing this scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

9. Starting of New Courses

(Outlay Rs 75.00 lakh)

This scheme is intended for conducting new job oriented courses in the Government Colleges so that the students get better education of high standard and enables to compete in the new changed era of education. For the year 2006-07 Collegiate Education Department has recommended about 20 new courses to be started in the colleges .The new courses and strengthening of the existing Courses already started in the Govt. colleges in the previous years, require modern equipments to attain the academic excellence. An amount of Rs 75 lakh is provided for implementing this scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

10. Law Colleges

(Outlay Rs 150.00 lakh)

There are four law colleges in the state - Governemnt Law College, Thiruvananthapuram; Government Law College, Ernakulam; Government Law College, Thrissur; and Government Law College, Kozhikode. Total student strength in all these colleges is around 4000. Infrastructural facilities are very poor in all the 4 colleges. So the construction/extension of building and expansion and modernisation etc are required. An amount of Rs 150 lakh is provided for implementing the schemes of the Law Colleges during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

11. Faculty Development

(Outlay Rs 10.00 lakh)

The main purpose of the scheme is to enhance the quality of education through faculty improvement. This can be achieved through conducting refresher courses, workshops and seminars to the faculty. The faculty need to be familiarised with the new systems of education prevailing in the other parts of the nation. For this, faculty from different Universities all over India has to be invited and seminars and workshops have to be conducted. An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for implementing these programmes during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

12. N.C.C.

(Outlay Rs 35.00 lakh)

There are 5 group headquarters, 39 units and 1 directorate of NCC with 1042 staff working in the department. It is decided to take up the following activities during the Annual Plan 2008-09:

1. Renovation of NCC Directorate Headquarters;
2. Computerization of NCC offices
3. Social Service Activities;
4. Media Cells
5. Training to Staff.
6. Construction of Library Room

An amount of Rs 35 lakh is provided for implementing the schemes during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

13. Introduction of Autonomy and Related Developmental Activities in Selected Well Established Colleges (Matching Grant)

(Outlay Rs 64.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is to grant matching grant to colleges. The amount collected by colleges as CDC funds are utilised for the improvement of the colleges in all aspects. An equal amount is to be sanctioned to respective colleges as matching grant. An amount of Rs 64 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

14. Modernisation of the Directorate and Deputy Directorate of Collegiate Education

(Outlay Rs 15.00 lakh)

The Directorate and Deputy Directorates of Collegiate Education have to be brought under a network system for online correspondence with all colleges in the state so as to simplify the day-to-day administrative function of the offices. In the Directorate cubical partition for each section (including computers) has to be done for creating smooth and better working environment. The rooms of the officers are also to be modernised for better convenience. An amount of Rs. 15 lakh is provided for implementing this scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

15. IT Grid

(Outlay Rs 10.00 lakh)

The main objective of this scheme is to establish an Educational Grid across Colleges for academic and research purposes under 5 Universities within the state. It is meant for the empowerment of teachers and students through I.T. facilitation. Necessary steps for providing connectivity for the 39 Government Colleges and 160 Aided colleges are progressing. An amount of Rs 10 lakhs is provided for this programme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

16. Accreditation of Colleges with NAAC

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

This Scheme is intended to equip Government Colleges to get the Accreditation of NAAC. So far only 18 Government Colleges have been accredited by NAAC. In order to get the remaining colleges accredited by NAAC of University Grants Commission, the colleges are to be modernised and well equipped in all aspects, which requires huge funds. University Grants Commission assistance for various schemes for the total quality improvement in Higher Education sector could be claimed only after getting Accreditation from NAAC. An amount of Rs. 50 lakhs is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09 for this scheme.

17. Centre for Continuing Education

(Outlay Rs 30.00 lakh)

The Centre for Continuing Education, Kerala is an autonomous body coming under the purview of Higher Education Department. A Civil Service Academy is working under the aegis of

Centre for Continuing Education for imparting training to students who are preparing for Civil Service Examination. The main objective of the centre is to impart need-based training for the unemployed youth to increase their employability in key sectors of our economy. The centre aims to provide free training to the economically weaker sections of the society who wish to appear for national level entrance examinations. An amount of Rs 30 lakh is provided for implementing the schemes during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

18. Scholarship for College Students

(Outlay Rs 400.00 lakh)

To promote the quality of education and ensure social justice at college level it is intended to provide scholarships to students at Degree and Post- Graduate levels. This will be awarded on a merit cum means basis so that it will be of some help to poor bright students. It is proposed to give scholarship to 4000 students @ Rs 10,000 each. An amount of Rs 400 lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

19. Scholarship for Research Students

(Outlay Rs 60.00 lakh)

A scholarship similar to the one mentioned above would be instituted to those students who pursue research in science, social science and humanities subjects. The selected students will be qualified to enjoy the scholarship upto 5 years or upto the completion of the research whichever is earlier. The basis of the award of this scholarship will be merit cum means basis. An amount of Rs.60 lakh is provided for this programme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

20. Teaching Posts in Higher Education

(Outlay Rs 400.00 lakh)

It is intended to support 100 teachers' posts in the higher education sector every year during the Eleventh Plan. The main objective is to help find placements for bright young people in the teaching profession where they may continue after being involved in regular posts in universities or colleges and *inter alia* to help institutions of higher learning to have adequate staff in their faculties. This amount will also be used to invite outstanding teachers and researchers from outside the state to visit universities/ colleges to give course of lectures. An amount of Rs 400 lakh is provided for the scheme during Annual Plan 2008-09.

21. Higher Education Council

(Outlay Rs 415.00 lakh)

The Kerala State Higher Education Council has been established under the Kerala State Higher Education Council Act 2007. The Council propose to undertake the following activities during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

1. Restructuring of undergraduate courses
2. Setting up of clusters of colleges
3. Formulating State Policy on Higher Education
4. Setting up a library for research on higher education.
5. Setting up audio visual facilities

For undertaking all these activities an amount of Rs 415 lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

22. Job Oriented Add on Courses

(Outlay Rs 5.00 lakh)

This scheme aims to equip our youth to face the stiff competition to get a better job. The system of employers visiting campuses vying with each other to induct the best talent in their fold is on the increase. For this, the language development is most necessitated. The aim is to provide job-oriented training for students who attend regular stream Courses that would help them for getting better employment. Those Courses can be conducted during Morning and Evening hour's with the help of the faculty working in the colleges concerned. As no new infrastructure is needed, the expenditure is very low. The faculty can be given training by IMG/CUSAT/University Staff Colleges. An amount of Rs. 5 lakhs is provided to provide for this programme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

23. Edusat Scheme with Tele-Training in Government Colleges

(Outlay Rs 35.00 lakh)

In the year 2005-06 this scheme was implemented in Government Colleges. The Satellite Interactive Terminal (SIT) installed in 18 colleges are remaining idle due to lack of proper arrangements and programme for collection of materials, transmission room, communication with colleges and co-ordination. An amount of Rs.35 lakhs is provided for this scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

24. Maintenance of Playgrounds and Improvement of Sports and Facilities

(Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)

There is urgent need of the maintenance and improvement of playgrounds in almost all Government Colleges. The existing playgrounds in the colleges are in pathetic state and it has to be renovated for the growth of sports and upcoming sport stars in the state. For maintaining the playground and for providing the sports goods with modern equipments, an amount of Rs.20 Lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

25. Students' Amenities

(Outlay Rs 15.00 lakh)

The facilities such as retiring rooms, waiting shed and dining room in the colleges and drinking water facilities has to be provided for the total improvement of the infrastructure in the colleges. An amount of Rs. 15 lakhs is provided for the programme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

26. Study Tour

(Outlay Rs 5.00 lakh)

Study Tour/Field Visit forms part of the syllabus for many subjects at U.G and P.G levels. Up to 2001-02 funds were allotted under this head of account for meeting the expenses. Since the discontinuation of this practice has brought hardships to many students Government has resumed this scheme. An amount of Rs 5 lakh is provided for this scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

10.2. TECHNICAL EDUCATION

1 Placement & Training

(Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)

More than 15000 diploma holders in 22 different disciplines are passing out every year in the state. Even though many industries and organizations in the state are imparting apprenticeship training to graduates and diploma holders, all the registered candidates could not be sent for training. In this context, training facilities are identified at various institutions under the control of Directorate of Technical Education. Government have accorded sanction for training 350 candidates (300 diploma holders and 50 graduates). The amount of stipend to be paid is Rs 1400/- for diploma holders and @ Rs 1970/- for graduates per month. An amount of Rs 20 lakh is provided for the scheme during Annual Plan 2008-09.

2 Faculty Development in Engineering Colleges

(Outlay Rs 75.00 lakh)

The outlay provided is mainly to take care of the Faculty Development in Engineering Colleges through full-time and part-time training courses; expenditure in connection with the sponsoring of teaching staff of Engineering Colleges for higher studies; sponsoring staff conferences; conducting seminars and short term courses in the engineering colleges. It is also proposed to conduct short-term courses at different Engineering Colleges for the quality improvement of the faculty members. An amount of Rs 75 lakh is provided for the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

3. Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT)

(Outlay Rs 400.00 lakh)

Cochin University of Science and Technology was established in 1971 and now it has 27 departments including 2 engineering colleges. In addition to this, there are 17 centers working under various departments of the University. The University is being short listed as one among the five universities across the country for upgradation to IEST.

1. Revamping of Admission Procedures - Online Application;
2. New Academic Programmes;
3. New Centres for various subjects;
4. Development activities; and
5. Construction activities and Purchasing Books and Journals

Besides, the University intends to continue the activities started during the Tenth Plan. An amount of Rs 400 lakh is provided for the university during the Annual Plan 2008-09. Out of this amount, Rs 200 lakh would be taken from the One Time Additional Central Assistance set apart for 2008-09.

4. Government College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram

(Outlay Rs 25.00 lakh)

College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram is the pioneer technical institution in our state. In this college 593 students are being admitted every year for degree courses in 8 disciplines. In addition to the above, 30 students each are being admitted to M.B.A. and M.C.A. courses. PG courses in Civil, Mechanical, Electrical and Architecture subjects are also being conducted here. This institution has been included in the World Bank Aided Project of TEQIP. An amount of 25 lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09 for incurring expenditure on items not covered under World Bank Project. It is proposed to constitute a Research and Development cell which will work in association with different external research agencies like VSSC and CDAC.

5. Government College of Engineering, Thrissur

(Outlay Rs 75.00 lakh)

Government Engineering College, Thrissur is one of the oldest institutions in the state. In this college 510 students are being admitted every year for regular degree courses. The construction of buildings for the newly started courses, Ladies Hostel etc are not yet completed. It is intended to get accreditation to College of Engineering, Thrissur for all B-Tech courses. New PG courses are to be started and institution has to be developed into a Centre of Excellence. Fee for accreditation for the B-Tech courses is to be provided in the plan outlay. It is proposed to constitute of Research and Development cell which will work in association with different external research agencies like VSSC and CDAC. An amount of Rs 75 lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

6. Government College of Engineering, Kannur

(Outlay Rs 75.00 lakh)

This Engineering College was established in 1983 and it offers courses in Civil, Mechanical, Electrical and Electronics, Electronics & Communication, Computer Science with a total intake of 300. Also, it is proposed to start Master of Computer Application and MBA courses. The facilities for laboratory/workshop, hostel and transportation are still inadequate. The construction of Department buildings, additional block for hostel and construction of compound wall are to be taken up with high priority. It is also intended to get accreditation to College of Engineering, Kannur for all B-Tech courses. Now there is accreditation for 3 branches only. It is proposed to constitute of Research and Development cell which will work in association with different external research agencies like VSSC and CDAC. An amount of Rs 75 lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

7. Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Technology, Kottayam

(Outlay Rs 75.00 lakh)

The Government Engineering College, Kottayam was started in 1991 and later named as Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Technology. The institution offers B-Tech course in 5 disciplines and MCA. The institution is in its developing phase. Many construction works are pending. It is required to get accreditation to College of Engineering, Kottayam for all B-Tech courses. New PG courses started during 2006-07 require additional laboratory facilities and equipments. Therefore, additional funds are required for machinery & equipments. It is proposed to constitute a Research and Development cell which will work in association with different external research agencies like VSSC and CDAC. An amount of Rs 75 lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

8. Kerala State Science and Technology Museum

(Outlay Rs 200.00 lakh)

Science and Technology Museum was started in 1984 with a view to popularizing the different aspects of science and technology. The major activities to be conducted during the coming years are construction of a multi-purpose block, workshop building; renovation; modernization; networking; development of planetarium and existing galleries; renovation of exhibits in galleries; purchase of books and journals for library and so on. An amount of Rs 200 lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

9. Institute of Human Resources Development (IHRD)

(Outlay Rs 300.00 lakh)

IHRD is an autonomous body fully owned and controlled by the State Government. There are 9 engineering colleges, 7 model polytechnics, 18 colleges of applied sciences, 26 technical higher secondary schools and 2 regional centers functioning under IHRD. The engineering colleges, colleges of applied sciences and regional centers are functioning as self-financing institutions. The major developmental activities provided during the Annual Plan period 2008-09 are

1. Building construction for model polytechnics and technical higher secondary schools; and
2. Purchase of machinery equipments ,Library books etc

An amount of Rs 300 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

10. Fine Arts Colleges, Thiruvananthapuram, Mavelikkara & Thrissur

(Outlay Rs 150.00 lakh)

Two Fine Arts institutions under the control of the Directorate situated at Mavelikkara and Thrissur were upgraded to the level of fine arts colleges during the academic year 1999-2000. The provision is for improvement of studio, library and audio visual facilities, students' amenities, purchase of equipment and other equipment required for the fine arts colleges. Provision is made for the construction of building also. An amount of Rs 150 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

11. Directorate of Technical Education and its Offices/Examination Wing

(Outlay Rs 75.00 lakh)

Nearly 200 employees are working in the directorate and they are deployed in different sections. For better output of the staff, the working atmosphere of the office requires some modifications due to the recent increase in the number of institutions under this directorate. It is also proposed to construct record rooms for the directorate. Similar is the case for regional directorates and they are functioning in rented buildings also. The examination wing attached to the directorate has to be computerized fully. Actions have already been taken to computerize the entire examination system. Government has accorded section for Governance project which envisages computerization of various activities in the different sections of the Directorate. Hence, an amount of Rs 75 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

12. Development of All Government Polytechnics

(Outlay Rs 800.00 lakh)

There are 49 polytechnics in the state of which 43 are in the government sector and 6 are in the aided sector. Government sector polytechnics consist of general polytechnics, women's polytechnics and upgraded polytechnics. Some of the polytechnics started during Third and Fourth Plans are badly in need of additional strengthening, special repair and maintenance. More over, those polytechnics functioning in rented buildings are to be given priority along with the development of infrastructure facilities in the existing polytechnics. New buildings have to be constructed for new polytechnics and the old Polytechnics which are functioning in rented buildings. Most of such institutions require construction of additional buildings for workshops and laboratories, procurement of machinery and equipment and furniture and so on. The priority will be for the new polytechnics. In order to provide the facilities in various laboratories in accordance with the revised curriculum, most of them are to be equipped with modern equipments also. An amount of Rs 800 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09. Out of which of Rs 400 lakh is provided under RIDF of NABARD during the Annual Plan (2008-09). This portion of the outlay would be utilized for implementing the project approved by NABARD. Detailed project reports have to be recommended by Government to NABARD for sanction.

13. Indian Institute of Management – Kozhikode

(Outlay Rs 1.00 lakh)

The provision is for giving financial assistance to Indian Institute of management, Kozhikode for the development and maintenance activities of building, road and landscape, purchase of furniture, equipment, library books and vehicles. An amount of Rs 1 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

14. Development of New Engineering Colleges

(Outlay Rs 1250.00 lakh)

The Engineering Colleges started during the earlier plan period are in infant stage and provision is required for the procurement of machinery, equipment, creation of post and also for land acquisition for the construction of hostel and staff quarters. Construction of buildings is urgently needed for those institutions functioning on temporary/rented buildings and hostels for students and quarters for staff. Therefore, an amount of Rs 1250 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09. Out of which of Rs 400 lakh is proposed under RIDF of NABARD during the Annual Plan (2008-09). This portion of the outlay would be utilized for implementing the project approved by NABARD. Detailed project reports have to be recommended by Government to NABARD for sanction.

15. Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP)

(Outlay Rs 500.00 lakh)

Government of Kerala have formulated a Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme in association with World Bank. The broad objectives of the programme are (i) selected engineering college can achieve their own set targets for excellence and sustain it with autonomy and accountability (ii) improve efficiency and effectiveness of the technical education management system in the institution selected. The vision is to ensure the highest quality in technical education at state level consistent with State and National Policies and requirements to produce the best world class engineering professionals so as to provide impetus to industry, business and services. The

colleges selected under this programme are (1) College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram, (2) College of Engineering, Chengannur, (3) Model Engineering College, Kochi, (4) SCT College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram and (5) LBS College of Engineering, Kasaragod.

The State Project Facilitation Unit has already been set up. Key components of the project are promoting academic excellence, net working of institutions, rendering service to community and economy and system management capacity improvement. It is expected to extend the programme during the Eleventh Plan period also. An amount of Rs 500 lakh is provided in the Annual Plan 2008-09.

16. Capacity Building of Staff in the Directorate of Technical Education

(Outlay Rs 10.00 lakh)

As a part of E-Governance project, which is being implemented in the Directorate, Department is proposing for computer training at IMG to all the staff. For capacity building the Department proposes to categorize training needs of various levels in the manner as top level officers, middle level officers which includes mainly supervisory staff, clerks, assistants, accountants, typists and stenographers, and class IV employees, drivers. An amount of Rs 10 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

17. Developments of Technical High Schools

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

It is an accepted fact that the most essential elements of the infrastructure of an educational institution are land and buildings. There are 39 technical high schools functioning under the Directorate of Technical Education. Out of which, in 17 technical high schools, the buildings are scattered in different location and are in temporary sheds having no facilities. This handicap obviously impairs the quality of technical training. Only one third of the sanctioned strength could be admitted in two or three special trades due to lack of required facilities. The acquisition of land and construction of permanent building have to be given top priority for the development of such institutions. It is also proposed to purchase computers in technical high schools in order to meet the requirements as per the revised curriculum. An amount of Rs 100 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

18. Industry Institute Interaction Cell

(Outlay Rs 60.00 lakh)

The Industry Interaction Cell is intended to impart training on latest industrial know-how to the engineering college students by utilizing the services of experts from various industries and for giving training to teachers in various industries. From this year onwards it has been decided to implement Visiting Faculty Schemes for Government Engineering colleges in the state. Under this new programme it has been proposed to engage teachers in Government or aided engineering colleges, professionals in Government sector and eminent academicians and experts from industry as Visiting Faculty in Government Engineering colleges for a short period of 1 to 4 weeks. It is also intended to conduct visiting executive programme course to engineering students and impart industrial training to engineering college teachers. This facility can also be extended to the students and teachers of various polytechnics in the state. The Government have decided to continue this

programme from 2007-08 onwards. An amount of Rs 60 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

19. Human Resource Development

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

This Scheme intend to undertake the following activities during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

1. Curriculum Development;
2. Staff Development;
3. Continuing Education; and
4. Industry Institute Interaction.

An amount of Rs 50 lakh is provided for implementing this scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

New Schemes

20. LBS Centre for Science and Technology

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

LBS Centre for Science and Technology has started a self financing Engineering College at Kasargode during 1992-93. Another self financing Engineering College for women was started at Thiruvananthapuram during the period 2001-02. From the academic year 2005-06 onwards the admission to the Govt. quota were made by charging fee prescribed by Government which resulted in a shortfall in revenue of the Centre. This adversely affected the Construction and maintenance of buildings, faculty improvement, development of labs and laboratories which are very essential for Engineering Colleges. For undertaking these activities an amount of Rs 100 lakh is provided for the Centre during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

21. Kerala State Audio Visual and Reprographic Centre

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

Kerala State Audio Visual and Reprographic Centre formed in the year 1992 is functioning as a resource centre for all technical and non technical institutions in Kerala. It is conducting several job oriented courses in printing and modern reprographic equipments. The Centre is intended to undertake the following activities during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

1. Establishment of a Text Book Printing Unit
2. Establishing of a confidential printing unit for printing high quality works
3. Maintenance of machinery and building

An amount of Rs 100 lakh is provided for implementing the scheme during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

10.3 Sports and Youth Services.

1. Physical Education College, Kozhikode

(Outlay Rs. 15.00 lakh)

The Physical Education College in Kozhikode is the only College of its kind under the Directorate of Collegiate Education. The administrative procedure for starting BPED course is in progress. It is planned to upgrade the facilities of the institution to that of LNCPE, Thiruvananthapuram. Accordingly, Rs.15 lakh is provided for constructing a 400 metre track (in a phased manner) and a basket ball court during the year 2008-09.

2.Kerala State Sports Council

(Outlay Rs. 900.00 lakh)

Kerala State Sports council is the apex agency for organizing, co-ordinating and promoting sports and games in the State. The council functions according to the Kerala Sports Act, 2000, implemented in 2006, which empowers the council to extend its activities to the level of Local Government.

The outlay provided Rs. 900 lakh is for implementing the following activities in 2008-09 on a priority basis.

1. Infrastructure Projects executed by Kerala State Sports Council
2. District Level Projects
3. Construction of Play fields in Panchayts/Schools/Colleges
4. Other Projects
5. Infrastructure projects in collaboration with L SG Institution
6. New Projects launched by Kerala State Sports Council
7. Capacity building of Staff, Coaches, Players etc
8. Purchase of uniforms, track suits, sports equipment etc
9. Incentives, Awards and Publicity
10. Maintenance of Play fields/Stadiums/Training Centres
11. Promotion of Sports in collaboration with Sports Associations, Clubs, LSGI etc
12. Promotion of sports by Kerala State Sports Council
13. Establishment of Sports Information System
14. Sports Training Programmes
15. Welfare Schemes for Sports Persons
16. Other Schemes for promotion of sports

3. Directorate of Sports and Youth Affairs

(Outlay Rs. 508.00 lakh)

(Including ACA Rs.278.00 lakh)

The Directorate promote sports by assisting in infrastructure development, providing training to sports persons for participating in international sports events, and through providing financial assistance to Sports associations and needy sports persons.

The outlay proposed by the Directorate for carrying out its activities during 2008-09 is Rs. 230 Lakh. In addition to the amount Rs.278 lakh is provided as one time additional central assistance of which Rs.150 lakh is for construction of swimming pool,

Thiruvananthapuram; Rs.100 lakh is for modernisation of Jimmy George Indoor Stadium and Rs.28 lakh is for establishment of Kerala Kalari Payattu Academy in Thiruvananthapuram.

1. Publicity
2. Sports Medicine Centre
3. Development of martial Arts - Centre for Martial arts
4. Promotion and upgradation of new sports disciplines in Kerala
 - (a) Taekwondo
 - (b) Judo-Establishment of one Training centre in each district and procurement of equipments.
 - (c) Karate- for starting a pilot programme in Trivandrum District
6. Maintenance of play field
7. Additional facilities and Maintenance and repairs at SAI centers
8. Construction of Stadium complex, Palakkad.
9. Construction of Indoor Stadium at Nattika
10. Upgradation of Jimmy George Indoor Stadium, Thiruvananthapuram
11. Construction of Building for Directorate of Sports & Youth Affairs.
12. Upgradation of existing swimming pool at Thiruvananthapuram
13. Construction of Swimming pool, Kozhikode
14. Strengthening of Directorate of Sports & Youth Affairs
15. Establishment of Shooting Ranges, Thiruvananthapuram and Palakkad (New)
16. Establishment of squash complex, Thiruvananthapuram, Kochi and Kozhikode (New)
17. Fitness Awareness for adults and General Public (New)

4. Kerala State Youth Welfare Board

(Outlay Rs.320.00 lakh)

Kerala State Youth Welfare Board is the apex agency for co-ordinating and implementing youth empowerment activities in the state. "Yuva sakthi" is a programme for coordinating the activities of youth clubs and associations in the seven selected districts of the state during this year. The outlay provided Rs.320 lakhs in 2008-09 is for implementing the activities given below on a priority basis.

1. Constitution of Kerala State Youth Welfare Board
2. Adventure activities
3. Self Employment Training
4. Youth leadership camp
5. Youth Hostels
6. Exhibition for youth
7. National Integration Programme
8. Employment Programme Information Centre and Youth Services - Jalakam
9. Keralotsavam
10. Other Youth Development Programmes
 - (a) Prevention of Substance Abuse
 - (b) HIV/AIDS Prevention
 - (c) Environment Awareness

11. Training in Traditional Folk Arts
12. Production and marketing Units
13. Empowering Adolescents
14. Youth Awards – State and International
15. Yuvasakthi
16. International Youth convention Centre
17. Yuva Karma Sena
18. Youth Clubs for women
19. Yuva Athidhi Mandiram
20. Job fair National and International
21. Mobile unit for Awareness programme
22. Office building for Kerala State Youth Welfare Board
23. Promotion of Community Sports
24. Finishing Schools
25. Management Development Programme for Youth clubs
26. International Youth Exchange Programme
27. Youth- Farming centre
28. Ksheeradhara
29. International Youth Journalism
30. International Marital Arts
31. Teens club (New) - A Programme for the psychological empowerment of adolescents from rural areas and Sanadha Balyam (New) - for the psychological empowerment of Kids staying in rescue homes, Juvenile homes, and orphanages.

5. Bharath Scouts & Guides

(Outlay Rs. 7.00 lakh)

DPI provide financial aid to Bharath Scouts and Guides for carrying out its activities in schools. The students' strength is 1.6 lakhs. There are two training centres located at Thiruvananthapuram and Kozhikode. The regular courses conducted are –

1. State Level Training Courses
2. Re- orientation courses
3. Leader trainer/Assist leader trainer course
4. Special courses (State Level)
5. Special courses (National Level)
6. State Training team meet and
7. Modular training.

The Outlay provided for the above activities of the Bharath Scouts and Guide's during 2008-09 is Rs. 7 lakh

6. Assistance to DPI and Director of Collegiate Education

(Outlay Rs. 28.00 lakh)

The outlay proposed as assistance to the sports activities of students in schools and colleges through DPI and Director of Collegiate Education is Rs. 28 lakh. During 2008-09 Rs. 14 lakh each is provided for DPI and Director of Collegiate Education.

10.5. Art and Culture

1. Music Colleges

(Outlay Rs.100.00 lakh)

There are three Music colleges namely SST College of Music, Trivandrum RLV College of Music, Thrissur and C.M. Govt Music College Palakkad which are administered by Directorate of Collegiate Education. These Colleges conduct Degree and P.G. courses in music. The outlay provided is Rs. 100 Lakh for 2008-09 for constructing a recording theatre in SST Music College Trivandrum and a 'Manimandapam' for dance classes in C.M. music college, Palakkad.

2. Financial Assistance to Men of Arts and Letters

(Outlay Rs. 10.00 lakh)

This is a scheme for providing financial assistance of Rs. 500 per month, to persons distinguished in Arts & Letters who are living in indigent circumstances. The expenditure in this regard is shared by Central and State Government in the ratio of 2:1. The amount provided for this purpose in 2008-09 is Rs. 10 lakh.

3. Non-recurring grant to cultural activities

(Outlay Rs.15.00 lakh)

Government provides non-recurring grant to various cultural institutions. As the number of Institutions seeking assistance has increased over the year the amount provided for the year 2008-09 has become Rs. 15 lakh.

4. Kerala Council for Historical Research (KCHR)

(Outlay Rs. 150.00 lakh)

KCHR is a social science research organisation which conduct Doctoral and post Doctoral courses in social science subjects. Research, publication, documentation, and training are the other activities. It is proposed to develop an independent campus with necessary facilities for the establishment of KCHR as a research organisation. The amount provided Rs.150 lakh is for carrying out the following activities in 2008-09.

- ?? A Campus and other infrastructural necessities for KCHR.
- ?? "Digitalizing Kerala's past" (people's digital Archives of private documents)
- ?? Writing of Local Histories and Institutional Histories
- ?? The Kerala History volumes
- ?? Archives on Family Histories and Biographies
- ?? Muziris Heritage project
- ?? History of Malayali migrations and migrant communities.
- ?? Research fellowships at Ph.D/Post Doctoral M Phil level internships
- ?? Golden Jubilee fellowships
- ?? Enrichment of library resources
- ?? Purchase of preservative/reprographic equipments computerisation of library network etc
- ?? Publication - Fellowships to revise and publish Ph.D thesis.

- ?? Publication of encyclopaedia of Malayalam oral tradition, “myths and Legends of Kerala”.
- ?? Reprinting of “Londonum Parisum” by Barrister G.P. Pillai
- ?? KCHR news letter.
- ?? KCHR Research journal
- ?? History colloquiums
- ?? History training for school children
- ?? History workshop for school teachers
- ?? Publication of proceedings of international Seminar on Kerala History

5. Department of Archaeology

(Outlay Rs.100.00 lakh)

Department of Archaeology protect monuments of historical importance and conserve mural paintings, wood carvings and other antique objects scientifically and conduct excavations. There are 134 monuments declared as protected monuments by the Department. Many of them are traditional structures. The amount provided for the year 2008-09 is Rs.100 lakh. The activities are given below.

- ?? Structural conservation of Monuments
- ?? Regional conservation Laboratory
- ?? Archaeological Museum, EKM
- ?? Museum Development and Display Techniques
- ?? Digitalisation and Revision of Travancore Archaeological Series (New Head of Account)
- ?? State wide Archaeological survey (New Head of Account)

6. Centre for Heritage Studies

(Outlay Rs 5.00 lakh)

The Centre was established in the year 2000 with the objective of developing it into a full fledged Research Centre in offering advanced courses in subjects like Archaeology, Archival Studies, Museology and Conservation. An amount of Rs 5 lakh is provided for the following activities during 2008-09.

- ?? PG. Diploma Course in Archeology, Museology, Archival Studies Conservation, Heritage studies.
- ?? Deemed University – Infrastructure Development
- ?? Library Development
- ?? Documentation of Heritage Sites in Cochin

7. Kerala State Archives.

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

As the custodian of valuable records of historical value, Govt records, Palm leaf manuscripts etc, the Department conserve such documents and protect them scientifically for reference purpose. The outlay provided during the year 2008-09 Rs.50 lakh is for carrying out the following activities.

(i). Record Management.

- ?? Preservation, translation and publication of palm leaf Records (Twelfth Finance Commission scheme)
- ?? Purchase of valuable records
- ?? Implementation of Right to Information Act 2005
- ?? Establishment of District level Record Repositories (Twelfth Finance Commission scheme)
- ?? Up gradation of Research room, Signature Archives and Oral History unit
- ?? Appraisal of Records and preparation of Retention schedules.
- ?? New building for Regional Archives , Ernakulam (Token Provision)

(ii). Computerization of Reference media and Digitalization of Records .

- ?? Finding Aid Preparation and Data Entry
- ?? Digitalization of paper records and Palm leaf records (Twelfth Finance Commission scheme)
- ?? Digitalization of Micro film Records/rolls (Twelfth Finance Commission scheme)

(iii). Conservation of paper Records and Preservation of Palm leaf Records and manuscripts.

- ?? Purchase of chemicals, conservation of furniture and equipments.

(iv). Archival Awareness programmes.

- ?? Archives week celebrations.
- ?? Archival exhibitions seminars and programmes outside Kerala
- ?? Heritage Club in schools and Archival Heritage Award.

(v). Publication of Historical Records.**(vi). Development of Archival Museums.**

- ?? Kerala Heritage Museums (TFC scheme)
- ?? Historical Museum on freedom movement

(vii). Reprographic Services.

- ?? Strengthening of Reprographic unit, purchase of reprographic equipments

(viii). Capacity Building Programme and strengthening of administration**8. Museums and Zoos****(Outlay Rs.300.00 lakh)**

Museums and Galleries, Zoological Park, Thiruvananthapuram, State Museum and Zoo, Thrissur, Art Gallery and Krishnemenon Museum, Kozhikode are the institutions functioning under the Directorate. These institutions are primarily tourist spots except zoological park which is also a breeding centre, and research centre in the field of animal behaviour, biology, nutrition etc. The amount provided during 2008-09 is Rs. 300 lakh for the activities which are given below.

- ?? Modernisation of Zoo, Thiruvananthapuram
- ?? Addition of animals to the zoo
- ?? Repair, up keep and maintenance of animal enclosures
- ?? Maintenance and Development of Zoo hospital
- ?? Education and Research activities in Museums and Zoos
- ?? Shifting of Thrissur Zoo to alternate site

- ?? Repair, Maintenance and expansion of Museums, Galleries and Departmental buildings
- ?? Development and maintenance of Botanical Gardens in Thiruvananthapuram, Thirur and Kozhikode
- ?? Infrastructure Development of the Department, of power and water supply system
- ?? Modernisation of the Department
- ?? Modernisation of V.K. Krishna Menon Museum and Art Gallery, Kozhikode
- ?? Training for Staff
- ?? Expansion and Development of Museum library.
- ?? Construction of new Art Gallery.
- ?? Rain water harvesting
- ?? Conservation and restoration of KCS Paniker's paintings
- ?? Creation of an annexe for Thiruvananthapuram Zoo and shifting of animals (New)
- ?? Waste Management system (New)
- ?? Construction of new Zoo store cum office complex in Thiruvananthapuram Zoo (New)
- ?? Emergency Reserve (New)

9. Assistance to Memorials of Eminent Men of Arts and Letters

(Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)

In addition to the annual grants, special grant is to be provided to selected cultural institutions for their activities. The amount provided for this purpose in 2008-09 is Rs. 20 lakh.

10. Kerala State Film Development Corporation

(Outlay Rs 65.00 lakh)

The objective being development of film-infrstructural facilities, the activities of KSFDC include development of studios, theatres and providing of technical facilities in film production. The amount provided during 2008-09 is Rs 65 lakh for the following modernisation activities.

- ?? Setting modern camera, new lights, digital technology etc
- ?? Recording theatre at Kochi
- ?? Film museum, Modernisation of theatre ,Shooting floor, CD manufacturing unit etc.

11. State Central Library, Trivandrum

(Outlay Rs.110.00 lakh)

The Library has launched many programmes for improving the efficiency of service delivery. A job oriented certificate course in Library and Information Science namely "Earn while you learn" entitling students for an incentive of Rs. 950 has been introduced. A new Heritage model reference block is one of the new projects proposed this year for implementation. The outlay provided Rs 110 lakhs is for the following activities of the Library during 2008-09.

- ?? Computerisation, Library management, Security system (including (RFID), Electronic Identify cards etc)
- ?? Buying new books for the Library

- ?? Digitalisation
 - Library equipments (Shelves, racks, Catalogue cabinets Vacuum cleaners etc)
- ?? Re binding books
- ?? New Heritage model Reference Block
- ?? Land scaping and creation of garden reading facilities
- ?? Auditorium modernisation
- ?? Other Extension activities like
 - (i) Summer school programme
 - (ii) 'Earn while you learn' programme etc

12. State Institute of Children's Literature

(Outlay Rs.40.00 lakh)

The Institute has been publishing books and organizing competition for promoting the literary aptitude of children. The institute has published 5 volumes of Balakairali Vijnanahkosam and 534 titles of subsidiary books. About 2000 copies of children's monthly 'Thaliru' has been printed and sold.. The amount provided for the ongoing activities of the Institute as well as the following new activities of the Institute in 2008-09 is Rs. 40 Lakh. The activities are :

- ?? Balakairali Vijnanahkosam – Bouthikam
- ?? Publication of children's books based on new curriculum.
- ?? Publication of History – heritage series Books
- ?? Renowned writers books – Reprint
- ?? Grant to writers for printing their books
- ?? Godown Construction
- ?? Zonal centers for the Institute at Kottayam, Thrissur, Calicut.
- ?? Publication of reference books
- ?? Multi-colored, illustrated Books.
- ?? Books for UP. – HS Children
- ?? Publication of short film script
- ?? Programmes for extending literature through media

13. State Institute of Encyclopedia

(Outlay Rs. 70.00 lakh)

State Institute of Encyclopedia is an institution for publishing Encyclopedias and other similar reference books in the Malayalam language. The institute has so far published 13 volumes of the General Encyclopedia and five volumes of the Encyclopedia world literature. The 14th volume of General Encyclopedia and the 6th volume of Encyclopedia of world Literature are under print and is expected to be published in November 2007 and December 2007 respectively. The amount provided for the activities of the institute in 2008-09 is Rs.70 lakh

14. State Institute of Languages

(Outlay Rs.60.00 lakh)

Book production is the major activity of the Institute. The Institute has so far published 2300 titles which deals with various branches of knowledge. The amount provided for the following activities of the Institute during 2008-09 is Rs. 60 lakh.

- ?? Book Production
- ?? Building construction
- ?? Installation of wellbound machine
- ?? Installation of plate marketing unit
- ?? Language computing
- ?? Organization of Annual International Book Fair
- ?? Celebration of Bhashaabhimana Varsham
- ?? Continuing the activities of Dr. K.M. George Memorial language and Research Centre
- ?? Starting short term course on publication and translation & Printing
- ?? Advertisement of Institute's Books

15. Kerala Sahitya Academy

(Outlay Rs.35.00 lakh)

Sahitya Academy publishes rare and valuable books in Malayalam. Journals like Sahitya Lokam, Sahitya Chakravalam, Malayalam Literary survey are also published for promoting Malayalam literature. The amount provided for this purpose is Rs. 35 lakh for the year 2008-09

16. Kerala Sangeetha Nataka Academy

(Outlay Rs 35.00 lakh)

The Academy organises art festivals, Amateur Drama/Professional Drama festival, Drama competition for children, Seminars and workshops for promoting Dance, music and other classical art forms and provides financial assistance for ailing artists . The amount provided for the activities of the Academy in 2008-09 is Rs.35 Lakh.

17. Kerala Lalithakala Academy

(Outlay Rs.30.00 lakh)

Academy conduct programmes for promoting the talents of artists especially painters and sculptors. Assistance is also provided to artists for organizing exhibitions and scholarships to students of fine arts. The outlay provided Rs.30 lakh is for carrying out the following activities of the Academy during 2008-09.

- ?? Artist camps & workshops
- ?? Exhibition & Awards
- ?? Publications & Symposium
- ?? Development Schemes
- ?? Other programmes – Video film festival, children's arts promotion etc

18. Kerala Kalamandalam

(Outlay Rs.200.00 lakh)

Kerala Kalamandalam which is a centre for promoting the traditional art forms of Kerala attained the status of a Deemed University in 2007. Therefore it is necessary to provide facilities like Academic block, Kalaries, documentation centre etc for which an amount Rs 200.lakh is provided as outlay for the year 2008-09.

19. Kerala State Library Council

(Outlay Rs. 30.00 lakh)

The primary objective of the State Library Council is extension and monitoring of library services all over the State. The council carry out programmes like Academic Study centres, Jail – Juvenile Home library service, Orphanage library services, hospital library service, model village library etc for achieving this objective. Nearly 6500 member libraries benefit from the schemes of the Library council. The outlay provided Rs.30 Lakh during 2008-09 is for the following activities of the Library council during 2008-09.

- ?? Modernisation of Libraries
- ?? Academic study centre
- ?? Jail - Juvenile Home Library Service
- ?? Model Village Libraries
- ?? Training Programme for staff
- ?? Orphanage library service
- ?? Hospital Library service
- ?? Reference Books, CDs and furniture for Libraries

20. Kerala Folk Lore Academy

(Outlay Rs20.00 lakh)

The Academy aims at the revival and preservation of folk art forms through organising festivals, seminars etc. Financial assistance is also provided to the ailing Folk artists. Awards and fellowships are given to outstanding performers. The outlay provided for the activities of the Academy during 2008-09 is Rs 20. Lakh.

21. Guru Gopinath Natana Gramam, Vattiyoorkavu

(Outlay Rs. 15.00 lakh)

Guru Gopinath Natana Gramam has been conducting dance and musical instruments classes for talented children. Seminars on dance forms of Kerala are also conducted regularly.

Natana Gramam proposes to carry out the following developmental activities during 2008-09 for which the amount provided is Rs. 15 lakh

- ?? National Dance Museum-second stage
- ?? Nritha Mandapam
- ?? Erecting statue of Dr. Guru Gopinath
- ?? Publication of Authentic books written by Dr. Guru Gopinath

The outlay provided for the above activities is Rs 15. lakh

22. Kerala State Chalachitra Academy

(Outlay Rs.115.00 lakh)

The Academy organize Film Festivals, conduct Film appreciation course, Documentation etc for the development of film and television media. The outlay provided for the activities of the Academy during the year 2008-09 is Rs 115. Lakh.

23. Multipurpose Cultural Complex Society, Thiruvananthapuram

(Outlay Rs.20.00 lakh)

The Society conducts fests in classical dance, seminars, workshops, Lecture demonstrations and other cultural programmes. The amount provided for carrying out the above cultural activities of the Society during the year 2008-09 is Rs.20 Lakh.

24. MARGI**(Outlay Rs.20.00 lakh)**

'Margi is a cultural centre for promoting 'Kathakali and 'Koodiyattam'. 'Koodiyattom' has been proclaimed as a world heritage art by the UNESCO in 2001 which in turn has attracted a large number of tourists to this centre.

The outlay provided for the activities of Margi in 2008-09 is Rs 20 lakh.

25. Vasthu Vidya Gurukulam- Aranmula**(Outlay Rs.15.00 lakh)**

Vasthuvidya Gurukulam at Aranmula is an institution for promoting the traditional architecture and mural paintings of Kerala. Survey and documentation of traditional architectural structures, Heritage listing, Translation of books in Traditional Architecture, documentation of Mural paintings of Kerala etc are the activities of the Gurukulam. The amount provided for these activities during 2008-09 is Rs.15 lakh

26. Bharat Bhavan**(Outlay Rs. 2.00 lakh)**

Bharat Bhavan is an institution established for the cultural integrity of people belonging to different linguistic groups residing in Kerala. An amount of Rs.2 lakh is provided for the year 2008-09 for conducting programmes like cultural /Literary fests, Independence day/GandhiJayanthi/Dasara/Pongal celebrations, Drama fests, awareness programme/seminar on national integration and providing financial assistance for affiliated associations.

27. Kerala Book Marketing Society**(Outlay Rs.15.00 lakh)**

Book Marketing Society which is a direct agency for selling Government publications and books/journals of various cultural institutions has also been organizing Book-exhibitions for sales promotion. An amount of Rs.15 lakh is provided for the following activities of the society during 2008-09.

- ?? .Book stalls
- ?? Mobile books stalls
- ?? Door delivery
- ?? Computerization
- ?? Book exhibition and sales fest
- ?? Godown maintenance
- ?? Reading and personality development programmes

28. Jawahar Balabhavan**(Outlay Rs 8.00. lakh)**

Maintenance grant is provided to all the five Jawahar Balabhavans in the state. They are also in need of grants for construction of buildings, purchase of instruments etc. The outlay provided for this purpose in 2008-09 is Rs.8 lakh

29. Multipurpose Cultural Complex at Thrissur.

(Outlay Rs. 5.00 lakh)

The cultural complex centre is for the promotion of art and literature. It is also a centre for arranging programmes for tourists to experience Kerala's art forms. An amount of Rs 5 lakh is provided for the year 2008-09.

30. Kumaranasan National Institute of Culture, Thonnakkal, Trivandrum

(Outlay Rs. 17.00 lakh)

Asan Smarakam as a national institute of culture has been organizing many cultural programmes on the basis of a cultural calendar. The institute intend to promote cultural tourism activities and institute awards for poets and talented students during this year. An amount of Rs.17 lakh is provided for the following activities of the Institute in 2008-09.

- ?? International Convention centre
- ?? Institute for Research and Development
- ?? Publication division
- ?? Cultural Tourism
- ?? Children Avenue

31. Heritage Conservation (Twelfth Finance Commission Award)

(Outlay Rs 625.00 lakh)

An amount of Rs 625 lakh is provided to be earmarked as Twelfth Finance Commission Award in 2008-09 for the purpose of Heritage Conservation.

New Schemes

32. Community Service Centres (One time Additional Central Assistance)

(Outlay Rs. 200.00 lakh)

A model set of community activities would be identified at the state level leaving autonomy of selection of activities ultimately to each of the community service centres themselves. Unlike private clubs flourishing all over the world which cater exclusively to elite members of the club, the proposed community centres would be open to the whole community. The new experiment will be launched on a pilot basis in three districts. An amount of Rs. 200 lakhs is provided as additional central assistance for launching the activities of community centres during 2008-09.

33. Institute of Aesthetics (One time Additional Central Assistance)

(Outlay Rs. 100.00 lakh)

The proposed Institute is an attempt to keep pace with new developments in interdisciplinary aesthetics studies which view art and aesthetics in a new way. The proposed institute will bring together various institutions and agencies under the government as well as semi governmental agencies functioning in related areas in the state. The institute would undertake research and teaching in artistic and other aesthetics forms of expressions. An amount of Rs. 100 lakh is provided as additional central assistance for this purpose during the year 2008-09.

10.6 MEDICAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduction

Despite its better health outcomes, Kerala faces some major problems in the health care sector today - continuing inadequacy of basic health facilities in large numbers of PHCs/CHCs resulting in high burden of out of pocket expenditure for the poorer sections; rapidly increasing diseases associated with lifestyle and ageing, prevalence of environmental diseases and higher prevalence of mental health problems. A number of measures have been taken last year for standardisation of facilities in health institutions of various categories and the setting up of the Kerala Medical Supplies Corporation to provide quality medicines at cheap rates. The momentum has to be kept up. Our attempt in the Eleventh Five year Plan has also been to encourage Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy. Given below are the ongoing/new schemes proposed in the health sector for the year 2008-09.

Allopathy- Health Services

1 Standardisation of Facilities in Hospitals

(Outlay Rs.200 lakh)

The health institutions of various categories including the different types of hospitals PHCs, CHCs, General Hospitals, District hospitals, Taluk Head Quarters hospitals, Women and Children hospitals and other hospitals are functioning with different levels of infrastructure facilities, equipment levels and with different staff strength. It is intended to fill the critical gaps in fund provision for standardisation based on priority criteria. An outlay of Rs.200 lakh is for 2008-09 provided as follows.

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl.No	Institution	Outlay 2008-09
1	Standardization of facilities in PHCs	25
2	Standardization of facilities in CHCs	25
3	Improvement/ Standardization of facilities in Taluk/ District/General and other hospitals	150
Total		200

2. Development of Mental Health Care

(Outlay Rs.97 lakh)

Considering the higher prevalence of mental health problems and the higher suicide rates in Kerala the mental health care services need to be improved at all levels. The functional status of the three mental health care centres at Thiruvananthapuram, Thrissur and Kozhikode is to be further improved for providing better mental health care. A larger amount of Rs.97 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities

- 1) Purchase of essential materials for the patients
- 2) Improvement of infrastructure facilities and upgrading Mental Hospital
- 3) Provision of equipments
- 4) Training to staff in newer and recent developments in psychiatry

					(Rs.Lakh)
Sl. No.	Hospitals				Outlay 2008-09
1	Development	of	Mental	Hospital,	35
	Thiruvananthapuram				
2	Development	of	Mental	Hospital,	30
	Thrissur				
3	Development	of	Mental	Hospital,	30
	Kozhikode				
4	Mental Act				2
Total					97

3. Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Units

(Outlay Rs.15 lakh)

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Units with modern equipment are to be provided in District Hospitals at Pathanamthitta, Idukki, Wayanad and Kasaragod including creation of new posts and training to staff in a phased manner. An amount of Rs.15 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities.

- ?? Treatment and prevention of physical disabilities
- ?? Purchase of modern equipment
- ?? Strengthening of the existing units with machinery and equipment
- ?? Training of staff

4. Strengthening of District Medical Stores

(Outlay Rs. 15 lakh)

All the districts except Pathanamthitta district have a pucca drug store. Fund for the construction of the district medical store at Pathanamthitta has been provided. But the facility for drug storage is inadequate in many of the older drug stores. Also the drug storage facility of many of the major hospitals is also inadequate. Through this scheme in the coming five years it is proposed to fill the critical gaps in the drug storage facility of the district medical stores and major hospitals. An amount of Rs.15 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

5. Monitoring Cell, Management Information System and Computerisation

(Outlay Rs.15 lakh)

Through the 10th plan computerization of the DHS office was done to a limited extent. Also by utilizing the EC SRC support the computerization of all the 14 District Medical offices of the Department of the Health is progressing with wide LAN. In the Eleventh five year plan it is proposed to complete the computerization of the DHS office and DMO (Health) and to further extend the computerization up to the Block level. Transfer of health information, surveillance data and other programme management components are expected to improve through this system. An amount of Rs.15 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for activities specified above.

6. Health Transport

(Outlay Rs.10 lakh)

Directorate of Health Services has nearly 1200 vehicles of different types such as jeeps, multi-utility vehicles, cars, ambulances, Minibus, Lorries, two wheelers etc. Out of these 900

are on road. 250 vehicles are proposed to be condemned and the process is in progress. For the maintenance of the vehicles there is a central workshop, two regional workshops and 11 district workshops. For the construction, maintenance, repair and shifting of some existing workshops an amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

7. Providing equipment to Hospitals and reconditioning and repair of existing equipments

(Outlay Rs.125 lakh)

Considering the changed epidemiological scene of Kerala with the high prevalence of non-communicable diseases, improvement in the diagnostic and treatment facilities of various speciality departments is necessary. Service delivery of the super speciality departments like Cardiology, Nephrology etc. would be strengthened in Generals Hospitals. Strengthening of the speciality departments, including intensive care unit of district and major Taluk hospitals, maternity hospitals, needs to be done. An amount of Rs.125 lakh is provided during the year 2008-09 for strengthening the biomedical engineering wing, purchase of new equipments, annual maintenance contract etc.

8. Limb Fitting Centre

(Outlay Rs. 15 lakh)

Artificial limb fitting centres are available in four district hospitals and two centres are being set up in two more district hospitals. It is proposed to start limb fitting Centres in all district hospitals with modern facilities and to strengthen facilities in the existing hospitals. An amount of Rs.15 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for purchasing equipment, materials and supplies.

9. Welfare Society for the Loco-Motor Disabled

(Outlay Rs. 10 lakh)

Welfare Society for the Loco-Motor Disabled supplies mobility appliances to the poor besides conducting training for medical personnel, NGOs, teachers etc. for early detection of disability and ameliorative action. The Society also conducts camps for selected persons with disabilities and distributes appliances. An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for 2008-09. Such activities could be combined with similar schemes in the Social Welfare Department.

10. Emergency Medical Services

(Outlay Rs.20 lakh)

Emergency Medical services in hospitals situated near NH and State Highways have to be equipped and strengthened with machinery and medical equipment as the number of road accidents is increasing. It is proposed to strengthen casualty facilities with modern equipment, ambulance service and trained Para medical staff. Human resource development activities are also expected. An amount of Rs.20 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

11. Development of Specialty cadre/Departments

(Outlay Rs.60 lakh)

Reorganization of the Health service department for providing speciality care services in all the institutions with more than 100 beds was initiated in the last five year plan. More posts of specialist doctors are to be created with the special pay scale, so that adequate manpower of concerned speciality/super speciality cadre is made available in all major hospitals. Also for providing better administration and management in the functioning of the departments

implementation of the Administrative cum public health cadre would be undertaken during this plan period. An amount of Rs.60 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for meeting the salary of the newly created staff and purchase of equipment and other accessories.

12.. Diplomat of the National Board (Dip NB) courses

(Outlay Rs. 10 lakh)

In order to meet the high demand for specialists especially for establishing the specialty cadre in the departments, starting the Dip NB courses in the departments would be very useful. Departments are facing acute shortage of doctors in specialties such as surgery, medicine, paediatrics, anaesthesiology and obstetrics and gynaecology in selected hospitals. An amount of Rs. 10 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the creation of infrastructure and other facilities, library facilities, stipend to PG students and other contingencies, continuing medical education etc.

Sl. No.	Hospitals	Dip NB course- subjects
1	General Hospital, Thiruvananthapuram	Surgery, Medicine, Paediatrics, Anaesthesiology.
2	W&CHospital,Thycaud, Thiruvananthapuram	Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Paediatrics and Anaesthesiology
3	General Hospital, Kozhikode	Surgery, Paediatrics and Anaesthesia
4	General Hospital, Thalassery	Obstetrics and Gynaecology
5	Mental Health Centres, Thiruvananthapuram, Kozhikode, Thrissur	Psychiatry

13. Improvement of Dental Clinics

(Outlay Rs.35 lakh)

It is proposed to improve the dental surgical facilities in General and District hospitals where there is no Government Dental College. It is also proposed to start Dentistry units in more number of Hospitals including Primary Health Centres, Community Health Centres. An amount Rs. 35 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

14. School Health Programme

(Outlay Rs.10 lakh)

A revamped school Health Programme is proposed to be implemented with the following activities in the state.

- ?? Special school health check up of children of the primary classes
- ?? Detection of childhood diseases including heart diseases, ENT problems, learning disabilities, counseling and therapeutic support.
- ?? Revamping of the activities of School Health Clubs
- ?? Adolescent Health Education

An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

15. Pain and Palliative Care Centres

(Outlay Rs. 15 lakh)

Considering the higher prevalence of cancer and other non-communicable diseases, service provision of pain and palliative care is becoming more significant in the public health scenario of Kerala. Hence it is intended to start Pain and Palliative clinics in General, District and Taluk level hospitals to provide both clinic based and domiciliary support with focus on counselling and arranging psycho-social help in partnership with NGOs. The activities proposed include

- ?? Early cancer detection campaign
- ?? Provision of Anti- cancer drugs to terminally ill patients
- ?? Provide Grant –in –aid to Pain and Palliative Care societies and
- ?? Training to doctors and paramedical staff.

An amount of Rs. 15 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

16. Infertility clinics in District/Major hospitals

(Outlay Rs.5 lakh)

Considering the demographic transition of Kerala with the lowering of the birth rate and high contraceptive usage rates, infertility care services are to be provided to the community. An amount of Rs. 5 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for purchasing of equipment and training to staff for the infertility clinic in Women & Children Hospitals.

17. Completion of ongoing construction works (Major/Minor) -- GH/WCH/Other hospitals under DHS

(Outlay Rs.50 lakh)

An amount of Rs.50 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the construction works/periodical repair works of General Hospitals, Women and Children Hospitals and other hospitals which are not transferred to local governments.

18. Blood Banks

(Outlay Rs.50 lakh)

There are 33 functioning Blood Bank and 33 Blood transfusion centres in Kerala under Government. It is proposed to start new blood banks at Taluk Head Quarter Hospital in Thiruvalla and Peroorkada. Also it is proposed to provide blood banks/transfusion centres in FRU not having the above facility. A component separation unit will be started in Medical College Alappuzha with the support of NACO. An amount of Rs. 50 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities:-

- i) Developing infrastructure facilities with the support of NACO
- ii) Purchase of equipments
- iii) Contractual appointment of technicians through KSACS for 14 hrs. functioning

19. Strengthening Laboratories

(Outlay Rs.230 lakh)

In order to strengthen Laboratories of the various institutions the following activities are proposed:

- ?? Up-gradation of equipments
- ?? Construction of new building for Regional Public Health Laboratory, Kozhikode

- ?? Renovation of buildings
- ?? Training of staff
- ?? Purchase of critical consumables
- ?? Develop Public Health Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram to get accreditation from NABL
- ?? Purchase of equipment, vehicles and training to staff for the drugs control department.

An amount of Rs. 230 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as mentioned below

(Rs. Lakh)		
Sl.No.	Name of Laboratory	Outlay 2008-09
1.	Public Health Laboratory	60
2.	Government Analyst Laboratory	50
3.	Chemical Examiner's Laboratory	80
4.	Drug Control Department	40
Total		230

20. Food Adulteration, Prevention and Administration

(Outlay Rs.20 lakh)

Activities proposed are:

- ?? Maintenance of office including telephone facilities
- ?? Public awareness programmes
- ?? Purchase of vehicles, equipment and materials
- ?? Conduct of samples testing and surveys
- ?? Inspection of mineral/ packed drinking water, fruits and vegetables, milk from dairies/societies and bakery items.

An amount of Rs. 20 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

21. Society for Rehabilitation of Cognitive and Communicative Disorders (SRCCD)

(Outlay Rs. 50 lakh)

An outlay of Rs. 50 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as grant in aid to the society to implement the following activities

- ?? Identification and early detection of cognitive and communicative disorders
- ?? Research and development
- ?? Rehabilitation and training of children with learning disability
- ?? Training of experts in speech pathology and clinical psychology by starting courses.

22. Disease Surveillance programmes (50% State share)

(Outlay Rs. 160 lakh)

Eradicating various diseases, especially communicable diseases, implemented as national programmes are proposed to be integrated and grouped into a disease surveillance programme with a view to rationalizing staff structure and allowing greater delegation of

powers to the field level. Detailed action plan would be drawn up on these lines. An amount of Rs.160 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as mentioned below:

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl.No.	Scheme/Programme	Outlay 2008-09
1	National Malaria Eradication	35
2	National Filariasis Control	35
3	National Tuberculosis Control Programme	50
4	Control of Diarrhoeal Diseases	20
5	Control of other diseases	20
	Total	160

23. State Institute of Health and Family Welfare for training to Health Personnel

(Outlay Rs.10 lakh)

The institute provides training and continuing education to medical, paramedical and ministerial staff. An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the implementation of the following activities –

- ?? Induction training to newly recruited medical officers under DHS and DME
- ?? Skill upgradation training on administration and programmes
- ?? Inservice training to ministerial staff.
- ?? Purchase of furniture, teaching aids, equipments etc.

24. Nursing Education - Nursing Schools

(Outlay Rs. 50 lakh)

There are 14 Nursing schools under Directorate of Health Services, which provide a three-year general nursing course. An amount of Rs. 50 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities to enable attainment of Indian Nursing Council norms in phases. They are:-

- ?? Improve building and hostel facilities
- ?? Provide teaching aids
- ?? Improve libraries
- ?? Strengthen laboratories
- ?? Setting up super specialty training facilities

25. Surveillance and control of communicable diseases.

(Outlay Rs. 100 lakh)

The outbreak of newly spreading communicable diseases like Chikungunia, Dengue fever, Malaria, Leptospirosis, Cholera, and Typhoid etc. which are re-emerging in the state is becoming a major threat. Control measures such as diagnostic facilities, treatment facilities and awareness cum training programmes of medical officers and Para medical staff etc have to be provided. An amount of Rs. 100 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for purchasing of diagnostic kits, laboratory consumables, conducting investigation, training etc.

26. Health Insurance scheme for BPL families.**(Outlay Rs. 5 lakh)**

The scheme envisages introduction of health insurance for BPL families. An outlay of Rs. 5 lakh is provided for 2008-09. The fund will be released only after entering into an agreement with an insurance agency.

27. Society for medical assistance to poor**(Outlay Rs. 100 lakh)**

The objective of the scheme is to give financial assistance for the treatment of poor patients who undergo surgeries like Heart surgery, Neuro surgery, Kidney transplantation and Cancer. A society has been registered for planning, implementation, monitoring and management of this scheme and to tap matching central government grant. An amount of Rs.100 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as state share of the fund.

28. Hospital Waste management**(Outlay Rs. 20 lakh)**

Solid waste including the biomedical wastes is becoming more and more a public health problem in Kerala. The Government have signed a MOU with the common biomedical waste management system of the IMA on payment basis. Still only 42 institutions have signed the MOU and joined the scheme. It is proposed to start Effluent treatment plants in major hospitals. An amount of Rs. 20 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

29. Tele Health and Medical Education Project Kerala**(Outlay Rs.20 lakh)**

With the support of ISRO, Government of Kerala has started Tele Health and Medical Education project for providing expert medical care to patients from experts available in far away hospitals and for continuing medical education. The project is implemented in 13 hospitals including one Community Health Centre, Agali. It is proposed to start this facility in three more hospitals. The maintenance cost of these centres is to be met by State Government for which Rs. 20 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as follows.

(Rs. Lakh)		
Sl. No.	Activities	Outlay 2008-09
1	Annual Maintenance Contract	10
2	Manpower	4
3	Travel	1
4	Consumables	2
5	Contingencies	1
6	Training	1
7	Telephone without STD facility	1
Total		20

30. Employees State Insurance

(Outlay Rs.20 lakh)

The Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) was set up as a Multi dimensional Social Security System in India assigned with the significant and socially useful task of providing comprehensive medical care services to the beneficiaries and protecting them against certain eventualities that result in loss of wages or earning capacity. The scheme also takes care of physically disabled workers and dependents of insured persons with monetary support where death or disablement has occurred due to employment injury or occupational diseases. About 10% of the population of Kerala enjoys the benefit of medical care on the basis of contributions from wages through ESIC membership. As per the existing norms the total expenditure with a maximum ceiling of Rs.1000/- per insured person family unit per annum would be shared at an agreed ratio of 7:1 by ESI Corporation and State Government. An amount of Rs. 20 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities:-

- (i) OP treatment for diabetes patients/purchase of Glucometers in ESI dispensaries
- (ii) Preparation of treatment and referral protocols
- (iii) Training of staff for proper implementation of the protocols
- (iv) Setting up a system to monitor the implementation and to take corrective action
- (v) Development of a system for storage and retrieval of patient records
- (vi) Improvement of infrastructure
- (vii) Upgradation of equipment
- (viii) Provision of facilities to the patient and staff
- (ix) Provision of medicines and other consumables
- (x) Improvement of hospital administration

31. Flagship Programme on health(ACA)

(Outlay Rs. 1000 lakh)

The growing burden of out of pocket spending on health care impacting largely on the poor, in particular at the primary level, needs to be corrected. This health scheme proposes to achieve universal health security in the state, through the provision of free health care to the bottom 30 percent of the population, and of health care at affordable prices to the rest. It would focus on the need to strengthen the primary health care institutions in terms of availability of drugs, doctors and a hygienic environment. The amount provided under this head is in itself quite meagre in relation to what is needed. It needs to be dovetailed with the National Rural Health Mission of the Central government. The objective to start with will be to ensure the availability of certain essential medicines free of cost at the primary health centres, covering first the most neglected regions and building upto universal coverage over the five-year period. Since an amount for Medical Support under Additional Central Assistance Tsunami (explained later) serves objectives similar to the flagship programme on health this year only Rs.1000 lakh is provided under the Flagship on Health.

32. Kerala State Institute of Virology and Infectious Diseases, Alappuzha

**(Outlay Rs.670 lakh)
(NABARD Rs. 600 lakh)**

Considering the periodic outbreak of new communicable diseases like chickungunia, dengue fever, leptospirosis, and the occasional threat of some other diseases like Avian flue,

anthrax etc. providing facilities for the early diagnosis of the outbreak and having the facilities for regular laboratory surveillance of these diseases is very critical. Kerala Virology Institute started many years back was not able to develop into an institution of public health as envisaged. With the Government of India support this institution should be developed into a national level institute of virology and infectious diseases with facilities for Post Graduate courses in the relevant disciplines. An amount of Rs. 70 lakh is provided for 2008-09. In addition to this an amount of Rs.600 lakh is also proposed as assistance under NABARD during 2008-09.

New Schemes under Director of Health Services

1. *District Mental Health Programmes- Thiruvananthapuram and Thrissur*

(Outlay Rs.50 lakh)

As Government of India support period of five years to the mental health institutions is over an amount of Rs. 50 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for continuing the ongoing development activities.

2. *Prevention of Non communicable diseases*

(Outlay Rs.30 lakh)

Considering the higher prevalence rate of diabetes, hypertension, heart diseases etc. institutional level and field level programmes are to be organized for handling these diseases. Hence an amount of Rs.30 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

3. *New Women and Children Hospitals*

(Outlay Rs. 30 lakh)

At present there are only five districts having Women and Children Hospitals under the Health Service Department. There is a need to start Women and Children Hospitals in the Districts where this facility is not available in the Government sector. An amount of Rs. 30 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for starting new Women and Children hospitals. Efforts should be made to avail funds through the National Rural Health Mission also.

4. *New Public Health Laboratory at Kannur*

(Outlay Rs.70 lakh)

With the periodic outbreak of new communicable diseases it is decided to start Public Health Laboratory at Kannur for providing health care to the patients belonging to Northern Kerala. Hence an amount of Rs.70 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for starting a Public Health Laboratory at Kannur.

5. *Nursing School Pathanamthitta and Asramam Nursing School Kollam*

(Outlay Rs.80 lakh)

By the first year of the Eleventh Five Year Plan the Nursing Schools Pathanamthitta, Ashram Nursing school Kollam (for SC/ST) which were started with 100% GOI support will be

coming under the state scheme, after completing the five year support period of the GOI. Hence an amount of Rs.80 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the functioning of these schools.

6. Tsunami Medical Support Programme

(Outlay Rs.1981 lakh)

Planning Commission has approved Tsunami Rehabilitation programme for the reconstruction of damaged physical and social infrastructure and revival of livelihood of the affected peoples and areas. Hence an amount of Rs.1981 lakh is provided as Additional Central Assistance for 2008-09 for the following activities included under Medical Support:-

- 1) Health Care requirements for the reconstruction of damaged Health Institutions
- 2) Infrastructure facilities to Health Institutions
- 3) Vector control measures and control of water prone diseases
- 4) Integrated coastal health projects for entire coastal areas of Kerala

While the scheme is to be implemented by the Health Department the funds would be only drawn and managed by Project Director, TEAP/TRP with provision for flexibility in inter-departmental allocation by the Project Director.

MEDICAL EDUCATION

1. Modernization of the Directorate of Medical Education.

(Outlay Rs. 150 lakh)

An amount of Rs. 150 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the completion of modernisation activities which include

- ?? Completion of Computerisation
- ?? Construction of Academic block
- ?? Purchase of hardwares and soft wares and photo copier
- ?? Training to Staff

2. Development of Institutions under the Directorate of Medical Education.

(Outlay Rs. 1710 lakh)

From the Tenth Five Year Plan onwards, in order to optimize resource use, Plan fund is being granted institution wise, to prepare an overall development plan, based on rational priorities, in keeping with Medical/Dental/Nursing Council of India norms and implementing them in a phased manner. The minimum requirements expected in the plan are;

- ?? Reconditioning of existing equipment and procurement of essential new equipment.
- ?? Upgradation of existing facilities.
- ?? Renovation of existing infrastructure and creation of new infrastructure.
- ?? Improving professional standards through training.
- ?? Modernization through use of Information Technology.
- ?? Identification of specialist manpower requirements and filling up in a phased manner according to availability of resources and MCI norms
- ?? Conversion of Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram into a Centre of Excellence.
- ?? Rain water harvesting system

?? Upgradation of Department of Pharmacy, Medical College, Kozhikode into College of Pharmaceutical Science

An amount of Rs.1710 lakh is provided for the institutions coming under DME for 2008-09 as shown below:

(Rs. lakh)				
Sl.No.	Name of Institution	Revenue	Capital	Total
1.	Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram	160	100	260
2.	Medical College, Kozhikode	150	100	250
3.	Medical College, Kottayam	100	100	200
4.	Medical College, Alappuzha	200	300	500
5.	Medical College, Thrissur	100	100	200
6.	Regional Institute of Ophthalmology	50	-	50
7.	Dental College, Thiruvananthapuram	50	-	50
8.	Dental College, Kozhikode	30	20	50
9.	Dental College, Kottayam	30	10	40
10.	College of Pharmaceutical Science	25	-	25
11.	Nursing College, Thiruvananthapuram	25	-	25
12.	Nursing College, Kozhikode	30	-	30
13.	Nursing College, Kottayam	30	-	30
Total		980	730	1710

3. State Board of Medical Research

(Outlay: Rs.5 lakh)

The State Board of Medical Research has been established with the following functions:

- ?? Promote and sustain medical research
- ?? Monitor, guide and co-ordinate medical research
- ?? Identify areas of research relevant to health
- ?? Advice government on medical research
- ?? Travel grants to promising young researchers
- ?? Identify and recommend the development of specialities in Medical Colleges.

An amount of Rs. 5 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the activities mentioned related to Allopathy, Homoeopathy, Ayurveda, Unani and Siddha.

4. Directorate of Radiation Safety.

(Outlay Rs.20 lakh)

The Directorate of Radiation Safety ensures the safety of radiation equipments in hospitals. An outlay of Rs. 20 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for purchase of equipments, establishment expenses and training of staff.

5. State Drugs Formulary

(Outlay Rs.15 lakh)

State Drug Formulary currently under use needs to be updated and there is also need for continuous medical education on the essential drug concept. An outlay of Rs.15 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

6. Child Development Centre

(Outlay Rs. 480 lakh)
(NABARD: Rs.400 lakh)

Child Development Centre (CDC) provides support services in early childcare and education, adolescent care, premarital counselling, women health issues and other related fields. The construction of CDC's State Head Quarter Office in the Medical College campus, Thiruvananthapuram is almost complete. An amount of Rs. 80 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as grant in aid for the following activities. In addition to this an amount of Rs.400 lakh is also provided as assistance under NABARD during 2008-09.

- ?? Undertaking different projects
- ?? Infrastructure, modification, maintenance
- ?? Purchase of essential equipments
- ?? Starting of Specialty units

7. Kerala Heart Foundation

(Outlay Rs. 50 lakh)

Government of Kerala has set up Kerala Heart Foundation as an integral unit of Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram with functional autonomy and the following objectives.

- ?? Construction of building
- ?? To provide comprehensive cardiac health cares for children and adults.
- ?? To establish a network of peripheral units under DHS
- ?? To generate technical and scientific man power
- ?? To facilitate research in collaboration with national and international agencies
- ?? To introduce preventive cardiology and to facilitate CVD control programme
- ?? To introduce structured cardiac rehabilitation programme
- ?? To publish basic guidelines on CVD management.

Infrastructure is expected to be created through bank loans on Government land. An amount of Rs. 50 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

8. Kerala Integrated scheme for intervention in suicide prevention (KRISIS)

(Outlay Rs. 10 lakh)

The rate of suicide in Kerala is three times that of the National level. The main activity of the project is to set up counselling centres and clinics for prevention of suicides by combining the activities of health, education and social welfare sectors with public participation and establish suicide prevention clinics in Medical Colleges, District/ General Hospitals and Taluk level hospitals in a phased manner. An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

9. Hospital Waste Management in medical colleges and hospitals

(Outlay Rs.35 lakh)

As per the schedule VI of Bio Medical Waste (Management and handling) Rule 1998 under Environmental Protection Act 1986, all health institutions are to be provided Bio-medical waste treatment facilities. Treatment plant for common biomedical waste including waste water is to be established in all Medical Colleges Hospitals. An amount of Rs.35 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

10. Malabar Cancer Centre

(Outlay Rs.40 lakh)

Malabar Cancer Centre has been established with the aim of providing oncological care to the people of north Kerala. The present activities include outpatient services surgery, palliative care, diagnostic services etc. An amount of Rs. 40 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as grant-in-aid to the centre for construction works and installation of medical equipments.

11. Tele Health and Medical Education project Kerala

(Outlay Rs. 40 lakh)

Govt. of Kerala have started Tele Health and Medical Education project for providing expert medical care to patients staying at different distant hospitals and for continuing medical education. The project is implemented in Medical Colleges, District hospitals and the Community Health Centre at Attappady. The project cost is being shared by ISRO. The maintenance cost of these centres is to be met by State Government. An amount of Rs. 40 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

12. Spine Surgery Unit

(Outlay Rs. 50 lakh)

A Spine Surgery Unit has been established in the Government Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram. The road accidents at NH are increasing and the death due to spine injury is very common. Hence it is decided to start spine surgery unit in all the Medical Colleges. An amount of Rs.50 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

13. Indian Institute of Diabetes

(Outlay Rs. 50 lakh)

It is proposed to start this institute as a joint venture of Government of Kerala and World India Diabetes foundation. An amount of Rs.50 lakh is provided for 2008-09

14. Regional Institute of Ophthalmology, Kozhikode

(Outlay Rs. 50 lakh)

The established Regional Institute of Ophthalmology in Government Medical College, Kozhikode is being equivalent to a centre of excellence in eye treatment. An amount of Rs.50 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for further development.

15. *Nursing Education*

(Outlay Rs. 250 lakh)

Nursing is an area where Kerala has comparative advantages over other states as well as many other countries. Now it is necessary to upgrade the courses both at graduate and under graduate level so that the students passing out have the capacity to adjust with the most modern environment hospitals and global demand of additional nurses. Hence an amount of Rs.250 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for strengthening of Nursing Education including creation of additional seats, infrastructure facilities for under graduates and post graduate course in the Nursing Colleges attached with the Medical Colleges.

New Scheme under Directorate of Medical Education

1. *Subscription of online Journals for Medical Colleges*

(Outlay Rs. 50 lakh)

The libraries attached to the institutions are the sole dependable source of information for the students. In order to provide facility for medical colleges to link with global information network, access to online data bases are to be provided. Hence a consortium based subscription to online full text journal for all Medical colleges is required urgently. An amount of Rs.50 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for this purpose.

2. *Starting Para Medical Council*

(Outlay Rs. 50 lakh)

At present a good number of paramedical courses are conducted at both government as well as private levels. The courses at Government level are conducted by various universities and DME. There are no governing bodies to prescribe the uniform syllabus/curriculum to private sector. Hence starting a Para Medical Council is needed in the State. An amount of Rs.50 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for this purpose.

3. *Starting State Institute of Sports Medicine at Medical College, Kozhikode*

(Outlay Rs. 100 lakh)

Sports Medicine has emerged as an important Medical speciality now. In our country there are only a few centres for sports medicine and in Kerala there are no such centres. The number of professional sportsmen are increasing in a fast pace; the absence of a comprehensive sports medicine facility make the sportsmen unfit for a longer duration. Hence an amount of Rs.100 lakh is provided for 2008-09 to start an Institute of Sports Medicine at Government Medical College, Kozhikode.

4. *Construction and Renovation of Medical and Paramedical College Hostels for Under Graduate and Post Graduate students*

(Outlay Rs. 300 lakh)

Construction of new buildings for medical and paramedical students is necessary. Renovation of some existing under graduate/PG hostels and House Surgeons quarters of all the five Medical Colleges is an urgent need since most of them are in an extremely dilapidated state. Some hostels will require major civil and electrical repairs. Hence an amount of Rs. 300 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for new construction and renovation.

5. Matching grant for PMSSY to Government

(Outlay Rs. 50 lakh)

Government of India have sanctioned an amount of Rs.10000 lakh to Government Medical College Thiruvananthapuram under PMSSY and State Government have to provide a matching grant of Rs.2000 lakh. A token amount of Rs.50 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

Indian Systems of Medicine

1. Opening, Strengthening and improvement of Ayurveda Rural Dispensaries

(Outlay Rs. 500 lakh)

(NABARD: Rs.350 lakh)

To standardise the facilities in the existing dispensaries in partnership with the local governments on a project mode, an amount of Rs.150 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities. In addition to this an amount of Rs.350 lakh is also provided as assistance under NABARD during 2008-09.

- ?? Strengthening/improvement of facilities in the existing rural dispensaries
- ?? Starting/constructing rural dispensaries in selected panchayats where there is no homoeo/ayurveda dispensary
- ?? Establishment expenses of standardisation/ improvement of facilities.
- ?? Starting temporary dispensaries during festivals and in pilgrim Centres

2. Upgradation and Standardisation of District and other Hospitals

(Outlay Rs. 100 lakh)

It is proposed to upgrade the district and taluk hospitals in a phased manner after fixing standards for infrastructure facilities and services. An amount of Rs. 100 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities

- ?? Upgradation of nine district hospitals Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alappuzha, Kottayam, Ernakulam Thrissur, Palakkad, Malappuram and Kozhikode into 100 bedded hospitals
- ?? Laboratory facilities
- ?? X-Ray facilities
- ?? Provide Panchakarma and Ksharasuthra in all District Hospitals in a phased manner

3. Sidha Hospital

(Outlay Rs.5 lakh)

Infrastructure facilities in the Sidha Hospital at Vallakkadavu are to be improved in partnership with Thiruvananthapuram Corporation. An amount of Rs.5 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the development of infrastructure and purchase of essential medicines from Oushadhi. Opening of new Sidha institutions is also proposed.

4. Modernisation and Computerisation of Ayurveda Directorate

(Outlay Rs.40 lakh)

The modernisation programme started in the Directorate is to be continued. An amount of Rs.40 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities

- ?? Linking Directorate to District Medical Offices and District hospitals through networking.
- ?? Purchase of essential equipment , computers and accessories
- ?? Training to Staff

5. Prakrithi Chikilsa (Nature cure) Hospital at Varkala

(Outlay Rs.5 lakh)

An amount Rs.5 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for

- ?? Improving existing facilities and other establishment expenses of the hospital
- ?? Construction of new building
- ?? Purchase of hospital equipment.

6. Ayurveda Mental Hospital, Kottakkal

(Outlay Rs.50 lakh)

An amount of Rs. 50 lakh for 2008-09 is provided for:-

- ?? Modernising and upgrading the facilities in the Mental Hospital
- ?? Purchase of major equipments, medicine and other accessories
- ?? Construction of new building
- ?? Improving infrastructure facilities

7. Oushadhi

(The pharmaceutical corporation (IM) Kerala Ltd., Thrissur).

(Outlay Rs.50 lakh)

Oushadhi is a profit making company fully owned by Government of Kerala. Oushadhi is meeting the entire demand of Ayurvedic medicines to Indian systems of medicine department dispensaries and all other hospitals. An amount of Rs. 50 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as share capital contribution.

Ayurveda Medical Education

1. Assistance to Ayurveda Colleges

(Outlay Rs. 763 lakh)

(NABARD: Rs. 300 lakh)

Ayurveda College Thiruvananthapuram is proposed to be converted into a Centre of Excellence with modern facilities. A proposal for starting AYUSH University is also on the anvil. Similarly other Ayurveda Colleges at Thrippunithura and Kannur are to be upgraded. Each of these Colleges therefore needs a development Plan as per CCIM norms with focus on the following:

- ?? Repair of equipments.
- ?? Construction of new buildings
- ?? Purchase of new equipments.
- ?? Improvement of infrastructure
- ?? Starting of new courses.
- ?? Conduct of research.
- ?? Opening of new specialities.

- ?? Capacity building of staff.
- ?? Mobilisation of funds from external agencies

An amount of Rs. 463 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the execution of the development plan of each college which is as follows. In addition to this an amount of Rs.300 lakh is also proposed as assistance under NABARD during 2008-09.

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.No.	Name of College	Outlay 2008-09
1.	Ayurveda College, Thiruvananthapuram	250
2.	Ayurveda College, Trippunithura	108
3.	Ayurveda College, Kannur	105
	Total	463

2. Grant-in aid to Ayuveda College, Ollur

(Outlay Rs.10 lakh)

An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as grant-in aid to Vaidyaratnam Ayurveda College, Ollur, and Thrissur for maintenance of college building, developing library, laboratory and hospital

3. Computerisation and Modernisation of Directorate of Ayurveda Medical Education

(Outlay Rs. 105 lakh)

Ayurveda Education Directorate has started modernisation and installation of computer facilities to link with Medical Colleges. An amount of Rs. 105 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities

- ?? Computerisation
- ?? Training to staff
- ?? Works related to Patent Cell
- ?? Construction of additional floor in the present Arogyabhavan Building for the office of Directorate of Ayurveda Medical Education.

4. Publication Division

(Outlay Rs. 3 lakh)

Publication Division is functioning under the supervision of the Department of Samhitha Samskritha and Sidhantha in the colleges and publishing text books on Ayurveda which is of immense help to the students and teachers. An amount of Rs. 3 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

5. Continuing Medical Education

(Outlay Rs. 5 lakh)

Continuing Medical Education to Doctors and Para-medical staff consists of the following activities.

- ?? Theme based refresher courses
- ?? Workshops/Reorientation programme
- ?? Training in nature cure
- ?? Certificate courses for Nurses, Pharmacists and Masseurs

An amount of Rs.5 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

6. Assistance to Kerala Ayurvedic Studies and Research Society, Kottakkal

(Outlay Rs 10 lakh)

In order to enable the Society to provide the required facilities prescribed by CCIM to develop the college into a deemed university necessary infrastructure have to be created. The facilities proposed for 2008-09 are construction of PG block, library building and administrative block. An amount of Rs. 10 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as Grant in aid to the Society.

Homoeopathy

1. Strengthening of dispensaries, Opening Temporary Dispensaries and Epidemic Control Measures

(Outlay Rs. 455 lakh)

(NABARD Rs.350 lakh)

During 2008-09, it is proposed to improve facilities in dispensaries already started to attain a minimum standard in terms of unification of staff pattern, purchase of equipment and other accessories. Besides, the following activities are also to be taken up in the year. They are

- ?? Starting new dispensaries
- ?? Starting temporary dispensaries during festivals and at pilgrim centres.
- ?? Starting Epidemic control measures under the supervision of REACH

An amount of Rs.105 lakh is provided for 2008-09. In addition to this an amount of Rs.350 lakh is also provided as assistance under NABARD during 2008-09.

2. Standardization of District Hospitals and other Hospitals

(Outlay Rs. 90 lakh)

Standardisation of facilities and services in Homoeo hospital is one of the major objectives under this scheme. An amount of Rs. 90 lakh is provided during 2008-09 for the following activities

- ?? Opening of clinical laboratories in all hospitals in a phased manner
- ?? Standardisation of facilities in other district/taluk hospitals
- ?? Purchase of vehicles for District Hospitals

3. Computerization and Modernization of the Department

(Outlay Rs. 30 lakh)

It is decided to continue the modernisation programme in the Directorate of Homoeopathy in the next Annual Plan period also. In connection with this an amount of Rs.30 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities

- ?? Purchase of equipments
- ?? Training to staff
- ?? Fax and internet facilities
- ?? Completion of computer installation and networking with district medical offices

4. Continuing Medical Education and Training

(Outlay Rs. 7 lakh)

In order to provide continuing education to Doctors and Para Medical staff, an amount of Rs. 7 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for the following activities.

- ?? Training to staff
- ?? Conducting workshops

5. The Kerala State Homoeopathic Co-operative Pharmacy Ltd.

(Outlay Rs. 25 lakh)

The Kerala State Homoeopathy Co-operative Pharmacy is engaged in the manufacture and supply of Homoeopathic medicines to Government Homoeopathic institutions at subsidised rate and also supply medicines outside. An amount of Rs. 25 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as grant in aid for the following activities.

- ?? Strengthening of the production capacity
- ?? Strengthening of quality control division with modern equipment
- ?? Procurement of equipment
- ?? Improving marketing division.
- ?? Conducting research in Homoeopathy
- ?? Creation of Infrastructures required

Homoeo Education

Assistance to Medical Colleges

(Outlay Rs. 280 lakh)

For upgrading the facilities in Medical Colleges as per CCIM norms, an outlay of Rs. 100 lakh is provided for Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram and Rs. 180 lakh is provided for Medical College, Kozhikode during 2008-09 for the following activities.

- ?? Repair of equipment
- ?? Purchase of new equipment
- ?? Construction of hostel buildings
- ?? Improvement of infrastructure(Minor works)
- ?? Starting of new courses
- ?? Increasing bed strength
- ?? Conduct of research activities
- ?? Starting epidemic control cell
- ?? Development of Library
- ?? Opening of new Specialities

*New schemes***1. Starting Nursing/Pharmacy College in Homoeopathy****(Outlay Rs. 20 lakh)**

It is decided to start Government Nursing/Pharmacy College in Homoeopathy for Nursing/Pharmacy course in Homoeopathy in the State. For this a token provision of Rs.20 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for taking initial steps for the same.

2. Separate Directorate for Homoeopathic Medical Education**(Outlay Rs. 25 lakh)**

A separate Directorate for Homoeopathic Medical Education is yet to be established in the State. For starting a separate Homoeopathic Medical Education an amount of Rs.25 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

10.7 WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION

Water Supply and Sanitation is one of the leading sectors in the priority matrix set for the State's Eleventh Five Year Plan. This is reflected in the Annual Plan 2008-09 as well. The allocation of Rs. 96960 lakhs to this sector, accounts for nearly 12.59 per cent of the total outlay. However, given the concentration of sources of finance (JBIC, JNNURM, Tsunami etc) the resources allocated are not evenly distributed across the state. Therefore, care should be taken in the use of various sources of funds as well as projects so that the resources and benefits are spread evenly across the state.

1. Survey and Investigation

(Outlay Rs. 10 lakh)

Survey and investigation works have to be carried out for newly sanctioned water supply and sewerage schemes to be executed in the coming years. New water supply projects and sewerage projects are expected under Govt. of India programmes like JNNURM and UIDSSMT and external aided programmes. Detailed project reports has to be prepared for these schemes. The investigation and planning wing of KWA has to be strengthened with procurement of modern equipment and development of infrastructure facilities for survey, planning and design works. An amount of Rs. 10 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

2. Training, Quality Control, Research & Development

(Outlay Rs.10 lakh)

The outlay is intended to provide HRD and training activities in KWA for resource improvement, quality control measures and new research activities. At present, KWA is conducting inhouse training courses to its staff. KWA plans for a technical consultancy wing for design and planning of water supply and sewerage schemes, the service of which can be used by external agencies and Panchayat Raj Institutions. Initial arrangements has been made for this.

The Regional Water Quality Control Laboratories and District Water Quality Control Laboratories are to be modernized for comprehensive testing of quality of water. Hence for providing training activity, establishment of consultancy wing and for procurement of modern equipments for water quality testing an amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for 2008-09

3. Sewerage Schemes

(Outlay Rs.125 lakh)

During XIth Plan, KWA aims to implement sewerage systems in five City Corporations and all Municipal Corporations. It will be done mainly by using funds from Govt. of India programmes like JNNURM and UIDSSMT. New sewerage schemes are formulated under JNNURM for Thiruvananthapuram and Kochi Corporations. The

ongoing sewerage scheme include the following works of Thiruvananthapuram sewerage scheme.

1. Augmentation of sewerage system in Melarannoor area (70% completed)
2. Providing sewerage system to Bhagath Singh road.(85% completed)
3. Providing sewerage facilities to uncovered areas of block D&E

An outlay of Rs.125 lakh is provided during 2008-09 for completing the above ongoing works and to clear the pending payments.

4. Water Supply Schemes to Medical College Hospitals

(Outlay Rs.15 lakh)

In order to meet the increasing water demand in medical college hospitals and other hospitals, this scheme has been introduced. The ongoing scheme for Thrissur Medical College is almost completed.

Renovation of water tank, improvements of pipeline including providing valves etc of WSS to Thiruvananthapuram Medical college are to be carried out urgently to ensure continuous supply of water, in Thiruvananthapuram Medical College. Improvements to WSS to other medical colleges are also to be carried out. An outlay of Rs.15 lakh is provided for the above works during 2008-09.

5. Urban Water Supply Schemes- Improvement and Rehabilitation of Existing Schemes

(Outlay Rs.250 lakh)

Several Urban Water Supply schemes commissioned years ago need replacement of pipelines and improvement to the treatment plants and electrical installations. It is estimated that about 40% of water produced is lost during distribution mainly due to lack of preventive maintenance and very old pipes. The life of pumping main, transmission main and distribution main for many of the schemes are already over. These pipes need immediate replacement to avoid rupture and consequent interruption of water supply. To ensure quality of water supplied replacement of filter media and modernization of the system are to be carried out.

In order to meet the above requirements an outlay of Rs.250 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

6. Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme Schemes (50% State share)

(Outlay Rs.400 lakh)

Govt. of India provides 50% assistance for implementing water supply schemes to towns with population less than 20,000 under the Centrally Sponsored Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP). The balance 50% will have to be provided by the state government. There are now eight ongoing AUWSP schemes benefiting a population of 1.66 lakh currently under implementation. The works of these schemes are

progressing and three schemes are targeted to be completed during 2007-08 and the remaining are targeted to be completed during 2008-09. For the timely completion of these schemes an outlay of Rs. 400 lakh is provided for 2008-09 as state share.

7. Matching Assistance to LIC and HUDCO Assisted Water Supply Schemes-Urban

(Outlay Rs. 725 lakh)

At present 31 Urban Water Supply Schemes taken up with LIC/HUDCO assistance are under various stages of implementation. Due to government guarantee problem, LIC loan is not availed by KWA from 2003-04 onwards. The implementation of these schemes have been commenced from mid 90's and considerable amount have been invested and major components of many of the schemes are completed. Moreover some of the schemes are linked with ongoing schemes under other programmes. Proposals are submitted for implementation of some schemes in this category under UIDSSMT/ADB assistance. The remaining ongoing schemes under this category is 22. Out of this 19 schemes are prioritized for completion before 2009-10. Hence for completion of these schemes an outlay of Rs.725 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

8. Rural Water Supply Schemes- Improvements to the existing Schemes

(Outlay Rs.150 lakh)

There are 952 Comprehensive Rural Water Supply Schemes and 878 Single Panchayat Rural Water Supply Schemes through which Kerala Water Authority effects rural drinking water supply. Of these, many schemes commissioned years ago need replacement of pipelines, pumps and motors, electrical installations etc. To improve the quality of water supplied replacement of filter media of intake/treatment plants are required. Similarly many of the civil structures such as components of treatment plants and OH reservoirs need repair and rehabilitation. Distribution loss due to old pipelines and lack of maintenance is estimated about 40 percent. Hence more thrust would be given to rehabilitation of all old rural water supply schemes to reduce distribution loss to the minimum and to improve performance. An outlay of Rs.150 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09 for the improvement and rehabilitation of existing rural water supply schemes.

9. Completion of Rural Water Supply Schemes not Eligible for ARWSP Assistance

(Outlay Rs.250 lakh)

Government of India provides funds for the implementation of rural water supply schemes under the centrally sponsored ARWSP of the RGNDWM. According to the guidelines of this programme, excess over the estimated cost have to be met by the state governments. 10 such schemes are now under execution which have exceeded the estimated cost. Moreover there are also 72 schemes under ARWSP of Government of India out of which some schemes may cause cost over run due to cost escalation, delay in getting land in time etc. The balance amounts required for the completion of such schemes are also to be met by Government of Kerala/Kerala Water Authority. As per Bharath Nirman Programme of Government of India complete coverage in Rural Sector

has to be achieved by 2008-09. Hence in order to achieve the targets as envisaged in Bharath Nirman these schemes have to be completed in time. The plan provision is to meet the excess cost to complete these schemes taken up under ARWSP. The outlay for 2008-09 is Rs. 250 lakhs.

10. Water Supply Schemes to Naval Academy- Ezhimala

(Outlay Rs.10 lakh)

The Water Supply Scheme to Ezhimala Naval Academy was started in 1991. The project comprises of two phases. The phase I was intended to supply water for the construction purpose of the Naval Academy project. The works under Phase I was completed and handed over to the Navy. The Phase II was intended to supply 7.5 MLD water for meeting the drinking water demand of the project area and the same has been commissioned during 2006-07. An amount of Rs. 10 lakh is provided for the year 2008-09 to clear the payment of pending bills.

11. Water Supply Schemes to Sabarimala

(Outlay Rs. 15 lakh)

The number of pilgrims visiting Sabarimala are increasing every year. The existing facility is inadequate to meet the drinking water demand of the pilgrims during festival season. Hence it is proposed to augment the existing WSS to Sabarimala and Pamba to 13.5 mld from the existing 11 mld capacity and for laying an additional pumping main of 250 mm pipe for a length of 3.8 k.m. The total cost for the augmentation proposal comes to Rs. 233 lakhs. The augmentation proposal is planned to be implemented with cost sharing between Government of Kerala and Travancore Devaswom Board. It is also proposed to improve and rehabilitate the existing water supply scheme to Erumeli at an estimated cost of Rs. 75 lakh to meet the increasing demand during Sabarimala season. An amount of Rs.15 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09 for carrying out the above works.

12. JBIC Assisted Kerala Water Supply Project

(Outlay Rs. 80000 lakh)

The JBIC assisted project envisages the implementation of five water supply schemes at an estimated cost of Rs. 1787.45 crores. They are augmentation and rehabilitation of water supply systems of two urban regions, viz, Thiruvananthapuram and Kozhikode and construction of water supply systems for three rural regions viz, Meenad, Cherthala and Pattuvam including their adjoining villages. The project when completed will ensure drinking water to a population of about 43 lakh in the benefited area spread over five districts.

The project cost has been subsequently revised to Rs. 2589.90 crores out of which Rs. 2163.90 crores is the JBIC loan portion and Rs. 426 crores is the Government of Kerala share.

The total project has been proposed to be carried out in 23 contract packages of which 11 are International Competitive Bidding (ICB) packages and 12 are Local Competitive Bidding (LCB) packages. Out of 23 contract packages 21 work contracts were awarded and the construction activities are progressing. The remaining two contract packages are rehabilitation works of existing components of Thiruvananthapuram and Kozhikode schemes. Institutional strengthening is also included in the project. The project completion period is as follows.

1. All water supply schemes except rehabilitation of Thiruvananthapuram and Kozhikode schemes - August 2008.
2. Rehabilitation works of Thiruvananthapuram and Kozhikode schemes - August 2009.
3. Institutional strengthening - August 2009.

With the award of contracts, the financial requirement of the project is substantial from 2007 onwards. An outlay of Rs. 800 crores is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

13. Water Supply Schemes to existing NC/PC Habitations

(Outlay Rs. 5 lakh)

The objective of the programme is to provide 40 lpcd water supply to all partially covered and non covered habitations and the funds will be provided by Government of India. There are 268 ongoing schemes under this category which is expected to make cost over run towards completion mainly due to cost escalation. The Government of India does not provide cost over run for the schemes coming under this programme. Completion of these schemes has to be given top priority to achieve the target aimed as per the Bharath Nirman programme of Government of India. An outlay of Rs.5 lakh is provided during Annual Plan 2008-09 for this purpose.

14. Matching Assistance for LIC Assisted Water Supply Schemes- Rural

(Outlay Rs.250 lakh)

There were 57 LIC aided RWSS under various stages of implementation. Out of this, 4 schemes were completed. Approval was obtained for central assistance for 12 schemes in this category. Three schemes were dropped due to various reasons. One scheme was taken up under Technology Mission and another one is posed for NABARD assistance. Out of the remaining 36 schemes 25 schemes are prioritized for completion before 2009-10.

Implementation of these schemes have been commenced from mid 90's and major components of many of the schemes are completed. More over some of the schemes are linked with ongoing schemes under other programmes. Due to delay in completion of these LIC schemes, other schemes are also getting delayed. 100% coverage in rural sector as envisaged in Bharath Nirman Programme of Government of India has to be achieved by 2008-09. Hence timely completion of these schemes has to

be given top priority. An amount of Rs. 250 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

15. Technology Mission Schemes (25% / 50%SS)

(Outlay: Rs. 600 lakh)

Government of India provides 50% to 75% of project cost for implementing schemes in water quality affected areas (excess of iron, fluoride, salinity etc). 13 schemes (9 Nos. @ 75:25 and 3Nos. @ 50:50 & 1No @ 96:3:3:7) are currently under implementation

The total estimated cost of the above schemes is Rs. 7500 lakh. A total amount of about Rs. 5450 lakh is required for completion of these schemes. Out of it Government of Kerala has to provide a matching assistance of Rs. 1000 lakh. The outlay provided for Annual Plan 2008-09 for meeting the state share is Rs.600 lakh

16. Restructured Central Rural Sanitation Programme - General (25% State Share)

(Outlay Rs.400 lakh)

The objective of Restructured Central Rural Sanitation Programme is to accelerate sanitation coverage of rural areas through local governments by generating demand from families through sustained IEC and by encouraging suitable cost effective technologies thereby bringing about reduction in incidence of water and sanitation diseases. From 1-4-2002 focus is on Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC). TSC has been sanctioned in all the 14 districts. These projects are at various stages of implementation. An amount of Rs. 400 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

17. Computerisation of Billing and Collection System

(Outlay Rs.5 lakh)

There are 124 subdivisions in KWA out of which 93 are handling revenue functions. Computerized Billing and Collection system exists in 27 major revenue centres having consumer population above 10000. Three types of billing practices viz, Bimonthly Spot Billing (BSB), Bimonthly Billing (BB) and PIC Billing (PB) are now prevailing. BSB system is running in the area of 7 Revenue Centres of Thiruvananthapuram, BB System in 4 offices at Kochi and 2 offices at Kozhikode, PB system in the remaining 14 computerised centres. Manual billing system is prevailing in the remaining offices. The BSB system which has proved acceptable to consumers, has decided to be rolled out statewide in phased manner during XI plan. For achieving this milestone, the following implementation schedule is to be carried out within a time span of first 3 years of XI plan.

- a) The centres now running with Bimonthly system are to be converted to centralized spot Billing System in 2008-09.

- b) PIC system existing in 14 subdivisions covering 11 major Municipalities are to be converted to centralized Spot Billing in 2008-09.
- c) Offices where Manual Billing System is prevailing at present are to be computerised.

A centralised Billing and Collection System software is being developed by National Informatic Centre. On implementation of this all the Revenue centres will achieve centralised data facility and monitoring methods. An outlay of Rs.5 lakh is provided for Annual Plan 2008-09.

18. Computerisation of KWA Offices- Phase II

(Outlay Rs. 5 lakh)

It has been decided to implement total computerisation in KWA. For the Phase-II computerisation under RGNDWM, Government of Kerala has submitted a revised proposal for KWA to Government of India for a grant-in-aid of Rs. 1226 lakh. This comprehensive proposal envisages total networking and MIS for KWA. The Authority initiated the implementation of the IT Master Plan. Major financial assistance for implementation of the projects under the IT Master Plan is expected to receive from Government of India. The items not covered by the Mission are to be procured under state fund. For this, an outlay of Rs. 5 lakh is provided for 2008-09. The Master Plan is scheduled to be completed within the first three years of the XI Plan.

19. World Bank Aided Kerala Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Project

(Outlay Rs.2000 lakh)

Kerala Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Project was taken up for implementation with World Bank assistance at an estimated cost of Rs. 451.40 crore in 2001. The project implementation is spread over six years from 2000-01 and the project districts are Thrissur, Palakkad, Malappuram and Kozhikode. The project cost has been downsized to Rs. 382 crore, based on the findings in the Mid Term Review of the project in 2003 that the project is achieving its targets at a lower cost than earlier estimated and decided to scale up the project across the state. The revised estimate includes Rs. 60 crores each for scaling up the project to other districts and cost for Tsunami relief works. The project period has been extended for one year for implementing the Tsunami rehabilitation project.

Through Jananidhi Project 3536 Water Supply schemes managed by 3728 beneficiary Groups have been completed as on 31.10.2007 through Jananidhi project. Another 173 schemes are at different stages of implementation. KRWSA has taken 14 large surface based water supply schemes. Out of these five schemes have been commissioned and works of others are progressing Water Supply Schemes taken up in Tsunami affected area of Chavara and Panmana are also targeted to be completed in the year 2008-09. For completion of the schemes taken up under this project an amount of Rs. 2000 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

20. Water Supply Schemes to Rural Schools (50% SS)

(Outlay Rs.200 lakh)

As per guidelines from Govt. of India, drinking water has to be provided to all rural schools. Expenditure for this is shared between Central and the State Governments in the ratio 50:50. KWA had taken up various schemes for providing protected water supply to schools/Anganwadis in rural areas. Works of 325 schemes are in progress. 479 proposals for water supply schemes to schools/ anganwadis amounting to Rs. 238.31 lakhs has been sanctioned in the SLSC for which an amount of Rs. 120 lakh is required as state share. An outlay of Rs. 200 lakh is provided for Annual Plan 2008-09 for meeting the state share.

21. Completion of all ongoing Urban Water Supply Schemes

(Outlay Rs.200 lakh)

The urban water supply schemes which are ongoing, partially commissioned and in various stages of execution throughout the state which make cost over run in the original programme are posed under this for completion. There are 5 such schemes under various stages of execution. All these schemes are targeted to be commissioned before 2008-09. An outlay of Rs.200 lakh is provided for Annual Plan 2008-09.

22. Completion of Rural Water Supply Schemes other than ARWSP Schemes

(Outlay Rs.150 lakh)

There are 12 ongoing rural water supply schemes in various stages of execution coming under the head "completion of ongoing RWSS". Of these two schemes has been completed for which payment for clearing bills is expected during 2008-09. An outlay of Rs.150 lakh is provided for Annual Plan 2008-09 for completion of the above schemes and clearing the payments.

23. ADB Assisted Water Supply Schemes- Tsunami Emergency Assistance Project (TEAP)

(Outlay Rs.3925 lakh)

In six districts of Kerala viz, Kollam, Alappuzha, Ernakulam, Thrissur, Kozhikode and Kannur. 210 Tsunami interim relief works costing Rs. 11.57 crore were taken up by KWA in February 2005. So far 209 works have been completed. As long term measure for rehabilitation of the affected area, KWA is implementing the following schemes with ADB assistance.

1. CWSS to Alappad, Clappana, Ochira and Karunagapally
2. WSS to Kayamkulam Municipality and Arattupuzha Panchayat.

The works of CWSS to Alappad, Clappana, Ochira and Karunagapally not covered under Technology Mission was taken up under TEAP. The balance works to be taken up under ADB assistance includes cost of laying water pumping main, transmission

mains, distribution net works, constructing OH tanks and allied civil works, electrical and mechanical works amounting to Rs. 3880 lakh.

The works included in WSS to Kayamkulam Municipality and Arattupuzha Panchayat are construction of water treatment plant, laying raw water pumping main, transmission lines and other civil works, electrical and mechanical works. The estimate cost is Rs. 1329 lakhs.

On completion of the above two schemes about 3.28 lakh population will be benefited. The schemes are targeted to be completed by the end of 2008-09. An amount of Rs. 3925 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

24.NABARD Assisted Rural Water supply Schemes – Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF)

(Outlay Rs.3000 lakh)

Eight RWSS are taken up for implementation with NABARD assistance under RIDF benefiting a population of 2.42 lakhs. The revised cost approved by NABARD comes to Rs.6218.15 lakhs including establishment share debit. Revised amount of loan sanctioned by NABARD is Rs.4444.61 lakhs. Government contribution including establishment share debit is Rs.1773.54 lakhs. Loan amount released from NABARD including the start up advance of Rs. 199.94 lakh is Rs. 1360.48 lakhs. Balance amount to be released from NABARD is Rs. 3084.13 lakh. Out of 8 schemes, 3 schemes, viz. WSS to Azhikkode, WSS to Edakkad, WSS to Ramanthali are included in the list of schemes targeted for commissioning during the current financial year and the remaining five schemes are targeted to be completed during 2008-09. The outlay proposed towards Tsunami would be drawn and managed by the Project Director TEAP without disturbing the overall departmental allocation.

An amount of Rs.3000 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

25. Guruvayoor Drainage Scheme.

(Outlay Rs. 125 lakh)

The project components of Guruvayoor Drainage Scheme includes construction of 3 MLD sewage treatment plant, laying of sewer lines, and rehabilitation of the existing components. The estimate cost of the scheme is Rs.1250 lakhs which is to be shared by Government of Kerala, Guruvayoor Municipality and Guruvayoor Devaswom at the ratio 3:3:4. The share of KWA for the scheme is Rs.375 lakhs. The scheme on implementation will cover 75% area of Guruvayoor Municipality. The scheme is planned to be completed during Eleventh Plan period. For this an amount of Rs. 125 lakh is provided during the Annual Plan 2008-09.

26. WSS to Guruvayoor and Adjoining Areas – Special Assistance

(Outlay Rs.60 lakh)

The Water Supply Scheme to Guruvayoor and adjoining areas is an ongoing LIC aided scheme. The total estimate cost of the scheme is Rs.3400 lakhs. LIC has already given Rs.329 lakhs as loan for the scheme. After the share of Devaswom, balance amount of Rs. 17 crores has to be raised from other financial agencies. The work of the 13 MLD treatment plant amounting to Rs. 169 lakhs is progressing. The project report for the balance works is being prepared by KWA for posing under UIDSSMT. Hence for making balance payment for the ongoing treatment plant works an amount of Rs.60 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

27. Project for Protecting and Sustaining the Traditional Drinking Water Sources and Rainwater Harvesting

(Outlay Rs.25 lakh)

In Kerala as per Census 2001 the source of drinking water for 71.95% of the total population is wells. Open wells of Kerala have the problem of bacteriological contamination. The open character of wells, and inadequate maintenance habit and use of bucket and rope to draw water, kitchen waste dumping and pit latrines at a distance of less than 5 metre from wells are some of the factors which are found to be contributing to the bacteriological contamination. In addition to the quality problems the wells are also facing the problem of quantity, which is manifested in increasing number of wells getting dried up during the summer months.

Though the state has abundant rain fall, it is not being effectively used to recharge the ground water or for rainwater harvesting from the roof top. In this context a programme to rejuvenate/rehabilitate the traditional water sources like wells and ponds shall be undertaken throughout the state through the Panchayat Raj institutions. However, following activities need to be taken up at the state level for helping the LSGIs

1. IEC/HRD activities on the project.
2. Technical support for rain water harvesting from roof top as an intervention for recharge of wells.
3. Technical Support for Sanitisation of wells.
4. Renovation and Rehabilitation of public wells and ponds.

An amount of Rs. 25 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

28. State Water Quality Referral Institute at Aluva (Spl. Assistance)

(Outlay Rs. 10 lakh)

As per the national water quality monitoring and surveillance program initiated by the GOI, all the water sources in the State has to be checked for water quality through an institutionalized programme adopting a community based approach with the involvement of PRIs.

The GOK have declared the water quality testing divisional laboratory at Aluva as the State laboratory and State Referral Institute (SRI) for water quality monitoring &

surveillance programme. With appropriate reorientation of its laboratory system, KWA water quality testing laboratories in Ernakulam and other districts will act as district laboratories for the programme.

The SRI has to take up the central role of technical supporter and co-ordinate systematic water quality surveillance and data processing of all drinking water sources of the State. It has to check up at least 10% of the samples of all sources of drinking water. Also the SRI has to carry out special tasks of water quality problems/surveys at the direction of GoK/GoI.

The infrastructure and man power required to meet all the requirements of SRI is far behind in the present setup. An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided during 2008-09 for purchase of instrument and other testing equipments.

29. Manufacturing units for Bottled Water in KWA

(Outlay Rs.100 lakh)

The market for bottled drinking water is very wide and there is scope for setting up bottled drinking water by KWA to meet the increasing demand. It will also help the Kerala Water Authority to diversify its activities. Moreover setting up such a plant in public sector would enable the government to have a control on the prices in this field.

After a preliminary study on market suitability, quality of available water, availability of other infrastructure etc., it is proposed to set up one plant each in Thiruvananthapuram, Kochi and Kozhikode. It is planned to set up the plants in a phased manner. The first plant is to be set up in Thiruvananthapuram during 2007-08 and the other plants are also expected to be set up in the XI Plan period itself. An amount of Rs. 100 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

30. Construction of Regulator at Bhavikara Dam in Muliya Panchayat in Kasaragod

(Outlay Rs.5 lakh)

The original Kasaragod UWSS was implemented in 1976, the capacity of which has subsequently augmented to 8 mld. Since then, the demand supply gap has increased manifold. Even the full design capacity supply could not be achieved due to inconsistent and low voltage power supply, salinity intrusion at source, drying up of source during summer, wastage due to leaks etc. It is estimated that ultimate demand of Kasaragod Municipality and nearby panchayats over a design period of 20 years is 18 mld which intumescences necessitates a minimum of 60 days demand as storage which comes to 1512 million litres. KWA is spending Rs. 3 lakh every year towards construction of bunds to ward off salinity intrusion and to maintain minimum storage during period of lean flow.

Minor Irrigation Department had a proposal for construction of a permanent class I regulator at Bhavikara which will make available 1.5m stagnant water in summer. KWA has agreed for capital sharing of the scheme with Minor Irrigation Department. The estimated cost of the work is 258 lakhs. Administrative Sanction was accorded by Government for the proposal by sharing Rs. 45 lakh by KWA. An amount of Rs. 5 lakh is provided for this purpose for Annual Plan 2008-09.

31. Tsunami Rehabilitation Programme (ACA)

(Outlay Rs. 3935.00 lakh)

Government of India has sanctioned a grant of Rs.70 crore for implementing various works under Tsunami Rehabilitation Programme (TRP). Govt. of Kerala vide GO (Rt) No 1079/2007/WRD Dated 8/8/07 has accorded administrative sanction for 110 number of TRP proposals amounting to Rs. 64.05 crore in nine districts viz, Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alappuzha, Ernakulam, Trissur, Kozhikode, Malappuram, Kannur and Kasaragod. The Schemes are proposed to be completed within two years. An outlay of Rs. 3935 lakh is provided for 2008-09 for implementation of the TRP schemes. The outlay provided towards TRP would be drawn and managed by the Project Director TRP without disturbing the overall departmental allocation.

10.8 Housing

A house is a composite and a complex good that fulfils some of the basic necessities of life. Housing is a leading sector in Kerala, generating employment and incomes to a large number of skilled, semi skilled and unskilled workers.

Several agencies are implementing housing schemes in the State. Kerala State Housing Board, Kerala State Co-operative Housing Federation, Kerala State Development Corporation for SC/ST, SC/ST Development Department, Rural Development Department (including 'Ashraya' housing scheme of Kudumbashree for the destitutes), Local Self Governments and other Government Departments and Institutions have been playing a major role in this respect. Non-governmental agencies such as COSTFORD and Habitat Technology Group and corporations such as Kerala Police Housing and Construction Corporation have also helped in constructing houses. In the recent Government effort to rebuild damaged houses for those affected by Tsunami along the coast, several NGOs have also contributed significantly.

Some innovative housing schemes are proposed to be initiated this year as is given in the following pages.

In the Eleventh Plan an outlay of Rs 531 crore has been provided for the five year period 2007-12, including a provision of Rs 300 crore for the flagship scheme which focuses on free housing for the poor. The Annual Plan, 2008-09 envisages an allocation of Rs 20 crore in the housing sector. In addition to this, a provision of Rs 107.24 crore under Additional Central Assistance Tsunami is also envisaged for housing as part of coastal resettlement under the Tsunami Rehabilitation Programme. Of the Rs 107.24 crore, an amount of Rs 80.24 crore is required for land acquisition for housing purposes, while Rs 27 crore would be utilized for house construction. These Tsunami funds would be only drawn and managed by Project Director, TEAP/TRP with provision for flexibility in interdepartmental allocation by the Project Director.

The department/institution wise fund allocation of 2nd Annual Plan of the XIth Five Year Plan is summarised below.

1. Kerala State Housing Board

Kerala State Housing Board is implementing Public Housing Schemes, Plotted Development Schemes, Commercial Complexes and Revenue Towers by mobilising institutional finance from HDFC, Banks etc. KSHB should initiate rigorous activities to raise more resources by way of aggressive loan recovery, consultancy services, sale of developed house plots, sale of completed houses, enhancing rents of rented out revenue towers etc. The schemes are envisaged below:

Reconstruction of One Lakh Housing Scheme

(Outlay Rs 500 .00 lakh)

One lakh housing scheme was launched in 1972. Since the present condition of majority of the houses so constructed is very pathetic mainly because of three decades of aging, reconstruction of these houses is very essential. The Board had proposed a new financial pattern of reconstruction costing Rs 1,00,000 /- for a house. Out of this, the share of beneficiary is Rs 25,000/-(including voluntary labour), share from philanthropists, Govt & Non Govt agencies, Local Bodies and from MLA/MP Fund is Rs 25,000/- and a Govt subsidy of maximum of Rs 50,000/-.An amount of Rs 500 lakh is set apart during 2008-09 towards capital subsidy to implement the scheme

New Scheme

Residential Flats for Economically Weaker Sections in Urban Areas

(Outlay Rs 250.00 lakh)

This scheme is intended to provide housing facilities to the poor urban workers who are being increasingly displaced from the city limits and are being forced to stay far away from their work place. Four to six storied flats will be constructed using Govt land / aggregation of land owned by the beneficiaries. An amount of Rs 250 lakh is provided in the 2008-09 Annual Plan. Detailed project proposal is to be submitted to State Planning Board for approval.

2. Kerala Police Housing and Construction Corporation Ltd

(Outlay Rs 450.00 lakh)

The Kerala Police Housing & Construction Corporation Ltd was established in 1990 with the objective of taking up construction activities for the Police, Fire & Rescue Services, Prisons, Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Bureau. The authorized share capital and paid up capital of the Corporation stands at Rs10 crore and 27 lakh respectively. The Corporation raises institutional loans from HUDCO and LIC housing finance.

During the Annual Plan 2008-09 Corporation will take up the on going schemes such as Water Augmentation and Residential Quarters at Kerala Police Academy, Thrissur, Compound walls for Police Stations/Offices/AP Bns etc, Barrack at KAP 2nd Bn Palakkad, AR Barrack, Tripunnithara, Repairs & Maintenance of Police Buildings & Quarters, Computerization, Office Equipments, Purchase of Furniture and Purchase of Library Books. Two new schemes proposed which could be initiated this year are Police Resource Centers and Buildings for Women Police Cells in selected locations, keeping fund availability in mind. An outlay of Rs 450 lakh is set apart to meet the expenditure on these schemes during 2008-09

3. Nirmithi Kendra

(Outlay Rs 215.00 lakh)

Kerala State Nirmithi Kendra (KESNIK) was established in 1989 to actively engage in the field of housing and habitat development through the propagation of Cost Effective and Environment Friendly (CEEF) technology. KESNIK will implement the following schemes during 2008-09 with an outlay of Rs 215 lakh

Developing strategies to overcome shortage of sand, Setting up of production centers for CEEF materials including upgradation of existing ones , Setting up of three margin free markets for building materials, Setting up of testing facilities in all districts of Kerala and Capacity building of KESNIK personnel, Training of artisans etc.

4. Laurie Baker Nirmithi Training and Research Institute

(Outlay Rs 25 .00 lakh)

Laurie Baker Nirmithi Training and Research Institute, the academic wing of Kerala State Nirmithi Kendra has been conducting Post Graduate Programmes, Diploma level courses and short duration programmes on different aspects of housing, construction and project management. Rs 25 lakh is set apart for this institute to conduct the following programmes/schemes.

Development of Basic Infrastructure, Diploma holders training programme for Civil Engineers & Architects in CEEF Technology, Orientation programmes on CEEF technology to Engineers from Local Bodies and other Departments, Diploma in Traditional Architecture, Interior Decoration and Research and Development.

5. Kerala State Co-operative Housing Federation

(Outlay Rs 265.00 lakh)

Kerala State Co-operative Housing Federation Ltd, registered on 23.09.1970 is the apex body for financing the primary Co-operative housing societies in the State. At present 206 primary housing co-operative societies are affiliated to the Federation. The main sources of funds to the Federation are Share Capital contribution from member societies and State Government and borrowings from LIC, National Housing Bank, Housing and Urban Development Co-operation. In order to increase the share capital base and enable the Co-operative to raise more institutional finance an amount of Rs 265 lakh is provided during 2008-09.

6. Public Works Department (Buildings & Local Works)

Government Residential Quarters

(Outlay Rs 275.00 lakh)

Construction of quarters for Government employees, working men/women's hostels and quarters for senior government officers are the components of the scheme. An amount of Rs 275 lakh is provided during 2008-09.

7. ACA Tsunami (Housing) – New Scheme**(Outlay Rs 2700.00 lakh)**

A provision of Rs 102.83 crore under Additional Central Assistance Tsunami is envisaged for housing as part of Coastal Resettlement under the Tsunami Rehabilitation Programme during 2008-09. Of the Rs 102.83 crore, an amount of Rs 27 crore is provided for house construction. These Tsunami funds would be only drawn and managed by Project Director, TEAP/TRP with provision for flexibility in interdepartmental allocation by the Project Director.

8. ACA Tsunami Housing (for Land Acquisition) – New Scheme**(Outlay Rs 8024.00 lakh)**

Of the Rs 107.24 crore under Additional Central Assistance Tsunami as envisaged for house construction, an amount of Rs 80.24 crore is provided for land acquisition for housing purposes during 2008-09. These Tsunami funds would be only drawn and managed by Project Director, TEAP/TRP with provision for flexibility in interdepartmental allocation by the Project Director.

Flagship Programme on Housing**(Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)**

With the provision of above amount for housing and objectives similar to what is envisaged in the Flagship on Housing, a small amount of Rs 20 lakh has been allocated under this head for 2008-09.

10.9 URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Urban Affairs Department

1. Computerization of the Department of Urban Affairs

(Outlay Rs.10.00 lakh)

An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for providing computers in the Directorate and Regional Offices of Urban Affairs Department and for the annual maintenance contract of computers. The outlay is also proposed for other maintenance expenditure for which non-plan fund will not be available.

2. Infrastructure Development Cell

(Outlay Rs.10.00 lakh)

An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for project preparation and appraisal and developing expertise of the departmental officers.

3. Capacity Building and Training for Officials in Urban Affairs Department

(Outlay Rs10.00 lakh)

An amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for the capacity building of employees of the Municipal Common Service and the Urban Affairs Department.

4. Service Delivery Projects - MGP

(Outlay Rs.0.01 lakh)

A token provision of Rs.0.01 lakh is provided for completing the Service Delivery Projects for 2008-09.

Town and Country Planning Department

5. Geographical Information System and Aerial mapping

(Outlay Rs. 15.00 lakh)

The objective of the scheme is to create adequate database of towns through aerial photography, remote sensing and ground surveys using 'total station' method. The activities proposed are:-

- ?? To carry out Urban/Regional mapping for the settlements of the State.
- ?? To procure additional facilities required for installation of GIS in district Offices and
- ?? Execution of Annual Maintenance contract

An outlay of Rs.15 lakh is provided for meeting the expenditure of the above activities.

6. Capacity Building of Staff and Apprentices in Town and Country Planning

(Outlay Rs. 10.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is to train the officers of Town and Country Planning Department to familiarize them to the modern techniques of town planning. The scheme will have the following activities:

- ?? Specialized training programmes/workshops in planning, tourism, conservation and heritage, Disaster management, environment, transportation, geographic information system, remote sensing etc.
- ?? Training of apprentices under Apprenticeship Act.
- ?? Inservice short training programme

An outlay of Rs.10 lakh is provided for meeting the expenditure of the above activities.

7. Modernization of Town and Country Planning Department

(Outlay Rs.50.00 lakh)

The activities proposed are:-

- ?? Modernization of Chief Town Planner's Office, Thiruvananthapuram.
- ?? Procurement of modern survey equipments to all district offices which are essential for carrying out speedy surveys.
- ?? Procurement of additional computer software and installation of WAN (Wide Area Network) etc.

An outlay of Rs.50 lakh is meant for the above activities.

8. Preparation of Local Development Plans (LDP) with focus on special aspects

(Outlay Rs.30.00 lakh)

As per section 175 of the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act and Section 51(3) of the Kerala Municipality Act 1994 every LSGI has to prepare a Development Plan (Master Plan) on a long term perspective. Preparation of LDP for all LSGIs and IDDP for the District, as a pilot project is being implemented in Kollam District.

Based on the Kollam experience SLEC meeting for IDDP& LDP decided to extend the preparation of IDDP & LDP to other districts also. The project will be extended to all the Districts in the state in a phased manner including the state perspective plan. The source of the fund for the project is proposed from State Government as well as respective LSGIs. The preliminary works, capacity building and infrastructure to Town and Country Planning Department, Establishment cost of the cell and training component are to be met by the State Government. The activities proposed during 2008-09 are

- ?? Extension of the project to Pathanamthitta, Alappuzha, Trissur, Idukki, Palakkad and Wayanad
- ?? Final stage of implementation of the scheme in Kollam district

An amount of Rs.30 lakh is provided for meeting the expenditure of the above activities.

9. The Art and Heritage Commission

(Outlay Rs.10.00 lakh)

The functions of the Art & Heritage Commissions are: -

- ?? Identification of areas of heritage and monuments to be preserved.
- ?? Identification of areas of architectural importance and buildings to be preserved.

- ?? Identification of places or streets where a particular group of architectural forms of buildings alone may be permitted and preparation of the model plans, elevations etc. for that place.
- ?? Examination of architectural features in respect of any building or part thereof or their aesthetic vis-à-vis the existing structures in a particular area/street.
- ?? Advising Government/Municipality on any subject mentioned above and referred to.
- ?? Submission of periodical reports.

During 2008-09, an amount of Rs.10 lakh is provided for the following activities.

- ?? Technical Secretarial expenditure of the Commission including purchase of stationery, computer, peripherals, storage devices, office furniture etc.
- ?? Sitting fee, TA and DA to Members of the Commission, Experts invited by the Commission and its Member Secretary
- ?? TA and DA to Officials, hiring charges of vehicle etc
- ?? Research and Development in Conservation and Heritage
- ?? Seminars, workshops and training programmes, other awareness creation measures and documentation activities etc.

10. Research and Development in Selected Aspects of Human Settlement Planning and Development

(Outlay Rs.10.00 lakh)

The objective of this programme is strengthening Research and Development to improve the capability of the Department of Town and Country Planning:

The Research and Development Wing would:

- ?? Engage external experts in implementation of specific specialized projects along with the involvement of departmental officers;
- ?? Carryout Participatory Town Planning activities in partnership with Local self Governments.
- ?? Evaluation of schemes/projects/selected aspects of urban and Regional Planning and Development.
- ?? Evaluation of Development Regulations practiced in the state, and analysing the feasibility of adapting the emerging trends.

An outlay of Rs.10 lakh is set apart for meeting the expenditure for the activities provided during 2008-09.

11. Special Packages for Planning and Development of Selected Towns

(Outlay Rs.10.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is to prepare special packages for planning and development of selected towns to promote economic development, special focus on pilgrim needs, heritage etc. Preparation of long range comprehensive development plan for selected centres based on their special characters on a time bound manner is also envisaged. An Outlay of Rs.10 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

12. National Urban Information System (NUIS) -25% State share

(Outlay Rs.80.00 lakh)

The main objective of the scheme is to develop GIS data base in the urban local bodies for planning, management and decentralized governance in the context of provisions of scientific planning and implementation of the 74th constitutional amendment act. The work of the spatial data will be undertaken by the Survey of India, The National Mapping Agency, Dehradun. The State Town and Country Planning Department is the Nodal Agency for co-ordination of the various works in relation with collection of Socio-economic and physical data of various towns. State Government selected six towns viz Alappuzha, Kochi, Kollam, Kozhikode, Thrissur and Palakkad for implementing the scheme. An amount of Rs.80 lakh is provided for the expenses towards the above activities.

13. Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns (UIDSSMT)- 10% State Share

(Outlay Rs.600.00 lakh)

Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns (UIDSSMT) was launched during the year 2005-06 to improve the infrastructure in small and medium towns in the Country. In Kerala, 54 urban local bodies (excluding Thiruvananthapuram, and Kochi Corporations, Thrippunithura and Kalamasseri Municipalities) are eligible for getting financial assistance under the scheme.

The objectives of this Scheme are:

- ?? Improving infrastructural facilities and helping in the creation of durable public assets in small and medium towns having potential to emerge as regional centres of economic growth and employment, thereby reducing the inclination of the people belonging to rural and smaller urban areas to migrate to bigger cities and towns for jobs or settlement.
- ?? Decentralising economic growth and employment opportunities and promoting dispersed urbanisation while taking due advantage of the functional interlinkages between villages, towns and cities through a regional planning approach.
- ?? Increasing the availability of sites for housing, commercial and industrial uses and promoting the principles of planned and orderly spatial development.
- ?? Integrating spatial and socio-economic planning as envisaged in the Constitution (74th Amendment) Act, 1992 and preparing and implementing Town/City Development Plans.
- ?? Promoting resource-generating schemes for the urban local bodies to improve their overall financial position and ability to undertake long-term infrastructure development programmes on their own as well as to repay the borrowed capital and usher in necessary municipal reforms.

The funding pattern is 80:20 shared by the Central and State Governments. The State Share (20%) would be equally shared (ie.10% each) by State Government and the participating Urban Local Self Governments. An amount of Rs.600 lakh is earmarked as 10% state share for the scheme. Local bodies would share equal amount.

14. Provision of Urban amenities in Rural Areas (PURA)

(Outlay Rs.2.00 lakh)

His Excellency the President of India requested the State Government to implement the scheme PURA (Provision of Urban amenities in Rural Areas) in Kerala. The objective of the scheme is preparation of development plans for identified rural centres and to provide urban amenities to these centres. An outlay of Rs.2 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

15. Preparation of Heritage Plans for Alappuzha and Thalassery

(Outlay Rs.3.00 lakh)

Kerala has a perfect harmonious blend of communities possessing rich cultural heritage. The standing testimonies which reflect our cultural heritage are our historic buildings and precincts. Efforts are to be taken to identify the heritage precincts in various parts of our State. As part of it, the centres at Alappuzha and Thalassery are selected on a priority basis for the preparation of Heritage Plans. An outlay of Rs.3 lakh is provided for meeting the expenditure towards the following activities of the two centres and new centres to be selected on priority basis.

- ?? Procuring of data
- ?? conducting detailed surveys
- ?? Preparation of maps and reports
- ?? Outsourcing parts of works with regard to heritage conservation and urban design aspects etc.

New Scheme

16. State Urban Information System

(Outlay Rs. 12.00 lakh)

In connection with the National Urban Information System (NUIS), the following activities are to be provided by the State:

- ?? Establishment of Project Cell in the Town and Country Planning Department and District offices
- ?? Purchase of hardware and software and furniture in headquarters and each district offices
- ?? Expenses towards the collection of data

An amount of Rs.12 lakh is provided for meeting the expenses towards the above activities.

Kudumbashree Programmes

17. Swarna Jayanthi Shahari Rozgar Yojana (25% SS)

(Outlay Rs.300.00 lakh)

The objective of this integrated poverty alleviation programme is to provide:

- ?? Gainful employment to the urban unemployed and under employed poor by setting up of self employment ventures, and
- ?? Taking up of wage employment in public works.

The components of the programme include :

- Urban Self Employment Programme. (USEP)
- ?? Development of Women and Children in Urban Areas. (DWCUA)
- Urban Wage Employment Programme.(UWEP)
- ?? Revolving Fund for Women Self Help Groups and Group Enterprises.
- ?? Skill upgradation training, General training, Management of Community Development Societies.
- ?? Conducting Urban household surveys

The programme is being implemented in all the 58 Urban Local Governments in the State through the State Poverty Eradication Mission as a part of Kudumbashree.

An outlay of Rs.300 lakh is provided as state share for the above activities.

18. Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) - 10% State share

(Outlay Rs.1000.00 lakh)

Integrated Housing and slums Development Programme (IHSDP) is a newly launched Centrally Sponsored Programme for housing and infrastructure development in urban slums by combining the existing Centrally sponsored schemes of VAM BAY and NSDP.

IHSDP is to be implemented in all towns and cities identified as per 2001 census except cities/towns covered under JNNURM. (Thiruvananthapuram and Kochi corporations) The major components of the schemes are Housing, Shelter upgradation, Sanitation, roads, drains, footpaths, Social amenities like construction of Primary Health Centres, Anganwadies buildings etc. The funding pattern of IHSDP is 80:20 shared by Central and State Governments. The State share (20%) would be equally shared by (10% each) the State government and the participating Urban Local Self Governments. Kudumbashree is the Nodal Agency for IHSDP. Spillover commitment of VAMBAY can be met from IHSDP. An outlay of Rs.1000 lakh is provided as state share during 2008-09.

New scheme

19. Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP)

(Outlay Rs.1300.00 lakh)

Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) is a component of JNNURM and implemented through Kudumbashree. Thiruvananthapuram and Kochi Corporations alone come under the scheme. The objective of the scheme is to provide basic services to the urban poor viz. solid waste management, water supply, improvement of slums, construction and improvements of drains/storm water drains, sewerage, drainage, street lighting, health care etc. An outlay of Rs.1300 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

Other Schemes

20. Kerala Urban & Rural Development Finance Corporation (KURDFC)

(Outlay Rs.70.00 lakh)

The objective of KURDFC is to provide financial assistance to the development projects of the Urban/Rural Local Governments by channelising funds from national lending agencies. This Corporation will act as an agency for funding to Local Self Government Infrastructure and Development to all local governments, urban and rural with separate windows for soft loan, commercial loan and grant-in-aid for project preparation. An outlay of Rs.70 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09 towards the share capital contribution of the Government on Urban and Rural Development Programmes.

21. Development Authorities – Thiruvananthapuram and Cochin

(Outlay Rs.100.00 lakh)

The objective of the authorities is achieving sustainable development in the area, which come under these authorities.

The Development Authorities will undertake the following major activities:

- ?? Construction of shopping complexes, development of plots for construction of buildings, widening of important roads in the cities, etc.
- ?? Assistance will be given to the projects, which are capable of attracting bank finance, private participation, beneficiary contribution and external assistance. Unavoidable spillover commitments, if any, would be given priorities. An outlay of Rs.100 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

22. Capital City Development Project

(Outlay Rs. 598.99 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is to improve the quality of life in the capital city by strengthening the following critical infrastructure:

- ?? City roads improvement
- ?? Water supply augmentation
- ?? Bus terminus
- ?? Modern Fish Market at Pangode
- ?? Solid waste management
- ?? City beautification
- ?? Development of Vizhinjam Port and Trivandrum Air Port
- ?? Renovation of Tagore Theatre Complex.
- ?? Modern Street Lighting
- ?? Land Acquisition
- ?? Theerapatham

An outlay of Rs.598.99 lakh is provided for the spillover commitment of the above infrastructure facilities.

23. Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM)

(Outlay Rs 30769.00 lakh)

Cities and towns of India constitute the world's second largest urban system. Government of India has approved a Mission Mode approach for implementation of urban infrastructure improvement programme in a time bound manner in selected cities. The mission entrusted with this task is known as the Jawaharlal Nehru Urban Renewal Mission.

The Mission objectives are:

- (a) Focused attention to integrated development of infrastructure services in the cities covered under the Mission.
- (b) Secure effective linkages between asset creation and asset management so that the infrastructure and services created in the cities are not only maintained efficiently, but also become self-sustaining overtime.
- (c) Ensure adequate investment of funds to fulfill deficiencies in the urban infrastructure services.
- (d) To take up urban renewal programme, ie, redevelopment of inner cities area to reduce congestion.
- (e) For providing basic service to urban poor.

Thiruvananthapuram and Kochi Corporations alone come under the scheme. The duration of the scheme is up to 2010 subject to the evaluation of the progress of implementation. The outlay earmarked during 2008-09 is Rs.30769 lakh. Of which Rs.20000 lakh is earmarked as Additional Central assistance and Rs.10769 lakh as state share. The fund will be released when the project is finally approved by Government of India and the department initiates the implementation process.

24. Kerala Sustainable Urban Development Project (KSUDP) (Externally Aided Project)

(Outlay Rs.20000.00 lakh)

The objective of the project is to achieve sustainable development and poverty reduction in five Corporations and is being evolved with technical assistance from ADB with the following components.

- ?? Promote good governance in Municipal Management.
- ?? Develop and expand urban infrastructure
- ?? Formulating support programmes for improving urban social services for the elderly, destitute women and street children.

The outlay provided during Annual Plan 2008-09 is Rs.20000 lakh.

10.10 INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY

1. Films

a. Purchase of films

(Outlay Rs. 7 Lakh)

The outlay proposed is for purchase of short films, documentaries and feature films on different aspects of social and cultural interests of the State. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs. 7 lakh.

b. Production of Video documentaries

(Outlay Rs. 62 Lakh)

The scheme aims at production of documentaries, short films, video spots, second phase of comprehensive interactive CD series and purchase of video footage for the archives. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs.62 lakh.

c. Modernisation of Tagore Theatre

(Outlay Rs.50 Lakh)

The cultural organizers who are stake holders of the Tagore theatre at Thiruvananthapuram have been raising their dissatisfaction over the lack of modern facilities there. Tagore theatre needs modernization and upgradation of facilities. An amount of Rs.50 lakh is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

2. Display Advertisement

(Outlay Rs.80 Lakh)

The welfare activities and development programs of the Government have to be well disseminated to the public through dailies, magazines, and other prominent publications. An accumulated bill of Rs. 1.40 crore is still pending payment under this program. An outlay of Rs. 80 lakh is provided for 2008-09 towards continuing the programs and for partial clearance of pending bills.

3. Information Centers

(Outlay Rs. 10 Lakh)

The objective of the scheme is modernization of the 14 District Information Centers, Information Office at New Delhi and computerization of Information and Public Relations Department with latest facilities and training for employees. As envisaged, an outlay of Rs. 10 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

4. Press Information Services

a. Press Tour

(Outlay Rs. 10 Lakh)

Study tours of journalists to cultural centers from other states to Kerala and from Kerala to other states, payment of mobile alert facility, renovation of press release wing, hiring of KSRTC buses for journeys of accredited press persons in connection with VVIP visits, maintenance of pressrooms and PR chamber are envisaged. An outlay of Rs. 10 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

b. Press Academy.

(Outlay Rs. 6 Lakhs)

Envisaged programmes under this schemes are conducting Postgraduate Diploma in Journalism and the related activities. Recurring expenditures of the institution on this Diploma Programme from 2009-10 onwards may be met from non-plan fund. An outlay of Rs.6 lakhs is earmarked for 2008-09.

5. Field Publicity

a) Field Publicity Organisation

(Outlay Rs. 90 Lakh)

The field publicity wings exist at the district level for giving adequate publicity to Government policies and programmes. It organizes celebration of Malayala Bhasha Varacharanam from November 1st of every year in 14 districts, State Level Gandhi Jayanthi Celebrations for a week, exhibit a float in the Republic Day Parade at New Delhi, organize exhibitions in the state on the development activities of the Government, Celebrations of days of special importance, and conduct of cultural programs during public celebrations for which Rs.90 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

b) Exhibition.

(Outlay Rs. 57 Lakh)

The Government have to participate in various exhibitions all over the state, country and outside the country. It participates in the International Trade fair organized at New Delhi every year. It is proposed to participate in the 15 district level exhibitions, two state level exhibitions and maintenance of Kerala Pavilion, New Delhi. An outlay of Rs.57 lakh is provided for 2008-09 .

6. Visual Publicity

a. Photo Publicity

(Outlay Rs.15 Lakh)

Purchase of photographic materials for six photography units, purchase of computer, DVD writer, scanner for six units, purchase of CD's, setting up a studio at Directorate and purchase of photos are proposed to be implemented. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs.15 lakh.

b. Video Publicity

(Outlay Rs.24 Lakh)

The Information and Public Relations Department has to be made self reliant in video publicity. Department proposes to set up video clipmail facility, maintain edit suit and purchase a Sony High end Digital Video camera, and enter into annual maintenance contract. The provided outlay for 2008-09 is Rs. 24 lakh for this scheme.

7. Publications

a. Publicity materials

(Outlay Rs. 54 Lakh)

Publications of two journals viz; Kerala Calling and Janapatham, printing and distribution of newsletters namely Vikasana Samanwayam, Kerala Interface, Economic News Digest, leaf lets and pamphlets which reflect the social and developmental policies of the Government are done by the department. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs. 54 lakh.

b. Publication of Books.

(Outlay Rs. 15 Lakh)

The department publishes books on art, cultural, educational, social and historical aspects including traditional arts and dances and on important personalities. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs. 15 lakh.

8. Maintenance of Government Websites and setting up of a Mail Server.

(Outlay Rs. 30 Lakh)

The official website of Government of Kerala was launched in July 1999 at the initiative of the Information Technology Department. Now, the Government could earn an amount of about Rs.2.5 crores per year towards advertisement by giving advertisement through web portal also. The technical support was given by Center for Development of Imaging Technology (C-Dit), a Government owned Total solution provider, now under the administrative control of the Information and Public Relations Department. It provides general information about the state including the structure of the Government, functions of various Government Departments and agencies, details of Ministries, Members of the Legislative Assembly and other elected representatives and provides entry to other departmental websites. At present, the department proposes to provide separate sites for various Departments with separate URLs including training of nodal officers, to commission own server and mirror server, digitize tenders etc, procurement of hardwares and softwares, maintain I & PRD site, outsourcing of manpower, leaseline and maintaining of servers. Rs.30 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

9. Sutharya Keralam

(Outlay Rs. 95 Lakh)

Sutharya Keralam is a phone-in-program arranged through All India Radio and Doordarsan to redress grievances of the public, so as to ensure transparency in processing of the grievances and to preserve the Right of Information of the public. An outlay of Rs.95 lakh is provided for 2008-09 to implement the following activities.

- (i) To establish hotline network facility connecting various Govt. Offices, Studio and to streamline the Public Grievance Cell and to install servers.
- (ii) To outsource experts and to meet the production cost of the programmes.
- (iii) To start Digital Data Bank and to provide telecast fees to Doordarsan and AIR.
- (iv) To meet the expenses of Video Conference and find out agencies to market the advertisement.
- (v) Maintenance of Chief Minister's Website.
- (vi) Development of Softwares and maintenance of Sutharya Keralam website
- (vii) Publicity of the Programme.

10. Centre for Development of Imaging Technology(C-Dit)

(Outlay Rs. 160 Lakh)

The C-DIT was established in 1988 as an autonomous research and training society under the Government of Kerala. At present it is engaged in multi-disciplinary activities like R&D in image processing, educational and development video production, information technology applications and training in the related fields etc. C-DIT works in close collaboration with the Science, Technology and Environment Committee (STEC) of the Government of Kerala and other governmental and non-governmental agencies. For the implementation of the programme an outlay of Rs 160 lakh was earmarked for 2008-09. The activities are mentioned below:

Sl.No.	Activities	Outlay 2008-09 (Rs. lakh)
1.	Local Language(Malayalam) Promotional Products and services	30.00
2.	IT Enabled Services Support Center (ITESS) @ Kochi and Self Employment Training for Rural Citizens	30.00
3.	Procurement of new cameras, lenses and Accessories to C-DIT	20.00
4.	Construction works of Thiruvananthapuram City Campus.	80.00
Total		160.00

10.11 WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES, SCHEDULED TRIBES AND OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES

An Outlay of Rs.241.11 Crore is provided for the welfare of SC/ST Development and Rs.16 crore is proposed for the welfare of Other Backward Classes Development. Scheme -wise details are given below:

A. SCHEDULED CASTES DEVELOPMENT

(Rs. lakh)		
Sl.No.	Name of Scheme	Approved Outlay
1	Production- cum - Training centres and Industrial Training Centres.	75.00
2	Kerala State Development Corporation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Ltd.-Share Capital (State Share 51 %)	408.00
3	Pre-Primary Education	25.00
4	Pre- Matric Studies (Scholarships and Stipends)	50.00
5	Special Incentives to Talented Students/ Award to Schools/ Ayyankali Memorial Talent Search and Special Incentives Schemes	100.00
6	Better Education to Bright SC students.	25.00
7	Upgradation of Performance level of Scheduled Caste Students in Sports and Games/ Ayyankali Memorial Sports School	100.00
8	Financial Assistance to Failed SC Students to continue education (Special Coaching)	40.00
9	Bharat Darshan / Excursion and Study Tour	20.00
10	Boarding Grant	25.00
11	Coaching and Allied Schemes (State Share 50%)	75.00
12	Post- Matric Hostels	300.00
13	Construction of Girls' Hostels (State Share 50%)	75.00
14	Construction of Boys' Hostels (State Share 50%)	100.00
15	Tuition System in Pre-matric Hostels	25.00
16	Land and Buildings for Hostels and Industrial Training Centres, Renovation of Post Matric Hostels and Dr. Ambedkar Bhavanam	650.00
17	Pre-Examination Training - Construction of Buildings	50.00
18	Running of Model Residential Schools	400.00
19	Construction of buildings for MRS	600.00
20	Grant to Civil Service Examination Society	30.00
21	Educational Assistance to Students of Self Financing Colleges	750.00
22	Development programme for Vulnerable Communities	100.00
23	Protection of Civil Right and Enforcement of PCR Act. (State share 50%)	200.00
24	Planning and Monitoring Cell /Modernisation of Offices and Audio Visual Equipments	75.00

25	Assistance to the Dependants of Safai Karmachari (State Share 50%)	10.00
26	Office Complex for Directorates of SC and ST Developments Departments	250.00
27	Centre of Excellence	100.00
28	National Trade and Arts Fair of SCs and STs	10.00
29	Honorarium and Training to SC Promoters	300.00
30	Para-medical studies	200.00
31	Self Employment	200.00
32	Apprenticeship to ITI/ITC/ Diploma/ Degree holders in Technical Branches	75.00
33	Assistance to the Seriously ill and Major treatment of poor SCs	500.00
34	Assistance for the Marriage of SC Girls.	100.00
35	Assistance to Co-operatives through Local Self Governments	30.00
36	Promotion of Women Enterprises through SHGs	100.00
37	Financial Assistance to SC Co-operative Societies for Promoting Cluster Development	25.00
38	Land to Agricultural Labourers	50.00
39	Training to the Officers of SC Department	5.00
40	Special Component Plan (pooled funds)/Corpus Fund under Special Component Plan	7428.80
	Sub Total	13681.80
	New schemes	
41	House to Houseless	1000.00
42	Land to landless	500.00
43	Rehabilitation of vulnerable/primitive SCs	932.00
	Sub Total	2432.00
	Rural Development Schemes	
43	Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana - SCP (25% State Share)	1.00
44	Indira Awas Yojana - SCP (25% state Share)	1150.00
45	Swarnajayanthi Gram Swarozgar Yojana - SCP (25% State Share)	667.20
	Sub Total	1818.20
	Total- SC Development	17932.00
46	Special Central Assistance to Special Component Plan (SCA to SCP)	1500.00

1. Production-cum-Training Centres and Industrial Training Centres

(Outlay Rs. 75.00 lakh)

Production-cum-Training Centres conduct various training courses for Kerala Government Technical Examinations and Industrial Training Centres offer courses of the National Council of Vocational Training. The following activities are included in Annual Plan 2008-09.

- ?? Provision of enough infrastructural facilities at least in two ITCs so as to be selected as Centre of Excellence by Government of India
- ?? Upgradation of existing Production-cum-Training Centres into Industrial Training Centres by providing the required facilities and additional equipments.
- ?? Introduction of modern subjects/branches in the existing centres in the place of obsolete trades, which have less job potential.
- ?? Supplementary coaching to ITC students outside class hours.
- ?? Tuition facilities to students who fail in the All India Trade Test for appearing in the supplementary examinations for maximum three chances.
- ?? Procurement of tools and equipments required as per the revised syllabus approved by the National Council for Vocational Training
- ?? Purchase of tools and equipment for Model Residential ITCs.
- ?? Starting of Model Residential ITCs on an experimental basis.
- ?? Installation of telephone facilities in the office of the Training Inspectors of 41 ITCs.

2. Kerala State Development Corporation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Ltd.- Share Capital (State Share 51%)

(Outlay Rs. 408.00 lakh)

Kerala State Development Corporation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is an agency intended for formulation and implementation of employment and income generating schemes for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes by granting financial assistance as soft loans. The Corporation implements about 15 schemes. Major among them are:

- ?? Beneficiary Oriented Scheme
- ?? Foreign Employment Scheme
- ?? Professional Service Scheme
- ?? Land Purchase for Agricultural Labourers
- ?? Mini Venture Loans
- ?? Micro Credit Finance Programme
- ?? Mahila Samridhi Yojana
- ?? Adivasi Mahila Sasakthikaran Yojana
- ?? Education Loan including Foreign Education Loan
- ?? Marriage assistance
- ?? Training Programme

3. Pre-Primary Education

(Outlay Rs. 25.00 lakh)

The scheme is for running the Pre-Primary schools under the control of the SC Development Department. Activities proposed in this scheme are:

- ?? Providing of play and study materials
- ?? Supply of nutritious food and clothing.
- ?? Honorarium to teachers and helpers.

This scheme is to be implemented by the Local Governments as shown below:

?? Corporation	-	Rs.1.5 Lakh
?? Municipalities	-	Rs. 3.5 Lakh
?? Grama Panchayats	-	Rs. 20.00 Lakh
Total	-	Rs 25.00 Lakh

4. Pre -Matric Studies (Scholarship and Stipends)

(Outlay Rs. 50.00 lakh)

Payment of lumpsum grant and monthly stipend to pre-matric students and students undergoing training in vocational courses are the items under the scheme. Monthly stipend is given to students belonging to Nayadi, Vedan and Vettuvan which are the most backward communities in the State. The outlay provided is Rs.50 lakh for the Annual Plan 2008-09. This will supplement the non-plan provision available for this scheme.

5. Special Incentives to Talented Students/Award to Schools/Ayyankali Memorial Talent Search and Special Incentives Schemes

(Outlay Rs.100.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is spotting of talented children through competitive examination at Standard IV and VII and provide them scholarships and other assistances up to standard X . Package of assistance include:

- ?? Text books, uniform, hostel facilities
- ?? Special coaching and career guidance
- ?? Personality development programmes
- ?? Parental counselling and medical care

Talented students belonging to the Scheduled Castes who pass the SSLC, Higher Secondary, Degree, Post graduate and professional examinations would be given cash awards.

6. Better Education to Bright SC students

(Outlay Rs. 25.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is providing better education facilities to the selected SC students by getting them admitted in reputed residential schools. The students are admitted in fifth standard by local governments. This scheme will be implemented through Local Governments for which they will be allotted the following amount:

?? Corporation	-	Rs .1.50 Lakh
?? Municipalities	-	Rs. 4.00 Lakh
?? District Panchayats	-	Rs. 19.50 Lakh
Total	-	Rs. 25.00 Lakh

7. Upgradation of Performance level of Scheduled Caste Students in Sports and Games/Ayyankali Memorial Sports School

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

The Department runs a Model Residential School for sports catering to 180 students from Vth standard to Xth standard. The provision is provided for

- ?? running the hostel
- ?? conducting of sports and arts meets for the students studying in the institutions run by the Scheduled Castes Development Department,
- ?? providing essential infrastructure to the sports school.

8. Financial Assistance to Failed SC Students to continue education (Special Coaching)

(Outlay Rs. 40.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is to help the failed Scheduled Caste students. Under the scheme, SC students failed in SSLC, Higher Secondary and Degree Classes who obtain at least 20 per cent marks in SSLC and 25 per cent marks in other examinations are given financial assistance to continue their studies and re-appear in examination for the next one chance only.

9. Bharat Darshan / Excursion and Study Tour

(Outlay Rs. 20.00 lakh)

Under this scheme SC students of Plus Two, Degree, PG Degree, Professional, and Diploma courses who hail from BPL families and excel in their studies are given financial assistance for participating in excursions and study tour conducted through the educational institutions where they are studying. Selection of the students will be based on merit. Scheduled Caste boys and girls with meritorious achievements in studies are also selected for tour to places of cultural, heritage and reputed educational institutions for exposure at all India level.

10. Boarding Grant

(Outlay Rs.25.00 lakh)

The scheme is intended for giving boarding grant to SC students staying in hostels managed by NGOs. It is a transferred scheme to local governments. Rs. 25 lakh will be allotted as detailed below

?? Corporations	-	Rs.1.5 0 Lakh
?? Municipalities	-	Rs. 6.50 Lakh
?? Block Panchayats	-	Rs. 17.00 Lakh
Total	-	Rs.25.00 Lakh

11. Coaching and Allied Schemes (State Share 50%)

(Outlay Rs.75.00 lakh)

This scheme is for meeting the expenses of conducting various courses in the Pre- Examination Training Centres and Institute for Civil Service Examination Society to equip SC youths to prepare themselves for various competitive examinations. The provision is also intended for meeting the expenses on special coaching for all Entrance Examinations to professional courses. Assistance include travelling expenses once in a year, tuition fees, hostel expenses, study materials and pocket money.

12. Post-Matric Hostels

(Outlay Rs. 300.00 lakh)

The objective of the scheme is smooth functioning of Post-Matric Hostels for SC students. This scheme will have the following components:

- ?? Food charges
- ?? Honorarium to Resident Tutors
- ?? Maintenance cost
- ?? Purchase and replacement of articles such as Cot, Bed, Utensils, Sports items etc.

13. Construction of Girls' Hostels (State Share 50%)

(Outlay Rs. 75.00 lakh)

The provision is earmarked for the completion of the construction works started earlier and for the construction of additional block for girl's hostel, poochedivila, Thiruvananthapuram and for starting new hostel in Pathanamthitta with a view to meeting the excess demand consequent on the advent of self financing institutions. The allocation is the State Share of the CSS.

14. Construction of Boys' Hostels (State Share 50%)

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

The amount is earmarked for the completion of the works started during 10th Five Year Plan Period and for starting new post matric hostel one each at Thiruvananthapuram and Alappuzha. The outlay is earmarked for meeting the expenses in connection with the construction of the above said hostels.

15. Tuition System in Pre -matric Hostels

(Outlay Rs.25.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is to impart tuition in subjects like Mathematics, Science, English and Hindi for the inmates of pre-matric hostel and students of high schools and upper primary classes. The provision for 2008-09 has been earmarked for Corporations, Municipalities and Block Panchayats at the rate of Rs. 2.00 lakh, Rs. 8.00 lakh and Rs. 15 lakh respectively.

16. Land and Buildings for Hostels and Industrial Training Centres, and Hostels, Renovation of Post Matric Hostels and Dr. Ambedkar Bhavanam

(Outlay Rs.650.00 lakh)

The components of the scheme are:

- ?? Land and buildings for Industrial Training Centres and hostels.
- ?? Renovation of Post Matric Hostels
- ?? Construction of building of Model Residential ITCs.
- ?? Maintenance and repair of existing ITCs.
- ?? Dr.Ambedkar Bhavanam being constructed at Mannanthala for the developmental activities of Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes as a joint venture of the SC and ST Development Departments. Construction of Auditoriums, Training Centres, Library, Museum, Art Gallery, Faculty Homes, Conference & Seminar Halls and Open Air Theatre are the activities envisaged under the project.

17. Pre - Examination Training/Construction of Buildings**(Outlay Rs.50.00 lakh)**

The amount is earmarked for the construction of buildings for the Pre-Examination Training Centres in Ernakulam and Palakkad.

18. Running of Model Residential Schools**(Outlay Rs. 400.00 lakh)**

The scheme aims at promoting education of SC/ST students giving residential facilities from 5th standard to +2 level in the existing Model Residential Schools run by the Department. The outlay provided is for running and maintenance of existing MRS

19. Construction of buildings for MRS**(Outlay Rs. 600.00 lakh)**

During 2008-09 an amount of Rs. 600.00 lakh is provided for the construction of buildings for new MRS at Peerumedu (Idukki), Thiruvilumala (Thrissur) and Nadukkavu (Kasaragode).

20. Grant to Civil Service Examination Society**(Outlay Rs. 30.00 lakh)**

The objective of this scheme is to provide coaching to candidates appearing for competitive examinations of All India Services and Central Services. The coaching will be provided through the Civil Services Examination Society and the provision is for meeting the administrative expenses of the society.

21. Educational Assistance to students of Self Financing Colleges**(Outlay Rs.750.00 lakh)**

The amount earmarked is to provide assistance to SC students studying in self financing colleges which are eligible for the same. Amount provided is in addition to the fund for financial assistance to the Post Matric studies.

22. Development Programme for Vulnerable Communities**(Outlay Rs. 100.00 lakh)**

The objective of this scheme is rehabilitation of landless and homeless SCs belonging to vulnerable communities. This scheme has the following provisions:

- ?? Assistance of Rs.70,000/- for house construction, and Rs.32,500/- for purchase of 5 cents of land or the actual value of land whichever is less.
- ?? The proposed amount is also meant for meeting the expenses in connection with the provision of education, treatment, drinking water, electricity etc. to the vulnerable groups.

23. Protection of Civil Rights and Enforcement of PCR Act. (State Share 50%)**(Outlay Rs. 200.00 lakh)**

The activities proposed under this scheme are

- ?? Conducting awareness camps at Grama Panchayat level highlighting the need for protection of civil rights of Scheduled Castes and enforcement of PCR Act.

- ?? Producing documentaries highlighting the evils of untouchability against Scheduled Castes.
- ?? Providing assistance to intercaste married couples for starting economic and income generation activities.
- ?? Celebrating Temple Entry Proclamation by (a) providing cash awards to social workers belonging to Scheduled Castes and other communities, (b) cash awards to teachers of Model Residential Schools and wardens of pre-matric hostels, (c) arranging cultural competitions and processions, and (d) distribution of prizes in connection with the cultural competitions.
- ?? Enforcement of Prevention of Atrocities Act, 1989.
- ?? Conducting exhibition and procession in connection with Social Solidarity Fortnight.

24. Planning and Monitoring Cell/Modernisation of Offices and Audio Visual Equipments

(Outlay Rs. 75.00 lakh)

Modernisation of the District Offices and the Directorate of Scheduled Castes Development with focus on e-governance and purchase of office equipments is envisaged in this scheme. The Directorate of Scheduled Castes Development Department will provide linkage through computer network to District offices and Block level offices of SC Development Department. Purchase of vehicles for the Department which were condemned and has not been replaced so far is also envisaged.

Further, in order to improve the functioning of the Information-cum-guidance centre attached to the Scheduled Caste Development Department and to set up electronic information sub centres at Block Panchayat level, the following activities are envisaged.

- ?? Provision of up-to-date and adequate details for higher studies, professional education, promotion of economic activities,
- ?? Provide information on different schemes of financial assistance from Government.
- ?? Make available the application forms required for various schemes of the departments and local self governments.
- ?? Purchase of computer and its accessories and printing of posters, guides etc.
- ?? Computer training to staff of SC Development Department.

25. Assistance to the Dependants of Safai Karmachari (State Share 50%)

(Outlay Rs. 10.00 lakh)

Poor school children who are dependants of persons engaged in unclean occupations such as scavenging and leather tanning are to be given monthly stipend and lumpsum grant under this scheme. Monthly allowance will be given to the students who reside in hostels.

26. Office Complex for Directorates of SC and ST Development Departments

(Outlay Rs. 250.00 lakh)

This scheme envisages construction of an Office Complex for accommodating SC and ST Directorate and related establishments.

27. Centre of Excellence

(Outlay Rs.100.00 lakh)

Government have set up a Centre of Excellence to improve the competitiveness of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe candidates in advanced areas like Management Studies, Biotechnology, Life science etc. At present the institute is functioning at Indian Institute of Management, Kozhikode. It is proposed to construct a building for the Centre at Kozhikode. Fund may be mobilized from different sources including Centre/State Government. The amount provided under this scheme is for the functioning of the courses and taking up the construction works.

28. National Trade and Arts Fair of SCs and STs

(Outlay Rs.10.00 lakh)

This scheme is for conducting arts and trade festival of SCs to encourage the performance of their traditional arts and handicrafts and promoting the market of their handicrafts.

29. Honorarium and Training to SC Promoters

(Outlay Rs.300.00 lakh)

SC Promoters are posted one each in every Grama Panchayat, three in each Municipality and five in each Corporation for assisting SCs to access their entitlements and to monitor the programmes under SCP. This allotment is earmarked to provide monthly honorarium and impart training to the SC promoters.

30. Para-Medical Studies

(Outlay Rs.200.00 lakh)

The scheme is for providing facilities in the paramedical institutes attached to Medical Colleges/Universities/academic institutions in the Public Sector for the benefit of SCs and for establishing a new Nursing College for Scheduled Castes. The amount will also be spent for granting assistance to SC youths joining para-medical courses in reputed private institutions, which are specially approved by the Government.

31. Self Employment

(Outlay Rs.200.00 lakh)

As part of promoting new ventures among SCs, it is proposed to grant assistance to Self Employment Projects. This scheme has the following provisions:

- ?? Grant assistance to self employment projects of Scheduled Castes in the ratio of 1:2 as subsidy and loan for taking up productive, service, market oriented projects subject to the condition of government stipulation.

32. Apprenticeship to ITI/ITC/Diploma/Degree holders in Technical Branches

(Outlay Rs.75.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is taking initiatives to impart apprenticeship training to the technically qualified candidates in various organisations and also granting financial assistance to them during the period of apprenticeship.

33. Assistance to the Seriously ill and Major treatment of poor SCs
(Outlay Rs. 500.00 lakh)

It is necessary to provide financial assistance to the people belonging to the Scheduled Castes who are below poverty line and who suffer from serious diseases like Cancer, Heart/kidney/brain ailments. They will be granted assistance up to Rs. 25,000 as per the recommendations of doctors. The assistance below Rs.10,000/- will be sanctioned by the Director, SC Development Department and from Rs. 10,000/- and up to Rs.25,000/- will be sanctioned by Government.

34. Assistance for the Marriage of SC Girls.
(Outlay Rs. 100 lakh)

In order to reduce the burden of marriage expenses of daughters of SC parents, assistance is proposed under this scheme. Priority will be given to the daughters of widows, unwed mothers and incapable parents.

35. Assistance to Co-operatives through Local Self Governments
(Outlay Rs. 30.00 lakh)

The amount of Rs.30.00 lakh is proposed for the financial assistances to Co-operatives in the various sectors like Agriculture, Industry, Khadi & Village, Coir, Sericulture, etc. based on viable projects for employment as well as income generation. The amount will be distributed to Scheduled Caste Co-operatives on the basis of approved norms. This new project based approach is to be operationalised through approval by the District Level Committee for SCs.

36. Promotion of Women Enterprises through SHGs
(Outlay Rs. 100.00 lakh)

The scheme envisages empowerment as well as social and economic development of Scheduled Caste women. Poor women from SC colonies having a minimum of 20 families are organized into Self Help Groups. A self help group may consists of 10 to 20 persons from families below poverty line and the group shall not consist of more than one member from the same family. The group takes up economic activity of their choice for income generation for which the group is entitled to Rs 1.25 lakh or a per capita subsidy of Rs 10,000 whichever is less. The experience and expertise of Kudumbashree in the field of group formation, skill development, entrepreneurship development, linkage of institution, financial institution etc to be utilized.

37. Financial Assistance to SC Co-operative Societies for Promoting Cluster Development.
(Outlay Rs. 25.00 lakh)

The scheme envisages to undertake income and employment generation activities through SC Co-operatives. The potentially viable SC Co-operatives engaged in traditional industries will be identified and assistance provided on the basis of viable projects as per the norms of government for cluster development. Focus will be given for technological upgradation and product diversification so as to cope up with the highly competitive market.

38. Land to Agricultural Labourers

(Outlay Rs.50.00 lakh)

The scheme aims to improve the social and economic conditions of agricultural labourers belonging to Scheduled Castes who are either landless or possess negligible land. Under the scheme the beneficiary will have to purchase 25 cent of dry land or 50 cents of wet land suitable for agricultural activities for which 50 per cent of the cost of land limited to Rs 50,000 will be given as subsidy. A sum of Rs 50.00 lakh is provided during 2008-09

39. Training to the Officers of SC Department

(Outlay Rs. 5.00 lakh)

The amount is earmarked for providing special training to officers, both pre-service and in-service, to sensitize the issues and problems so that they can work with right perspectives in handling the special needs and problems of these marginalized groups and thus ensure social justice. Three workshops, one each at regional level will be arranged in consultation with Decentralised Planning Division of State Planning Board. The workshops will be organized invariably at the beginning of each financial year, preferably during April and May.

40. Special component plan (pooled funds)/Corpus Fund under Special Component Plan

(Outlay Rs. 7428.80 lakh)

A project based approach is to be adopted for sanction and implementation of schemes. This scheme is intended to provide funds for projects which are received from the Districts and Directorate with emphasis on the following elements:

- ?? Human resources development including education and training
- ?? Provision of basic needs like housing, drinking water, sanitation, electricity, health care, and
- ?? Economic development.

A state level working group consisting of experts is constituted for scrutiny, appraisal and approval of the project proposals under Corpus Fund. Two-third of the outlay would be allocated district-wise based on SC population, and for schemes obtained from the District Level Committee for SC Development.

New Schemes

41. House to Houseless

(Outlay Rs.1000.00 lakh)

There are so many Scheduled Caste people in the state who do not have own livable house even now. The Government policy is that all the houseless Scheduled caste people should have a livable house. The scheme therefore envisages provision of house to all eligible houseless Scheduled Caste families during the XIth Plan period. An amount of Rs.1000 lakh is provided during 2008-09.

42. Land to landless**(Outlay Rs. 500.00 lakh)**

There are so many Scheduled Caste people in the state who do not possess land for construction of house for their personal residence despite several schemes have already been chalked out and implemented in the state for a pretty long time in this state. The policy of the Government is that all the Scheduled Caste people will be having land for construction of house as their personal residence. The scheme intends to purchase land to the poor and eligible landless Scheduled Caste people for construction of house. For this an amount of Rs. 500 lakh is provided during 2008-09.

43. Rehabilitation of Vulnerable/Primitive SCs - One Time ACA**(Outlay Rs 932.00 lakh)**

Among the Scheduled Castes, Vedan, Nayadi, Kalladi and Chakkilian are the most economically, socially and educationally backward castes. Majority among these are landless and living in built in huts in 'Purambock' and in the starving conditions. Outlay provided is for providing homes and land. Components of the Scheme includes purchase of land and constructing houses, repairs and maintaining existing houses, self drinking water in colonies, purchase of agriculture land and electrification of houses, education, infrastructure facilities etc. An amount of Rs.932 lakh is provided during 2008-09 as One Time ACA.

Rural Development Schemes**1. Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana – SCP (25%State Share)****(Outlay Rs. 1.00 lakh)**

The scheme is to provide additional wage employment in Rural Area, creation of durable community, social and economic assets and infrastructure. Currently the programme is being implemented in 10 Non-NREGA districts. GOI had declared that the NREGA which is now being implemented in 4 districts will be extended to all the districts in the state. These additional districts have been notified under the Act with effect from April 1, 2008. These districts will not be getting any allocation under SGRY from the year 2008-09. Therefore no State Share would be required to be provided for the programme during 2008-09. So a token provision of Rs. 1 lakh is proposed under the programme to meet this spill over commitments if any. The provision is for providing Rs. 25000 to District Panchayats, Rs. 25000 to Block Panchayats and Rs. 50000 to Grama Panchayats.

2.Indira Awaz Yojana – SCP (25% State Share)**(Outlay Rs. 1150.00 lakh)**

The objective of the scheme is to provide houses to Scheduled Castes under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Indira Awaz Yojana. Construction of new houses and upgradation of existing kutcha houses into pucca houses are the two components of the scheme. The Plan provision of Rs. 1150.00 lakh which is 25% State share is earmarked to Block Panchayats.

3. Swarnjayanthi Gram Swarozgar Yojana – SCP (25% State Share)**(Outlay Rs. 667.20 lakh)**

This Centrally sponsored scheme envisages establishing a large number of micro enterprises in the rural areas. The Special Component Plan share under this

scheme is Rs. 667.2 lakh, which is 25% State share. The provision is earmarked to Block Panchayats.

4. Special Central Assistance to Special Component Plan (SCA to SCP) (Outlay Rs. 1500.00 lakh)

The Special Central Assistance to Special Component Plan is released every year by Government of India for undertaking economic development schemes for Scheduled Caste families. The intention is to provide the required thrust to programmes relevant to the development of Scheduled Castes as per the guideline issued by the Government of India from time to time. Distribution of funds will be on the basis of projects received and will be done by the department.

B. SCHEDULED TRIBES DEVELOPMENT

		(Rs. Lakh)
Sl.No.	Name of Scheme	Approved Outlay 2008-09
1	Tribal Hostels/ Improvement of Tribal Hostels	50.00
2	Construction of Boys' Hostels (50% State share)	100.00
3	Construction of Girls' Hostels (50 % State share)	50.00
4	Scheme for Purchase of Land for Construction of Tribal Hostels	50.00
5	Management cost for the running of Model Residential Schools	950.00
6	Construction of buildings for Model Residential Schools/Ashram Schools (50% State Share)	450.00
7	Tutorial Scheme for School Going Students and Failed Students	100.00
8	Special Incentive to Brilliant Students	30.00
9	Bharat Darshan/Excursion and Study Tour	8.00
10	Post- matric Hostels for Tribal students	35.00
11	Peripatetic Education to the Primitive Tribes	40.00
12	Grant - in - aid to Ambedkar Memorial Rural Institute for Development (AMRID), Wayanad	3.00
13	Ayyankali Memorial Talent search and Development scheme	30.00
14	Publicity Wing /Information, Education and Communication Project (IEC)	40.00
15	Coaching and allied Scheme (50% State Share)	2.00
16	Health Project, Mananthavady, Idukki and Attappady	20.00
17	Providing Health Care Package to Tribal Individuals Affected by Diseases	50.00
18	Housing Programme	400.00

19	Share Capital Contribution to Kerala State Development Corporation for SC/ST for implementing schemes benefiting Scheduled Tribes (State Share 51%)	5.00
20	Support to Group Farms/Grant in aid to Attappady Co-operative Farming Society(ACFS) for conducting a School and Hospital	100.00
21	Kerala Institute for Research, Training and Development Studies for SC/ST (50 % State Share)- Grant -in-aid to KIRTADS	20.00
22	Adikala Gramam/Assistance to Adikala Kendram	10.00
23	Strengthening of Planning and Monitoring Cell/Modernization of Tribal Development Department/Monitoring of schemes under Tribal Sub Plan	25.00
24	Assistance to Marriage of ST girls.	10.00
25	Enforcement of Prevention of Atrocities Act (50% State Share)	10.00
26	Implementation of Kerala State Restriction in Transfer of Lands and Restroration of Alienated Land Act 1999	0.05
27	Food Support Programme	100.00
28	Special Programme for Primitive Tribal Groups -Adiyans and Paniyans	100.00
29	Social Activists/ Tribal Promoters	240.00
30	National Trade and Arts Festival	20.00
31	Extension of Kudumbashree to Tribal Areas	50.00
32	Organisation of Oorukoottam	5.00
33	Development of Tribes Living in Forest	200.00
34	Renovation/Revamping of Tribal Societies	20.00
35	Resettlement of Landless Tribals	1500.00
36	Support to the Tribal Mission for Resettlement of Landless Tribals.	0.01
37	Enhancement of Facilities in Tribal Areas (Second Phase) (ACA)	0.01
38	Improving facilities and Renovation of Pre-matric and Post - matric Hostels.	0.01
39	Drinking Water Supply to Tribal areas of Idukki District	0.01
40	Tribal Sub Plan/(Pooled Fund)Corpus Fund for Project Based Activities.	813.11
41	Improving facilities and renovation of premetric and post metric hostels	30.00
42	Enhancement of facilities in Tribal Areas	20.00
43	Support to Tribal Mission for resettlement of landless Tribals	120.00

44	Drinking Water Supply to Tribal Areas of Idukki District	20.00
	Sub Total	5826.20
	Rural Development Schemes	
45	SGRY-TSP (State Share 25%)	1.00
46	IAY-TSP (State Share 25%)	230.00
47	SGSY-TSP (State Share 25%)	132.80
	Sub Total	363.80
	Total - ST Development	6190.00
	SCA to TSP	350.00

1. Tribal Hostels/Improvement of Tribal Hostels

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

Upgradation of the facilities of Pre-Matric hostels functioning under the department to create conducive environment for better education is the objective of this scheme. Outlay provided for 2008-09 Rs. 50.00 lakh.

2. Construction of Boys' Hostels (50 % State share)

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

Out of 68 Boys' hostels run by the Scheduled Tribes Development Department, only 40 have permanent own buildings. The objective of the scheme is to construct permanent buildings for the hostels functioning in rented buildings or temporary sheds. During 2008-09, two new hostels shall be constructed in addition to the completion of three ongoing works, for which Rs 100.00 lakh is provided as 50 % state share.

3. Construction of Girls' Hostels (50 % State share)

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

Out of 42 Girls' hostels only 33 have permanent buildings and the remaining are housed in rented buildings or temporary sheds. At present buildings construction is in progress for four Girls' hostels. In the year 2008-09 construction of three more new girls hostels are provided along with completion of the four ongoing works for which Rs 50.00lakh is set apart.

4. Scheme for Purchase of Land for Construction of Tribal Hostels

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

Out of the 110 pre-matric hostels for Scheduled Tribe students, 28 boys' hostels and 9 girls' hostels do not have own building. The provided amount is for purchase of land to construct buildings for 5 hostels.

5. Management cost for the running of Model Residential Schools

(Outlay Rs 950.00lakh)

The amount provided is for meeting the Management Cost for running 15 Model Residential/Ashram schools two Ekalavya and one special CBSE Model Residential Schools whose infrastructure was fully funded by grant-in-aid under Article 275(1) of the Constitution. The running cost of two Ekalavya Model Residential School viz Pookot and Idukki will be reimbursed by the Government of India. The institution-wise allocation for 2008-09 is given below:

(Rs. Lakh)		
Sl.No	Name of School	Amount
1	MRS for Girls, Kattela	60.00
2	MRS for Boys, Nalloomadu	60.00
3	Ashramam School, Noolpuzha	60.00
4	Ashramam School, Manjeri	60.00
5.	M R S, Attappady	55.00
6.	M R S, Munnar, Idukki	60.00
7	MRS, South Wayanad	50.00
8.	MRS, Pathanamthitta	40.00
9.	M R S Thrissur	55.00
10	MRS, Kannur	60.00
11	MRS, Kasaragod	60.00
12	Ashramam School, Palakkad	50.00
13.	MRS, Thirunelli, Wayanad for Adiyans/ Paniyans	40.00
14	MRS, Kottayam	40.00
15	MRS, Punalur	40.00
	Schools started using Article 275(1) Assistance	
16.	Ekalavya MRS, Pookot	60.00
17	Ekalavya MRS, Idukki	60.00
18	Special MRS, CBSE Pattern, Njaraneeli, Thiruvananthapuram	40.00
	Total	950.00

**6. Construction of buildings for Model Residential Schools/Ashram Schools
(50% State Share)**

(Outlay Rs 450.00 lakh)

Government of India will provide 50% of the cost towards infrastructure facilities for 15 Model Residential/Ashram Schools. Rs 450.00lakh is provided during 2008-09 as 50% State Share for completion/construction of building of 12 schools as detailed below: During 2008-09 it is also provided to construct Plus Two Block for MRS, Kattela and Hostel Building for the Plus Two students in the MRS, Nalloomadu.

Sl. No	Name of School	Amount (Rs in lakh)
1	Ashram School, Noolpuzha	45.00
2	Ashramam School, Manjeri	45.00
3	M R S, Munnar, Idukki	20.00
4	MRS, Attappady	90.00
5	MRS, Pathanamthitta	30.00
6	MRS, Thrissur	30.00
7	MRS, Kannur	40.00
8	MRS, Kasargod	40.00
9	MRS, South Wayanad	50.00
10	MRS, Kattela	20.00
11	MRS, Nallooradu	20.00
12	Ashram School, Palakkadu	20.00
	Total State Share(50 %)	450.00

7. Tutorial Scheme for School Going Students and Failed Students (Outlay Rs100.00 lakh)

Providing special coaching to students of High School and Plus I & II to increase percentage of pass is the objective of the scheme. The monthly tuition fee would be directly given to parents for providing tuition through nearby tutorials. During 2008-09 Rs.100 lakh is provided for the following activities.

1. Tuition for school going Scheduled Tribe students of High School and Plus I & II
2. Tuition for failed Scheduled Tribe students
3. Implementation of Gurukulam Programme of the ACFS and Guruvikas taken up by Nehru Yuva Kendra.
4. One month crash programme before the Examination (district wise) under the supervision of Tribal Development Officers.
5. Tuition to students in Pre Matric Hostel

The scheme target is to cover 10000 ST students of all the above categories.

8. Special Incentive to Brilliant Students (Outlay Rs 30.00 lakh)

The scheme envisages to provide incentives to the brilliant students from among educationally backward ST communities who perform well. Under the scheme, those who secure first class and highest marks below first class in SSLC, Plus-2, Degree, Post-Graduate and Professional Degree courses will be awarded incentive according to the quota fixed for them.

9. Bharat Darshan /Excursion and Study Tour (Outlay Rs. 8.00 lakh)

Under this scheme ST students of Plus Two, Degree, PG Degree, Professional, and Diploma courses who hail from BPL families and excel in their studies will be

given financial assistance for participating in excursions and study tour conducted through the educational institutions in which they are studying. Selection of the students will be based on merit. Scheduled Tribe boys and girls with meritorious achievements in studies are also selected for tour to places of cultural, heritage and reputed educational institutions for exposure. An amount of Rs 8.00 lakh is provided for the scheme during 2008-09.

10. Post-matric Hostels for Tribal students.

(Outlay Rs 35.00 lakh)

The provision is for running the existing Post-Matric hostels Thiruvananthapuram, Palakkad and Kozhikode.

11. Peripatetic Education to the Primitive Tribes

(Outlay Rs 40.00 lakh)

To impart education to the primitive tribes, 37 peripatetic education centres were started and the teachers selected for these centres have been given training through KIRTADS. This scheme is based on a single teacher programme, and the teacher is expected to visit the identified settlements and provide education. The students covered would be given hostel accommodation when they reach 2nd and 3rd standards to continue their education.

40 single teacher schools and 5 Balavinjana Kendras functioning under the Department have also been brought under peripatetic education scheme.

12. Grant-in-aid to Ambedkar Memorial Rural Institute for Development (AMRID), Wayanad

(Outlay Rs 3.00 lakh)

The project envisages conducting multifarious development programmes for the development of Scheduled Tribes viz.

- ?? Conducting leadership training
- ?? Conducting various self-employment related training programmes including training on handicrafts, tailoring, computer etc.

During 2008-09, Rs. 3.00 lakh is provided for undertaking specific projects, which guarantee employment opportunities to tribals.

13. Ayyankali Memorial Talent Search and Development Scheme

(Outlay Rs 30.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is developing talented students of the tribal population. Continuous assistance to the talented students will be provided to realize their potential. Selection of students will be made through an intelligence test to be conducted at the end of Standard IV and Standard VII. The cost of books, medical care, hostel facilities special guidance and counseling would be given to the selected students Rs 30.00lakh is the outlay for the year 2008-09.

14. Publicity Wing/ Information, Education and Communication Project (IEC)

(Outlay Rs. 40.00 lakh)

For overall development of the tribals, an action plan containing cultural programmes, exhibitions, folk art festivals, upgradation of equipments, anti-liquor

propaganda, digital documentation of tribal culture and life style, etc. are to be prepared. The major activities of the scheme include:

- ?? Conduct of cultural programmes, exhibitions, folk art festivals anti-liquor propaganda
- ?? Completion of digital documentation of Scheduled Tribes life style, culture and their day-to-day activities entrusted to KIRTADS.
- ?? Entrance oriented coaching to ST students who seek admission for professional courses.
- ?? Assistance to ST students who study professional courses by providing study materials/equipments.
- ?? Honorarium to counsellors engaged in the pre-matric hostels and MRS
- ?? Provision of Additional Apprenticeship to ITI/ITC passed ST candidates
- ?? Annual State level festival of the students of MRS
- ?? Incentive to ST youths talented in Arts and Sports

15. Coaching and Allied Scheme (50 % State Share)

(Outlay Rs 2.00 lakh)

The scheme is for meeting the expenses for conducting coaching classes to the Scheduled Tribe students who appear for various competitive examinations of the UPSC, Staff Selection Commission, PSC and other Public Undertakings. An amount of Rs 2.00 lakh is provided as 50% State Share for 2008-09.

16. Health Project, Mananthavady, Idukki and Attappady

(Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)

The hospitals under the Health Project, Mananthavady and Attappady were already transferred to Health Department and now two OP clinics under the Health Project, Attappady and 4 OP clinics under Health Project, Idukki are functioning. Treatment of diseases like tuberculosis, leprosy, sickle cell diseases and visual impairment common among Scheduled Tribes of Mananthavady, Idukki and Attappady are envisaged under this scheme. An amount of Rs 20.00 lakh is provided during 2008-09 for the running of the 6 OP clinics under the project.

17. Providing Health Care Package to Tribal Individuals Affected by Diseases

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is to provide complete health care to the tribal population affected by diseases. A model project shall be prepared based on research. The study will be initiated by research organisations/ NGOs is identified ST Areas facing serious health problems. Plausible programmes and schemes shall be evolved and implemented for achieving the objectives.

18. Housing Programme

(Outlay Rs 400.00 lakh)

This scheme aims at providing financial assistance to houseless Scheduled Tribes for construction of houses by the Scheduled Tribe Development. About 400 families who do not have shelter may be considered in this scheme for which Rs. 400 lakh is provided during 2008-09.

19. Share Capital Contribution to Kerala State Development Corporation for SC/ST for implementing schemes benefiting Scheduled Tribes (State Share 51%)

(Outlay Rs 5.00 lakh)

An outlay of Rs 5 lakh is provided towards 51% state share for providing share capital contribution to Kerala State Development Corporation for SCs/STs, for taking up economic development schemes benefiting Scheduled Tribes.

20. Support to Group Farms/Grant in aid to Attappady Co-operative Farming Society (ACFS) for conducting a School and Hospital

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

The outlay proposed is for providing one time grant to Priyadarshini Tea Estate, Mananthavady and Attappady Co-operative Farming Society for revitalization. The provision is also meant for the functioning and upgradation of facilities of the High School run by the Attappady Co-operative Farming Society at Chindakkei.

21. Kerala Institute for Research, Training and Development Studies for SC/ST(50% State share)- Grant-in-aid to KIRTADS

(Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)

The KIRTADS has three major wings viz.

- ?? Anthropological Research Wing, which undertakes research activities with the help of research fellows recruited specifically for this purpose
- ?? Training Wing, which conducts training programmes for officials and non-officials
- ?? Development Studies Wing, which undertakes evaluation studies of various development programmes implemented for the benefit of the tribal.

An amount of Rs 20.00lakh is provided as 50% State Share for the above purposes during 2008-09.

22. Adikala Gramam/Assistance to Adikala Kendram

(Outlay Rs.10.00 lakh)

This is a scheme implemented by KIRTADS which has the following components:

- ?? Research on primordial arts and craft forms.
- ?? Documentation of tribal arts and crafts.
- ?? Promotion of master craftsmen, artists, musicians and kalasamithis by awarding annual grant.

The outlay for 2008-09 is Rs. 10.00 lakh.

23. Strengthening of Planning and Monitoring Cell/Modernization of Tribal Development Department/Monitoring of schemes under Tribal Sub Plan

(Outlay Rs 25.00 lakh)

For effective implementation and monitoring of plan schemes, field level mechanism is to be strengthened with sufficient facilities. The outlay provided is for:

- ?? Training to staff in monitoring techniques and computers.

- ?? Purchase of computers and computer peripherals.
- ?? Provision of Internet/E-mail connection.
- ?? Repair of old vehicles and purchase of new vehicles required.
- ?? Recurring expenses on the above items.

24. Assistance to Marriage of ST girls.

(Outlay Rs10.00 lakh)

In order to reduce the burden of marriage expenses of daughters of tribal parents, assistance @ Rs.10000 is proposed under this scheme. Priority will be given to the daughters of widows, unwed mothers and incapable parents.

25. Enforcement of Prevention of Atrocities Act (50% State Share)

(Outlay Rs 10.00 lakh)

Special Benches have been constituted in all District Courts for the speedy disposal of cases registered under the Atrocities Act. Major components of the scheme include:

- ?? Formulation of appropriate schemes for providing compensation and rehabilitation of the victims of atrocities.
- ?? Providing legal aid to the victims of atrocities.
- ?? Functioning of the special mobile police squad in Wayanad District.
- ?? To start a special court at Wayanad

26. Implementation of Kerala State Restriction in Transfer of Lands and Restoration of Alienated Land Act 1999

(Outlay Rs.05 lakh)

It is proposed to help the tribal population to get the benefits provided under the Act. For preparation and implementation of the project Rs.05 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

27. Food Support Programme

(Outlay Rs. 100.00 lakh)

The scheme will be continued in needy tribal areas of all Districts in the State. While implementing the programme emphasis will be given to land based activities for increasing food production. This Programme is proposed to be linked to the Re-settlement and Development Activities of the Tribal Mission. Landless and poor tribal families identified by the Mission are the beneficiaries of the programme and emphasis will be given to asset creation. The present wage @ Rs.100 per labour contains food grain component worth Rs.60 and cash component of Rs.40.

28. Special Programme for Primitive Tribal Groups – Adiyans and Paniyans

(Outlay Rs.100.00 lakh)

Adiyans and Paniyans are the Primitive Tribal Groups, and are economically and socially more backward compared to the other tribal population. Therefore, need based and location specific package programmes for the benefit of these groups will be evolved and implemented with special emphasis on education, health and economic development. The outlay proposed will also be utilized for implementation of comprehensive development plan for the 477 Koraga families in Kasargod District. The cost for the running of three Destitute Homes of the Tribal Department at

Attappady, Mananthavady and Sugandhagiri (Wayanad) will also be met from the provision.

29. Social Activists/Tribal Promoters

(Outlay Rs 240.00 lakh)

Educated tribal youths are appointed in the tribal areas to function as social animators and facilitators for channelising and extending the benefits of tribal development schemes to the tribals. They will also make a link between the beneficiary tribals and the Panchayat /Sectoral departments. 1000 tribal youths have been selected and appointed for this purpose and trained in Participatory Rural Appraisal, Participatory Monitoring, primary health care and natural resource management. The promoter will be given a honorarium of Rs. 2000/- per month. An amount of Rs.240.00 lakh is provided for the continuance of the scheme during 2008-09.

30. National Trade and Arts Festival

(Outlay Rs.20.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is promoting trade of tribal crafts. Under this scheme, it is proposed to conduct an annual festival of tribal arts and exhibition cum sale of products manufactured by the tribal groups for which Rs. 20.00 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

31. Extension of Kudumbashree to Tribal Areas

(Outlay Rs.50.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is generating self employment opportunities among the Tribal population. It is proposed to organize tribal women through a women representative from Neighbourhood Groups at the settlement level and network them into Area Development Societies at the local level and Community Development Societies at the Local Government level. Kudumbashree would be assisted based on a detailed project for which Rs 50.00 lakh is provided during 2008-09.

32. Organisation of Oorukoottams

(Outlay Rs.5.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is empowering the tribal population. Oorukoottams shall be organized in all tribal settlements. They are to be networked at Grama Panchayat or Block Panchayat level. Training to selected volunteers of the Oorukoottams will be given on the following topics:

- ?? Micro level planning through PRA
- ?? Primary health care
- ?? Development services of Government
- ?? Participatory monitoring and evaluation

Oorukoottam meetings will be held at least once in a quarter.

33. Development of Tribes Living in Forest

(Outlay Rs.200.00 lakh)

The total tribal population living within the forest areas of the State is about 73,500 spread over 671 settlements and 18560 families. The amount earmarked is for

providing employment so as to ensure alternative source of income, protecting them from wild animals, ensuring health care facilities and for the prevention of degradation of local habitat.

34. Renovation/Revamping of Tribal Societies

(Outlay Rs.20.00 lakh)

The amount is earmarked to reorganise and strengthen the ST Co-operatives other than those ST Societies engaged in MFP collection and processing and affiliated to Kerala State SC/ST Co-operative Federation. Under the scheme assistance will be provided to ST Co-operatives functioning in sectors like Agriculture, Coir, and other traditional sectors for employment and income generation on the basis of project based activities.

35. Resettlement of Landless Tribals

(Outlay Rs.1500.00 lakh)

The objective of this scheme is providing at least one acre of land per family to landless tribals subject to a ceiling of 5 acres. Tribal families having less than one acre land holdings are also eligible to get the required extent of land to make their holding at least one acre in extent. A Tribal Mission has been formed to undertake rehabilitation activities based on the Master Plan. The key components of the resettlement plan are :

- ?? Development of minimum needs infrastructure including housing.
- ?? Land development including irrigation and raising of crops.
- ?? Self employment programmes.
- ?? Provision of health care.
- ?? Skill development.

Resettlement will be done on project basis with emphasis on planning and implementation through Oorukootams. So far 4696 landless ST families have been allotted an extent of 6851.72 acres of land Rs.1500 lakh is provided during 2008-09 for meeting the cost of rehabilitation through the State Tribal Resettlement and Development Mission.

36. Support to the Tribal Mission for Resettlement of Landless Tribals (ACA)

(Outlay Rs 0.01 lakh)

Land alienation has been the major problem in tribal areas. The objective of this scheme is to provide every landless tribal family with at least one acre of land and suitably resettle such families. For this purpose Mission was launched in the beginning of the Tenth Plan. Out of 22, 052 landless tribal families identified, so far 4652 families have been resettled and another 3000 families are proposed to be resettled during Eleventh Plan period. The land is being identified from Government land, project land and degraded forest land for distribution to the Tribals.

For resettling the tribals in the allotted land, model hamlets have to be developed. This envisages provision of housing, sanitation, minimum needs like electricity, water supply and connectivity. In addition, land development is required for enabling the resettled families to use it productively. Funds from Tribal Sub Plan are being earmarked for this purpose. During the Eleventh Plan an amount of Rs. 10

crore is provided under ACA. A token provision of Rs. 1000 is proposed as state share.

37. Enhancement of Facilities in Tribal Areas (Second phase) (ACA)

(Outlay Rs 0.01 lakh)

Kerala has a relatively a small tribal population, constituting just 1.14% of its total population, However, due to exploitation and inaccessibility of their habitations, they have been more or less excluded from the much acclaimed human development of the State. Most of the tribal families live below poverty line. Their skill levels are low and functional literacy is still a problem among the middle aged and senior people.

As part of the anti-poverty sub plan, the State Government intends to bring the tribal families into the mainstream by ensuring a minimum standard of living. So a special focus is to be given to provide acceptable standards of infrastructure and other facilities in schools and hospitals in the most backward tribal areas. This is to ensure that the tribals get an assured level of service from the hospitals and quality education from the schools. It is proposed to upgrade the facilities of schools where at least 20% of the students belong to tribal communities. For this purpose a special assistance of Rs 4.40 crore may be requested from GOI under ACA during the Eleventh Plan. Out of this Rs.200 lakh may be requested during 2008-09 as ACA. A token provision of Rs. 1000 is proposed as state share.

38. Improving facilities and Renovation of Pre -matric and Post-matric Hostels.

(Outlay Rs 0.01 lakh)

There are 108 pre-matric Hostels and 3 Post-matric Hostels functioning in the State for providing quality education to the Scheduled Tribe students. But most of the Pre-matric Hostels are now accommodating students far more than their strength because of excess demand. Already there are 6000 students in these hostels and more students are seeking accommodation. This situation has been affecting adversely the smooth running of the institutions. Also most of the hostels lack basic facilities. To tide over this problem. construction of additional buildings, improving facilities of the existing building, providing drinking water, additional furniture, Library facilities etc are found imperative. In order to cover all institutions under this programme more funds is required. An amount of Rs. 2.20 crore was proposed under ACA from GOI during Eleventh Plan. An amount of Rs.100 lakh may be requested from GOI under ACA for the scheme during 2008-09. A token provision of Rs. 1000 is provided as state share.

39. Drinking Water Supply to Tribal areas of Idukki District

(Outlay Rs 0.01 lakh)

Idukki District is a hilly district with relatively poor infrastructure facilities. Nearly 15% of the tribal population of Kerala live in the District. Most of the tribal families who live in settlements are poor and vulnerable to various diseases particularly water borne diseases. The tribal people have to fetch drinking water from distant sources. To overcome this situation, GOI has sanctioned an amount of Rs. 2.03 crore for providing safe Drinking Water to the tribal Hamlets in the District during 2004-05. In order to complete the project in the most needy tribal hamlets in the district, an additional amount of Rs. 2.20 crore was provided from GOI as ACA

during Eleventh Plan. An amount of Rs.100 lakh may be requested from GOI under ACA during 2008-09. A token provision of Rs. 1000 is provided as state share.

**40. Tribal Sub Plan/ (Pooled Fund)Corpus Fund for Project Based Activities
(Outlay Rs 813.15 lakh)**

The objective of this scheme is to adopt project based approach in sanction and implementation of schemes. This scheme is intended to fund projects received from the Districts and the Directorate with emphasis to the following elements.

- ?? Self employment.
- ?? Skill development.
- ?? Provision of water supply and sanitation.
- ?? Improving communication facilities to inaccessible areas including bridle paths and foot bridges.
- ?? Technology transfer.
- ?? Improvement of education and health.
- ?? Housing
- ?? Electricity

A Master Plan programmes and projects are prepared with the participation of tribal communities, and experts, and the same shall be implemented through various agencies including approved NGOs. For approval of the projects, a State level working group consisting of Secretary (SC/ST), Secretary, (Planning), Secretary (Finance), an expert from IIM, Kozhikode and the Director (STDD) has been constituted.

**41. Improving facilities and Renovation of Pre-matric and Post-matric Hostels.
(One Time ACA)**

(Outlay Rs 30.00 lakh)

For the smooth running of the pre-matric and post matric tribal hostels basic facilities like construction of additional buildings, improving facilities of the existing building, providing drinking water, additional furniture, Library facilities etc are to be provided. In order to cover all institutions under this programme an amount of Rs 30.00 lakh is provided as One Time ACA during 2008-09.

**42. Enhancement of Facilities in Tribal Areas (Second phase) (One Time ACA)
(Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)**

As part of the anti-poverty sub plan, the State Government intends to bring the tribal families into the mainstream by ensuring a minimum standard of living. So a special focus is to be given to provide acceptable standards of infrastructure and other facilities in schools and hospitals in the most backward tribal areas. This is to ensure that the tribals get an assured level of service from the hospitals and quality education from the schools. It is proposed to upgrade the facilities of schools where at least 20% of the students belong to tribal communities. For this purpose Rs 20 lakh is provided as One Time ACA during 2008-09.

43 . Support to the Tribal Mission for Resettlement of Landless Tribals (OneTime ACA)

(Outlay Rs 120.00 lakh)

Land alienation has been the major problem in tribal areas. The objective of this scheme is to provide every landless tribal family with at least one acre of land and suitably resettle such families. For resettling the tribals in the allotted land, model hamlets have to be developed. This envisages provision of housing, sanitation, minimum needs like electricity, water supply and connectivity. In addition, land development is required for enabling the resettled families to use it productively. Funds from Tribal Sub Plan are being earmarked for this purpose. During 2008-09 an amount of Rs. 120 lakh is provided as One Time ACA.

44. Drinking Water Supply to Tribal areas of Idukki District (One Time ACA) (Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)

An amount of Rs. 20 lakh is provided as One Time ACA during 2008-09 for providing safe Drinking Water to the tribal Hamlets in the Tribal areas of Idukki District.

Rural Development Schemes

1. Sampoorna Gramin Roazgar Yojana – TSP (25% State Share)

(Outlay Rs 1.00 lakh)

The scheme envisages to provide additional wage employment in Rural Area, creation of durable community, social and economic assets and infrastructure. Currently the programme is being implemented in 10 Non-NREGA districts. GOI had declared that the NREGA which is now being implemented in 4 districts will be extended to all the districts in the state. These additional districts have been notified under the Act with effect from April 1, 2008. These districts will not getting any allocation under SGRY from the year 2008-09. Therefore no state share would be required to be provided for the programme during 2008-09. So a token provision of Rs. 1 lakh is proposed under the programme to meet this spill over commitments if any. Out of the provision Rs. 25000 to District Panchayats, Rs. 25000 to Block Panchayats and Rs. 50000 to Grama Panchayats.

2. Indira Awaz Yojana – TSP (25% State Share)

(Outlay Rs 230.00 lakh)

The objective of the scheme is to provide houses to Scheduled Tribes under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Indira Awaz Yojana. Construction of new houses and upgradation of existing kutcha houses into pucca houses are the two components of the scheme. The plan provision is Rs. 230.00 lakh which is 25% State share earmarked to Block Panchayats.

3. Swarnjayanthi Gram Swarozgar Yojana – TSP (25% State Share)

(Outlay Rs 132.80 lakh)

This centrally sponsored scheme envisages establishing a large number of micro enterprises in the rural areas. The Tribal Sub Plan share under this scheme is Rs. 132.80 lakh which is 25% State share. The provision is earmarked to Block Panchayats.

Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan

(Outlay Rs 350.00 lakh)

The Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan is mainly meant for filling up of the critical gaps to cover employment oriented income generation activities and the infrastructure incidental thereto, with focus on units run by self Help Groups and thus raising the economic and social status of tribals. The stress is on cluster approach and emphasis to schemes/programmes to enhance income generating activities through increased productivity and value addition giving priority in watershed development, Minor Irrigation, Horticulture, Food Processing, MFP based activities medicinal plants preservation etc.

C. Other Backward Classes

(Rs. Lakh)

Sl.No.	Name of Scheme	Approved Outlay
1	Kerala State Development Corporation for Christian Converts from Scheduled Castes and the recommended communities	350.00
2	Kerala State Backward Classes Development Corporation - Share Capital Grant	700.00
3	Post Matriculation Studies	300.00
4	Construction of Hostels for Girls(OBC) (State Share 50%)	125.00
5	Pre-Matriculation Studies	75.00
6	Construction of Hostel for Boys(OBC) - New Scheme	50.00
	Total	1600.00

1.Kerala State Development Corporation for Christian Converts from SC's and the Recommended Communities.

(Outlay Rs 350.00 lakh)

The Corporation is an agency entrusted with the implementation of schemes for economic development of the people converted from Scheduled Castes into Christianity and the recommended communities. The scheme include financial assistance for agriculture land purchase, self-employment programme, foreign employment scheme, housing scheme, cash incentive to students, etc. which will be implemented with financial assistance from national financing institutions. The outlay is also provided for the successful implementation of schemes viz. foreign language, para medical, marriage loan scheme and loan assistance to landless and houseless. The outlay provided is Rs. 350.00 lakh during 2008-09 as share capital assistance to the corporation.

2. Kerala State Backward Classes Development Corporation

(Outlay Rs 700.00 lakh)

The objective of the Corporation is strengthening the socio-economic lives of the Backward Class of the state. The Corporation implements development schemes for the Backward Class communities with financial assistance from National financial

institutions. The provision is for assistance to the Corporation in the form of share capital grant for availing assistance from National Backward Class Finance and Development Corporation, National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation, etc.

**3. Post-Matriculation Studies (Concessions)/Post Matriculation Studies
(Outlay Rs 300.00 lakh)**

This scheme is for giving post-matric scholarship to Other Backward Classes/OEC students at the same rate applicable to SC students. The provided outlay is Rs. 300.00 lakh during 2008-09.

**4. Construction of Hostels for Girls (OBC) (State Share 50%)
(Outlay Rs 125.00 lakh)**

The outlay provided is 50% state share for the construction of post-matric hostels for girl students belonging to Backward Classes for strengthening education among them.

**5. Pre-matric Concessions/Pre - matriculation Studies
(Outlay Rs 75.00 lakh)**

This scheme aims at giving fee concession, lump sum grant and monthly stipend to the students belonging to Other Eligible Communities subject to income limit for improving their education. During 2008-09, Rs. 75.00 lakh is provided.

New Scheme

**6. Construction of new Post Matric Hostel for OBC Boys
(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)**

It is proposed to construct a new Post Matric Hostel for OBC boys at CUSSAT in Ernakulam District.

10.12 Labour and Labour Welfare

Labour is defined as the amount of work effort that a person is willing to supply at a particular wage rate. Foundation of any economy is its labourers and redressal of their grievances is essential for social harmony, industrial prosperity and the growth of the economy. Kerala is generally known as a labour-friendly state. There is genuine concern and commitment to the protection of the interests of labour and promotion of its welfare. However, there has been some misunderstanding among investors who feel that labour in Kerala is an irritant factor that stands in the way of investment. At the same time in recent years a number of new industrial units, particularly in the IT sector, had been set up in the state.

The present scenario in Kerala shows rapid growth of unorganized sector and slight weakening of organized sector. This is a reflection of the general trend in the national economy.

As per the 2001 Census, 63.4 per cent of the population in Kerala was in the age group of 15-59, which constitute the work force. Projected labour force for 2011 will be 237.30 lakhs. Out of India's total main workers, 2.6 per cent are Keralites. Kerala has 102.91 lakhs workers (main and marginal) of whom 16.54 lakhs are agricultural labourers, 3.65 lakhs in household industries.

The Departments/Institutions coming under the Labour and Labour Welfare sector are Labour and Rehabilitation, Factories and Boilers, Fire and Rescue Services, Industrial Training, Employment, Kerala Institute of Labour and Employment (KILE), and Non-Resident Keralites Affairs (NORKA).

The department/institution wise allocation of the 2nd Annual Plan of the XIth Five Year Plan is summarised below.

I. Labour Commissionerate

Industrial peace and improvement of standard of living of labour depends on the competence and the functional effectiveness of this department. This department was established on 26th Jan 1946. The main objectives of this department are maintenance of harmonious industrial relations and creation of a conducive climate for investment and effective enforcement of labour laws & welfare schemes. The department provides good support to the Government in framing appropriate labour policies, programmes and labour legislations. There are 30 Labour laws administered by the department and 75 categories of employment are covered under the minimum Wages Act 1948.

During the Annual plan 2008-09 the department is entrusted to implement the following schemes.

1. Modernisation and Construction of Building for Labour Commissionerate

(Outlay Rs 40.00 lakh)

This Scheme in the Second Annual Plan of XIth Plan include Computerization, Capacity Building & Staff Training, Publication of Thozhil Rangam, Purchase of Library Books, Setting up of Labour Centers, Annual State Labour Conference, Modernisation of Statistics wing, Formation of Information Desk and Building Construction for Commissionerate. Out of the total allocation of Rs 40 lakh for the scheme an outlay of Rs 20 lakh is set apart exclusively for building Construction.

2. Support for the Unorganised Sections of Labour

(Outlay Rs 5.00 lakh)

Eradication of Child Labour, Awareness Programme on Interstate Migrant Workers and Unorganised Daily Waged Employees Distress Relief Fund are the components of the scheme. An amount of Rs 5 lakh is set apart for the scheme for 2008-09 for the implementation of the scheme.

3. Estate Workers Distress Relief Fund

(Outlay Rs 1.00 lakh)

The scheme is intended to provide distress relief fund for plantation workers. An amount Rs 1 lakh is envisaged to distribute the amount among 100 applicants during 2008-09.

New Scheme

Construction of District Office

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

During 2008-09 an amount of Rs 100 lakh is set apart for the construction of a new District Office at Alappuzha

II. Department of National Employment Services

Department of National Employment Service was under the control of the Government of India till 31.10.1956 and the administrative control was transferred to the State Government with effect from 01.11.1956. To ensure uniformity in the functioning of the Employment Exchanges all over India, the policies and procedures to be adopted in the functional activities of the Employment Exchanges are prescribed at national level. Only the state level modifications in the procedure are made in the State Directorate. The Department has 96 institutions, the most important of them are 14 District Employment Exchanges and 58 Town Employment Exchanges. Through the net work of these institutions the Department provides placement service, vocational guidance, employment market information and self employment guidance.

1. Computerisation of Employment Exchanges and Training to Staff

(Outlay Rs 15.00 lakh)

Computerisation of Employment Exchanges is going on in a phased manner with the help of National Informatics Centre. Department has started a website (<http://employmentkerala.gov.in>) as per Governor's Address Para 54 on 15/1/2004 for Professional and Executive level candidates. The Department intends to computerize all the remaining offices in the IV and V phases. Then data is to be made available in the internet for Global access to ensure placement opportunity for the unemployed youth of Kerala. An amount of Rs 15 lakh is earmarked during 2008-2009 for the computerization of remaining employment exchanges and training to staff.

III. Industrial Training

The craftsman Training Scheme was introduced by the Government of India in 1950 to ensure a steady flow of skilled workers in different trades for the domestic industry. The day to day administration of ITIs under the Craftsman Training Scheme was transferred to the State Government/ Union territory administrations with effect from the year 1956. The Department was named as 'Industrial Training Department' in 1970. This department is in charge of the Craftsman Training and Apprenticeship Training Schemes. As per the scheme 33 Industrial Training Institutes and a Basic Training Centre are functioning in the State. In addition to this there are 354 ITCs in the State. There are also 41 ITCs under ST Development Department.

1. Modernisation of ITI's

(Outlay Rs 425.00 lakh)

The components of the scheme are (i) Revamping of existing trades/Upgradation of equipments (ii) Upgradation of existing ITIs (iii) Employment oriented short term courses/Production centers/New trades (iv) Machinery and Equipments-Procurement for getting affiliation with NCVT (v) Conversion of ITI Kayyoor as Model ITI (vi) Upgradation of ITI Kasaragode & Pallikathode and (vii) English Speaking Course. An amount of Rs 425 lakh is set apart for implementing these schemes in 2008-09.

2. Development of Staff Training Infrastructure

(Outlay Rs 3.00 lakh)

State Institute for Staff Training and Technology was established in 1999. The main objective of the Institute is to give training to the Instructors on the modern technology and on the revised syllabus as per DGET norms. In order to upgrade the Institute an amount of Rs 3 lakh is set apart during 2008-09.

3. Planning & Monitoring Cell and Modernisation & Computerisation

(Outlay Rs 10.00 lakh)

In order to Strengthen affiliation / Trade test wings and planning section of the Directorate of training, Modernization and Computerization and training of staffs, an amount of Rs 10 lakh is earmarked during 2008-09.

4. Advanced Vocational Training for Industrial Workers and Instructors

(Outlay Rs 5.00 lakh)

In order to impart advanced vocational training to industrial workers in modern technology and machinery, teaching staff have to undergo training in Central Training Institute for acquiring knowledge. An amount of Rs 5 lakh is earmarked for advanced vocational training purpose in the 2008-09 Annual Plan.

5. Upgradation of ITIs into Centres of Excellence. (CSS 75:25)

(Outlay Rs 200.00 lakhs)

Government of India have upgraded 5 ITIs in this State as 'Centres of Excellence' in the 1st phase. During 2005-06 financial year, 3 more ITIs have been selected for upgradation into 'Centres of Excellence' in the 2nd Phase. Out of the 13 more ITIs are being proposed for upgradation in the 3^d phase only one ITI was converted into Center of Excellence during 2007-08. In order to convert the remaining 12 ITIs as Centers of Excellence an amount of Rs 200 lakh is earmarked as State share in 2008-09 Annual Plan.

New Scheme

Setting up of new ITIs

(Outlay Rs 421.00 lakh)

For setting up of new ITIs in different areas of the State an allotment of Rs 421 lakh is exclusively earmarked in the Annual Plan of 2008-09.

IV. Kerala Institute of Labour and Employment (KILE)

The Kerala Institute of Labour and Employment, an autonomous body constituted by the Government of Kerala for the purpose of training and research in Labour and Employment, started functioning on 4.2.1978 as a registered society under Travancore-Cochin Literary, Scientific and Charitable Societies Registration Act 1955. The Institute is performing a prominent role in promoting programmes relating to labour and employment. KILE is conducting training programmes, workshops and seminars on labour related subjects, and training to the departmental officers and other stake holders of industry.

Ongoing Schemes

(Outlay Rs 20.00 lakh)

The institute has to be modernized to impart training and other research programmes. An amount of Rs 20 lakh is set apart for 2008-09 for the programmes such as Training, Research, Publication, Library upliftment and Purchase of training equipment.

V. Factories and Boilers

The Department of Factories & Boilers is the Statutory Authority to ensure Safety, Health and Welfare of Factory workers and the general public living in the vicinity of factories through implementing various laws. Inspection of major accident hazard (MAH) factories, air monitoring studies in hazardous factories, workshop/training programme for workers and managers, medical examination of factory workers are the major activities of the department. The department is in the pursuit of prevention of industrial accidents and creation of an environment conducive to industrial hygiene as well as prevention of occupational diseases by inspection and advisory service.

Ongoing Schemes

(Outlay Rs 45.00 lakh)

The components of ongoing schemes are Chemical Emergency Response Centre (CHEMREC) at Ernakulam, Workshop/Training programme for Industrial Workers/General Public and Staff, Computerisation of Factories & Boilers Department, Purchase of Equipments for Industrial Hygiene Laboratory /Safety Cell and Construction of Building for Directorate of Factories & Boilers at Thiruvananthapuram. An amount of Rs 45 lakh is earmarked for implementing the above schemes during 2008-09.

New Scheme

Setting up of a Welding Institute cum Testing Center

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

In Kerala there is no Institute for training people in Indian Boiler Regulation certified quality welders in the National Standards. Considering the developing industrial scenario in India and world wide especially in Gulf countries, there is a tremendous demand for high quality precision welding such as pressure vessel welding, pipe lines, under water welding etc. So considering the above circumstances a Welding Institute & National Testing Research Centre has to be set up in Kerala with national and international standards to avail maximum job opportunities in the developed and developing countries. The Welding Institute & National Testing Research Centre will be an Institute, autonomous in nature under the control of Government of Kerala and Department of Factories & Boilers. Considering the availability of infrastructure the institute can be set up either at Kollam / Ernakulam District. The staff required for the

Institute will be on deputation /contract basis. Rs 100 lakh is earmarked in the 2008-09 Annual Plan to set up the Institute.

VI. Non Resident Keralite Affairs Department (NORKA)

It was formed in 1996 as a single window agency and is concerned with over all welfare of NRKs. A Cell was established in the Kerala House in New Delhi in 2001 to liaise with the various Ministries of GOI and also to follow up matters relating to NRKs in a systematic manner. The main objectives of Non Resident Keralites' Affairs Department are to ensure the welfare of NRKs, redress their grievances, safeguard their rights, rehabilitate the returned migrants and facilitating NRK investments in the State. The NORKA Department will implement various schemes in 2008-09 through 'NORKA-ROOTS', the field agency of this Department and by the Department.

Ongoing Schemes

(Outlay Rs 225.00 lakh)

An outlay of Rs 225 lakh is earmarked in 2008-09 for implementing the on going schemes, viz, Emergency Repatriation Fund, NRK welfare Agency Cell in New Delhi, Kochi & Kozhikode and for Other activities of NORKA dept.

New Schemes

1. NRK Village

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

The NRK village is envisaged as a window for mutually beneficial relationship between Keralities living inside Kerala and those living outside the state. It will evolve various activities for achieving the above goal. The village will also aim to promote and foster Kerala's culture, tradition, food habits, art and dance forms, martial arts, showcase its festivals and history etc. It will contain arts and cultural centers, kalari and yoga schools, medical centers including ayurveda and educational institutions of international standards. It will also provide residential premises for the NRK's. NORKA Department proposes to acquire around 500 to 700 acres of land for setting up of this heritage village. To meet the initial expenditure for the project an amount of Rs 50.00 lakh is earmarked in the 2008-09.

2. Share Capital Contribution to NORKA-ROOTS

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

Board of Directors of 'NORKA-ROOTS' have decided to convert the share holding pattern of the company from 26:74 to 51:49 with Government holding 51 per cent of the shares. Main income of 'NORKA-ROOTS' is from the fee collected for certification. This shows a decreasing trend over the years. Hence an outlay of Rs 100 lakh is provided in the Annual Plan 2008-09 to convert NORKA- ROOTs into a company and support its activities.

3. Awareness Campaign on Illegal Recruitment and Visa Check

(Outlay Rs 5.00 lakh)

For this programme Rs 5 lakh is envisaged in the Annual Plan 2008-09.

VII. Fire & Rescue Services

Fire & Rescue Services was established in 1963. Its protective role is vital in every incident of fire, road accident, drowning cases, explosions, land slides, flood, earthquakes, drought, Tsunami, railway disasters, building collapses etc. The GOI have issued guidelines regarding the number of fire stations required, but there is shortage of Fire Stations in Kerala.

Modernisation of Fire Force Department

(Outlay Rs.200.00 lakh)

There are 82 Fire and Rescue Stations in the State. Most of the Fire and Rescue Stations are functioning with limited facilities. Therefore equipping Fire and Rescue Service with most modern life saving equipment and appliances is very essential. Modernization includes construction of Fire & Rescue Station buildings and purchase of modern equipment & machinery. An amount of Rs 200 lakh is set apart in 2008-09 for modernizing the department.

Flagship Programmes

1. Multipurpose Job Clubs

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

This is an innovative programme aiming to bring together several categories of skilled workers in the unorganised sector at one place and providing them with Identity cum Job Cards indicating their certified skill levels. This scheme is being implemented by The National Employment Service. The Job Clubs would be promoting self-employment through co-operation among skilled workers. The scheme will be monitored by a State level committee and District level committees. An outlay of Rs. 100 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

2. Employment and Finishing School

(Outlay Rs 200.00 lakh)

The problem of unemployment in Kerala, particularly among both rural and urban youth is very acute and is worsening over time. Most of them have no marketable skills and employability. The existing gap of information between prospective employers and job seekers has to be bridged. The flagship programme on 'Employment and Finishing School' proposes to equip job seekers with new marketable skills through additional training to make them employable. The Labour Department will be co-ordinating the programme. This scheme is continuing in the financial year 2008-09 with an outlay of Rs 200 lakh.

3. Design Institute

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

During 2007-08 an amount of Rs 100 lakh was earmarked to start a Design Institute in the State.(In the 2007-08 Annual Budget Rs 300 lakh was earmarked for Employment and Finishing School. Later it was decided to take Rs 100 lakh from this amount to start a new Design Institute in the State by limiting the amount to Rs 200 lakh for Finishing School.) The location was identified at ITI Aryanad. The Institute starts functioning shortly. Hence an amount of Rs 100 lakh is set apart in the Annual Plan of 2008-09 for this Institute.

4. Flagship programme on Social Security

(Outlay Rs 100.00 lakh)

Over the years Kerala has developed a model of social security, covering workers in the organised and unorganised sectors. But the coverage has not been adequate because there are a number of working people who have not fallen under the welfare measures due to absence of clear employer – employee relationship and minimum required workers to run a viable Welfare Board. In order to fulfill the intention of the Govt, this scheme is meant for unorganized Labourers' Pension. The Labour Department is entrusted to implement the programme with an outlay of Rs 100 lakh during 2008-09.

New Scheme

Assistance to Labour Welfare Fund Boards

(Outlay Rs 50.00 lakh)

There is a long standing demand for restructuring the Labour Welfare Fund Boards in the states and making these viable and sustainable to serve the interest of labour. Rs 50 lakh is earmarked for 2008-09 for this purpose. The detailed plan and schemes for this will be prepared by the Department in consultation with State Planning Board and the funds would be released only after getting the approval of the Planning Board.

10.13 SOCIAL SECURITY AND WELFARE

Investment in social security has played a central role in the making of the widely acclaimed Kerala Model of development. The eleventh plan strategy is designed to strengthen delivery of services and extend the reach of the social security network to some of the neglected groups in the population. In the second year of the eleventh plan, a marked improvement in the allocation to the social service sector is proposed. A total outlay of Rs. 13388.00 lakhs is provided in 2008-09 which is higher than the outlay of Rs.8972.00 lakhs in 2007-08.

Despite the signal achievement in the social service sector, the persistence of some disturbing trends has to be overcome. Re-affirming the welfare of rights of women, children, old aged, physically/ mentally challenged and other vulnerable groups will be taken care of by this enhanced provision.

The following are the schemes envisaged for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

1. Assistance to Mentally Retarded Children studying in Private Institutions

(Outlay: Rs. 7 Lakh)

Financial assistance is given to mentally retarded children studying in institutions run by voluntary organizations. The rate of assistance provided at present is Rs.90 per month per child as scholarship for 10 months in a year. The outlay for 2008-09 is Rs.7 lakh. Steps may be taken to take up this scheme by the General Education department, since the scheme is transferred to the Education Department.

2. Kerala State Physically Handicapped Persons Welfare Corporation

(Outlay :Rs. 132 Lakh)

The Kerala State Physically Handicapped Persons Welfare Corporation was established in 1979 with the objective of providing welfare and employment opportunities to the handicapped. The following activities are to be implemented during 2008-09 for which Rs.132 lakh is earmarked.

Activities	Outlay (Rs. Lakh) 2008-09
Ongoing Activities	
1. Distribution of Aids and Appliances	30.00
2. Self-Employment Scheme	10.00
3. Distribution of Motorised Tricycle	5.00
4. Financial Assistance to handicapped students	2.00
5. Financial assistance to operate limb fitting Centers in 5 district centres.	30.00
6. Coaching-cum-guidance centre for Handicapped persons	2.00
7. Production-cum-Repairing Center for Aids and Appliances in 3 districts	15.00
8. Financial Assistance to disabled lottery agents	3.00
9. Subsidy for installation of Tea/Coffee vending Machine to handicapped	3.00

10..Promotion of Self Help Groups	6.00
11. Marriage Assistance to differentially abled girls	4.00
New Activities	
12. KSHPWC share for NHFDC loan	7.00
13. Fixed Deposit scheme for severely disabled girl child.	5.00
For Senior Citizens (Old Age Policy)	
14. Providing Aids and Appliances to the aged }	
15. Special Medical Camps for the aged. }	10.00
Total	132.00

3. Kerala State Women Development Corporation.

(Outlay: Rs. 150 Lakh)

The Kerala State Women Development Corporation was established in 1988 with the objective of formulating, promoting and implementing women welfare and development schemes. During the Eleventh Five-Year Plan the following programs are proposed to be implemented by the corporation for which the proposed state commitment is Rs.1150 lakhs. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs.150 lakhs.

Activities	Outlay 2008-09 (Rs. Lakh)
1. Self employment loan scheme for Women (NBCFDC, NMDFC, General, NSFDC, NHFDC, and NSTFDC)	55.00
2. Entrepreneurship development/awareness/vocational training programs/exhibitions.	5.00
3. STEP Employment & Training Program.	8.00
4. Single woman benefit scheme	8.00
5. Marketing Center	9.00
6. Autorikshaws for women /Nagara sahayi scheme	9.00
7. Construction/maintenance of office complex	10.00
8. Vocational Training Center in Social Welfare Institutions	5.00
9. Working Women's hostel	10.00
10. Survey, reports and documentation	1.00
11. Integrated Women Empowerment scheme	5.00
12. Setting up of a Women Resource Centre, Career Guidance Centre, etc	5.00
13. Home nursing/ geriatric care centers	20.00
Total	150.00 =====

4. Welfare of Prisoners

(Outlay: Rs. 50 Lakh)

There are Central Prisons, Open Prisons, District Jails, Special Sub Jails, Sub Jails, and Women Prisons in the State. The main activities proposed to be implemented during the Eleventh Five Year Plan are social gathering and entertainment program, re-orientation of prison staff, correctional seminars, training activities to prisoners in computer, bread making, soap making, binding, Beekeeping, wormiculture & organic manure, establishment of dairy farm, providing cooking vessels and kitchen utensils, TV sets, tailoring machines, public address system, improvement of recreational facilities, and educational programmes for which an outlay of Rs. 50 lakhs is provided for 2008-09.

5. Modernisation of prisons

(Outlay Rs. 540 Lakh)

For modernizing the prison administration a long-term project has been formulated by the Department. Installation of surveillance system in Jails, video conferencing in Jails, providing **cell phone jammers**, **inverters**, providing drinking water facility to drought hit prisons, providing vehicles to the Jail Institutions, computerization of Jails, installation of bio-gas and gas ovens, energy conservation and providing inverters, providing fax & franking machine and modernisation of jail manufacturing, providing Tractors to open prisons, purchase of Rubber sheeting machine, Suraksha prison project etc are the proposed programmes during 2008-09. An outlay of Rs. 540 lakh is provided in the Annual Plan 2008-09.

6. Assistance to Aftercare Programmes and follow up services/ Victim Rehabilitation Fund

(Outlay Rs. 20.00 Lakh)

About 100 long-time prisoners are released every year. Financial assistance of Rs. 10,000/- is given to each beneficiary to enable him/her to get employment and a livelihood. Provisions for rehabilitation of victims of major crimes are also envisaged in this scheme. The scheme started during 2002-03 and the number of beneficiaries up to 2006-07 is 517 and at least 200 prisoners are expected to be released from the jails during this year. During 2008-09 an amount of Rs. 20 lakhs is earmarked for the scheme.

7. Upgradation of facilities and additional maintenance to Juveniles of Juvenile Justice Institutions (50%SS)

(Outlay Rs. 80.00 Lakh)

Juvenile Justice Act 1986 is a Central Act enacted for the care, protection, development and rehabilitation of neglected Juveniles. There are 7 Juvenile Homes, 14 observation homes, one Balasadanam (certified as Juvenile Home) and 2 Special Homes functioning in the State. More than 800 children in the age group of 5 to 18 years are accommodated. The existing grant @ Rs.300/- per inmate per month will be met on 50:50 basis by State and Central Government. During 2008-09 Rs. 80 lakhs is provided for this scheme.

**8. Establishment of Observation Homes under Juvenile Justice Act (50% SS)
(Outlay Rs. 60.00 Lakh)**

At present there are 14 Observation Homes in the state established under the JJ Act 1986. Government of India gives assistance for construction of buildings, compound wall, provision for water supply, electrification and related improvement activities. All Observation Homes need modification in order to provide a child friendly atmosphere. An outlay of Rs. 60 lakhs is provided for 2008-09 as state share.

9. Strengthening of infrastructure in Juvenile Justice Institutions and De-institutionalisation of Inmates

(Outlay Rs. 61 Lakh)

The activities implemented under the scheme are construction, maintenance, repair and renovation of buildings, vocational training and provision of other facilities in Juvenile Homes. The activities like de-institutionalization of inmates, repairs and renovation of Juvenile Homes and special homes, construction of compound wall to JJ homes, monitoring and evaluation of the activities of JJ homes, conducting pilot study, strengthening water supply systems, providing colour dress to the inmates, purchase of television sets, sports materials, library books, furniture, utensils, grinder, LPG installation for Juvenile Justice institutions, repair and maintenance of observation homes, support for higher studies of inmates, entertainment and cultural programmes to inmates, special tuition and strengthening of vocational training institutions attached along with J.J.Institutions etc are the proposed programmes during year 2008-09. An outlay of Rs. 61 lakhs is provided for 2008-09.

10. Building for Social Welfare Institutions

(Outlay Rs. 110 Lakh)

There are 73 Social Welfare Institutions functioning under the Social Welfare Department. Certain institutions are functioning in rented buildings. It is proposed to complete the ongoing construction work, repair and maintenance of the existing building and to provide own building for welfare institutions including ICDS offices. An outlay of Rs. 110 lakh is provided for 2008-09.

11. State Institute for Mentally Handicapped Children—Pangappara

(Outlay Rs.70.00 Lakh)

C.H.Mohammed Koya Memorial State Institute for the Mentally Handicapped Children provides facilities like special school for the mentally retarded children, boarding and lodging, physiotherapy unit, assessment center to evaluate the IQ and behavioral problems, vocational training center etc. The activity wise allocation for 2008-09 is given below with a provision of Rs.70 lakhs.

Sl.No.	Activities	Outlay 2008-09 (Rs.Lakh)
1.	D.S.E(MR) Course	5.00
2.	Maintenance of Institute	19.00
3.	Vocational Training Center	5.00
4.	Hiring of Mini Bus	1.00
5.	Diploma in Vocational Training and Employment	5.00
6.	Placement service for M R.Candidates	1.00
7.	Parents Training and counselling programme	5.00
8.	Augmentation of Documentation and Information Center	2.00
9.	Assessment and early intervention Center	2.00
10.	Construction of Academic Block	5.00
11.	Guidance and Counselling in rural areas	5.00
12.	Construction of 3 VTCs in Kerala for Mentally Retarded	10.00
13.	B.Ed Programme Distance Education	1.00
14.	Model permanent Rehabilitation Village	4.00
	Total	----- 70.00

12. Capacity Building of Departmental Officers

(Outlay Rs. 7.00 Lakh)

The staff of Social Welfare Department requires training so as to enable them to discharge their various duties more efficiently. Training will be carried out for different segments of the staff, based on the action plan for training to be prepared by the department. The provided outlay for Annual Plan (2008-09) is Rs.7 lakhs.

13. National Institute for Speech & Hearing

(Outlay Rs. 100 Lakh)

The National Institute of Speech and Hearing was set up in 1997 with the objective of rehabilitating the hearing impaired persons in the State. The facilities of the NISH include audiological evaluation, speech languages rehabilitation, pre-school and parent guidance programme, ENT service, speech therapy, vocational training program etc. Construction of NISH campus at Aakkulam is now in progress. To continue the following activities an outlay of Rs.100 lakhs is provided in the Annual Plan 2008-09.

Sl.No	Activities	Outlay 2008-09 (Rs. Lakhs)
1.	Audiology and speech division	25.00
2.	Pre-school parent guidance center	20.00
3.	Vocational Training Center	7.00
4.	Academic programs	6.00
5.	Medical Division including psychology	7.00
6.	State wide Rehabilitation Project	25.00
7.	Cochlear Implant Centre	10.00
Total		100.00

14. New Social Security Initiatives for Marginalised Groups

(Outlay Rs 60 Lakh)

The persons coming under Disability Act-1995 are the beneficiaries under this comprehensive scheme, which has several components. The target group includes physically & mentally challenged persons, mentally cured persons, aged persons and family members of the indigent convicts. An amount of Rs.60 lakhs is provided for implementing the following activities in 2008-09. Funds for new activities will be released after detailed project report prepared by the department and approved by the State Planning Board.

Sl.No.	Activities	Outlay 2008-09 (Rs. Lakh)
1.	Additional facilities to the Welfare Institutions	17.00
2.	Community Rehabilitation program for the disabled	9.00
3.	Home for the cured mental patients	10.00
4.	Additional facilities to the existing daycare Centers and for starting new daycare centers	10.00
5.	Assistance to the facilities for indigent convicts	2.00
6.	Home for the mentally challenged persons (Females) at Thrissur	8.00
7.	Social Security to the weaker sections.	2.00
8.	Financial assistance to Physically Challenged girls and daughters of the physically challenged couple	2.00
Total		60.00

Adoption Cell

(Outlay Rs. 8 Lakh)

To co-ordinate and develop the activities of adoption of children forms the functions of the Adoption Cell. The Adoption Cell recommends applications received from NGO's/Voluntary Agencies for obtaining recognition from Government of India, to undertake inter-country adoption work after necessary inspections/enquiries, conduct

periodical inspections of fondling Homes run by voluntary/private organizations and monitor their functioning. Rs.8 lakhs is provided for 2008-09.

16. Programme Development and Monitoring Cell

(Outlay Rs. 22.00 Lakh)

The PDM Cell was established in 1998 with the following major functions: implementation of JJ Act, developing UNICEF assisted programmes implementation and their monitoring, organizing seminars/ workshops/orientation training, policy development and programme formulation for all categories of children, developing integrated program for rehabilitation of women in distress, providing helpline, monitoring implementation of Child Right Conventions, extending child line services in 9 districts etc. PDM Cell will function as the programme development, co-ordination and monitoring wing of the department. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs.22 lakhs.

17. Women Development Programme including short stay homes

(Outlay Rs. 80 Lakh)

This comprehensive programme has the following components such as: (i)implementation of Dowry Prohibition Act (ii) food security to the widows and unmarried women above the age of 50 years (iii) vocational training in the existing Short Stay homes (iv) starting of one day homes and (v) economic support to women headed families and assistance to low salaried women. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs. 80 lakhs.

18. Modernization of Social Welfare Department

(Outlay Rs. 10.00 Lakh)

For Upgradation of the administrative standards by introduction of Information Technology with focus on financial control for internal audit, monitoring of programmes and grievance redressal, Constitution of Research and Development Cell at the Directorate, setting up of cubicles , networking system in the Directorate with regional office and district offices including replacement of old computers, installation of telephone, purchase of photocopier, fax machine, purchase and replacement of vehicles etc are proposed for the year 2008-09 for which Rs.10 lakhs is provided.

19. Kerala Women's Commission

(Outlay Rs. 70 Lakh)

The Kerala Women's Commission was established in 1996. The objective is to improve the status of women in Kerala and to enquire into unfair practices against women. There are District Level Committees as Jagratha Samithies for out reach. During the Eleventh Five Year Plan the activities proposed to be implemented are office automation, development of library, Research studies, DNA test, Adalats, Short Stay Homes, Production of audio-video programs, purchase of laptop and LCD projector, publication of Sthree Sakthi Newsletter, seminars/Legal workshops, strengthening of District Samithies /Jagratha Samithies, counselling & helpline and databank. An amount of Rs.70 lakhs is provided for 2008-09.

20. Upgradation of Vocational Training Centers**(Outlay Rs. 19.00 Lakh)**

There are two vocational training centres for the physically handicapped functioning at Thiruvananthapuram and Kozhikode. Facilities for vocational training in tailoring, mat weaving, plastic works, leather works, printing, book-binding, and computer software courses are provided to the beneficiaries. For the continuance of the existing training courses including adoption of new age courses, an outlay of Rs. 19 lakhs is provided for 2008-09

21. Modernization of Existing Social Welfare Institutions**(Outlay Rs. 170 Lakh)**

There are about 50 Welfare Institutions under the Social Welfare Department for the care and rehabilitation of different categories of vulnerable sections. These institutions do not have the required facilities for the inmates and are not able to provide specialist support services. Therefore, to upgrade the existing facilities, construction and maintenance of buildings with priority for completion of ongoing works, facilities like water supply etc are proposed for 2008-09 for which an amount of Rs.170 lakhs is provided.

22. State Commissionerate for Disability**(Outlay Rs. 50 Lakh)**

The Persons With Disabilities Act (PWD Act) was passed by the Government of India in 1995 which envisaged various developmental and welfare initiatives for the disabled persons. In Kerala, the State Commissionerate was set up in 1999 for co-ordination of programmes implemented by different departments and monitoring the utilization of funds for the benefit of the disabled in the state. For the implementation of the following programmes an outlay of Rs. 50 lakhs is provided in the A.P 2008-09.

Sl.No.	Activities	Outlay 2008-09 (Rs. lakhs)
1.	Medical camps and Awareness Camps	3.00
2.	Printing of identity cards	3.00
3.	Community based rehabilitation program	6.00
4.	Insurance coverage to disabled persons	30.00
5.	Scheme for prevention of disability	8.00
Total		50.00

23. Development of Anganwadi Centers as Community Resource Center for Women and Children - A Life Cycle Approach**(Outlay Rs. 68.00 Lakh)**

There are 163 ICDS projects in the State including ICDS General and World Bank Assisted ICDS phase III projects with 28651 Anganwadi centers. These Anganwadi Centres benefit about 8.03 lakhs children below 6 years, 1.58 lakhs pregnant

and lactating women, and 5.7 lakhs adolescent girls. The life cycle project aims at holistic development of women and children through behavioural changes of the community and recognition of women as participants in development. The anganwadi centers are to be developed into Community Resource Centers by convergence of services, resources, infrastructure and manpower of line departments through various stages. The activities proposed are to provide adolescent programs, community based rehabilitation programs and additional facilities to anganwadi centers. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs.68 lakhs.

24. Training for Ex-Servicemen/Widows

(Outlay Rs. 15 Lakh)

Department of Sainik Welfare is looking after the welfare and rehabilitation of Ex-servicemen. The department intends to train the Ex-servicemen and widows for competitive examinations for re-employment and self-employment. Therefore, the department proposes to establish a training center at Kozhikode and for commencement of training at Thiruvananthapuram, Thrissur and Kozhikode. An amount of Rs.15 lakhs is provided for 2008-09.

25. Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls (ACA)

(Outlay Rs. 584.00 Lakh)

In Kerala there are 30.86 lakhs adolescent girls who suffer from gender disadvantage, lack of nutrition and self-development. In order to improve nutritional and gender advantage and to provide supportive environment for self-development of adolescent girls, the department of Social Welfare has formulated an action plan. In order to improve the living condition of the adolescent girls, the following activities are to be taken up.

1. Improved nutritional and health status of girls (11-18 years)
2. Stimulate desire for social exposure and knowledge to improve their decision-making capabilities.
3. Train and equip adolescent girls to upgrade home based vocational skills.
4. Promote health hygienic, nutrition, family welfare, home management and childcare and to facilitate their marriage only after they attain the age of 18 years.
5. To enable to gain better understanding of their environment related social issues and impact of their lives.

An amount of Rs.584 lakh is provided as Additional Central Assistance (ACA) for the continuance of the scheme for the year 2008-09. The scheme is proposed to be implemented through Anganwadies with the active involvement of Local self-government Institutions.

26. National Social Assistance Program (NSAP) (ACA)

(Outlay Rs. 9720.00 Lakh)

The National Policy for Social Assistance provides benefits to poor households in the case of old age, death of primary breadwinner and maternity. The programme has

three components viz. National Old Age Pension Scheme, National Family Benefit Scheme and National Maternity Benefit Scheme. These programs are to be implemented through local bodies. An amount of Rs.9720 lakh is provided for the year 2008-09.

10.14 CHILD DEVELOPMENT

1. State Plan of Action for the Child in Kerala

(Outlay Rs.10 Lakh)

Kerala has been a role model for many achievements as per development indicators, but there are areas still we have to reach out. In the case of children, the issues are in multiple forms such as problems in child health, mental health, healthcare services, nutrition, pre-school education, physical environment, disabilities, adolescents, children in need of special care, juvenile justice, prevention of HIV, school drop-outs, child abuse, child labour, child trafficking, street children, children in difficult circumstances etc. A detailed strategy to cover all these issue is called for. All agencies, line departments, stakeholders in the State are to be made enlightened with the Action Plan. To implement the above programme, a detailed project report should be got approved from Government with specific tasks for which an amount of Rs.10 lakhs is provided for the year 2008-09.

2. Integrated Child Protection Programme

(Outlay Rs.10 Lakh)

In order to reach out to all children, in particular to those in difficult circumstances, it is proposed to combine the existing child protection schemes under one comprehensive child protection programme and integrate intervention for protecting children and preventing harm. The target groups includes: child in need of care and protection as defined under J.J.Act2000, child in conflict with law, vulnerable child including child from at risk families, migrant families families in extreme poverty, children affected by HIV/AIDS, orphans, child drug abusers, child beggars, sexually exploited children, children of prisoners, street and working children, etc. To implement the above programme, a detailed project report should be got approved from Government with specific tasks for which an amount of Rs.10 lakhs is provided for the year 2008-09.

3.Cancer Suraksha Fund for Child Patients

(Outlay Rs.150 Lakh)

The medical experts reveal that in case of children, if the cancer disease is detected in the initial phase, it can be cured in most of the cases. It gives hopes for the parents, relatives and society. Since the treatment is not affordable to the BPL families they fail to give effective treatment at the initial period. Hence, Social Welfare Department should strengthen the Cancer Suraksha Fund for the child patients of Cancer by giving financial assistance to the RCC/ Government Medical Colleges up to Rs.50000/- on the basis of medical certificate for the eligible families whose annual income should be below Rs.60,000/-. The department may introduce suitable changes in the scheme so that more resources can be attracted and mobilize from philanthropists and larger number of child beneficiaries covered. The amount accrued through Government

fund and/or sale of stamps/philanthropists may provide as Corpus Fund and the amount received as interest in a year would be distributed through a committee. A provision of Rs. 150 lakhs is given for the year 2008-09.

GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT

4. Flagship Programme on Gender Awareness (One time ACA Rs.200 lakh)

(Outlay Rs: 425.00 Lakh)

Despite near total literacy, little effort has been made to direct literacy towards building up a gender sensitive social environment challenging the survival of feudal-patriarchal attitudes and institutions which perpetuate violence against women in the state. A sustained campaign, sensitizing the household and the public domain while at the same time creating awareness in ways that would enable young girls and women to use the provisions of the law to defend themselves against acts of violence and seek remedial measures, is urgently required given the rising incidence of domestic violence, sexual harassment and dowry demands. This programme aims at overcoming gender-based discrimination through several measures whose collective impact should be significant. To implement the programme Rs.425 lakhs is provided for 2008-09. Out of this, Rs.225 lakhs is derived from State Plan and Rs.200 lakhs as one time Additional Central Assistance. Additional Central Assistance is given to meet new innovative components in addition to the ongoing schemes such as to give more emphasis to (a) awareness creation regarding HIV/AIDS women, physically handicapped persons, women prisoners, widows in particular war widows who face social discrimination and (b) for their rehabilitation. An attempt would be made to get the support of local bodies for carrying out the gender sensitization programme. Of the total outlay, the amount earmarked for Social Welfare Department is Rs.225 lakhs, Kerala State Women Development Corporation-Rs. 50 lakhs, Kerala Women's Commission -80 lakhs, Women Cell in the Police Department-Rs.20 lakhs, and Kudumbasree-Rs.50 lakhs.

5. Flagship Program on Finishing School for Women

(Outlay Rs. 200.00 Lakh)

The unemployment rate among the youth in Kerala is exceedingly high and this is particularly true among young females. It was 45.8 per cent in rural areas (as against 32.3 per cent for young males) and 50.4 per cent in urban areas (as against 26.6 per cent for young males). There are 3,987,035 registered job seekers as on September 2006, on the Live Register of Employment Exchanges in Kerala; 58 per cent are females. Kerala appears to be caught up in a "high literacy-low skill" trap. A number of women job seekers are forced to take up employment in vocations with very low skills in the service sector. These jobs are extremely low paid, insecure, unstable, informal sector jobs and account for the large, bloated service sector in Kerala. In this context, this flagship program on finishing schools proposes to equip women job seekers to upgrade their skills through additional training so as to make them "employable". For this purpose, the services of a number of institutions like ITIs, Engineering Colleges, IITs, public and

private industries etc would be used. The Social Welfare Department and the Kerala State Women Development Corporation would co-ordinate in implementing the Programme to enhance the employment prospects of women job seekers. To implement the programme an outlay of Rs.200 lakhs is provided for the Annual Plan 2008-09. In this total outlay, the amount earmarked for Social Welfare Department is Rs.70 lakhs and Kerala State Women Development Corporation is Rs.130 lakhs.

NEW SCHEME

1. Grant-in-Aid for LSG/NGO's for Starting of Old Age Homes/Day Care Centres

(Outlay Rs.30.00 Lakh)

State Government has introduced the State's Old Age Policy. Accordingly it is proposed to support Local Self Governments and N.G.O.'s for starting Old Age Homes/Day Care Centres by providing Rs.2 lakhs for each institutions for meeting the administrative expenses. In this, the running of the home will be entrusted to Kudumbashree/NGO's and LSG will provide infrastructure and maintenance. An amount of Rs.30 lakhs is earmarked for the Annual Plan 2008-09.

2. Construction of ramp etc in Old Age Homes/Common Places/Other Institutions (One time ACA)

(Outlay: Rs.300.00 lakh)

The Old Age People and Persons with Disabilities in Kerala are in distress for several reasons due to lack of advanced facilities and modernisation of institutions, addressing their handicap problems. To render greater facilities for their security protection and the following infrastructural and other requirements are necessitated.

- i) Construction of ramps/slops etc for disabled-friendly in the old age homes/institutions for disabled.
- ii) Construction of ramps/slops etc in tourist locations through KTDC.
- iii) Disabled friendly constructions in the institutions owned by the Kerala State Handicapped Persons Welfare Corporation.
- iv) Periodical replacing of modernised Aids and Appliances to the inhabitants in old age homes/institutions for disabled.
- v) Disabled-friendly constructions, facilities etc. in common places, institutions etc.

To meet the overall requirements, an amount of Rs.300 lakhs is provided as one time Additional Central Assistance during the year 2008-09.

NUTRITION

1.State Nutrition Bureau

(Outlay Rs 5.00 Lakh)

State Nutrition Bureau proposes to conduct nutrition awareness programme, training programme, cooking demonstrations, printing and distribution of IEC materials, suggesting modifications of the diet schedules in Government Institutions on demand. The provided outlay for 2008-09 is Rs. 5 lakhs.

2.Nutrition Research Center

(Outlay Rs 5.00 Lakh)

Nutrition Research Center is doing research in the area of nutritional aspects of Kerala, including the nutrition research studies and nutrition surveys. It is proposed to conduct nutritional surveys, surveys on hemoglobin status, dietary pattern, Vitamin A deficiency, hypertension, diabetes, heart diseases etc. The outlay provided for 2008-09 is Rs.5 lakhs.

10.15 GENDER ISSUES IN DEVELOPMENT

Introduction

Developmental programmes impact the well being of men and women in a different way because of the difference in the roles they perform and positions they occupy in the society. The approach of the eleventh plan has been to recognize this aspect while formulating sectoral programmes/projects in the ensuing Annual Plans. The plan programmes will have to particularly focus on addressing the core gender concerns of contemporary Kerala like violence against women, particularly domestic violence, women's work and employment and the specific health concerns of women and girls. Violence in all its manifestations confronted by all sections of women- the less literate and educated-- put them in constrained life situations conditioned by patriarchal values; these women are often victimized both domestically and at the work place. This is evident from statistics and the reported number of cases of the SCRB, before the Protection Officers, Women's Commission and the Women's Cell in the Police Department. Therefore it is essential to rehaul and sensitize the system towards enabling protective legislation. Therefore public awareness programme, strengthening of protective legislative measures, gender sensitization programmes for Police force, Judiciary, Probation Officers etc are the essential programmes to be adopted this year.

The problem of unemployment is severe for women especially those with Secondary Education and Degree who are mostly unemployed and many of them remain as house wives. Skill acquisition may enable some of these women in seeking a job or starting an enterprise; the programme on "finishing schools" honing the skills of women is also expected to be strengthened further.

Specific measures are also to be adopted for addressing the newer/neglected health issues like maternal mortality, occupational health, violence as a public health issue, mental ill-health, and health problems related to aging. Indirect estimates of

maternal mortality for the state have always pegged at figures above 100 per lakh (150 according to latest estimates) which is extremely high in comparison to other health indicators in the State. The figures look graver in the light of the near complete institutional deliveries in the State. One of the evidences pointed out in many studies has been that most of the deaths occur due to postpartum hemorrhage and they occur in transit or delayed entry at the referral centres. This reflects the weaknesses in handling emergency obstetric services at the first referral units and it is intended to upgrade the facilities with provision of specialists in the CHCs.

Occupational health hazards resulting from long hours of work in inconvenient working circumstances and irregular meals is the other area of health concern which could be prevented by improving conditions in the work place and providing support facilities like toilets and crèches cum day care centres (among others) at the workplace. Violence against Women resulting in internal/ external injuries including mental illness has now created awareness regarding the need to recognize it as a health issue and a risk factor for women. Therefore to begin with sensitization of health care, staff could be initiated in selected CHCs in rural areas and District hospitals in urban areas.

A sustained and integrated campaign sensitizing the household and the public on Gender, Domestic Violence, Harassment, dowry, on existing legal provision for women's defence and strengthening the provisions of law to defend against acts of violence and seeking remedial measures will continue to be the priority of this year's Plan. Training and employment programmes for women to bring about quality upgradation of products they produce and skills they acquire, enabling them to achieve a better source of income will reduce their vulnerability. This will continue as a major programme this year.

This awareness cum empowerment programme supplemented with the confidence gained through participation in local governance, Kudumbashree, SH Group activities etc will help achieve the objective of Gender justice.

The programme will draw in all the government agencies like the Social Welfare Department, KSWDC, Kudumbashree, Panchayats and Jagrata Samithis, Kerala Women's Commission, State Women's Cell, for creating an enabling environment where women get a dignified and fair treatment in the homes and the public sphere.

The focus in the year 2008-09 will continue to be on strengthening the provisions for implementing the D.V. Act 2005 for the protection of women. Gender sensitization programme for Police force, Judiciary, Probation Officers and other agencies linked to violence and other forms of Gender discrimination will also be carried out this year. Telecasting of awareness programme is expected to gather momentum this year. Plan allocation for the above purposes is Rs. 225 lakh.

Allocation of Rs. 200 lakh has also been made for equipping women with employable skills in order to enhance their economic position.

The breakup of the outlay earmarked to the Departments/Organizations and the activities proposed has been described in the Flagship programme on Gender Awareness and Finishing School for Women incorporated in the chapter on Social Security and Welfare.